



2023 CONVENTION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Greetings Members and Friends,

We hope that you are ready to attend and enjoy the TARS 2023 Annual Convention that will be held October 6-7, 2023 at the Music Road Hotel and Convention Center in beautiful Pigeon Forge, TN. We have a multitude of vendors already committed, as well as, more in process for you to visit with and discuss pricing and quotes for the \$3M in grant funding that has been provided by the state for 2024.

IMPORTANT DATES/CHANGES TO REMEMBER

- *Pre-Registration Deadline September 15th, 2023*
- *No Thursday Night Dinner or Awards Banquet Meal Tickets are available after Sept. 15th deadline*
- Separate registration for Convention Packages and Training Courses
- Registration badges will contain a QR Code with your selected packages.
- All competitions will be held on Friday night or Saturday afternoon.

EMS Symposium

Tuesday October 3, 2023 -- 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Pediatric Pre-Conference presented by Jefferson County EMS for 4 hours of Pediatric Education. Topics to include Pediatric Airways, Pediatric Cardiac Emergencies, and Pediatric Case Studies. This has been approved by the State of Tennessee Division of EMS for 4-Contact Hours

Wednesday October 4, 2023 and Thursday October 5, 2023 -- 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM each day

This 12-hour symposium presented by Vanderbilt LifeFlight features local and national presenters who will provide new and updated information on the latest Emergency Medical issues. Information will include case studies, actual field data, and information. The State of Tennessee Division of EMS has approved up to 12 contact hours for these presentations.

Please note: if you are planning on attending the EMS Symposium on Wednesday October 4th and/or Thursday October 5th, or the Pediatric Pre-Conference on Tuesday October 3rd, please fill out the separate registration form for the symposium and send in along with your payment. You may include this payment with your check.

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Thursday Night Dinner

Low Country Shrimp Boil or Chicken

Thursday, October 5th at 6:30 PM: for this meal you will have the option of a Low Country Shrimp Boil or Grilled Chicken with sides on the mezzanine level under the big top.

The Low Country Boil option consists of fresh gulf shrimp, smoked sausage, corn on the cob, potatoes and mushrooms.

The Chicken option consists of chicken quarters, baked potato and Bush's world renown baked beans.

Children's plates are available (ages 5-10) and under age 5 are free.

2023 Awards Banquet Catered by Calhoun's

Saturday Night beginning at 7:00 PM



In fall of 1983 we opened the original Calhoun's for business on Kingston Pike, just past Pellissippi Parkway. Soon after opening, we put our smokers on a trailer and filled a refrigerated semi with ribs and buckets of our signature sauce. Our destination? The National Rib Cook-Off in Cleveland, Ohio. After a weekend of round-the-clock smoking, cooking, and basting, Calhoun's left with the grand prize ribbon and the bonafide right to call ours the "Best Ribs in America." Calhoun's is a local establishment with restaurants in Pigeon Forge, Gatlinburg, Knoxville, Lenoir City, and a new location in Oak Ridge. You can read more about this outstanding award-winning company at <https://calhouns.com/>.

Raffle Drawing

Saturday Afternoon beginning at 12:00 PM

The drawing for the Sportsman Raffle will be held on Saturday October 7th at 12:00 PM immediately following the General Meeting and Election in the Convention Center.



2023 CONVENTION PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Squad or Department Name

Attendee's Name

(One name per registration form)

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE – SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 ****NO REFUNDS AFTER THIS DATE****
 After this date all Convention Packages will increase by \$10.00 --- Banquet Tickets will not be available after this date.
 (See below for complete information)

Convention Only Packages	Per Person		# Of Tickets		Total
A. Convention registration, limited edition challenge coin, and Fun-Night Ticket	\$100.00	X		=	
B. Includes Package A items, plus one (1) 2023 Awards Banquet ticket	\$125.00	X		=	
C. Additional 2023 Awards Banquet ticket (sold as an additional individual ticket)	\$45.00	X		=	
D. Children's Banquet Ticket (ages 5-10)	\$15.00	X		=	

Thursday Meal Begins at 6:30 PM

Thursday Night Dinner Options (Ages 11 and up) Deadline Sept. 15, 2023	Per Person		# Of Tickets		Total
1. Low Country Boil – Shrimp, Smoked Sausage, Potatoes & Corn on the Cob, and Mushrooms	\$25.00	X		=	
2. Grilled Chicken, Baked Potato, and Baked Beans	\$25.00	X		=	
Kids Meals – Ages 5-10					
3. Kids Meal – Hot Dog, Potato Chips	\$5.00	X		=	
4. Kids – Low Country Boil	\$15.00	X		=	
5. Kids – Grilled Chicken, Baked Potato, and Baked Beans	\$15.00	X		=	

*Our executive chef orders the seafood directly from the gulf. If you are planning to eat with us, we must receive your registration by **September 15th, 2023**, so that we can order and prepare enough food for everyone. **No sales after deadline or on-site sales will be offered. You must be pre-registered for this dinner.***

**All pre-registrations are due by September 15, 2023.
 After that date, all packages increase in price by \$10.00**

Mail Pre-Registration Form, along with a check or money order, (made out to TARS) to:

**TARS STATE OFFICE
 2906 TAZEWELL PIKE, SUITE C
 KNOXVILLE, TN 37918**

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$