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## From the Supreme Commander

**Listen Up Cooties,**

**W**e are getting into the last of the 2020 year. It has been an awful year for me as I have been down with Gout as well as Quarantining. Our Organization could not meet for getting things done, so not much was attained. I hope our next Commander has all things fall into place for them. I will gladly help in any way I can for their year as mine was really Lousy ( not a pun). I hope this Pandemic is over as fast as it began. I pray everyone is healthy and happy as am I. Lets do our best to make 2021 a better year for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, MOC and MOCA.



**Listen Cooties,**

**Yours in LOTCS,**

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# From the Supreme Sr. Vice Commander

## Listen Cooties!

I hope everyone is staying safe and sane during these difficult times. As of this writing, 95% of those who contract COVID-19 survive. The 5% who do not survive, 42%, are from Senior Living Facilities / Nursing Homes. Keep in mind as well, that the remaining 58% may have other contributing factors such as respiratory problems, diabetes, cancer, gun-shot wound, being stabbed, etc. That's right, if a COVID-19 positive individual enters the emergency room and passes away, it is attributed to COVID-19, despite the multiple gunshot wounds to the head. Since there are so many cities mandating masks, why not wear a Cootie mask? They are available at the Cootie Depot for a very good price.



The votes are being cast for our officers for next year. If you are a Councilperson and have not mailed in your ballot, please mail it in as soon as possible. The votes will remain sealed until July 4<sup>th</sup>; the appointed time for the tally to take place. If you have not submitted your election reports, you need to do so as soon as possible. We would like to get the year started off right with all of the officers in place at all levels.

If you do not have the 2020-2021 Program Book yet, you will very soon. It is filled with great programs, recognition opportunities and lists the appointed officers for the year. If anyone has any questions, ideas or concerns, please email me and I promise to get back you very quickly.

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

Darin Combs

Supreme Senior Vice Commander

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## From the Supreme Jr. Vice-Commander

**Listen Cooties,**

**E**ven as I write this report, the number of new COVID-19 cases is increasing in several areas in our United States. This COVID-19 issue has forced us out from our veteran care facilities and, in most cases, we have not received any real direction from the state veteran commissions on what we can do in these trying times. My suggestion is to explore reasonable activities that can positively impact our veterans and at the same time, look forward to times that you will be able to visit first-hand. In my humble, crummy opinion the Military Order of the Cootie performs a service that is invaluable to our veteran community in need, as well as, in many cases, helps many of us with PTSD issues – nothing like helping others to cloak the stressors that initiate PTSD behavior.



Looking forward to visiting Grands this fall and winter. So, please let us know what the dates and locations are. There is a form that formally requests Supreme attendance. Please use the form so we can be consistent. It is imperative that the dates/locations be transmitted as soon as humanly possible so we can respond and be part of your Cootie experience.

Do not forget to market your Pup Tent and Grand within your states. Most states have social sharing programs (Facebook) that allow for pics and stories of what the Pup Tents are doing and who is active. Please remember that you represent the VFW as well as the MOC. So, be the positive shining light that draws members into the VFW and into the MOC when they are found worthy. No one is going to take better care of our veterans than the VFW and assisted by our MOC. Hang tough brothers and sisters! We can and must prevail!

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Olin Parks  
Supreme Jr. Vice Commander  
2019-2020**

## From the Supreme Quartermaster

**Listen Cooties,**

I hope you and your families are doing well during this pandemic and you are surviving being cooped up with no place to go.

This past year has, in true Cootie fashion, been great. Sales are down, membership is down, we lost over 1000 Cooties when the VFW cleaned up their records. With this pandemic and scratches not being held elections were not done, inspections were not done. Necessary paperwork was not filled out and sent in. Basically, nothing was done. With no Supreme Convention being held this year, headquarters will lose around \$40,000 in income.



OK, now how do we fix this? CCDB's start collecting membership dues and process your transmittals timely to your Grand Quartermasters. Everyone needs to get out there and recruit new Cooties, order lots of Cootie stuff from the Cootie Depot. We must do something to stop losing Cooties! Our current membership is now under 10,000 Cooties. With everyone being restricted from leaving their homes these past few months, we should all be ready to get out there and recruit new Cooties.

We need to find a way to keep our Cooties in our seams, and if necessary, offer to pick a Cootie up and bring them to your scratch, hold a social at a member's house or have a cookout. Do something to get people interested in what we do. Brag about what we do as Cooties.

Some of you have already sent in delegate fees for the convention that was to be in Reno. I have your money and will transfer it over to next year for the convention in Baltimore. I am starting the process of getting bids from the hotels in the Baltimore area and will let you know when a decision is made.

For the Grand Quartermaster and CCDB's: When processing transmittals, please include a copy of the Cootie application and life membership application when sending the transmittal to headquarters. We need that information in our database.

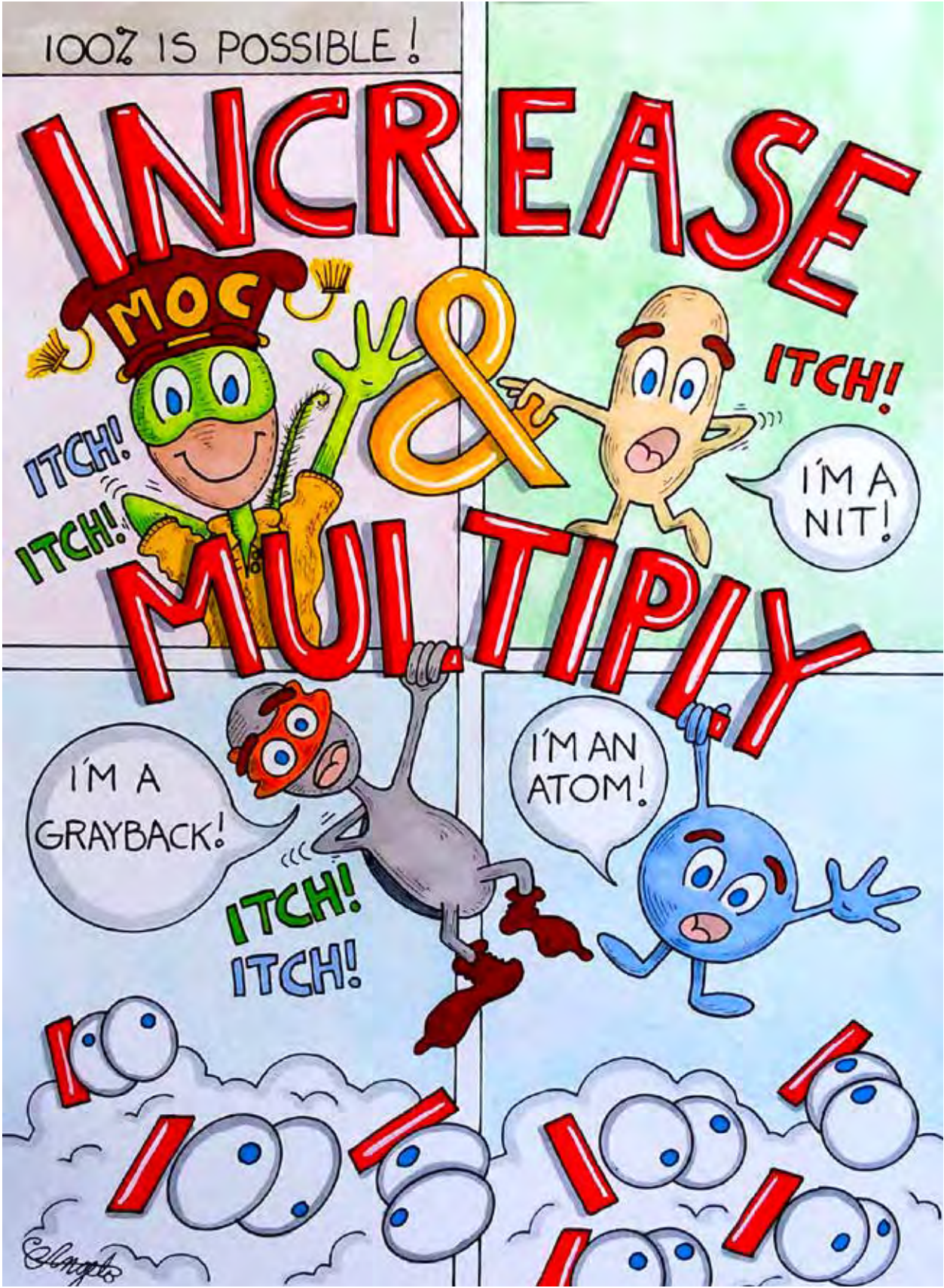
As always, your Supreme Officers are available to help in any way they can. If you need to talk to a Supreme Officer, please contact me at headquarters 412-824-2240 and I can give you their contact number.

I look forward to seeing a lot of you at Tomb Trek or at Cootie Christmas.

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Gary Dressel  
Supreme Quartmaster  
2019-2020**

# 100 Percent is Possible!



# FROM THE SUPREME VAMPIRE

**Generous Cooties,**

**T**he American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood and platelet donations. There is no known end date in this fight against coronavirus, and the Red Cross urgently needs the help of blood and platelet donors and blood drive hosts to meet the needs of patient care. Please schedule your next donation appointment now to help prevent another blood shortage.



Donating blood products is essential to community health and the need for blood products is constant. As part of our nation's critical infrastructure, healthy individuals can still donate in areas that have issued shelter in place declarations or are operating under a phased reopening plan. The Red Cross follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and volunteer donors are the only source of blood for those in need. As hospitals resume surgical procedures and patient treatments that were temporarily paused due to the COVID-19 pandemic, donors are urged to give now to ensure blood products are readily available for patients.

In times of crisis, the Red Cross is fortunate to witness the best of humanity as people roll up a sleeve to help those in need. Please help ensure patients receive the lifesaving care they need by making an appointment to donate now.

People who have fully recovered from COVID-19 have antibodies in their plasma that can attack the virus. This convalescent plasma is being evaluated as treatment for patients with serious or immediately life-threatening COVID-19 infections, or those judged by a healthcare provider to be at high risk of progression to severe or life-threatening disease.

All Cooties should report their blood donations at: [vampire.puptent1.org](http://vampire.puptent1.org)

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Jim Schinman  
Supreme Vampire  
2019-2020**

# From the Supreme Surgeon

## Quarantine Fatigue

**A**s we are fast approaching 3 months of COVID-19 lockdown, many of us are growing increasingly restless and irritable. According to a recent study, forced isolation can result in symptoms of traumatic stress, anger and confusion.

Staying home is boring, stressful, and financially devastating. This can lead to a condition known as Quarantine Fatigue. This type of fatigue is defined as exhaustion and waning discipline surrounding the restrictions to daily life needed to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

### Symptoms of Quarantine Fatigue

Symptoms of Quarantine Fatigue are emotions that occur because of intense feelings of isolation and being cut off from the rest of the world. The following are the most common symptoms:

- Restlessness
- Decreased motivation
- Irritability
- Hopelessness
- Difficulty waking up
- Lethargy
- Distrust of people around you
- Lack of patience
- Persistent sadness or depression
- Food cravings

### Ways to Cope

- ❖ **Stick to your routine.** Create a daily routine that makes note of mealtimes, bedtimes, work out times. Get out of bed at the same time you did before the lockdown, take a daily shower, and get out of your pajamas.
- ❖ **Spend time outdoors.** A study found that spending time in nature can improve your mental health by reducing stress and boosting feelings of well-being. If you can't venture into nature, bring nature to you. Buy a bird feeder, invest in houseplants, or

open your windows.

- ❖ **Maintain your social life.** One of the main symptoms of Quarantine Fatigue is lack of emotional and social support. Staying in touch with your social network can alleviate some of these feelings.
- ❖ **Carve out some 'me time'.** Find a quiet place to read a book, meditate or listen to your favorite podcast.
- ❖ **Break a sweat.** While exercising won't alleviate your feelings of anxiety, it can release endorphins to help boost your mood.
- ❖ **Spring clean.** Cleaning the house or rearranging your furniture can make your house feel fresher and not so suffocating.
- ❖ **Embrace discomfort.** Together, we need to share creative solutions to the problems we are facing. By taking care of ourselves and families and staying connected to each other in positive ways, we can overcome these difficult times.
- ❖ **Talk it out.** During the uncertainty of the times, unwanted emotions can grab hold of us. These emotions can range from mood changes, emotional distress and muscle tension or head pain. It's important to check in with yourself and others to deal with these emotions in a healthy way.
- ❖ **Reframing.** When you reframe a situation, you look at it from a different perspective. This allows you to look at the bigger picture.
- ❖ **Reduce your exposure to blue light.** There is an inverse relationship between wavelength of light rays and the energy they contain. Our electronic devices, such as laptops, I-pods and I-phones omit blue light and can be playing havoc with your health. Be sure that you are moderating your time, taking breaks and being conscious of how it impacts you. Spending excess time on your screen is not good for your health.

Please be safe, take care of yourself and others and keep a positive outlook. Together, we can overcome anything that life deals us.

L.O.T.C.S.,

Dani Hernandez  
Supreme Surgeon  
2019-2020

## From the Supreme Poppa Clown

When I was writing my last column for you, in April, the VA medical system, and most of the nursing homes and other facilities we Cooties visit have just been locked down to protect the patients and staff.

While it has frustrated our work, it was an important safety procedure. So, what do we do? We can be creative and find new ways to help.

Also remember last time Mrs. Archibald reminded us that we can collect supplies. Because when we do get back into the VA they will need toiletries, games, blankets, and more. We can still collect it now to give out later.

If you serve a smaller facility, like a nursing home, you can also arrange something like a 'stroll by parade'. Have the staff position their veterans outside, at a safe distance. Then have the clowns stroll by joking and waving to the patients. You can also arrange to drop gifts at a safe distance, where the patients can see, and the staff can pick them up to deliver to the individual patients. Be sure to wear gloves and masks.

Another trick we learned here in Houston, is to keep in touch with the Volunteer Director. A lot of our veterans are having a much harder time than normal. We found that, here in Houston, many more veteran families were going without meals than normal. So, our Pup Tent and Auxiliary purchased \$1500 in \$25.00 grocery gift cards. I arranged to get the card to the Voluntary Services Chief outside the hospital. She gives one or two cards to each veteran patient who needs them. You may find some other need you can fill for your local patients.

We are indeed in '*Interesting Times*'. While they may be frustrating and seem a bit like hades now. When we are past this and have time to meditate on it, we will realize how many blessings we received. Especially if we continue to bless others.

**Yours in LOTCS,**

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**Supreme Poppa Clown**

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# **From the Supreme Adjutant**

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

This has been a different and trying last 3 months for all. As of the writing of this, the following is a summary of what the Districts / Grands / Pup Tents are missing:

INSPECTIONS (2019-20 year) – 53 Pup Tents  
ELECTION REPORTS (2020-21 year):

Districts – 3  
Grands – 17  
Pup Tents – 125

BONDS: 1

Grand Commanders, it is your job to insure these are complete. Do not use “GRAND COMMANDER” as just a title.

Cooties, this makes my job extremely difficult when it comes to communications.

Contact me if further information is needed.

There are other methods available other than face to face meetings to accomplish your jobs.

All Pup Tents are reminded to forward copies of Election Reports for the 2020-2021 membership year to Supreme Headquarters. Pup Tents without election reports for the New Year are not in good standing and may not be represented at either their Grand or Supreme Conventions.

All Grand Commanders are reminded to start their Pup Tent Inspections early. We were starting the 9<sup>th</sup> month of the Program year when the Virus forced us to shut down. There is no defense as to why the Grands are NOT at 100%.

I am available to assist you in any way I can. Please contact me at:

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

**Gordon K. Lam**  
**MOC Supreme Adjutant**  
**2019-2020**



# MOC Hospital Report

Date: May Report					
Grand	Goal	Reports	Cooties	Total Monies	Percentage
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#1 - Gary Dressel</b>					
DE	\$28,500.00	25	299	\$47,249.42	165.79%
DC	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
MD	\$78,750.00	63	814	\$145,120.44	184.28%
PA	\$105,000.00	72	1,913	\$218,438.05	208.04%
VA	\$78,000.00	51	1,206	\$179,239.33	229.79%
WV	\$12,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$302,750.00</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>4,232</b>	<b>\$590,047.24</b>	<b>194.90%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#2 - Louis C. McVey</b>					
AL	\$11,000.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
FL	\$146,500.00	72	772	\$89,267.29	60.93%
GA	\$35,000.00	22	435	\$36,554.60	104.44%
LA	\$24,000.00	150	317	\$39,498.02	164.58%
MS	\$42,500.00	34	771	\$85,650.20	201.53%
NC	\$69,750.00	35	575	\$55,086.69	78.98%
SC	\$38,750.00	16	220	\$21,697.46	55.99%
TN	\$37,000.00	17	433	\$36,666.62	99.10%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$404,500.00</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>3,523</b>	<b>\$364,420.88</b>	<b>90.09%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#3 - Jeff Keen</b>					
IL	\$47,250.00	59	433	\$55,989.73	118.50%
IN	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
KY	\$53,750.00	49	473	\$57,301.30	106.61%
MI	\$44,500.00	30	477	\$88,159.50	198.11%
OH	\$116,750.00	888	1,168	\$144,818.07	124.04%
WI	\$77,000.00	150	938	\$158,737.78	206.15%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$339,250.00</b>	<b>1,176</b>	<b>3,489</b>	<b>\$505,006.38</b>	<b>148.86%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#4 - Olin Parks</b>					
IA	\$24,500.00	48	436	\$60,527.10	247.05%
KS	\$32,250.00	154	380	\$46,003.23	142.65%
MN	\$94,500.00	59	860	\$102,527.93	108.50%
MO	\$90,000.00	75	1,422	\$213,306.49	237.01%
NE	\$27,250.00	30	603	\$47,008.38	172.51%
ND	\$37,500.00	276	296	\$72,399.67	193.07%
SD	\$25,250.00	10	432	\$55,508.62	219.84%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$331,250.00</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>4,429</b>	<b>\$597,281.42</b>	<b>180.31%</b>

<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#5 - Gordon Lam</b>					
AR	\$33,750.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
CO	\$46,250.00	15	343	\$29,970.98	64.80%
EURO	\$22,000.00	2	2	\$39.91	0.18%
NM	\$37,250.00	15	172	\$32,180.33	86.39%
OK	\$19,750.00	19	716	\$76,654.30	388.12%
TX	\$94,000.00	45	648	\$82,870.52	88.16%
WY	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$253,000.00</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>1,881</b>	<b>\$221,716.04</b>	<b>87.63%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#6 - Vaughn Gates</b>					
AK	\$15,500.00	92	248	\$41,691.58	268.98%
AZ	\$98,000.00	70	3,473	\$534,070.84	544.97%
CA	\$154,000.00	111	2,747	\$595,993.57	387.01%
HI	\$5,000.00	1	2	\$244.40	4.89%
ID	\$4,000.00	1	9	\$2,043.30	51.08%
NV	\$24,000.00	59	117	\$14,577.18	60.74%
OR	\$67,250.00	40	331	\$73,607.43	109.45%
PAC	\$118,750.00	598	2,216	\$225,057.23	189.52%
WA	\$57,000.00	32	223	\$39,484.37	69.27%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$543,500.00</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>9,366</b>	<b>\$1,526,769.90</b>	<b>280.91%</b>
<b>SUPREME HOSPITAL DISTRICT#7 - Jesse Kitson</b>					
CT	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
ME	\$0.00	0	0	\$0.00	
MA	\$22,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
NH	\$25,500.00	0	0	\$0.00	0.00%
NJ	\$51,500.00	153	371	\$51,112.52	99.25%
NY	\$42,750.00	21	31	\$3,166.19	7.41%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$142,250.00</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>\$54,278.71</b>	<b>38.16%</b>
<b>PUP TENTS NOT IN A GRAND (BLACK DIVISION)</b>					
AK#2	\$8,500.00	11	346	\$39,219.60	461.41%
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%
MT	\$24,250.00	11	104	\$6,609.42	27.26%
MA#14	\$12,250.00	3	5	\$736.92	6.02%
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%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$94,500.00</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>\$46,565.94</b>	<b>49.28%</b>

Supreme Total					
	\$2,316,500.00	3,659	27,322	\$3,859,520.57	166.61%
DIVISION STANDINGS					
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>BLUE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>GREEN</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>RED</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>PURPLE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>WHITE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
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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)

# MOC Inspection Report

## JUNE 2020

Grand	# of Pup Tents	Pup Tents Inspected	Dist Inspected	Date Completed	Grand Inspection	Percent	Pup Tents that are Inspected
AL-13	1	0			N/A	%	
AK-2	1	1		11/3/2019	N/A	100%	
AK-3	1	0			N/A	%	
AZ	8	8		10/29/2019		100%	
AR	5	1				20%	21
CA	13	13		6/27/2020		100%	6,16,19,23,38,40,43,44,61,68,69,89
CO	6	2				33%	2,14
DE	3	3		1/16/2020	Yes	100%	
EUR	1	0			N/A	%	
FL	20	15				75%	
GA	4	4		10/3/2019	Yes	100%	
HI	1	1		Apr-20	N/A	100%	
ID-3	1	1		9/15/2019	N/A	100%	
IL	6	6		8/15/2019		100%	
IA	3	0				%	
KS	4	4		9/6/2019	Yes	100%	
KY	6 (5)	6		1/7/2020		100%	PT 16 Defunct
LA	3	3		2/6/2020		100%	
MD	8	8		3/10/2020		100%	1,3,4,6,10,16,17,27
MA-14	1	1		4/21/2020	N/A	100%	
		0			N/A	%	
MA-52	1	0			N/A	%	
MI	7	7		4/7/2020		100%	
MN	15	14				93%	
MS	5	4				80%	6,7,12,17
MO	11	11		12/31/2019		100%	
MT-10	1	0			N/A	%	
MT-11	1	0			N/A	%	
MT-24	1	1		4/23/2020	N/A	100%	
NE	3	3		10/31/2019	Yes	100%	
NV-2	1	1		4/22/2020	N/A	100%	

NV-3	1	0			N/A	%	
NV-5	1	1		8/3/2019	N/A	100%	
NH1,3	2	1			N/A	50%	1
NJ	8	1				13%	8
NM	5	3				60%	5,7,14
NY	7	0				%	
NC	10	10		10/22/2019	Yes	100%	
ND	5	5		1/13/2020	Yes	100%	
OH	16	14				88%	
OK	5	5		11/29/2019		100%	
OR	9	9		3/10/2020		100%	1,4,,6,8,9,12,20,22,23
PAC	9	9		4/1/2020		100%	
PA	12	12		3/26/2020		100%	
SC	7	7		11/22/2020		100%	
SD	3	2				67%	1,12
TN	4	0				%	
TX	11	9				82%	5,11,13,24,36 55,69,88,100
VA	8	8		2/18/2020		100%	
WA	6	6		3/10/2020		100%	3,4,6,9,11,18
WV-6	1	1		2/1/2020		100%	
WI	10	10		2/18/2020		100%	
TOTAL	282	231		30		81.91%	

# MOC Membership Report

## JUNE 2020

Pup Tents	Grand	Per Cent	New	Cont	Reinstate	Life	Total	Goal	NLM	N/R	Standings
GOLD DIVISION											
13	CALIFORNIA	58.48%	0	0	0	331	331	566	0	0	
16	OHIO	72.70%	1	0	5	287	293	403	0	6	
SILVER DIVISION											
19	FLORIDA	41.22%	0	1	11	218	230	558	0	11	
15	MINNESOTA	53.37%	0	0	0	206	206	386	0	0	
11	TEXAS	57.10%	0	0	0	205	205	359	0	0	
RED DIVISION											
8	ARIZONA	62.17%	4	12	0	219	235	378	11	4	
6	ILLINOIS	55.08%	0	0	0	103	103	187	0	0	
8	MARYLAND	55.94%	0	0	0	160	160	286	0	0	
7	MICHIGAN	51.64%	0	0	0	110	110	213	0	0	
8	NEW YORK	30.65%	0	0	0	57	57	186	0	0	
9	PACIFIC AREAS	73.29%	0	0	0	343	343	468	0	0	
12	PENNSYLVANIA	39.81%	0	0	0	170	170	427	0	0	
8	VIRGINIA	63.05%	0	0	0	186	186	295	0	0	
10	WISCONSIN	39.79%	0	0	0	115	115	289	0	0	
WHITE DIVISION											
4	GEORGIA	61.03%	0	12	0	71	83	136	0	0	
11	MISSOURI	43.44%	0	0	0	159	159	366	1	0	
8	NEW JERSEY	39.30%	0	0	0	79	79	201	0	0	
5	NEW MEXICO	56.12%	0	0	0	78	78	139	0	0	
10	NORTH CAROLINA	55.47%	0	0	0	152	152	274	0	0	
6	WASHINGTON	50.00%	0	0	5	90	95	190	0	5	
BLUE DIVISION											
5	ARKANSAS	43.48%	0	0	0	50	50	115	0	0	
6	COLORADO	35.26%	0	0	0	67	67	190	0	0	
5	KENTUCKY	58.03%	0	0	0	112	112	193	0	0	
5	MISSISSIPPI	61.90%	0	2	0	104	106	168	2	0	
5	NORTH DAKOTA	46.75%	0	0	0	72	72	154	0	0	
9	OREGON	37.22%	0	0	0	99	99	266	0	0	
7	SOUTH CAROLINA	66.47%	0	0	0	108	108	173	0	0	
4	TENNESSEE	42.14%	0	0	0	59	59	140	0	0	

GREEN DIVISION										
3	DELAWARE	67.89%	0	1	0	74	75	109	1	0
4	KANSAS	25.33%	0	0	0	38	38	150	0	0
3	LOUISIANA	26.26%	0	0	0	26	26	99	0	0
3	MONTANA	73.86%	0	0	0	65	65	88	0	0
3	NEBRASKA	63.11%	0	0	0	65	65	103	0	0
2	NEW HAMPSHIRE	33.33%	1	1	1	30	33	93	2	2
6	OKLAHOMA	55.47%	2	14	0	55	71	128	1	2
PROVISIONAL GRAND DIVISION										
3	IOWA		0	0	0	35	35	90	0	0
3	SOUTH DAKOTA	77.00%	0	0	33	44	77	100	0	33
BLACK DIVISION (Pup tents not in a Grand)										
1	ALASKA 2	47.37%	0	0	0	18	18	38	0	0
1	ALASKA 3	83.33%	1	0	1	18	20	24	0	2
1	ALABAMA 13	65.52%	0	0	0	19	19	29	0	0
1	EUROPE 6	87.50%	0	0	0	77	77	88	0	0
1	HAWAII 1	47.06%	0	0	0	8	8	17	0	0
1	IDAHO 3	38.46%	0	0	0	5	5	13	0	0
1	MASSACHUSETTS 14	18.75%	0	0	0	9	9	48	0	0
1	MASSACHUSETTS 52	3.70%	0	0	0	1	1	27	0	0
1	MONTANA 10	90.24%	0	0	0	37	37	41	0	0
1	MONTANA 11	68.57%	0	0	0	24	24	35	0	0
1	MONTANA 24	33.33%	0	0	0	4	4	12	0	0
1	NEVADA 2	79.63%	0	0	0	43	43	54	0	0
1	NEVADA 3	77.78%	0	0	0	14	14	18	0	0
1	WEST VIRGINIA 6	44.00%	0	0	0	22	22	50	0	0
	SUPREME Pup Tent	94.30%				1407	1407	1492		0
284	TOTALS	58.73%	9	43	56	6148	6256	10652	18	65

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

## Allan T. Perkins for Supreme Jr. Vice Commander 2020-21

Decades of Leadership and Service to the Country and her Veterans



A Cootie since 1995, Allan sets the standard in leadership by example. He served five terms as Supreme Chaplain, and presently serves as Supreme Poppa Clown. Allan has been an All Star Grand Commander, Seam Squirrel, and, in 2018-2019, CCDB of the top Pup Tent in the Grand of Texas. From the very beginning to the present, he has served as an MOC Clown, and logs more than 450 volunteer hours at DeBakey VAMC per year.

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# **Dwight M. Hora for Supreme Jr. Vice Commander 2020-21**

## **Listen Up Cooties,**

Dwight joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars in May of 2011 shortly after he completed 22 years in the United State Marine Corps. His eligibility was service in Iraq and Afghanistan. He then joined the Military Order of the Cootie in November of 2011. During this time, he was working on his master's degree and planning a cross country motorcycle ride to raise money and awareness for homeless veterans.

He and 3 other veterans left Beaufort, SC on 1 August 2012 and returned 9 September 2012. They stopped in 11 cities on the 9000-mile trek around the country and raised over \$33,000.00 for homeless veterans.

Dwight is also known for creating the Cootie Ride. He brings joy to those who see him peddling around doing what Cooties do best. Keeping them smiling in Beds of White.

He has held positions at the Post, District, and Department levels as well as received Cootie of the Year twice from the Grand of South Carolina 2012-2013 and 2013-2014. Dwight was the Seam Squirrel for Pup Tent 1 in South Carolina twice and was the All-Star Grand Commander 2016-2017. He was also the Supreme Jimmy Legs in 2017-2018 and Deputy Supreme Jimmy Legs 2018-2019.

He is currently a Gold Life Legacy Member of Post 8760 in Beaufort, SC and a Red Star Life Member in Pup Tent 1 in Beaufort, SC. He is also a life member of Am Vets, DAV, and the Marine Corps League. He holds an annual membership with the American Legion and the Loyal Order of the Moose.

He humbly asks for your support through your vote for the position of Supreme Jr. Vice Commander 2020-2021 in Reno, NV.



## **Gordon K. Lam for Supreme Jr. Vice Commander 2020-21**



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'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.

Also a member of: Gold Legacy Life Member VFW, Life Member Disabled American Veterans, member of the American Legion, Life member of the VFW National Home for Children, Life member of the Texas Horny Toads, a Life Member in the Blue Guards holding the rank of Lt. General and a Lieutenant in the Keystone Kops.

Currently appointed as the **Supreme Adjutant (2014-Present) and the District 5 Hospital Chairman (2005-2009, 2011- 2017, 2020-.)**

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.

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, the MOCA and the VFW.

**I will continue as the Supreme Adjutant for as long as requested.**

**I therefore seek your support for the office of Supreme Jr. Vice Commander 2020-21.**

# **Gary Dressel for Supreme Quartermaster 2020-21**

**Listen Cooties,**

At Supreme convention 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 at Headquarters. 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 for your support and I look forward to seeing you at Supreme Convention.

**Yours in LOTCS,**

**Gary Dressel  
Supreme Quartermaster  
2019-2020**



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)

## Supreme President's Message

This year has flown by so fast. I have truly enjoyed working with the membership of this organization. We have faced many obstacles such as COVID-19. Thank you to the Military Order of the Cootie for all you do for the Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary. Thank you to all members for a wonderful job serving our veterans. We have to always remember the reason we belong to this organization is because of our veterans.

To the upcoming 2020 – 2021 officers, appointed officers and chairmen, I wish you all a successful year.

MOCA auxiliaries, please remember to send a copy of your election/installation reports to the Supreme President, Supreme Treasurer and Supreme Secretary.

Please continue to follow the advertised procedures dealing with COVID-19. Take care of your family and be vigilant to others whose health may already be compromised. I pray each of you continue to be healthy and safe.

Loyally,

Marquitta "Nikki" Hill,  
Supreme President  
2019 - 2020



# **Supreme MOCA Special Project Chairman**

## **SUPREME PPRESIDENT'S SPECIAL PROJECT YEAR END REPORT 2019 – 2020**

I would like to thank Supreme President Marquitta for giving me the opportunity to serve the Supreme MOC Organization as the Supreme President's Special Project Chairman this year. It has been quite an experience!!! I have enjoyed reading the reports I have received, and only wish I had received more. I can't wait to receive a final donation report so I can see the total donation amount – the total of all the really great work you have done this year for our veterans.

I am pleased to announce the Outstanding Program winners for the Grand Auxiliaries and the local Auxiliaries at this time.

Grand Group 1: Grand of Mississippi, Chairman. Benita Lyman

Grand Group 2: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Grand of New Mexico, Chairman. Janis Wimmer  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Grand of Michigan, Chairman. Josephine Miller  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Grand of Wisconsin, Chairman. Judy Borg

Grand Group 3: Grand of Ohio, Chairman. Susan Cihlar

Auxiliary Group 1: New Mexico #14, Chairman. Marcia Saiz  
New Mexico #19, Chairman. Shelly Ravak  
New Mexico #20, Chairman. Georgene Knecht  
Ohio #92, Chairman. Susan Cihlar

Auxiliary Group 2: Michigan #32, Chairman. Kathryn Kirby  
Mississippi #17, Chairman. Denise Kindred  
New Mexico #7, Chairman. Danielle J. Garcia  
Ohio #92, Chairman. Susan Cihlar

Auxiliary Group 3: Michigan #24, Chairman. Ivy Shaffer  
Mississippi #7, Chairman. Benita Lyman  
New Mexico #5, Chairman. Lee Ann Lam

Auxiliary Group 4: Alaska #2, Chairman. Tina Stoddard  
Pennsylvania #33, Chairman. Lori Friday

**Due to the cancellation of the Supreme Convention,  
all Certificates will be presented at the C of A at Tomb Trek.**

**The Horseshoe Flag will be shipped from the manufacturer to the winner  
who will be chosen when I have all of the raffle tickets in hand.**

**Thank you for all you continue to do for our Veterans.  
With Love and Loyalty, Susan Cihlar, Chairman**

# **Auxiliary to the Military Order of the Cootie**

## **General Order #6 Series 2019 - 2020**

Please continue to follow the advertised procedures dealing with COVID-19. Take care of your family and be vigilant to others whose health may already be compromised. I pray each of you continue to be healthy and safe. Please follow Executive Order #3 regarding elections.

### **1. Elections/Installations:**

- Election/Installation report must be filled out entirely and signed by the installing officer before submitting to Supreme.
- Local Auxiliaries and Grands: Please send copies of all election/installation reports to Supreme President Marquitta Hill, Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard and Supreme Secretary Georg Jean Zimmerman.
- **All elections/installations must be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>. No exceptions.**

### **2. Supreme Convention:** Supreme Convention has been cancelled.

### **3. Supreme Credentials/Delegates:** Forms are now available. Forms must be received by Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard in order to vote at Supreme Convention. Installation report must be correctly filled out and received by the Supreme Treasurer in order to vote.

### **4. Supreme Registration:** Please send registration to Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard in order to receive the Supreme Convention Book and 2020 – 2021 program book/CDs. All books/CDs will be mailed to those who register.

### **5. Membership Kits: All election/installation reports must be received before kits are mailed out.**

### **6. Supreme President's Pins:** There are still pins available to purchase for \$3.00 each. Those who have pins on consignment, please send monies to Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard and earmark it Supreme President Marquitta Hill's pins.

### **7. Supreme Awards:** Supreme President and Supreme Chairmen will give out awards at Tomb Trek.

### **8. Supreme Raffle Tickets:** All raffles will be done at Tomb Trek. Please send all monies and tickets to Supreme Treasurer Penney Howard and earmark the check.

### **9. Supreme Donations:** Don't forget to send in your donations to Supreme Treasurer as soon as possible.

10. **Supreme President Marquitta Hill's mailing address is P. O. Box 16113, Hattiesburg, MS 39404.**

11. To those who are ill, our best wishes for a speedy recovery. To those who have lost loved ones, we extend our sympathy and prayers.

**Attested By:**

*Georg Jean Zimmerman*

Georg Jean Zimmerman  
Supreme Secretary

**By Order Of:**

*Marquitta "Nikki" Hill*

Marquitta "Nikki" Hill  
Supreme President



# Supreme MOCA Membership Report

June 22, 2020

State	2019	2020	%
<b>Division 1 (under 100)</b>			
Illinois	68	75	110.29%
Kansas	97	90	92.78%
Louisiana	78	76	97.44%
Maryland	93	86	92.47%
Mississippi	97	100	103.09%
New York	93	130	139.78%
<b>6 Grands</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>105.89%</b>

<b>Division 2 (101-150)</b>			
Colorado	103	100	97.09%
New Jersey	108	84	77.78%
New Mexico	122	111	90.98%
Oregon	140	132	94.29%
Washington	145	148	102.07%
<b>5 Grands</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>93.04%</b>

<b>Division 3 (151-180)</b>			
Arizona	157	140	89.17%
North Carolina	163	169	103.68%
Ohio	176	149	84.66%
South Carolina	160	175	109.38%
Texas	168	161	95.83%
Virginia	158	153	96.84%
Wisconsin	178	181	101.69%
<b>7 Grands</b>	<b>1160</b>	<b>1128</b>	<b>97.24%</b>

State	2019	2020	%
<b>Division 4 (181 &amp; over)</b>			
California	203	194	95.57%
Florida	263	203	77.19%
Michigan	183	185	101.09%
Minnesota	259	227	87.64%
Missouri	200	183	91.50%
<b>5 Grands</b>	<b>1108</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>89.53%</b>

## 100% Auxiliaries since 3/30/20

Arizona #11	100.00%
California #6	100.00%
California #19	103.45%
California #68	110.00%
Colorado #2	110.53%
Florida #32	100.00%

State	2019	2020	%
<b>Division 5 (Auxiliaries not in a Grand)</b>			
Alaska #2	29	22	75.86%
Arkansas #13	21		0.00%
Delaware #2	22	24	109.09%
Delaware #4	22	23	104.55%
Georgia #5	15	16	106.67%
Georgia #66	19	17	89.47%
Iowa #6	9		0.00%
Kentucky #7	26	26	100.00%
Kentucky #9	35	34	97.14%
Massachusetts #14	37	33	89.19%
Montana #10	31	32	103.23%
Nebraska #10	51	53	103.92%
Nevada #2	17	10	58.82%
Nevada #5	20		0.00%
Pennsylvania #33	14	17	121.43%
Pennsylvania #44	29	26	89.66%
Pennsylvania #59	39	32	82.05%
South Dakota #1	21	21	100.00%
South Dakota #12	18	18	100.00%
South Dakota #20	21	21	100.00%
Tennessee #5	44	40	90.91%
Tennessee #9	13		0.00%
Tennessee #26	24	19	79.17%
West Virginia #6	26	33	126.92%
	<b>603</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>85.74%</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4015</b>	<b>3769</b>	<b>93.87%</b>

Louisiana #3	100.00%
New Mexico #14	100.00%
New York #54	104.17%
North Carolina #3	102.86%
South Carolina #1	100.00%
South Carolina #10	100.00%
South Carolina #13	100.00%
South Carolina Grand	109.38%
South Dakota #1	100.00%
South Dakota #12	100.00%
Texas #11	100.00%
Virginia #1	104.65%
Virginia #14	100.00%
Wisconsin #9	109.76%

CONGRATULATIONS

GREAT JOB!!!

# Supreme MOCA Hospital Report

April 30, 2020											
GRA ND	QUOTA	REPORTS	VISITS	MEMBER RS	PATIENTS	TOTAL HOURS	MILES	GIFTS	Blood	TOTAL CREDITS	%
<b>Supreme District #1--Vickie Peterson, Commissioner</b>											
DE	\$11,000.00	13	58	59	312	202.00	3886.00	182.00	1	5281.14	48.01
MD	\$23,250.00	31	201	211	8341	2216.50	8557.00	4519.05	6	55419.11	238.36
PA	\$20,500.00	42	89	92	1519	673.75	4824.00	10376.86	2	26245.28	128.03
VA	\$39,500.00	56	182	214	2439	1414.25	11898.00	32019.31	18	65576.37	166.02
WV	\$6,500.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	741
Total	\$100,750.00	142	510	576	12611	4506.50	27165.00	47097.22	27	152521.90	151.39
<b>Supreme District #2--Anna Holm, Commissioner</b>											
FL	\$65,750.00	103	643	802	7912	7720.75	30461.00	26667.60	24	205035.05	311.84
GA	\$8,500.00	10	70	89	1159	212.75	2860.00	855.50	0	6053.41	71.22
LA	\$19,500.00	18	43	63	1790	517.00	3752.00	4792.93	0	16976.56	87.06
MS	\$25,500.00	56	852	971	10386	3487.50	17422.00	4715.19	1	85797.45	336.46
NC	\$40,750.00	75	538	767	6048	3586.50	23189.00	27279.07	1	110950.11	272.27
SC	\$40,000.00	89	106	265	5321	1439.75	8739.00	8332.04	2	42021.86	105.05
TN	\$20,250.00	6	21	46	461	293.50	1190.00	1986.00	0	8771.03	43.31
Total	\$220,250.00	357	2273	3003	33077	17237.75	87613.00	74628.33	28	475605.46	215.94
<b>Supreme District #3 -- Julie Constable, Commissioner</b>											
IL	\$17,000.00	51	42	121	736	897.50	5867.00	9767.67	9	30827.68	181.34
KY	\$15,250.00	15	74	102	388	523.50	11034.00	3672.64	0	17022.33	111.62
MI	\$45,750.00	48	260	349	4001	1913.50	22978.00	2161.41	0	48527.76	100.07
OH	\$44,000.00	89	159	270	4671	1641.20	12080.00	15448.13	1	53281.92	121.10
WI	\$44,500.00	69	171	400	9767	2343.75	22176.00	4182.69	5	60118.89	135.10
Total	\$166,500.00	272	706	1242	19563	7319.45	74135.00	35212.54	15	209778.57	125.99
<b>Supreme District #4 -- Carolyn Bell, Commissioner</b>											
IA	\$2,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
KS	\$24,250.00	45	523	612	12990	3072.00	27295.00	6565.19	0	79660.09	328.50
MN	\$64,750.00	60	659	1036	41977	5169.25	54437.00	8370.59	15	132558.36	204.72
MO	\$50,000.00	194	486	922	14065	3130.25	40550.00	23280.43	20	99544.57	199.09
MT	\$7,750.00	13	346	374	4879	3229.00	8761.00	2549.00	0	76589.49	988.25
NE	\$12,750.00	27	66	172	1657	879.50	9452.00	1555.45	2	22711.46	178.13
SD	\$15,000.00	2	3	8	35	72.00	607.00	290.00	0	1998.58	13.32
Total	\$176,750.00	341	2083	3124	75603	15552	141102	42611	37	413063	233.70
<b>Supreme District #5 -- Sheila Perkins, Commissioner</b>											
AR	\$5,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
CO	\$25,750.00	19	20	56	763	402.25	3200.00	4291.77	0	13810.51	53.63
NM	\$30,500.00	54	70	159	2565	3053.75	16496.00	11086.50	0	82258.00	269.70
TX	\$42,000.00	109	136	374	3352	3961.25	15596.00	25927.71	0	114946.26	273.68
Total	\$103,500.00	182	226	589	6880	7417.25	35292.00	41305.98	0	211014.77	203.88
<b>Supreme District #6 --Cathy Seippel, Commissioner</b>											
AK	\$7,250.00	24	25	34	277	158.00	1380.00	609.93	0	4366.03	60.22
AZ	\$39,250.00	109	436	450	7578	3035.75	17746.00	10595.69	0	81536.29	207.74
CA	\$50,750.00	20	55	86	894	1619.25	7671.00	13001.71	1	50589.74	99.68
NV	\$9,250.00	7	7	9	19	29.25	371.30	56.00	0	767.57	6.30
OR	\$35,000.00	84	209	287	5464	1763.00	15118.00	3886.76	2	45758.93	130.74
WA	\$36,250.00	64	319	444	16554	2876.75	11620.00	19973.77	3	75017.18	206.94
Total	\$177,750.00	308	1051	1310	30786	9482.00	53906.30	48123.86	6	258035.74	145.17
<b>Supreme District #7 -- Clare Prevot, Commissioner</b>											
MA	\$9,250.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
NJ	\$27,000.00	42	88	140	1444	1859.25	6322.00	5123.27	0	47934.44	177.53
NY	\$23,250.00	56	311	310	17050	2229.50	4092.00	1563.61	0	52411.72	225.43
Total	\$59,500.00	98	399	450	18494	4088.75	10414.00	6686.88	0	100346.15	168.65
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Submitted By		JANIS WIMMER		Supreme Hospital Commissioner							

## Jennifer Winn for Supreme MOCA President

**Sisters & Brothers,**

I'm proud to announce my Candidacy for the High Office of Supreme President to the Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary.

Along with my Auxiliary Virginia Beach Coots #9 and the Grand of Virginia, we would like your continuous support and endorsement, as I proudly take the next step for the High Office of Supreme President.

Within the Supreme level I've had the honor to be Guard, Chaplain, Jr. and Sr. Vice President.

This year with the coronavirus travel was suspended. However, in the past years I've had the honor to attend many Grands as their Supreme Rep and Auxiliary not in a Grand. I have also participated in laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier during to Tomb Trek weekend; which to this day I still feel it's a humbling experience each and every year. Additionally, I attended and had so much fun at Cootie Christmas at the VFW National Home for Children.

I have been honored to be able to make numerous visits to VA Hospitals, nursing homes and rehabs, not only in my State but also in others, as I have traveled for Supreme and personal fun supporting other Auxiliary, Pup Tents and Grands.

I have a great commitment and dedication to our Veterans and members. I have loved and enjoyed our organization since I became a member of the Virginia Beach Coots #9. I take pride in being an auxiliary member working as a team keeping our Veterans and members smiling in the Cootie motto "Keep 'em Smilin' in beds of White". Thank you for supporting me for the High Office of Supreme MOCA President.



# **Gloria Corno for Supreme MOCA Guard**



## **MOC Auxiliary Grand of New Jersey Military Order of the Cootie**

TO: All Past Supreme Presidents, Supreme Officers and Chairmen, All Grands, and All Members,

On behalf of the Grand of New Jersey MOCA we are proud to endorse PGP Gloria Corno from the Grand of New Jersey as a candidate for the high office of Supreme Guard 2020-2021. Gloria joined the MOCA in the mid 1990's and immediately became very active in both her Auxiliary and the Grand of New Jersey. She has served as Auxiliary President for two terms and has been an Auxiliary Treasurer. Also she has served in the Grand chairs for at least two terms each and has also been Inspector, Parliamentarian, National Home Chairman, and many other duties. She is currently serving as Grand President of the Grand MOCA of New Jersey. She is also active in her Department and has had numerous chairmanships and officer duties. She has served as District President for four terms and has been an Auxiliary President four times. She has been at the past thirteen Supreme Conventions and has been at Tomb Trek at least eleven times and has also visited the National Home for both Cootie Christmas and Easter Treat.

Besides her Auxiliary's support, Gloria has the support of her husband Past Supreme Commander Ralph Corno and her entire family.

We the members of the Grand of New Jersey MOCA are asking for your support and your vote at our Supreme Convention in Reno, Nevada for our Candidate Gloria Corno for Supreme Guard for year 2020-2021

Loyally,

By order of the Grand President

*Clare E Prevot*

*Gloria Corno*

Clare E Prevot  
Grand Secretary

Gloria Corno  
Grand President

## **Message from Gloria Corno Grand President of New Jersey**

My name is Gloria Corno and I am seeking the office of Supreme Guard for the ensuing year 2020-2021. I have the endorsement of my MOCA Auxiliary #15 Jockey Hollow, and the Grand of New Jersey MOCA. I have been a member for many years and I previously served as Grand President in 2002-2003. I have served in all the Grand Chairs at least two (2) terms each, and I have served in all the Grand and local auxiliary chairmanships including, chief of staff, and National Home. I was a VAVS Rep for over eight (8) years at the Lyons VA Hospital. I only was forced to leave because of my work schedule. I now attend all the VAVS meetings even not as a rep because I believe that we must be sure that our Veterans are always receiving the best care. Care is not limited to *medical* or *psychiatric* help but also includes food, housing, cleanliness,

and the happiness of the residents either long term or short term. We must ensure that there is a variety of activities offered to all residents including bingo, birthday socials, holiday crafts, and others requested by the patients. There should be trips to special events and in some cases, patients cannot attend because there are not enough chaperones to attend with them. This is a great volunteer opportunity. I also attend numerous hospital visits with Auxiliaries to assist in bingo, serving lunch, etc.

I know that I would be an asset to the Supreme Organization since I have the experience in both the MOCA and in the VFW Auxiliary after having served as a Department Chairman, and officer many times. I believe that no Veteran should die alone, and I will strive to bring this to a reality. Many Veterans die at local nursing homes with no family and hopefully we can expand the VA program and bring it locally. I also want to be certain that together we can help with the suicide problem in this country. Sometimes, all it would take is one of us taking the time to listen and offering to call the #800 number or even just carrying this important number and offering it to any Veteran who may or may not be suffering.

I come from a Military family. My father served in the US Navy for 22 years, and all my children are active VFWA members, and all are members of the MOCA. My husband Ralph is a Past Supreme Commander and is now serving his third term as Grand Commander.

I am available to visit your Grand events and would love the opportunity to spend some time with you.

Thank you for your consideration and hopefully support in my candidacy

Loyally,

Gloria Corno

Candidate for Supreme Guard 2020-2021

Cell 732-407-1068, Home 732-287-6598,

Email: [VFWA5@aol.com](mailto:VFWA5@aol.com)



## Dave Johnson for Supreme MOCA Guard

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 Guard to the MOC Auxiliary 2020-2021.

With the Changes in the VFW Auxiliary Policy and Bi-Laws Dave was honored to become a VFW Auxiliary member in February 2016. He became a member of the MOC Emerald 4 Auxiliary of Oregon in September 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 has been volunteering and working for veterans since he retired and moved to Oregon in 2008. He volunteered for many VFW and MOCA activities before he became a member. He participated in hospital, nursing home and rehabilitation center visits before he became a member of either organization as he felt it was his mission to support our veterans.



Since becoming a member, he has held offices in his VFW auxiliary, and District. He is currently The Conductor for his auxiliary, the District 13 Auxiliary Treasurer for VFW, President of his MOC Auxiliary, for 2019-2020, Trustee for the Grand of Oregon Auxiliary, Chaplain for Supreme District 13, Auxiliary and Past Assistant Guard for the Supreme Auxiliary. He is also the COOTIE Auxiliary Volunteer representative at Eugene, Oregon VA Clinic. He would be honored to serve the Supreme organization as Guard for 2020-2021.

Dave was born in Montana, but grew up and lived in California for over 50 years. He raised 3 sons there, but upon retirement he wanted to move to Montana. He soon realized the minus 40-degree winters were not something he could tolerate so instead he moved to Oregon. He found similar landscapes but a warmer climate.

Dave has leadership experience in other large organizations such as Rotary International, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and numerous medical business and professional organizations. He wants to use these talents to help our organization grow and prosper.

He feels that to ensure our organization remains vital we must follow our Motto: *"Keep 'em Smiling in Beds of White"*. Our Veterans are our purpose for our organization to exist. We need to support our hospitalized Veterans whether they be in a VA Hospital, Rehab Center or local facility. It is important to let them know they are not forgotten and are valued for themselves and their service to this nation.

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, his Grand and Supreme District 13. We are asking for your support for him at this 2020-2021 Supreme Convention.

We would appreciate your support of Dave for the high office of Supreme Guard in Reno, Nevada in July 2020.

Loyally,

Sheila Logan  
Grand of Oregon



## Supreme MOCA Membership

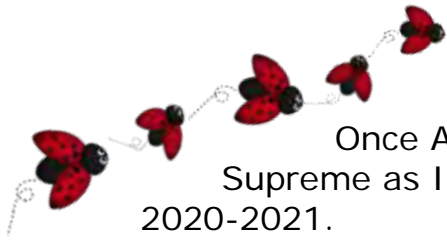
With the Corona virus pandemic going on we all have a lot of issues to deal with. I am hoping and praying that all our members and their families are well. If not, please reach out to your Auxiliary sisters and brothers for assistance.

Family and health are our most important concerns. That being said, as we close out our Membership year, even with the Corona virus going on, there is still an opportunity to collect and transmit those last dues to bring your Auxiliary, Grand and the Supreme to 100%. You can contact members by phone or email and ask them to mail in their dues. Send them on to your Grand Treasurer – or to the Supreme Treasurer, if an Auxiliary not in a Grand. Remember the deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to contact me at 714-809-2874 or [mpeckmoca@gmail.com](mailto:mpeckmoca@gmail.com).

Achieving our 100% is one goal I believe we can achieve while we all “self distance” and can be one of the bright lights in this darkness.

**Marilyn Peck**  
**Supreme MOCA Membership Chairperson**  
**2019-2020**

# Billie Cassidy for Supreme MOCA Chaplain



Once Again, I am requesting your continued support at Supreme as I seek the next office as your Supreme Chaplain for 2020-2021.

Time is flying by so fast. Again, I had the honor of attending Tomb Trek in Washington D.C., participating in the laying of the wreaths at the "Argonne Cross Memorial" and then back to the "Cootie Christmas Party" at the VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, Michigan. This was a great experience.

A great big "KUDO" to all that took time and made time to support these events for these families.

I want to thank all of you for what you do for our Veterans.

Veterans are and always will be my mission.

Thank you for your Support!



*See you in  
"The Biggest Little City in the World" Reno  
Billie Cassidy*



# Supreme Cootie of the Year Program 2019-20

## Listen Cooties!

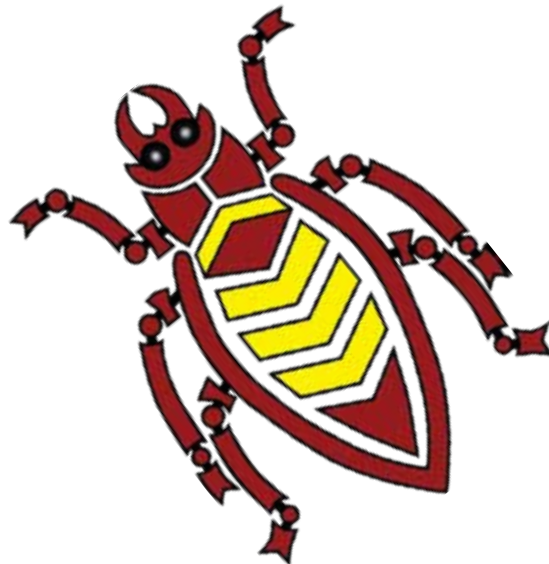
I know there are numerous Species Pediculi in our Grands that are constantly working the seams, keeping them smiling and being closer than a brother. If you know of such a lousy Cootie that you would like to submit to be considered for the award "Cootie of the Year", please send me a detailed description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



# **Tomb Trek Canceled for 2020**

**Listen Cooties,**

**T**hroughout my life I had a lot of tough things that I had to perform and accomplish. Well here is another.

I have to announce that this year's Tomb Trek is postponed till November 2021, mainly due to the COVID19 restrictions that are in place with no timelines. This is a tough time for all of us, not being together for our Supreme Convention, not being able to gather to visit our veterans, and now not gathering to pay honor to our fallen heroes. This is a tough decision to make, but it's one that we have to make in this time of what we are going through.

If you have made Hotel reservations please contact the hotel at (703) 521-1900, mention due to COVID19.

If you have made your registration, wreath registration you can either leave it in place for the Nov 2021 Tomb Trek or request for a refund. Either way, contact Jane Channell to let her know.

With all my heart I pray that this pandemic will be under control and I want all Cooties, MOC AND MOCA, to be safe.

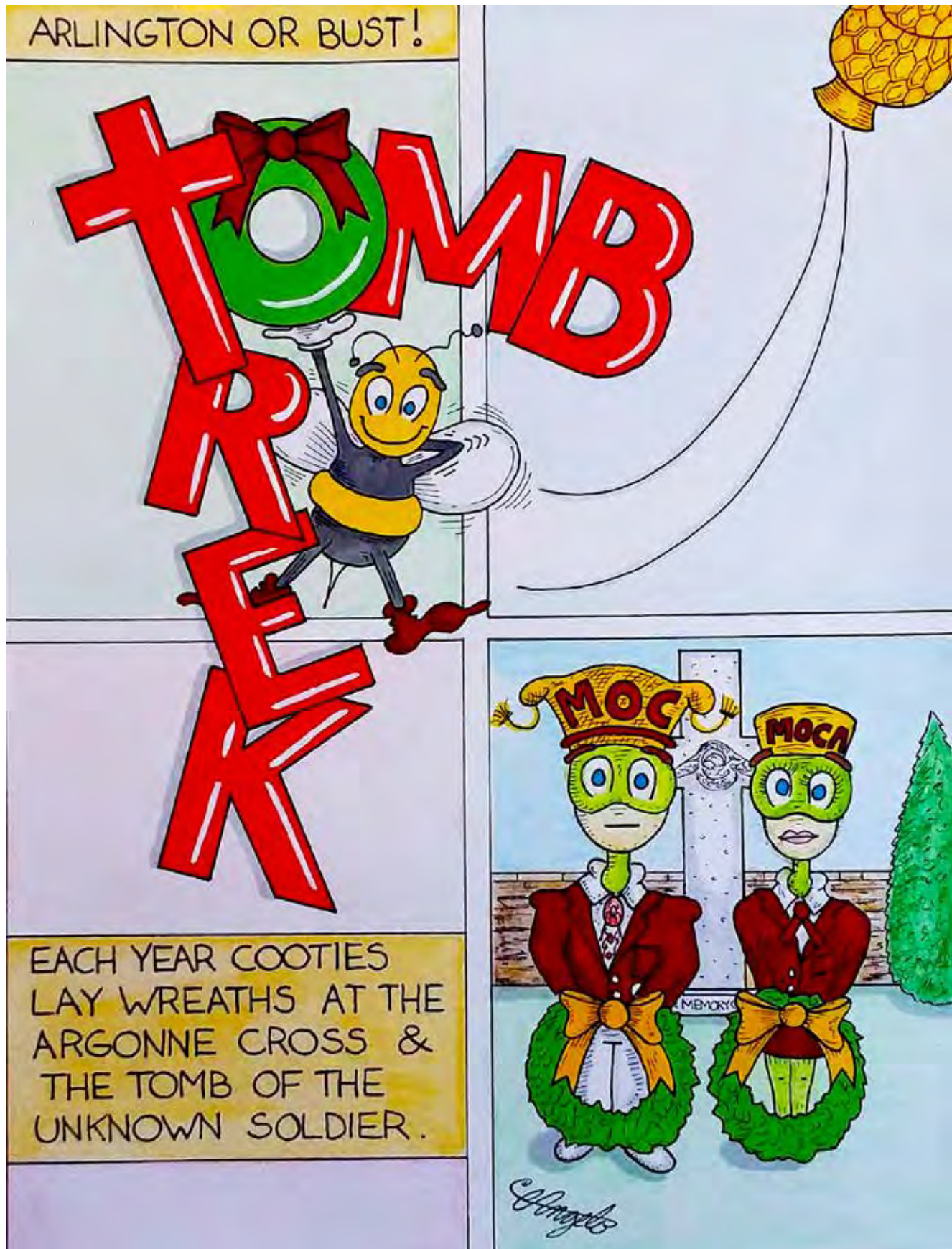
**Your in L.O.T.C.S.,**

**MARK M. NEWMAN**

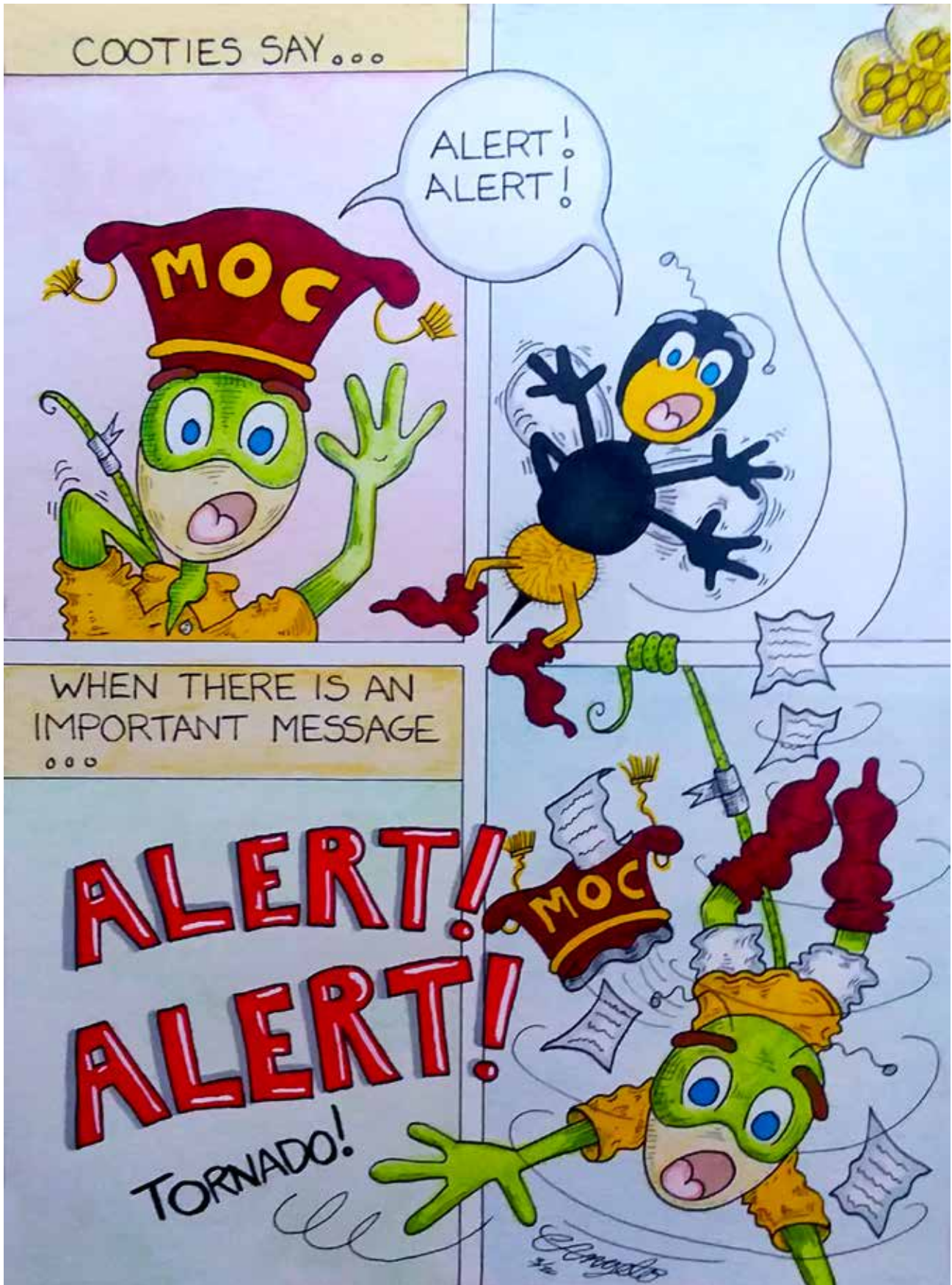
**Tomb Trek Chair**

**PSC 13-14**

# Tomb Trek 2021



**Alert! Alert!**



# Increase and Multiply



## Deliver Us From the Evil Within

**H**ave you ever seen the original Star Trek episode, “Let That Be Your Last Battlefield”? It first aired on January 10, 1969. It’s the story of two individuals from the planet Cheron, a planet that has been torn by bigotry and hatred.

The appearance of these two men is striking. They are both two-toned, completely black on one side of their bodies and completely white on the other.

One of these two, Lokai, is a fugitive who’s been pursued by a state official, Bele, for 50,000 years! Lokai reaches the Starship Enterprise in a stolen shuttlecraft and pleads for asylum from his pursuer. Soon Bele arrives in his own craft and demands that Lokai be handed over. Lokai plays the part of an oppressed, but lawless one. Bele fills the role of the oppressive, but law-abiding one. The crew of the Enterprise learns that each of them is representative of a different race on their planet. And each has long-held grievances against the other. But their hatred toward each other threatens to destroy the Enterprise.

When Captain Kirk and Science Officer Spock question Bele about their “irreconcilable racial differences” Bele is bewildered. “Are you blind?” he asks. “I am black on my right side. Lokai and his people are all white on their right side.” Even though they both have the same colors, color is still the issue.



Bele and Lokai

Ultimately, Bele takes over the Enterprise and uses it to return him and Lokai to Cheron. But they return to a world that has destroyed itself by racial hatred. They both beam down. And on its war-torn and blood-stained surface Lokai and Bele destroy each other - bringing all life on Cheron to an end.

The episode is a cautionary tale against racism, injustice, and violence. But the story’s one great flaw is that it portrays the crew of the Enterprise as above and beyond such feelings of bigotry and racial hatred. Racism is something they’ve put behind them centuries ago.

But racism will always be with us. And it’s not because of color, race, or other differences.



**Chaplain David Causey**

**US Army Retired**

Racism will always be with us because of something all human beings have in common. We are all sinners (Romans 3:23; 5:12). Every human being, regardless of their color or ethnicity, has a corrupted sinful nature (Jeremiah 17:9). And no amount of prosperity, education, or revolution will ever change that.

Just look at history. In the French Revolution (1789-1799), Alexander Robespierre and his colleagues believed political action could change human nature. But their efforts were a consummate failure. For they made the mistake of identifying “the evil of society” as the monarchy and the church, rather than in the human heart. And when they eliminated those two entities, evil was still very much present. For they all carried evil in their own sin-corrupted hearts. Their own orgy of injustice brought more misery on France in a decade than the monarchy had in centuries.

Look at the Bolshevik Revolution. The Bolsheviks identified the evil of society as the Tzar and the church. So they eliminated both of them, and proceeded to murder between 28-70 million of their own people. Evil was not in the Tzar or in the church any more than it was in themselves. And it was this refusal by the revolutionaries to recognize their own evil that made its manifestation so unrestrained.

Look at Hitler and the Nazi regime. They believed if they could just remove the “evil element” from society (e.g. the Jews, the Gypsies, the Slavs, the Communists, the trade unionists, and Christians) all their problems would be over. So they eliminated them, one by one. Yet Nazi Germany still self-destructed. It couldn’t come to grips with the most painful of all realities. Evil is in us all of us and only the Law of God can restrain it and only the grace of Jesus Christ can conquer it.

There is a way to overcome racism and bigotry. And it’s not by rioting and revolution. It begins by taking two critical steps. The first step is to acknowledge our own problem. Every human being, regardless of their color or ethnicity has a sin-corrupted nature (Genesis 8:21). As a result, it comes natural for all of us to be racists and bigots. Those who recognize their sin and flawed character at least have the advantage of being able to be on their guard against it. But those who insist on their own moral superiority and innocence will themselves become the greatest offenders. For, blind to their own sin, that sin goes unaddressed and its expression goes unrestrained. Therefore, pointing the finger at everyone besides yourself is a sure sign that you’re blind to the problems of your own heart. We must acknowledge our own sin.

The second step to overcoming racism and bigotry is to seek our own reconciliation with God and Christ’s power to change our hearts. All the while we cry for justice against other people we take little notice that we are all horribly in debt to God. And if that debt goes unpaid, it will send us to hell.

But God offers to freely forgive our terrible debt. All we have to do is acknowledge our guilt before Him, ask His forgiveness, trust in Christ's atonement for our sins, and plead for Him to transform our sinful hearts and to fill them with His love. This is the only way to find relief from the tyranny of our own racism and bigotry.

Now understand, in this life God will only transform the inner person (2 Corinthians 4:16-17; 5:17). The outer person will not be redeemed until the resurrection of the dead (Romans 8:18-25). And while this outer person remains unredeemed, he will cause us all kinds of problems. He will even be the source of racist feelings and bigotry. But with Christ dwelling in our hearts we'll have a force within us to overcome those hateful feelings (1 John 4:4). And Jesus Christ will slowly but surely conquer this and every other problem in our lives as we yield to His lordship (Romans 12:1-2; 16:20).

Therefore, if you are disturbed by all the racism and bigotry in America, then pray for God to pour out His Spirit upon our land. Pray for God to raise up people to proclaim the life-changing Gospel of Jesus Christ. Only the Spirit of God and the Gospel can change the human heart, which is the root of our problem.

And if you're distressed about all the riots in our land, then use all that negative energy to drive you to your knees in prayer to God. Let's pray for one another and pray for our nation. Without Jesus Christ in our hearts, America will self-destruct just like the planet Cheron.

PRAYER: Dear Father in heaven, here and now I acknowledge my own sinfulness and guilt. I am the racist and the bigot and I deserve Your judgments. But I plead for Your forgiveness, cleansing, and transforming power through Jesus Christ Your Son. Please forgive me and wash away my sins in the blood of Jesus Christ. Please fill me with Your Spirit and transform my inner person into a new creation. From this day forward, make me an instrument of Your peace, love, and healing in the lives of others.

Dear Father, please bless our tortured and divided land. You alone see the measure of pain, anger, and poison there is in our wounded hearts. Please heal our hearts through Jesus Christ. Please remove the pain and poison and replace them with Your love. Heal our war-torn land and grant that Your kingdom will come and Your will shall be done in America as it is in heaven.

Pour out Your Spirit upon us, O God, according to Your promise. Grant that Your Spirit will blow as a prevailing wind across our land, bending our hearts to You in faith and repentance and to each other in love and reconciliation. Through Jesus Christ, Amen.

# Cootie Identity Contest

Identify 10 Cooties or more and receive a Free Cootie Mask!



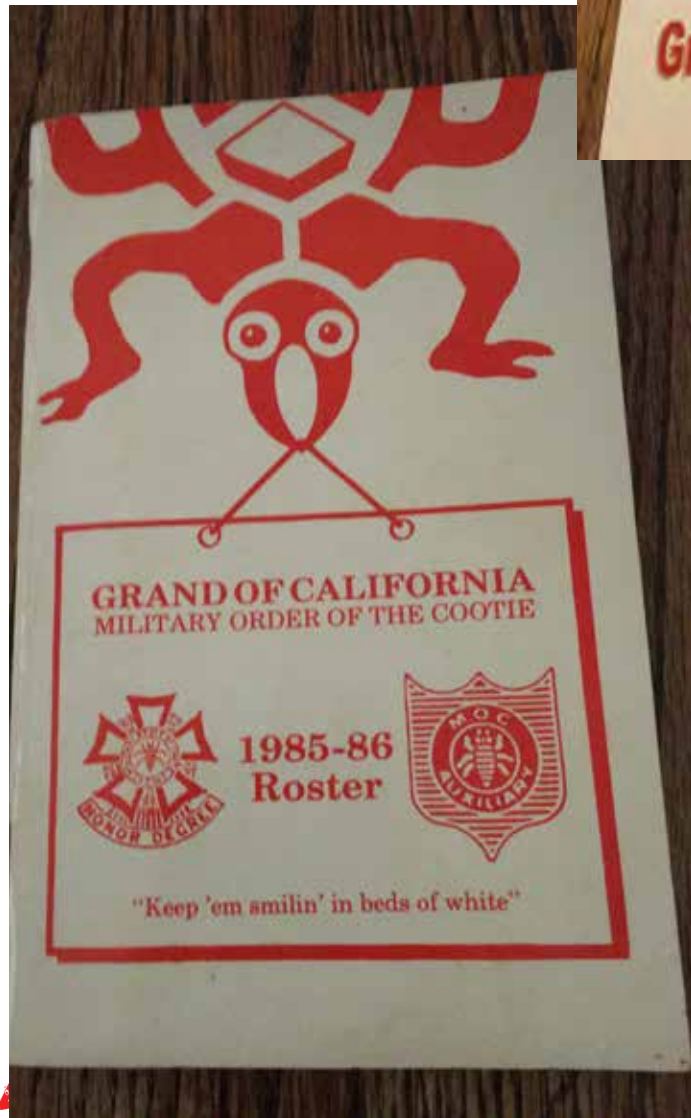


To enter the contest please send your (10) guesses along with the corresponding number to the Cootie Courier Editor at: [cootiecourier@lotcs.org](mailto:cootiecourier@lotcs.org). The deadline for entries is 15 JUL 20. Winners will be notified by e-mail.

# Grand of California

## MOC Grand Scratch of California

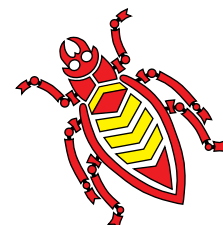
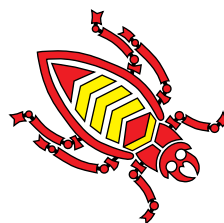
was held on the 23rd of May 2020 from 1000-Noon. Our Grand Scratch was done by Tele-Conference. All MOC Business was completed including Election of Grand Officers. Here is a photo of our "Grand Scratch Program Book" that will go done in "Cootie History"!



### A MOC of California Blast from the Past.

I attended the MOC Grand Scratch 1985-86 in San Diego, Ca. Grand Commander was Ralph E. Gibbs Jr. In 1985 we had 51 Pup-Tents and Area's I, Area 3, Area IV and V. I have included a photo of the "Grand Program Book. In 1986 the Grand Scratch was held in Buena Park, Ca. We need to recruit new "Members"!

**Courtesy of Cootie Steve Kemp  
Grand Historian of California**



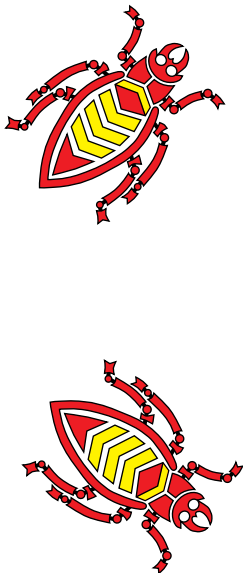
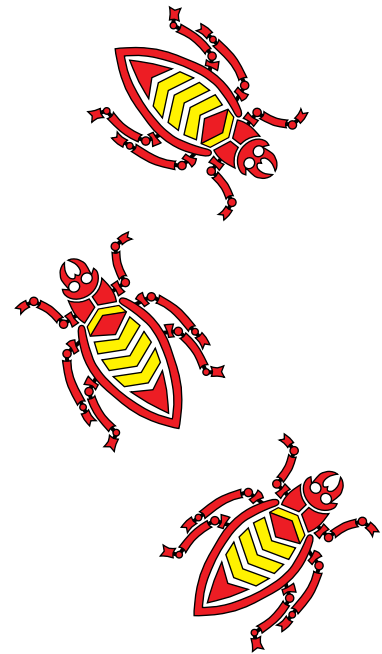
## Busy as a Bee in Californial!

Chuck Peterson, Vaughn Gates and Grand Commander Selso Cavazos have been busy bees donating masks to Mather VA hospital, Livermore VA hospital and Travis Air Force Hospital located in Fairfield which is at or about 90 miles West of Granite Bay/Roseville Areas.

The masks were created by the Loomis Ladies Quilter Guild. The Loomis Ladies Quilte Guild also donated twenty blankets. To date, over 1700 mask have been donated. What Lousy work!



Loomis Ladies Quilter Guild Blankets

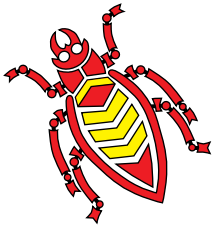




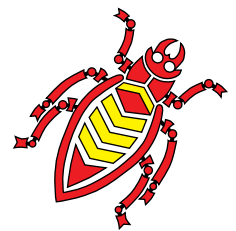
Chuck Peterson, Tashara Collins, Chief of Voluntary Services, and Selso Cavazos



Chuck Peterson, and volunteer



Chuck Peterson, Vaughn Gates and Selso Cavazos



Chuck Peterson has also been as busy as a bee donating power chairs to veterans during the COVID-19 pandemic. Keep up the Lousy work Brother!



◀ Mohamon Khan 85 year old Korean War veteran

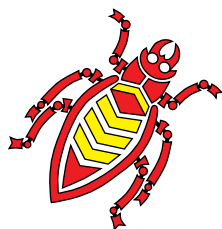
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# Grand of Florida



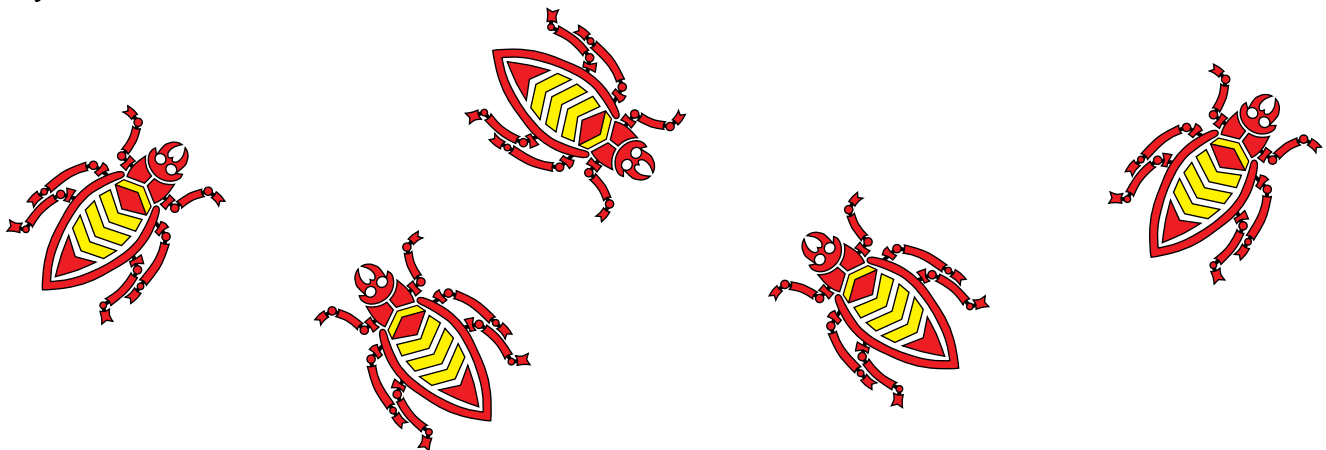
Tom Sutterfield was installed as Grand Commander of Florida on June 20th by Tom "Retread" Browne, PGC 2015-16 and 2017-18

*Courtesy of Tom Browne*

# Grand of Maryland



Cathy and Stephanie Maryland Cooties put on proper Cootie attire to deliver groceries to other Maryland cooties who were not physically capable or had the attire, making chores fun Cootie style.



# Grand of Michigan

## COVID-19 Forces Cancellation of Annual Outing Trips to Cedar Point and Lake Erie for VFW National Home for Children Residents



From left to right, Frederick Puffenberger, VFW National Home Executive Director; Michigan Grand Sr. Vice Commander Russell Makowski; Patti Marriott, VFW National Home for Children Event Coordinator; Michigan Grand Commander Eddie Dandridge, and Michigan Grand Jr. Vice Commander Nate Powell.

Grand Jr. Vice Commander Nate Powell (PT 32) was all set to accompany the residents of the VFW National Home for Children to Cedar Point on May 30th. Grand Sr. Vice Russell Makowski, who made the trip last year, was raring to accompany him. It is one of the highlights of the year for children at the VFW National Home for Children. The day begins with a hot breakfast provided and served by VFW Post 2529 followed by a day in the park.

The children of the National Home have been treated to a trip to Cedar Point for over 30 years. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the decision was made to cancel this year's trip for the safety of National Home for Children residents, staff, and VFW members according to Sue Alverson, VFW National Home for Children Development Director.

"It is definitely the most popular trip of the year. From the comfortable ride in a charter bus to the delicious breakfast at the Sandusky Post and the incredible generosity of the Cooties and the [VFW]Post 2529 members to provide the tickets and spending money, all of

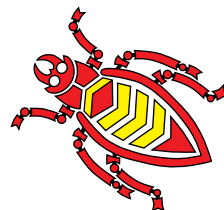
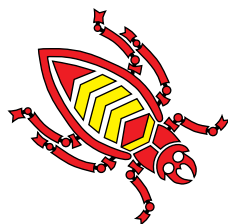
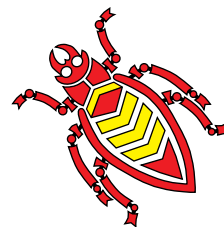
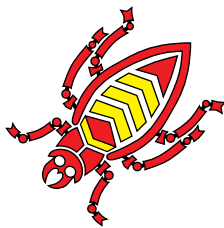
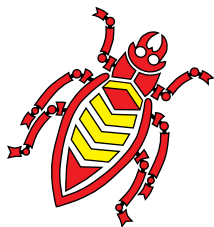
which makes a fun and memorable family experience for the residents,” said Nancy Bowers, National Home staff member.

Also affected by the pandemic was the annual fishing trip to Lake Erie. “The thing that I liked most about the fishing trip is that it gives the kids an opportunity to get out on one of the Great Lakes. They get so excited about heading out of port and being in the front of the boat as it splashes through the waves,” said Nancy. VFW Post 9871, North Ridgeville, Ohio, pays for the charter boat every year, and VFW Post 2480, Port Clinton, Ohio, provides the children and staff lunch. Jack Uber, Chaplain of Post 9871, is a beloved fixture of the annual trip.

“We plan to continue these fun traditions in the future, as it is a wonderful opportunity for our resident children to experience the fun of Cedar Point, the beauty of the Great Lakes, and the love of the VFW,” said Nancy.

It is the Grand of Michigan tradition that the Grand Jr. Vice Commander chairs the committee and accompanies the children on the annual Cedar Point trip. “I am sorry that I did not have the opportunity to chaperone the Cedar Point trip this year,” stated Grand Jr. Vice Commander Powell. “I was looking forward to sharing this experience with the VFW National Home residents. In 2021, there will be a new Grand Jr. Vice Commander, and maybe I will be able to accompany him or her on the Cedar Point trip.”

***Article Courtesy of Nate Powell, Grand Jr. Vice Commander***



## Former Michigan Military Order of the Cootie Grand Commander Eddie Dandridge Installed as District 5 Commander in Virtual Installation Ceremony



Newly installed District 5 Commander Eddie

Dandridge poses with his wife Rosalyn. Commander Dandridge is ready to lead, and "looks forward to us all working together with our incoming State Commander/Officers as One Team."



On 3 May 2020 Eddie Dandridge, Sr. was installed as the VFW Department of Michigan District 5 Commander by Department of Michigan Sr. Vice Commander Scott Gloger in a virtual installation ceremony. Mrs. Rosalyn Dandridge, member of the Fraser VFW Auxiliary Post 6691, placed the District 5 Commander cap on her husband's head. Commander Dandridge thanked his wife for always being by his side every step of the way. "Rosalyn has supported me through the Post level, County Council level, and now as the District 5 Commander," Commander Dandridge stated. Commander Dandridge also thanked his VFW Post 1794 and District 5 members for their unwavering support. Commander Dandridge said, "It was because of everyone who helped me get to every level. My parents always taught me you never achieve anything by yourself, it's always good people helping you along the way. You must thank all of them."

## **Zooming into Office was a First for the Installation of Elected Grand of Michigan Officers Due to COVID-19 (Coronavirus).**

PGC Eric Bell installed new Grand of Michigan officers at the Michigan Grand Officers Installation Ceremony in a synchronous ceremony hosted by VFW Post 345, Redford, on June 14, 2020 at 1300 hours. On the Zoom link hosted by PGC Bell were (top to bottom, left to right) incoming Grand Sr. Vice Commander, Nate Powell; PGC Ernie Paulin; incoming Historian, PGC Bob Wilson; Quartermaster, Shane Houghton, and Judge Advocate Jon Adams. Not shown is incoming Chaplain Jennifer Smith.



Also in attendance, person-to-person distanced six feet apart, were (from left to right) PGS Patrick Henderson; PT 32 Seam Squirrel, Horace Frazier; PGC Eric Bell; Bernie Brennan; PGC Bob Routhier Jr., and incoming Michigan Grand Commander Russell Makowski.

## Russel Makowski Installed as Military Order of the Cootie Michigan Grand Commander

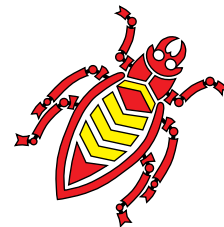
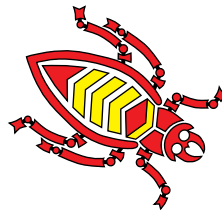


Grand Commander Makowski served in the United States Army and was originally stationed in Okinawa. In 1968, he received orders for Vietnam. When he arrived in Vietnam, he found out what the Tet offensive was all about.

Upon the completion of his tour in Vietnam, Makowski returned to Okinawa to be with his wife who was living as a non-sponsored dependent. He and his

wife frequently attended VFW Post 9723 on the Island where he became a Life member on Nov 24, 1969.

In the mid-1990s, Grand Commander Makowski joined the Detroit Oakland Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America; where he met two gentlemen named Robert Sage and Ray Konas. Both were members of VFW Post 1519 meeting in Livonia at that time. "Robert and Ray invited me to visit Post 1519 to attend a Post meeting, and after several months I decided to give it a try. Eventually, I transferred my membership to Post 1519," stated Grand Commander Makowski. "Post 1519 eventually moved to Northville and I became Jr. Vice Commander in 2010 and Senior Vice 2011 and Commander 2012 and 2013. During this time, I also became a Cootie and Seam Squirrel of Leaky Beer Hill, Pup Tent 12 (thanks to my good friend and Cootie mentor Don Allee). My Grand of Michigan Career began while attending a Cootie C of A in 2018 at Pup Tent 32 in Fenton. I agreed to run for Jr. Vice Commander, and on June 13, 2020, I was installed as MOC Grand of Michigan Commander." We all wish Grand Commander Makowski the best as he leads the Military Order of the Cootie, Grand of Michigan into another great year.



# Grand of North Dakota



Charlie Weible of PT 8 is the New Grand Commander of North Dakota for 2020-2021.



PT 12 Seam Squirrel Loren Headrick and C.C.D.B. Wayne Paulson recieved a Certificate from Supreme on being 100+2 in membership.



Some of the Cooties at the Scratch.



Grand Commander Jamie Olson presents Michelle Morgenroth her Cootie of the Year hat.



North Dakota Outgoing Grand Commander Jamie Olson.

# Grand of Tennessee

Hello Cooties,

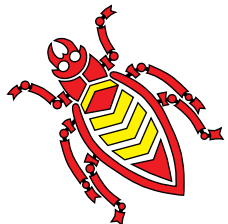
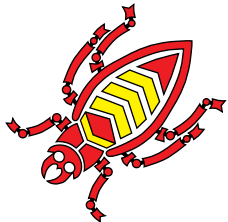
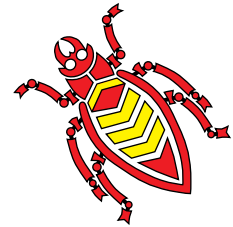
I hope all are safe during this difficult time in history that we are all going through. Pup Tent 5 of Tennessee has been basically been halted from doing our Cootie work due to the quarantine. No hospital or nursing home visits. We have been checking on the sick by telephone and computer. All are well in Tennessee.

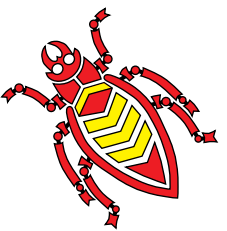
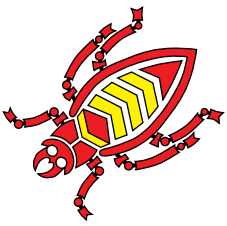
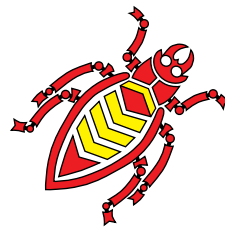
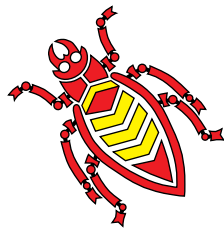
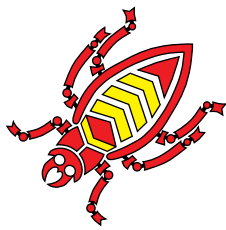
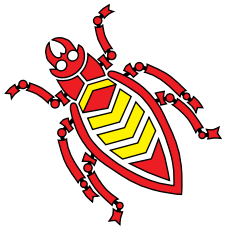
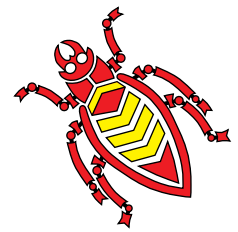
With our extra time, Cooties and volunteers in good health pitched in, while practicing social distancing, to build an open air pavillion to enjoy sitting and cooking under when all this is over with. With the help of many hands under the leadership of Seam Squirrel Charlie Goodreau, we were able to build this addition on the campus of VFW Post 8422 in Smyrna, TN. We were fortunate to get donations for material from Home Depot, Lowes and some members who wish to remain anonymous. This structure will be enjoyed by members and families for many years to come.

On behalf of Smyrna, TN, we wish all of our brothers and sisters and their families the best of health. Be safe! We have conquered many wars and we will conquer this as well. "Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of White!"

Yours in LOTCS,

Past Grand Commander John (Buy a Round) Rydzewski



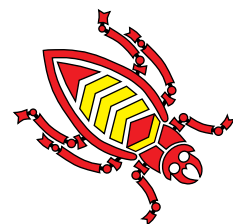
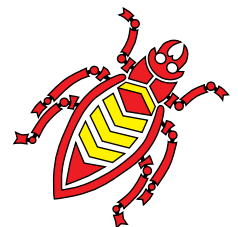
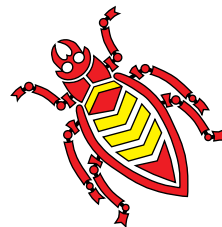


# Grand of Washington

## Pup Tent 3 Yur-A-Bum Puyallup

Cootie Ron Dier doing great hospital work in spite of the social distancing restrictions. So far, 250 washable masks have been made and donated to Good Samaritan Hospital in Puyallup and 3 Local nursing homes. An Additional 61 masks were made and donated specifically to the Orting Soldiers Home!!! He has about 125 miles picking up materials and delivering finished masks. Keeping the Cootie Spirit in spite of it all!!!! Thanks for keeping 'em smiling in beds of white!

*Photos Courtesy of Seam Squirrel Paul Herrera*





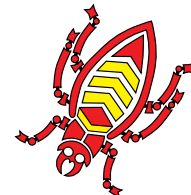
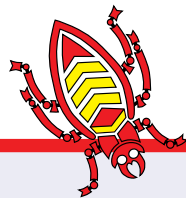
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# Cooties and COVID-19





# How the Editor

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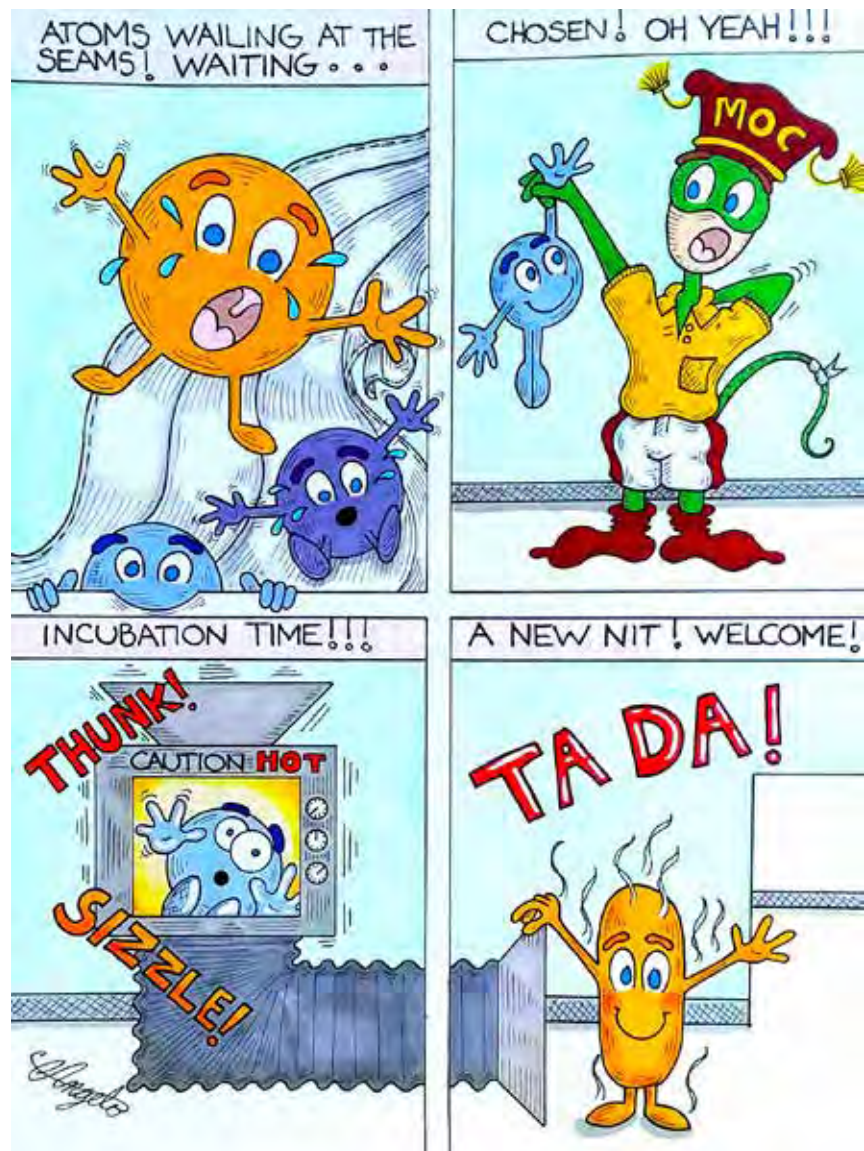
This COVID-19 pandemic affected our organization greatly. But, as Specie Pediculi, we know how to 'work those seams' so that we can get VFW members to take those backward steps and be a part of our 'Crummy Fraternity.' Our 'Hunting Grounds' may have a changed a bit, with social distancing, masks and such. As Cooties though, we are resilient and still have our mandate to 'Increase and Multiply.' Yes, it's still hunting season! This coming year the Supreme Commander's pin says "Increase and Multiply." As the Supreme Quartermaster has indicated in his article, we are below 10,000 members. So, we have to recruit new members to survive. On Pinterest, there many cartoons to assist Specie Pediculi in recruiting new members: <https://www.pinterest.com/supremehqmc/increase-and-multiply/>. I encourage all Cooties to check it out.

Finally, remember to practice social distancing guidelines, wear a mask and always remember to 'Spread the Blue and NOT the Goo!'

*Yours in LOTCS,*

*Dale A. Iannello*

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