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# The Trestle Board

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# Annual Installation & Election of Officers



#### November 1, 2022

The election of officers for Scioto Lodge #6 was held at its Annual Meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 with the installation of Officers on Friday November 4, 2022. The following Brothers were elected. Worshipful Brother Michael Ash, served as the Installing Officer, Worshipful, Brother William Bennett as Installing Secretary.

Worshipful Brother Michael Hines as Installing Chaplain and Worshipful Brother Harold Ramsey as Installing Marshall.

Worshipful Master:	Eugene Leonard. Hardman
Senior Warden: Junior Warden: Treasurer	Terrell Anthony Farrow Michael Craig Smallwood Ryan William Adams
Secretary:	David V. Medert PM
Senior Deacon: Junior Deacon: Tyler: <b>Appointments:</b>	Bryan Matthew Fields Nicholas Jeffrey White Joseph A. Clarke
Harold C. Ramsey, Jr.: Michael A. Ash:	Lodge Education Officer Chaplain

Pictured are Eugene Hardman being installed as Worshipful Master, DC Palmer as Junior Stewart, Joe Clarke as Tyler, Ryan Adams as Treasurer, Bryan Fields as Senior Deacon and Terrell Fairrow as Senior Warden. Those not present were Michael Smallwood as Junior Warden, and Nicholas White as Junior Deacon. Those serving in appointed positions include WB William Bennett and WB James Schafer assuming the role of Secretary, WB Harold Ramsey as Lodge Education Officer, and WB Michael Ash as Chaplain.

# February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	<b>2</b> lonic Lodge # 6 stated meeting 7:30 pm	3 Grand Masters Reception Grace United Methodist Church, Waverly	4
5	6	7 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm	8 Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	9	10	11
12	13	14 Chillicothe Chapter # 4 stated meeting 7:30 pm Chillicothe Council # 4 stated meeting 7:30 pm	15	16 Scioto Lodge # 6 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm Ionic Lodge # 6 stated meeting 7:30 pm	17	18
19	20	21 Chillicothe Commandery Special Mtg 7 pm for the Order of the Temple	22 Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	23	24	25
26	27	28 Chillicothe Commandery #8 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm and Practice for Inspection	2			

# March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	<b>2</b> lonic Lodge # 6 stated meeting 7:30pm	3	4
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26	27	28 Chillicothe Commandery #8 Stated Meeting 7:30 pm and Practice for Inspection	29 <b>3</b>	30	31	1 Chillicothe Commandery #8 Inspection Lunch @ 12:00

# Senior Awards Scioto Lodge #6

The Worshipful Master, Worshipful Brother Eugene Hardman has announced the presentation of Senior Awards For Thursday, February 16, 2023. If you are unable to attend please contact the Office of the Secretary to arrange for mailing.

The telephone number at the Lodge is 740-774-6485

## 65 Year Awards

Brother Charles Knowles

**60 Year Awards** Brother Jack L. Calain Brother Paul J. Barnett Brother William J. Blankinship Brother Walter E. Hitch Brother Keith E. Jacobs Brother Donald F. Morris Brother Cleo R. Walkup Brother Larry P. Wills

50 Year Awards

## Calling all Sir Knights to attention!

The annual inspection for Chillicothe Commandery #8 will be held on April 1st beginning at 12 noon. We will start with lunch and the Order of the Temple will begin promptly at 1:00 pm. We will take a short break and immediately proceed with the Full Form Opening. Of course we need as many Sir Knights from our Commandery to attend to help form the lines for inspection and review. Bring your lady as they too will have an enjoyable afternoon socializing with other ladies from commanderies around our district.

Practice dates will be determined at our stated meeting and announced via the phone tree to keep everyone apprised of the date and time. We currently have scheduled practices for Tuesday February 21st and Tuesday March 21st at 6:00 pm.

#### Seventh Masonic District 2023 Inspection and Events Schedule

Lodge and No.	Location	Date	Time	Degree	Worshipful Master	DDGM	DEO	Stated Mtg.
Scioto 6	Chillicothe	1/6/23	7:00pm	EA	Gene Hardman	Allman	Knight	1st Tue. & 3rd Thu.
Rome 535	Stout	1/7/23	5:00pm	MM	Jonathan Collins	Sheeley	Moore	1st Sat.
Orient 321	Waverly	1/13/23	7:00pm	FC	Brian Workman	Sheeley	Knight	1st & 3rd Thu.
Lucasville 465	Lucasville	1/14/23	12:00pm	EA	Brandon Harbolt	Sheeley	Knight	3rd Thu.
Nauvoo 769	W. Portsmouth	1/14/23	5:00pm	MM	Jerry Russell Jr.	Sheeley	Knight	3rd Mon.
Highland 38	Hillsboro	1/20/23	7:00pm	FC	Jeff McLaughlin	Allman	Knight	1st Thu.
Aurora 48	Portsmouth	1/21/23	5:00pm	MM	Fredrick Scott Adams	Sheeley	Knight	1st Mon.
Leesburg 78	Leesburg	1/27/23	7:00pm	EA	John Gillespie	Allman	Moore	Mon. Week of Full Moon
Western Sun 91	Wheelersburg	2/4/23	5:00pm	MM	Eric Castle	Sheeley	Knight	Tue. Week of Full Moon
Manchester 317	Manchester	2/11/23	10:00am	FC	Andrew Steadman Jr.	Sheeley	Moore	2nd Tue.
West Union 43	West Union	2/11/23	1:00pm	MM	Jonathan Copas	Allman	Moore	2nd Mon.
Winchester 236	Seaman	2/11/23	5:00pm	EA	Roy Watson	Sheeley	Moore	2nd Mon.
Lynchburg 178	Lynchburg	2/17/23	7:00pm	EA	Steve Bailey	Allman	Knight	1st Wed.
Logan Elm 624	Kingston	2/18/23	5:00pm	EA	Troy West	Allman	Moore	2nd Thu.
Bainbridge 196	Bainbridge	2/24/23	7:00pm	EA	Colt Lytle	Allman	Moore	2nd Tue.
Frankfort 309	Frankfort	2/25/23	5:00pm	MM	Tony Boetcher	Allman	Moore	1st Mon.
ALL INSPECTION MEALS BEGIN 45 MINUTES PRIOR TO TIMES LISTED ABOVE								
Event		Location				Date	Time	
District Meeting	ting Nauvoo Lodge in West Portsmouth				th	1/14/23	3:15pm	
Grand Master's Reception Grace United Methodist Church in Waverly			n Waverly	2/3/23	3 7:00pm	Doors open at 6:00pm		
District Meeting					5/20/23	9:00am	Breakfast at 8:00am	

Worshipful Master, Gene Hardman, would like to invite all available brethren to travel with the officers of Scioto Lodge #6 to neighboring lodge inspections through the month of February. Members meet at Scioto Lodge and carpool to the inspection to save fuel and for comradery. Come join the fun!

Any Brother who is traveling and would like a travel badge, please contact our Acting Secretary, Worshipful Brother James Fritz Schafer at 513-325-2809.

#### Chillicothe Commandery #8 50 and 60 Year Service Awards

Orient Lodge in Waverly

Orient Lodge in Waverly

Congratulations to the following Sir Knights on their many years of service to the Commandery.

#### 60 Year Awards

**District Meeting** 

Past Master's Convocation

#### SK Edward Walter Gallaher SK William Lloyd Landman SK Homer E. Notestone

#### <u>50 Year Awards</u>

SK Samuel D. Ackley SK William J. Blankenship SK Gerald Edward Doughty SK Harry Arthur Rider These Sir Knights will be contacted by the Recorder to make arrangements for presentation of these awards. Congratulations!

Breakfast at 8:00am

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9/16/23 9:00am

12/2/23 9:00am

# Scioto Lodge #6 Mans the Kettle Drive

### Scioto Lodge Members Man Kettle Drive.

Scioto Lodge #6 was instrumental in the assistance of the Salvation Army Kettle Drive this Christmas Holiday season. Thanks largely in part to WB Michael Hines who organized the event each week to where masonic members would man the kettle for donations on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at various locations. Regular participants included WB Michael Hines, WM Gene and Lady Treva Hardman, WB Harold Ramsey, WB Steven Grant, DC Palmer, Joe Clark, Mark Aldridge, Frank Penwell Sr., Teresa Posey and others I'm sure I'm missing. Pictured are (left to right) Lieutenant Travis Payne of the Salvation Army, Bryan Fields, owner of the Antique Emporium and Worshipful Master Eugene Hardman.



#### All Members of Scioto Lodge #6

We are in need of Craft Team Members for the upcoming Master Mason Degrees we will be putting on in the up coming months. Anyone interested in participating it would be greatly appreciated. There are both speaking and non speaking roles that are in need of being filled. Please contact D.C. Palmer at 614-946-6716 to enroll and asked about scheduled practice dates and times.



RWB David V.; Medert

Born August 3, 1952

E,A, Degree received on February 27, 1998 F.C. Degree received on March 13, 1998 M.M. Degree received on March 19, 1988

He was a proud Mason, Veteran of the Navy, Secretary of Scioto Lodge #6 and three times a Past Master. Prelate and Past and present Commander of the Chillicothe Commandery, Past Excellent High Priest of Chapter and Past Illustrious Master of Council. He was a Knight of the York Cross of Honor and Past District Deputy of the 7th Masonic District. He laid to rest his working tools November 4, 2022. Rest in Peace my friend!

### **Gavel Presentation**

Unless you are reading this article from afar, I'm sure everyone is aware of the unexpected passing of our RWB David V. Medert. While many of you saw his great works in Blue Lodge and the York Rite Bodies, you may not have been aware of his master craftsmanship when it came to wood working. Medert had taken a personal interest in the masonic instruction of our then upcoming WM Eugene Hardman. They spent many hours together at the Lodge going over the new year's Masonic schedule, degree work, budgeting, proper floor work and planning for the newly elected officers.

RWB Medert wanted to design, craft, and present a gavel to WM Hardman at his installation but was not able to do so due to his untimely death. WB Ash was given this honor and privilege at the next stated meeting where he asked all the Past Masters present to join him East of the Alter to show the support that would be extended to the newly elected Worshipful Master.



In the center of the picture is WM Eugene Hardman holding the gavel and WB Ash holding the display case that RWB Medert hand made to display it. Take special notice of the beautifully engraved square and compass that adorned the lid of the box. Other Past Masters, from left to right, included WB Kyle Henderson, WB William Bennett, WB Steven Grant, WB Michael Hines, WB Harold Ramsey, and WB Thomas Castor.

## **Temple Improvements - New Doors Installed**

Your Masonic Temple Associate has been hard at work this past year on many projects updating the Masonic Lodge to keep it in working order. This is often quite a challenge with a building that is 120 years old. To bring our building up to fire code, it was necessary to add another emergency exit to the retail space currently known as House of Masks. This would have been a much easier process if the walls of the Lodge were not 4 bricks thick!



We also had an old door at the back of the lobby that needed to be replaced for security and weather proofing reasons and will allow much easier access for the handicapped. The picture shows the workers cutting open the wall for the new door as well as the finished project of both doors.

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Again, thanks to all of you for y	/our help in simplifyin	g these issues to maintain contact.