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Grand Master's Class

Saturday, September 12, 2020

Chillicothe Masonic Temple will be the site of a 2020 Grand Master's class. A continental breakfast at 8:00 am will be served during registration in the small dining room.

At 9:00 am—Scioto Lodge #6 and Frankfort Lodge #309 will convene for the conferral of the three Degrees of Masonry. Scioto Lodge #6 will confer the Entered Apprentice Degree Worshipful Brother Thomas R. Castor presiding. Frankfort Lodge #309 will confer the Fellow Craft Degree, with Worshipful Brother Virgil Flannery presiding. The Master Mason Degree will be conferred after a lunch break with Brother James Fritz Schafer, presiding over both sections. Worshipful Brother Thomas R. Castor will sit in the West for the first and second sections. Brother Darrell Palmer will direct the Craft Team. Participants in the class need to be in place at 8:55 am. Right Worshipful Brother David V. Medert will serve as the moderator for the class.

Ladies & Widows Night Banquet

Due the COVID-19 Pandemic and for respectful concern of those attending the 2020 Ladies & Widows Night Banquet generally held on the third Friday in September has been canceled by the Worshipful Master, Worshipful Brother Thomas R. Castor.

This move is meant to err on the side of caution. As you may note there has been a great number of cancellations due to Covid-19. Everything from our Ross County Fair to worship services around the community. It is not unprecedented in the history of America but it is a life-altering event in our lives.

To our Widows: The Officers and Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6 Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio and the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies hope you are getting along well during this difficult time. Please contact the Office of the Secretary/Recorder at 740-774-3485 if we can be of assistance.

SEPTEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	2	3 Ionic Lodge #6 Stated MTG. PHL 7:30 pm	4	5
6	7	8 Chillicothe Chapter #4 7:30 pm Chillicothe Council #4 7:30 pm	9 Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	10	11	12 Grand Master's Class—Scioto Lodge #6 / Frankfort Lodge #309 (see front page)
13	14	15	16	17 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	18	19 Seventh Masonic District Mtg. Lucasville 8.:00 am
20	21	22 Chillicothe Commandery #8 Stated Convocation	23 Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	24 Ross County Shrine Club	25	26
27	28	29	30			

OCTOBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Ionic Lodge #6 Stated MTG. PHL 7:30 pm	2	3
4	5	6 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Chillicothe Chapter #4 7:30 pm Chillicothe Council #4	14 Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	15 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Chillicothe Commandery #8 Stated Convocation	28 Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	29	30	31

Seventh Masonic District Association Meeting

Worshipful Brother Edward Moore, President of the Seventh Masonic District Association, announces the district meeting Saturday, September 19, 2020 at Lucasville Lodge #465. Refreshments will be served at 8:00 am with the meeting at 9:00 am.

Election of officers for 2021 will be held. Presently serving are Worshipful Brother Edward P. Moore, President; Worshipful Brother William Denton First Vice President; Worshipful Brother Kenneth J. Horsley Second Vice President; Worshipful Brother Jason W. Throckmorton, Secretary/Treasurer. Right Worshipful Brother R. Joseph Shilling is serving as Chaplain.

Currently Worshipful Brother William Bennett is serving the Seventh Masonic District in the capacity of VA Representative. The tenure of the Representative is at the discretion of the duly elected President of the Association and the administrative staff.

Worshipful Brother Bennett announced a program for Vets at the June 20th meeting of the district. The program he is proposing for 2021 is named, "**Help the VETS 20**". Worshipful Brother Bennett discussed the 2021 project with Heather Murphy, Volunteer Director at the Chillicothe Veterans' Administration. Her suggestion is to provide Vets with such items as:

- Lounge Pants with matching T-Shirt
- Ball Caps
- Toboggans
- Sweat pants and Sweat Shirts

Worshipful Brother Bennett writes:

Items can be purchased and dropped off at the Chillicothe Masonic Temple 3rd Floor. As VA Representative I am seeking participation from all Sixteen Lodges to contribute at least \$100.00 or donated items of an equal amount.

All checks from participating lodges should be payable to the Seventh Masonic District Association, in the MEMO line denote "**Help the VETS 21**". If items are purchased and donated, send your receipt to Worshipful Brother Jason W. Throckmorton, Secretary/Treasurer for accreditation. To record the project activity and lodge participation. Please send your contribution early.

*Thank you,
William Bennett*

In a letter dated July 24, 2020 Most Worshipful Brother Keith W. Newton has announced the Annual Communication will be held in a telecommunication environment under the Grand Lodge of Ohio Plan One. This plan limits attendees to 300 people and by invitation only. This Grand Lodge of Ohio Session is guaranteed to be different than any in our history, The Grand Master impressed the importance of the safety and well being of our membership, Everyone is encouraged to adapt as required while meeting our obligations while promoting the fraternity,

Past Master Convocation

Orient Lodge #321 will again host the 2020 Past Master Convocation Saturday, December 2, 2020 beginning with breakfast at 8:00 am with work beginning at 9:00 am. The Worshipful Masters' elect must appear at this meeting before they can be installed as the Worshipful Master.

Plastic Membership Cards

No replacement dues cards will be supplied when you pay your 2021 dues for Scioto Lodge #6.

In his Grand Secretary's Newsletter, Most Worshipful Brother C. Michael Watson, Past Grand Master has advised all Secretaries we would not be receiving a box of 2021 dues cards. He did share that this card would be used for at least one more year.

DO NOT discard the plastic dues card you possess.

It can be replaced by request if your card become damaged or lost. To request a replacement card email Scioto Lodge #6 at cmb@chillicothemasons.org be sure to include all your contact information.

Thank you

William Bennett, Secretary

Registering to use Grand View Portal

All Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6 may register on Grand View and open an account in an effort to keep your information up-to-date. All that is needed is a connection to the internet and your dues card in hand.

Go to freemasons.com and click on "**Members**" in the upper right hand corner. Then click on "**Member Registration**". Input the information from your dues card (omitting the letter "**M**" and click "**Register**". Finally enter your email address and your password.

Despite the many cancellations of events in Ross County, Scioto Lodge #6 and its Plan of Action and Milestone Committee committed funds to the Ross County Junior Fair Board, Chillicothe Little League, Scioto Valley Flag Football and Simon Kenton Council of Boy Scouts which were sent to the respective organizations.

Funds were contributed to High School and Law enforcement Anti-drug Programs totaling \$2,900.00. Additionally the committee participated in funding the "**Help A VET21**" project—a Seventh Masonic District Association program to provide items to help our Vets at the Veterans' Administration Hospital

Paying Dues Electronically

Check out our Website for information on alternative dues payment options—Beginning in October you will have the option to pay your dues to Scioto Lodge #6 and the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies via Pay Pal. If you wish to pay your dues by check or money order continue to do so. The Pay Pal option will cost an extra \$3.00 which represents a user fee so you need to pay \$43.00 for Blue Lodge.

Payment of dues by this option will require Chillicothe York Rite members dues payment of \$89.00 payable to Chillicothe York Rite Bodies includes the user fee by Pay Pal. Please contact the Office of the Secretary/Recorder at 740-774-3485 if you have any questions.

William Bennett, Secretary Recorder

2020 Grand Master's Class in Chillicothe

There are several classes being held and due to COVID-19 smaller venues are hosting these classes to limit smaller gatherings. Here are the class schedules:

- Scioto Lodge #6 Saturday, September 12th
- Logan Elm Lodge #624 Saturday September 12
- Western Sun Lodge #91 Saturday, October 10th

Scioto Lodge #6 and Frankfort Lodge #309 joined in having the Grand Master's Class. Eight other classes were held in August.

Catholic Scouter Honored by Masons Brother William M. DeVilen Honored

William Monroe DeVelin, 61, an engineer at the Piketon Uranium Enrichment Plant, has been an adult Scouter for the past 16 years, serving as head of Cub Scout Pack 14 and Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 14 which served both St. Peter's and St. Mary's Catholic Churches in Chillicothe.

The Grand Lodge of Ohio and Scioto Lodge #6, Free & Accepted Masons have honored DeVelin with the Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award for Master Masons who have made a significant contribution to youth through Scouting. Daniel Carter Beard was one of the founders of the Boy Scouts of America.

The award was presented to DeVelin, Tuesday, Aug. 4th at the Masonic Temple by Keith Newton, Grand Master of all Ohio Masons..

During his time as Scoutmaster, 13 youngsters attained the rank of Eagle Scout, including his son, Tom DeVelin, who entered the Ohio National Guard during his junior summer at Waverly High School, and who later served a year in Afghanistan when his anti-missile unit was deployed there.

His daughter, Katie (Mrs. Ross Runyon) is a registered nurse in the oncology department at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus.

Bill now serves as a District Committeeman and Commissioner for the Chief Logan District of the Simon Kenton Council. Bill organized a religious retreat for Catholic Scouts in 2017 resulting in two of the scouts receiving the Ad Altare Dei Award. Last winter, he organized a first-aid meet for 50 scouts at the Ohio University, Chillicothe, Field House. This was his 10th year running that program. He has also organized District swimming merit-badge clinics.

He became a member of Scioto Lodge #6, in 2016. Bill and his wife Toni have been married 37 years and live in the Lake White area near Piketon.



Up-to-date Contact Information Request by William Bennett Secretary Recorder

Name _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Please complete and mail to
William Bennett,
Secretary Recorder
57 East Main Street
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

Brethren, Companions and Sir Knights,

In an effort to maintain up-to-date contact information about members of the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies I would greatly appreciate it if you would take a moment and complete this form and mail it to me. Even if you do not have an email address the other information is important to keep the records in the Office of the Secretary/Recorder current. Each dues billing that is processed includes a Gold-enrod colored slip for your convenience. If your information has not changed—just write “No Changes” on the slip and return it to the me. I appreciate your assistance.

NOTE—THE INFORMATION IS PRIVATE AND IS HELD IN STRICT CONFIDENCE

Grandview Data Updates Requested

Contact information is required so that communication channels are open between you—THE MEMBER and the Office of the Secretary/Recorder. The following Brethren are requested to supply up-to-date contact information outlined on the form above. Last known address is listed when available.

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Road—Chillicothe |
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Masonic Volunteer Program

This program is sponsored by the Ohio Masonic Homes in Ohio as a resource center whose focus it is to bring assistance to Masons, Eastern Star members and their families. This **MVP** is in place in the Seventh Masonic District and the Liaison is Melissa Hirn-Pullian. She was working with the former I-CARE program.

The program was initiated in December of 2017 and is not in ten of Ohio's twenty-five Districts and has 240 volunteers actively providing assistance to Masons, their widows and Eastern Star members. Regardless if it is for information or assistance. Volunteers can be as active as they choose by making referrals, calling or visiting older members of the Lodge or their widows and alert the Liaisons to be proactive to various needs.

Areas in which Volunteers can assist include: Transportation to Lodge meetings and events; Transportation to church, appointment and shopping; yard work; clearing driveways and sidewalk of snow when needed, plant flowers or mulch flower beds; change light bulbs; empty trash, change smoke detectors batteries when needed. Installing screens or storm windows, equipment installation, handrails/grab bars. Run errands or clean gutters and/or drains.

Melissa Hirn-Pullian may be reached by calling 740-970-7903 or send an email to mhpulliam@ohiomasonichome.org.