





O.C. Wilson Scottish Rite Club

To Our Sponsors

The members of the O.C. Wilson Scottish Rite Club and all Scottish Rite Masons would like to thank you in advance for your consideration and support. We would like to take this opportunity to tell you about our exciting program.

In 2010, the Scottish Rite Freemasons Valley of Columbia and RiteCare Valley of Columbia made an inaugural gift to the Hannibal Regional Hospital's speech therapy assistance program to provide scholarship funds for speech therapy services for children who might not otherwise receive treatment they need. The RiteCare Valley of Columbia supports the ongoing partnership with Hannibal Regional Hospital to perpetuate the mission of helping children.

Festival of Trees is organized by our local Scottish Rite group as a local fundraiser which supports children in need of speech and language therapy services that may not be otherwise covered by the child's school district or insurance company.

Our Partnership first began in January of 2010 the funds obtained also allow us to provide speech and language screenings to local daycares; in 2023 alone we have been able to provide free screens to over 1000 children; these funds also allow us to purchase equipment or replace items which have been heavily used over the years.

The scholarship program was established in 2010 and since then we been able to provide speech therapy services to over 81 children and the number of applicants keeps growing.

With your generosity we would be able to help more children throughout the year. All Proceeds are for the benefit of Hannibal Regional RiteCare Pediatric Speech Scholarship and are tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

If you are unable to commit to a tree, but would like to support the Festival of Trees, you can make a donation at www.ocwilsonscottishrite.org

About the Festival of Trees

Business sponsors will be recognized with signage at the event, on the event promotion materials (including social media, and emails), and in the media. Businesses are also encouraged to promote your involvement through your social media channels, advertising and internal and external emails. You are also welcome to distribute promotional materials and/or conduct sampling or demos for your company within your display area, subject to approval.

You will select a theme for your tree. The theme will be displayed under your company name or logo and on the raffle box.

Your tree theme is limited only to your imagination. Tree theme examples could have trains, dinosaurs, gift cards, or any sports team items. In other Festival of Trees event, a car dealership includes a used car as a prize every year. The car is displayed prominently in the parking lot with the company's name on it!

Almost any type of company can be a sponsor: Retailers, Grocery Stores, Car Dealerships, Tire Stores, Sporting Goods Stores, Barber Shops, Lumber Yards or Restaurants.

The public is invited to view the trees during the display period of Friday December 1st to Sunday, December 10th. (**Dates and times are subject to change**). Admission is \$2.00 per person for ages 13 and above. Children 12 years and under are no charge when accompanied by an adult.

Hours of Operation:

Thursday, December 5th Soft opening (sponsors members only)

Friday December 6th & Friday, December 13th 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Saturday, December 7th & Saturday, December 14th 10:00am to 8:00 pm

Sunday, December 7th 12:00pm to 8:00 pm

Sunday, December 15th12:00pm to 6:00 pm

TREE SPONSOR RULES AND GUIDELINES

Tree Requirements

The value of the tree and prizes are required to be valued at a minimum of \$500.00

Tree Spaces are 6×6 feet. The tree and prizes must fit in the designated area. All trees must be new & artificial (Real trees are not allowed). Only **LED** lighting can be used on trees, and the sponsor must supply a new 25 foot power cord that meets electrical code.

Trees may be any size, up to a maximum height of 8 feet. Keep in mind that smaller trees must be elevated to be visible. We suggest trees of at least 5 feet in height.

The tree sponsor must supply all setup accessories including, but not limited to wire, tape, decorations, hangers, wire ties, etc. Trees must be properly secured and be free standing. No screws, nails, etc. Tree skirting is recommended. An Inventory list of all prizes as well as the total value is required.

Prize Requirements

If any item that is displayed is **not included** with your tree, it must be clearly marked as such. Any item not marked will be considered part of the tree package and will be given to the tree winner.

Do not attach cash prizes and/or gift cards to the trees. You can use a copy of the gift card, the envelope, play money or paper printed to look like money. Please provide any cash prizes in an envelope marked with the tree number and sponsor name. This envelope will be placed in the OC Wilson SRC safe and given to the winner when they pick up their tree. All other items that are not displayed with the tree, but are included in the prize package, must be provided to OC Wilson SRC by Thursday Dec. 5th no later than 6:00 pm. These items will be secured in a locked room until they are claimed by the winners.

Setup Dates and hours

You may set up your tree, make changes and / or add to your tree during these days and hours only.

Monday December 2nd - 4:00 to 8:00 pm

Tuesday December 3rd - 9:00 am to 8:00 pm

Wednesday December 4^h - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

All trees must be set up by 4:00 pm on Thursday December 5th or the business forfeits its ability to participate. No raffle prize will be awarded on behalf of the business in the event no tree is displayed.

However, the business will still be responsible for providing a \$500.00 payment to the OC Wilson SRC.

A soft opening will be held on Thursday, December 5th 6:00 pm for all tree sponsors, families and their employees.

OC Wilson SRC is not responsible for loss or damage to any trees, prizes or displays.

Tree Theme Ideas

Here are some ideas for your tree – but we can't wait to see what you come up with!!

- * Pet Theme
- * Mizzou
- * Electronics
- * All Seasons for the Nieces and Nephews
- * Outdoors/hunting
- * Christmas for the kids
- * Cigars & Booze
- * Country Christmas
- * Mark Twain (local businesses)
- * Holiday Sparkles
- * Hunting & Fishing
- * Sports for everyone
- * It's About All of Us
- * NASCAR
- * Hannibal Family Adventures
- * Patriotic Tree
- * Winter Blues/Staycation
- * Our little "Princess"
- * Date Night
- * Marvel
- * Lego

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Refreshments will be available at the event (donations welcome). Santa Claus will visit us on Saturday 11:00 -1:00 and Sunday 1:00 - 3:00

How Tree Winners are Selected:

Attendees can purchase raffle tickets for \$1.00 per ticket. Raffle tickets are deposited in the container affiliated with the tree display. There is no limit to the number of raffle tickets that can be purchased. Businesses may purchase raffle tickets for their own tree.

One ticket will be drawn as a winner for each tree. That ticket will win the entire tree and the prizes/gifts associated with that tree.

Winners will be contacted by phone immediately following the raffle ticket drawing. The list of winners will also be posted on the website, social media & Hannibal Courier Post. Trees must be picked up by Tuesday December 17th.

In addition, the business or organization that receives the most raffle ticket submissions will be designated as the "Festival of Trees" Champion and will be recognized for their honor through social media and on the Scottish Rite Website.

O.C. Wilson Scottish Rite 2024 Feztival of Trees Sponsor Commitment Form

Business/Organization	
Name	
Email	
Phone	
Address	
City State	Zip
Referred by / How did you hear about this event?	
Tree Theme	
Do you have a Facebook page? Would you like us to tag you on social media? What is the name/url	
Tree sponsors are accepted on a first come, first committed basis until all available spaces have been reserved. Note: Your submission of this form is a commitment to participate. If no tree is displayed by the deadline, a \$500.00 payment must be sent to O.C. Wilson SRC.	
Signature	Date

Please complete form and email to ocwilsonsrc@gmail.com by October 28th to guarantee a spot in all of our advertisment.