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Gene Thomas passes away  
at age 99. Rest in peace  
Brother!

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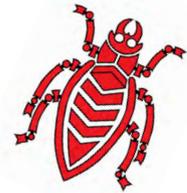
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# From the Supreme Commander

Listen UP Cooties:

Up Tent elections are to have been completed by the time of this publication so please be sure that the election forms are completed entirely with good phone numbers and useable email addresses. You would be shocked by the number of poor phone numbers and useless emails that seem to populate our contact sheets!

The next big hurdle is to conduct Grand elections, which will help shape the Grand's yearly progress – for the good or less! We need to make sure that all elected officials understand what is expected of them and that mentors are in place and willing to be of service. Utilization of all the Grand leaders is a critical pivotal moment that radically improves the chances of success. Which means more meaningful activities that build cohesive Cootie groups into the functioning Grands that we are proud of.

Planning executing productive and energetic Grand Scratches is a must for all successful, growing Grands. Do not be afraid of doing something different. Continuing to do what you always do guarantees the exact same results. Maintain and grow your membership by being caring fellow veterans who will take the time to appreciate their comrades and the organizations that we truly enjoy – The Military Order of the Cootie!!!

I'm looking forward to seeing a large cohesive group of Cooties at our annual Scratch which is in Kansas City this year. Be sure and get your registration and housing forms complete to reduce the frustration of playing catch up with event planning. Many thanks for all what each and every one of you contribute to our Cootie fellowship.



Your in LOTCS,

**Olin Parks**  
**Supreme Commander**  
**2021-2022**

# From the Supreme Quartermaster

## Listen Cooties,

Time is running out to get your Pup Tents and Grands in order. Membership, inspections, hospital work, and donations to the Supreme Commanders Special Project and to the Cootie House need to be sent to the appropriate people by the end of May.

Membership is lagging behind last years total. We are currently about 400 members short of last years total. I believe we can get there but it will take your help. We have started a number of new Pup Tents this year, but we are letting our current annual members slip thru our fingers. Please do not use the excuse that COVID stopped members from paying their dues. You and I know that is just "BS". We need to contact those members that have not paid their dues and get them to pay up. This is a great organization, and we do a lot of good to support and help our sick and disabled veterans.



Please get your elections done and your new officers installed and don't forget to send me a copy of your election report by the end of April. Remember that each Pup Tent is required to register a delegate for the Supreme Scratch. The cost is \$15.00 if done by July and \$20.00 if you wait until you get to the Supreme Scratch.

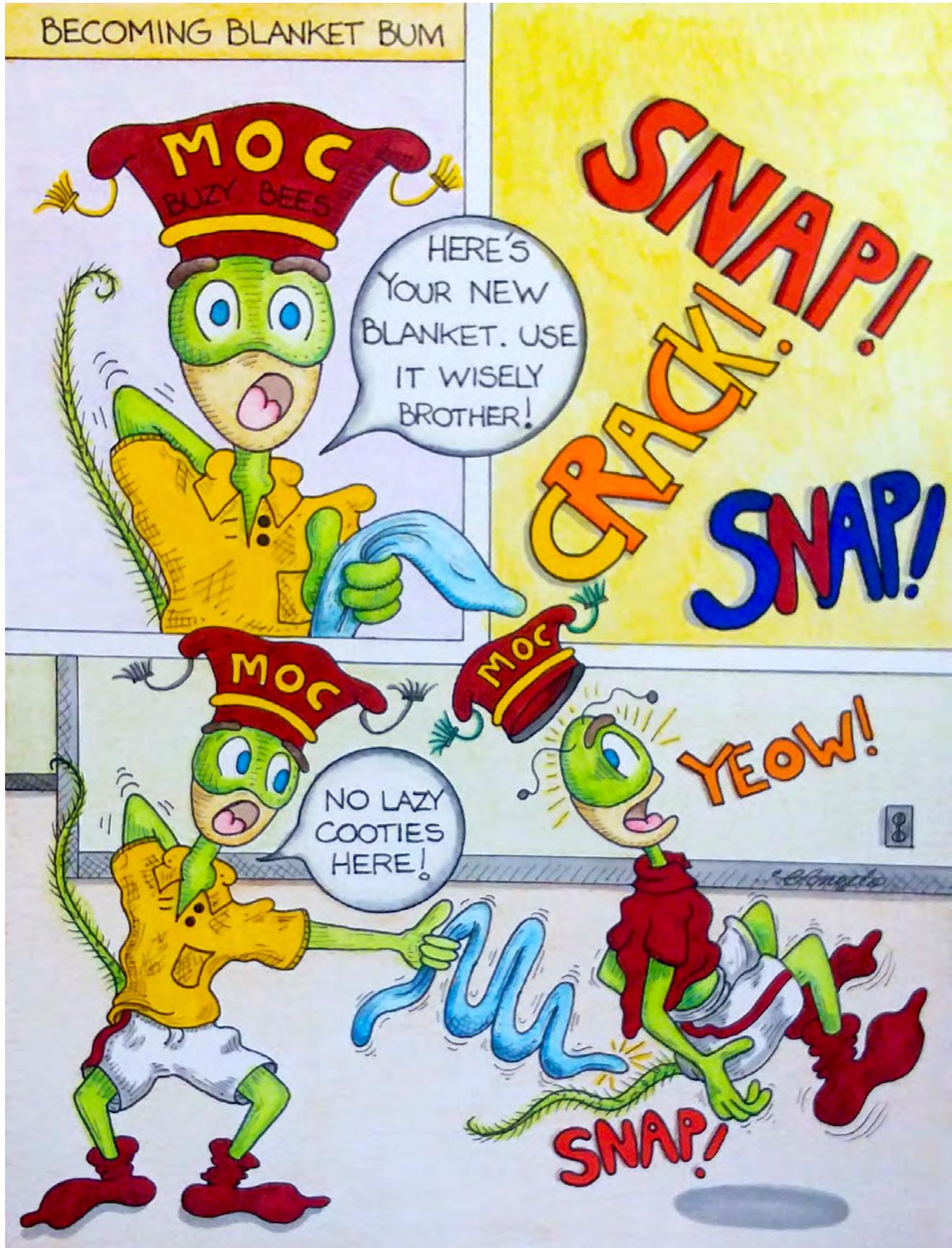
We have had a good year with Cootie Depot sales and are always looking for new items that the Cooties may want to purchase. Any ideas are welcome, and we can discuss them if you want, or just send an email to: [Supremehqmoc@lotcs.org](mailto:Supremehqmoc@lotcs.org).

One more thought...we are losing to many annual members. We are a fun organization and our Scratches should be fun. Do something stupid to make it fun. Come up with interesting or stupid fines, as you know all fines go to the hospital fund to support your hospital visits. Now if you read this fine yourself and give the fine to your CCDB at your next scratch. Remember have NUF.

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Gary Dressel  
Supreme Quartermaster  
2021-2022**

# What's a Blanket Bum?



# From the Supreme Surgeon

## VA Proposed List of Presumed Service-Connected Disabilities

The Department of Veterans Affairs ([Veteransbenefits@messages.va.gov](mailto:Veteransbenefits@messages.va.gov), March 1, 2022) proposed adding certain rare respiratory cancers to the list of presumed service-connected disabilities in relation to military environmental exposure to particulate matter.

After the proposal is finalized, Veterans, survivors and dependents who submitted a claim and were denied for any of the listed respiratory cancers are encouraged to file a supplemental claim for benefits.

The proposed respiratory cancers are as follows:

- Squamous cell carcinoma (SSC) of the larynx
- SSC of the trachea
- Adenocarcinoma of the trachea
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the trachea
- Adenosquamous carcinoma of the lung
- Large cell carcinoma of the lung
- Salivary gland-type tumors of the lung
- Sarcomatoid carcinoma of the lung
- Typical and atypical carcinoid of the lung

Any Veteran who had one of these cancers manifest to a degree of 0% or more at any time during or after separation is eligible for service-connection.

The VA will focus its rule on the above listed rare respiratory cancers in Veterans who served any amount of time in the Southwest Asia theater of operations and other locations.

Once the rulemaking is complete, the VA will conduct an outreach to impacted Veterans and survivors to inform them about potential eligibility.



The Southwest Asia theater of operations refers to Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the neutral zone between Iraq and Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, the Gulf of Aden, the Gulf of Oman, the Persian Gulf, the Arabian Sea, the Red Sea and the air-space above these locations.

If you are a Veteran that has had one of these conditions and have not filed a claim, please notify the VA of your intention to file a claim.

**Yours in L.O.T.C.S,**

**Dani Hernandez  
Supreme Surgeon**



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# From the Supreme Pappa Clown

Greeting my *Crummy Cootie Clowns (C<sup>3</sup>)* I will not take a lot of your time.

I would like to remind you that there is prestige and cold hard cash on the line. Get your MOC clowns certified using the procedures in the program book and get the cash.

I'll also ask the Grand hospital chairs to pass along your Clown paperwork as soon as you can. You do not want you Grand and Pup Tents to miss out.

Here are the rules for the Clown Prizes:

Under the "*Cootie Clown Growth Program*" I will offer a \$200.00 prize and a '*special clown award*' to the Grand and the Pup Tent who recruits and certifies the most MOC clowns for this program. Clowns will be certified I/A/W the instructions in the Program Book and must be submitted before 15 June, 2022.

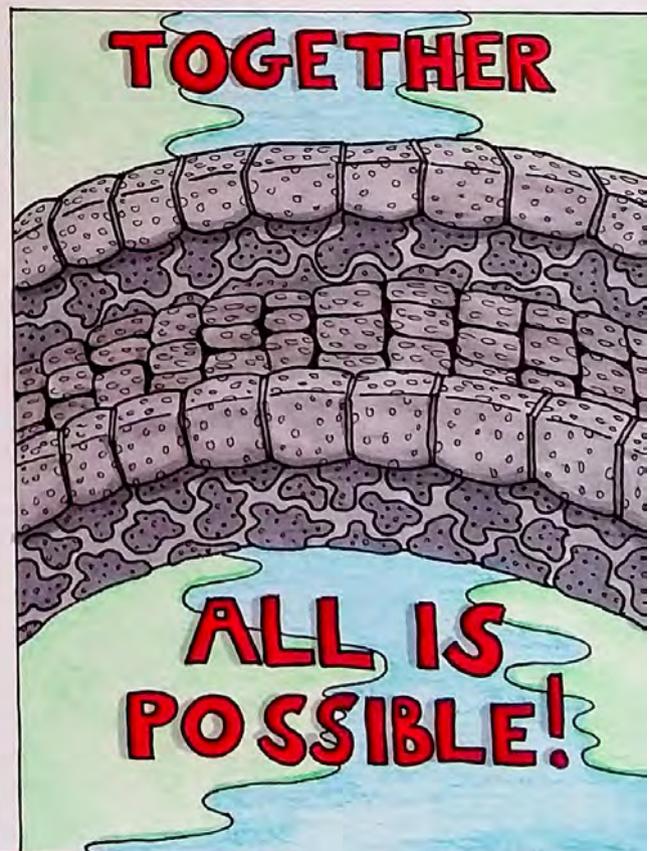
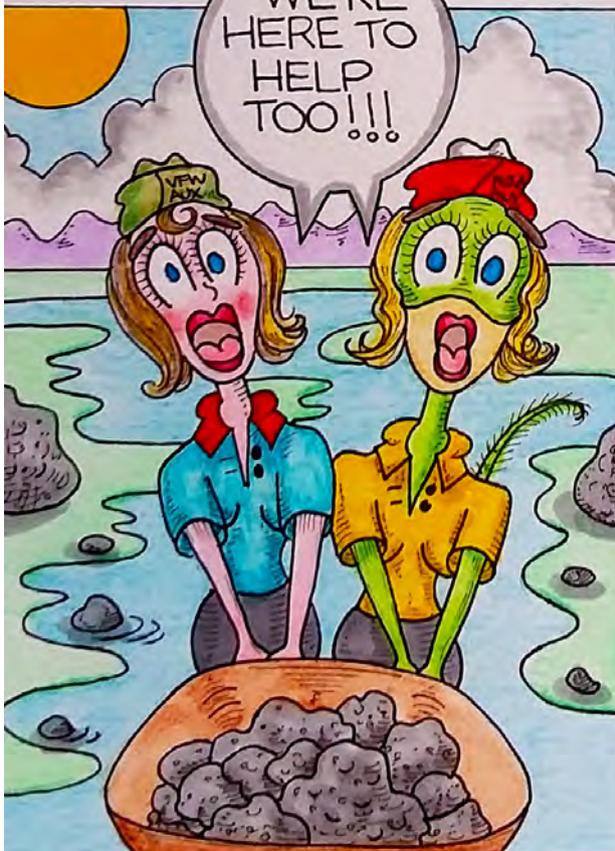
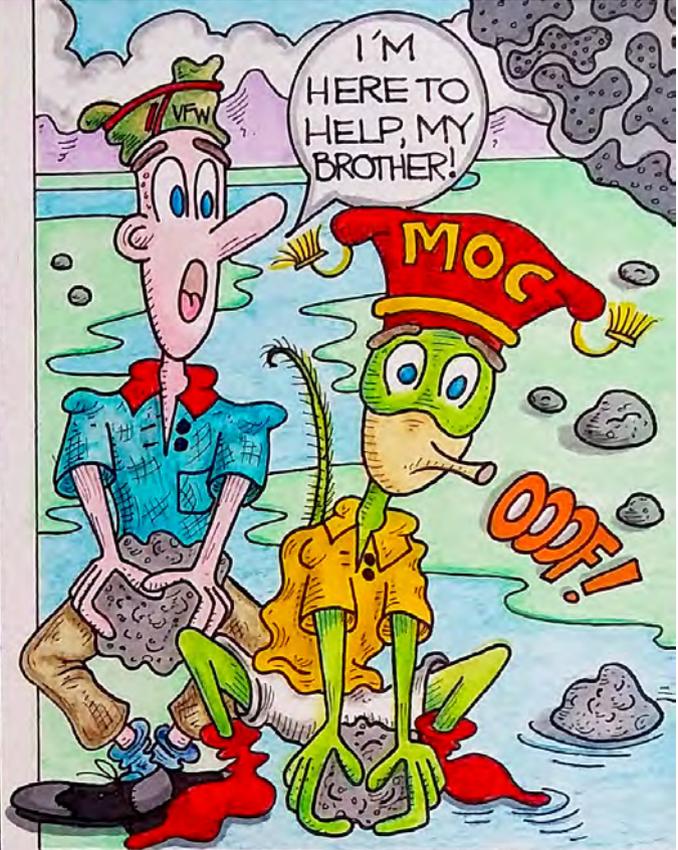
So, let's get our *clown on* and get those veteran patients laughing.

**In Respectful Service,**

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# All is Possible Working Together!



# MOC General Order #5 2021-2022



## Military Order of the Cootie Olin Parks, Supreme Commander Supreme General Orders #5



27 March 2022

To be read, distributed, acted upon and filed:

- 1. Election Reports/Warrants:** Spring is in the air somewhere, which means we are in election season. Please remember to forward copies of your election reports (pages 1 & 2) to Supreme. Double check contact information. Correct information is priceless.
- 2. Supreme Delegate Reports:** While you're hanging around, no time like the present to get those pesky Delegate forms filled out and fees paid.
- 3. Grand at a Glance:** Each Grand was sent a file that had all reports collaborated in one location, listing Grand General Orders & Event Dates if they have been received by the Supreme Adjutant and links to Supreme Zooms. These were sent to Grand Cdr., Sr., Jr., QM and Adj.
- 4. Grand General Orders** should be sent to Supreme Adjutant for filing at [mocsupremeadjutant@gmail.com](mailto:mocsupremeadjutant@gmail.com) (just one of many the Adj. watches)
- 5. Grand Events Dates:** Please send Supreme Adjutant the dates of your Grand Events and your request for Supreme Representation at [mocsupremeadjutant@gmail.com](mailto:mocsupremeadjutant@gmail.com). If you have a date, share it!
- 6. Membership:** According to the 15 March 2022 report, as a Supreme we are at 88.94%. Continue working on new and reinstated members. Congratulations to Grands who are at 100% or better: Louisiana, Maryland, North Dakota, Kentucky, Pennsylvania & Oklahoma. Congratulations to the 74 Pup Tents in the Supreme who are also reached 100+%. Below are the leaders for each Membership Division:
  - Red Division (1000+) Grand of Louisiana (105.21%)
  - Silver (600-999) Grand of New Jersey (67.19%)
  - Red (400-599) Grand of North Dakota (101.76%)
  - White (300-399) Grand of Wisconsin (92.42%)
  - Blue (200-299) Grand of Kentucky (105.50%)
  - Green (126-199) Grand of Oklahoma (110.14%)
  - Provisional (125 or less) Grand of Pacific (86.00%)
  - Black Division (No Grand) Georgia Pup Tent 1 (118.18%)

7. **Supreme Program Deadline Dates:** Below are important program dates to keep in mind and what page you can find the information on in the Supreme Program Book. They can also be found on lotcs.org
- a. 15 May 2022
    - i. Sky Pilot/Chaplain of the Year (pg 20)
  - b. 31 May 2022
    - i. Supreme Chief-of-Staff (pg 11)
    - ii. Supreme Membership Program (pg 12)
    - iii. Supreme Blood Program (pg 21)
    - iv. Supreme Hospital Program (pgs 22-24)
    - v. Supreme All\*Star Program (pg 27)
  - c. 30 days from Supreme Convention
    - i. Supreme Inspection Program (pg 18)
  - d. Beginning of the Supreme Convention
    - i. Supreme Cootie Of the Year (pg 21)

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# MOC Hospital Report



## MOC SUPREME HOSPITAL REPORT

Date: AS OF: 3/10/2022

Grand	Goal	Reports	Visits	Cooties	Patients	Hours	Miles	Gifts	Total Monies	Percentage
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#1 - Charles "Chuck" Burroughs</b>										
DE	\$27,250.00	1	18	3	16	192.00	1,056.00	\$0.00	\$4,477.44	16.43%
MD	\$71,250.00	53	294	1,249	4,968	3,378.00	17,708.00	\$10,262.80	\$88,911.31	124.79%
PA	\$96,250.00	40	343	1,039	888	3,176.00	21,861.50	\$7,265.30	\$81,954.86	85.15%
VA	\$71,000.00	20	144	437	2,826	2,219.00	22,533.20	\$33,513.66	\$86,715.78	122.13%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$265,750.00</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>2,728</b>	<b>8,698</b>	<b>8,965.00</b>	<b>63,158.70</b>	<b>\$51,041.76</b>	<b>\$262,059.39</b>	<b>98.61%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#2 - Marjore "Maggy" Wesley</b>										
FL	\$123,500.00	12	84	110	2,926	413.00	5,949.00	\$250.00	\$10,396.01	8.42%
LA	\$23,250.00	10	16	36	465	139.00	1,253.00	\$1,030.00	\$4,339.87	18.67%
MS	\$43,000.00	27	335	469	1,389	3,094.00	47,648.00	\$10,624.45	\$87,064.87	202.48%
NC	\$71,750.00	42	293	1,567	5,985	7,540.50	42,178.00	9,094.99	\$185,038.19	257.89%
SC	\$47,500.00	9	22	83	146	246.50	5,969.00	\$4,382.69	\$10,776.93	22.69%
TN	\$34,750.00	17	37	110	407	384.00	6,231.00	\$16,205.00	\$25,736.54	74.06%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$343,750.00</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>2,375</b>	<b>11,318</b>	<b>11,817</b>	<b>109,228.00</b>	<b>\$41,587.13</b>	<b>\$323,352.41</b>	<b>94.07%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#3 - Wayne "Moose" Woodman</b>										
IL	\$44,750.00	27	91	115	2,320	337.00	8,425.00	\$3,589.89	\$12,368.74	27.64%
KY	\$48,750.00	24	299	507	517	1,734.50	23,811.00	\$1,437.48	\$43,884.00	90.02%
MI	\$55,750.00	25	176	370	475	1,115.50	5,547.00	\$7,252.36	\$33,183.47	59.52%
OH	\$92,250.00	57	57	66	110	442.25	5,891.00	\$11,515.00	\$22,312.48	24.19%
WI	\$66,750.00	87	448	742	4,089	3,572.00	43,060.00	\$23,304.89	\$109,881.89	164.62%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$308,250.00</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>1,800</b>	<b>7,511</b>	<b>7,201.25</b>	<b>86,734.00</b>	<b>\$47,099.62</b>	<b>\$221,630.58</b>	<b>71.90%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#4 - James "Jim" Dalziel</b>										
IA	\$22,000.00	62	65	290	6,629	1,281.00	8,648.00	\$7,596.00	\$37,693.27	171.33%
KS	\$42,750.00	252	444	655	782	1,899.00	22,268.00	3,278.80	49,207.50	115.11%
MN	\$90,250.00	63	353	445	1,818	1,824	22,657.00	7,087.00	\$51,390.18	56.94%
MO	\$87,500.00	35	218	713	3,848	4,563.00	29,755.00	\$19,858.52	\$126,908.60	145.04%
NE	\$25,000.00	6	97	162	97	632.00	4,772.00	\$0.00	\$14,919.68	59.68%
ND	\$38,250.00	297	297	180	703	1,864.00	9,438.00	\$550.00	\$43,904.52	114.78%
SD	\$24,000.00	7	180	279	751	855.00	7,175.00	\$1,240.00	\$21,513.48	89.64%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$329,750.00</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>1,654</b>	<b>2,724</b>	<b>14,628</b>	<b>12,918.00</b>	<b>104,713.00</b>	<b>\$39,610.32</b>	<b>\$345,537.23</b>	<b>104.79%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#5 - Michael Merit</b>										
AR	\$26,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
CO	\$40,750.00	10	31	43	32	150.00	2,934.00	\$0.00	\$3,793.26	9.31%
NM	\$33,500.00	4	17	26	516	170.00	4,620.00	\$1,300.00	\$5,780.30	17.25%
OK	\$33,000.00	21	219	1,664	616	3,349.00	37,188.00	\$9,895.00	\$90,610.00	274.58%
TX	\$90,500.00	34	132	327	5,298	1,203.00	13,132.00	\$8,450.09	\$37,404.95	41.33%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$224,000.00</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>2,060</b>	<b>6,462</b>	<b>4,872.00</b>	<b>57,874.00</b>	<b>\$19,645.09</b>	<b>\$137,588.51</b>	<b>61.42%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#6 - Eric Bell</b>										
AZ	\$87,500.00	30	1,251	1,947	18,799	11,381.30	92,257.00	\$31,797.40	\$301,361.70	344.41%
CA	\$105,500.00	175	1,423	2,426	1,608	7,866.25	72,526.35	\$107,520.82	\$295,058.45	279.68%
OR	\$54,750.00	33	197	288	330	1,985.50	8,814.90	\$2,778.07	\$48,785.18	89.11%
PAC	\$113,500.00	104	1,640	2,345	2,646	6,874.55	56,705.50	\$21,446.95	\$184,406.82	162.47%
WA	\$48,000.00	264	607	1,221	8,037	5,828.50	32,864.50	\$40,205.21	\$176,238.92	367.16%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$409,250.00</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>5,118</b>	<b>8,227</b>	<b>31,420</b>	<b>33,936.10</b>	<b>263,168.25</b>	<b>\$203,748.45</b>	<b>\$1,005,851.07</b>	<b>245.78%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#7 - Denis Querrard</b>										
NH	\$23,500.00	12	12	16	13	35.55	306.00	\$20.00	\$864.49	3.68%
NJ	\$46,000.00	15	21	91	326	586.00	1,424.00	\$5,056.00	\$18,469.66	40.15%
NY	\$44,500.00	10	29	32	5	246.00	540.00	\$592.00	\$6,214.90	13.97%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$114,000.00</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>867.55</b>	<b>2,270.00</b>	<b>\$5,668.00</b>	<b>\$25,549.05</b>	<b>22.41%</b>
<b>PUP TENTS NOT IN A GRAND (BLACK DIVISION) - Eric Bell</b>										
AL#13	\$4,500.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
AK#2	\$9,750.00	8	83	152	3,184	579.00	4,355.00	\$16,526.60	\$30,192.75	309.67%
AK#3	\$6,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
EU#6	\$20,500.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
GA#5	\$9,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
GA#66	\$13,000.00	13	31	35	126	131.00	6,420.00	\$758.65	\$4,611.50	35.47%
HI#1	\$4,000.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
ID#3	\$3,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
IN#11	\$10,000.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
MA#14	\$9,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
MA#52	\$13,000.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
MT#10	\$11,000.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
MT#11	\$8,500.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
MT#24	\$2,750.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
NV#2	\$12,750.00	8	122	108	2,259	610.00	8,864.00	\$15.00	\$15,011.46	117.74%
Supreme	\$0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$137,750.00</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>5,569</b>	<b>1,320.00</b>	<b>19,639.00</b>	<b>\$17,300.25</b>	<b>\$49,815.71</b>	<b>36.16%</b>
<b>Supreme Total</b>										
	<b>\$1,994,750.00</b>	<b>1,885</b>	<b>9,890</b>	<b>20,053</b>	<b>80,381</b>	<b>80,576.90</b>	<b>687,145.95</b>	<b>\$408,400.37</b>	<b>\$2,321,568.24</b>	<b>116.38%</b>

# MOC Membership Report



2021-2022 Membership Report											
3/29/2022											
Pup Tents	Grand	Per Cent	New	Cont	Reinstate	Life	Total	Goal	NLM	N/R	Standings
4	KANSAS	96.00%	11	116	1	38	166	175	3	12	
3	LOUISIANA	105.21%	5	50	21	25	101	96	1	26	
8	NEW JERSEY	69.27%	2	59	2	70	133	192	0	4	
8	NEW YORK	63.98%	0	46	8	65	119	186	2	8	
5	COLORADO	60.12%	0	35	2	64	101	168	1	2	
4	TENNESSEE	87.41%	7	38	17	64	126	143	5	24	
3	SOUTH DAKOTA	98.99%	3	51	0	44	98	99	1	3	
5	ARKANSAS	91.82%	0	38	14	49	101	110	0	14	
9	OREGON	80.70%	3	66	9	106	184	228	2	12	
6	NORTH DAKOTA	100.00%	16	82	0	75	173	170	4	16	
2	NEW HAMPSHIRE	100.00%	0	7	0	24	31	41	4	0	
8	MICHIGAN	92.64%	7	89	0	119	215	231	6	7	
20	FLORIDA	86.93%	36	176	17	239	468	528	23	53	
12	MISSOURI	88.64%	36	116	10	177	339	361	10	46	
10	WISCONSIN	94.95%	13	123	8	119	263	277	5	21	
5	NEW MEXICO	87.05%	1	42	3	76	122	139	1	4	
7	SOUTH CAROLINA	90.52%	4	61	1	115	181	211	12	5	
3	IOWA	92.31%	7	27	2	43	79	91	5	9	
6	ILLINOIS	78.38%	3	36	1	105	145	185	0	4	
6	MISSISSIPPI	72.47%	3	21	0	106	130	178	3	3	
13	PENNSYLVANIA	96.81%	27	156	20	209	412	408	40	47	
12	TEXAS	87.73%	44	79	12	196	331	375	4	56	
7	WASHINGTON	97.61%	26	68	1	113	208	209	7	27	
8	VIRGINIA	100.34%	20	79	1	196	296	292	13	21	
3	NEBRASKA	75.73%	7	7	1	63	78	103	2	8	
11	NORTH CAROLINA	90.36%	30	52	4	171	257	280	13	34	
5	KENTUCKY	103.00%	16	60	4	133	213	200	12	20	
10	CALIFORNIA	96.53%	5	130	10	277	422	432	7	15	
3	DELAWARE	94.59%	3	25	1	76	105	111	0	4	
8	MARYLAND	100.34%	13	110	2	167	292	293	4	15	
15	MINNESOTA	93.62%	12	135	0	205	352	376	6	12	
8	ARIZONA	79.33%	8	40	8	228	284	358	7	16	
6	OKLAHOMA	112.32%	31	35	25	65	156	138	3	56	
16	OHIO	91.43%	11	58	5	279	353	385	2	16	
9	PACIFIC AREAS	88.62%	11	27	0	367	405	457	17	11	
<b>BLACK DIVISION (Pup tents not in a Grand)</b>											
1	ALABAMA 13	100.00%	0	0	1	18	19	19	0	1	
1	MASSACHUSETTS 14	22.73%	0	0	0	10	10	44	1	0	
1	MONTANA 24	33.33%	0	0	0	4	4	12	0	0	
1	INDIANA 11	100.00%	7	29	0	7	43	41	4	7	
1	NEW HAMPSHIRE 1	81.82%	1	26	0	16	43	55	1	1	
1	IDAHO 3	42.86%	0	0	0	6	6	14	0	0	
1	ALASKA 2	105.00%	2	21	1	18	42	40	0	3	
1	MASSACHUSETTS 14	0.00%	0	0	0	10	10	44	0	0	
1	MASSACHUSETTS 52	54.55%	0	0	5	1	6	11	1	5	
1	WEST VIRGINIA 6	97.83%	1	22	0	22	45	46	1	1	
1	NEW HAMPSHIRE 3	100.00%	0	7	0	24	31	41	4	0	
	GEORGIA 1	52.63%	13	0	0	0	13	11	9	13	
	GEORGIA 66	71.70%	2	12	0	24	38	53	0	2	
1	HAWAII 1	94.12%	1	5	0	11	17	17	1	1	
	GEORGIA 5	60.53%	0	0	0	23	23	38	0	0	
1	MONTANA 11	68.57%	0	0	0	24	24	35	0	0	
1	ALASKA 3	103.85%	0	7	0	20	27	26	1	0	
1	NEVADA 2	88.46%	0	0	0	45	45	52	0	0	
1	EUROPE 6	90.36%	0	0	0	75	75	83	0	0	
1	MONTANA 10	102.22%	0	0	0	44	44	45	0	0	
	SUPREME Pup Tent	100.00%				1563	1563	1563		0	
285	TOTALS	90.98%	448	2469	217	6433	9567	10516	248	665	

- + Division Leader
- ^ Tied for Division Lead
- \* Achieved 100%

# MOC Inspection Report



Supreme Inspection as of 03-21-2022

Grand	# of Pup Tents	Pup Tents Inspected	Dist Inspected	Date Completed	Grand Inspection	Percent	Pup Tents that are Inspected
AL-13	1				N/A		
AK-2	1	1		9/29/2021	N/A	100%	
AK-3	1				N/A		
AZ	8	8		11/29/2021	Yes	100%	
AR	5						
CA	10	10		3/8/2022	Yes	100%	
CO	5						
DE	3	2			Yes	67%	2,4
EUR	1	1		11/14/2021	N/A	100%	
FL	19	19		11/24/2021		100%	
GA	2	1			N/A	50%	66
HI	1	1		Feb-22	N/A	100%	
ID-3					N/A		Defunct 12-05-2021
IL	6	6		9/2/2021	Yes	100%	
IN	1	1		10/19/2021	N/A	100%	
IA	3				Yes		
KS	4	4		9/19/2021	Yes	100%	
KY	5	5		10/15/2021	Yes	100%	
LA	3	3		2/1/2022		100%	
MD	8	8		11/5/2021	N/A	100%	
MA-14	1				N/A		
MA-52	1				N/A		
MI	7	7		9/29/2021	Yes	100%	PT 34 Defunct
MN	15	2			Yes	13%	2,51
MS	6	2				34%	6,17
MO	11	8			Yes	73%	1,2,5,9,11,12,14,56
MT-10	1				N/A		
MT-11					N/A		Defunct 11-17=21
MT-24	1				N/A		
NE	3						
NV-2	1	1		1/17/2022	N/A	100%	
NH-1	1				N/A		
NH-3	1				N/A		
NJ	5	1				20%	PT 39,69,95 Defunct
NM	5	4				80%	5,7,14,19
NY	8	6			Yes	75%	2,9,75,32,42,54,69
NC	10	10		11/16/2021	Yes	100%	
ND	5	5			Yes	100%	
OH	14	13				93%	missing PT 16
OK	6	6		3/10/2022		100%	
OR	9	9		11/4/2021		100%	
PAC	9	9		3/10/2022		100%	
PA	12	12		2/28/2022		100%	
SC	6	6		11/19/2021	Yes	100%	
SD	3	3		10/27/2021		100%	
TN	4				Yes		
TX	11	8				73%	5,11,13,24,55,69,88,100
VA	8	8		1/13/2022	Yes	100%	1,2,5,11,9,13,14,17
WA	6	6		9/30/2021	Yes	100%	
WV-6	1				N/A		
WI	10	10		11/30/2021	Yes	100%	
TOTAL	268	206		24	18	76.87%	

# Gordon Lam for Supreme Jr. Vice Commander



I have been an active Life Member of the VFW since 1995 and MOC A.H.O. Pup Tent #5 in Clovis, New Mexico since 1998. Have held every position within the Pup Tent and the Grand of New Mexico including Grand Commander in 2003-04 and 2016-17.

I have been the Pup Tent CCDB for the last 15 years. Currently

the New Mexico Grand Quartermaster and the Grand's Webmaster.

I was selected to be the Grand Cootie of the Year in 2005 and chosen for the high honor of **Supreme Cootie of the Year** at the 90<sup>th</sup> Supreme Scratch in Arizona in 2009.

Received **All-American VFW Department Commander** of New Mexico for 2008-2009, all the while supporting the MOC, Supreme, Grand & Pup Tent, to the fullest.

**Life Memberships:** VFW Gold Legacy, Disabled American Veterans, VFW National Home for Children, Blue Louse Honor Guards (Lieutenant General), Keystone Kops (Lieutenant), Grand of Washington Apple Program (Johnny Appleseed), Pacific Areas Paddy Daddy Program, Grand of Michigan Nitpickers, Texas Horny Toad and MOC Red Star Program (2-Red Stars)

Appointed as the **Supreme Adjutant (2014-2018 and 2019-2021)**

Over 5,000 volunteer hours with the Amarillo VA Hospital and the Clovis VA Outpatient Clinic.

I served in the U.S. Air Force as an aircraft mechanic for 22 years and retired as a Master Sergeant in 1994. My wife and I have two grown children and 4 Grandchildren. I am retired and have the time needed to being the Supreme Jr. Vice Commander.



My goals are:

(1) Continue to improve the operations of our Supreme organization.

(2) Continue to improve the communication between the Grands and Pup Tents to the Supreme organization

(3) Continue to improve the partnership and communication between the MOC and the MOCA.

**I therefore seek your support for the office of Supreme Jr. Vice Commander 2022-23.**

Yours in LOTCS,

Gordon Lam

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## **Robbie Normand for Supreme Jr. Vice Commander**



**I**t is with immense pride that I announce my candidacy for Supreme Junior Vice Commander. I earned my VFW membership serving three tours, consisting of five years, at Osan AB, South Korea. Additionally, a one-year tour in Iraq as a member of a Weapons Intelligence Team in various locations. I joined our *Crummy Fraternity* at Pup Tent 8 “Chokum Chingu”, Department of Pacific, while still on active duty at Osan. As an NCO for over 11 years, I learned to lead, and motivate those under my command.

As a disabled veteran, I understand how important the VA system is to our comrades and am determined to ensure our fellow veterans, of all genders are well taken care of physically and mentally.

I am a proud *VFW Gold Legacy Life* member and a *Red Star Life Cootie*. I have served as District Commander for VFW Department of Nevada and various District and Post positions. I have been the Seam Squirrel for Pup Tent 2, "Snake Eyes" Nevada for 3 years and was Senior Vice Councilmember for Supreme District 12. Then I transitioned to become the Councilmember for Western Black Pup Tents when the districts dissolved.

I truly love this organization and its singular goal of serving our veterans and their families and I am determined to see it *Increase and Multiply* thriving for generations to come. I have learned much from those that have come before me and I wish to impart that knowledge to those that will follow me, mentoring the new generation for continued growth of our organization. It is without a doubt that we need new VFW Members that served during Desert Storm, Iraq and Afghanistan to join, step up and take charge. I would appreciate your support to help me reach this goal.

#### Recap of qualifications

- Earned VFW membership in South Korea and Iraq
- Current Western Region Black Pup Tent Councilmember, Former 12<sup>th</sup> District Supreme SVC

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Robbie Normand**



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604 Braddock Avenue  
Turtle Creek, PA 15145

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

# Dani Hernandez for Supreme Surgeon 2022-23

It has been an honor and a privilege serving as your Supreme Surgeon for 2018-2022.

I would like to announce that I am a candidate for Supreme Surgeon 2022-2023 and again ask for your support.

Hospital work has been a passion of mine since I was 16 years old. That passion, coupled with over 40 years in the medical field and seven years as a Navy Hospital Corpsman, makes me a highly qualified candidate for the position of Supreme Surgeon.



## Military Order of the Cootie:

- Pup Tent 23 Seam Squirrel (2006-2009, 2015-2020)
- MOC District 6 Commander (2009-2010)
- Grand of Florida Commander (2012-2013)
- Grand of Florida Chaplain (2013-2022)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Supreme District Council Member (2015-2017)
- Supreme Surgeon 2018-2022
- Life Member of Military Order of the Cootie

## Veterans of Foreign Wars:

- Department of Florida Commander (2021-2022)
- Department of Florida Senior Vice Commander (2020-2021)
- Department of Florida Junior Vice Commander (2019-2020)
- Department of Florida Surgeon (2018-2019)
- All American, All State District 6 Commander (2015-2016)
- Post 7909 Commander (2009-2010)
- Chairman of many programs at the Post, District and Department levels
- Gold Legacy Life Member

# Gary Dressel for Supreme Quartermaster

**Listen Cooties,**

At our Supreme Scratch I am again running for the position of Supreme Quartermaster. I hope I can count on your support as I have in the past. You have supported me in the past and hopefully I have lived up to your expectations.

I have streamlined a great number of processes used at Headquarters and I am always looking for new ideas on how to improve what we do. If you would like to see things changed or improved, please send me your suggestions and I will investigate the possibility of implementing your suggested improvements.

Thank you again for your support and I look forward to seeing you at our Supreme Scratch.

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Gary Dressel  
Supreme Quartermaster**



# Supreme President's Message

## Auxiliary Members,

**H**appy Spring out there in Cootie Land. By now all Auxiliaries should have held their elections and Installations with a few exceptions that have contacted me. Remember to send (via email or snail mail) a copy of your installation report to the MOCA Supreme Treasurer and the MOCA Supreme Secretary.

Welcome to the 2 new Auxiliaries that we instituted this year. Please, if you have any questions, call me or our Supreme Chief of Staff at any time.

I have finally received information from all the Grands with their Grand Convention dates and itineraries and assigned representatives. You should have already heard from your representatives by now. If not, shoot me an email and I will find out why.

The Supreme Treasurer has put information in this edition of the Cootie Courier concerning Credentials. And if she has not done so already, she should be sending out the delegate information shortly along with instructions.

Information on the Supreme Scratch is on the MOC Website. It will again be held at the Marriott in Overland Park, KS. If you are thinking about going, go ahead and make your reservation. You can always cancel if you decide not to go. If you wait too long you may not get a room.

Keep working on getting your membership in, as of the end of March we need just shy of 300 members to be 100%. If every current member signs up a new member, reinstated a member who has not been around in a while or just gets a couple of the current members who have not yet paid their dues to pay, we will make the 100% plus. Wouldn't that be great!

**Happy Easter to all!**

**Loyally,**

**Debbie Thie  
MOCA Supreme President  
2021-2022**



# Supreme MOCA Chaplain's Corner

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

**Members all,**

**M**y year as your Supreme MOCA Chaplain is quickly coming to an end.

It has been a pleasure serving in this office. I would like to remind the incoming Chaplains for next year, when reporting: Remember to always include addresses for members for whom you are doing a card request. Try to get them mailed in a timely manner, especially for the sympathy cards. It can be hard on the family to receive a sympathy card several months after they have lost a loved one.

Get those year-end reports in and make sure to send ALL your death notices to Supreme Treasurer Rebecca. I sure don't want to miss anyone for Memorial Service and have hurt feelings.

**Prayers to all,**

**Patches Presfield  
Supreme Chaplain  
2021-2022**



# Supreme MOCA National Home Chairman



Brothers and Sisters, the year is rapidly coming to an end. There are some changes and some new things I have received questions about to be addressed. Before we get into answering questions let's do some housekeeping.

1. **Address:** My address in the program book is wrong. Neither address is correct. They were at the time, but changed shortly after convention. My current address is: **51 Snowberry Ct., Lake Jackson, TX 77566**. My new email is: [texasladybug2017@yahoo.com](mailto:texasladybug2017@yahoo.com) With the move my TWC Spectrum email account was closed without warning. So if anyone has sent me emails, this is why I have not responded to them!

2. **Forms acceptable:** There are three forms in the 2021-22 Program Book or at [www.lotcs.org](http://www.lotcs.org) on the Auxiliary side. These are for Auxiliaries, Grands and Auxiliaries not in a Grand under National Home Forms. Your donation forms may be attached, as well as any correspondence from National Home, but these **do not** take the place of the required form. **Grands:** Ensure you attach all reports from the Auxiliaries in the Grand. The Auxiliary deadline is set by your Grand Chairman. Auxiliaries not in a Grand, send reports directly to me. All Grand reports are due as stated directly following your Grand Convention.

3. **Changes and not allowed items:** National Home Awareness Week is now year-round. It's important we continue to recognize National Home Awareness by asking you to take the pledge to help a veteran family in need in your community. Talk to a veteran or military family and tell them about the life-changing opportunity the National Home may be able to offer them. Now it's up to you to verbally spread this information to families in need about the National Home and to help connect a family in your neck of the woods with the help they desperately need. You can call or email staff at [Info@vfwnationalhome.org](mailto:Info@vfwnationalhome.org). Along with this is National Home Day. This goes hand in hand with the Awareness program. Order brochures online and tell people about the National Home.

Remember our Supreme President's Special Project and the required donation guidance that is to be followed. Some members donate direct, and these need to be reported as to what for, not just dollar amount. Suggested support and donation for the two programs need to go through the Supreme Treasurer.

Star Donor Program is not part of the MOCA Program. Accepted will be Brick purchases to honor or pay tribute to your fallen members.

More questions email or call me at 910-200-7242.

Loyally,

Penny Cacoulidis  
Supreme MOCA National Home Chairman  
2021-2022

# Auxiliary General Order #5

**PRESIDENTS ON ALL LEVELS, PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR MEMBERS!!!!**



- MEMBERSHIP – HELP WE STILL NEED MEMBERS!!!!** Reminder to make sure that you get your current members to pay their 2022 dues, if they haven't already. If their dues were not paid by December 31<sup>st</sup>, they are not considered members in good standing. You are all doing wonderful on membership. As of March 31, we have 6 Grands that are 100%+ and quite a few that only need a few to be 100%. Supreme is at 91.30% and we only need 297 members to be 100%. I would really like for us to 100% by June 1st and I know that we can achieve that goal.  
  
As for the Auxiliaries Not in a Grand, you guys are doing an awesome job. There are only 5 of you that are not 100%+. Please call or visit those members who have not yet paid their dues and see if you can get their dues paid.
- ELECTIONS AND INSTALLATIONS** – Reminder that **ALL** Auxiliaries should have their elections and installations completed by March 31<sup>st</sup> unless authorized by the Supreme President. Secretaries, when filling out the Installation report, please have the incoming officers (new or repeats) verify that all the information on the Installation Report is correct do not just copy from last year's report as their information may have changed. This information is what we use to put in the new Roster. Also, remember to send copies of your Installation report to the Supreme President, Supreme Secretary and Supreme Treasurer as soon as your Installation is completed. If you cannot get a full slate of Officers, let me or our Chief of Staff, Peggy Bell, know as soon as possible. We can't afford to lose any more Auxiliaries this year.
- TREASURERS – PLEASE, PLEASE, DO NOT HOLD DUES!!!** Once you receive the dues from your members, complete your transmittal and forward your dues to your Grand Treasurer. In order for your members to be in good standing, these transmittals must be submitted to the Supreme Treasurer, her address is Rebecca Wischmeyer 914 Bourn Ave., Columbia, MO 65203. Her e-mail is: [supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com](mailto:supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com).
- CONGRATULATIONS** to all incoming Auxiliary Officers and Chairmen. I wish you the best for a great new year. If you have ANY questions feel free to contact me.
- All Outgoing Officers and Chairmen:** It is your responsibility to turn over all records and items belonging to the MOCA to your successor when he/she takes office. Mentor your successor so that the next year will be a great one.

6. **WELCOME NEW AUXILIARIES**– This year, so far, we instituted 2 new Auxiliaries, one in Indiana and one in Kentucky and there are a couple more in the “works”. We are also working to get another Grand (Kentucky) back up and running. Let’s keep this up as we need all the members we can get.
7. **AUDITS** – Reminder, audits for January, February and March will be due **TO THE SUPREME TREASURER**, Rebecca Wischmeyer by April 15<sup>th</sup>. **DO NOT** send them to the MOC Supreme Quartermaster. You can either snail mail them or scan them in and email a copy to [supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com](mailto:supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com).
8. **BY-LAWS & RITUALS**: Please make sure that you purchase the most current by-laws as some of the by-Laws have been changed or new ones added. And I would like everyone to be on the same page. The cost of the by-Laws is \$15.00 and these are to be ordered from our Supreme Treasurer **NOT** the MOC store.
9. **ASSISTANT TREASURER’S** – As a reminder, the new by-laws state that **ALL Grands MUST** appoint an Assistant Treasurer (This person is to be appointed by the President, Sr. Vice & Jr. Vice) and he or she must be bonded.
10. **SUPREME SCRATCH** – The 103<sup>rd</sup> Supreme Scratch will be held July 21 -24 at the Marriott Kansas City Overland Park. The hotel reservations and banquet forms are on the MOC Supreme website. As a reminder, please send your **MOCA Supreme Registration forms** to Supreme Treasurer, Rebecca Wischmeyer, and Supreme Banquet forms to Supreme Headquarters.
11. **DELEGATES – SEC. 322 – Delegates to Convention**: I am not going to put all that information in these General Orders so **PLEASE** read this section in your By-Laws. This section has all the information that you will need to know about electing delegates and alternates to the conventions. If after reading this section, you still have questions, feel free to contact me or our Parliamentarian, flo Parmelee.
12. **YEAR-END REPORTS** – For Auxiliary Chairmen in a Grand, send your Year-End reports to your Grand Chairmen. For chairmen in Auxiliary’s not in a Grand, your chairmen reports go to the Supreme Chairmen.
13. **FOR PRESIDENT OF THE YEAR** – Presidents on all levels, please fill out the Year-End forms, updated ones are on the Supreme MOCA Website. Even if you do not feel that you did enough, fill out the form. You did the work, be proud and tell me
  - **Auxiliaries in a Grand**, send your President of the Year Year-End reports to your Grand President, who will review and possibly choose her President of the Year. Grand Presidents, please forward your winner to the Supreme President.

- **Grand Presidents and Presidents of Auxiliaries Not in A Grand** – send your “President of the Year” Year-End reports to the Supreme President, no later than June 30, 2022.

14. To all my brothers and sisters, whether you are an officer or not, if there are problems in your Auxiliary or Grand and you feel that whatever is being done to fix the problem is not working, call me or if you don't want to talk to me, e-mail Peggy Bell our Supreme Chief of Staff at: [peggythomasbell626@att.net](mailto:peggythomasbell626@att.net) and we will try to help.
15. **BY-LAW** – Please submit any resolutions for changes to the by-laws that you wish to present for consideration to the By-Law Committee: flo Parmelee, Pat Potter or Jennifer Winn.
16. I want to want to wish all of you out there in Cootie Land a Happy Easter. To those who have lost loved ones and friends our sympathy and prayers are with you. To those who are ill, we are wishing you a speedy recovery.



Attested By:

*Kathy Browne*

Kathy Browne

Supreme Secretary

By Order of:

*Debbie Thie*

Debbie Thie

Supreme President



# MOCA Membership Report



## Membership Report March 31, 2022

DIVISION 1			
Grand	2021	2022	%
Colorado	99	82	82.83%
Kansas	93	77	82.80%
Louisiana	69	70	101.45%
Maryland	75	76	101.33%
Mississippi	92	96	104.35%
New Jersey	93	78	83.87%

DIVISION 2			
Grand	2021	2022	%
Michigan	159	152	95.60%
New York	125	121	96.80%
Oregon	132	77	58.33%
Virginia	104	96	92.31%

DIVISION 3			
Grand	2021	2022	%
Arizona	125	113	90.40%
New Mexico	100	92	92.00%
South Carolina	166	110	66.27%
Texas	153	145	94.77%
Washington	162	181	111.73%
Wisconsin	140	113	80.71%

DIVISION 4			
Grand	2021	2022	%
California	117	122	104.27%
Florida	185	164	88.65%
Minnesota	217	208	95.85%
Missouri	158	162	102.53%
North Carolina	166	151	90.96%
Ohio	133	108	81.20%

DIVISION 5			
Auxiliary	2021	2022	%
AK-002	25	13	113.64%
DE-004	27	21	77.78%
GA-005	12	12	100.00%
GA-066	17	4	23.53%
IL-062	32	24	75.00%
IL-079	17	4	23.53%
IN-011	10	40	400.00%
KY-007	30	37	123.33%
KY-009	30	31	103.33%
KY-002	10	20	200.00%
MA-014	33	33	100.00%
MT-010	28	31	110.71%
NE-005	46	48	104.35%
NV-002	10	13	130.00%
OK-02	26	26	100.00%
OK-07	13	13	100.00%
PA-033	17	23	135.29%
PA-044	23	23	100.00%
SD-001	22	23	104.55%
SD-012	11	14	127.27%
SD-020	16	0	0.00%
TN-026	37	18	48.65%
WV-006	33	33	100.00%

Grand Total			
Supreme Tot	3415	3118	91.30%

Supreme needs to have 297 members

# MOCA Inspection Report



Unit	# of Aux.	Aux. Insp'd	Dist. Insp'd	Grand Insp'd	Date Complete	Percent Complete	Auxiliaries In-spected	Yr End Rpt
Alaska 2	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Delaware 4	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Georgia 5	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Georgia 66	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Illinois 42	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Illinois 62	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Illinois 79	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Indiana 11	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Kentucky 7	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Kentucky 9	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Montana 10	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Nebraska 10	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Oklahoma 2	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Oklahoma 7	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Pennsylvania 33	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Pennsylvania 44	1	1	N/A	N/A	11/1/21	100%	Gloria Corno	N/A
Pennsylvania 59	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
South Dakota 1	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
South Dakota 12	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
South Dakota 20	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
West Virginia 6	1		N/A	N/A		0%		N/A
Arizona (Cat 2)	6	6	N/A	1	12/29/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
California (Cat 3)	7	3	N/A			43%	19, 44, 68	
Colorado (Cat 1)	3		N/A			0%		
Florida (Cat 3)	8	8	N/A		12/7/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
Kansas (Cat 1)	3	3	N/A		2/1/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Louisiana (Cat 1)	3	3	N/A		3/25/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
Maryland (Cat 1)	4	4	N/A		3/1/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Michigan (Cat 1)	4	3	N/A			75%	24, 32, 96	
Minnesota (Cat 2)	6	6	N/A		1/15/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
Mississippi (Cat 1)	4	4	N/A		2/22/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
Missouri (Cat 2)	5	5	N/A		10/19/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
New Jersey (Cat 1)	3	3	N/A		10/25/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done

New Mexico (Cat 1)	4	4	N/A		1/2/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
New York (Cat 2)	5	5	N/A		1/21/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	
North Carolina (Cat 2)	6	6	N/A		2/17/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Ohio (Cat 3)	7	7	N/A		10/27/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
Oregon (Cat 2)	6	5	N/A			83%	1, 4, 8, 20, 22	
South Carolina (Cat 3)	6	6	N/A		1/18/22	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Texas (Cat 2)	6	6	N/A		11/4/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	Done
Virginia (Cat 1)	4	4	N/A		11/6/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Washington (Cat 2)	5	5	N/A		11/21/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Wisconsin (Cat 2)	5	5	N/A		12/20/21	100%	Sent to Supreme	
Units	22	131		22	153			
TOTAL:	153	102		1	103			
		77.86%		4.55%	67.32%			
	Total	Local Aux		Grands	Overall			
NOTE: PLEASE ADVISE ME IF THE NUMBER OF AUXILIARIES IN YOUR Grand IS INCORRECT SO YOUR PERCENT OF COMPLETION IS CORRECT.								

# MOCA Hospital Report



## MOCA HOSPITAL REPORT

March 25, 2022

GRAND	QUOTA	REPORTS	VISITS	MEMBERS	PATIENTS	TOTAL HOURS	MILES	GIFTS	Blood	TOTAL CREDITS	%
<b>Supreme District #1--Vickie Peterson, Commissioner</b>											
DE	\$9,500.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
MD	\$18,750.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
PA	\$15,750.00	6	3	16	382	244.25	354.00	2927.95	0	8485.35	53.88
VA	\$26,000.00	7	0	7	52	23.00	167.00	1549.25	8	2091.28	8.04
WV	\$8,250.00	2	6	6	120	37	168	2295	0	3142	38.08
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$78,250.00</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>303.75</b>	<b>689.00</b>	<b>6772.20</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13718.22</b>	<b>17.53</b>
<b>Supreme District #2--Anna Holm, Commissioner</b>											
FL	\$51,250.00	2	3	11	276	385.50	629.00	4679.49	0	13460.58	26.26
GA	\$7,250.00	2	2	6	37	15.00	290.00	144.67	0	523.52	7.22
LA	\$17,250.00	6	11	12	558	24.50	162.00	6016.02	0	6591.18	38.21
MS	\$23,000.00	22	87	125	1648	2832.25	4158.00	13520.32	1	77969.68	339.00
NC	\$41,500.00	24	38	59	168	3910.25	5146.00	8912.70	3	97809.28	235.69
SC	\$44,000.00	27	52	116	568	738.50	7279.00	10522.52	2	28194.76	64.08
TN	\$9,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$193,500.00</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>3255</b>	<b>7906.00</b>	<b>17664.00</b>	<b>43795.72</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>224548.98</b>	<b>116.05</b>
<b>Supreme District #3 -- Julie Constable, Commissioner</b>											
IL	\$18,000.00	5	1	8	36	26.50	378.00	505.00	7	1155.50	6.42
KY	\$15,000.00	16	112	144	645	492.00	4087.58	4584.60	0	16251.46	108.34
MI	\$39,750.00	2	3	6	184	34.75	238.00	310.00	4	1126.93	2.84
OH	\$33,250.00	28	71	98	381	2040.25	3596.00	6749.15	0	53260.23	160.18
WI	\$35,000.00	4	15	28	384	203.50	1755.00	1575.68	4	6410.31	18.32
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$141,000.00</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>1630</b>	<b>2797.00</b>	<b>10054.58</b>	<b>13724.43</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>78204.42</b>	<b>55.46</b>
<b>Supreme District #4 -- Carolyn Bell, Commissioner</b>											
KS	\$23,250.00	20	419	469	1852	2704.00	26998.00	6889.00	0	71643.92	308.15
MN	\$54,250.00	22	259	359	4517	891.75	12756.00	2403.00	8	24297.80	44.79
MO	\$42,250.00	56	239	339	3246	945.25	6291.00	10389.11	10	32585.24	77.12
MT	\$7,000.00	7	226	226	226	581.00	0.00	702.00	0	13803.55	197.19
NE	\$11,500.00	11	90	110	1027	518.25	2300.00	1201.49	5	13210.03	114.87
SD	\$12,250.00	7	10	33	139	95.00	1472.00	2177.23	21	4525.56	36.94
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$150,500.00</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1243</b>	<b>1536</b>	<b>11007</b>	<b>5735</b>	<b>49817</b>	<b>23762</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>160066</b>	<b>106.36</b>
<b>Supreme District #5 -- Sheila Perkins, Commissioner</b>											
CO	\$24,750.00	13	10	61	1168	143.75	1403.00	2820.22	0	6258.20	25.29
NM	\$28,000.00	1	0	6	0	52.00	55.00	100.00	0	1280.30	4.57
OK	\$9,750.00	4	4	9	66	40.50	1028.00	122.00	0	1179.20	12.09
TX	\$38,250.00	57	58	164	1166	1610.25	3295.00	8034.91	46	44807.35	117.14
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100,750.00</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>1846.50</b>	<b>5781.00</b>	<b>11077.13</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>53525.05</b>	<b>53.13</b>
<b>Supreme District #6 --Anne Thompson Duncan, Commissioner</b>											
AK	\$6,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
AZ	\$32,500.00	11	27	43	76	265.75	2203.00	2184.14	0	8485.22	26.11
CA	\$44,750.00	2	1	5	30	113.25	641.00	500.00	0	3143.53	7.02
OR	\$33,000.00	6	12	14	51	51.00	797.00	349.63	1	1611.26	4.88
WA	\$41,000.00	61	319	385	18465	1743.00	5566.00	15650.43	5	53721.76	131.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$157,500.00</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>18622</b>	<b>2173.00</b>	<b>9207.00</b>	<b>18684.20</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>66961.77</b>	<b>42.52</b>
<b>Supreme District #7 -- Penny Laskey, Commissioner</b>											
NJ	\$23,250.00	4	4	8	134	420.75	466.00	991.80	0	10544.95	45.35
NY	\$31,250.00	6	0	3	0	8.00	60.00	482.00	3	670.80	2.15
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$54,500.00</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>428.75</b>	<b>526.00</b>	<b>1473.80</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11215.75</b>	<b>20.58</b>
<b>Supreme Donations</b>											
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$876,000.00</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>2082</b>	<b>2876</b>	<b>37602</b>	<b>21190.25</b>	<b>93738.58</b>	<b>119289.31</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>608240.29</b>	<b>69.43</b>
Submitted By		<b>Ruth Schoonover</b>		Supreme Hospital Commissioner							

# Cathy Seippel for Supreme President 2022-2023

I am honored to announce my candidacy for the Office of Supreme President to the Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary for 2022-2023.

I have been a Life Member of the VFW since 2000 and a member of MOC Auxiliary for 18 years. I have been privileged to hold several offices in the VFW Auxiliary as well as MOC Auxiliary beginning with Guard up to VFW Auxiliary Department President, and Grand of AZ President, and currently Supreme Sr. Vice President.

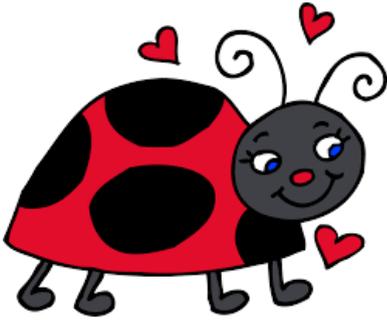
With the endorsement of my MOC Auxiliary #14, Wilde E Coyotes, and the Grand of Arizona, we are requesting your support as I proudly take the next step for MOCA Supreme President 2022-2023.

Loyally,

Cathy Seippel



# Billie Cassidy for MOCA Sr. Vice President



## Candidate for Supreme Sr Vice President

It is that time of year again. I am proud to announce my candidacy for the high Office of the Supreme Sr Vice President to the Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary for the ensuing year 2022-2022.

I remain very dedicated and committed to all Veterans. I am asking for your support as I continue to the Office of Supreme MOCA Sr. Vice President.

You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Please stay safe.

Loyally,

*Billie Cassidy*

### **Alert, Alert!**

Are you in need of any **Auxiliary** supplies? If you haven't noticed yet, the MOCA-Mart doesn't exist anymore. So, if you're itchin' to have a new hat, pin or patch please contact the Supreme Treasurer. Her contact information is as follows:

**Rebecca Wischmeyer**  
914 Bourn Avenue  
Columbia MO 65203  
[supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com](mailto:supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com)

Please **do not** contact Supreme Headquarters. They do not process Auxiliary supply orders anymore.

# **Patches Presfield for MOCA Jr. Vice President**

At the MOCA Grand Council of Administration held in February in Blaine, MN, I was unanimously endorsed for the Supreme office of Jr. Vice President.

It is my desire to continue to serve our organization to the best of my ability. I have been a proud member of the MOCA for 30 years and remain dedicated and committed to our veterans.

I look forward to seeing and meeting many of you at the Supreme Convention and appreciate your support.



**Respectfully and sincerely,**

**Patricia "Patches" Presfield**

# Dave Johnson for MOCA Chaplain

## Endorsement from the Grand of Oregon

It is my honor and privilege, as Grand of Oregon President, to announce and support the candidacy of Dave Johnson for the high Office of Supreme Chaplain to the MOC Auxiliary 2022-2023.



With the changes in the VFW Auxiliary Policy and By-Laws, Dave was honored to become a VFW Auxiliary member in February 2016. He entered both organizations under his father, a WWII veteran, VFW member, Purple Heart Society member and officer and proud board member of the Seventh Armored Division.

Dave is currently the VA-VAS representative to the Eugene VA Clinic. He became a member of the MOC Emerald 4 Auxiliary of Oregon in September 2016 and is currently in his third year as Auxiliary President. He is also the Grand of Oregon Chaplain and has been active in Grand programs as well as serving as the Grand Inspector. He has worked very hard to keep the Grand of Oregon viable and active.

Dave was elected to the position of Supreme Conductor last year and has worked hard to support this year's programs during the pandemic. Dave will make an excellent Chaplain for the Supreme organization.

The MOCA organization needs to keep our "traditions" alive but must grow in order to survive. We need to focus on service in order to attract and recruit new members to carry on our history of veteran's support. He has the support of his Auxiliary and his Grand. We are asking for your support for him at this 2022-2023 Supreme Convention.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Sheila Logan  
Grand of Oregon President**



# Rebecca Wischmeyer for MOCA Treasurer

Dear MOC Auxiliary members,

It is with pride that Grand of Missouri MOC Auxiliary at their Convention on April 23, 2022, unanimously endorsed Sister Rebecca Wischmeyer for the office of Supreme Treasurer.

Rebecca joined the Auxiliary in 1988 under the eligibility of her Dad, Harold Mauller, a World War II Veteran.

She has served the Auxiliary, District and Department with dedication and currently is Treasurer for Auxiliary #280, District 2 Treasurer, Department Musician, and National Council Member #5

Rebecca became a member of the MOCA in 1990, served as the President in her local auxiliary several terms. Went through the chairs of the Grand of Missouri and served as Grand President 1992-1993 and 2007-2008. Rebecca was the Supreme 4<sup>th</sup> District Hospital Commissioner from 1998-2006. Rebecca went through the chairs of the Supreme and served as Supreme President 2006-2007. Rebecca went through the chairs of the Supreme 9<sup>th</sup> District and served as Supreme 9<sup>th</sup> District President 2017-2019. Rebecca is now serving as the VAVS Deputy Representative.

Rebecca retired from the Department of Veterans Affairs as a RN at the Truman VA Medical Center after 30 years of service. Presently Rebecca is working part time working at Phoenix Home Health.

Rebecca is dedicated, energetic and a proven leader. She would be an asset to the Supreme MOCA as the Supreme Treasurer

We are asking for your support and vote at the 2022 Supreme Convention.



# Rebecca Wischmeyer for MOCA Trustee #6



Attention all Life Members  
of the VFW National Home for Children



Make a WISCH for the VFW National Home for Children BY



Electing Rebecca Wischmeyer for Trustee #6 representing  
Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee

# Gloria Corno for Supreme Guard

**To All MOCA Members:**

Good afternoon:

**M**y name is Gloria Corno from the Grand of New Jersey where I have been an active member since 1994. I have served as Grand President for four terms and have served in each of the other chairs in the Grand at least one term. I served as Grand Senior Vice for five terms and this helped New Jersey to always have a representative at all Supreme functions if the President was unable to attend. I also served as VAVS for Lyons VA hospital several years. Now, I always attend the VAVS meetings as the Grand President since I want to stay informed of any changes to the care of our veterans. This is especially important as we hopefully leave the pandemic behind. I have the full support of my Grand and my MOC Auxiliary and some Past Supreme Presidents.

On the Auxiliary level, I have been an active member of Jockey Hollow Aux. 15 for the past twelve years and before that I was a member of F-Throop Auxiliary 69 for many active years until we were forced to disband due to the age and death of many of our members. In the Auxiliary I have served as President for two terms, Senior Vice for six years and Conductress also. I am also the National Home Chairman on the Auxiliary level and I have attended Easter Treat several times. I have represented my Auxiliary and Grand several times at Tomb Trek and it has been an honor to lay a wreath each time. I still get a thrill every time I think about it.

I am also active in the VFW Auxiliary. I have been an active member since 1985 and I have served through all of the local Auxiliary and District chairs. I have also held many Department Chairmanships (3 times National winner) and also many Department chairs. Right now, I am serving as Senior Vice President in District 11 and as Chaplain for my Auxiliary. I am also the District Scholarship Chairman, and Youth Activities Chairman. I have the full support of my family and they are all active in the VFW and MOCA Auxiliaries. I am asking for your support in my quest to become your next Supreme Guard and I am available to answer any questions you may have.

**Loyally,**

**Gloria Corno**

[vfwa5@aol.com](mailto:vfwa5@aol.com)

# 103rd Supreme Scratch Registration Form



## 103rd Supreme Scratch Marriott Overland Park, Kansas



Cooties and Sisters will gather in Kansas City Missouri at the Marriott - Overland Park, KS the weekend of 21-24 July, 2022 for the 103rd Supreme Scratch. Cooties will be responsible for their own reservations. The hotel is offering free parking, free in-room internet if you are a member of the Marriott Bonvoy program. Cut-off for reservations is June 24, 2022. We are currently finalizing all of the specific details for the Convention. More information will be posted to our LOTCS.ORG website in the near future.

### REGISTRATION FORM – 103rd SUPREME SCRATCH Kansas City, MO 21-24 July, 2022

NAME: GRAND OF: PT#:

ADDRESS:

CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE:

CONTACT PHONE: EMAIL:

HOW ARE YOU REGISTERING (**CHECK ONLY ONE**)  
(Whichever one you check, that is how you plan on voting)

Pup Tent Delegate: Yes

Current Grand Commander: Yes

Immediate Past Grand Commander: Yes

Past Supreme Commander: Yes

Voting member of Supreme Council: Yes

FEE TOTAL:

Registration for the 103rd Supreme Scratch is **\$15.00** per delegate. **ALL PUP TENTS ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER AT LEAST ONE DELEGATE TO THE 103rd SUPREME SCRATCH PER SECTION 533 OF THE SUPREME BY-LAWS.** Advance registration to be mailed to: Supreme Headquarters, MOC, 604 Braddock Avenue, Turtle Creek, PA 15145-2068. **Advanced registration should arrive no later than June 24, 2022.** Attach a separate sheet for multiple delegates with required funds for each delegate being registered.

**Registration at the Scratch will be \$20.00.**

# 103rd Supreme Scratch Banquet Form

103RD Supreme  
Banquet Reservation  
Form



Marriott  
Overland Park, KS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grand of: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

## **BANQUET TICKET COSTS IS \$45.00**

**Dinner will be 3 choices:**

**Beef:**

**Chicken:**

**Fish:**

Number of Tickets Desired: \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Remitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Seating will be in rounds of TEN. Make checks payable to "Supreme Headquarters" and mail with this form and your check to 604 Braddock Ave, Turtle Creek, PA 15145-2068 and earmark it "103rd Supreme Banquet". Tickets will NOT be mailed. Pick up tickets starting Thursday July 21, 2022 at the registration table at the Supreme Convention.

**A \$45.00 service charge will be instituted on all returned checks!!**

# 703rd Supreme Scratch Banquet Menu



Fish: Lemon Pepper Cod

Chicken: Seared Chicken Breast with lemon Cream Sauce

Beef: Braised Short Ribs

The meal will include salad, Chef's choice of vegetables, Chef's choice of dessert, Water, Coffee or tea.

Cost of the meal is \$45.00

# Credentials for Supreme Convention

## Credentials for Supreme Convention

Section 322, paragraph C Delegates to Conventions

Delegates and Alternates to the Supreme Convention shall be elected at a regular meeting of the auxiliary held not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Supreme Convention, one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each fifteen (15) members or fraction thereof in good standing in the Auxiliary at the time of the election.

The Auxiliary President **does not** have a Vote at the Supreme Convention, unless she has been elected a Delegate.

The Auxiliary Secretary shall send a complete list of elected delegates and alternates to the Supreme Treasurer immediately following election, either **Email** [supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com](mailto:supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com) or by **mail** Supreme Treasurer Rebecca Wischmeyer, 914 Bourn Ave, Columbia, MO 65203 **We have eliminated Credential Cards so this step is essential even if you don't think your Delegates are attending Supreme Convention, send their names in.**

The number of Delegates per auxiliary will be based on per capita tax that has been received in this office at the time of their election. It is very important that the installation report be correctly filled out and received by the Supreme Treasurer so you are allowed to vote.

Advance Registration is sent to the Supreme Treasurer with the fee of \$20.00. Any member may register for the convention and receive a packet. Please make a list of these members; giving their name, address, auxiliary name, number and State. If you do not plan to attend and you want your packet picked up by another auxiliary sister or mailed to you, please specify on your request.

Registration after July 1, 2022 and at the Supreme Convention will be \$25.00. To gain admission to the Convention session, you must possess a current official 2021 membership dues card.

### Supreme Convention Credentials Auxiliary to the Military Order of the Cootie

Auxiliary Name \_\_\_\_\_ Auxiliary No. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

This is to Certify that Member(s):

#### Delegates

#### Alternates

1. \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

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4. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

Have been elected delegates and alternates of this Auxiliary to the Supreme Convention.

In Witness whereof we hereunto affix our signatures.

President \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

# 38th Grand of Ohio Easter Treat Program

Each year, the Grand of Ohio is host to the Children of the VFW National Home. Upcoming will be the 38th Annual Cootie Easter Treat and all are invited to participate. Mark your calendar for the dates 8,9 and 10 April 2022. Continuing success for this Easter Program for the children depends on how good our hearts are and how open your wallets are. Please send your contributions early so we can buy the necessary supplies to ensure the kids have the biggest and best Easter ever! The VFW National Home opens their doors each year for the Cooties of Ohio to host this gala event for the children of the National Home and we need your help and support to continue this great event. Donations can be made out to the Grand of Ohio, and Sent to Grand Quartermaster, Chuck Cihlar, 189 Monroe Blvd., Painesville, Ohio 11077, Telephone 440-358-1148. You may email your request, so please place in the subject line of the email “**MOC SUPREME EASTER TREAT**”. Your donations will not go unrecognized.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:** (Dates subject to change.)

**\*Friday 8 April 2022:** Arrival of personnel, set up of baskets for delivery on Saturday, and dinner with Ohio House residents.

**\*Saturday 9 April 2022:** Final basket preparations. Meet the Easter Bunny and basket presentation in the community center, ice cream social, Easter egg hunt at the gym, then off to Jackson for roller skating.

**\*Sunday 10 April 2022:** Attend Church with the Children from the National Home and then on our way to our own homes.

This is a long weekend of fun and frolic with the kids from the National Home, and the only program where you get to actually interact with the kids for the whole weekend. What a great experience. Thank you in advance for your help and support for the program.

# Supreme Cootie of the Year Program 2021 - 22

## Listen Cooties!

I know there are numerous Species Pediculi in our Grands that are constantly working the seams, keeping them smiling and being closer than a brother. If you know of such a lousy Cootie that you would like to submit to be considered for the award "Cootie of the Year", please send me a detailed description of what this Cootie has performed to:

**Mark M. Newman, PSC 13-14**  
**348 David Hall Road**  
**Dover, DE 19904-5463**  
**Email: [mnewman122@gmail.com](mailto:mnewman122@gmail.com)**  
**Phone: 302-222-7558**

If you have any questions, please contact me. If you can't get your nomination to me thru the above means, then bring it to the Supreme Convention and give it to me or any Past Supreme Commander. We know there must be some deserving Cooties out there, so let us know and provide us with the opportunity to make a selection. The Cootie that is selected will then be presented the Award during Supreme Convention Banquet.

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Mark M. Newman**  
**Past Supreme Commander**  
**2013-2014**



# **National Home Plow Truck Needed**



VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN

**The VFW National Home is in need of a  
second 4 x 4 Truck with a snow plow**



**Our goal is to raise approximately \$43,000**

**Please send checks to:**

**MOC Supreme Hdqts  
Attn: Gary Dressel  
604 Braddock Ave.  
Turtle Creek, PA 15145**

**Please be sure to write "Cootie snow plow" in the check memo  
Direct any questions to VFW National Home Chairman &  
Special Project Chairman Eddie Dandridge Sr.:  
[eddie.dandridge29@gmail.com](mailto:eddie.dandridge29@gmail.com)**

\*Any excess funds raised will be put into the Transportation Fund for vehicle maintenance.

# National Home Special Project

“The **Gaga Ball Pit** makes a wonderful addition to the recreation activities available to the children and families at the National Home! Thank you, Olin, for picking this project, and thank you, Cooties, for your support and donations!”

*Meghan Mitchell, Communications Specialist*



VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN

To donate online go to: <https://www.lotcs.org/projects.php>

## Project: GaGa Ball Pit \$4640

### What are GaGa Ball Pits?

GaGa (literally ‘touch-touch’ in Hebrew) is a variant of dodge-ball that is played with one ball. GaGa Ball is thought to have originated in Israel. GaGa’s popularity has continued to rise in the US and is extremely popular at camps, schools, and playgrounds everywhere.



### How do you play Gaga Ball?

GaGa is great for all ages, regardless of athletic skill or abilities. It is a gentler version of dodge-ball. All players start the game inside the pit, and the mediator introduces the ball into play. The object of the game is to avoid being struck by the ball. If the ball hits you below the knee at any time, you’re then “out” and must leave the pit. The last player standing is the winner. Players must dodge, run, jump, and get out of the way of being hit, while at the same time trying to hit opponents with a dodge-ball, below the knees.



VFW NATIONAL HOME FOR CHILDREN

To donate online go to: <https://www.lotcs.org/projects.php>

**Project: Gym Package (Total \$5,440)**

4-Giant 6 ft. beach ball \$40 = \$160

Volley Ball System for the Gym \$3,000

Full indoor volley ball system in the gymnasium. This system will give us the ability to provide a great physical activity for the entire community on a year round basis.



6 sets-Bubble Soccer Balls \$380= \$2,280

Bubble Ball is like being in your own human bounce house. It's a hybrid of bumper cars, sumo wrestling, and ridiculousness! Some call it Bumper Ball, or Battle Balls. ... In Bubble Ball, players wear inflatable suits that allow them to bounce off each other and fall on the ground without getting hurt.



# MOCA Special Project 2021 - 2022

**MOCA Grand and Auxiliary Members,**

Our Supreme President Debbie Thie has selected the VFW Veterans Village located in beautiful, peaceful Ft. McCoy, Florida as her Special Project for 2021-2022. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the VFW Veterans Village. For more information, please visit <https://vfwvillage.org/>.

**Funds raised for the Supreme President's Special Project are to replace carpet in the Main Lobby and two of the adjoining resident wing entrances.**

*The lucky first place winner will win a week at the VFW Veterans Village. You and your guest can experience a week living at the VFW Veterans Village (meals included). You can enjoy all the nearby attractions of Florida (transportation and tickets not included).*

*Our lucky second place winner will receive a basket full of cheer.*

Drawing held at the Supreme MOCA Convention in Kansas City 2022.

Tickets mailed to MOCA Grand Presidents for their distribution to the Auxiliaries in their Grand.

**Loyally,**

**Patricia McQuaig, Chairman  
Supreme President's Special Project  
[mcquaigt@gmail.com](mailto:mcquaigt@gmail.com)**



**“Veterans Light up Our Lives”**

## Cooties Generate Fun for VFW National Home Kids with Zany Play Equipment

It's like bubble wrap for kids. The Military Order of the Cooties provided the latest rage among the youth, 12 inflatable bubble balls, to the VFW National Home for Children.

Bubble balls are huge, plastic, inflatable balls 4-feet-wide with an opening in the middle that fits over a user's head and torso causing them to resemble a human lollipop. A harness keeps them secure while they bump their friends willy-nilly without any fear of inflicting injury.

"We needed some exciting equipment to get the kids active," said Laura Lonsbery, Support Services Supervisor for the VFW National Home.

Olin Parks, Supreme Commander of the Military Order of the Cootie remarked that he worked with National Home staff and learned about the need of some new, fresh equipment.

"We need to get the kids out of the house instead of watching television or bothering their parents," he chuckled.

Lonsbery added that plans are to use the bubble balls for organized soccer games to add a twist to the more conventional rules of the sport.

### And Modern Dodge Ball

The Cootie generosity also allowed for purchase of a Gaga Ball Pit which is a contemporary form of the dodge ball game that most oldsters played in grade school.



The new version places players within knee-height barrier walls called a pit that form an enclosed circle. When the ball is introduced, the object is to avoid getting hit by the ball while at the same time trying to acquire the ball and hit others. As players get struck by the ball, they must exit the pit. The last one inside the enclosure wins.

"Many of the kids experienced this game at VFW Camp Trotter in Newaygo where they go in the summer.

So, I thought it would be a good game for us to have on our campus,” said Lonsbery.

The Gaga Ball Pit will provide a helpful and secondary use for the youngest National Home kids during their two-day-a-week gym time. The barrier walls will give those two and under a safe space to play.

## Monster Beach Balls and Volleyball Set

Two giant 6-foot beach balls and a traditional volleyball set for the gym were also part of the large gift from the Cooties.

“I’m super excited about this equipment because I think it breathes some fresh air into the building,” added Lonsbery who stated that 61 children between the ages of infant to 18 are currently residing at the VFW National Home.



“As the Supreme Commander I am humbled by the generosity of the Cooties. It is amazing that when you tell them a good cause, they’ll get behind it. These men and women all band together and try to provide for their veterans and their families,” added Parks.

The new recreational equipment cost \$10,500 (\$5,500 received from the Cooties and \$5,000 received from an Amazon Grant). There are also plans for an additional donation to be given at Cootie Convention in July, allowing the VFW National Home to dream up a few more wacky games to keep the kids occupied.

If you are interested in fundraising for the National Home, please contact Development Director, Sue Alverson to discuss current needs at [salverson@vfwnationalhome.org](mailto:salverson@vfwnationalhome.org) or 517-663-7983. Your support is appreciated!

**Article by Meghan Mitchell, Communications Specialist**

# Proposed By-Law Changes

## B-1

Submitted by Pup Tent 3 through the Grand of North Carolina

### Section 201. Formation of.

A Pup Tent maybe formed by charter from the Supreme Pup Tent on application of not less than fifteen (15) members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. These members can be new members, reinstated or transfers from another Pup Tent in accordance with section 101 of the MOC Bylaws: Provided, however, the number of Pup Tents in any Grand shall be governed by a majority vote of the Grand Council and where no Grand Pup Tent exists, it shall be a decision of the Supreme Council. Such application shall be made in accordance with the Bylaws of the Military Order of the Cootie.

### Suggested Revision

### Section 201. Formation of.

A Pup Tent maybe formed by charter from the Supreme Pup Tent on application of not less than fifteen (15) members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. These members can be new members, reinstated or transfers from another Pup Tent in accordance with section 101 of the MOC Bylaws: provided, **a minimum of 45% of the Chartered members are new members or a minimum of seven (7) of the chartered members must be new members.** However, the number of Pup Tents in any Grand shall be governed by a majority vote of the Grand Council and where no Grand Pup Tent exists, it shall be a decision of the Supreme Council. Such application shall be made in accordance with the Bylaws of the Military Order of the Cootie.

### Rationale

The idea if instituting a new Pup Tent is to “Increase and Multiply”. However, the current wording of the By Laws allows a new Pup Tent to be formed with nothing but transfers. Therefore, negating “The First Great Duty of all True Nits” to “Increase and Multiply” as stated in the opening ceremonies of the Ritual. Also, this could potentially cause irreparable damage to one Pup Tent simply to create a new Pup Tent, thus defeating the intent for starting a new Pup Tent.

Furthermore, pursuant to Section 201 of the VFW By Laws, forming a new Post requires 25 people, 10 of which must be NEW members. This clearly establishes an intent of growing the organization through creation of a new unit. The Military Order of the Cootie, as the Honor Degree of the VFW should follow this notion by establishing a minimum standard as well. A percentage format would allow for a sliding scale in cases where there are more than 15 members desiring to form a new Pup Tent.

Submitted by Pup Tent 3 through the Grand of North Carolina

**Section 120. Life Memberships.**

**C. Life Membership Fee Plan C.** A Life Membership Plan “C” shall be established using the current \$9.00 Per Capita Tax and the following fee schedule:

- 1) Plan “B” shall be closed and no new members will be accepted after October 31, 2006.
- 2) The applicable fee from the Life Membership fee schedule set forth herein will be determined by using the applicant’s attained age as of December 31st of the calendar year in which the application is submitted regardless of the actual date of birth.

**Suggested Revision**

**C. Life Membership Fee Plan C.** A Life Membership Plan “C” shall be established using the current \$9.00 Per Capita Tax and the following fee schedule:

- 1) Plan “B” shall be closed and no new members will be accepted after October 31, 2006.
- 2) Any member who is a Life Member in good standing in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States of America and is in good standing with the Military Order of the Cootie may become a Life Member by payment of the proper Life Membership fee to the CCDB or Quartermaster. A member at large in good standing may become a Life Member by payment of the proper fee to the Supreme Quartermaster if they hold a valid VFW Life Membership.
- 3) The applicable fee from the Life Membership fee schedule set forth herein will be determined by using the applicant’s attained age as of December 31st of the calendar year in which the application is submitted regardless of the actual date of birth.

**Rationale**

The purpose of this submission is to clarify the current requirements for Life Membership. The requirement for Life Membership in the VFW is currently specified in Paragraph B of Section 120 regarding Plan “B” Life Membership. As Plan “B” has been closed, this has created some questions as to if that requirement still exists. This change to include this requirement under Plan “C” should eliminate any uncertainties.

## B-3

Submitted by the By-Law Committee on behalf of the Supreme Commander

### Section 314. Duty of the Custodian of the Crummy Duffel Bag.

- G. Before entering upon the duties, they shall qualify by giving good and sufficient bond in a sum equal to the amount of the liquid assets for which so far as can be anticipated they may be accountable.

#### Suggested Revision

### Section 314. Duty of the Custodian of the Crummy Duffel Bag.

- G. Before entering upon the duties, they shall qualify by giving good and sufficient bond in a sum equal to the amount of the liquid assets for which so far as can be anticipated they may be accountable. **Pup Tent CCDB's shall obtain sufficient security bond in the sum equal to the amount of liquid assets for which they are accountable. Pup Tents with total liquid assets of \$5,000.00 or more shall require a bond. Pup Tents with liquid assets less than \$5,000.00, may bond or not bond as determined by the Pup Tent.**

## B-4

Submitted by the By-Law Committee on behalf of the Supreme Commander

### Section 413. Duty of the Grand Quartermaster.

- F. **Bond:** They shall give good and sufficient security, to be approved by the Grand Council of Administration, for the faithful discharge of their duties, the cost of which shall be paid from Grand Pup Tent funds.

#### Suggested Revision

### Section 413. Duty of the Grand Quartermaster.

- F. **Bond:** They shall give good and sufficient security, to be approved by the Grand Council of Administration, for the faithful discharge of their duties, the cost of which shall be paid from Grand Pup Tent funds. **Grand Pup Tents with total liquid assets of \$5,000.00 shall obtain a security bond from Supreme Headquarters. For Grand Pup Tents having total liquid assets less than \$5,000.00, security bonding shall be at the discretion of the Grand Council of Administration.**

## B-5

Submitted by the By-Law Committee on behalf of the Supreme Commander

### **Section 612. Bonding of Grand District/Area or Supreme Districts.**

Whenever a Grand District/Area or Supreme District accumulates assets that exceed \$1,000.00, then the individual responsible for receiving and properly accounting for the expenditure of monies in their possession shall obtain a security bond equal to the total amount of assets in their possession. The cost of this bond shall be paid from the Grand District/Area or Supreme District funds.

### **Suggested Revision**

#### **Section 612. Bonding**

**Whenever a Pup Tent or Grand Pup Tent accumulates liquid assets that exceed \$5,000.00 the CCDB or Grand QM responsible for receiving the properly accounting for the expenditure of monies in their possession shall obtain a security bond equal to the amount of assets in their possession. Pup Tents with liquid assets less than \$5,000.00 security bonding shall be determined by the Pup Tent. Grands with liquid assets less than \$5,000.00, security bonding shall be at the decision of the Grand Council of Administration.**

## B-6

Submitted by the By-Law Committee on behalf of the Supreme Commander

### **Section 120. Life Memberships.**

#### **E. Life Membership Committee (LMC).**

- 1) The Life Membership committee shall be comprised of the Supreme Commander, Supreme Quartermaster, Supreme Life Membership Chairperson, and three elected Supreme Trustees.
- 2) The Supreme Quartermaster is Treasurer and the Supreme Life Membership Chairperson is Secretary of the LMC. The Treasurer shall invest the Life Membership Fund (LMF) in investment-grade securities in the best interest of the Military Order of the Cootie. The LMC shall present a financial report at the end of each year and will submit it to the Supreme Council of Administration and the Supreme Scratch annually. The LMC shall make recommendations to the Supreme Council of Administration as to the amount of the proposed annual rebate for the Pup Tents, Grands and Supreme Headquarters.

## Suggested Revision

Remove Entire Paragraph

R-1

### Changes to the Supreme Ritual

NOTE: There were a large number of suggested changes – none of which were substantive, but rather to adjust language for gender neutrality and to provide clarification. Due to the changes being through the document, it is not feasible to include within the Courier. The Supreme Judge Advocate will coordinate the best way to get the proposed changes out for review in a separate mailing to remain within the guidelines of the Supreme By laws.



## A LESSON FROM COMPUTER-AIDED DESIGN

The Air Force calls it NGAD or Next Generation Air Dominance fighter. It is set to replace the already aging F-22 Raptor. It incorporates innovations in propulsion, stealth, advanced weapons, computer-aided design, and thermal management of the aircraft signature. While the NGAD will be a manned fighter, it will be accompanied by unmanned vehicles from the same family of aircraft.

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of the NGAD system is that, though none but a few know what it will look like, it has already flown.

Yes, the NGAD has gone from inception to prototype within the span of a year. This not only breaks all records. The rapid development of the NGAD stands in striking contrast to the development of the F-35, which took fifteen years from inception to operational deployment.

How did the NGAD come into being so quickly? Well, one component has to do with the Department of Defense finally streamlining its process of acquisition.

Another factor in the NGAD's rapid development results from its heavy use of computer-aided design. Computer technology has become so advanced that many of the typical steps of the process from conception to production have either been shortened or eliminated.

The laborious and time-consuming practices of modeling wing and fuselage designs and testing them in wind tunnel experiments is a thing of the past. Powerful computers now eliminate the long and painful process of trial and error. All potential problems are worked out in the massive brain of a computer before the final design and product ever materialize.

This computer-aided design technology parallels something which has always been a part of our existence – the infinite mind of God. You see, before God ever brought forth humanity upon the earth, His eternal intellect worked out and eliminated any possible “bugs” that might have arisen in the process of developing and testing us.

Human beings are incredibly complex and the process of making one would be a terrifying challenge to us. This is because there are literally millions of problems that can arise in our making. Explore any medical dictionary and you'll be staggered by the number of ailments, abnormalities, genetic diseases, etc. which can afflict us. At every stage of our development in the womb there are countless things that can go wrong.



**Chaplain David Causey**  
**US Army Retired**

But the infinite mind of God has already worked out all the “wrinkles” and “design flaws” which typically plague our creations. And He has graciously programmed flawless genetic instructions in our DNA for the building of new human beings.

And all the trillions of God’s calculations were performed instantly. For His infinite mind cannot be overloaded or taxed. Nor God does not need to experiment to increase His knowledge. He already knows all things. There’s no process of trial and error with God. He never has to conclude, “I’ll do things better next time.” He gets things right the first time, every time. Therefore, humanity – as well as all living things – truly represent the perfect creations of a perfect God.

Now, having said this, the Bible clearly indicates that human beings – as well as all living things - are damaged by sin and God’s

curse (Genesis 3:16-17; 3:17-19). “Sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned” (Romans 5:12). Further damage to life on earth has resulted from Earth’s steady bombardment from lethal solar wind and cosmic rays.

However, what God originally created was perfect. It was good. It was “very good” and could not have been improved upon. Therefore, though all people possess damage in their bodies and spirits, they do not have any design flaws – none whatsoever.

Therefore, we must scour from our minds the poisonous lies that we are just “thrown together” by the haphazard processes of evolution and natural selection. This concept not only tragically devalues humans. It’s completely unscientific. It lacks any evidence from the fossil record (which only records the abrupt appearance – rather than the slow development - of complex living things). It is hopelessly inadequate to account for the complexity within living things, the vast information stored in our DNA, and the advanced technology in nature. Plus, human experience has repeatedly demonstrated to us that all our technological gains were made, not as a result of nature processes but from intelligent minds.

The concept of theistic evolution is equally insane. For it portrays God as requiring the same trial and error process which ignorant humans depend upon to gain knowledge.

Isn’t it far saner – and safer – to accept the truth of God’s word, the Bible. Only the Holy Scripture makes sense our existence and all our experience. Only the Bible gives us the sensible and credible explanation of our origins, our problems, and our hope of redemption. Let’s get back to the true and reliable fact-checker which keeps us free from error – God’s written word.

**PRAYER:** Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, and bring me to my senses. Give me a hunger and new appreciation for Your holy word. Help me to subordinate all competing ideas to its doctrines and to feed upon life-giving truth. In Jesus’ name I pray, Amen.

# Grand of California

The Winter C of A was held January 27-30 2022 in Selma, California at the Swan Court Holiday Inn. We had a LOUSY Scratch and 9 Pup Tents were absent. Grand Historian now has this Cootie Cap PT 1 STEIN TOTERS GERMANY held for ransom. MOC Grand Europe or PT 1 Seam Squirrel can contact us for Ransom demand. See photo below for proof we have the cap!

Presented at the Banquet dinner were awards from last year. Selso A. Cavazos, Pup Tent 69 received his PGC pin; Jeaneen Austin Pup Tent 44 received the Cootie of the Year award 2021 and Grand Commander Lamont Duncan received his PGC pin for 2021.

**Steve Kemp, Grand Historian**



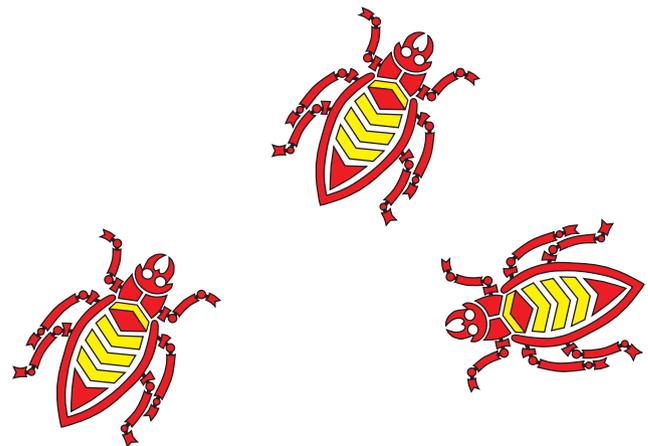
On January 27, 2022, Royall Park and Charles Peterson gave a large donation to the Fresno VA Hospital's long term patients that included: slippers, blankets and calendars. The woman in the center is an employee.

**Photo by Chuck Peterson**



**Cap from Germany for ransom!**

**Photo by Steve Kemp, Grand Historian**





Selso Cavazos with his wife Judy and Jimmy Ong...**Photo by Chuck Peterson**



Glenn Wilson and his wife Betty and Willora Day...**Photo by Chuck Peterson.**



Grand Commander Lamont Duncan and Grand President Annie Thompson-Duncan.

**Photo by Steve Kemp, Grand Historian**



Glenn Wilson and his wife Betty and Don Bilodenu.

**Photo by Chuck Peterson**

## **Saturday evening C of A dinner in Selma**

Pictured from left to right: Terry White and Rudy Taylor.

**Photo by Chuck Peterson**





Photo taken at Pup Tent #69 of the presentation of certificates of achievement to Paul Ennis, and Dan, owners of American Medical Equipment business for all of their work and advice given for the MOC project with power chairs and scooters.

From Left to Right: Don Bilodenu; Charles Peterson; Chris Martin; Raymond Caughlin; Ken Lusk; Paul Ennis, owner of American Medical Equipment; Frank; Dan, owner of American Medical Equipment; Terry White; Kenneth Welch; Jimmy Ong; JC Terry; Rudy Taylor; Selso Cavazos and Glenn Wilson.

Pictured is Navy Commander Colin Matie, from East Jackson, who was a member of Seal Team #3 sitting on his new Pride Victory LX scooter. This was donation #99 from Chuck Peterson, Grand Hospital Chairman.



**MOCA #19  
LI'L BUGS  
CALIFORNIA CITY**

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**BARSTOW VETERANS HOME  
EVELYN SANDERS & LYNDA CRITCHFIELD**



**FRESNO VA CLC  
ROBIN TIPTON, EVELYN,  
PAM SANTELLANO,  
MICHELLE TRIGUEIRO ( REP ), & LYNDA**



**BARSTOW VETERANS HOME  
LYNDA, ROBYN & PAM**



**VETERANS STAND-DOWN  
EVELYN & LYNDA**

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FRESNO VA CLC  
LINDA VERES, CHERYL BULLOCK, EVELYN,  
LYNDA, MICHELLE TRIGUEIRO (REP),  
PAM, & ROBYN



BARSTOW VETERANS HOME  
LYNDA, CHERYL, DONNA HOLM &  
EILEEN FIVEHOUSE



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LYNDA, CHERYL & EVELYN



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# Grand of Delaware

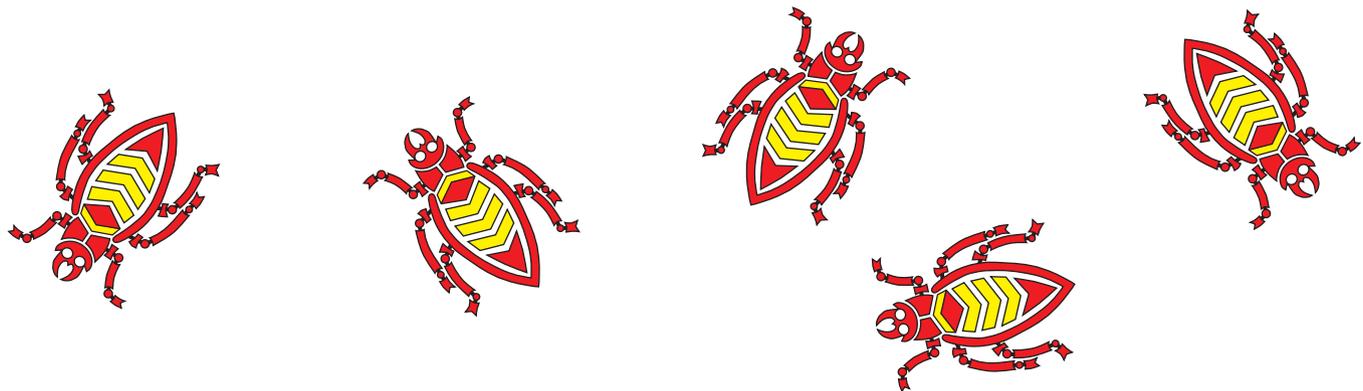
## Grand of Del-a-where Red and White Gala.

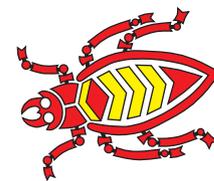
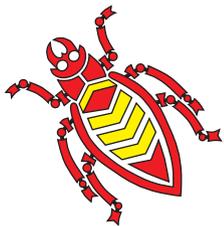
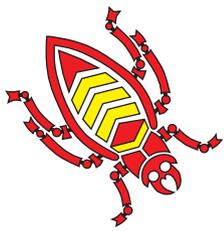
The Grand of Del-a-where had our Red and White Gala Spaghetti Dinner. A Cootie was fined for all spots on a white shirt from dinner. You only have chopsticks to eat with unless you buy silverware. This was our 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the dinner. We look forward to next year.

*Provided by Paul Works, Grand Historian, Grand of Del-a-where*



Elroy, Del-a-where's best friend ready to enjoy his meal. No spots or fines for him.





Here was the winner for most spots on his shirt.

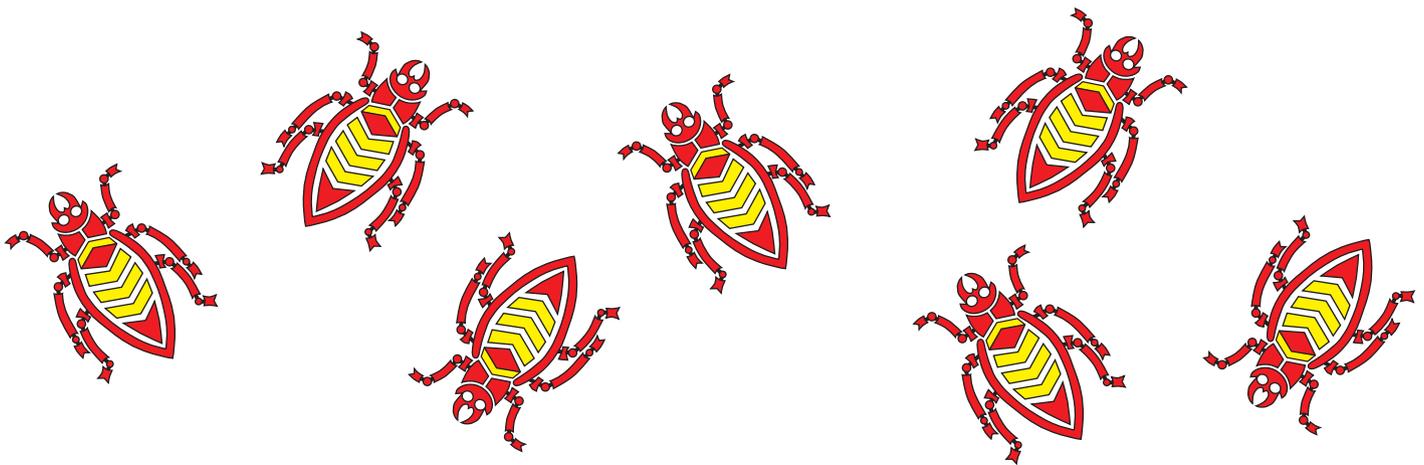


We also raised funds through an auction for our veterans.  
A good time had by all.

# Grand of Iowa



## *Lousy Grand Scratch in Des Moines*



# Grand of Maryland



Pictured are the Grand of Maryland's Cooties on the rise. As the Grand Commander so horribly puts it, "*Shoot, you are out of order!*"

*Photo courtesy of Georgia A. Eaves, Grand Hungry Cootie*

## **Alert! Alert!**

The contact for the Maryland Firefighter Program has changed! The new chairperson is: Kathy Carlson, 1421 Norcross Ln. Severn, Md 21144. E-mail: [kcarlson@lotcs-md.org](mailto:kcarlson@lotcs-md.org).



Here are photos of past two time All-Star Grand Commander/ Seam Squirrel Randy Peaker and Grand Hungry Cootie Georgia A. Eaves presenting Valentine's Day gift bags to the veterans at Perry Point VA Medical Center, Perryville, MD. Just watching the smiles on their faces and the gleam in their eyes made this all worthwhile. It is a blessing to enrich someone's life with such small gestures. HAPPY VALENTINES DAY VETERANS!

*Courtesy of Clint Townsend*



# Grand of Michigan

The Grand of Michigan is making arrangements for all the **"Children at the VFW National Home's Annual Cedar Point Amusement Park Trip"** in Sandusky Ohio.

The Sandusky VFW Post 2529 and their Auxiliary, and Dad's Club are working with the Grand of Michigan to help make this Annual tradition a success.

The trip will be held on August 1, 2022. Donations are welcome to help with expenses and would be appreciated please send to:

**Michigan Grand CCDB**  
**Shane Houghton**  
**343 High St.**  
**Ionia, MI 48846**



# Grand of North Carolina

The NC Grand Military Order of the Cootie held its winter C of A on February 18-20 at "Spring Leak" Pup Tent 8 (VFW post 9103). At this C of A we recognized the installation of a new Pup Tent, PT 254 "Plank Walkers" out of Newport NC. We are "Increasing and Multiplying" and "Invading the Seams" to select worthy "Atoms" to take those backward steps and join our "Crummy Fraternity."



Allen Doubles  
Grand Commander



Helen Nelson  
Grand Sr. Vice Commander



Tim Woods  
Grand Jr. Vice Commander

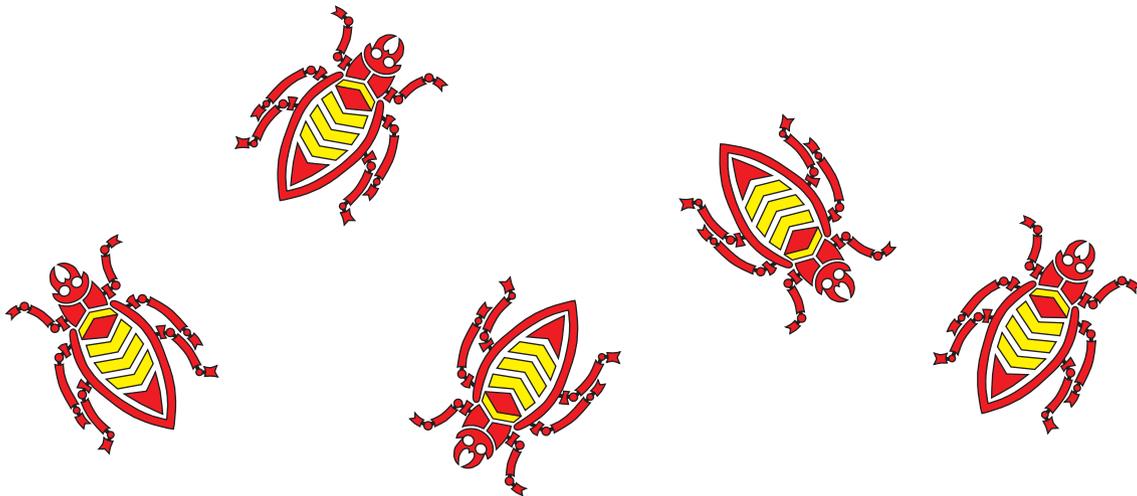


# Grand of North Dakota



Grand Commander Terry Thomas on the left had 7 Past Grand Commanders attend the Mid-Winter Scratch held in Bismarck.

*Photo by Erica Claus-Numsali.*





North Dakota State VFW Commander Corey Moen wore a bread Basket to get his point across at the Mid-Winter Scratch.

***Photo by Barb Danielson***



Grand Commander of North Dakota Terry Thomas gave a Crummy speech at the Mid-Winter Scratch banquet.

***Photo by Barb Danielson***

The North Dakota Mid-Winter Scratch and banquet was attended by Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief Duane Sarmiento.

***Photo by Barb Danielson.***



# Cootie Appreciation Banquet

Pup Tent ND-008 “Pack Rats” out of VFW Post 7564 West Fargo, ND had it’s 2021-22 Cootie Appreciation Banquet on Feb 19, 2022. The “Pack Rats” were chartered on January 31, 1976. We were thrilled to have Arvall Olson, original charter member and Pack Rat #20. Arvaal received his 45 year service pin and hospital worker’s pin for over 43 years and 4608 hours of volunteering at the VA hospital. Of our current 74 members, we had 21 members receive service pins for over 20 years of service in the Cooties. Although our Pup Tent has been around for 45 years, we have had only 171 members of which 74 are currently still on the rolls. Last year, our Pup Tent raised and donated \$9785 of which \$8000 was donated to the following three organizations we primarily support: VA Hospital in Fargo, ND; ND Veteran’s Home, in Lisbon, ND and the National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, MI. We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated group of veterans that continue to support our community, our post and our Pup Tent. We are *“Keeping ‘em Smiling in Beds of White!”*



Arvaal Olson – 45 yr Service Pin



Dale Ronning – 35 yr Service Pin



Pack Rats” ND-008 Cootie Appreciation Banquet Feb 19, 2022



Don Faith – 2022 Pup Tent COTY



Jimmy Nesheim,  
Lifetime Membership Award



Charlie Weible receives his 2020-21 ND All Star Grand Commander Pin



Seam Squirrel Craig Johnson having a Lousy Time!



**HAPPY HOUR!**  
Relaxing before the banquet begins.



New York Strip Dinner!  
Our Kitchen Staff Rocks!

# Grand of Pacific Areas

Cootie Barry “Dome” Larson of Pup Tent 15 “Mighty Pinatubo” located in Angeles City, Philippines, has partnered up with Amerasian Children Looking for Their American GI Fathers. The purpose of this group is to help Amerasians search for and locate their fathers who were an American serviceman from the United States.

He is the liaison between the group that is located in the United States and coordinates the receipt, administering, and mailing of the DNA kits through the RAO mailroom annex inside Robert W Zaher VFW Post 2485.

In the Philippines alone, there are around 52,000 Amerasians, at least 5,000 of them in Angeles City, the site of the former Clark Air Base; which together with Subic Naval Base in Olongapo City, were the two biggest U.S. military facilities outside the United States.



# Grand of Washington



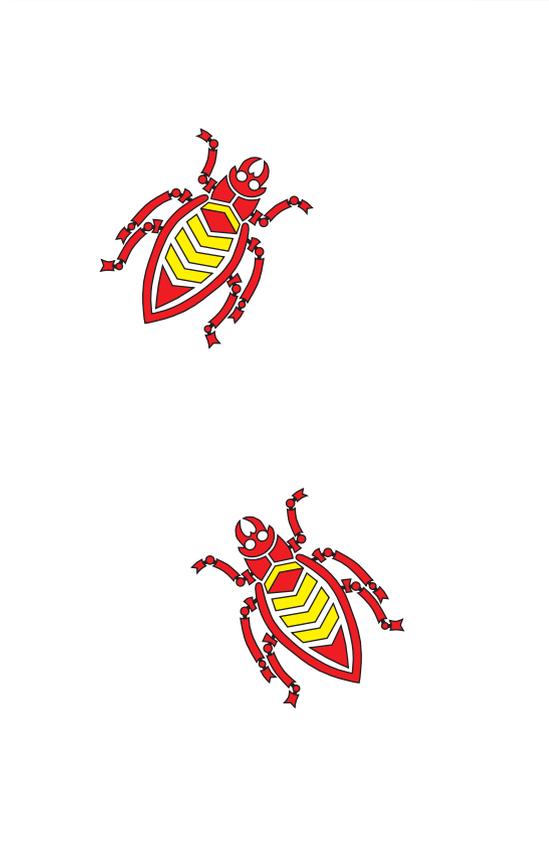
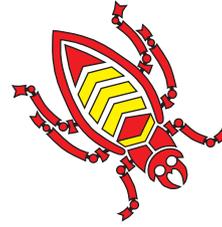
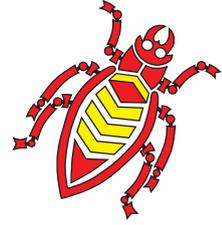
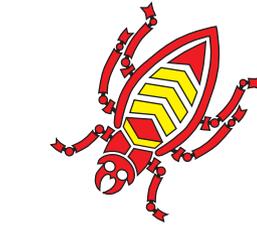
Pictured is the Therapy Bed/Table that the Seattle VA Spinal Cord Unit bought with the Grand Donation for last year 2020-2021. A huge **Boooo** to all those who gave so generously to this project to make this purchase happen!

***Yours in LOTCS,***

***Hardy and Lori Nettles***

# The Grand of Washington welcomes our newest Lousy Pup Tent... Crazy Eights, Pup Tent 8 with its new Seam Squirrel Drew James.





The Grand C of A was a totally Lousy affair and we had the Crummy presence of Supreme Sr. Vice-Commander Dwight Hora! There were too many "thieves in the house" to count. And the Grand Commander Hardy Nettles lost his gavel somewhere. But, he finally got it back. The guest table for the Grand Commander and Supreme Sr. Vice Commander was even turned around on a Cootie Milk break. Imagine their faces when they returned! If you look closely at the photo below, you'll see that the Supreme newshound was a "thief in the house" also.

Additionally, there was some confusion between past Grand Commander Dwight Booth and Supreme Sr. Vice Commander Dwight Hora. Both have the same first name. There were many chants of Dwight, Dwight, Dwight, Dwight, Dwight. Well, you just had to be there! Dale Iannello, Supreme Newshound...





# Grand of Wisconsin

## Mid-Winter Scratch



Arrested: Just as we were starting the banquet, police arrived to arrest California President Annie Duncan and Minnesota Senior Vice Commander Len Gudmunson for transporting "poisons" across state lines.



We put together 63 bags for homebound veterans.



Theme "Pick Your Poison", the loot items were Poison jars that had a poison to represent each Past Grand Commander in attendance plus one for all Cooties and Auxiliary. Here is 2 examples.



Dessert Table



Commander being escorted in.



Taking up a donation to get our troublemakers released.



The skit to harass the Commander has started and PGC Dave Jacobson is on the hunt.



Supreme Junior Vice Commander Mark Larkin takes part in the skit as a Mind Boggled Magistrate. Grand Commander plays along helping mind boggle the Magistrate.



Full skit players. We almost lost the Gorilla but you'll have to ask us about that story.



Grand President is sent on a scavenger hunt to find animals for her zoo.



Parade of Giraffes



Always have time to reunite with family.

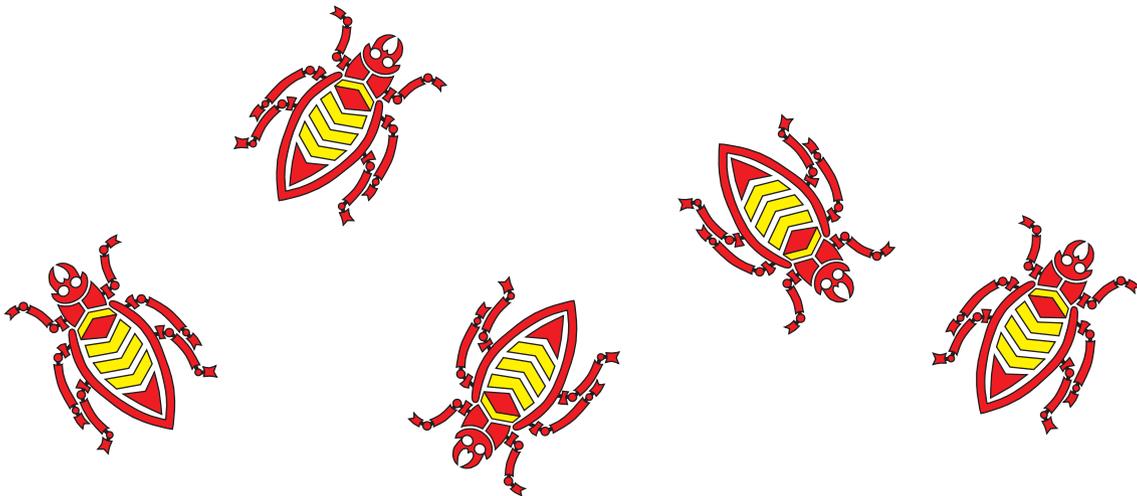


Spring Brook: Hosted a bingo at a local nursing home.

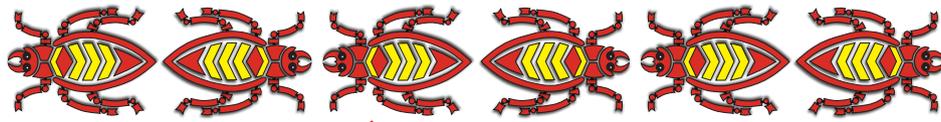
There's another Wisconsin Critter. Department Commander Cory Geisler (also a Cootie) has been in attendance all weekend and has enjoyed the lousy time he experienced.



Kids are always welcome to attend and participate.



# Honor Degree Sample



## Cootie Honor Degree



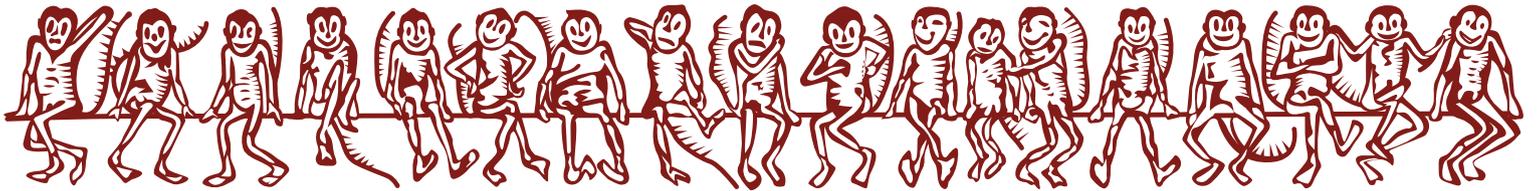
To all who read this Crummy Degree,

Has been determined to be worthy of being called a *Cootie*. I, the Seam Squirrel of this Pup Tent, and most *Crummy* of all for the time being hereby award this special *Honor Degree* as proof of your ardent journey from *Atom*, to *Nit* and then to *Grayback*. Your journey has just begun. May you continue to be as *Busy as a Bee* working the hardest *Seams* and spread the *Blue Ointment of Happiness* to *Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of White*".

Pup Tent Seam Squirrel

Military Order of the Cootie of the United States





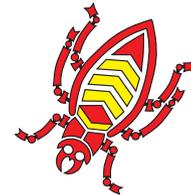
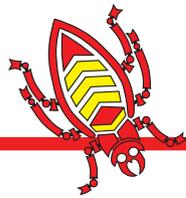
The price for a mailed copy of the Cootie Courier has increased to \$10.00/Year. To continue receiving a mailed copy, please send a check or money order to:

MOC Supreme Headquarters  
604 Braddock Avenue  
Turtle Creek, PA 15145

Yes, I would like to receive a mailed copy of the Cootie Courier at the annual subscription price of \$10.00.

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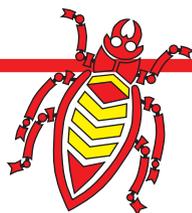
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Did you know that a **Life Membership** in the Military Order of the Cootie can be purchased with your credit card?

Call Supreme Headquarters to make it happen!

(412-824-2240)



# From the Supreme Newshound

## Listen Cooties!

This issue of the Cootie Courier is dedicated to past **Supreme Commander Gene Thomas** who passed away to the *Cootie Hunting Grounds* in the sky at age 99. He served our *Crummy Fraternity* well and will be truly missed by all who knew him. Rest in peace Brother!

After completing your 3rd degree initiation, did you ever wonder where your "Honor Degree" was? We are the "Honor Degree" of the VFW, right? Well, now there is an actual "Honor Degree" for our *Crummy Fraternity of Specie Pediculi*; authorized by our Supreme Commander, Olin Parks. A sample copy of the degree is in this issue. The actual PDF fillable version can be found on the Forms page under the Pup Tent tab: <https://www.lotcs.org/forms.html>. So, once you have completed your 3rd degree initiation you now will have proof of your journey from Atom to Nit to Grayback and finally a Cootie. What about if you've already completed your 3rd degree initiation? Not to worry, the degree is retroactive. So, have the present Seam Squirrel (the issuing authority) print your degree.

Finally, I want to thank all Specie Pediculi for sending in pictures and articles to the Cootie Courier! Without each and every one of you, the Cootie Courier wouldn't exist. Remember to include who, what, when, where and why in yours submissions and when sending in photos, I accept JPEG, PDF, TIFF and PNG files. Send all your Crummy submissions to be shredded to: [cootiecourier@lotcs.org](mailto:cootiecourier@lotcs.org).

Yours in LOTCS,

**DALE A TANNELLO**

Supreme Newshound

Cootie Courier

Are you new to our Crummy Fraternity? Do you know what LOTCS means? Do you know what a Sock Check is? What's a Shavetail? How do you check if one is a Cootie or not? Scan the QR code to find out in our Comic Book.



# Never Pay Dues Again

## LIFE MEMEBRSHIP FEE SCHEDULE

### ATTAINED AGE

Through Age 30 .....	\$340.00
31 Through 40 .....	\$325.00
41 Through 50 .....	\$305.00
51 Through 60 .....	\$275.00
61 Through 70 .....	\$245.00
71 Through 80 .....	\$190.00
81 And over .....	\$150.00

Attained age is the age that you are on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year that you apply. All applications for Life Membership MUST include the VFW Life Membership number of the applicant and be accompanied with the required fee. Life Membership is available to 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Cooties only! Prospective atoms cannot become Life Members until they have been deloused! See section 120 of the Supreme By-Laws for more information.



**LIFE MEMBERSHIP – THE DEAL OF A LIFETIME!**

# Red Star Life Membership

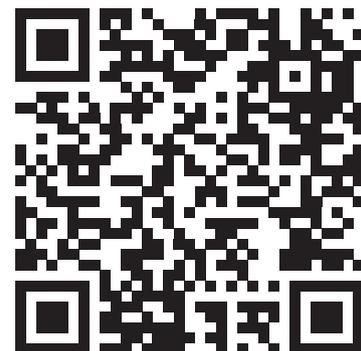
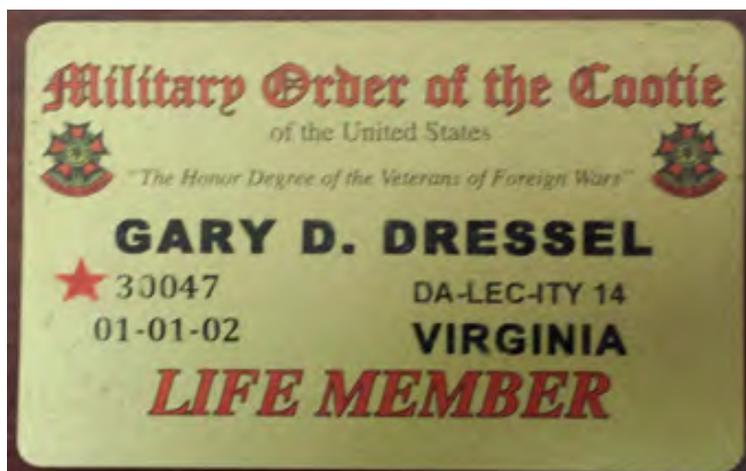
For the price of \$100.00 you too can become a **Red Star Life Member** and help support our "**Crummy Fraternity**" and leave a legacy for your Pup Tent.



How you might ask? Well, you may become a **Red Star Life Member** after you have become a *Life Member* in the VFW and a *Life Member in the MOC*. Your new membership card will look like the one pictured below with a **red star** on it.

So, become one of the "**Lousy**" elite by simply contacting Supreme Quartermaster Gary Dressel at [supremehqmoc@lotcs.org](mailto:supremehqmoc@lotcs.org). Or go to the Cootie Depot and purchase your **Red Star Life Membership** online by going to: [https://www.lotcs.org/WAeCart/life\\_member.php#RedStarLMCard](https://www.lotcs.org/WAeCart/life_member.php#RedStarLMCard). Or scan the QR code below.

All **Red Star Life Members** receive a 5% discount on Cootie Depot gear. Just check the Red Star Life Member box and enter your Red Star Life Member card Number on the checkout page.



# Taps

TAPS		
Name		PUP TENT
Gilbert Martinez		CO-001
Richard Reed		EU-006
Eugene Thomas PSC		FL-008
Grover McClenathan		FL-008
Elbert Jermyn		FL-066
Richard Gilman		FL-066
Danny White		IA-001
Robert Bjerke		IL-002
Keiston Halloway		IN-011
Robert Moyer		KS-002
Ronald Jones		KY-006
Richard Young		KY-006
James White		MD-001
Theodore Richard		MD-003
Donald Stockton		MD-003
Charles Thomas, III		MO-012
Ronald Schwehr		MN-045
Vernon Ness		MN-062
Harry Swanson		MN-062
Robert Huber		MN-062
David Haverson		MT-024
Rosario Gomez		NC-008
Manuel Biskaduros		NH-001
Brian Connors		NH-003
Joseph Delgrippo		NJ-041
Richard Rielley		NM-014
Gary Mason		NM-007
Richard Grad		NY-054
Vern Babcock		OK-004
Ronald Dixon		OR-012
James Willis		OR-012
John Tukesbrey		PA-033
Robert Grimplin		PA-059
Raymond Shipp		PA-059
Melvin Thomas		PA-099
Sidney Malone		PC-001

Humphrey Gaunce, Jr		PC-013
Steven Benoit		PC-007
Dane Miller		PC-008
Steven Piechocky		PC-015
John Bellew		SC-010
John Mellert		SC-010
Gerald Pothier		SC-010
Dwight Hahn		SD-001
Richard Gendron		TX-024
Terrance Lyons		TX-036
Cloise Reese		TX-055
Norman Rollins		TX-055
Leonard Horsfall		VA-002
Stephen Murden		VA-002
Robert Lowry		VA-005
Wayne Boivin		WA-009
Walter Collins		WA-009
Cory Freed		WA-009
Ronald Keobler		WI-009
Melvin North		WI-009
Michael Jeffords		WI-009
Leo Gates		WI-009
Thomas Demler		WI-022
Michael Borg		WI-023
Stanley Parafiniuk		WI-038
Harry Tuinstra		WI-038
Duane Zabel		WI-038
Norbert Lee		WI-038



# Eugene T. Thomas Past Supreme Commander

Dear family and friends,

It is sad news that we share with you that our dad Gene Thomas passed away on February 20th 2022. He was 99 years old and was doing his best to end up on the Smucker's Jelly jar.

He had a quick move in the kitchen that caused a fracture of his pelvis. He just could not muster any more stamina to overcome this. His strong will kept him going for awhile, but eventually he accepted that he would not be going back to our parent's home of 70 years. We were able to celebrate his 100th Valentine's day and he was alert and aware of his family and surroundings. His body made the decision that it was time. Our dad and mom Maye Thomas who passed away in 2017, will be interred at Cape Canaveral National Cemetery at time to be determined. We will share the information once the decision has been made. Thank you for all of your love and friendship to our parents and our family.

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