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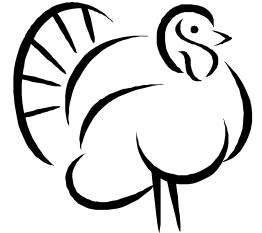
Xenia Lodge #49 F&AM

Stephen Hollen, W. M. (937) 320-0862

Eric Chaplain, Secretary 766-4891

Brethren,

PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THE TURKEY FRY, MAY 4th at 6:00. We will serve till 7:15 so you can join us for our May Stated Meeting! Last year we had a great group of brothers who came out to try fried turkey and all the fixin's.



We will be providing drinks and fried turkeys for all the brothers. Brethren are asked to bring side dishes and desserts to add to the evening's meal.

We currently have two candidates for the One Day Class on June 13th. The 8th District will host a class locally, since there has been a good deal of interest, the location is still to be announced. This is a good opportunity for those who might not have been able to complete their degrees. We will provide more details as they become available. Call me if you would like to know more.

Our June meeting will again coincide with the Blood Drive, so refreshments will be after our meeting. If you have opportunity, take time to give blood and help others who need that gift of life so much. If you would like to provide refreshments, please call me!

Last of all, mark your calendar now and plan to attend the 4th of July Raising. We meet early, have breakfast and degree work. It is a great Masonic Tradition at Xenia 49.

.As I mentioned last month, let us know when you become aware of brothers who are sick or in need! You are the one who makes Masonry work.

Stephen Hollen,  
Worshipful Master  
Phone: 937-371-4071

### Trestleboard:

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SPECIAL NOTICE SPECIAL NOTICE SPECIAL NOTICE

Xenia Lodge 49 will be implementing a program whereby the Greene Torch will be automatically e-mailed to all current recipients of the Greene Torch who have a e-mail address. PLEASE FORWARD A TEST E-MAIL TO [CURTIS-PARSONS@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:CURTIS-PARSONS@SBCGLOBAL.NET) to get your name and e-mail address entered into the new system.



**Aldora Chapter No. 262 O.E.S., Sharon Baxter, Worthy Matron, (937) 372-0117  
David Michalk, Worthy Patron Joan Baxter, Secretary, (937) 372-8644**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers,

The weather should be more spring-like now and we hope you've received a nice, large income tax refund. We met April 14 and were reminded that the Post Office only accepts returns until 8:00 now. We had our Inspection on April 28 and thank everybody for their hard work. I'm sure our candidates were very impressed. Our Deputy, Nancy Robinson, got to hold her traveling award (a beautiful beach bag) which will be opened at the last Inspection. She only got to hold it a few seconds before returning it to the Worthy Matron who will pass it on to the Worthy Matron having the next Inspection.

The story for the evening was a reading of one person's view of "The Legend of the Dogwood" with a branch of dogwood decorating the East. The Patron related later that he has an allergy to dogwood, but was reassured that the one in front of him all evening was artificial.

We received a request from the Chairman of Arrangements to assist with an audio visual system for Grand Chapter. This system entails a large screen to be able to see things very nicely. The Chapter voted to send a donation for this worthwhile project.

We had two "surprise" honorees escorted to the West by our Conductress. Toni Michalk, Kitchen Chairman and Barb Slusser, Dining Room Chairman, were thanked and presented with a small token of appreciation for these large jobs. They were both quick to mention that it takes many hands to do these dinners. When asked by the Worthy Matron how many people had ever helped with a dinner, almost every hand in the room went up. Thanks to all who were not in attendance, but have helped in any way.

The Worthy Patron was presented a Robert Morris award and a bar for it. This is an award from Grand Chapter for people who have signed petitions. Points are awarded for each petition which has been signed. The easiest way to receive the award is to be the first line signer on three petitions!

The Grand Chaplain has asked the Chaplain of each Chapter to talk about the ESTARL (Eastern Star Training Award for Religious Leadership) award. Aldora has sponsored several students for this award over the years. The scholarship includes those who are studying to be Ministers as well as Ministers of Music, etc.. Our sunshine collection went toward this project.

Grand Electa (Pam Moore) has asked each Electa to have the Chapter members bring coloring books, crayons, books for

reading, CD's and DVD's (which are appropriate for children) which will be donated to the pediatrics units of area hospitals. Many of these rooms have DVD players and some children have their own CD players. Please see that Toni Michalk has many things to donate to these children to keep them amused and help pass the time for procedures, etc.

Please remember items for the Greene County Fish pantries and used cell phones for battered women which will be programmed only for 911.

Our Charter was draped in loving memory of Ken Denger. Our prayers are with his family and friends.

We hope that our members are healing quickly and can be back with us soon. We miss you! Prayers go to those who are dealing with illnesses and their caregivers.

It was suggested that the Chapter not hold a second meeting in May (the WM listed the date incorrectly in the last Greene Torch). After discussion, we will have only our Stated Meeting. We will present 25, 50 and 60 year pins and have our last required Initiation.

We'll be serving breakfast for the 44 Club at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 23. We're grateful for all they continue to do for our District. Another meal will be a large dinner on June 27 at 6:30 for Chapter's Installation. Please see Barbara Slusser if you'd like to volunteer or call her at (937) 864-2617. She's also in charge of selling cheese, which is a District Association project.

Keep Sunday, June 14, open on your calendar as this will be our Family Fun Night. All are invited to our indoor picnic, complete with entertainment. Dinner begins at 5:00. Feel free to wear your jeans to this fun event. We will be honoring our Past Matrons and Patrons that evening. You don't need to bring anything except yourselves, your family and friends.

Blessings to each and every one of you!

Sharon Baxter, Worthy Matron  
David Michalk, Worthy Patron

**Tresle Board**

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- May 16 – WGM Inspection – 1:00 – at Westfall Elementary School
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- June 9 – Stated meeting – Annual meeting (Election, reports) – 7:30
- June 14 – Family Fun Night – Dinner at 5:00
- June 27 – Chapter Installation Dinner – 6:30
- June 28 – Annual Eastern Star Home Day at Mt. Vernon – New bus unveiled!

**Xenia Chapter #36, R.A.M.  
Bruce Gardner, High Priest,  
Roy K. Smith, Secretary 767-2071**

Greeting Companions

After our April Convocation, several Companions stayed; and, with the assistance of our DEO, EC Rick Grimes, completed the first section of Part 1 of the resource course. I would like to work on the second and third sections after our May meeting. EC Grimes has informed me that if we complete Part 1 of the resource course, he will donate one of his world famous stain glass table lamps to our Chapter.

Elections will be held at the June stated convocation on the 11th. There are still a number of officer's positions available. If anyone is interested in taking a station, please contact me. Installation of officer's will be held at the Third District's Joint Installation which will be held at Xenia Lodge on the 27th of June at 7:00PM. There will be a dinner prior to the meeting at 6:00PM. The cost is \$15.00 per member. The Joint Installation is Open, and wives and friends are not only invited, but encouraged to attend.

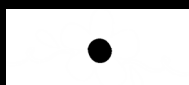
We have received several petitions for degrees. I have been in touch with Rabboni Chapter regarding a joint York Rite Festival this summer. I would like to hear from the companions who are willing to participate in this festival and a list of parts that you are willing to portray.

If you know a Brother who would like to continue his Masonic journey, please contact EC Roy Smith or myself.

Fraternally,  
Bruce Gardner  
High Priest  
Xenia Chapter #36

**Important Dates**

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- Joint Installation of Chapter Officers
- June 27, 2009 @ 7:00PM Dinner @ 6:00PM



Greeting Companions

The Royal Master Degree was performed on April 20, 2009 following our stated meeting. I would like to thank the candidates for their attendance. I would also like to thank the Companions who participated in the degree. The Select Master Degree is scheduled for May 18, 2009 following our stated meeting. I would like to schedule a practice on the Sunday before our stated meeting. Please join us as we perform these degrees.

At the stated May meeting (May 18, 2009) we will be holding elections for the officers for the coming year. Please plan to join us and meet the incoming officers and then enjoy the degree work.

We continue to solicit funds for Diabetic Kids Fund. Please plan to attend our meetings and take time to stick a couple of dollars in your pockets for the kids. Or, if you can't make the meetings, send a check to Wright Council. Remember, it's for the kids. I challenge each and everyone to make a donation to support this cause. Wright Council has always been a leader in money donated and it is time for Wright Council to regain our lead. I know that times are a little tough right now, but every dollar helps, so please give whatever you can.

**Important Dates**

Fraternally,  
Bruce Gardner  
Illustrious Master  
Wright Council #96

Select Master Practice - May 17, 2009 @ 2:00PM  
Stated Meeting - May 18, 2009 @ 7:30PM  
Stated Meeting - June 15, 2009 @ 7:30PM



Nathaniel Greene No. 81 K.T. Todd Rider, E.C. 937-260-7367  
Bruce Gardner, Recorder 304-8764

Dear Sir Knights,

Sir Knights, the year is almost over, just two more meetings. At our April meeting, all the Sir Knights had fun with Hicks with Sticks night. Should have been there! I hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter holiday, remember if you went to a sun rise service, bring in a program, if you got one--for credit. At our stated meeting in May, we will have move up/election night and will have a special guest speaker----Larry Fischer, to present his program. Hope you can all attend and support your new upcoming officers. There are several upcoming dates that I have put out. If anyone has any candidates that need their work, this will be a prime opportunity to get the degrees. If anyone is interested in marching in the drill team let us know. Its has been an enjoyable year, let's finish it out with a bang.

Fraternally,  
E.C. Todd Rider

**Trestle Board**

**May**

- May 6 Stated Conclave/Election
- May 9 Northwest York Rite Festival
- May 13 Red Cross Jerusalem #75, Eaton Temple 7:00 PM
- May 19 Malta Jerusalem, Eaton Temple 7:00 PM
- May 26 Order of the Temple, Not sure of location?
- Candidates 6:00 Order 6:30

**June**

- June 3 Stated Conclave and Officer Installation

**\* REMINDER: Any activity, other than regular (Stated) meetings, \*  
In the Xenia Masonic Center must be coordinated with Thelma Komar, 372-2927.**

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**Ralph H. McMillan Chapter, Order of DeMolay: 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 7:30 PM  
Xenia Rainbow Assembly #60, Internat'l Order of the Rainbow for Girls: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 7:30 PM**

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Cedarville Lodge Special FC-----Apr 30, 2009 at 7:00 pm.  
Cedarville Lodge Stated Meeting---- May 21, 2009 at 7:30 pm with  
pizza at 6:30 pm  
Xenia Masonic Center Board Meeting Tuesday May 19, 2009 at 7:00pm