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From the Supreme Commander

Listen Cooties!



Well, the year started off with a few bumps along the way. However, we were underway. First stop was the VFW Council of Administration in Kansas City, Missouri. This trip truly turned into a learning experience as I gathered valuable information together with insight into our parent organization.

This past weekend was Caring & Sharing in Pittsburg, PA. MOCA President Pat Potter and I joined in the welcoming of Veterans; some of whom traveled more than one hundred miles to be guests at this event. Entertainment provided included music, dancing and of course the long time favorite Smacky the Clown. I had the honor of presenting a check to Sharing & Caring from

the MOC for two thousand dollars. Having been named the Captain of the boat, Pat Potter and I laid a wreath; a tradition that goes on for each boat taking this trip.

The next day was the Grand of Pennsylvania's C of A held in Waynesburg. A lousy group of cooties had fun and provided a few challenges at the same time. Thanks for the hospitality and memories from the weekend.

Tomb Trek is fast approaching, please send in your registration and wreath order. Hospital Reports, Membership, Programs... I feel as though I am speaking to the choir. We all know what needs to be done and we are counting on each other to accomplish our goals.

So, let's have some fun and remember SMILE! It makes people wonder what you're up to. It also makes for better pictures.



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

**Emil Soltesz
Supreme Commander
2018-2019**

Supreme Commander Emil Soltesz presenting a check for \$2,000 to Caring and Sharing in Pittsburg, PA.

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Serving Hospitalized Veterans

Dear Supreme Commander, Emil Soltész

Aug 9, 2018

At this time I would like to invite you or your representative and 1 guest on the ride of a lifetime. You will have the chance to welcome aboard and spend a wonderful day with some of our true American Patriots, our own hospitalized Veteran. Hero's of all the Wars with the help of Sharing & Caring of Western PA.

We would be honored with your presents on Friday Sept. 7, 2018 at about 8:30AM on the dock at Station Square on the South Side If you need to make arrangements for a room that will be at the Holiday Inn Express at Parkway Center 825 Greentree Rd. Pittsburgh, PA 15220, P 412-922-7070. Please mention Sharing & Caring for our discount on your room.

We at S & C hope you can come and enjoy the camaraderie with us and the vets

Please respond ASAP so that we at S & C can be ready for your arrival. If you have any questions call me at 412-884-0230 or 412-916-7466 or email tj2721@comcast.net

Yours in Comradeship

James W. Bruder

S&C Committee Cootie Representative

Organizations represented

Veterans of Foreign Wars/Disabled American Veterans/Italian American War Veterans/Military Order of the Purple Heart/AMVets/Marine Corps League/American Legion/Catholic War Veterans/Jewish War Veterans/Paralyzed Veterans of America/Vietnam Veterans, Inc./Korean War Veterans Assoc./Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks/Old Allegheny Marine Corps Association/Telephone Pioneers of America/Knights of Columbus/Military Order of Cooties, Special Women Veterans Representative

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From the Supreme Sr. Vice Commander



Listen Cooties,

I would like to thank everyone who supported me this year. I also appreciate the “hospitality” everyone showed me on my visits to inspect. Hope to see everyone at Tomb Trek this year and I'll be in N.C.'s “hospitality” room with *Peach Daiquiries*. I will be glad to help anyone with anything.

"KEEP THEM SMILING IN BEDS OF WHITE"

L.O.T.C.S.,

Steve Ruger Sr.
Supreme Sr. Vice Commander
2018-2019

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From the Supreme Jr. Vice-Commander

Listen Cooties!

I want to thank you for trusting me to serve as your Supreme Junior Vice Commander! I am looking forward to a crummy year serving under Supreme Commander Emil Soltesz and Supreme Senior Vice Commander Steve Ruger. I hope to visit as many Grands as possible. We will try to have Supreme representation at the Grand conventions in the Spring, but that is difficult with so many Grands. I don't mind traveling to your Fall, Winter or Spring Grand Councils of Administration if you would like a visit. Schedules fill up quickly with Tomb Trek and Cootie Christmas already calendared.



We are in dire need for our membership to grow. I don't know how else to say it. As stated at the Supreme Convention, at our current rate of decline in membership, we have only 13 years left in existence. We are losing an average of 894 members per year. Projections show us dropping below 10,000 members next year. Recruiting is a challenge and takes a valiant effort. If you think about it though, we already know where our potential members are located. We do not have to go look for them because they are in our VFW posts. I would encourage everyone to reach out to our fellow Comrades and get them involved. When we get new Cooties in, put them to work and get them active immediately. We have an aircraft carrier to turn around with our membership, but we can do it if we start now.

I would like to thank the lousy Cooties from the Grand of Missouri for such a crummy time at the Fall C of A at Lake of the Ozarks. I had a terrible time with Grand Commander Paul Ziegler and the lousy Cooties of Missouri! I know I will be practicing my paper-wad aiming skills for the next Homecoming! Our MOCA sisters have deadly aim!

Yours in the L.O.T.C.S.

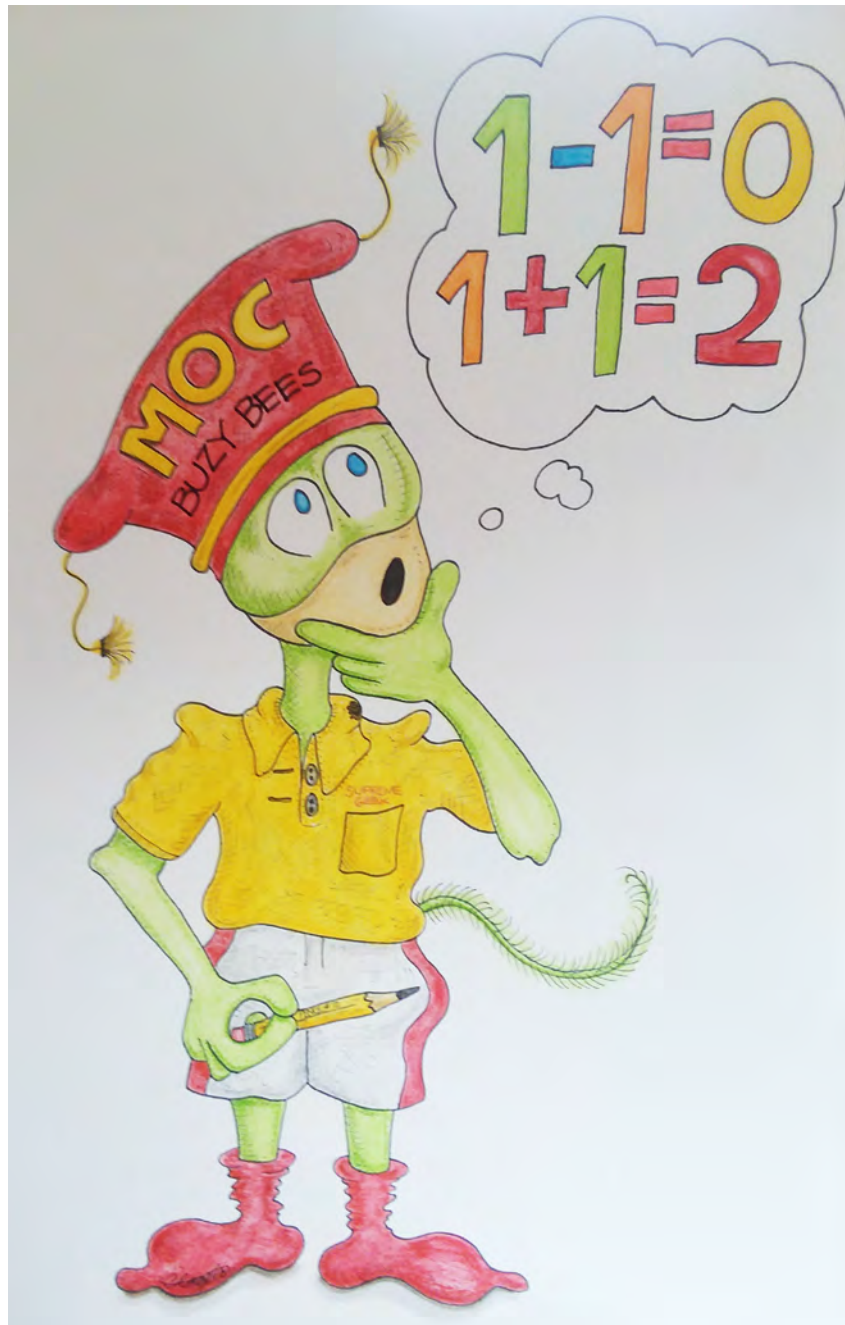
**Darin Combs
Supreme Junior Vice Commander
2018-2019**



Do in' the Math

As our Supreme Jr. Vice Commander has indicated, within 13 years our Crummy organization *could* disappear if our present *Specie Pediculi* don't recruit new members. If *every* Cootie would get one member of the VFW to take those *backward* steps, then our membership would *double*! This is our 100 year anniversary! $100 \text{ years} = 100\% \text{ in membership!}$ We can accomplish this because together we're 'Closer than a Brother.'

Yours in LOTCS,
Great Blue Louse



From the Supreme Quartermaster

Listen Cooties,

Well, summer is over and it's time to get back to doing Cootie business. I hope all of you had a real lousy summer, 4th of July, and Labor Day. For those of you who were not at Supreme Convention I want to repeat what I said at convention.

Please read your program book, programs have changes. The hospital program no longer requires that MAL's perform hospital work; however if they do you can report it. There is no quota for MAL's. There is a new clown program. There is a new recruiter program.



For your information there are only 2 people at headquarters now, and we are trying to maintain the level of supply processing as if we had 3.

When processing membership please include any life membership applications and new cootie applications when you send your transmittals to your Grand quartermaster or to me. Headquarters will no longer process transmittals that do not include the proper documentation. We will return your transmittal to you and will hold your payment until the proper documentation is provided. One more thing, please use the forms that are on our website as older forms do not include all the information that we need to fully load the information that we track in our database.

As always I am always here to answer your questions or to provide whatever help I can. I look forward to seeing a lot of you at Tomb Trek and Cootie Christmas.

Yours in LOTCS,

**Gary Dressel
Supreme Quartermaster
2018-2019**

From the Supreme Inspector

Greetings Cooties and especially Grand inspectors as well as inspectors without a Grand!

I have the lousy honor of serving as Supreme Commander Emil Solstesz's inspector. Please send in your inspection reports to me at: tearlb59@twc.com or if you prefer my address:

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You can call me at: 210-683-0890 if you have any lousy questions.

Yours in LOTCS,

**T. Earl Bigham
Supreme Inspector
2018-2019**

FROM THE SUPREME VAMPIRE

Listen Cooties,

The Supreme Vampire would like to thank all of the Blood Donating Cooties for their contributions last year. If you donated blood last year, your appreciation certificate and award pen will be mailed to you or your Grand Commander for distribution.

Please continue to report all blood donations using the on-line reporting website

<http://vampire.puptent1.org>

If you have any questions or comments about blood donation policies or procedures, please use the contact form on the bottom of the Vampire website home page.

LOTCS

**Jim Schinman
Supreme Vampire**



From the Supreme Sky Pilot

Listen Cooties,

As I sit down talk to you again, I realize there are many things we have to be thankful for. For sure, Sheila and I do. Tomorrow, we will be attending the wedding of our daughter. But, the Cooties, as a whole have a lot to be thankful for. We spend our time with other loving people, helping those who gave the highest service to the country. What more could we ask for?



I spend a lot of time and space in these columns talking about activities of the MOC Sky Pilot program. The Angel Hero Award, the Sky Pilot's Wings, The special note cards for pup tent and grand Chaplains, and the Sky Pilot Reporting Program, etc. These are important tools in performing our duties. But the key to a successful pup tent Sky Pilot is more than just using all these tools. Don't get me wrong, I want you to use all these tools. But the real key is to find a Sky Pilot who cares. You Sky Pilot should not be person who is just filling a post, but one who has a love of serving our comrades. So, yes, those traits which make a good Cootie, make a good Sky Pilot.

Thanks for serving with me.

Yours in LOTCS,

Allan T. Perkins

Supreme Chaplain

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MOC General Order #1 2018 - 2019

1. Having been duly elected at the 99th Supreme Scratch held in Overland Park, KS on July 28, 2018, I, Emil A. Soltesz, hereby assume command of the Military Order of the Cootie of the United States. All previous Supreme appointments have now expired. Cooties will now revert to their previous and proper tassels.
2. Cooties at all levels are reminded that the disassociation mandate of 1959 remains in full force and is still in effect.
3. Notice is hereby given that the logo, bug, official seal, hat and the name Military Order of the Cootie are the trademarked and copyrighted property of the Supreme Pup Tent, Military Order of the Cootie of the United States and may not be used without the express written consent of the Supreme Pup Tent. Violators of this order will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
4. Supreme Headquarters is established as being located at 604 Braddock Ave., Turtle Creek, PA 15145. Office hours at Supreme Headquarters are from 9 AM to 5PM Monday through Friday, Eastern Time. Supreme Headquarters, MOC is closed for all Federal Holidays.
5. Supreme Adjutant mailing address is 399 Lincoln Ave., Cliffside Park, NJ 07010-1804. Direct phone number is 302-745-8651. Direct email is mocgrandofdeqm@gmail.com
6. The Supreme Budget was approved by the Supreme Council of Administration July 29, 2018 and is in effect.
7. Registered Delegates to the 99th Supreme Scratch who were unable to attend can request a copy of the 99th Supreme Ad Book for the cost of \$1.50 to cover postage while supplies last. The book will be mailed to the delegates who make the request.
8. In accordance with Supreme Policy, all Grands are to inform Supreme Headquarters of the dates and places of their Grand Scratch so that proper representation may be assigned. Completed forms are to be mailed or e-mailed to Supreme Headquarters no later than January 1, 2019.
9. There is a limited supply of 99th Supreme Scratch Pins available for \$4.00 each or 3 for \$10.00. This unique pin is truly a collector's item. Cooties who did not get a chance to purchase some at the Supreme Scratch can still complete their collection by sending a note with a check for the number of pins requested. Shipping and handling is FREE on this item.
10. In accordance with Supreme By-Laws, Section 534, and having failed to register at least 1 delegate, the following Pup Tents are in arrears to the Military Order of the Cootie of the US and subject to suspension if not received by Nov 30, 2018.

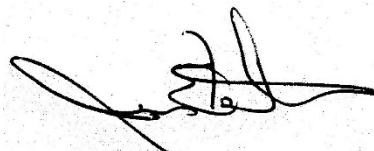
AR 03, ID 03, 67, LA 11, MI 24, MI 34, MI 73, MI 96, MT 25, NJ 07, NJ 28, NJ 57.
NM 19, ND GRAND, ND 06, OH 25, OK 01, OK 04, OK 16, PA GRAND, PA 08, PA 13,
PA 38, PA 44, PA 45, SD GRAND, SD 01, TN 04, TX 01

11. In Accordance with Supreme By-Laws Section 308, and having failed to submit an Election Report, the following Pup Tents are considered suspended until such report is submitted to Supreme Headquarters: IL 67, LA 11, MI 73, MT 25, NJ 07, NJ 28, NJ 39, NJ 57, ND 06, OK 01, OK 04, OK 16, PA 08, PA 13, PA 38, SD 20, TX 01
12. In accordance with Supreme By-Laws, Section 314(G) and 413(F) Maintaining a current Bond, the following Grands & Pup Tents do not have a valid Bond: NJ 57
13. Notice to all Cooties. There was 3 By-Law changes (B-2, B-3 [rejected by VFW National], B-4) adopted by the 99th Supreme Convention which will affect all levels of the Supreme Organization. You can order an updated edition of the Supreme By-Laws through the Supreme Supply Department.
14. Each Cootie will be assessed \$2.00, \$1.00 for the Supreme Commanders Special Project and \$1.00 for the annual maintenance fee MOC/MOCA House at the VFW National Home.
15. The 100 year Anniversary Cootie Coin is available through Supply. This coin has been designated as an official "Challenge" Coin.
16. Pup Tents, Districts, Grands, and Auxiliaries are reminded that they are to file IRS Form 990 within five months and fifteen days of the close of their fiscal year. Units whose income for 2016 was less than \$50,000.00 can elect to file Form 990-N an electronic informational return instead of a paper return. Those units whose income was over \$50,000.00 will still have to file the regular Form 990 or 990T.
17. Announcement is made of the TREK TO THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWNNS to be held on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at Arlington National Cemetery of Arlington, Virginia. Additional details on Supreme Website.
18. The Supreme Council of Administration will meet at 10:00AM at the Sheraton Hotel, 900 South Orme St., Arlington, Virginia on Saturday, November 3, 2018. All voting members of the Supreme Council are required to attend unless excused by the Supreme Commander.
19. Reporting for all programs are due no later than May 31, 2019.
20. Supreme Policy was approved by the Council of Administration on July 29, 2018 and is in effect.

BY COMMAND OF:



Emil A Soltesz
Supreme Commander



Jesse E Kitson
Supreme Adjutant

MOC Hospital Report

Date: AS OF 9/12/2018					
Grand	Goal	Reports	Cooties	Total Monies	Percentage
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#1 - Gary Dressel					
DE	\$31,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
DC	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
MD	\$75,250.00	7	74	\$9,370.61	12.45%
PA	\$115,000.00	10	325	\$58,237.20	50.64%
VA	\$79,000.00	6	82	\$13,074.29	16.55%
WV	\$12,500.00	1	13	\$1,127.95	9.02%
TOTALS	\$313,250.00	24	494	\$81,810.05	26.12%
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#2 - Louis C. McVey					
AL	\$13,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
FL	\$156,250.00	15	167	\$21,310.04	13.64%
GA	\$34,000.00	3	34	\$2,417.88	7.11%
LA	\$17,750.00	3	5	\$284.60	1.60%
MS	\$42,750.00	4	75	\$5,782.80	13.53%
NC	\$71,250.00	4	48	\$4,788.23	6.72%
SC	\$44,250.00	9	161	\$14,535.12	32.85%
TN	\$39,250.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
TOTALS	\$419,250.00	38	490	\$49,118.67	11.72%
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#3 - Don Martindale					
IL	\$60,750.00	19	185	\$23,102.19	38.03%
IN	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
KY	\$46,250.00	19	190	\$24,349.60	52.65%
MI	\$47,750.00	12	90	\$37,366.97	78.26%
OH	\$116,250.00	242	314	\$35,302.84	30.37%
WI	\$85,750.00	42	311	\$46,468.10	54.19%
TOTALS	\$356,750.00	334	1,090	\$166,589.70	46.70%
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#4 - Olin Parks					
IA	\$25,500.00	7	540	\$88,120.15	345.57%
KS	\$39,250.00	20	50	\$4,380.53	11.16%
MN	\$98,250.00	13	201	\$19,752.46	20.10%
MO	\$79,250.00	26	462	\$82,725.28	104.39%
MT	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
NE	\$27,000.00	5	105	\$9,425.56	34.91%
ND	\$36,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
SD	\$24,750.00	3	60	\$5,799.65	23.43%
TOTAL	\$330,750.00	74	1,418	\$210,203.63	63.55%
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#5 - Gordon Lam					
AR	\$34,250.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
CO	\$48,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
EURO	\$22,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%

NM	\$38,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
OK	\$24,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
TX	\$93,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
WY	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
TOTAL	\$260,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#6 - Michael Merville					
AK	\$13,750.00	21	31	\$2,789.39	20.29%
AZ	\$95,500.00	12	495	\$70,851.41	74.19%
CA	\$161,250.00	17	389	\$95,021.07	58.93%
HI	\$5,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
ID	\$4,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
NV	\$25,250.00	16	33	\$4,271.17	16.92%
OR	\$68,000.00	8	124	\$25,726.56	37.83%
PAC	\$133,750.00	12	186	\$15,525.20	11.61%
WA	\$57,250.00	14	39	\$26,345.75	46.02%
TOTAL	\$564,500.00	100	1,297	\$240,530.55	42.61%
SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#7 - William Fowler					
CT	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
ME	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
MA	\$25,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
NH	\$23,000.00	11	25	\$4,259.67	18.52%
NJ	\$58,750.00	43	104	\$12,719.20	21.65%
NY	\$42,500.00	4	2	\$103.50	0.24%
TOTAL	\$149,250.00	58	131	\$17,082.37	11.45%
PUP TENTS NOT IN A GRAND (BLACK DIVISION)					
AK#2	\$6,750.00	1	13	\$1,244.13	18.43%
AK#3	\$7,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
AL#13	\$11,250.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
DC#1	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
HI#1	\$5,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
ID#3	\$4,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
MA#14	\$12,250.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
MA#34	\$5,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
Supreme	\$3,250.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
WV#6	\$12,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
TOTAL	\$68,500.00	1	13	\$1,244.13	1.82%
Supreme Total					
	\$2,394,250.00	628	4,920	\$765,334.97	31.97%
DIVISION STANDINGS					
GOLD	0	0.00%	BLUE	0.00	0.00%
SILVER	0	0.00%	GREEN	0.00	0.00%
RED	0	0.00%	PURPLE	0.00	0.00%
WHITE	0	0.00%	BLACK	0.00	0.00%
Charles Cihlar ; Telephone: 440-358-1148; E-mail: ccihlar1@yahoo.com					

MOC Inspection Report

Supreme Inspection as of 09-01-2018

Grand	# of Pup Tents	Pup Tents Inspected	Dist Inspected	Date Completed	Grand Inspection	Percent	Pup Tents that are Inspected
AL-13	1	0				0%	
AK-2	1	0				0%	
AK-3	1	0				0%	
AZ	8	0				0%	
AR	5	1				20%	
CA	14	0				0%	
CO	6	0				0%	
DE	4	0				0%	
EUR	1	0				0%	
FL	23	0				0%	
GA	4	0				0%	
HI	1	0				0%	
ID-3	1	0				0%	
IL	8	6				67%	2,3,42,48,62,79
IA	4	0				0%	
KS	4	0				0%	
KY	5	0				0%	
LA	3	0				0%	
MD	8	0				0%	
MA-14	1	0				0%	
MA-34	1	0				0%	
MA-52	1	0				0%	
MI	9	0				0%	
MN	18	0				0%	
MS	5	0				0%	
MO	9	0				0%	
MT-10	1	0				0%	
MT-11	1	0				0%	
MT-24	1	0				0%	
MT-25	1	0				0%	
NE	3	3		7/28/2018.		100%	
NV-2	1	0				0%	
NV-3	1	0				0%	
NV-5	1	0				0%	
NH1,3	2	0				0%	
NJ	10	0				0%	
NM	5	0				0%	
NY	7	0				0%	
NC	9	0				0%	
ND	5	0				0%	
OH	17	0				0%	
OK	5	0				0%	
OR	10	0				0%	
PAC	9	0				0%	
PA	14	0				0%	
SC	6	0				0%	
SD	3	0				0%	
TN	5	0				0%	
TX	11	0				0%	PT 1 suspended
VA	8	0				0%	
WA	8	0				0%	
WV-6	1	0				0%	
WI	12	3				23%	
TOTAL	303	13		32		4.29%	

MOC Membership Report

8/31/2018

Pup Tents	Grand	Per Cent	New	Cont	Reinstate	Life	Total	Goal	NLM	N/R	Standings
GOLD DIVISION											
14	CALIFORNIA	68.03%	2	0	1	547	550	807	1	3	
17	OHIO	80.65%	11	12	4	523	550	682	1	15	
SILVER DIVISION											
23	FLORIDA	55.25%	4	44	0	367	415	753	0	4	
18	MINNESOTA	78.88%	4	72	1	330	407	516	3	5	
12	TEXAS	73.88%	9	16	3	385	413	559	1	12	
RED DIVISION											
8	ARIZONA	62.99%	4	23	0	230	257	408	3	4	
8	ILLINOIS	60.00%	0	0	0	174	174	290	0	0	
8	MARYLAND	74.66%	0	38	1	228	267	367	2	1	
9	MICHIGAN	64.97%	0	1	2	189	192	294	1	2	
7	NEW YORK	49.54%	0	0	0	107	107	216	0	0	
9	PACIFIC AREAS	68.06%	1	1	0	388	390	573	0	1	
14	PENNSYLVANIA	58.63%	9	60	3	243	315	539	4	12	
8	VIRGINIA	67.13%	2	0	0	241	243	362	0	2	
12	WISCONSIN	46.72%	1	19	2	164	186	396	1	3	
WHITE DIVISION											
4	GEORGIA	88.94%	2	37	0	170	209	235	0	2	
9	MISSOURI	61.37%	8	22	4	190	224	365	2	12	
10	NEW JERSEY	50.54%	0	6	8	127	141	279	1	8	
5	NEW MEXICO	66.67%	0	0	0	132	132	198	0	0	
10	NORTH CAROLINA	65.29%	0	22	0	200	222	340	3	0	
8	WASHINGTON	55.84%	0	1	0	152	153	274	0	0	
BLUE DIVISION											
5	ARKANSAS	57.41%	0	0	0	93	93	162	0	0	
6	COLORADO	46.36%	4	1	2	95	102	220	1	6	
5	KENTUCKY	67.01%	1	9	0	122	132	197	0	1	
5	MISSISSIPPI	66.81%	0	0	0	155	155	232	0	0	
5	NORTH DAKOTA	52.38%	0	0	0	88	88	168	0	0	
10	OREGON	41.22%	5	7	0	110	122	296	1	5	
6	SOUTH CAROLINA	62.77%	0	10	0	135	145	231	2	0	
5	TENNESSEE	47.66%	2	0	0	100	102	214	0	2	
GREEN DIVISION											
4	DELAWARE	56.92%	0	0	1	73	74	130	1	1	
4	KANSAS	28.31%	0	0	0	47	47	166	0	0	
3	LOUISIANA	51.82%	5	0	2	50	57	110	0	7	
4	MONTANA	77.88%	0	0	5	83	88	113	0	5	
3	NEBRASKA	67.86%	2	0	2	72	76	112	1	4	
2	NEW HAMPSHIRE	52.13%	3	17	1	29	50	94	1	4	
5	OKLAHOMA	52.34%	0	0	1	67	68	128	1	1	
PROVISIONAL GRAND DIVISION											
3	IOWA		0	0	0	40	40	117	0	0	
3	SOUTH DAKOTA	47.06%	0	0	0	50	50	102	2	0	
BLACK DIVISION (Pup tents not in a Grand)											
1	ALASKA 2	89.29%	0	0	7	18	25	28	0	7	
1	ALASKA 3	68.97%	0	0	0	20	20	29	0	0	
1	ALABAMA 13	95.65%	0	9	0	35	44	46	0	0	
1	EUROPE 6	90.91%	1	0	0	79	80	88	0	1	
1	HAWAII 1	61.90%	0	0	0	13	13	21	0	0	
1	IDAHO 3	40.00%	0	0	0	8	8	20	0	0	
1	MASSACHUSETTS 14	20.00%	0	0	0	10	10	50	0	0	
1	MASSACHUSETTS 34	20.83%	0	1	0	4	5	24	0	0	
1	MASSACHUSETTS 52	3.45%	0	0	0	1	1	29	0	0	
1	MONTANA 10	91.30%	0	0	0	42	42	46	0	0	
1	MONTANA 11	70.45%	0	0	0	31	31	44	0	0	
1	MONTANA 24	90.91%	0	0	0	5	5	11	0	0	
1	MONTANA 25	90.91%	0	0	0	5	5	12	0	0	
1	NEVADA 2	88.71%	0	0	0	55	55	62	0	0	
1	NEVADA 3	80.95%	0	0	0	17	17	21	0	0	
1	NEVADA 5	42.86%	0	0	0	9	9	21	0	0	
1	WEST VIRGINIA 6	50.98%	0	0	0	26	26	51	0	0	
	SUPREME Pup Tent	94.48%				445	445	471		0	
308	TOTALS	63.94%	80	428	50	7319	7877	12319	33	130	

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

Supreme President's Message

Auxiliary Members,

To our Cootie Families that were devastated by Hurricane Florence, please know you each are in our thoughts and prayers. Please let us know where you are and that you are safe.

Audit Time: Audits for July, August and September are due by October 15th. Once the audit is completed: Auxiliaries in a Grand, please send a copy the audit to your Grand Treasurer.

Auxiliaries not in a Grand, please send a copy of the audit to Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard. All completed audits should have a copy of the last month's bank statement (which coincides with the audit) attached.



Membership: Keep collecting the 2019 dues. Don't hold due transmittals. I just spoke to Supreme Treasurer Penney and we are at 22%. Let's work really hard at getting that 100% in membership. Our veterans depend on us being there for them. Only by retaining our current members and adding new members will we be able to grow. If your Auxiliary has lost members, reach out to those members and see if there is something that you can do to reinstate them.

Hospital: Keep those reports coming. We all know you do the work. Now please report.

Clowns: I spoke to the Assistant Mama Clown and she stated they are getting reports coming to them. We will have a Clown class at Tomb Trek. So, come join in and have fun at learning new tricks of being a Clown.

Past Supreme President Penny Cacoulidis is still planning a trip to Mount Vernon on Friday November 1st. Please let her know ASAP if you are going on that outing. She will need to know by the middle of October. If she does not have a full bus the trip will be cancelled. I would hate of anyone to miss out on a fun filled day. Please email or call Penny: Telephone: 910-200-7242; Email: lady1usmc@twc.com

Inspections: According to Supreme Inspector Susan we have three Grands 100% inspected. Congrats to the Grand of Virginia, Grand of Kansas and Grand of North Carolina. Grand Presidents/Grand Inspectors, please report your Grand inspections.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

TOMB TREK-NOVEMBER 1-4, 2018

NATIONAL HOME COOTIE CHRISTMAS-NOVEMBER 30-DEC 1, 2018

Please check the website for information on both of these events. www.lotcs.org

Loyally,

**Patricia A Potter
Supreme President
2018-2019**

“Veterans Are The Stars”



Supreme MOCA Chief of Staff

Auxiliary Members,

I hope you have been to the MOCA website and gone to the Chief of Staff's page and printed off your Bonsai tree and have read the poem to your members. If not, give it a try as I know it will work for you and your members.

Just remember, we are here to help our veterans and their families and to thank them as well as each other for all you do for our country. God bless each of you.

I know you have a cup of some kind you use for your silver drill. Maybe you could use this cup as a reminder of how we should be with one another by reading the following:

What's in Your Cup?

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you, making you spill your coffee everywhere. Why did you spill the coffee? You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup. Had there been hot chocolate in the cup, you would have spilled hot chocolate. The point is, whatever is inside the cup is what will spill out. Therefore, when life comes along and shakes you (which will happen), whatever is inside you will come out. It's easy to fake it, until you get rattled. So, we have to ask ourselves, "What's in my cup?" When life gets tough, what spills out? Joy, gratefulness, peace, and humility? Or does anger, bitterness, harsh words, and reactions come out? You choose! Today, let's work towards filling our cups with gratitude, forgiveness, joy, words of affirmation, kindness, gentleness, and love for others.

Thanks everyone for all you do. Let's work on our membership to show those missing that we need them back. Let's let those we work with, all the time, know that they are appreciated.

Yours in Service,

flo Parmelee, PSP

mocaflo1415@gmail.com

From Supreme MOCA Inspector

INSPECTOR 2018-2019 THIS IS THE CORRECT PROGRAM REPORT AND REPLACES PAGE 47 IN YOUR 2018-2019 PROGRAM BOOK

The office of Inspector is an important one in any organization. The Supreme President will appoint inspectors for Supreme Districts, Grand Auxiliaries, and Auxiliaries not in a Grand. The Grand President will appoint Inspectors for her Grand Auxiliaries, but a member may not inspect her own auxiliary. Should you be appointed as an Inspector, study your By-Laws so that you will be prepared to answer any questions that arise.

Every auxiliary is to be inspected each year. Inspections are to be performed at a regularly scheduled auxiliary meeting and may start as early as August 6th. Inspectors do not audit auxiliary books, but should review the books to ensure that they are done according to Supreme By-Laws, that audits are done on a quarterly basis, that the auxiliary has a current bond, that the auxiliary has an EIN number, and that the IRS Form 990 is done annually.

If an auxiliary's books are not in order, an Inspector may decline to sign the books and should contact, as applicable, the Supreme or Grand President to report the problem and receive direction on how to proceed.

By direction of the Supreme Auxiliary, new auxiliaries should not be inspected until six months after Institution. The only exception to this is if an auxiliary is instituted less than six months, but more than ninety days prior to the Supreme Convention.

Inspection forms should be sent to the Supreme Inspector immediately after an inspection is performed. The Supreme Inspector will forward copies to the Supreme President.

All local auxiliaries should be 100% inspected by December 31st and reported by January 31st.

Supreme District and Grand Auxiliary Inspections should be completed and sent immediately after inspection.

Awards for the best reporting, based on the number of auxiliaries in a Grand, will be presented at the Supreme Convention as follows:

- Category 1: 1 – 4 Auxiliaries
- Category 2: 5 – 7 Auxiliaries
- Category 3: 8 or more Auxiliaries

Inspectors appointed by the Supreme President, who have completed their assignments, will be recognized at the Supreme Convention.

If I can be of any service to Auxiliaries or to Inspectors, please feel free to contact me.

Susan Cihlar
Supreme Inspector
489 Monroe Boulevard
Painesville, Ohio 44077
440-358-1148
pegasus3030@yahoo.com

From the Supreme MOCA Membership Chairman

Auxiliary Members,

Welcome to a new year in which we are going to GROW membership! We started off at our Supreme Convention with our first 100% Auxiliary (PA-59 Pick Em)! We received a total of 114 transmittals at our "Membership Kickoff," including 3 new members from Missouri and 1 reinstate from Maryland. These steps, along with collecting dues from ALL our current members, are what will make us GROW!!!

I am excited to start a new membership year and I want to let you know of the changes that the program has this year. All membership numbers (totals, new members and reinstates) will be based on the reports received by our Supreme Treasurer, Penney Howard.

I will only need to receive "Recruiter Forms." And, since we are once again encouraging the recruiting of male members, new member applications for male members only. I know that the Transmittal form for Auxiliaries says to send a copy to me (That was an "oops." I forgot to update that form!) but it is no longer necessary! I want to keep this as simple as possible!

Although it is early days, I am including a Membership summary as of the Supreme Convention. Our membership is currently 2.65% with 114 members transmitted. But I fully expect the numbers to be much higher by Tomb Trek. Remember, our goal is to be 100%+ by December 31, 2018!

Marilyn Peck
MOCA Supreme Membership Chairman
2018-2019

From the Supreme MOCA Hospital Commissioner

Auxiliary Members,

As of today, I have received **NO REPORTS** this year from the following auxiliaries: Alaska 6; Arizona 2, 10, 14, 777; Arkansas 14; California 6, 7, 19, 44, 61, 68, 69, 89; , 59, 66, 98; Colorado 2; Delaware 4; Florida 2, 59, 66, 98; Illinois 42; Maryland 3; Massachusetts 14; Minnesota 99; Mississippi 2, 12; Nebraska 55; Nevada 2, 5; New Jersey 39; New Mexico 5, 7, 14, 19; North Carolina 14, 78, 89; Ohio 16, 44, 86, 118; Oregon 1, 6, 12, 20; Pennsylvania 33; South Carolina 1, 6, 13; South Dakota 1, 20; Tennessee 5, 9, 26; Virginia 1, 13; Washington 3; Wisconsin 9, 14, 29.

Please, Auxiliary Hospital Chairmen, Grand Hospital Chairmen, Supreme Hospital Commissioners, Auxiliary Presidents and Grand Presidents follow up on this immediately. All auxiliaries should have reported at least once by now. If you are doing the hospital visits and having trouble reporting, please contact your Supreme Hospital Commissioner or myself.

The old hospital forms are no longer being accepted as of June 2018. Please make sure that you are using the correct hospital form. All forms and examples were printed in the Supreme Program Book. If you did not attend Supreme Convention, then you need to order a Supreme Program Book. It is \$10 mailed to you and you order it from Penney Howard, Supreme Treasurer.

I want to thank all the members who are making hospital visits. The veterans and their families really need us to visit them and help cheer them up. The more that you make them smile and laugh, the faster they heal. Please continue with all your hard work and remember to report, report, report.

Loyally,

Janis Wimmer
MOCA Hospital Commissioner
2018-2019

From the Supreme MOCA Chaplain

Comrades, Auxiliary Sisters and Brothers,

I want to thank those of you that have sent in their Chaplains Reports. Remember that **every month** the Auxiliary Chaplains are to send their reports to their Grand Chaplains (if they have one, to me if they do not) and the Grand Chaplains are to send me a report **every month**.

I have compiled the list (sent in by your reports and emails) of those who are in need of cards. Some I may have already forwarded.

Thinking of you

PSP Marjorie Johns, 14306 Arctic Ave., Rockville, MD 20853

Margaret Ann Simental, 1656 Washington Blvd., Huntington, WV 25701 – been ill

Rochelle Bell, 9314 Woodberry St. Lanham, MD 20706-2722 – broke her arm

Gerald Mounce, 1705 O'Shea St., Apt A., Bowling Green, KY 42106 – He was in the hospital.

Sylvia Richardson, 3400 Livernois., Troy MI., 49083 – She has Cancer

Patricia Thornsby, 14103 Clio Rd., Clio MI 48420 – She had knee replacement

Darlene Stanton, P O Box 13, Clarksville, NY, 12041 – heart problems

Timothy Dow., 203 Waterbury Dr. N. Syracuse, NY 13212 – had shoulder surgery

Ruth Tenzar, 1941 Western Ave., Bldg 12-2., Albany NY 12203 – Was in the hospital

Elaine Lochein, 13959 Little Leaf., San Antonio, TX 48247

Penny Cocolidis, 4701 Flintcastle Rd., Fayetteville, NC., 28314

Selma Peppers., 8611 Seays Rd., Spotsylvania, VA 22551

Dale Fezer, C/O Manor Care Health Services, 4524 Intelco Loop SE., Room 111-A, Lacey, WA 98503

Dianna Fezer, 2101 Ease End St. NW., Olympia, WA

Sympathy Cards

Nadia Schelter, 9750 Riverside Dr., Grand Ledge, MI 48837-9276 on the loss of her son.

Jesse Jones, 5665 Windy Meadows, Fulton, MO 65251, loss of his wife Charlotte Jones, member of Running Bear #5 MO

Connie Skinner, 266 Beachnut Dr., Livingston, TX 77351 on the loss of her son

Elizabeth Douchet., 210 Queens Ave., Biloxi, MS., 39530 – Passing of her brother

Joan Bachtod., 7578 SR 576., Montpelier, OH 43543 – Passing of her husband Earl

Billie Howard, 19409 SW101st Place Rd., Dunnellon, FL 34432

Finally, I just received an email from Rodney Fifield that WI PGP Dorothy McQuade (1982-1983, Aux. 24) died September 20, 2018, no other details were given. I will pass that info along as soon as I get it.

Keep those who were in the path of Florence on the East Coast and the fires on the West Coast in your prayers along with all our Veterans and Active Duty Members.

God Bless America

Loyally,

Debbie Thie
MOCA Supreme Chaplain
2018-19

Supreme MOCA General Order #1 Series 2018-2019

1. Having been duly elected and installed as Supreme President of the Auxiliary to the Military Order of the Cootie, I do hereby assume the duties of the office. All previous appointments, except those of the VAVS are hereby declared null and void.
2. All members not holding a Supreme office shall revert to the proper uniform. Please refer to Supreme By-Laws Article VII, Section 707 regarding tassels.
3. The Cootie Courier is recognized as the official method of communication. The General Orders and President's message will be printed therein and are to be read at the regularly scheduled Auxiliary meetings and filed for future reference.
4. The Cootie Courier is available for free online at: <https://lotcs.org.courier.html>. Paper copies are available for an annual subscription price of \$10.00. Send subscription to Supreme M.O.C. Headquarters, 604 Braddock Avenue, Turtle Creek, PA 15145.
5. **Grand and Supreme District Secretaries:** General Orders, information letters and minutes should be sent to the following: Supreme President, Supreme Secretary, Supreme Treasurer, Supreme Senior & Junior Vice Presidents, and the Supreme Hospital Commissioner. The audit and Treasurer's Report should be included in the minutes. Grands: A copy of the above information may also be sent to the Supreme District President as a courtesy.
6. **Secretaries on all levels:** Please forward any changes of officers or address corrections to the Supreme Secretary and Supreme Treasurer.
7. **Presidents on all levels:** The 2018-2019 President and Treasurer are the only authorized signatures on all banking accounts (checking, savings and CD's). All checks must have these two signatures. Checks should be imprinted with the Auxiliary name, number and state. Any checks received by Supreme, not having two signatures, will be returned.
8. **Correspondence:** All official correspondence to the Supreme President must be in writing and come through proper channels. Auxiliaries should send their correspondence to their Grand President to forward to Supreme President. Auxiliaries not in a Grand should send their correspondence to the Supreme President. Any correspondence not sent through proper channels will be returned. All decisions will come from the Supreme President in writing.
9. **Grand Presidents and Auxiliary Presidents not in a Grand:** The Program Book, CD and website is where you will find the necessary form for adding and or replacing VAVS Representatives and Deputies, should you find that action is necessary. If any

Representative or Deputies are not able to regularly attend the VAVS meetings, they should be replaced. As President it is your responsibility to complete the form and mail it to Supreme VAVS Representative Rebecca Wischmeyer.

10. **Per Capita:** Auxiliary Treasurers in a Grand, please send Transmittals with the Per Capita tax to your Grand Treasurer and make checks payable to the Grand MOC Auxiliary. Auxiliaries not in a Grand are to send the Dues Transmittals directly to Supreme Treasurer: Penney Howard and make checks payable to Supreme MOC Auxiliary. **Reminder: Per Capita amount sent to Supreme MOC Auxiliary is \$7.00.** When sending in a new member application please be sure that three members have signed the application where indicated. If the application does not have the required signatures it will be returned for correction. If a member has reinstated or transferred, please note that information on their application. Please double check all addresses of members; we need valid mailing addresses on all our members. Please **DO NOT HOLD DUES**. Send transmittals as soon as possible.
11. **Audits:** Audits must be done quarterly and should be completed by October 15, January 15, April 15 and July 15. Audit forms can be found in the current Supreme Program Book 2018-2019, the Program Book CD or on the website. The Audit form, bank statements, checkbook, Treasurer's books and the books of the Secretary must be signed by at least two of the three elected Trustees. Auxiliaries in a Grand should forward the copies of the completed Audit form to their Grand Treasurer. Auxiliaries not in a Grand should forward their Audits to the Supreme Treasurer. The President, Secretary and Treasurer should be at all audits.
12. **Inspections:** The inspections should have started one week after the Supreme Convention. Inspections shall not be done at a Council of Administration meeting; they are to be done at a regularly scheduled Auxiliary meeting. **Presidents**, if you are doing the inspections, please verify that the books of the Secretary and Treasurer are being audited. Grand Inspector: please verify same. Verify that the Treasurer is bonded and the President is in possession of the bond. A copy of the bond may also be placed in the Treasurer's briefcase. Please notify the Auxiliary President that you will be inspecting the Auxiliary. Also, make sure that the Hospital Chairman has the figures for the Hospital program available. Grand Inspectors, please notify the Grand President if there is a problem found during the inspection. Please send a copy of the completed inspection to Supreme Inspector: **Susan Cihlar, 489 Monroe Blvd, Painesville OH. 44077. Email address: pegasus3030@yahoo.com.**
13. **Hospital Chairmen:** Send reports in monthly to your Grand Hospital Chairman. Be sure any report that is returned for correction has the date of receipt stamped on it, so that it will not be considered late when corrected and returned. **Auxiliaries not in a Grand:** Send reports to your District Hospital Commissioners. **Grand Hospital**

Chairmen: Compile your Auxiliary's reports and forward reports to your District Hospital Commissioners. **Supreme Hospital Commissioner: Janis Wimmer will no longer accept the Old Hospital forms. Please use our new forms.**

14. **Clowns:** To qualify as a Clown you must make three Clown Visits. The Auxiliary Hospital Chairman must report them on the Monthly Hospital Report. Please see the Supreme Program book for information on becoming a Clown and instructions on how to obtain Clown Pins and bars.
15. **Grand Presidents/ Supreme District Presidents:** The request form for a Supreme Representative is in the Supreme Program book, CD and website. Please print and fill out the form with the dates of your Grand or District Conventions. Please have these forms completed and sent to the Supreme President by December 31, 2018. We need the dates and location of your Convention as soon as you have the information. This will aid in making the assignments and obtaining the best available airfares for the Supreme Representative.
16. **By-Laws:** Auxiliaries on all levels having By-Laws should review them to be sure that they do not conflict with the Supreme Auxiliary By-Laws. All such By-Laws should be submitted for review to the Supreme Auxiliary. Please mail a copy to Supreme President.
17. Checks from Supreme Auxiliary not cashed within 90 days of receipt will be voided. Any Auxiliary on any level sending bad checks to the Supreme Auxiliary will be responsible for the amount of the check and any fees incurred.
18. Supreme CD's containing the Supreme Roster and Program book will be available for purchase at Tomb Trek for \$10.00. Please be sure and obtain the 2018-2019 Program book to assist your Auxiliary in completing the programs and to better understand the Supreme Programs.
19. Please refer to the Supreme Program Book for information on both the Supreme President's Special Project and our VFW National Home Special Project. All donations for these Projects are to be sent to Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard. Please earmark each check so you will get credit for your donation.
20. **Tomb-Trek:** The 84th Annual Trek to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier will be November 1-4, 2018. Reservation forms and hotel information are included in the fall edition of the Cootie Courier and on the website. *Please note cut off dates.* The dress code for presenting a wreath is printed in the Supreme Program Book. ANY MEMBER THAT IS NOT ATTIRED IN THE REQUIRED DRESS CODE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PRESENT A WREATH.

21. **VFW NATIONAL HOME COOTIE CHRISTMAS:** The National Home Cootie Christmas is December 1, 2018. Please come early to take part in all the planned activities. Reservation forms for the banquet and hotel information is on the website. Donations for National Home Cootie Christmas can be sent to Supreme Treasurer, **Penney Howard, PO BOX 34, Flora Vista, NM. 87415. Donations should be received no later than November 1, 2018 to allow time to send the total donation to the Grand of Michigan.**
22. The Theme this year is "Veterans Are The Stars". The Supreme President's pins will be available at Tomb Trek. Shirts and other items are available from MOCA-Mart: Go to http://lotcs.org/WA_eCart/moca_mart.php.
23. **Supreme President's Messages:** As President I will be posting messages on the MOCA webpage. Please go to: http://lotcs.org/MOCA/moca_index.html to read them. Communication is the key to keeping our organization strong.
24. Supreme President's cell phone number is: 314-420-3756 | E-mail: ppotter1293@gmail.com.
25. To those who are ill, our best wishes for a speedy recovery. To those who have lost loved ones we extend our deepest sympathy and prayers.

Attested By:

By Order of:

Georg Jean Zimmerman

Georg Jean Zimmerman

Patricia A Potter

Patricia A Potter

Supreme MOCA Inspection Report

As of Reports Received by September 10, 2018

Supreme Inspector

Unit	# of Aux.	Aux. Insp'd	Dist. Insp'd	Grand Insp'd	Date Complete	Percent Complete	Auxiliaries Inspected
Supreme District 5	1	N/A	0	N/A		0%	
Supreme District 9	1	N/A	0	N/A		0%	
Supreme District 13	1	N/A	0	N/A		0%	
Alaska 2	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Arkansas 13	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Arkansas 14	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Delaware 2	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Delaware 4	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Georgia 5	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Georgia 66	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Iowa 6	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Kentucky 7	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Kentucky 9	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Massachusetts 14	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Montana 10	1	1	N/A	N/A	8/9/18	100%	1st Report Received - Yeah!!
Nebraska 10	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Nevada 2	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Nevada 5	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Pennsylvania 33	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Pennsylvania 44	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Pennsylvania 59	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
South Dakota 1	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
South Dakota 12	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
South Dakota 20	1	1	N/A	N/A	9/6/18	100%	
West Virginia 6	1	0	N/A	N/A		0%	
Arizona (Cat 2)	6	2	N/A	0		33%	11, 777
California (Cat 3)	8	0	N/A	0		0%	
Colorado (Cat 1)	3	0	N/A	0		0%	
Florida (Cat 3)	14	1	N/A	0		7%	75
Illinois (Cat 1)	3	0	N/A	0		0%	
Kansas (Cat 1)	3	0	N/A	0		0%	
Louisiana (Cat 1)	3	0	N/A	0		0%	
Maryland (Cat 1)	4	0	N/A	0		0%	
Michigan (Cat 2)	6	3	N/A	0		50%	14, 32, 34
Minnesota (Cat 2)	7	0	N/A	0		0%	
Mississippi (Cat 1)	4	0	N/A	0		0%	
Missouri (Cat 2)	6	3	N/A	0		50%	1, 11, 56. 17 Disbanding
New Jersey (Cat 1)	4	0	N/A	0		0%	
New Mexico (Cat 2)	5	0	N/A	0		0%	
New York (Cat 1)	4	0	N/A	0		0%	
North Carolina (Cat 2)	7	7	N/A	0		100%	2, 3, 8, 24, 78, 89. 14 Disbanded
Ohio (Cat 3)	10	4	N/A	0		40%	5, 9, 16, 83
Oregon (Cat 2)	7	0	N/A	0		0%	
S. Carolina (Cat 2)	6	0	N/A	0		0%	
Tennessee (Cat 1)	3	0	N/A	0		0%	
Texas (Cat 2)	5	1	N/A	0		20%	55
Virginia (Cat 2)	5	5	N/A	0		100%	First Grand 100%. Nice job.
Washington (Cat 1)	4	0	N/A	0		0%	
Wisconsin (Cat 2)	7	0	N/A	0		0%	
	24						
TOTAL:	183	28	0	0	28	15.30%	

Supreme MOCA Hospital Report

September 25, 2018											
GRA ND	QUOTA	REPORTS	VISITS	MEMBERS	PATIENTS	TOTAL HOURS	MILES	GIFTS	Blood	TOTAL CREDITS	%
Supreme District #1--Vickie Peterson, Commissioner											
DE	\$10,750.00	5	15	17	184	92.50	2000.00	100.00	0	2465.88	22.94
MD	\$23,750.00	7	39	40	1302	405.00	1270.00	200.00	0	9510.55	40.04
PA	\$18,500.00	10	12	15	275	185.00	328.50	1453.10	1	2680.20	14.49
VA	\$41,750.00	13	55	62	678	512.50	5971.00	3848.16	2	16240.98	38.90
WV	\$10,000.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Total	\$104,750.00	35	121	134	2439	1195.00	9569.50	5601.26	3	30897.60	29.50
Supreme District #2--Marietta Ann Hill, Commissioner											
FL	\$82,500.00	31	62	123	2786	1897.00	8333.00	6792.35	9	50736.32	61.50
GA	\$9,250.00	6	30	37	504	82.25	961.00	216.00	0	2205.28	23.84
LA	\$17,500.00	3	28	33	551	229.50	601.00	1163.10	2	6422.47	36.70
MS	\$27,000.00	4	21	29	105	97.00	616.00	183.00	0	2456.59	9.10
NC	\$45,750.00	10	110	119	1109	907.50	6051.00	2994.48	0	24305.75	53.13
SC	\$40,000.00	11	11	25	295	149.00	1356.00	685.89	0	588.32	1.47
TN	\$24,750.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
Total	\$246,750.00	65	262	366	5350	3362.25	17918.00	12034.82	11	86714.72	35.14
Supreme District #3 -- Julie Constable, Commissioner											
IL	\$18,000.00	5	4	14	152	57.00	1015.00	600.96	2	2028.41	11.27
KY	\$13,750.00	7	75	77	156	259.25	3777.00	465.15	0	6840.02	49.75
MI	\$48,250.00	22	102	152	2411	714.00	7116.00	5468.97	0	22059.92	45.72
OH	\$48,500.00	30	86	119	2007	819.25	309869.71	3413.13	1	65268.98	134.58
WI	\$51,750.00	8	22	177	1875	245.00	2596.00	573.07	2	6461.26	12.49
Total	\$180,250.00	72	289	539	6601	2094.50	324373.71	10521.28	5	102658.58	56.95
Supreme District #4 -- Carolyn Bell, Commissioner											
IA	\$3,750.00	2	5	13	32	30.75	470.00	0.00	0	759.21	20.25
KS	\$24,000.00	17	97	149	3038	776.00	7346.00	1035.41	0	19562.65	81.51
MN	\$67,250.00	19	384	477	11198	1832.75	18389.00	3117.00	8	47019.97	69.92
MO	\$55,250.00	63	183	277	5158	1210.00	13547.00	41981.32	4	71163.40	128.80
MT	\$7,750.00	3	207	207	3021	1714.00	5365.00	555.00	0	39956.80	515.57
NE	\$13,750.00	4	14	43	1456	181.00	1190.00	410.79	1	4658.94	33.88
SD	\$13,500.00	1	1	1	5	2.50	7.00	70.00	1	127.36	0.94
Total	\$185,250.00	109	891	1167	23908	5747	46314	47170	14	183248	98.92
Supreme District #5 -- Charlotte Lattin, Commissioner											
AR	\$9,250.00	2	2	7	89	53.00	430.00	480.34	0	1508.69	16.31
CO	\$26,500.00	6	7	24	510	271.50	1366.60	751.20	0	7064.85	26.66
NM	\$39,500.00	7	7	11	316	17.25	182.00	30.00	0	444.47	1.13
TX	\$40,500.00	17	17	65	734	514.50	4207.00	2849.49	0	15040.45	37.14
Total	\$115,750.00	32	33	107	1649	856.25	6185.60	4111.03	0	24058.45	20.78
Supreme District #6 --Cathy Seippel, Commissioner											
AK	\$6,750.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
AZ	\$37,250.00	12	160	138	1099	831.50	3643.00	749.00	0	20009.35	53.72
CA	\$53,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
NV	\$7,500.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
OR	\$34,500.00	21	51	200	1022	984.00	5462.00	949.78	3	23903.66	69.29
WA	\$33,750.00	41	131	180	4191	1155.25	5062.00	3016.80	0	29776.37	88.23
Total	\$173,000.00	74	342	518	6312	2970.75	14167.00	4715.58	3	73689.37	42.60
Supreme District #7 -- Rebecca Jacobson, Commissioner											
MA	\$9,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
NJ	\$33,750.00	13	62	30	311	415.00	1390.40	850.40	2	10403.31	30.82
NY	\$25,750.00	28	100	100	4901	629.75	1576.50	242.35	0	14663.92	56.95
Total	\$68,750.00	41	162	130	5212	1044.75	2966.90	1092.75	2	25067.23	38.48
Supreme Donations											
Total	\$1,074,500.00	428	2100	2961	51471	17270.50	421494.71	85246.24	38	526334.28	48.9
Submitted By		JANIS WIMMER		Supreme Hospital Commissioner							

Supreme MOCA Membership Report

September 26, 2018

State	2018	2019	%
Division 1 (70-100)			
Illinois	72	22	30.56%
Kansas	96	33	34.38%
Louisiana	70	5	7.14%
Maryland	95	31	32.63%
Tennessee	99	33	33.33%
5 Grands	432	124	28.70%

State	2018	2019	%
Division 4 (201 & over)			
California	213	98	46.01%
Florida	330	77	23.33%
Minnesota	269	86	31.97%
Missouri	221	119	53.85%
Wisconsin	207	55	26.57%
5 Grands	1240	435	35.08%

Division 2 (101-150)			
Arizona	149	92	61.74%
Colorado	106	21	19.81%
Mississippi	102	0	0.00%
New Jersey	135	35	25.93%
New York	103	26	25.24%
Oregon	138	17	12.32%
Washington	135	51	37.78%
7 Grands	868	242	27.88%

Division 3 (151-200)			
Michigan	193	126	65.28%
New Mexico	158	0	0.00%
North Carolina	183	0	0.00%
Ohio	194	21	10.82%
South Carolina	160	81	50.63%
Texas	162	0	0.00%
Virginia	167	76	45.51%
7 Grands	1217	304	24.98%

Division 5 (Auxiliaries not in a Grand)			
Alaska #2	27	11	40.74%
Arkansas #13	27	18	66.67%
Arkansas #14 (Defunct 8/8/18)	10	0	0.00%
Delaware #2	21	0	0.00%
Delaware #4	22	0	0.00%
Georgia #5	17	0	0.00%
Georgia #66	20	0	0.00%
Iowa #6	15	0	0.00%
Kentucky #7	24	18	75.00%
Kentucky #9	31	18	58.06%
Massachusetts #14	37	0	0.00%
Montana #10	31	28	90.32%
Nebraska #10	55	36	65.45%
Nevada #2	13	0	0.00%
Nevada #5	17	0	0.00%
Pennsylvania #33 (new 4/8/18)	11	13	118.18%
Pennsylvania #44	29	0	0.00%
Pennsylvania #59	34	34	100.00%
South Dakota #1	22	2	9.09%
South Dakota #12	20	0	0.00%
South Dakota #20	12	0	0.00%
West Virginia #6	40	14	35.00%
	535	192	35.89%
TOTALS			
	4292	1297	30.22%

Congratulations to 100% Auxiliaries

CA #7	105.88%
CA #68	104.17%
FL #2	130.00%
KS #7	100.00%
PA #33	118.18%
PA #59	100.00%

Your Membership Numbers are 150% of where we were last year at this time. GREAT JOB!!!

SEE YOU ALL AT TOMB TREK!!!



MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE



84th TOMB TREK 2018 ARLINGTON NATIONAL MILITARY CEMETERY

This year **Tomb Trek** will be held on 2 **Nov** thru 4 **Nov 2018**.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel
900 South Orme Street
Arlington, Virginia 22204
Telephone: 703-521-1900

ROOM RATES: \$109.00 plus tax.

Contact Hotel directly for reservations and mention "***Military Order of the Cootie***" for discount.

Cutoff Date for room block reservations is **1October 2018**.

Parking is \$ 10.00 per day.

ADVANCED REGISTRATION:

FullRegistration = \$85.00
Banquet = \$ 50.00
Bus Ticket = \$15.00
Registration = \$20.00

AFTER 1 OCTOBER 2018:

Full Registration = \$100.00
Banquet = \$ 55.00
Bus Ticket = \$20.00
Registration only = \$25.00

NOTE: REMEMBER THAT ONLY COOTIES AND AUXILIARY CONFORMING TO THE FORMAL DRESS REQUIREMENTS WILL BE PERMITTED TO PRESENT A WREATH. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY.



Military Order of the Cootie REGISTRATION 84th TOMB TREK



Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Pup Tent/Auxiliary Name & Number: _____

Email: _____

Meal Selection: Chicken _____ Beef _____ Vegetarian _____
(Please enter how many of each meal selection.)

<u>Type of Registration</u>	<u>Advanced Registration</u>	<u>After 10/1/2018</u>
Full Registration	\$85.00 _____	\$100.00 _____
Registration Only	\$20.00 _____	\$25.00 _____
Banquet Only	\$50.00 _____	\$55.00 _____
Bus Ticket	\$15.00 _____	\$20.00 _____
# Regular _____		
# Handicap _____		

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____ CHECK # _____ DATE _____

Please complete this form, make check payable to TOMB TREK COMMITTEE and mail to:

JaneChannel
2728 Hillside Court
Ijamsville MD 21754-8806
email: mocadolphin@msn.com



**Military Order of the Cootie
WREATH REGISTRATION
84th TOMB TREK**



MOC:

Pup Tent & #: _____

Grand of: _____

MOCA:

Pup Tent & #: _____

Grand of: _____

GRAND:

MOC: _____

MOCA: _____

SUPREME DISTRICT:

MOC District #: _____

Auxiliary District #: _____

Each wreath is \$ 25.00. (\$5 goes towards the design, compilation and printing of the booklet) Your order must be received before 1 October 2018 to be printed in the Annual Tomb Trek booklet. Wreath orders will be accepted after this date BUT will not be printed in the booklet.

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____ **CHECK #** _____ **DATE** _____

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Supreme Cootie of the Year Program 2018-2019

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
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



"Keep 'em SMILIN' IN BedS OF White"

CALLING ALL COOTIES! LISTEN UP COOTIES!

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**L.O.T.C.S., PGC ERIC BELL, SUPREME SPECIAL PROJECTS
CHAIRMAN**



90th GRAND OF MICHIGAN MOC



VFW NATIONAL HOME COOTIE CHRISTMAS PARTY,

December 1, 2018

Every year, the Grand of Michigan is the host and sponsor of the "Cootie Christmas Party" for the children of the VFW National Home. Your donations are necessary for this program to work and we need your **HELP!**

Make your checks payable to: MOC Grand of Michigan, and send to Ernest A.

Paulin, Grand of Michigan Quartermaster, 710 Aldrich Street, Linden, MI

48451-9050. Earmark your checks as "Cootie Christmas".

The host hotel is Quality Suites Hotel, 901 Commerce Drive off West

Saginaw Street in Lansing, MI 48917. CALL (517)886-0600 or

1-800-456-6431 for reservations. Room rates are \$92.00/night. Be sure to

say it is for the Military Order of the Cootie! CALL Banquet Coordinator

Naida Schelter at

(517)626-6942 or email: anaida6488@aol.com, for reservations; \$42 per

person. DON'T DELAY. Hospital Visit will be November 30th meeting at

12:30pm in the hotel lobby. Please see PGC Eric Bell or

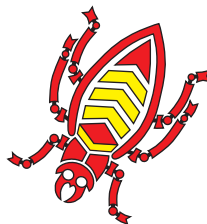
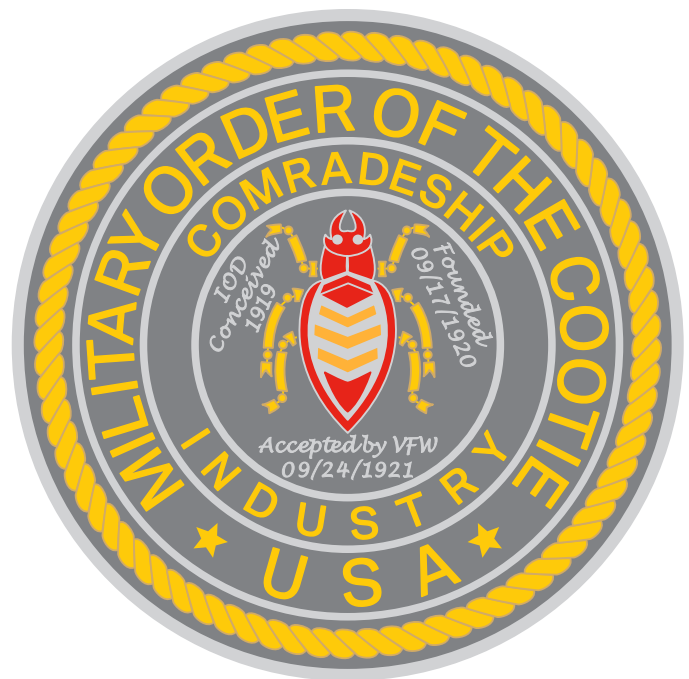
www.mocgrandofmichigan.com for additional information.



Military Order of the Cootie 100 Year Anniversary Coin

This coin was specifically designed to show the history of the Cooties. At the Supreme Convention in Orlando, FL. We will be celebrating the 100th year of the Cooties. This coin will be available at Tomb Trek this year and on our website. The cost of the coin is \$10.00 each plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling if you order 1 or 2 coins. If you order more than 2 coins the shipping and handling costs will go up.

Everyone should have one of these coins at the Orlando Convention. Challenge your fellow Cooties and celebrate what the Cooties have done for our Veterans over the past 100 years.





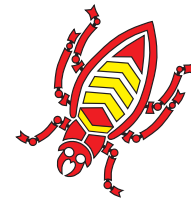
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THE COOTIES (Veterans of Foreign Wars)



You'll find them in parades where other veteran groups are marching, distinctive in their garb of white and red....and in the convalescent homes where veterans are residing, visiting each one there in their bed....

Bringing smiles and laughter through their antics and their chatter from those who haven't much to laugh about....knowing, yet concealing, that the ones they make to smile, often times will not be coming out.

And just who are these "Cooties" who bring clowns to healing wards? Who roam up and down to visit a veteran's bed?

Who bring little gifts, perhaps to show the vets they're not forgotten, and perhaps have on a nose that's blinking red?

Well, they're veterans, too, of foreign wars, who, thanks to God above, survived the foreign duty that they had....and now devote their time and funds to help those who are afflicted, and who in health are feeling pretty bad.

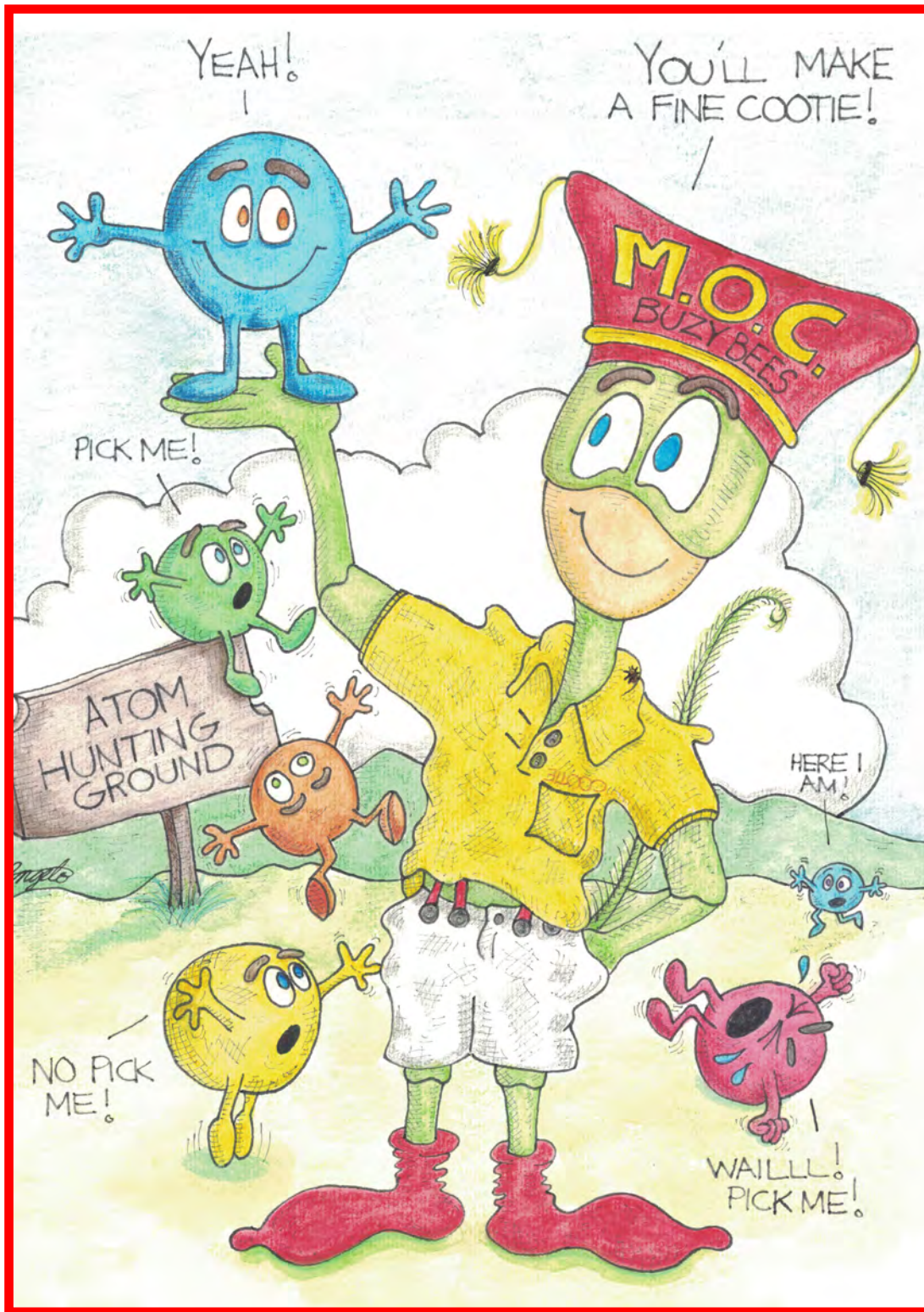
They've done their bit around the world, in so many far-flung places, and on, or under seas...or flown the skies....or slogged through stinking paddies in "exotic" Asian lands..where God alone could hear their silent cries..

But, they're COOTIES! And they'll make the jokes and bring a little laughter, from those who suffer still in beds of white...and may God, in His great wisdom, bless these funny looking Cooties....for absolutely doing something right!

Fred Stilt
PGC



Cootie Membership



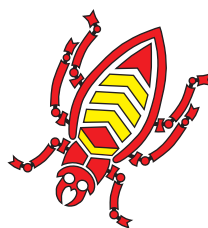


Grand of Arizona



In July, current and former patients from the Phoenix VA Hospital hosted members of Cootie Pup Tent 11 and their MOCA to a picnic. The patients wanted to thank the Pup Tent for thousands of dollars in donations and numerous entertainment events.

Courtesy of Bill Talcott
Hospital Chairman
Cootie Pup Tent 11
VFW Post 9400



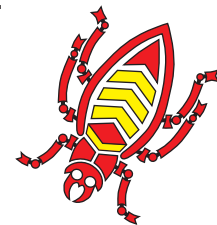
Grand of Maryland



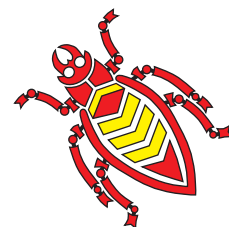
Top Notch Pup Tent 1 donation of water and toilet articles to the Fisher House of the DCVAMC in Washington. Posing are Seam Squirrel Clinton Townsend and Stacey Childs, Director.



Top Notch Pup Tent 1 Hungry Cootie Georgia A. Eaves at play. Supreme Scratch in Kansas City, July 2018.



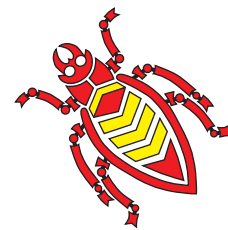
The Grand of Maryland, Randy Peaker, and his lousy Cooties, having an awful Grand Scratch.



Grand of North Dakota



Left to Right - North Dakota Cooties Bill Tuff, Steve Volk, Lavonne Liversage (Fargo VA Director) and Arvaal Olson at the Annual Fargo, ND Voluntary Service "Kick Off" Banquet on September 17, 2018.



Grand of South Carolina

Listen Cooties!

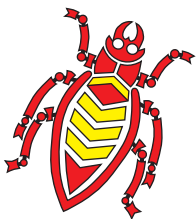
Greetings from the South Carolina Grand Scratch held in beautiful Orangeburg, South Carolina. This event was filled with fun and frolic. Among those present were: Emil Soltesz, Supreme Sr. Vice Commander, Supreme Rep and installing Officer; Betty Hillard, 5th Supreme Council Member (Commander) and SC Grande Judge Advocate Russell "Papa Bear" Spurlock Jr., 5th Supreme Senior Vice Commander, PGC of NC. Also, in attendance were Sister Cheri Soltesz, Treasurer of Grand of Ohio; Susan Haines MOCA Supreme Conductress and installing Officer.

A special thanks to Pup Tent 10 for be such gracious host and providing us a delicious feast and hours of entertainment.

We all had the honor to witness the passing of the gavel and the installation of the new MOC & MOCA Officers. Congratulations everyone! Together we can accomplish anything we set our minds on.

"Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of White."

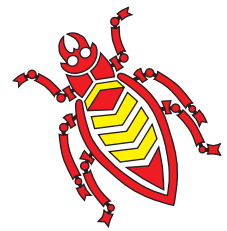
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Grand Historian**

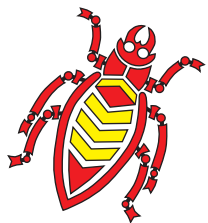


Grand of Tennessee

On a hot July 14th, the Cooties of Pup Tent 5 in Smyrna, TN went out into the community to clean up the landscape of one of the local schools in town. They went to Smyrna West Alternative School where one of the Cooties is employed. Many trees were trimmed, many bushes were cut and all of the landscaping in front of the school looks neat and clean. Principal Judy Sides was pleased with all of the work that was done. Principal Sides said that she supports veterans, especially since her daughter is serving in the U.S. Air Force.

Those in attendance for this working party are as follows: Grand Commander Darrell Birk; PGC Charlie Goodreau; PGC John Rydzewski; Cootie Lou Hamilton; Cootie Jim Sanford; MOCA Buddy Wolf; U.S. Navy veteran Randy Hopkins; MOCA Becky Goodreau.



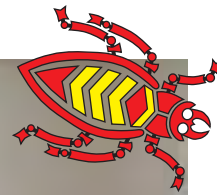


All photos courtesy of PGC John “Buy a Round” Rydzewski

Grand of Texas

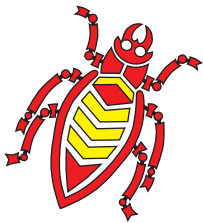
The Grand of Texas had the Lousy duty of invading and infesting VFW Post 10427 in Leander Texas in order to increase and multiply its seams and institute/install new Pup Tent 69, Grand of Texas affectionately now known as the "Leanderthal Nits". The infestation began on July 7th 2018 and by days end our crummy cooties multiplied.

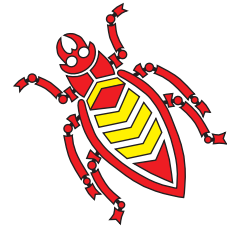
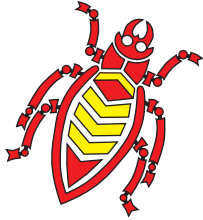




Grand of Washington

Past Grand Commander Ross Walker's service dog, Hiker, sees the light while at the Supreme Scratch and becomes an honorary Cootie!





Official Cootie, Hardy Nettles, representing Pup Tent #18 in a most lousy manner, in the house infesting VFW Post 1585 on its 90th Birthday!!!



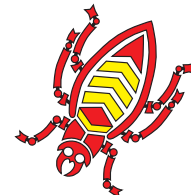
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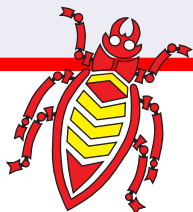
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Alert, Alert!

First of all, a huge boo to the new cadre of MOC/MOCA officers. I'm sure that under your leadership we will be inspired to infest every hospital, nursing home or home to "*Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of White.*"

Secondly, thank you for allowing me to remain as Cootie Courier editor. Our "Crummy" rag is getting more Cooties receiving the magazine through e-mail. The Cootie Courier is always available online at: <http://www.lotcs.org/courier.html>. The online version comes in "print" and "interactive." With the interactive version you can turn the pages with your mouse just like a book. So, give it a go, eh?

Thirdly, the *Military Order of the Cootie* will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2019. As our Supreme Jr. Vice Commander has indicated, it is a possibility that our "Crummy" organization could cease to exist within 13 years if *Specie Pediculi* don't do something. Since it is our 100 year anniversary, I believe that our *band of brothers* should achieve 100% membership. There are a couple of cartoons that I drew that I believe could be used by other *Specie Pediculi* to recruit new members. Personally, if all *Specie Pediculi* would recruit just one member, our membership would double. I'm counting on everyone to do their part. Remember, together we are a powerful force, able to infest all that we purvue. Apart, we are subject to the *exterminator* and death is all but certain.

Finally, let us all remember those we have lost during 2018. Their families and friends are still with us and it is our duty to take care of them as they grieve the loss of their loved ones. That's what we're all about, taking care of veterans and their families.

Yours in LOTCS,

Dale A. Iannello

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Editor
Cootie Courier



Taps

NAME

PUP TENT

Michael McKittrick	AZ-011	Harold Beringer	PA-018
Lewis Shutts	AZ-777	Scott Simms	PC-011
Bill Allen	CA-007	Joseph Carsley	PC-015
William Pickler	CA-007	Vincent C. Favata	TX-005
Michael Bailey	CA-034	Elmer Burghardt	TX-055
Russell Doble	CA-034	Jon Blackwood	VA-001
Leander Gatewood	CA-034	Bobby Edwards	VA-000
Charles Howell	CA-034	Donald Hammill	WA-009
Lawrence Jackson	CA-034	Dale Hundt	WI-041
Guilio Santa Maria	CA-034		
Walter Siler	CA-034		
Marciano Valente	CA-043		
Danny Martinez	CA-068		
Larry Fowler	CA-069		
Hugh Gilmore	FL-076		
Thomas Mazur	FL-076		
James Lee Duff	GA-059		
Laurel Phipps	IA-069		
James Green	KS-006		
David McBride	KS-006		
Robert Wetherbee	KY-002		
Herman Clavier	LA-011		
Paul D'Amico	LA-011		
Joseph Mathew	LA-011		
William Shea	MA-052		
Chester Opalsky	MD-001		
Theodore "Teddy" Guy	MD-003		
Denver Sabbe	MN-003		
Harry S. Matheson	MN-003		
Michael Brand	MN-051		
John Staum	MN-MAL		
Donald Adams	MS-007		
George Brown	MS-007		
William Childress	MS-007		
Joseph Harrington	MS-007		
Donald Knott	MS-007		
Harold Stover	MS-007		
Oscar Ward	MS-007		
Ronald Tolstad	ND-006		
Thomas Selleys	ND-008		
William Eskildsen	ND-008		
Hubert Taylor	ND-008		
Eugene Cross	ND-008		
Charles Hoenke	ND-010		
Albert Bucchi	NJ-039		
Thomas Dixon	NJ-039		
Frederick Gould	NJ-069		
Clarence D. Bright	NM-005		
Dominick Simione III	NY-002		
Joseph Hale	NY-002		
John Lane	NY-002		
Leroy Francis Clenden	OH-000		
Danny Plymesser	OH-001		



Don Sortino - August 20, 2018



I attended a Military Funeral today. As I walked up to the caisson that would soon carry Colonel Don Sortino's body to his grave, the Marine Corp Band played the Marine Corp Hymn. I saw Don's twin brother take Irene's hand, both seemed to be burdened with stooped shoulders that seemed to straighten as they walked behind the rider less horse that followed the caisson carrying their precious husband and brother's body. It was as their burden became the rider. Their steps took on a military gate as we arrived at the canopy where the Color Guard transferred Don's body to the grave site for the final service. Prayers were said, there was a gun salute the band played another hymn and then Taps was sounded.

My feet would not move as sadness swept through my body, memories flooded my mind of how I had met this eloquent gentleman and his wonderful wife Irene at VFW Post 1503 where we volunteered and became COOTIES. Don was a quiet man that never sought position of authority but always seemed to be in charge. He was always there to help with hospital work. Don always addressed the patients as Marine or Soldier; always getting respect in return. He proudly wore his motorcycle attire and never hesitated to participate in all fun and fund raising that the 1503 riders held. However, without a doubt he would tell you his greatest accomplishment in life was having Irene in his life and together having their son, Ross who served in Navy Special Operations. And, their beautiful daughter, Donna, who has given them 2 beautiful granddaughters, and her husband, also a Navy veteran, has become a second son. I can only smile when I think of this man, because he was a friend of mine.

"Marines die, that's what we're here for. But the Marine Corps lives forever. And that means YOU live forever." (Full Metal Jacket)