

The Echo

January – March 2015 -- Winter Edition

January 9-11 Mid-Winter Conference, Ocean City MD

January 17 – Forest Meeting: Toga Party

February 4 – Executive Committee Meetings

February 21 – Forest Joint Open Meeting & Memorial Service

March 4 – Executive Committees

March 8 – The Addams Family, Toby's Dinner Theatre

March 15 – Wreath Laying at George Washington's Tomb

March 21 Forest Meeting: St. Patrick's Day

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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, January 28, February 21, and March 21, 2015**

Attest: Woody Woodward, Scribe Romain Tweedy, GTC

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TALL CEDAR FOUNDATION TRUSTEE DISTRICT 20

Romain Tweedy
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FOREST MEETINGS

Meets the third Saturday of every month at 7:30pm except July and August.

Dinner is served at 6:30pm and cost \$8 per head.

(Reservations to be made 1 week in advance to GTC or Cederette President)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm except July and August.

Consists of Elected Officers, Past GTC's, Past Scribes, Past Treasurers,
Past Trustees and those appointed by the GTC.

2015 OFFICERS
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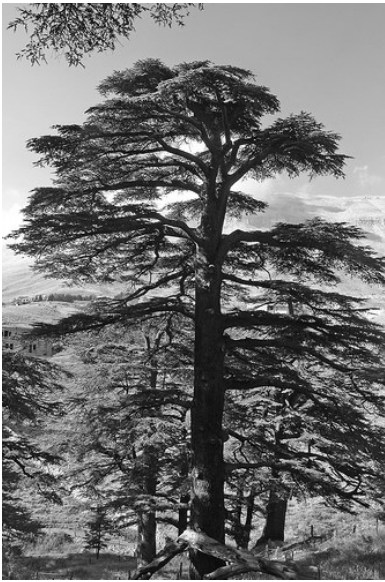
Marshall Gevinson, PGTC, PDDSTC	Year 3	302-616-1488
Morton Burness, PGTC	Year 2	301-649-1140
Royce Watson, PGTC	Year 1	301-879-2949

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Asst. Scribe/Treasurer	Norman Clark, PGTC, PDDGTC
Preceptor	John Almacy ST, PGTC
Guide	Gerald Aleva
Chaplain	Al Tynan, PGTC
Sentinel	Chris Anderla, PGTC
Chief Ranger	John Almacy ST, PGTC
Chief Sidonian	Marshall Gevinson, PGTC, PDDSTC

COMMITTEE MEN

Budget	Woody Woodward, Scr/Treas
By-Laws & Grievances	Thomas Marraffa, SDGTC
MD Chairman	Romain Tweedy, GTC
Editor of the ECHO	Thomas Marraffa, SDGTC
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Refreshments	David Holland, JDGTC
Ways & Means	Woody Woodward, Scr/Treas
Rockville Hall & Library	Norman Clark, PGTC, PDDGTC



Grand Tall Cedar's Message

We have a great year planned out. For those attending the Mid-Winter Conference in Ocean City, we'll see you there. We know it will be informative and fun. Thanks and congratulations to all the Cedar and Cedarette Officers of our Forest.

At our January 17 Forest meeting, our theme is a Toga Party. Dress warmly for a January evening and after the meetings, we'll teach you how to wear your toga and then we'll play some Roman games. **It's important that everyone bring a white bedsheet to make your Toga.**

On February 21, we're going to hold an open joint meeting between the Cedars and the Cedarettes followed by our Memorial Service for those lost in 2014. We don't know what's going to happen in the joint open meeting, but we do know there will be a lot to talk about later. If it goes well, we'll look to repeat the format.

On March 8, we'll be revisiting Toby's Theatre to see *The Addams Family*. It should be appropriate for all ages. See the flyer elsewhere in The Echo. **We're terribly sorry for the short notice, but money is due to either me or Janice by February 6.** Once purchased the money is non-refundable because we are getting the group rate on the tickets.

Also in March on the 15th will be the Wreath Laying at the Tomb of Brother George Washington. For those wishing to carpool, we'll be leaving Montgomery Temple at noon.

At our March Forest meeting, it will be Senior Deputy and Cedarette 1st VP Night. This should be a taste of things to come in 2016.

Remember, dinner reservations for Forest Meetings need to be made by contacting either myself or Janice 1 week before the meeting with a head count. We will be preparing meals based on the number of attendees. Dinner is also now \$8 per person.

Romain Tweedy, Grand Tall Cedar



Brothers, this will be my last Scribes Corner. It is time to let a younger member take the job after a long time being your Scribe, and recently as Treasurer. Brother Woody Woodward had taken over as Scribe and Treasurer.

Those members who would like to receive Echo via e-mail, please e-mail me at cedarmen@verizon.net. The Echo is also available on our web page for those that don't want it mailed to them either way.

Romain Tweedy, our Grand Tall Cedar has planned many events for the Forest in 2015. Marshall Gevinson our immediate past DDSTC was honored at the OPOA/ COPOA meeting for his outstanding service. While I am stepping down as the Scribe/Treasurer, I will continue to serve my district as the incoming DDSTC (no one else would take the position).

Cedarly Norm

It's a pleasure to be elected as your Scribe for 2015. I will be spending the first half of the year getting acquainted with the records and mailing out dues notices and requesting information to update our membership files. Please respond timely.

Fraternally Woody



**MONTGOMERY CEDARETTES
CHARTERED NOVEMBER 2, 1978
Officers for 2015**

Janice Tweedy, President

janice.tweedy@verizon.net - 240 997 6517
21207 Sparrow Ct, Germantown MD 20876-5921

Gerry Tynan, 1st VP

Terri Almacy, 2nd VP

Marilyn Stadler, PP, Secretary

Vicki Krouse, Treasurer

Trustees

Janet Clark, PP

Delores Manley

Terri Almacy, PP

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you to all of the outgoing officers, and congratulations to all of the officers of 2015. Thank you for helping and serving your Forest. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and will be starting your new year off with us. Romain and I are looking forward to a year of Fun, Frolic and Fellowship. We have planned some very exciting events and hope you will be able to join us for one or all of them. It should be a very entertaining year, either from the fun or just because you have Romain and I together.

I am hoping this will be a year of renewal and rejuvenation. Not only for each of us, but also for our Forest. I know Romain and I both would love to have some new members join our wonderful group. We are hoping the open house on April 18th will bring in some new faces.

If I do not see you at the mid-winter convention, I hope to see you at our January 17th TOGA party. Please let us know if you need transportation to a meeting or to the upcoming *Addams Family* play on March 8th at the Olney Theatre. Feel free to call me at 240-997-6517.

Peace be with you,
Janice Tweedy



2015 TALL CEDARS MIDWINTER CONFERENCE



Princess Royale Hotel & Conference Center

(Every room is a suite containing Bedroom, Sitting Room & Kitchenette)

91st STREET, OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND

January 9th – 11th, 2015

Reservations are to be made directly with the Princess Royale. Call 1-800-476-9253 or 410-524-7777 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 8TH 2014

PACKAGE PLAN RATES PER PERSON

Room Occupancy	Friday night only	Saturday night only	Friday & Saturday nights
Single	\$ 149.00	\$ 149.00	\$ 298.00
Double	\$ 107.00	\$ 107.00	\$ 214.00
Triple	\$ 92.00	\$ 92.00	\$ 184.00
Quad	\$ 85.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 170.00

1 Night Package: Includes evening meal and the following morning Breakfast

2 Night Package: Includes 2 evening meals and the 2 following morning Breakfasts

Children 3-11 Nothing additional for sleeping room; **Meals:** Hot Breakfast Buffets will be \$ 9.50 per child per meal; Dinners (Salad, Pasta or Chicken fingers, Vegetable, Starch, Dessert & Beverage will be \$18.00 per child per meal)

Children 12-17 will be considered an adult and the Double, Triple or Quad pricing will apply.

Commuter meal rates are as follows:

Breakfast per person \$ 21.00 inclusive / Dinners per person \$ 38.00 inclusive

EP rates for early arrivals or late stays - \$89.89 inclusive per night.

January 17 2015
Following Forest Meeting



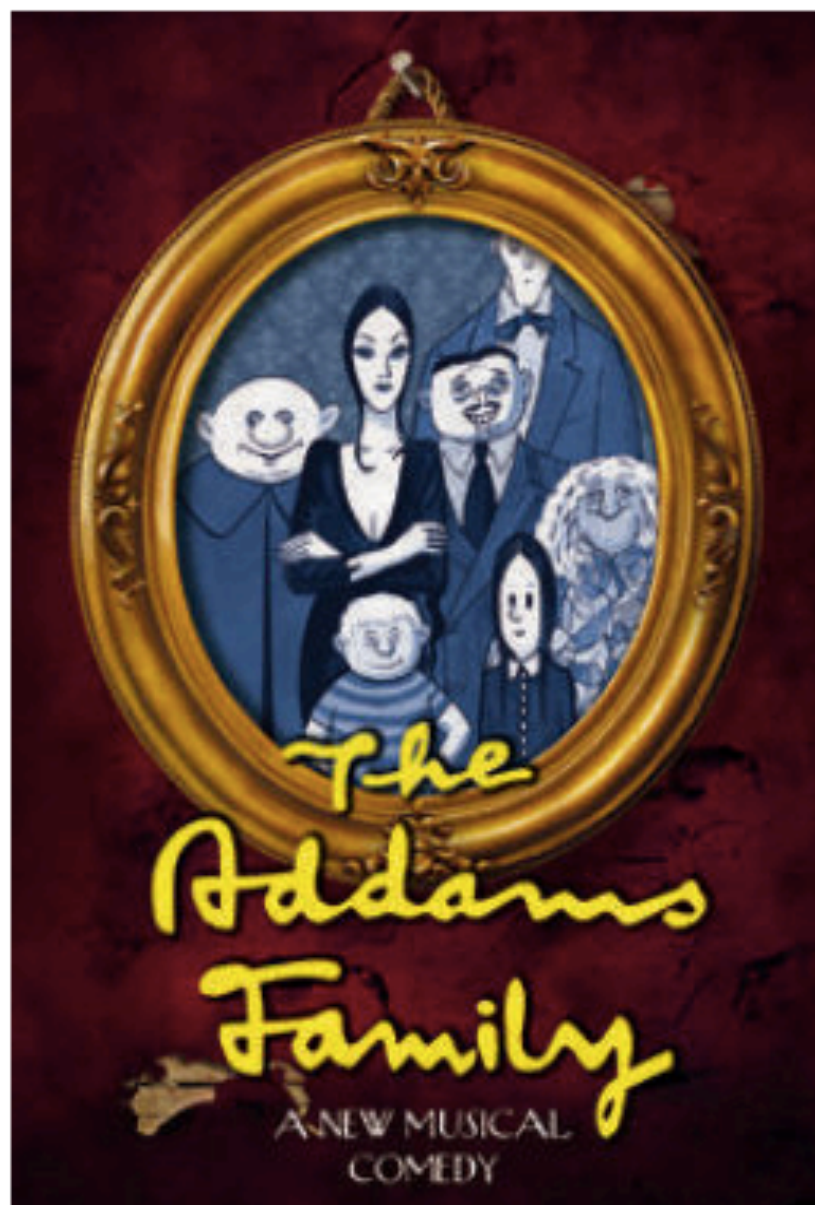
Dress Warmly to the Forest Meeting.

EVERYONE NEEDS TO BRING A WHITE BEDSHEET

**We'll learn how to wear a Toga and get going on your
old time favorite Roman Games!**

Woody will be preparing an Italian meal.

Toby's Dinner Theatre – *The Addams Family* **Sunday Matinee Brunch - March 8 2015**



The Addams Family is taking the world's musical theatre scene by storm with some of the most beloved characters of all time. Wednesday Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he's never done before – keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's 'normal' boyfriend and his parents.

**Cost is \$30 per Montgomery Cedar/Cedarette
\$50 for all others**

Checks/Money payable to Romain or Janice Tweedy

CHECKS/CASH DUE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6

**Toby's Dinner Theatre of Columbia
5900 Symphony Woods Road
Columbia, MD 21044**

**Doors Open at 10:30am
Buffet 10:30am - 11:50am
Show Starts at 12:30pm**

Tall Cedars



Of Lebanon

WREATH LAYING Ceremony

At the tomb of W. Brother **GEORGE WASHINGTON**
Mt. Vernon, Virginia

SUNDAY - MARCH 15, 2015

ASSEMBLE inside the MAIN GATE at 1:30 P.M.

Start lining up at 1:50 P.M.

PROCESSION to the TOMB at 2:00 P.M.

PARTICIPANTS include the **SUPREME TALL CEDAR**
And the **GRAND MASTERS** of Virginia, Maryland,
Delaware, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia

OTHER WREATH LAYING DAY ACTIVITY

*This is also **Tall Cedar Day** at the **George Washington Masonic National Memorial** in Alexandria, VA. All Tall Cedars, family members and friends can meet at the Memorial at **11:00 AM** for a free 1 hour tour. Very worthwhile & interesting!!*

*For more information contact **Richard G. "Dick" Feeser** @
800-369-8909 or dfeeser@cbmove.com*



Montgomery Forest #134 Tall Cedars of Lebanon Open House



Saturday, April 18 2015 - Starting at 6:00pm

**Jerry Brown is The Monkey Man,
and Oh, So Much More!**



Singing old-time vaudeville tunes, playing concertina, banjo, or ukulele; bending metal objects with the mental power of psychokinesis; juggling and storytelling; eating fire; swallowing razor blades; or pulling a bunny out of his hat; Jerry Brown will mesmerize and delight you!

Jerry Brown is a one of a kind entertainer, purveying the lost arts of a bygone era, and his monkey-pal, *Django*, will steal your heart away

FREE Fun-Filled and Informative Evening. Bring your spouse, brothers, sisters, your kids, grandkids, nephews, nieces, and friends. Masons and non-Masons Alike!

**Fun, Frolic, and Fellowship
for the Whole Family**
Dinner Will be Provided



Purchase a Tall Cedar Foundation Bear, benefitting MDA, for only \$10.

*Welcome by Mark Brumaghim
Junior Deputy Supreme Tall Cedar
Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America*

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MDA® Muscular Dystrophy Association
Fighting Muscle Disease

Casual Attire – Officers in Tux

Montgomery Forest #134 TCL
Montgomery Temple
612 Great Falls Road
Rockville MD 20850



Montgomery Forest #134
Ambassadors
- Claire Menke
- Matt Haley

Overflow Parking
Julius West Middle School
651 Great Falls Road
Rockville MD 20850

2015 Calendar

JANUARY

- 9-11 Mid-Winter Conference, Ocean City MD
- 17 Forest Meeting - Toga Party
- 24 COAPOA/OAPOA District Joint Open Installation

FEBRUARY

- 4 Executive Committee
- 21 Forest Joint Open Meeting, Memorial Service

MARCH

- 4 Executive Committee
- 8 *The Addams Family*, Toby's Dinner Theatre, Columbia MD
- 15 Wreath Laying at George Washington Tomb, Mt Vernon VA
- 21 Forest Meeting, Senior Deputy/Cedarette VP Night

APRIL

- 1 Executive Committee
- 11 MDA Muscle Walk @ UMBC - Baltimore MD
- 18 Forest Open House, *The Monkey Man*, JDSTC, MDA Presentation

MAY

- 6 Executive Committee - CANCELLED
- 7-9 Tall Cedar Convention, Wildwood NJ
- 16 Forest Meeting, International Night, Chinese Auction
- 25 Memorial Day Parade, Rockville MD (Pot Luck Picnic)

JUNE

- 3 Executive Committee
- 20 Forest Meeting, Junior Deputy/Cedarette 2nd VP Night
- 28 MDA Summer Camp - Camp Maria, Leonardstown MD

JULY NO MEETINGS

AUGUST NO MEETINGS

TBD Bear Sales / Rose Donation with County Lodges

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Executive Committee
- 7 Labor Day
- 19 Forest Meeting, Theme or Fund Raiser *TBD*

OCTOBER

- 7 Executive Committee
- 17 Forest Meeting, Halloween Party
- TBD Wine Making, Flying Barrel, Frederick MD

NOVEMBER

- 4 Executive Committee
- 21 Forest Meeting, Elections, Cedarette Birthday

DECEMBER

- 2 Executive Committee
- 12 Installation of Officers (2nd Saturday)

MEMORIAM

Joe Brenner
Jean Carruthers
Amelia Fleisher

Howard Hudgins PGTC
Arthur Ware, P Trustee
Margaret Ware

365 Club and BOOSTERS

Douglas P. Adkins
Paul A. Carruthers
Janet Clark
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Romain Tweedy
Charles Ware
Barbara Ware
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BOOSTERS

Duncan R. Jerman, Jr

James V. Rewis

Attn: If you have paid for this year and your name is missing
please inform us so we can insert it in next month

**BE NOT SLOW TO VISIT THE SICK,
FOR THAT SHALL MAKE THEE BELOVED
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Al Fleisher, PGTC/PSD and his caregivers, (his daughters)
Diane Solando, PP and her son who is her caregiver.

Living Past Grand Tall Cedars

1960	Robert T. Jones, PST	4620 Eton Road, Roanoke VA 24018	
1964	Morton B. Burness	11406 Narin Rd., Silver Spring MD 20902	301-649-1140
1968	James E. Forder, Jr	13115 Burlwood Dr., Silver Spring MD 20853	301-949-7762
1969	Edward L. Berardi	23278 Weatherman Ave., Port Charlotte FL 33954	813-764-8780
1970	Albert A. Fleisher, PDDSTC	1219 Palmetto Dr., Lady Lake FL 32159	904-753-9317
1973	Samuel T. Atkinson, PST	124 Shetland Dr, Red Lion PA 17356	717-417-6058
1975	Donald J. Bartel	313 Magellan Dr., New Bern NC 28560	252-637-7862
1976	Paul R. Carruthers	623 Linksvie Drive, Longs SC 29568	843-399-6150
1977	Douglas P Adkins	HC-71 BOX 560 Denny Drive, Augusta WV 26704	
1979	James V. Rewis	8813 Pepperidge Drive, Spotsylvania VA 22553	
1981	Robert O. Allen	2200 Post Lane, Silver Spring MD 20906	301-460-4646
1981	William T. James	34421 Rickards Road	
1983	G. Lee Ferguson, PDDSTC, PGM DC	4621 Saul Rd., Kensington MD 20895	301-493-8694
1983	John Denton	5305 Masonic Terrace, Richmond VA 23223	
1988	Charles Ware	84 North Edgewood Drive, Hagerstown MD 21740	301-745-4173
1989	Nelson Newcombe	8523 Parliament Drive, Springfield VA 22151	703-978-6521
1989	Orval Smith	710 N George Mason Drive, Arlington VA 22203	
1990	David A. Holley	6371 Whitman Road, Parsonsburg MD 21849	
1993	Norman L. Clark, PSD #2	1009 Neal Drive, Rockville MD 20850	301-762-6474
1993	John D. Killian	8105 Ashton Drive, Alexandria VA 22309	
1994	William T. Spencer	402 Channel Road, New Park PA 17352	
1995	F. J. Pepper	4600 Duke St, 424, Alexandria VA 22304	
1997	Roy Learnard	3203 10 th ST NE, Washington DC 20017	
1997	Marshall H. Gevinson	30016 Seashore Park Drive, Millville DE 19967	302-616-1488
1998	John E. Huff	13301 Holdridge Rd., Silver Spring MD 20906	301-946-1707
1988	Howard Hudgins	12463 Blueberry Woods Cir E., Jacksonville FL 32258	
1998	Larry Hynson	PO Box 7005, Arlington VA 22207	
1999	Duncan R. Jerman, Jr	11132 Signature Blvd, Selbyville DE 19975	302-988-1178
2000	G. Lee Ferguson, PDDSTC, PGM DC	4621 Saul Rd., Kensington MD 20895	301-493-8694
2002	Duncan R. Jerman, Jr	11132 Signature Blvd, Selbyville DE 19975	302-988-1178
2002	Warren Baker	366 Treasure Lake, DuBois PA 15801	814-913-1957
2003	Doug Stadler	16525 Raven Rock Dr., Gaithersburg MD 20875	301-208-2083
2004	Bill Turner	Po Box 7788, Fredericksburg VA 22404	
2005	Randy Barger	6678 Turning Run Lane, Marshall VA 20115	
2006	Warren Baker	366 Treasure Lake, DuBois PA 15801	814-913-1957
2007	Marshall H. Gevinson	13432 Keating St., Rockville MD 20850	301-871-3200
2007	Donald Krause	5729 Sunbury Dr, Alexandria VA 22303	
2008	Giles Light	6330 Watercrest Way Bradenton FL 34202	
2008	Doug Stadler	16525 Raven Rock Dr, Gaithersburg MD 20875	301-208-2083
2010	Marshall Gevinson	30016 Seashore Park Drive, Millville DE 19967	302-616-1488
2011	Marshall Gevinson	30016 Seashore Park Drive, Millville DE 19967	302-616-1488
2012	Al Tynan	5552 Delores Ave, Baltimore MD 21227	410-242-6978
2013	Royce Watson	15022 Snowden Dr, Silver Spring MD 20905	301-879-2949
2014	Chris Anderla	955 Pointer Ridge, Gaithersburg MD 20878	301-525-6203

Living Past Scribes, Treasurers, & Trustees

2003	G. Lee Ferguson, PScribe	4621 Saul RD, Kensington MD 20895	301-493-8694
1995-98	Nelson Newcombe, PScribe	8523 Parliament Drive, Springfield VA 22151	
1963-68	Robert K. Alexander, PTreasurer	11365 Deercroft Ct., Spring Hill FL 34609	
1969-73	Paul R. Carruthers, PTreasurer	623 Linksvie Dr., Longs SC 29568	
1974-79	Charles Ware, PTrustee	84 North Edgewood Drive, Hagerstown MD 21740	
1977-81	Nelson W. Stallker, PTrustee	15908 Maple Ridge Ct., Rockville MD 20853	
1985-89	Ronnie G. Louia, PTrustee	4513 Furman Rd., Silver Spring MD 20906	
1992-98	Wayne Blackburn, PTrustee	PO Box 576, Greenwood SC 29648-0576	
2001-07	Cloyd Bittner, PTrustee	1917 Henry Rd., Rockville MD 20851	
2005-10	John Huff, PGTC, PTreasurer	13301 Holdridge Rd., Silver Spring MD 20906	301-946-1707
2011-14	Norman L. Clark, PSD #2	1009 Neal Drive, Rockville MD 20850	301-762-6474

Musical Director, Emeritus

1983	Robert K. Alexander	106 Coree Way, New Bern, NC 28562	252-514-4122
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NEARBY FORESTS

District 20 Forests

Prince George's Forest No. 139
Birmingham Masonic Lodge
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Beltsville MD 20705-1721
Grand Tall Cedar: Phillippe Williams
Scribe: Hamer Campbell
hamer83chris@verizon.net - 301 464 8368

1st Saturdays
Dinner @ 6:00pm
Meeting @ 7:30pm

District 14 Forests

Annapolis Forest No. 126
VFW Post #160
2597 Dorsey Road
Glen Burnie MD
Grand Tall Cedar: Paul Romer
Scribe: Al Tynan
gerrytynan@comcast.net - 410 242 6978

3rd Tuesdays
Dinner @ 6:30pm
Meeting @ 7:30pm

District 21 Forests

Hagerstown Forest No. 95
Morris Frock American Legion 405
Northern Avenue
Hagerstown MD 21740
Grand Tall Cedar: Joshua Brown
Scribe: Jesse Mills
jessemills@myactv.net - 301 842 3860

1st Thursdays
Dinner @ 6:30pm
Meeting @ 7:30pm

Frederick Forest No. 132
Frederick Masonic Temple
6816 Blentlinger Road
Frederick MD 21702-3631
Grand Tall Cedar: Woody Miller
Scribe: Chuck Kennedy
sgtck605@embarqmail.com - 717 765 4263

3rd Tuesdays
Dinner @ 6:30pm
Meeting @ 7:30pm

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