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September – December 2018

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**Montgomery Forest No. 134 Tall Cedars of Lebanon
Montgomery County's ONLY Masonic Social Organization
FUN, FROLIC and FELLOWSHIP - WITH A PURPOSE**

September 5 – Executive Committee

September 15 – Forest Meeting

October 3 – Executive Committee

October 20 – Forest Meeting (Halloween) & Cedarette President Night

November 7 – Executive Committee

November 10 – Forest Meeting – Past Presidents & PGTC Night

December 5 – Executive Committee

December 15 – Forest Meeting – Holiday Celebration



Cedars and Cedarettes of Montgomery, Prince George's, and Annapolis Forests
at the 2018 Greater Washington Area MDA Summer Camp

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PROCLAMATION

By virtue of the power and authority in me vested by the Supreme Forest, Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America, I hereby call a meeting of Montgomery Forest No. 134 to be held at the Montgomery Temple, 612 Great Falls Road, Rockville, MD 20850, for the purpose of transacting such business as may come before the Forest on **Saturdays, September 15, October 20, November 10 (2nd Saturday), and December 15 2018.**

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FOREST MEETINGS
3rd Saturday in MOST months
2nd Saturday in November
No meetings in July and August

Dinner is served at **5:00pm - \$10 per person**
(Reservations to be made 1 week in advance to GTC or Cedarette President)
The Forest meeting is at **6:00pm**
Dessert & Entertainment at **7:00pm**

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Meets the first Wednesday of every month at **7:00pm** except July and August.
Consists of Elected Officers, Past GTC's, Past Scribes, Past Treasurers,
Past Trustees and those appointed by the GTC.

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Sick & Welfare	Al Tynan, PGTC
Refreshments	Tom Graham GTC

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Grand Tall Cedar's Message

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting on Saturday, September 15. The theme will be "New Beginnings". We felt this was appropriate considering the trial and tribulations our Forest has experienced this past year. We can only survive with your participation, so please try to join us! The more the merrier!

On a serious note, we all are aware of a member of the Forest who is undergoing prosecution for theft of the Forest's money. We're happy to say that the charges against him have been filed, a State's Attorney prosecutor assigned, and we expect a swift trial and justice.

Prince George's Forest is seeking a merger with either Annapolis Forest or Montgomery Forest. Considering the financial situation we have been left in this year, we should welcome such a merger. This would accomplish two things. First, the Forest would be financially stable again, regardless of the outcome from the judicial process. Second, we would expand our membership base and hopefully open us up to more participation and from not just primarily Montgomery County, but the wider National Capital Area. This is not a done deal, but it is something we need to seriously consider in order to continue our work as Cedars and Cedarettes and supporting research for muscular diseases.

Again, please look to attend our next meeting, as this will be discussed in more detail. Your voice in this issue matters. Please try to attend so you can be fully apprised of the issue and ask questions you may have. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Tom Graham, Grand Tall Cedar



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CHARTERED NOVEMBER 2, 1978
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I hope everyone had a great and relaxing summer! We had a great showing at the MDA Summer camp! Thank you to all that attended. I know the children really appreciated our time!

We will be starting up again with our September meeting on September 15. The theme being "New Beginnings". We hope everyone can join us!

Just a reminder, this November is the 40th Anniversary of the Cedarettes! In recognition, I thought it would be a great opportunity to see a musical at the Olney Theater in November or early December. They are performing "Elf the Musical". I think this would be a great event for all ages and an opportunity to spend some time together outside of the normal meeting. More information regarding a date and tickets will be forthcoming.

Our biggest fundraiser, the Giving Tree, is in full swing! We are looking for donations of gift cards or donations for gift cards (restaurants, coffee shops, grocery stores, Target, etc.). The gift cards will be put on a small tree and the tree will be raffled off at the convention in May. If you make a donation, you will be compensated with raffle tickets for the tree. Please contact me if you would like to make a donation or have any questions.

I hope you see you at the September meeting!

Karen Graham



SCRIBE'S CORNER

Most members have paid their dues for 2018. Those few that haven't should expect to see their final reminder in the mail in the next week or two.

The 2019 dues notices and cards will go out once we have a better read on the potential merger with Prince George's Forest. I'm riding to the Supreme Board Meeting on September 8 with the officers of Prince George's Forest to discuss the process and potential.

Prince George's Forest has two MD Ambassadors that we would pick up in a merger and that's an exciting notion for us.

Another idea we will throw around is to move from evening to daytime/lunch meetings in expectation that it may be more appealing to our membership.

Romain



September 15 – Forest Meeting

Theme: New Beginnings

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Casual Attire & Good Food



October 20 – Forest Meeting

Theme: Halloween



**Wear a
Costume**

POTLUCK

- Last Name A-M: Bring a Main Dish
- Last name N-Z: Bring a Side Dish
or Dessert

November 10 – Forest Meeting *(2nd Saturday)*

Theme: Celebration of Accomplishment

- Cedarette's 40th Birthday

- Past President's Night

- Past Grand Tall Cedar's Night

Casual Attire & Good Food



December 15 – Forest Meeting

Theme: Holiday Celebration

Merry Christmas *Happy Hanukkah*
Happy Holidays

Casual Attire & Good Food



The MDA has just announced \$9.9 million in funding for 34 new research projects.

Included among the 34 are 24 research grants for established, independent investigators; a research infrastructure grant to fund the development of computational tools that can integrate and analyze complex amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) data sets; and two grants to be used to establish clinical research networks for facioscapulohumeral muscular dystrophy (FSHD) and limb-girdle muscular dystrophy (LGMD).

For Duchenne muscular dystrophy (DMD):

Researchers in Los Angeles are developing nanoparticles as an alternative approach to the delivery of therapies based on gene editing, gene replacement and gene silencing. Nanoparticle-based delivery has the potential to be more accurate and effective than the current adeno-associated virus method used in gene therapy trials.

For ALS:

Scientists in Belgium are studying the role of histone deacetylase inhibitors in mouse models as a potential therapeutic approach for preserving the motor axon in people with ALS.

For mitochondrial myopathy:

In New York, researchers are preparing an open-label expanded access trial of a deoxynucleoside therapy for a type of mitochondrial myopathy caused by thymidine kinase 2 (TK2) deficiency.

2019 TALL CEDARS MIDWINTER CONFERENCE CLARION RESORT FONTAINEBLEAU HOTEL

OCEANFRONT @ 10100 Coastal Hwy.; Ocean City MD 21842



January 10th – 13th, 2019

Reservations are to be made directly with the **CLARION RESORT FONTAINEBLEAU HOTEL**. Call **1-800-638-2100** or **410-524-3535** and mention the **Tall Cedars** so you will be housed with the block of rooms reserved for the conference. Most major credit cards accepted.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS – December 13th. 2018

PACKAGE PLAN RATES PER PERSON

Room Occupancy	Friday night only	Saturday night only	Friday & Saturday nights
Single	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 336.00
Double	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 240.00
Triple	\$ 115.00	\$ 115.00	\$ 215.00
Quad	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 205.00

1 Night Package: Includes evening meal and the following morning Breakfast. *Tickets will be collected.*

2 Night Package: Includes 2 evening meals and the 2 following morning Breakfasts. *Tickets will be collected.*

EP rates for early arrivals or late stays - \$90.00 **+tax** per night.

Check in – 4:00 PM Check-out – 11:00 AM

Children 3-18 Nothing additional for sleeping room; **Meals:** Hot Breakfast Buffets will be \$ 9.50 per child per breakfast; Dinners (Salad, Pasta or Chicken fingers, Vegetable, Starch, Dessert & Beverage) will be \$18.00 per child per dinner. **NOTE:** Ask for separate Children meal registration form!! *(If Needed)*

Children 18 & over will be considered an adult and the Double, Triple or Quad pricing will apply.

Commuter meal rates: Breakfasts per person \$ 20.00 inclusive/Dinners per person \$ 50.00 inclusive. Call PSTC Richard Feeser at **1-800-369-8909** to make reservations for Commuter meals.

Recently Passed

A good name is better than precious ointment, and the day of death than the day of birth. *Ecclesiastes 7:1*

Barbara Killian - July 27, 2018

Remember in your prayers

Be not slow to visit the sick: for that shall make thee to be beloved. *Ecclesiasticus 7:35*

Diane Solando, PP and her son who is her caregiver.

In Memoriam

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me *Psalms 23:4*

Sam Atkinson
John Almacy
Bob Alexander
Barbara (Bobbe) Burness
Jean Carruthers
Albert & Amelia Fleisher
John Huff

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