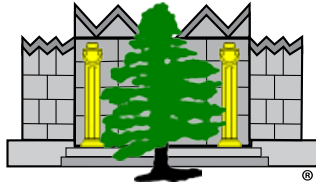


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**2023 Convention and Annual Session**  
**Thursday October 19 - Sunday October 22**  
**Ocean City, MD**

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electronic version of our magazine.

## Supreme Tall Cedar David Manter PGTC No. 124

Brothers All,

I hope this edition of our Cedar Digest finds you well.

In each issue of our Digest the line officers are asked to write an article. This article is to help the membership understand what our vision is for our Fraternity and a little about what we are doing to reach that goal.

As you go through this edition of our Cedar Digest you will see that there are many changes being made to our Bylaws. There are just a few being made to the Constitution. The Constitution is mostly housekeeping to straighten out the issues from last years Annual Convention. We have worked very diligently to ensure that that situation never happens again. How quickly we forget the correct procedures that enable us to move forward coming out of the pandemic.

The Bylaw changes have to do with Dress codes, electronic meetings, and electronic voting. These are items that will allow us to move forward into the 21st century.

Every one of these changes came about because we had a discussion with the general membership. There is a quote from (Verni) Robert Quillen that states “ Discussion is an exchange of knowledge; arguments an exchange of ignorance. That is so true. I have always been a firm believer and an advocate of open discussion to bring resolve. We must always remember that this Fraternity along with all other fraternities is a living, breathing organism that must change in order to survive. Some of these changes will come easy with no conflict, some of them will come with challenges and will have great conflict. When you disagree with a change, I would ask that you express yourself. By letting your thoughts be known but do it in a style that lends itself to open intelligent discussion not an argument that is filled with ignorance.

As always, membership is of great importance to sustaining us today and into the future. This is the part that we need to share with each other. What is working what is not. I have gotten great ideas just by talking to other members. None of this will work if we don't take it very seriously. We have to become students and study different approaches to increasing membership and participation. This brings me to share with you a book called “The Craft Driven Lodge.” This book was written by Brother Daniel D. Hrinko a Past Master from Clark Lodge #101 in Springfield, Ohio. I was fortunate enough to have a conversation with Daniel in February of this year. I bought his book and would like to share some of his ideas.

Have you ever seen a Forest that just seems to be very active and has all kinds of events while there is a Forest 15 miles away that is absolutely on the verge of collapse. We have all heard the rumors that they can't get the support of the Supreme Forest that's why they are failing. I do not agree with that assessment. The book explains that if you give your members what they are expecting and what they need they will return month after month and bring new members with them.

This all boils down to communication and intelligent discussions. The next item is to turn the discussions into action. Don't fear action, fear inaction. Not everything that we try is going to work. Some things will be a complete failure, but we will not know that unless we try. That failure may be a steppingstone to a great success after our discussion as to why we failed. The book The Craft Driven Lodge explains this concept in detail and gives an outline to follow.

Daniels contact information is <https://www.craftdrivenlodge.com>. Become a student learn new ideas and implement them. We have the ability to make Tall Cedars the greatest organization that was ever conceived.

Please bring all your ideas to our Annual Convention in Ocean City. This is where change begins.

Love you Brothers

Dave



Supreme Tall Cedar

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## Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar James R. Marion PGTC No. 209

Cedars all,

I would like to thank the membership for voting me in as your Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar for the ensuing year. I am humbled and proud to be part of our future. We must plan for the future while embracing our traditions. I am excited to help move this organization forward by making changes that will not always be accepted by all. Humans do not like change but the only constant in life is that things will change. While working with the Foundation, many changes have been implemented. These changes are good, and they were necessary. Our previous donations would not help any specific individuals. They were told "No. We do not do that." Now, we can help individual families with specific needs. The Foundation is also looking into MD research organizations to help continue our efforts for a cure to MD. I have heard more positive than negative responses to this change.

The STC has started a new membership program that will allow 2 forest members to attend the convention for half price if they meet the new membership guidelines.

Other levels are also listed.

Our extension committee has changed to the point that we are now pursuing states and countries rather than waiting for them to come to us. After the Grand Masters' Conference, we now have letters of recognition from the states of Louisiana and Nebraska. The Grand Master of Nebraska has even applied to be a Cedar-at-large. The first Member in Nebraska is the Grand master. Now, how cool is that!!! I am asking you to help us. Reach out to the Masons that you know around the country. Ask them to help us by getting recognition in their home state and to help start a Forest.

The Supreme Scribe will be putting website links on [tallcedar.org](http://tallcedar.org) to help support your Supreme Forest officers with their fundraising efforts. Please go look at how you can support the officers.

I am looking for convention sites that the membership will vote on at this years convention. Where do you want to go in 2024? A survey was sent out and we did not hear back from many of our members. Out of approx. 7,000 members, only 150 replied. But, from those that responded, it was decided to have the 2024 Convention in the East. Have a spot? Please contact me. [Fastjimmy1200@gmail.com](mailto:Fastjimmy1200@gmail.com)

Communications are one of the keys to success of any organization. We have had some issues in the past and I am confident that we are heading in the right direction. We have approximately half of our member's email addresses. I hope that you can understand that mail is expensive and an outdated way to communicate. We also do understand that some members do not have an email. This is a challenge that we are working on. We need to get the information to those that are not on the internet. Yes, we can mail information to them. But this is a heavy cost as we are still looking at ways to cut cost and lower our expenses.

We have challenges to overcome, and we must think outside the box. We can not continue doing the same thing and expect a different outcome. Your Supreme Forest officers are working hard for the future of our organization. Please send me your thoughts.

Jim Marion SDSTC [fastjimmy1200@gmail.com](mailto:fastjimmy1200@gmail.com)

## Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar Michael Youse, PGTC No. 49

Greetings Fellow Cedars,

This year is well under way, and I was very pleased with our Mid-Winter Convention in January. This was a well-attended event and I think everyone in attendance had a great time. This was the last Mid-Winter for the foreseeable future. I am expecting attendance will be up for our convention in Ocean City this year since we will only have the one convention. We will meet in Ocean City again on October 19 – 22, 2023. We will have several By-laws and constitutional amendments to discuss, so please attend and take an active role in our organization.

Our Chief Clown, Frank “Crabby” Williams, has been traveling around the Kingdom doing a Clown College. The first one, in region 2, was held in Dover Delaware and it was very successful. Crabby and Pixie did a great job instructing and helping the clowns to be. The morning started off with some instruction. We feasted on pizza for lunch and then applied the face paint to transform everyone into a clown. Everyone looked great, including our Supreme Tall Cedar. Several more clown colleges are scheduled in different regions so be sure to get your reservations into Frank “Crabby” Williams. Information has been sent out several times thru our groupable email system or you can find information in a past issue of the Cedar Digest.

Our membership manager, Groupable, continues to evolve. This system lets scribes email their Forests quickly and easily. Currently we have approximately 3000 email addresses loaded in the system. If you are not receiving emails, please make sure your scribe has your email address so it can be added to the system. With just under 7000 members, it would be a goal to get most email addresses into the system so everyone gets the communications. With this system we have the ability to send out email to an individual forest, an entire region or the entire kingdom. This is a great tool for communicating with our membership. The website is also being updated and a new user ID and password have been assigned for all the membership to gain access to the members area. If you have not received the new user id or password yet please contact our Supreme Scribe, Bob Hahn.

The wreath laying ceremony at Mt. Vernon was a success again this year, with members of various Grand Lodges attending as well as many of our fellow Tall Cedars. This is always a great time to enjoy the fellowship with many of our Masonic Brothers. The George Washington Masonic Memorial was close by and gave us the opportunity to visit and tour the Masonic display of the Tall Cedars as well as those of the collateral bodies of Masonry.

Please continue to enjoy the fun frolic and fellowship of our forests. Many forests throughout our Kingdom have events planned, please be an active participant and support them in their endeavors. I hope to see many fellow Tall Cedars in my travels this year so please stay safe and enjoy your fraternity

Cedarly,  
Mike Youse, JDSTC



## **Supreme Scribe Robert T. Hahn, GTC No. 61**

Brother Cedars,

We had a great Mid-Winter. There are many Tall Cedar events and activities planned, throughout the Cedar Kingdom, for the upcoming year.

Clown College is off to a good start, if you want to be a clown these sessions are a great place to learn.

There have been changes to our website. We are now using one login and password for all members. Contact me at [bob@TallCedars.org](mailto:bob@TallCedars.org) for your new login and password.

Check out our on-line store at [www.tallcedars.org/store](http://www.tallcedars.org/store) to purchase bears, pyramids, and jewels.

To keep all our members informed, I am asking the Forest Scribes to send a list of their meetings and events to their District Deputies, who will forward the information to me, to be included on the website and our new Our Lodge Page (OLP) through Groupable.

Our Lodge Page is a service from Groupable that notifies members of upcoming Supreme Forest and Forest events and meetings, this is not from your Blue Lodge.

Of the nearly 7,000 members, we have a little over 3500 email addresses. Scribes, if you do not have an email address listed for your members or it's not correct in Groupable, please make the corrections as soon as possible. Scribes make sure your meeting dates and locations are correct.

I understand some of the Scribes are not comfortable using the computer. If someone in your Forest is willing to help, you can appoint them as an Assistant Scribe. Please email their information to [bob@TallCedars.org](mailto:bob@TallCedars.org).

We held a Groupable training session for Scribes at the Mid-Winter Conference. We are planning more on-line Scribe training via Zoom.

Regional Directors and District Deputies can now email their Region and/or District, which will help with communicating with our members. They can also post events on the new OLP.

Please feel free to email your comments to [bob@TallCedars.org](mailto:bob@TallCedars.org). Sign up or log in to your account at [tc.ourlodgepage.com](http://tc.ourlodgepage.com).

Convention it will be in Ocean City, MD, October 19-22 2023, see you there.

Please spread the word about how much Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship we enjoy so you can involve more members.

Fraternally,

Bob Hahn, Supreme Scribe



## **Supreme Treasurer Brian Van Scyoc, PGTC No. 145**

Fraternal Greeting Brothers,

As we start the new year, there are as usual a few financial issues that need to be addressed. The filing of payroll taxes, changeover of officers and tax returns to name a few. Along with the completion of the audit for the insurance company. I am happy to report that the items have been completed. But there are still more items to complete as the Supreme Forest is changing to a cloud-based accounting system. This will enable the accounting functions to be completed securely and online from any location.

I would like to say congratulations to PSTC Joseph Russell on his year as Supreme Tall Cedar and wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. And, congratulations to the Supreme Officers, Directors and Foundation Board members, both new and returning brothers. I am looking forward to working with all of you in the coming year.

You will notice in this issue is a condensed version of the 2022 financials as requested at the convention in 2022. The balance sheet is condensed into the major categories of a balance sheet for brevity. While the income statement is in line with the budget categories presented by Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar for their respective year. I will, as always, present the financials at the convention with an explanation of the various categories of the financial statements.

I would be remis, as Supreme Treasurer, if I did not state that the public distribution (and the Cedar Digest is a public document) of the financial information of the Supreme Forest of Tall Cedars of Lebanon has potential issues. As the Tall Cedars of Lebanon is not a non-profit organization, but a fraternal organization, the organization is not required to publicly disclose the financial statements. I have been and will continue to discuss and provide any Tall Cedar with the financial information if they desire a copy. With that, if a brother would like a full report of the financial statements, please contact me and I will be happy to provide the information. I would like to note that any financial information contained in this publication or sent to a brother is considered privileged information and is intended to be used only by a member of the Tall Cedars and to not share this information with any third party.

Finally, brothers and ladies please be safe out there and I hope to see you soon. And I wish you the best for 2023.

Fraternally,

Brian K. Van Scyoc, PGTC

Supreme Treasurer



# Wreath Laying Ceremony



Supreme Officers and Grand Masters of Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, the District of Columbia and the RWDGM Pennsylvania at the Tomb of Brother George Washington Mt. Vernon.

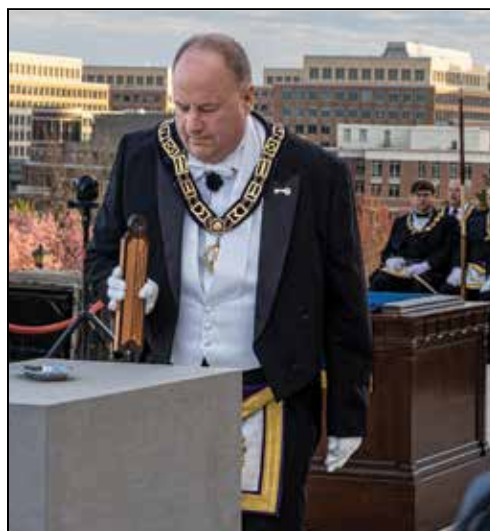




# 100th Anniversary of The Laying of The Memorial Cornerstone

Re-dedication of the Memorial Cornerstone by the Grand Lodge of VA

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial



# Midwinter - The Grand Finale



STC Hobo Dave and Crabby



STC Dave giving out veteran pins



Randy Etzweiler PGTC Millersburg #125, newly installed as the Region #4 TCF Director and Diane Shoop,



First Responders Being Recognized



Eric Stahley (PGTC Susquehanna Forest #199) leading a training session on Groupable



Evelyn Manter helping with insulation



Ladies Luncheon



Brad (PGTC Juniata Valley #88) and Mylene Yoder, newly installed DDSTC District #18



Newest Saplings, Brian & Elliott Schrum with STC Dave



Three Amigos: PGTC's Lancaster Forest #27, Ed Stumm, Glenn Henry, and Chris Gibson. What's in the bag???



Ed Stumm and Glenn Henry (PGTC's Lancaster Forest #27) with Fred Flintstone



STC Dave & Debbi Anne



Kids with ventriloquist



Richmand Forest No. 66



SDSTC Jim Marion & Sandy with Brian K Van Scyoc



Kathryn & Alex Duenas



Sully & Mary Morgan



Duane A. Dellecker & Friend



Margie & Curt Beam, PSTC



Installation Banquet



Robin & Bill Ennis with Paul & Joanne Wolf

# Around The Kingdom



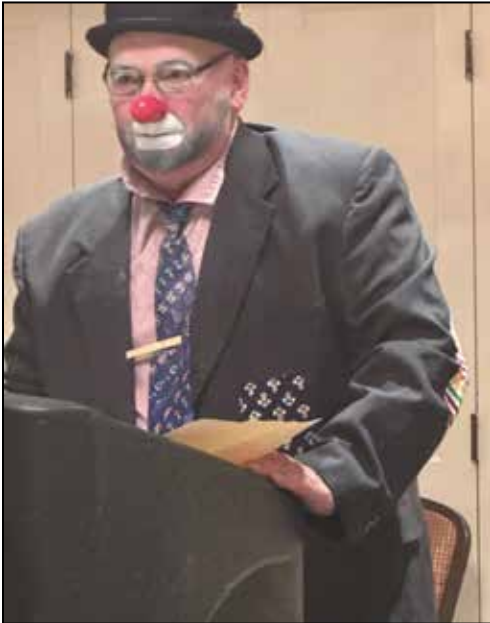
Members of Sullivan Forest #210 who “braved” a snowy night to attend their Forest meeting held at Tioga Lodge, Tioga, PA



Eric Barnett, Sullivan Forest No. 210 conducting his first meeting January 30



Richmond Forest No. 66 Gnome with Supreme Scribe



STC Manter conducting his first session as a Hobo No. 5



Easter Bunny visit to Trenton Forest No. 4

# District # 13 Installation



Grand Tall Cedar Installations (1-R) Arthur Holley- Eastern Sho' No. 53 & Aaron Martin Sheppard Lyons - Evergreen Forest No. 49



STC David W. Manter 2023 making Remarks



Aaron Lyons, 2023 Grand Tall Cedar Evergreen Forest No. 49 Receiving Jewell & Pyramid presented by his Mother Cindy



Arthur Holley. 2023 Grand Tall Cedar Eastern Sho' No.53 Receiving Jewell & Pyramid presented by his sister



James D. Bennett 2022 Grand Tall Cedar Evergreen Forest No. 49 displaying his PGTC Plaque



Evergreen Forest No. 49 - Past grand Tall Cedars



James D. Bennett, Jr. Presented with the 2022 Richard G Feeser Standing Tall in our Forest Award!

## Spouses Night



## Master Mason Night



GTC Aaron Lyons Reading Tall Cedar Week Proclamation received From DE Governor John Carney

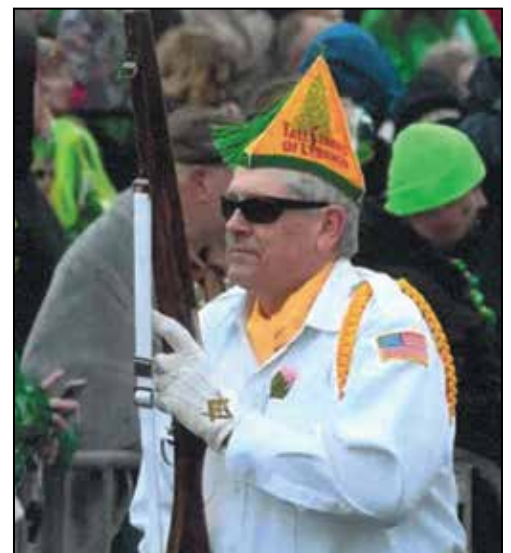


All visiting Master Masons & Brothers Visiting Tall Cedars presented with a Forest Gift

## Ocean City St. Patrick's Day Parade



Mini car unit in Ocean City St. Patrick's Day Parade



DDSTC David Long our Color Guard

## Millersburg Forest No. 125 Officers Christmas & Installation Dinner



Officers for 2023 (L-R): Randy Etzweiler, Treasurer; Brett Mauser, JGTC; Ed Hoover, GTC; Cameron Snyder, PGCT; Ken Seay, DDSTC; Josh Decker, SGTC; Ken Rhine, Scribe



Christmas/Installation Dinner



Christmas/Installation Dinner



Randy Etzweiler and his friend Laken



(L-R): Ron Weaver, Bill Decker, John Haines

## Algonquin Forest No, 140



PGT and Chaplin Joseph Cushal, centered is Grand Tall Dwight Metcalf with PGT and Secretary Sam Lane on the Right



Cumberland Chapter DeMolay where Grand Tall Metcalf congratulates Master Counselor Julian McCay for the fine work of the evening. Other Cedars attending are PGT Kenneth Robertson, Jim Simmons Sentinel, Brett Bean SR Deputy, and Chapter Advisor Brett Bean.

## Har-Ce Forest No. 142

On March 24th Har-Ce Forest 142, hosted the County Executive of Harford County: Robert Cassilly at our monthly meeting. Mr. Cassilly presented a Proclamation to the Forest for Tall Cedar month and for the Forests 71 years of community outreach.

The Forest Presented the County Executive a Tall Cedar pin and 35 stuffed bears which will be donated to the Harford County's Sheriff's Office for Deputy's to carry in their cars to give to children they find in need. Mr. Cassilly stated it is good to see a community group helping others in need and was glad to see we start each of the meetings with prayer, the pledge of allegiance and the National anthem.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Forest hosted its first "Spring Fling" where the membership enjoyed a variety of games and raffles for spring theme prizes. The proceeds from the "Spring Fling" will be donated to MDA.





Don't Call it a Come Back...

Har-Ce 142 has been here for years, but the past few years have been difficult for everyone. Our Forest like others have been hit with Covid-19 shutdowns, the passing of very resolute and faithful members and trying to navigate what is now the new normal. Where do we go from here?

How do we get back to what use to be “Fun, Frolic, and Friendship”, the fourth Friday of the month and enjoy being with our fellow Cedars at our regular meetings. It started this past January when we installed our new GTC Pete Hick, who was a very faithful Mason, Past Master of his lodge and highly active in the Shrine and the Tall Cedars. His leadership was bringing our Forest out of the Covid-19 lockdowns and canceled meetings. We had a variety of different dinner meetings, and everyone thought we were back on track. Then unfortunately our GTC Pete Hicks, only fifty-three passes away the Shrine Convention in July. What a terrible blow to his family and friends and to Masonry in general in the State of Maryland because he was so active in so many different Masonic groups.

Our Forest being no exception, we had to revamp and look within to develop new plans to keep GTC Hicks vision and dream alive. After honoring our GTC Cedar at our first meeting in September, I took over as acting GTC, thus allowing our GTC Hicks to finish out his year symbolically.

We held our First Rose Sale in two-years, which was a noticeably immense success for our Forest and for the MDA. We have Started a program called “Bears for Bears” which we purchase stuffed bears and donate them to local law enforcement to give to children during times of distress, which we will make our first donation to law enforcement in December. Our Forest has also initiated the GTC Pete Hicks Scholarship fund, which will be awarded to deserving High School students in our community to help them with excessive cost of college. Finally, we have started a monthly newsletter “From the Forest” which gives our membership information on upcoming meetings and happens that are occurring within the Forest.

So, if you are having problems within your Forest ask your membership for suggestions and ideas, these are the very roots of our organization, and the best suggestions always start from within. Our Forest may be small, but we are moving forward and are poised to be more active in the community and look forward to future with more “FUN, FROLIC, and FRIENDSHIP” on the horizon.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles J. White, PM, Deputy Grand Tall – Har-Ce Forest 144



# Baltimore Forest No. 45 Bull and Oyster Roast



# Westmoreland Forest No. 77

## Westmoreland Forest 77 Honors a US Navy SEABEE Veteran from WWII

In the year 2023 Westmoreland Forest 77 has a goal to honor all the Tall Cedar members that have Military Service. At our Forest Meeting on January 4th the Supreme Tall Cedar presented the Tall Cedar Veteran Challenge coin and Pin to William Pritz and Bruce Neubauer Sr.

We received a donation from Richard McCormick telling us that he was in the US Navy SEABEES during WWII. On Thursday we contacted Mr. McCormick to see if we could visit his home on Saturday to present him with something for his Military Service. Mr. McCormick was pleased that we were going to come to his home to meet with him. I would also like to add that Mr. McCormick is a seventy-year member of the Tall Cedars.

Adam Neubauer, Bill Holtzer and Bruce Neubauer Sr. arrived at the home of Mr. McCormick at around 11:00 am. He was sitting in the kitchen, he asked us to move to the living room. At this time Bruce Presented Mr. McCormick with the Certificate of Appreciation, Tall Cedar Military Challenge coin and Tall Cedar Military pin. Mr. McCormick was excited to receive this Honor.

After the Presentation Mr. McCormick told us about his Military Service.

He enlisted in the US Navy SEEBEAS in 1945. He ended up with the rank of Second-Class Petty Officer. We served as a Surveyor, stationed in the Philippines. He remembered the first project he participated in was the construction of a latrine. He was also involved in building a Supply Depot. He remembered hearing bombs exploding across the bay while they were working. From the Philippines he went to China. He was there for a short time working on Air Strips until China and Russia told them they had to leave. They then went to Saipan. From Saipan he returned to the states and got out of the service.

It was extremely exciting to listen to him talk about his Military Service. Mr. McCormick is 96 years young.

It was a bigger honor for us than it was for Mr. McCormick

Cedarly

Bruce Neubauer Sr.

Adam Neubauer GTC

Bill Holtzer





# 1920's Inspired Lawn Party

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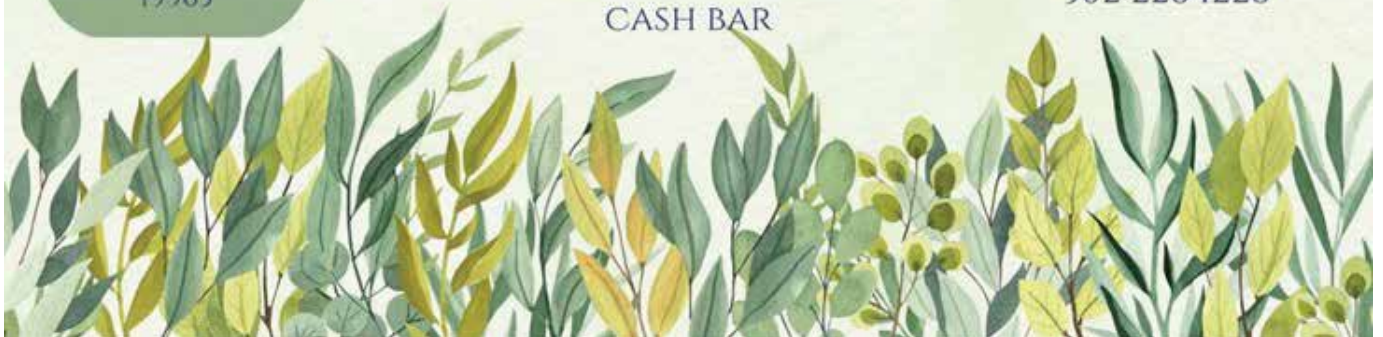
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**Saturday September 16th 6pm-10pm at Williamsport Redmen Lodge  
16129 Lappans Road, Williamsport MD, 21795**

**Choice of:**

- 1) Prime rib with baked potatoes, california blend vegetables and salad**
- 2) Stuffed Flounder with crab meat, baked potato, california vegetables, and salad**
- 3) Stuffed chicken breast, baked potato, california vegetables, and salad**



## **Tall Cedars Hagerstown Forest #95 100th Anniversary**

**Iced tea and coffee with meal and cake for Dessert!!**

**\$30/person**

**Cash Bar and Music provided by Center Fire Bluegrass**

**Dress is formal attire**

**RSVP to Scribe John Sollenberger**

**240-625-0879**

**Or**

**GTC Kurt Lynch**

**301-331-7782**

**By August 19th 2023**

# York Forest No. 30 Gun Raffle



## Sportsman's Bonanza

**Benefit – York Forest # 30  
Tall Cedars of Lebanon  
York Fairgrounds – Memorial Hall West  
Saturday, August 19, 2023  
12:30 PM to 4:30 PM  
Donation \$ 25.00  
\$2,000.00 Grand Prize Drawing at 4:20 PM  
\$1,750.00 in Cash Prizes  
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN**



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| 1. RUGER AMERICAN 308WIN W/SCOPE                   | 24. \$250 Cash                          |
| 2. CVA SCOUT 350 LEGEND                            | 25. SIG SAUER P320 9MM                  |
| 3. HENRY SURVIVAL 22LR CAMO                        | 26. \$350.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE           |
| 4. S&W SD9VE 9MM                                   | 27. STEVENS 301 TURKEY 410GA W/RED DOT  |
| 5. WINCHESTER SXP HYBRID HUNTER 12GA<br>CAMO 31/2" | 28. CVA WOLF V2 50CAL SS/SCAMO          |
| 6. \$250 Cash                                      | 29. TAURUS 605 357MAG SS                |
| 7. SAVAGE AXIS 6.5 CREEDMOOR                       | 30. \$250 Cash                          |
| 8. TAURUS G2C 40S&W                                | 31. MOSSBERG PATRIOT 22-250             |
| 9. TRADITIONS PA PELLET 50CAL                      | 32. RUGER 10/22 22LR GO WILD CAMO       |
| 10. RUGER SECURITY 380 380ACP                      | 33. SCCY CPX2 9MM FDE                   |
| 11. SAVAGE AXIS XP 350 LEGEND                      | 34. SAVAGE AXIS XP 7MM-08 CAMO          |
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| 17. RUGER AMERICAN 270WIN                          | 40. SAVAGE 93R17 BV 17HMR               |
| 18. \$250 Cash                                     | 41. MAVERICK 88 12GA CAMO               |
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| 21. MOSSBERG 500 FIELD 12GA                        | 44. WINCHESTER XPR 270WIN               |
| 22. SAVAGE AXIS II XP 25-06                        | 45. \$350.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE           |
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|  | 47. SAVAGE ENGAGE HUNTER XP 300WIN      |

### TO ORDER TICKETS

Send a check made payable to York Forest # 30 TCL with the completed Order Form below. Please **include** a #10 self-addressed stamped envelope so your tickets can be mailed to you. If ordering more than one ticket and want different names on the stubs include a paper with names, address, phone numbers and attendance option with the order form. Please return order form and check by mail, no later than July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Mail to: Brandin Schrum – 1465 Wheatfield Dr. - York, PA 17408



### ORDER FORM

Number of tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ Dollar Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address if you have one \_\_\_\_\_

To help us plan the amount of food needed please complete line below:

Number of ticket holders planning to attend the event \_\_\_\_\_ or Will Not be attending the event



## **Cedar Clown Corner**

Frank "Crabby" Williams, Supreme Chief Clown

It is no secret that the clown population is aging and we can mope around and talk about the good old days if we want, but I always think it's better to look forward. There is still a place in society for entertainers that dress up in silly costumes and delight crowds.

Do you have a clown unit in your Forest? Do you need help to revive or start a new clown unit? Now, help is on its way. Your Supreme Chief Clown and his committee is getting the ball rolling to help start or revive your clown unit. Beginning in February, 2023, we will be starting a Clown School to help any or all Forests, by region, that need help starting or reviving their clown unit.

### Dates and Regions for the Clown School

- |            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|
| • Region 2 | Saturday February 4, 2023 |
| • Region 5 | Saturday March 18, 2023   |
| • Region 1 | Saturday April 15, 2023   |
| • Region 3 | Saturday May 27, 2023     |
| • Region 4 | Saturday June 17, 2023    |

1. All Classes will be from 10:00am to 4:00pm and a light lunch will be provided.
2. Location within each Region and other data will be available.
3. In addition, the Hobo Clown Rejuvenation class will also be announced.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

- Clown Competitions will be held at the Annual Tall Cedar Convention on October 21, 2023. Further information will be available.
- JOBS DAUGHTERS, RAINBOW GIRLS AND DEMOLAY ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CLOWN SCHOOL<sup>1</sup>
- Participation will enable each group / individual / youth to be in the clown competition in October.

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<sup>1</sup> Contact;  
Frank "Crabby" Williams, 4109031337-Cell, [fhwill7@gmail.com](mailto:fhwill7@gmail.com) -email for further information or at the Mid-Winter Conference

# Clown College



Clown College Region 2



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Clown College - Richmond Forest No. 66



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Frank "Crabby" Williams



Frank "Crabby" Williams



Harris Asbeil "Ba Ba Loo" Asbeil

Nathan Humpherys - Hobo



Logan Humpherys - Whiteface





## The Supreme Forest Tall cedars of North America

Will



Host

### The 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Tall Cedar / Cedurette Clown Jamboree

**When :** Friday and Saturday, October 20<sup>st</sup> & 21<sup>nd</sup> 2023 .

**Where:** Ocean City Fontainebleau Resort

10100 Coastal Highway Ocean City, Maryland 21842



❖ **Balloon Competition**      ❖ **Face Painting**

❖ **Makeup and Costume Competition to include:**

✓ **White Face**

✓ **Hobo / Tramp / Bag Lady**

✓ **Aguste**

✓ **Character**

★ **Skit Competition to include:**

✓ **Individual skits**

✓ **Group Skits**

For Information Contact:

**Supreme Chief Clown--Frank "Crabby" Williams**

**C:410-903-1337 H: 302-337-0213**

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*Come join the fun, frolic and fellowship*

# 46th Annual Supreme Clown Competition



## Registration form

Please Type or Print Legibly



Forest: \_\_\_\_\_ Forest Chief Clown: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Clown Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number most likely to answer: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

There are eight (8) categories of competition. Circle the category (s) in which you will be competing:



### Tall Cedars & Cedarettes

- 1 Whiteface
- 2 Aguste
- 3 Hobo / Tramp / Bag Lady
- 4 Character
- 5 Individual Skits
- 6 Group Skits
- 7 Balloons
- 8 Face Painting



\$15.00 Entry Fee Per Category

or

\$20 Entry Fee Day of Competition

Please make checks payable to: Frank Williams

Send Fees & Registration Form To:

Frank Williams

13799 Wilson Hill Road

Georgetown, Delaware, 19947-3640



**PLEASE NOTE:** Balloon & Face Painting Competition will be held at the Hotel on Friday, October 20th @ approximately 3:00 p.m. Clown Make-up, costume and skits will be held Saturday, October 21st @ 9:30 a.m. and Doors will open at 7 a.m. for participating clowns for makeup. Clowns participating in the skit competition that are not being judged for make-up, do not have to make-up at the make-up site. The Competition will start at 9:30 a.m. with the clown skits to follow.

## Parade season is here!

If you are just getting started in clowning, you are probably going to be in a parade soon. They are the most common baptism by fire for new clowns.

Here are 5 reasons new clowns love parades:

### 1. NO REHEARSAL REQUIRED

If you do not have a routine planned, you can simply walk the parade route, shake hands, wave and pose for pictures. However, if you do have a walk-around prop, you should use one. You do not want to be carry a big, heavy prop around. An idea prop would be a feather duster or a tiny whisk broom can be a great parade prop. Tell the kids and adults attending the parade that you are here to tidy things up before the parade starts.

### 2. SAFETY IN NUMBERS

Rarely is there one clown in a parade. Usually, a clown unit will come out in large group. When you are a new clown, it's good to have a few seasoned pros by your side to help you out in a pinch. Having a gaggle of clowns around is like having a safety net; every one is looking out for each other.

### 3. LOW PRESSUE

Parade Clowning is hit and run clowning at its best. You make a connection with the folks sitting along the parade route, and you have fun. You are out there to make some memories with your clown unit. Remember take it easy, have fun, and go with the flow.

### 4. SAFE ENVIROMENT FOR FAILURE

Do you know what's great about a parade? You get a thousand and one times to tell the same joke. Don't get discouraged if you didn't get the reaction you wanted, A parade offers the best way to try out new material. You can fail, and that is okay. Your audience changes with every step you take during the parade. And guess what? There's a whole other side of the street for you to work the crowd.

### 5. QUICK AND PAINLESS

Most parades average sixty to ninety minutes for the audience. For someone in the parade, it might only be twenty to thirty minutes. You get in, you laugh, and you get out. Sometimes, a parade can be lot of "hurry-up and wait", so be prepared for delays.

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- ✓ Region 5- Stroudsburg, PA Saturday March 18,2023—**canceled-only one person signed up**
- ✓ Region 1-Staten Island, NY Saturday April 15,2023
- ✓ Region 3- York, PA Saturday May27,2023
- ✓ Region 4-Jim Thorpe, PA Saturday June17,2023

**ALL CLASSES WILL BE FROM 10am-4pm.**

**A light lunch will be provided**

- Job Daughters, Rainbow Girls, DeMolay, Tall Cedars, Blue Lodge, Eastern Star, Shriners, York Rite, Scottish Rite are INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CLOWN SCHOOL.
- Participation will enable each group / individual/ youth to be in the clown competition in October.
- Clown Competitions will be held at the Annual Tall Cedar Convention on October 21,2023 in Ocean City, Md. Further information will be available soon.

Contact: Frank "Crabby" Williams, **410-903-1337-Cell**, [fhwill7@gmail.com](mailto:fhwill7@gmail.com) -email for further information. Must register for clown college two weeks prior to class starting date, reason for early notice is for extra time to purchase clown supplies.

Bump-a- Nose

**Crabby**

## 2022 Tall Cedars of Lebanon Financials

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### Assets

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents                     | \$73,077         |
| Other current assets                          | \$4,072          |
| Marketable securities                         | \$782,065        |
| Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation | \$19,874         |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                           | <b>\$879,088</b> |

### Liabilities and Equity

|                                     |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Current liabilities                 | \$25,522         |
| Long term liabilities               | \$118,880        |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>            | <b>\$144,402</b> |
| Equity                              | \$734,686        |
| <b>Total liabilities and equity</b> | <b>\$879,088</b> |

### Revenues

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Foundation fees       | \$30,000         |
| Membership fees       | \$113,428        |
| Investment income     | \$18,977         |
| Misc/Mgmt/Pub/Sales   | \$11,572         |
| TCL Functions         | \$73,518         |
| <b>Total revenues</b> | <b>\$247,495</b> |

### Operating Expenses

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Building                   | \$21,442         |
| Administrative expense     | \$57,555         |
| Appointed officers expense | \$703            |
| Committees                 | \$22,865         |
| Districtd deputies         | \$2,453          |
| Elected officers expense   | \$29,971         |
| Miscellaneous & Purchase   | \$3,307          |
| Office                     | \$12,219         |
| Publications               | \$32,423         |
| Public Relations           | \$27,476         |
| TCL functions              | \$79,120         |
| <b>Total expenses</b>      | <b>\$289,533</b> |

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Net income</b> | <b>(\$42,038)</b> |
|-------------------|-------------------|

# Candidates for 2024

## Office

Supreme Tall Cedar  
Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar  
Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar  
Supreme Scribe  
Supreme Treasurer

## Candidate

James R. Marion, PGTC No. 209  
Michael Youse, PGTC No. 49  
Bruce Neubauer Sr., PGTC No. 77  
Robert T. Hahn, GTC No. 61  
Brian Van Scyoc, PGTC No. 145

## Supreme Director:

Region No. 3  
Region No. 9

James Walmer, PGTC No. 43  
Michael Hallman, PGTC No. 218

## Note

To be nominated from the floor, Article VII, A, 3 of the Supreme Forest Constitution reads as follows:  
A candidate may be nominated from the floor at the Annual Meeting at the time other nominations previously announced are made, provided a petition is filed with the Supreme Scribe, bearing the signatures of at least five (5) members of the Supreme Forest from each of four (4) districts in one (1) region; except, in those situations where less than four (4) districts compose a region, such petition shall contain five (5) signatures from each district composing such a region

## Candidate for Supreme Tall Cedar

### James R. Marion PGTC No. 209



I was born and raised in Valparaiso, Indiana although all my family roots are from the Pittsburgh, PA area. I graduated from Portage High School in 1980. I attended Purdue University Calumet for two years and then to Indiana Vocational Technical College for two years. All this led to my career at US Steel in Gary, Indiana where I was employed for the last 27 years in the maintenance dept. As of January 2022, I have officially retired, and I am looking forward to enjoying what life will give me without work getting in the way.

My Masonic life started when I was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in 2004 at ML McClelland Lodge #357 in Hobart, IN. I served as the Worshipful Master in the years 2009 and 2016 and currently serve as the Treasurer. I have also served on numerous committees for the Grand lodge Of Indiana, currently the District 1 Ritual Instructor. I am a Life member of Bannack Historic Lodge #3-7-77 located in Bannack, Montana. I am a proud member of the South Bend Scottish Rite where I was coronated the 33rd degree on August 27th, 2019. I am

also a charter member and a Past Venerable Master of the Knights of Saint Andrew in South Bend, IN. I am currently the Director of the Orak Shrine in Michigan City, IN. and a member of the Motor Patrol and Sportsman's Club. I am a Past Director of Court 43 Royal. Member of BOC #9. I am a past Sovereign Master of Valparaiso Allied Masonic Degrees (AMD) #470. I am also a charter member of Frates Immortalis Chapter of Widows Sons. I served as the Worthy Patron of Hobart Chapter Order of the Eastern Star for numerous years. I am a Charter Member of Adoniram Forest 209 which was constituted on Oct, 10th 2010 in Hobart, IN. I have served as the Treasurer, GTC and I am currently the Scribe. I have been honored to serve as your Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar in the year 2022 and now as your Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar for the current 2023 year. I believe that the changes that I have been involved with were sensible and necessary for the good of our organization. We must continue to evolve and change with the times to continue to be a viable organization into the future. I promise you that I will do what is in the best interest of this organization next year as your Supreme Tall Cedar. I would appreciate your vote of confidence.

## Candidate Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar

### Michael Youse, PGTC No. 4



Greetings, my name is Michael (Mike) Youse, and I am a candidate for Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar. I was born in Reading, Pennsylvania in 1958. I attended high school in Leesport PA and attended Penn State University for Business Administration. In 1997 I moved to Greenwood, Delaware where I currently reside and am employed as the Branch Manager for a Construction Equipment Distributor for the last 26 years.

After moving to Delaware, I became a member of Evergreen Forest #49 in Milford DE. While there I served two terms as Grand Tall Cedar. I think some of my favorite memories include volunteering for the MDA camps and participating in the color guard and marching in various parades. I currently serve the Forest as the Treasurer. I've also served as the Foundation Secretary for the Supreme Forest. I currently serve the Supreme Forest as the Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar.

My Masonic Career started with Wicomico lodge #91 in Salisbury Maryland where I was Worshipful Master from 2010 – 2012. I currently serve at Wicomico Lodge as the secretary. I became active in the Grand Lodge of Maryland, in 2014 I served as the Grand Director of Ceremonies and in 2017 as the Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden. I concurrently served as a Grand Inspector and held the position of Vice President of the Board of Grand Inspectors for the Southeast Region until November of 2021. I'm a past president of the Past Master's Association and have served as secretary for many Years.

I am also a member of the Scottish Rite where I am a 32nd degree KCCH Mason in Maryland. I currently serve on a few degree teams for Salisbury Valley. I currently serve as the Almoner. My York Rite career has been in Salisbury Maryland where I am also a member of Chapter, Council and Commandery. I am a Past Eminent Commander for Thomas J Shryock Commandery. I am also a member of Boumi Shrine in Maryland and serve as the secretary for the Eastern Shore Shrine Club. I've also been involved with the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls and serve on both the local and State Advisory Boards and am a Master of the Grand Cross of Color. I am also a DeMolay Advisor and am involved with getting the Salisbury Chapter active again. I joined Wicomico Chapter #91 Order of the Eastern Star and served as Worthy Patron several times.

I look forward to serving the Supreme Forest and Tall Cedars in General. I believe in our cause and feel we provide a lot of good work and service to mankind. We need to spread Cedarism and do our part to make this a better place.

Cedarly;

Mike Youse, Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar

## Candidate Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar

### Bruce Neubauer Sr., PGTC No. 77



My name is Bruce Neubauer and I am running for Jr. Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar for the year 2024. I have been married to my wonderful wife Bonnie for 52 years, who recently passed away. I have a daughter Stacey and 3 sons, Bruce Jr., Tim and Adam. I have 6 grandchildren . During our marriage Bonnie and I have had over 100 Foster Children. I am a Veteran of the US Navy Seabee's ( Construction Battalion ). I was also a member of Westmoreland City Vol Fire Dept for 19 years. I became a mason in 1980 at Shidle Lodge 601 Irwin PA; I was master in 1988. I joined the Tall Cedars Westmoreland Forest 77 in 1980. I am a past GTC, PDDSTC, and Past Director. I am also currently the scribe of Westmoreland Forest 77. I am currently filling in as Director of Region 6. I belong to York Rite bodies as well as Scottish Rite, Valley of Pittsburgh.

I am an advisor of Westmoreland DeMolay located in Greensburg. I am a past and current Advisory Board Chairman. I am a member of the DeMolay Legion of Honor and an Honorary

member of DeMolay International.

I am running for this office to give back to the Tall Cedars a little of what it has given to me over the years. We talk about Fun, Frolic and Fellowship and also helping Children with Neuromuscular diseases. Either by research or more recently by providing services to assist local children with needs to make their lives a little easier.

I have two sayings I try to live by EVERYDAY IS A GOOD DAY, SOME ARE JUST BETTER THAN OTHERS; DO NOT WORRY ABOUT THINGS YOU HAVE NO CONTROL OVER.

Cedarly, Bruce Neubauer Sr.

# Candidate for Supreme Scribe

**Robert T. Hahn, GTC No. 61**

It is with pleasure that I submit myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Supreme Scribe. I was born in Philadelphia and raised in Hellertown, PA. I graduated from Hellertown High School and attended college in Nebraska and New York City. I graduated from The Germain School of Photography where I studied Photojournalism and Graphics Arts. I later went back to college to receive my Microsoft Certified System Engineer (MCSE) certification.



My Masonic Career:

- Joined H. Stanley Goodwin Lodge No. 648 in 1985 served as Master in 1993
- High Priest of Ezra Royal Arch Chapter in 1990
- Thrice Illustrious Master of Bethlehem Council No 36 in 1996
- Commander in Bethlehem Commandery in 1994 and 1995
- Member of the Valley of Allentown since 1987
- Received the Meritorious Service Award
- Serving as photographer for more than 20 years
- Recipient of the Knights of the York Cross of Honor
- Appointed as Grand Principal Sojourner in The Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania
- Served as Treasurer for the Bethlehem Temple Association
- Joined Bethlehem Forest No. 61 in 1990 and have been serving as Grand Tall Cedar since 2016

I installed and setup the first computer network and server at the Supreme Forest Office in 2001. I continue to manage the information technology services for the Supreme Forest Office. I was instrumental in researching and implementing the new membership program. I have setup a new electronic filing system to make information easier to locate and distribute. I have been serving as the official photographer for the Supreme Forest since 2008.

In addition to my current position as Supreme Scribe, I serve as chairman on the Photography and Computer Committees. I am the art director of the Cedar Digest. I setup the current Tall Cedar website in 2005 and continue to serve as webmaster.

I currently live in Bethlehem, PA with my wife Terri of 42 years. I am a member of Cathedral Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem.

I have been a professional photographer since 1972, specializing in corporate and industrial photography. I am a member of the American Society of Media Photographers (ASMP). I am an Olympus certified underwater photography instructor, a PADI Master Instructor and DAN Instructor. I am semi-retired; I remain active by teaching scuba diving and underwater photography. I am also associated with a local company, as a freelance photographer, photographing events and sports for local school yearbooks.

My goal as Supreme Scribe is to improve communication through the Cedar Kingdom by working with the Forest Scribes to make their jobs easier by continuing to move forward in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Fraternally,  
Bob Hahn, Supreme Scribe



# Candidate for Supreme Treasurer

**Brian Van Scyoc, PGTC No. 145**

Fraternal greetings Brothers! I am again running for Supreme Treasurer for 2024 thru 2026. I am a member of Valley Forest No. 145 in Shippensburg, PA. Also, a member of Orrstown Lodge No. 262 and other appendant Masonic bodies.

I have been the Supreme Treasurer for the last 5 years and during 2 trying years of a pandemic. During those years, I have worked on documenting and streamlining the Supreme Treasurer position. And assisted in transforming the position to a web-based system for easier access by the Supreme Treasures of the future. And have continued to try to find and implement cost saving initiatives for the Supreme Forest.

In February of 2023, I recently completed my Master of Accounting degree through Norwich University in Vermont. I am excited to use the skills obtained to further enhance the Supreme Treasurer position. And am petitioning to be a member of the Institute of Management Accountants and will be sitting for the Certified Management Accountant certification. This certification encompasses the areas of management accounting and will further assist in performing the duties of the Supreme Treasurer and bringing new ideas of how to operate the Supreme Forest more effectively.

There are big plans to document the procedures of the Supreme Treasurer for future treasurers. A project that is much needed and to establish a standard operating procedure manual for the position. And to assist the office administration on the performance of their duties.

I am still very active in the other interests and activities, but have scaled them back and have occasionally learned that lost Masonic word “No.” As there are other interests, I would like to pursue, this is the last term that I am going to be running for Supreme Treasurer. I am will work with a brother that is interested in assuming the position of Supreme Treasurer and still be available to assist with any issues or questions that arise in the future.

I would appreciate your vote for Supreme Treasurer at the convention, one last time, and I hope to see you there and talk to you.

Fraternally,

Brian K. Van Scyoc, ST



# Candidate Supreme Director

## Region No. 3

### James Walmer, PGTC No. 43



It is with pleasure that I submit myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of Supreme Director for Region No. 3.

My Masonic journey began in 1981 when I was raised a Master Mason. I am a member of Brownstone Lodge No. 666, Hershey, PA. My other Masonic affiliations are a member of the Valley of Harrisburg, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, a member of the Zembo Shrine and the Zembo Legion of Honor. I am a member of National Sojourners, Harrisburg Chapter #76.

My Tall Cedar experiences include being a Past Grand Tall Cedar and Past Trustee of Harrisburg Forest No. 43. I was honored to receive the 2017 Grand Tall Cedar of the Year award. I served as an Aide to the Supreme Tall Cedars in 2017 and 2020. Also I have served as a Tall Cedar Foundation Trustee for District No. 11 and I have served as the Tall Cedar Foundation Director for Region No. 3 from 2014 through 2020. I served as escort for the 2014 Goodwill Ambassador. I am a Key Club Life Member. I served as the Supreme Chaplain in 2022. I have been serving as the Supreme Director for Region No. 3 since 2021.

I am a veteran of the U. S. Army Signal Corps. I graduated from the Pennsylvania State University with a Bachelor of Business degree. I retired after a career with State Farm, first as a claim representative for 5 years and then as a sole proprietor running an insurance and financial services agency for 38 years. I am a member of Saint Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Highspire, PA, and currently serving as a member of the Cooperative Council. I am a member of the American Legion, Lawnton, PA, Post No. 998, the Hershey Region, Antique Automobile Club of America, and the Highspire Historical Society.

I have been married to my wife Martha for over 53 years. We are parents of one son and grandparents to four grandsons ages 10 to 20.

During my tenure as a Supreme Director, I have endeavored to visit often all of the Forests in Region No. 3. I feel with my business experience and varied roles that I have served in Tall Cedars and other Masonic bodies, I will continue to be an asset to the Supreme Forest Board of Directors. I would be honored to have your vote.

James Walmer

# Candidate Supreme Director

## Region No. 9

### Michael Hallman, PGTC No. 218



Fraternal Greetings to all my Fellow Cedars,

I am asking for your vote and support my candidacy for Supreme Director of Region No. 9. It would be my honor to serve Region 9. I was born and raised in Huntsville, AL. My education was also completed in Huntsville where I graduated from the University of Alabama at Huntsville with a Bachelors of Arts in Philosophy and Political Science. I've spent my professional career in government and private sectors as a project manager and also served as a City Council Member in Homewood, AL for four years.

I became involved with Tall Cedars in 2015. My fellow Cedars welcomed me as a member of Georgia State Forest No. 181 and quickly became an active member in my neighboring state. Later in 2016, I became a charter member of Alabama State Forest No. 218 and served as the first Grand Tall Cedar of the Forest. Since 2016, I've served in several positions in both of my Forests. My service to the Foundation then followed where I've had the pleasure to serve as District 5 Foundation Trustee, Region 9 Foundation Board Member, and Foundation

Treasurer. Currently, I am serving as the Foundation Vice Chairman and Assistant Treasurer. It has been a pleasure to serve with my fellow Cedars as part of the Foundation and be involved to see the Foundation move in a new direction of help to serve those who need it most, the children diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy. I am also currently serving as District Deputy for Region No. 5. I was recently honored when SGTC Dave Manter appointed me to serve in this position after the untimely passing of my friend and fellow Cedar Carl Gamble. Carl helped to advise me on what is expected of a District Deputy. It's been a pleasure to serve in various positions in our fraternity.

My Masonic journey began when I was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in June 2010. I am a Past Master of Apollo Lodge 921 F.&A.M. of the Grand Lodge of Alabama in Huntsville. I was initiated into the Scottish Rite in May 2012 and am currently the Personal Representative for the Valley of Huntsville. Also in May 2012, I was initiated into the York Rite where I became a member of Birmingham Metro York Rite Chapter 76, Council 43, and Cyrene Commandery 10 located in Irondale, Alabama. In 2018, I also became a member of Decatur York Rite Chapter 38, Council 81, and DeMolay Commandery 14 located in Decatur, Alabama.

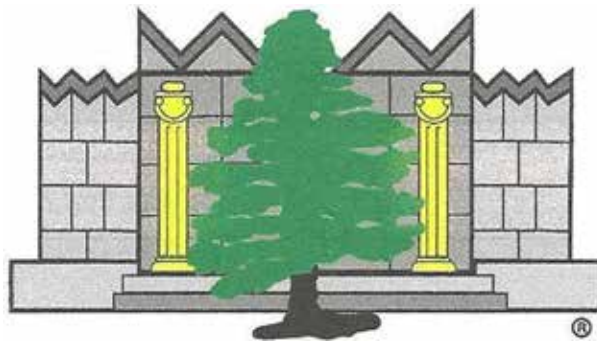
Additionally, I am a member of Allied Masonic Degrees, Red Cross of Constantine, and York Rite College. The Royal of Scotland also made me a member in June of 2016, just days before Alabama State Forest was instituted and I was elected the first Grand Tall. I am a member of Huntsville 537 Order of the Eastern Star.

I am very active in all the Masonic Bodies and would like to thank all of my brothers who have helped me during my Tall Cedar journey. There are so many individuals who I like to thank who have mentored me in our Fraternity. Specifically, I appreciate the members of Georgia State and Alabama State Forest for allowing me to serve with you in our Forests. It is also with appreciation that I'd like to thank Past Tall Cedar Foundation Chairman Al Cass who recommended me to serve as Foundation Trustee District No. 5 and eventually the Foundation Board. Past Tall Cedar Foundation Chairman Tom Hartford and our Current Tall Cedar Foundation Chairman Jim Potts, I want to thank each of you for allowing me to serve on the Foundation Board. I've learned so much from you both and have enjoyed serving with you as we move the Foundation forward. I also would like to thank PSTC Joe Russell, STC Dave Manter, SDSTC Jim Marion, and the Supreme Board for helping to guide me. I know I may have forgotten somebody, but I would like to finally thank my personal friend and fellow Cedar. Glenn Welborn. Glenn, you have made these past few years enjoyable. You have sold bears and made our Fraternity well known in Alabama. You have given your heart and soul to making sure that bears and roses are sold. Without each of you, I would not be where I am today.

I would be so honored to continue to serve the Cedar Kingdom. I humbly ask each of you to please vote and support me as your next Supreme Director of Region No. 9. I promise that I will continue to give everything I can to help make this Fraternity better for you and those that we serve, the children diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy.

Michael S. Hallman, PGTC No. 218

# 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Session and Convention Information Packet

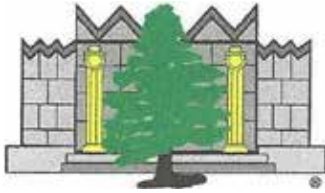


**Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup> to Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**



**Ocean City Fontainebleau Resort**

10100 Coastal Highway  
Ocean City, Maryland 21842



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Date: April 2023

To: Constituent Forest Scribes

From: Supreme Forest Office

Enclosed is the following Convention Information:

Hotel Reservation Information  
Menu for Meals  
Meal sign up Form  
Ladies Luncheon Flyer  
Men's Luncheon Flyer  
Closing Banquet Flyer  
Clown Competition Flyer

For GTC & Scribe \*\*  
Proposed Agenda  
Dress Code  
Registration Forms  
Convention Book – Ad/Booster  
information  
Vendor Application

\*\* Please give one copy to your Grand Tall Cedar

Please note: A list of your Forest's voting members for verification will be mailed to you.

# 2023 Tall Cedar Convention

## Tentative Agenda

**Event Schedule:**

Wednesday, Oct. 18 Deliveries to Convention Center  
Contact Convention Chairman to Schedule.

Thursday, Oct. 19 7:30 AM, Vendors Start Unloading and Set Up  
9:00 AM, Supreme Forest Board Meeting  
9:00 AM, Foundation Board Meeting  
12:00 PM-1:00PM, Boards Luncheon  
1:00 PM, Board Meetings Continue If Needed  
12:00 PM-6:00 PM, Registration and Vendors  
6:30 PM-7:30 PM, Reception  
7:30 PM-10:30 PM, Buffet Dinner  
8:30 PM-11:45 PM, Supreme Forest Hospitality STC

Friday, Oct. 20 7:00 AM-8:30 AM, Breakfast  
8:00 AM-6:00 PM, Credentials, Registration and Vendors  
8:30 AM, Open Session followed by General Session.  
***All Supreme Forest Officers In Tux And Jewel  
Forest Officers In Tux and Jewel  
PSTC' s In PSTC Attire  
All Others in Business Suit Or Blazer With Tie  
Please Adhere to Dress Code***

**Introductions:**

Board of Directors and  
Past Supreme Forest Officers  
Distinguished Guests  
Key Club Recipients Recognition  
Memorial Service

**\*Closed Session\***

Present 2024 Budget  
List Candidates & Receive Nominations  
Voting on SF Officers & Constitution and By Laws  
Committee Reports  
Election Results

Friday, Oct.20 12:00 PM, Ladies of Cedarism Luncheon, Doors open at 11:30 AM  
12:00 PM, Men's Luncheon  
1:00 PM, Resume General Session if needed  
3:00 PM-5:30 PM, Balloon Competition, Clown Make up  
5:30- 6:30 Social Hour Cash Bar  
6:30-8:00 Dinner  
8:00 PM-11:45 PM. Supreme Forest Hospitality SDSTC

Saturday, Oct. 21

7:00 AM-9:00AM, Breakfast  
8:00 AM-12:00PM, Vendors  
9:00 AM, Cavalcade of Colors  
9:30 AM-1:00PM, 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Tall Cedar/Cedarette Clown Jamboree  
5:00 PM-6:30 PM, Cocktails/Gathering, Cash Bar  
6:30 PM-10:30 PM, Buffet Dinner and Awards Presentation and Entertainment.  
8:30 PM-11:45PM, Supreme Forest Hospitality

Sunday, Oct. 22

7:30 AM-9:30 AM, Breakfast 10:00 AM, Church Service  
(Dress casual except for Chaplain, STC, SDSTC & JDSTC, business suit)

## **Recommended Dress Code**

Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> Casual at All Events but Wear Pyramids

Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

Supreme Forest Session  
Supreme Forest Officers – Tuxedo and Jewel  
Past Supreme Tall Cedars – Blue Blazer, Grey Slacks  
Forest Officers – Tuxedo and Jewel  
Supreme Forest Members – Business Suit/Blazer and Tie  
Fraternal Relations Guest - Appropriate Attire for Office All  
Other Members – Business Attire Blazer and Tie  
Women and All Guest should Dress Appropriately

**Absolutely No Shorts, T-Shirts, Tank Tops or Jersey's Will Be Allowed Into Supreme Session**

Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> Casual at All Events but Wear Pyramids

Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Church Service Casual except for Chaplain and those involved in service, Coat and Tie.

**Be Proud  
Wear Pyramids at All Times  
Even Walking on The Boardwalk**

# 2023 Tall Cedars of Lebanon Convention

## October 19-22, 2023

### Ocean City Fontainebleau Resort

10100 Coastal Highway  
Ocean City, Maryland 21842  
**410-524-3535 OR 1-800-838-2100**

It has been a rebuilding year . Help to steer this Fraternity in the right direction.  
Make your thoughts known and enjoy some FUN, FROLIC and FELLOWSHIP that we as Tall Cedars have enjoyed. Come join your fellow CEDARS this October for your annual Convention and session of The Supreme Forest.

#### Room Rates Per Night

Wednesday October 18 - Sunday October 22 ,2023, per night, Double Queen \$149.00 + taxes  
Executive King \$149.00 + taxes

#### All Reservations Must Be Made by September 17, 2023

Call 410-524-3535 for Reservations

Request The Special Tall Cedars of Lebanon Group Rates When Scheduling.

Room rates are based on single or double occupancy. Extra person charge is \$15.00 per night. Children under 18 stay free in their parent's room using existing bedding. Currently an 11% state and local tax is applicable to the room rates. Such taxes are subject to change without notice.

All reservations must be made by Tuesday, September 17, 2023. Should a guest cancel a reservation, the deposit is refundable if notice is given at least **seventy-two (72) hours** prior to arrival and a cancellation number obtained. Reservations cannot be shortened with-in seventy-two (72) hours of scheduled arrival. There will be no refunds for early check-out. Anyone checking out prior to their scheduled departure date will be responsible for their full scheduled stay.

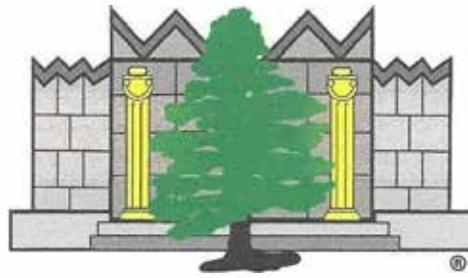
**Call 410-524-3535 or 1-800-638-2100 to make your reservations.**

**Don't forget to mention Tall Cedar of Lebanon.**

All Accessible rooms should be requested through Convention Chairman Les Metcalf



# Tall Cedars of Lebanon International Convention 2023



## Opening Dinner

**Thursday 10/19/2023**

**Come Join Your Fellow Tall Cedars and Their Families  
for Fun, Frolic and Fellowship**

**6:30-7:30 Reception Cash Bar**

**7:30-10:30 Buffet Dinner**

**See convention meals form to sign up**



## 2023 Annual Ladies of Cedarism Luncheon

Hosted By the 2023 Committee

### Theme Is “Fall Celebration”

Friday October 20, 2023

Doors Open At 11:30

Luncheon @ Noon

Loaded Potato Soup  
Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad  
Key Lime Pie & Beverage

*(If you have a special Dietary need please note on the meal order form)*

“A Gift Valued At \$10.00 From Each Forest Is Appreciated”

Deadline For Reservations September 15, 2023  
See Convention Meals Form to Sign Up

# **2023 Convention Tall Cedars of Lebanon Men's Luncheon**



**Friday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

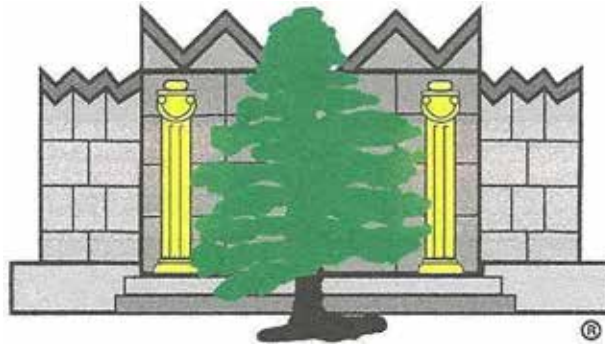
**Doors Open @ 11:45 AM - Luncheon @Noon**

**All Tall Cedars are invited to join the  
Supreme Forest Officers for a Lunch Consisting of;  
Loaded Potato Soup, Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad,  
Key Lime pie and Coffee or Tea**

**Lets have a Little  
Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship**

**See Convention Meals Form to Sign Up**

# Tall Cedars of Lebanon International Convention 2023



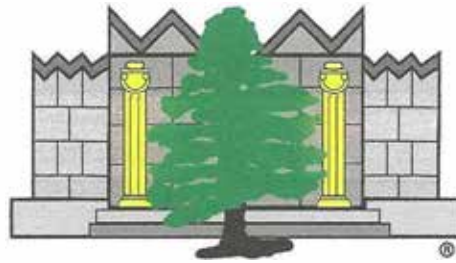
## Friday Night Installation Dinner

Come join us as we celebrate the installation of our new officers for 2024 and the awards banquet for 2023

Reception 5:30 Cash Bar  
Dinner 6:30

See the convention Meal form to order

**2023 Convention Tall  
Cedars of Lebanon  
Closing Dinner  
&  
Awards Presentations**



**Saturday October 21, 2023  
Casual Dress  
Social "Hour" @ 5:30 PM  
Cash Bar**

**Dinner @ 6:30 PM**

**Entertainment is none  
other than the great  
entertainer and Brother**

**Randy Riggle**

**Our Theme is**

**Red, White and Blue**  
**See Convention Meals Plan**

## 2023 Tall Cedar Convention Meals Menu

### Thursday October 19 Dinner

#### **NUEVO LATINO**

**Southwestern Chicken and Tortilla Soup** | Sour Cream, Green Onion

**Southwest Salad** | Romaine, Tri Color Tortilla, Chipotle Ranch Dressing

**Char-Grilled Marinated Skirt Steak Chimichurri** | Garlic, Onions and Fresh Herbs

**Roasted Fresh Catch** | Pineapple Mango Relish, Grilled Lemon

**Chile-Rubbed Slow Roasted Pork Loin** | Poblano and Sweet Corn Relish, Pan Jus

**Frijoles Borrachos** | Field Tomatoes, Minced Jalapeno, Red Onion, Cilantro

Arroz Espanola

Roasted Squash, Tomatoes and Onion

Jalapeno Corn Bread & Butter

#### **Dessert**

Churros | Mexican Chocolate and Honey

Tres Leches Cake

### Breakfast Friday, Saturday, Sunday

#### **BREAKFAST BUFFET**

Orange and Cranberry Juice

Seasonal Fruits and Berries

Freshly Baked Morning Pastries and Muffins

An Assortment of Breakfast Cereals | Bananas, 2% and Skim Milk (*Soy, Oat and Almond Mk on Request*)

Individual Low-fat Fruit and Greek Yogurts

Farm Fresh Scrambled Eggs

Hardwood Smoked Bacon

Country Sausage Links

Hash Browns

French Toast

Warm Maple Syrup, Whipped Butter

### Friday October 20, 2023 Mens and Ladies Luncheon

Loaded potato soup

Grilled chicken Caesar Salad

Key Lime Pie

Coffee and Tea

### Friday October 20, 2023 Dinner

Sage, Ocean Club Salad

Chefs Choice of Vegetables

Pan Seared Salmon Rice Pilaf, Dill Cream Sauce

**Butternut Squash Ravioli Brown Butter (As a vegetarian meal)**

New York Cheesecake | Fresh Berries

### Saturday October 21, 2023 Dinner

Wedge of Iceberg Lettuce

Chefs choice of vegetables

Olive Oil and Rosemary Seared Chicken **Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Lemon Beurre Blanc**

**Pasta Primavera | Seasonal Vegetables, Fresh Tomatoes, Herbs, Light Pesto Cream Sauce ( As a vegetarian meal)**

Carrot Cake | Cream Cheese Frosting

## 2023 Tall Cedar Convention Meals Form

|  |              |         |  |
|--|--------------|---------|--|
| Thursday October 19,2023 6:30 Dinner- Buffet                   | \$65.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Friday October 19,2023 7:00-8:30 AM Breakfast Buffet           | \$36.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Friday October 20,2023 Ladies: Luncheon                        | \$32.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Friday October 20,2023...Men's Luncheon                        | \$32.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Friday October 20, 2023 Dinner (Formal)                        | \$37.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Vegetarian option <span style="float: right;">yes _____</span> |              |         |  |
| Saturday, October 21, 2023 7:00-9:00 AM Breakfast              | \$36.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Saturday, October 21,2023 Dinner                               | \$40.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Vegetarian Option <span style="float: right;">yes _____</span> |              |         |  |
| Sunday, October 22, 2023 7:00-8:30 Breakfast Buffet            | \$36.00 X    | _____ = |  |
| Price includes gratuity and tax                                | <b>Total</b> | _____   |  |

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

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

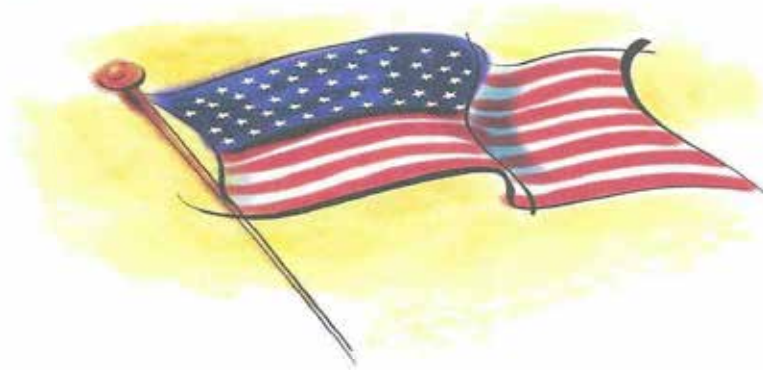
Make Checks Payable to "2023 Committee "SEND COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT TO; George and Judy Morgan  
1731 Johnston Dr  
Bethlehem, PA 18017-2703

Any Special Dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

All Meal Reservations need to be received by September 15, 2023

No Refunds after September 30, 2023

# Cavalcade of Color Guards



On Saturday, October 21, 2023, at 9:00am at the annual Tall Cedar Convention, all Tall Cedar Forest's are invited to participate in a large group presentation of the Colors. One Color Guard will be selected to carry the American Flag to lead the Cavalcade; and all others are encouraged to represent their Forest by having members carry one or more flags to the floor. You do not need to have an established Color Guard; one person can represent your Forest!

**This is to Honor our long time Supreme Chief Ranger**

**Ray Sheaffer**

Contact Dick Feeser Past Supreme Tall Cedar  
DFeeser@Cbmove.com

410-430-2420

RSVP By September 15, 2023 to Dick Feeser PSTC

Forest \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_





**SUPREME FOREST  
OF THE  
TALL CEDARS OF LEBANON  
International  
Established 1902**

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4309 Linglestown Road, Suite 116 • Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112 • (717) 232-5991 • FAX (717) 232-5997*

March 2023

Dear Brother Cedars:

The 2023 Convention Committee would like to publish an outstanding Souvenir Program Book for your use at the Annual Convention to be held in Ocean City, Maryland October 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

We solicit your participation in this endeavor by asking you to purchase advertising space in this publication. It is our sincere hope that every Forest in the Cedar Kingdom will participate in order to help support the 2023 Convention.

As there will be no flyers stuffed into Registration Packets at Convention, Forests that wish to promote an activity should do so in their ad. This book will contain all pertinent information and schedules for Convention, so an ad in this book will be seen.

To have the book printed in time for Convention, we must have your ad copy **no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**. Please prepare your advertisement, **put it on a flash drive**, indicate your choice of space, make your check payable to **"TCL Convention"** and mail to: **TCL Convention c/o Les Metcalf, 1240 Birch Ave., Halethorpe, Maryland 21227**

Ads may also be e-mailed to **tclconvention@gmail.com** but be sure to mail the form and payment.

The 2023 Convention Committee thanks you for your support of this important undertaking.

2023 Convention Ad

Full Page (         )         Half Page (         )         Quarter Page (         )  
                     \$125.                     \$75.                     \$50.

Boosters: \$3.00 Per Line (attach list)

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Forest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_



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April 2023

During the period of October 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> 2023, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon International will be celebrating its 119<sup>th</sup> Annual Session and Convention in Ocean City, Maryland. The Tall Cedars are a non-profit organization headquartered in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and have numerous chapters throughout the United States.

Tall Cedars are perhaps best known for to assist those afflicted with Neuromuscular Diseases.

The purpose of this letter is to enlist your support to help make this very special convention a success by asking you to purchase advertising space in the Souvenir Program Book. This book will be used during the convention. Although the exact count of how many Tall Cedars will be attending is not known, we are anticipating approximately 500 Tall Cedars and their ladies will be coming to Ocean City, Maryland. If you would like to place an ad in this program book, there are three choices: Full page @ \$125, Half page @ \$75.00, or Quarter page @ \$50.00. Please provide a copy of your advertisement on a flash drive, indicate your size choice (full, half or one-quarter), make check payable to "TCL Convention", and mail to:

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1240 Birch Avenue  
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**Deadline for submission is September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**

The 2022 Convention Committee would like to thank you for your support of this important undertaking.

**2023 Convention Program Book**

Full Page (     )     Half Page (     )     Quarter Page (     )  
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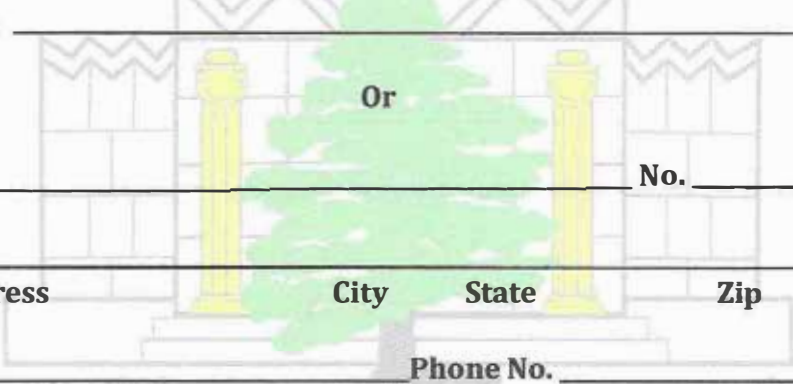
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**2023 Tall Cedars Convention Ocean  
City Fountainebleau Resort 10100  
Coastal Highway  
Ocean City, Maryland 21842**

**Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>  
8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.  
Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> 8:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**

# Vendor Application



**Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Forest Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Or** \_\_\_\_\_ **No.** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Descriptions Of Items for Sale:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Of Tables Required** \_\_\_\_\_

**Price: Forests/Cedarettes - No Charge\*\* All Other Vendors - 65.00/Table\*\*  
No Charge for Fund Raisers for Forests. All Others Are Considered Vendors**

**Complete this form and send to:** Ted Wallace  
106 Reedville Rd  
Oxford, PA 19363  
**E-Mail:** ted.wallace64@gmail.com

Applications must be received and paid for by September 15, 2023 NO refunds after September 30, 2023

**Supreme Forest  
Tall Cedars of Lebanon  
2023 Convention Souvenir Program  
Book Booster**

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**Cost: \$3.00 per line/name - Please make your check payable to: "TCL Convention", and  
mail to: TCL Convention c/o Les Metcalf, 1240 Birch Ave., Halethorpe, Maryland 21227**

**Deadline - September 1, 2023**

**Tall Cedars of Lebanon  
2023 Convention Registration Form  
October 19<sup>th</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

Forest Name & No. \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Housing Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration is \$25 Per Person.  
There is no charge for youth, however, please indicate the number.**

**Deadline for Pre-registration and/or cancellation - September 15<sup>th</sup>**

| NAME | # of Men | # of Women | Registration Fee | # of Youth |
|------|----------|------------|------------------|------------|
| 1.   |          |            | \$               |            |
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# Tall Cedars of Lebanon International

2023  
Convention

**GOLF**

Outing

- ✔ Fun
- ✔ Frolic
- ✔ Fellowship

**Wednesday  
October 18  
2023**

**Lighthouse Sound  
GOLF COURSE**

12723 St Martins Neck Rd #1,  
Bishopville, MD 21813

### Tee Times

|         |         |
|---------|---------|
| 8:27am  | 11:15am |
| 9:36am  | 11:24am |
| 9:45am  | 11:33am |
| 10:57am | 11:42am |
| 11:06am | 11:51am |

Support the Cedar  
Kingdon by having a fun  
day on the golf course

**Cost: \$102 Per Person**

**Includes:  
Tax, Range Balls & Cart**

To Reserve a Tee Time each golfer must contact Light House Sound at (410) 641-1189. Mention you are with Tall Cedars and The Tee Time you want from the list above. Then notify Joe Nason of your confirmed tee time and deposit made.

**FOR MORE INFO: Joe Nason (443) 421-0240**

Require a two week notice for any changes or cancellations made to a tee time. Payment is non-refundable and will be due in full before October 4, 2023. Once payment has been processed rain checks will be issued if a golfer cannot make their round. A non-refundable charge of \$25 per golfer per group will be applied to any qualifying refunds.

**EVENT SPONSORED BY: Tall Cedars of Lebanon International**

## Constitution Change # 1 for 2023

### ARTICLE VI--ELECTED OFFICERS-- THEIR DUTIES—VACANCIES

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#### 7. Board of Directors

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##### c Powers and Duties

- (1) To manage the business of the Supreme Forest within the guidelines of the Constitution and the actions of the Supreme Forest.
- (2) To provide the long-range planning of the Order and aggressively chart the future membership and extension programs vital to the propagation and growth of the Order.
  - (a) Deleted (01)
  - (b) Deleted
- (3) To grant charters to Constituent Forests and to revoke such charters for violations of the laws, rules and regulations of the Supreme Forest.
- (4) To establish districts consisting of Constituent Forests in adjacent areas and to establish regions consisting of districts in adjacent areas.
- (5) To insure and approve the appointment of District Deputies Supreme Tall Cedar, denoting and approving their duties, powers and jurisdictions.
- (6) To establish and define the jurisdiction of Constituent Forests.
- (7) To issue ~~Annual~~ Membership Cards without which no Member shall be ..admitted to any meeting of the Supreme Forest or to any of its Constituent Forests and to revoke such Membership Card for violations of Supreme Forest Laws, rules, regulations, or edicts when such action is determined to be in the best interest of the order
- (8) To prescribe the powers and duties of the Constituent Forests and their offices.
- (9) To fix the compensation of the Supreme Scribe and Supreme Treasurer; to reimburse other Supreme Forest Officers and committeemen as provided in Article IV of the By-laws; and to provide for other administrative expenditures.

James R. Marion, PGTC Adoniram No. 209, Mark Brumaghim, PGTC Harrisburg No. 43 Brian Van Scyoc, PGTC Valley No. 145 David W. Manter, PGTC Pocono No. 124 Michael A. Youse, PGTC Evergreen No. 49 Robert Hahn, GTC Bethlehem No. 61 James O. Walmer, PGTC Harrisburg No. 43

**Constitution change# 2 for 2023 (new section<sub>1</sub> below)**

**Article V—Meetings**

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C. All Meetings.

1. It is the policy of the Supreme Forest to have all meetings of the organization, at all levels, be conducted with the physical presence of the participants in the same location. However, where external events or conditions make this difficult, inefficient, or not possible to achieve, electronic attendance at meetings is permitted at the discretion of the Supreme Tall Cedar, the Supreme Forest Board, Committee Chairmen, the Region District or Forest as applicable
2. All official meetings of the Tall Cedars at any level may be conducted electronically, or attended electronically by some of or all of the members, via an Internet or other connection to system that transmits and receives both audio and visual signals. Such connection must provide the conditions and opportunity for simultaneous aural and visual communications so that all participating members can simultaneously hear and see each other so that it is equivalent to being physically present at the place of the meeting. Members attending electronically shall be considered "present" for attendance. quorum and voting purposes. The notice of an electronic meeting shall be the same as meetings where the members are physically present. It will be the responsibility of the member wishing to attend the meeting electronically to have the equipment and software required for such participation. Electronic meetings shall be conducted pursuant to the Supreme Forest Constitution, Bylaws. and Robert's Rules of Order, as if the members attending electronically were physically present. Only members having the right to vote at the electronic meeting may participate; others may speak when permitted by the Chair of the meeting.
3. In the event that it is not possible or highly impractical to conduct the Annual Meeting in person or electronically, the Board of Directors has the power to take any action that could be taken by the Supreme Forest at an Annual meeting, except contested election of officers, provided that any such action can be ratified, modified or reversed by the Supreme Forest at any Annual or Special Meeting of the Supreme Forest.

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Alex Duenas, PGTC Richmond No. 66 Michael A. Youse, PGTC Evergreen No. 49  
Robert Hahn, GTC Bethlehem No. 61 James O. Walmer, PGTC Harrisburg No. 43 David  
W. Manter, PGTC Pocono No. 124



**Constitution Change # 3 for 2023**

**ARTICLE X--AMENDMENTS**

- A. Any proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be in writing, signed by at least seven (7) members of the Supreme Forest, and must (04) be forwarded to the Supreme Forest Office no later than ~~January 1st of the current year~~ 60 days prior to the annual convention. Notice detailing such proposed amendments will contain the names of the proponents and will be sent to each member of the Supreme Forest at least thirty (30) days prior to such Annual Meeting. A two-thirds (2/3) favorable vote of the members present and voting shall be required for adoption.

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**Bylaw Change #1 for 2023**

**ARTICLE 1--APPOINTED OFFICERS AND DUTIES**

M. Aides to the Supreme Tall Cedar, may be ~~two (2)~~ one (1) in number, and shall:

1. perform such duties as assigned by the Supreme Tall Cedar.
- ...

R. Tall Cedar Foundation Trustees ~~shall~~-- may;

1. be appointed annually by the Supreme Tall Cedar Elect no later than ~~August~~ September 1st preceding the date that he shall assume the office of Supreme Tall Cedar for each district throughout the Cedar Kingdom. To qualify for appointment, he shall be a member of the Supreme Forest, at the time of his appointment, be a member of a Constituent Forest within the district which he would serve, and be approved by the Board of Directors of the Supreme Forest.
2. serve as the representative of the Tall Cedar Foundation Board of Directors.
3. be reimbursed for allowable expenses by the Tall Cedar Foundation in accordance with the Foundation Constitution and By-laws.

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**Bylaw Change #2 for 2023**

**ARTICLE IV--COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEEMEN**

- A. The Supreme Tall Cedar shall be reimbursed for all reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of his duties as Supreme Tall Cedar.
- B. All elected and appointed Supreme Forest Officers and all Supreme Forest Committeemen when on a mission or assignment authorized by the Supreme Tall Cedar or the Board of Directors, shall be reimbursed for all reasonable expenses incurred on a scale approved by the Board of Directors or by the Supreme Forest; however, in the determination of such scale, the Board of Directors shall not have the authority to supersede the action of the Supreme Forest.
- C. Deleted, 1987.
- D. The amount of the reimbursement of each of the above for the preceding fiscal year shall be recorded as a part of the Annual Proceedings. (87)
- E. ~~The Supreme Tall Cedar is entitled to take a trip during his year as Supreme Tall Cedar or during the year next following at a cost to the Supreme Forest no greater than the amount of return derived from tours sponsored by the Supreme Forest Tour Committee during his term of office. Should there be no income, he shall not be entitled to a trip. Regardless of the amount of income, the maximum shall not exceed \$2,500.00. (To be effective immediately.)~~

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ARTICLE VII--JEWELS OF OFFICE, INSIGNIA, AND DRESS

D A regular tuxedo, or as an alternative, a green blazer with a white shirt and a bow or necktie along with black or khaki dress slacks ~~will~~ may be worn by all Forest Officers when participating in regular meetings, degree work, memorial service, installations, and parades. Regular tuxedo consists of black coat, white shirt, and black accessories. The regular summer tuxedo consists of a white coat, white shirt, and black accessories, and ~~is to~~ may be worn between May 1 through August 31 At the discretion of the Grand Tall Cedar a Polo Shirt with black or khaki dress slacks may be worn. In all cases, all Officers will be uniform in the chosen attire

E Order of Introduction

1 The following ~~shall~~ may be used at all Supreme Forest and Constituent Forest meetings and social functions.

a The following may be recognized from their seats\_ These introductions will be made by the Guide or any Tall Cedar designated by the Grand Tall Cedar.

- (1) Past Officers of the Host Forest
- (2) Officers of the Host Forest
- (3) Visiting Forest Officers and members excepting visiting Junior Deputy Grand Tall Cedars, Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedars and Grand Tall Cedars.

b The following may be introduced at the altar by the Guide or any Tall Cedar designated by the Grand Tall Cedar in proper attire.

- (1) Visiting Junior & Senior Deputy Grand Tall Cedars
- (2) Visiting Grand Tall Cedars
- (3) Supreme Forest Committeemen and Chairmen
- (4) Appointed Supreme Forest Officers
  - (a) TCF Trustees
  - (b) TCF Board Of Directors
  - (c) Appointed Supreme Forest Officers
  - (d) Visiting District Deputies STC

c The Host District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar will be presented in front of the altar by the Guide or any Tall Cedar designated by the Grand Tall Cedar.

- d The District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar will introduce the following at the altar. They may be introduced as a group if approved by the highest ranking Supreme Forest Officer present.
  - (1) Past Supreme Directors (Elected and Appointed)
  - (2) Supreme Directors (Elected and Appointed)
- e The District Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar will introduce the following at the altar. They may be introduced as a group if approved by the highest ranking Supreme Forest Officer present.
  - (1) Past Supreme Scribes and Treasurers
  - (2) Past Supreme Tall Cedars
  - (3) Supreme Treasurer and Supreme Scribe
  - (4) Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar
  - (5) Senior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar
  - (6) Supreme Tall Cedar

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## 2023 Schedule

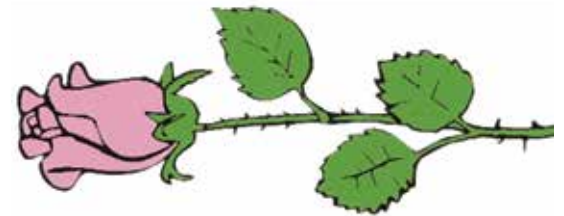
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| <b>Sun Jan 8, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Zoom with the District Deputies   |
| <b>Thu Jan 12, 2023, - Sun Jan 15, 2023, All day</b>  | Midwinter                         |
| <b>Where:</b> SureStay Plus Hotel by Best Western Lehigh Valley, 300 Gateway Dr, Bethlehem, PA 18017, USA |                                   |
| <b>Wed Jan 18, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | PSTC Zoom Meeting                 |
| <b>Mon Jan 23, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Extension Committee Zoom          |
| <b>Sat Feb 4, 2023, 10am - 4pm</b>  | Clown College                     |
| <b>Where:</b> Region 2  |                                   |
| <b>Sun Feb 12, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Zoom with the District Deputies   |
| <b>Wed Feb 15, 2023, 7pm - 8:30pm</b>   | Open Forum Zoom                   |
| <b>Sat Feb 18, 2023, - Wed Feb 22, 2023,</b>  | Grand Masters Conference          |
| <b>Where:</b> Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington   |                                   |
| <b>Mon Feb 27, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Extension Committee Zoom          |
| <b>Sat Mar 11, 2023, 9am - 1pm</b>  | Supreme Forest Board Meeting      |
| <b>Where:</b> George Washington Masonic National Memorial, Park Rd, Alexandria, VA 22314, USA             |                                   |
| <b>Sun Mar 12, 2023, 2pm - 4pm</b>  | Wreath Laying                     |
| <b>Where:</b> Washington Family Tomb, Alexandria, VA 22309, USA   |                                   |
| <b>Sat Mar 18, 2023, 10am - 2pm</b>   | Clown College                     |
| <b>Where:</b> Region 5  |                                   |
| <b>Sun Mar 19, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | District Deputy Zoom              |
| <b>Mon Mar 27, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Extension Committee Zoom          |
| <b>Mon Apr 10, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | District Deputy Zoom              |
| <b>Sat Apr 15, 2023, 10am - 11am</b>  | Clown College                     |
| <b>Where:</b> Region 1  |                                   |
| <b>Sat Apr 15, 2023, 7pm - 8:30pm</b>   | Open Forum Zoom                   |
| <b>Sat Apr 22, 2023, - Sun Apr 23, 2023, All day</b>  | Supreme Forest Bowling Tournament |
| <b>Where:</b> York, PA, USA   |                                   |
| <b>Mon Apr 24, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Extension Committee Zoom          |
| <b>Sun May 14, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Zoom with the District Deputies   |
| <b>Mon May 22, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Extension Committee Zoom          |
| <b>Sat May 27, 2023, 10am - 4pm</b>   | Clown College                     |
| <b>Where:</b> Region 3  |                                   |
| <b>Wed Jun 7, 2023, 5:30pm - 7:30pm</b>   | President Harding Day             |
| <b>Where:</b> Milford, Delaware   |                                   |
| <b>Sat Jun 10, 2023, 9am - 2pm</b>  | Supreme Forest Board Meeting      |
| <b>Where:</b> Supreme Forest Office and Zoom  |                                   |
| <b>Sun Jun 11, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Zoom with the District Deputies   |

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| <b>Thu Jun 15, 2023, 7pm - 8:30pm</b>  | Open Forum Zoom                                |
| <b>Sat Jun 17, 2023, 10am - 4pm</b><br>Where: Region 4   | Clown College                                  |
| <b>Wed Jun 21, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | PSTC Zoom                                      |
| <b>Mon Jun 26, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Extension Committee Zoom                       |
| <b>Fri Jul 7, 2023 - Sun Jul 9, 2023, All day</b><br>Where: Spruce Cabin Camp  | <b>David W. MacDonough Degree in the Woods</b> |
| <b>Sun Jul 9, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Zoom with the District Deputies                |
| <b>Mon Jul 24, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Extension Committee Zoom                       |
| <b>Sun Aug 13, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Zoom with the District Deputies                |
| <b>Tue Aug 15, 2023, 7pm - 8:30pm</b>  | Open Forum Zoom                                |
| <b>Mon Aug 28, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Extension Committee Zoom                       |
| <b>Sun Sep 10, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Zoom with the District Deputies                |
| <b>Mon Sep 11, 2023, 6:30pm - 8pm</b><br>Where: York Forest  | 911 Tribute and BBQ                            |
| <b>Fri Sep 15, 2023, 5pm - 7pm</b><br>Where: Brandywine Forest   | Crab Fest                                      |
| <b>Wed Sep 20, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | PSTC Zoom                                      |
| <b>Mon Sep 25, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Extension Committee Zoom                       |
| <b>Sun Oct 8, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>  | Zoom with the District Deputies                |
| <b>Sun Oct 15, 2023, 7pm - 8:30pm</b>  | Open Forum Zoom                                |
| <b>Wed Oct 18, 2023, - Sun Oct 22, 2023, All day</b><br>Where: Ocean City, MD, USA, 12303-A Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842, USA | Tall Cedar Convention                          |
| <b>Thu Oct 19, 2023, 9am - 2pm</b><br>Where: Ocean City, MD, USA, 12303-A Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842, USA                   | Supreme Forest Board Meeting                   |
| <b>Mon Oct 23, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Extension Committee Zoom                       |
| <b>Sun Nov 12, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Zoom with the District Deputies                |
| <b>Mon Nov 27, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Extension Committee Zoom                       |
| <b>Sat Dec 2, 2023, 9am - 1pm</b><br>Where: Supreme Forest Office  | Supreme Forest Board Meeting                   |
| <b>Sun Dec 10, 2023, 7pm - 8pm</b>   | Zoom with the District Deputies                |
| <b>Fri Dec 15, 2023, 7pm - 8:30pm</b>  | Open Forum Zoom                                |

Detailed information about these events can be found our the Supreme Forest website.  
[TallCedars.org/Calendar.html](http://TallCedars.org/Calendar.html)

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### **The History of The Tall Cedar Rose**

The main objective of the Tall Cedars is to support the fight against neuromuscular diseases.

One of our fundraising projects is the Rose Program. In 1979, the Rose Program was instituted as a new fundraiser for the Tall Cedars by Essex Forest No. 8. "Roses Against Muscular Dystrophy!" was accepted as a national program and offered for a donation on street corners and at special events of the Forests. This program remains much the same today.

Over the years, the Rose has become the signature of a Tall Cedar. We wear the rose as a reminder of our commitment to be there for the kids always. So, be proud when you wear this rose and join in the Fun, Frolic and Fellowship of Tall Cedarism, and the fight against neuromuscular diseases.