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AND FIRST LADY SUSIE**





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# Message from The Supreme Tall Cedar



## Leslie G. Metcalf, Jr. PGTC No. 126

Greetings again!

I first want to acknowledge all those for the cards and calls I continue to receive from members of the Tall Cedars concerning my ongoing health issue. This year I planned on a lot more traveling than I have done.

Convention was a great success this year a couple bumps along the way which no one noticed except for the committees involved in its success. As you will see from pictures from the convention all that attended had a good time. My wife Susie and I would like to thank all that attended. Our children and grandchildren attended this past convention and enjoyed themselves. I even think the Board of Directors had more time to enjoy in the fellowship this year. The convention is for ALL TALL CEDARS throughout the Cedar Kingdom and without the support from you it would not be possible. I would like to encourage those that have not attended and those that have to set aside May 7-10, 2020 to enjoy the FUN, FROLIC AND FELLOWSHIP we all enjoy as a Tall Cedars. Show off your Forest pride in our annual parade at convention it seems the same Forests win every year. I think it's your Forest's turn in sharing the awards or dare I say bragging rites.

Business of the Supreme Forest is handled by the Supreme Scribe and Supreme Treasurer, in this year of "transition" they have learned to do their respective duties and continue to do so with a positive attitude and outlook. The Administrative Committee along with PSTC Feeser have found a new employee for the Supreme Forest office, Karen Wenrich is our new office secretary please be patient as she learns her job duties.

Midwinter Conference is coming up January 16-19, 2020. If you are or will be a Forest Officer you should make every attempt to attend.

As we continue to be members of "one of the best organizations to which you may belong" treat it that way. We should always carry a petition with us, especially to other Masonic functions. The only way for us to grow is through ourselves. Some of you may have heard me ask, "Have you replaced yourself?" I always get a confused look when I ask this question. If we would replace ourselves once a year we will grow, if we continue as the status quo well let's not go there. The growth and expansion of the Tall Cedars depends on all of us.

It takes more energy to be "positive" and stay positive. Being "negative" takes no energy. How much positive energy are you willing to exert?

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leslie G. Metcalf, Jr." The signature is written in black ink.

LESLIE G. METCALF, JR.

# Message from The First Lady



## FIRST LADY SUSIE METCALF

Where has the year gone? This year has not gone as Les and I have expected. I want to first thank everyone for the cards and phone calls Les received during his recent illness. He expected to do a lot more traveling but everyone understands the circumstances, Thank You.

I would like to thank Dick Feeser for all his work that made the Mid-Winter Conference a success and for calls to Les for his concern.

I would also like to thank Bud Willard for his hard work in making the Convention a success this year. He also frequently called Les to see how he was doing.

A thank you to the ladies from Annapolis Forest that has helped out during the past three years.

To Ryker Lyons our Goodwill Ambassador and his family for representing the Tall Cedars and being a model Ambassador for the Tall Cedars.

To the 2019 Committee for all their hard work and hours put in to make Mid-Winter and Convention a success. There was more for them to do as a committee this past year but we prevailed. We spent countless hours planning and preparing for those two events, we could not have done it without you.

A special thanks to Harris and Shyrl Asbeil, what a ride and I'm just not talking about the boat rides. Thank You for supporting and putting up with "Mr. Supreme".

A real double Thank You goes out to Al and Gerry Tynan. Les and I have kind of adopted them as our "Cedar Parents". Al filled in as a Father to Les these couple years and especially this year. I am still not sure who was aiding who.

Out of all the Masonic organizations that Les is involved in "we" get more out of the Tall Cedars than any other organization. The warmth I have received when visiting different Forests and the support each and every Tall Cedar has for MDA.

Sincerely,  
Susie Metcalf

# SENIOR DEPUTY SUPREME TALL CEDAR



## William W. Martz PGTC No. 95

Greetings Brothers and Fellow Sidonians,

Summer is winding down and fall will soon be upon us. I hope all had a chance to vacation and rest. Soon it will be time to return to labor. Let's be active this fall – find one thing to do to help out your Forest.

The Supreme Forest just held our annual Sportsman's Raffle. The attendance was good, the proceeds were better, and all in attendance seemed to have a great time. Many thanks to Millersburg Forest No. 125 and those Cedars from far and wide who helped to make it a successful and enjoyable day.

I am looking forward to joining with my fellow Cedars later this month in Deland, Florida for a "Sizzling Summer Ceremonial." I will enjoy visiting with some of my southern friends and having the opportunity to make new friends.

Congratulations to Baltimore Forest No. 45 upon their 100th Anniversary celebration. I understand that it was quite a night. I am looking forward to joining with Harrisburg Forest No. 43 as they celebrate their 100th Anniversary in October. In addition there are many upcoming Forest events to feast on good food, learn of the good works of your Forest, enjoy good programs, and share good will with your fellow Cedars – please join us!

As I continue my three year journey in the Supreme line I ask each of you to join me in relearning our "ABC's." I continue to challenge each of you to join me in focusing on the following points:

**A IS FOR ADVANCEMENT:** We all need to willingly work together to implement the administrative and financial changes needed to protect the viability of the Tall Cedars.

**B IS FOR BLESSINGS:** We are each blessed in various ways, so share those blessings with others – perform random acts of kindness. Exhibit your Masonic compassion by helping, aiding, and assisting your neighbors.

**C IS FOR CHARITY:** Let us remain focused on our charitable cause. The monies we raise for the Tall Cedars Foundation in support of the Muscular Dystrophy Association have helped fund many research grants. Over the last 60+ years this research has discovered the basic muscle and nerve biology factors contributing to neuromuscular diseases, identified some of the genetic causes, and is now beginning to develop experimental treatments.

In closing, it has been an honor and privilege to serve you as Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar. I am continuing my preparations for next year and I look forward to working with the returning and incoming Officers and Directors. Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar Eric Becker and Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar Joe Russell and I have committed to work together for the good of the organization in 2020 and subsequent years.

Best wishes to you and your families for the upcoming holiday season. May you have a Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas!



# JUNIOR DEPUTY SUPREME TALL CEDAR



J. Eric Becker  
PGTC No. 13

Cedars, Cedarettes and all friends of Tall Cedarism.

Greetings again. Summer is coming to a close, the leaves are falling and so are the temps. My year as Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar is also drawing to a close and I am looking forward to my next year as senior. I have been busy setting up my midwinter conference (thanks PSTC Dick Feeser) and my convention (thanks DAD). I enjoy traveling and have been known to go up to 3 hours one way from home during the week, and a little longer on weekends. Let me know if you have an event and I will try to be there! assessments. And they are due February 1 of 2020. There will be a scribes

training session at the next Midwinter.

## SUPREME SCRIBE



Robert T. Hahn  
PGTC No. 61

We had a great summer with all the Tall Cedar events and activities throughout the Cedar Kingdom. The Convention in Wildwood, the Gun Raffle in July, and the many District and Forest activities. Hopefully that you were able to attend some of these functions. We need more members to spread the word how much Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship we have and get more members Involved.

Congratulations to all the Officers for 2020 Give them your support for another excellent year.

We hired a new person at the Supreme forest office. Her name is Karen Wenriich and she will be there 5 days a week from 9:00 to 3:30. She comes to us with a lot of experience in running an office.

She has 15 years' experience as an office manager at a local church. Member of Eastern Star and involved with Rainbow for Girls for 35 years. Senior Grand Executive for Pennsylvania, Gown Director for Pennsylvania and Supreme Assembly, Past Grand Deputy of Rainbow Volunteers at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, Past Mother Advisor of Harrisburg Assembly #85, Past Advisory Board Member of Mechanicsburg Assembly #167.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jan for all her years of service to the Tall Cedars. She will be greatly missed. I would like to wish her the best of luck in her retirement.

As reminder to the forest scribes don't forget to send your updates in for your membership, dues cards are currently in the process of being printed. And don't forget to send in your dues and assessments. And they are due February 1 of 2020. There will be a scribes training session at the next midwinter.

# SUPREME CHAPLAIN REV. RICHARD M. BARNER

Cedars,

Let us respond to God:

Those who love me, I will deliver;

I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble,

I will rescue them and honor them.

With long life I will satisfy them,

And show them my salvation.

Psalm 91: 14-16

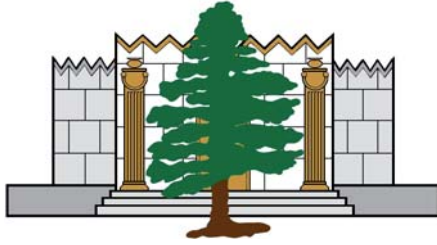
Also let us strive by prayer without ceasing. At all times, in all places, lift up your heart to God. Give Him no rest till you, like the psalmist, “awake with God’s likeness” and are satisfied with it.

To conclude... Strive to enter in at the narrow gate. Strive, not only by this agony of soul, of conviction, of sorrow, of shame, of desire, of fear, of unceasing prayer. Strive, likewise, by putting in order all your conversation, your whole life, by walking with all your strength in all the ways of God – the way of innocence, of piety, and of mercy. Shun all the appearance of evil. Do all possible good to all people. Deny your own will in all things, and take up your cross daily.

My dear Cedars, am I asking too much of you? I don’t believe that I am. Think about this thought, involving prayer. (Taken from: How to Pray. Best of John Wesley on Prayer by Barbour Publishing.)

May we all continue to have fun, frolic, and fellowship with each other until we meet again.

# 2019 GOODWILL AMBASSADOR



## TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON 2019 GOODWILL AMBASSADOR RYKER LYONS



STC Metcalf with Ryker

Ryker was born March 26th, 2012 and in 2013, he was diagnosed with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. Seaford, Delaware is home to Ryker, his parents Mary (Brooke) and Aaron, and big sisters Kiersten and Camber.

Presently in first grade, Ryker was the 2018 Greater Maryland Youth Ambassador for MDA. He is also active in Special Olympics, Little League, and the University of Delaware's Blue Gold Football Game. He loves cars, trucks, heavy equipment, sharks, and is an especially big fan of everything Scooby Doo!

Shy at first, this young man warms up quickly and loves being in the spot light. We feel very sure and fortunate to have Ryker represent the Tall Cedars and the Tall Cedar Foundation.

To request Ryker's attendance at a Forest function, contact:

David E. Melvin, PGTC No. 49  
8277 Hearn's Pond Road  
Seaford, DE 19973  
302-362-2267  
flyer382@aol.com





**SUPREME FOREST  
OF THE  
TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON OF N.A.  
2020**



**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

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The Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America will award three \$1,000 Scholarships for a one-year period, to outstanding students who have been accepted to a college, university, junior college, community college or technical school on a full-time basis. Previous recipients are not eligible.

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**ELIGIBILITY RULES:**

The Applicant must:

1. be a member in good standing of a DeMolay Chapter, Job's Daughter Bethel, Rainbow Assembly, or The Triangles in a state where a Tall Cedar Forest exists; a Tall Cedar in good standing, or be the son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter of a Tall Cedar in good standing.
2. be accepted at an accredited institution in any Associate, Baccalaureate Degree, Technical, or Vocational Program.
3. plan to attend on a full-time basis.
4. be of sterling character and personal integrity.
5. provide proof of Masonic affiliation.
6. demonstrate leadership abilities.
7. submit an official school transcript.
8. participate in community service work.
9. submit not more than four (4) letters of recommendation.

**OFFICIAL RULES:**

1. Applications must be obtained from the Supreme Forest Office, 4309 Linglestown Rd., Suite 116, Harrisburg, PA 17112.
2. All applications must be submitted on forms provided by the Supreme Forest Tall Cedars of Lebanon.
3. All components of the application (i.e. application, letters of recommendation, etc.) must be submitted in one package.
4. The Tall Cedars Scholarship Committee will judge applications. The names of all applicants will be confidential.
5. The awards are competitive and are based on merit.
6. The deadline for applications is March 1<sup>st</sup>, with the awards being made in April or May.
7. All Scholarship money will be paid directly to the applicant's college, university, technical or vocational school on the student's behalf.

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## TENTATIVE 2020 SUPREME FOREST CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 16-19	Mid-Winter Conference, Gettysburg, PA
March 14	Supreme Forest Board Meeting, Harrisburg, PA
March 15	George Washington Wreath Laying Ceremony, Mount Vernon, VA
March 15-21	Tall Cedar Week
March 27-29	Supreme Forest Bowling Tournament, York, PA
May 7	Supreme Forest Board Meeting, Wildwood, NJ
May 7-10	Supreme Forest Annual Meeting and Convention, Wildwood, NJ
June 9-16	STC/Tall Cedar's Rhine River Cruise Basel, CH to Amsterdam, NL Viking Cruise Line
June 27	Supreme Forest Board Meeting, Harrisburg, PA
July 25	Supreme Forest Sportsmen's' Raffle and Cash Giveaway, Gratz, PA
September 12	Supreme Forest Board Meeting, Harrisburg, PA
October 20	TC Foundation National Eat-Out Night
November 26	Manchester Road Race, Manchester, CT
December 5	Supreme Forest Board Meeting, Harrisburg, PA

All Forests, Districts, and Regions are requested to forward their 2020 schedule of events to the STC-elect as they are finalized. The STC-elect also requests that every Forest include him in the distribution of your newsletters.

Please email your agendas to either or both of the STC-elect's aides:

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The STC-elect and the other Officers are looking forward to visiting your Forest!



**SUPREME FOREST  
OF THE  
TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON  
OF NORTH AMERICA**  
*Established 1902*

DATE: September 20, 2019  
TO: Constituent Forest Scribes  
FROM: PSTC Barry L. Sheaffer, 2020 Midwinter Conference Chairman  
SUBJECT: 2020 MWC Vendor Sales Tables

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At the 2020 Midwinter Conference, tables will be available upon request for Forests and outside vendors to display and/or sell items to Tall Cedars and their ladies beginning Friday January 17<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 A.M. & 4:00 P.M. and Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 A.M. & 3:30 P.M.

These tables will be available in the Prefunction Hall of the Wyndham Hotel & Conference Center, 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, at no cost.

If your Forest or Cedarette group wishes to reserve a table, please complete the form below and return it **by January 3, 2020** to H. Lynn Stahle, PGTC No. 95, 2358 Fairview Road, Warfordsburg, PA 17267, 717-294-3988. Requests for more than one table are subject to space availability.

If you know of any outside vendors who would be interested in reserving a table, please pass this information on to them.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

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**2020 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE  
SALES TABLE REQUEST FORM**

Forest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City State ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ table (s) at the 2020 Midwinter Conference.

Return to:  
H. Lynn Stahle, PGTC No. 95, 2358 Fairview Road, Warfordsburg, PA 17267, 717-294-3988



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# 2020 TALL CEDARS MID-WINTER CONFERENCE

January 16<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020



95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA

Reservations are to be made directly with the Wyndham Gettysburg Hotel. Call 717-339-0020, then press “0” and ask for the “Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America 2020 Conference.”

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS – December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## PACKAGE PLAN RATES PER PERSON

<u>Room Occupancy</u>	<u>Friday night only</u>	<u>Saturday night only</u>	<u>Friday &amp; Saturday nights</u>
Single	\$ 169.00	\$ 176.00	\$ 345.00
Double	\$ 126.00	\$ 133.00	\$ 259.00
Triple	\$ 112.00	\$ 119.00	\$ 230.00
Quad	\$ 105.00	\$ 112.00	\$ 217.00

**Friday/Saturday (1 Night) Package:** Includes Friday evening buffet and the following morning Breakfast. *Tickets will be collected.*

**Saturday/Sunday (1 Night) Package:** Includes the Saturday evening dinner and the following morning Breakfast.

**2 Night Package:** Includes both evening meals and the two following morning Breakfasts.

**All packages** include beer, wine, and soda prior to dinners and in Hospitality rooms; cash bar during dinners.

**Children 5-11:** Identify the number and age of Children at registration. No additional charge for hotel room when shared with adults. Single Night Package: \$ 35.00; Two Night Package: \$ 79.00.

**Children 12 & over** will be considered an adult and the Double, Triple or Quad pricing will apply.

**Come Early / Stay Over Rates** – \$ 79 + tax per night. **Explore** *Battlefield Sites, Eisenhower Farm, Historic Walking & Ghost Tours, Museums, Pour Tours & so much more...*

**Commuter meal rates:** Breakfasts per person \$ 24.50 inclusive; Friday and/or Saturday Dinners: \$ 50 inclusive of service fees and taxes; excludes beer, wine, and soda – cash bar only.

Contact PSTC Barry L Sheaffer at (717) 432-5150 to make reservations for Commuter meals.

# 2020 MIDWINTER THEME PARTY



**Friday January 17, 2020**

**Reception at 5:30 PM (Beer, Wine, and Soda included)**

**Dinner at 6:30 PM (cash bar)**

Join us at the Wyndham in Gettysburg, PA for a Mardi Gras good time!

**Buffet Dinner**

NOTE: The price of this dinner is included in your **Conference Reservation Package**.  
The dinner price for commuter/walk-ins wishing to attend is \$50/person (cash bar only).

The deadline for the dinner reservation is January 3, 2020

Commuters must complete the form below with checks payable to the 2020 Committee  
and mail to:

Barry Sheaffer  
444 Woodland Drive  
Dillsburg, PA 17019-1388  
717-432-5150

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## 2020 Mid-Winter Theme Party

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Forest # \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for # \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$50 per person Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

2020 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE  
TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON  
MEN'S LUNCHEON

Saturday January 18, 2020

Wyndham Gettysburg



All Tall Cedars are invited to join the Supreme Officers for a  
“Corner Deli” buffet luncheon: soup, salads, assortment of deli  
sandwiches, chips, dessert, coffee, tea, and iced tea.

Reservations: \$25 per person, includes tax and gratuity

Doors open 11:30 AM

Luncheon @ Noon

Deadline for reservations is January 3, 2020

Complete the form below with checks payable to the 2020 Committee

Mail Reservations to:

James Walmer  
1225 Meadow Lane  
Harrisburg, PA 17113-1012  
717-919-9935

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2020 Mid-Winter Men's Luncheon

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Forest # \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for # \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$25 per person Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_



2020 MIDWINTER  
LADIES OF CEDARISM TEA LUNCHEON



Wyndham Gettysburg

Saturday January 18th, 2020

Doors Open 11:30 AM      Luncheon @ Noon

Reservations: \$25 per person, includes tax and gratuity

Deadline for Reservations    January 3, 2020

Complete the form below with checks payable to the 2020 Committee

Mail Reservations to:

Suzanne Sheaffer  
444 Woodland Drive  
Dillsburg, PA 17019-1388  
717-432-5150

Wear your favorite hat!

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2020 Mid-Winter Ladies Luncheon

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Forest # \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for # \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$25 per person      Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Any special dietary needs? \_\_\_\_\_



# ANNUAL SESSION 2019

## New Jersey ILDWOODS™



STC Les Metcalf  
addresses the members and guests



Supreme Preceptor Lynn Stahle  
preparing the Holy Bible



RWPGM Jay Smith, PA  
addresses the members



Our distinguished guests L-R: RWPGM Jay Smith, PA; MWGM Richard P. Naegele, MD; MWGM Donald Rosenberry, Delaware ; MWGM Roger B. Quintan, New Jersey



MWGM Richard P. Naegele, MD  
giving remarks



MWGM Donald Rosenberry, Delaware  
making remarks



MWGM Roger B. Quintan, New Jersey  
making remarks



The Metcalf family





2019 MDA ambassador and family



SC Richard Varner conducting the necrology service



PSTC James Morrison making remarks about 2018/19



PSTC's waiting to be introduced



MDA representative addressing the members



Joe Alfonso, MDA presenting awards to the STC



Wildwood Convention Center John Lynch giving gifts to STC Les



SDSTC Bill Martz accepting an award Wildwood Convention Center John Lynch





Annapolis Forest Parade award (L-R), STC Les , ??? , and Jerry Tynan



Clown awards, Jerry Tynan, STC Les, and Terri Almachy, Montgomery Forest



Parade Chairman Bob Hopkins presenting the awards



The color guard



STC Les and PSTC Bud Willard and the award for miscellaneous unit



STC Les and PGTC Russ Fuscia award for miscellaneous unit



STC Les and Craig Benson, Evergreen Forest



STC Les and Terri Almachy, Montgomery Forest





Closing dinner



Closing dinner



Lauren Magyar and her sister McKenna



Our MDA ambassador and family for 2019



Some very Special guests at the closing dinner



The entertainment for the evening; Just in Time



Elvis and his lady dancing





STC Les and Jim Walmer



Harris Asbell and his wife Shirl giving remarks at the closing dinner



Baltimore Forest accepting the Color guard award

# PARADE FEATURES REPORT

Another successful Convention Parade in May of this year with Supreme and 17 constituent Forests marching with color guards, floats, bands, clowns, mobile units, and Masonic youth groups. A much deserved “Thank-you” goes out to STC Les Metcalf for his support and trust in planning the event. Baltimore Forest No. 45 won the “Best-In-Show” award, keeping the award in the state of Maryland for the second year. Thanks also are extended to the Parade Marshalls and Judges for their continued service.

The 2019 Convention Parade was the swan song for me as Chairman of the Parade Features Committee. I am handing the baton to Michael “Hollywood” Robles of Richmond Forest No. 66 to inject his special style and leadership to our annual celebration.

We all look forward to Convention activities and the parade. Please support the efforts of the Parade Features Committee and even consider assisting or serving on the committee. Planning for next year’s parade can’t start too soon. Encourage your Forest Officers and membership to attend the 2020 Tall Cedar Convention and experience the Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship that we all enjoy together celebrating our work to fight Muscular Dystrophy and neuromuscular diseases.



Parade Features Committee  
Bob Hopkins PGTC  
York No. 30  
nittanybob17@gmail.com





# MDA PARADE IN WILDWOOD CREST NJ

Parading through the Crest with the Tall Cedars who work hard to raise funds to support research in the fight to eliminate Muscular Dystrophy and all muscular diseases. Fortunate to have Ryker Lyons as the 2019 MDA Goodwill Ambassador!



Took 1st Place for M D Float



Took 1st Place for Motorized Unit



Took 2nd. Place for Misc. Floats





# AROUND THE KINGDOM

## Prince George Forest



How many members can fit into one Van...???



Dr. U. B. Well aka Terry Weaver bring Rocky to life and crafts smiles and laughs during his award winning performance.



PGT Marshal Gevinson and his lovely, wife Linda are ready to dance at the HOP.



Penn Forest No 21, Main Line Forest No. 153, and Norristown Forest No. 31 Cedars attending the MDA Greater Philadelphia Muscle walk on Saturday June 8, 2019. We were inflating commemorative balloons for the walkers. Approximately 600 people attended the Muscle Walk.

# AROUND THE KINGDOM

## Spreading Cedarism in Missouri and Beyond...

I was excited to start June by attending the Grand York Rite of Missouri's Annual Communication and being introduced as the Supreme Director for the Region for Tall Cedars in front of each of the three bodies. Friday's lunch was sponsored by the Tall Cedars in Missouri and I was able to share all about our great organization and our charity, the MDA, to distinguished guests from around the nation in attendance.

The end of June was just as exciting, as I was able to attend the Centennial DeMolay International Session here in Kansas City, Missouri to represent Tall Cedars on behalf of our STC. Tall Cedars was recognized as the sponsor of their Past Master Councilor Meritorious Service Award in front of a great crowd. I had the opportunity to spend the afternoon learning more about Demolay and also meet with incoming International Master Councilor Tyler Moyer, who is currently the State Master Councilor of Pennsylvania DeMolay.

Joe Russell, PGTC No. 212  
Supreme Director, Region No. 10  
Junior Deputy STC - elect



## Montgomery Forest No. 134



GT Thomas Graham , his wife Cedarette Karen Graham are join by PGT's Al Tynan and Romain Tweety, Cedarettes PP Janis Tweety, Tres. Vickis Kouse and PP Gerry Tynan raised funds and volunteered their time for the 2019 Greater Baltimore Muscle Walk.



Montgomery Cedarette babes clowning around.



# AROUND THE KINGDOM

## Penn Forest No 21



Some of the Tall Cedar working crew and our local MDA family at our March 16th Pancake Breakfast. The MDA family Anita, Bree, and James are on the right side.

## Annapolis Forest No. 126



GT Charles Malinowski and his wife Cedarette President Debbie Malinowski greet Miss Maryland Jobs Daughter at our annual Youth Night.



Annapolis Forest had the honor to host Youth Night and have in attendance all 3 Masonic Youth Groups from our area.

## BALTIMORE FOREST NO. 45



The 100th Anniversary Cake



The 100th Anniversary Cake

June 28, 1919 a meeting was held in Lehman's Hall in Baltimore, Maryland for the purpose of instituting a Forest in Baltimore. The charter was approved, and a warrant granted by The Supreme Forest which at that time was located in New Jersey. Archie C New was installed as the first Grand Tall Cedar of Baltimore Forest. The forest grew rapidly with many units being formed. Once Archie completed his year as GTC he became the editor of the booklet we now know as the Cedar Tree. In 1925 Archie New became Baltimore Forest's first elected Supreme Tall Cedar of North America. Since that time, we have had a total of 9 members from Baltimore Forest serve as Supreme Tall Cedar of North America.

At Bonnie Blink's annual Corn Husking Day on November 11, 1931 the Grand Lodge of Maryland lay the cornerstone of Bonnie Blink's new home. Baltimore Forest was permitted to deposit into the box of the cornerstone a green Tall Cedar Pyramid, a copy of its By-Laws and a copy of its September 1931 communication.

Along with many other approved units it was decided in November of 1935 to also allow a Junior Drum Corp. Baltimore Forest was the only one in the Cedar Kingdom to ever have a Junior Drum Corp.

1941 was a hectic year with the world situation. Baltimore Forest established a Blood Donor list, to be recorded according to type of blood for the protection of its members, their families and friends. This later became part of the Grand Lodge blood program.

During WWII membership declined and fun and frolic took a back seat. However, fellowship continued with as normal a routine as possible. During these years 360 members of Baltimore Forest served actively in the military.

The war was over by 1946 and membership was once again on the rise. Fundraising again took a front seat and large donations were given to Maryland Assoc. of Cerebral Palsy, Inc., the Infirmary Fund of Bonnie Blink and other needy charities. However, in 1951 the Supreme Forest of North America adopted as the Tall Cedars of Lebanon's National Charitable Objective, Muscular Dystrophy. Since that day Baltimore Forest has committed themselves to do whatever they can to raise funds to donate to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. To date the Tall Cedars have raised over \$20 million nationally for Muscular Dystrophy research. Baltimore Forest and The Cedarettes of Baltimore have sponsored many affected families over the years as well as sending many children to Camp Maria, summer camp. It has been Baltimore Forest and The Cedarettes honor to help these families. We have seen many miracles over the years with hope of one day seeing a cure.



## CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY

April 1959 the Ladies of Baltimore Forest requested that they be accepted as a ladies group known as The Cedarettes of Baltimore. Helen Guttermuth was the organizations first President. The Cedarettes of Baltimore became incorporated in late 1959 and after recognition by Baltimore Forest in June 1960 they also adopted Muscular Dystrophy as their main charitable objective.

The first Pancake Day fundraiser was held October 1961 at the Fifth Regiment Armory. Thousands attended at a cost of .99. All proceed went to Muscular Dystrophy Assoc. This event continued annually until 1974. After a few years hiatus it was brought back into existence in 1989. Pancake Day still exist today as one of our best fundraisers for Muscular Dystrophy.

Since the inception of Baltimore Forest there had been discussions to set up a building fund with dreams to buy a Baltimore Forest building.

Over the years the fund took on many different names but continued to grow. Baltimore Forest members would meet at various locations but always retained a leased Cedar Office. First at 25th St. in Baltimore City than moving to Maryland Ave. A permanent office became available at W. Pratt St in 1967. In 1968 over 7 acres of land on Hill Ave was gifted to Baltimore Forest by Baltimore Forest member George Frank Sr. The Forest built a pavilion on this property and held many events there until 1973. The forest dream had finally become a reality. On May 18, 1973 Baltimore Forest settled on their new home at 2501 Putty Hill Ave, Baltimore, Maryland. It was previously an ACME grocery store and was the perfect facility for the Forest needs. The building has been a blessing to Baltimore Forest over the years and has held many events, meetings, and gatherings. Today, we still meet at this building and rent it out as a good source of income. Baltimore Forest is one of four forest in the Kingdom today that owns their own building.

Over the years we have seen many changes but one of the best changes was in 2000 when the men and women voted to meet on the same evening. Previously the men and women meant on different nights and had separate installations as well as separate events.

Although our membership has seen decline over the years our focus remains strong on fun, frolic, and fellowship. We continue to support our National Charitable Objective and treat one another with the values instilled in us through our Masonic connection. Remember to solicit your Masonic friends and invite them to join with you.

We are honored to lead Baltimore Forest 45 and The Cedarettes of Baltimore, Inc. into the next 100 years of Cedarism.



The “Greeter”, Maître’d, and Emcee all rolled into one individual, Ray Vogel, PTC



GTC Thomas Green addresses the guests

# CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY



Aide to the STC, Al Tynan shares a moment of laughter with the bartender.



Regional Director #2 Dennis Ewing and his wife Mary



Dennis Ewing, (need a name), STC Les Metcalf, and FL Susie Metcalf.



(L-R) Sharon Tumminello, Ray Wingate, Mike Tumminello, and Brenda Vogel (FFL) share a moment before the dinner.

## PSTC'S IN ATTENDANCE



PSTC John Shoop and FFL Diane



PSTC Richard G Feeser



FFL Helene Atkinson, widow of PSTC Sam Atkinson, and their her daughter



# CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY



PSTC Bud Willard  
and FFL Nancy



PSTC George Lyter  
and FFL Carrie



PSTC Dick Barringer  
and FFL Arlene



PSTC George Morgan  
and FFL Judy



PSTC Mark Brumaghim  
and FFL Sue



PSTC Ray Bosley  
and FFL Anita



PSTC James Morrison  
and FFL Barbara



PSTC Ray Vogel  
and FFL Brenda



PSTC James Reed  
and FFL Shirley



# ANNAPOLIS FOREST NO. 126



Phil is going for the spare...



Annapolis sponsored a day of bowling for local young teens and adults.



In June we had another successful auction to help fund some of our special MD events



The Annapolis Cedarettes Marching Unit.



Annapolis Marching Tuxedo Unit pose with PGT Charles Mcknew in front of his labor of love. He built this float by himself. The members of his Forest could be more proud and honored to have him as a member.



Annapolis Tall Cedar and Cedarette join forces to raise fund and help with the Maryland MDA Muscle Walk.



Cedarette VP Gerry Tynan, Trustee Barbara Stevens and Treasurer Carolyn Hopke are enjoying some fun frolic and fellowship.

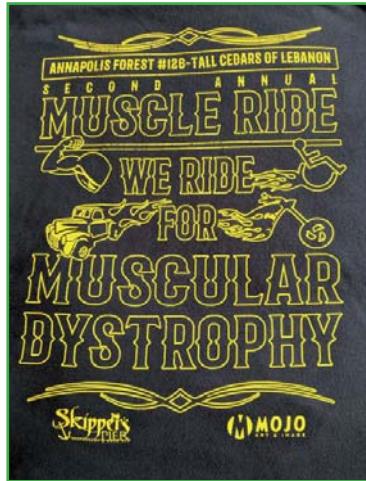


# ANNAPOLIS FOREST MUSCLE RIDE

Annapolis Forest held its 2nd Muscle Run on August 25th and it was bigger and better than last year.



This Fund Raising Event included Muscle Cars.



Event Shirt



Also included motorcycles.



Kick stands up and engines started...Rolling Out.



PGT Joe Calvert, his wife Raquel, and their amazing daughter Olivia.



SGT Les, 1st Lady Susie and their aides Al.Harris, Gerry and Shirl along with Raquel Calvert and friends are looking forward to a great lunch at Skippers Dock Bar.



These generous BIKERS donated back their 50/50 winnings and another \$300.00 in cash.



PGT's Joe and Paul present the manager Amanda, a certificate of appreciation.



# POCONO FOREST DEGREE IN THE WOODS



STC passing out his hat to the new Cedars



STC Metcalf addressing the members and candidates



GTC Mike and members discussing the business of the day



Candidates and members taking the oath and obligation



Degree in The Woods Opening



Candidates listening to the story



Opening remarks at the Degree in the Woods



New Cedars



# SPORTSMAN CASH GIVEAWAY



STC Les Metcalf welcoming the attendees



Nice day for a raffle



Enjoying the food and companionship



(L-R):Juniata Forest No. 88 members Brad Yoder, John Snyder, and Albert Miller selling chances at other prizes



PGTC/PDDGM Terry Elliott  
Juniata Forest No. 88 selling 50/50 chances



(L-R): PSTC Bob Saul, Terri Hahn,  
and a sleepy STC Les Metcalf



# SPORTSMAN CASH GIVEAWAY



FL Susie, (unknown) , STC Les Metcalf posing with one of the winners



PSTC Bud Willard announcing this year's Grand Prize Winner



Serving clam chowder



FL Susie and her aide, Jerry serving the hungry attendees



FFL Carrie Lyter aa serving the hungry people



Mark Drumheller (MBG No. 125) and friend enjoying the day

# 2019 SPORTSMAN CASH GIVEAWAY WINNER LIST

PRIZE #	TICKET #	WINNER	SOLD BY		Cash Prizes
			FOREST #	Gift Cards	
1	04339	Wayne Imhof	125		\$500.00
2	10373	D. M. Bobrok	1	\$270.00	
3	07789	James E. Szabo	43	\$270.00	
4	04981	John Koschoff	125	\$340.00	
5	08113	Michael McConoglay	88		\$250.00
6	04956	Cole Long	125	\$360.00	
7	<b>06303</b>	Gary Wilson	210	\$360.00	
8	03791	Gary Carlson	43	\$360.00	
9	02440	John Kneer	27	\$360.00	
10	03094	Ivan Sweinhart	43		\$250.00
11	02548	Clair Wagne II	25	\$380.00	
12	00389	George Hand	50	\$380.00	
13	07519	James Hossman	43	\$385.00	
14	09957	Art Brown		\$385.00	
15	07754	Matthew Brown	43		\$250.00
16	05596	Dane Maurer		\$400.00	
17	08276	Jim Carl	125	\$400.00	
18	07735	Mike Cossgrove	43	\$400.00	
19	00377	Ira Weaver	50	\$430.00	
20	00166	David Moylan	50		\$250.00
21	09598	Carl Page	210	\$430.00	
22	05624	Jeff Sitlinger	125	\$430.00	
23	09163	Thomas Keller		\$430.00	
24	00022	Frank Schoenman	58	\$450.00	
25	04975	Mark Chudley	125		250
26	02395	Bruno Bertolini	66	\$450.00	
27	07731	Monipor Frawley		\$450.00	
28	05030	Rob Donnar		\$495.00	
29	00030	Mike Tobsch	50	\$495.00	
30	03571	Tom Swantek	43		\$250.00
31	09954	Josh Murray		\$540.00	
32	00519	Joe Souchak		\$565.00	
33	08262	Mike Poletti	125	\$565.00	
34	05711	William Klamer	125	\$565.00	
35	02668	Josh Starry	142		\$250.00
36	05609	Robert Faust Jr	125	\$630.00	
37	01754	Dan Campbell	175	\$630.00	
38	04368	Carol Hassinger	125	\$630.00	
39	01314	Walter Beddow	21	\$630.00	
40	00449	Tanner Wolfgang	50		\$250.00
41	03730	Frank Gilbert Jr	43	\$630.00	
42	03147	Cynthia Hossman	43	\$720.00	
43	09600	Ken McClintock	199	\$720.00	
44	09374	Bob Aungst Sr		\$720.00	
45	00595	Bob Gabardi	50		\$250.00
46	10369	Larry Donis	1	\$765.00	
47	09331	Jim Nostrant	145	\$765.00	
48	04388	Stanley Hawk	125		\$250.00
49	00027	Glen Ulsh	50	\$765.00	
50	05109	Donald Casner	125	\$810.00	
51	03489	Barbara Settlemeier		\$810.00	
52	07308	Nathan Laudenslager			\$250.00
Grand Prize	08159	Greg Dimoff	88		\$2,000.00
				<b>\$20,570.00</b>	<b>\$5,250.00</b>



Cedars,

I know we were all disappointed when the 2019 Supreme Bowling Tournament was cancelled.

York Forest No. 30 is pleased that STC-Elect, Bill Martz has asked York to host the Supreme Bowling Tournament from 2020 through 2022.

We hope to have bowlers travel East, West, North and South to South-Central Pennsylvania to display their bowling skills. The 2020 Supreme Bowling Committee is planning an event-filled weekend for Cedar bowlers of all skill levels. The format continues for individual, doubles and four-man team events.

Will be more information distributed at a later date with special rate hotel accommodations for tournament participants and plans for a special Saturday night dinner to maximize the experience for Cedar Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship.

The 2020 Supreme Bowling Tournament will be held at Suburban Bowlerama. York Forest No. 30 welcomes all to meet and compete. Entry forms will be available through the Supreme Forest Office. Any Cedar interested in serving on the tournament committee should contact me.

Bob Hopkins

Bowling Chairman – 717-368-9774 nittanybob17@gmail.com



# ROSE PROMOTIONS FUND RAISER FOR MDA AT REDNER MARKETS

TALL CEDARS ALL / THANKS ALL. Great effort by all and great numbers and special thanks to David Melvin, Chair. – Just a Great effort!!

## Here is our Report for Labor Day Weekend

### Georgetown Store:

Sat – Aug. 31st 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Collected: \$ 307.87  
 Jerry Heeg & Marty Heeg, David Melvin and “Crabby” – Clown & Beverly

Sun. - Sept. 1st 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Collected: \$ 248.15  
 Bob Wheatley & David Melvin and “Crabby” - Clown

### Milford Store:

Sat – Aug. 31st 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Collected: \$ 483.10  
 Dick Feeser; Ray Lewis; John Doerfler, Sr.; Marshall Gevinson & PIXIE - Clown

Sun. - Sept. 1st 10:00 a m to 2:00 p m Collected: \$ 589.26  
 Jim Bennett; Michael Brittingham & John Doerfler, Sr.

### North Dover Store:

Sat – Aug. 31st 10:00 a m to 2:00 p m Collected: \$ 263.90  
 James Ferguson; Barry Reusing & Robert McCormick

Sun. - Sept. 1st 10:00 a m to 2:00 p m Collected: \$ 275.05  
 James Ferguson & Wayne Dechert

TOTALS for weekend – Sat. = \$ 1,054.87  
 Sun. = \$ 1,112.46  
**Fantastic Grand Total \$ 2,167.33**



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