

Dear Auxiliary Members,

This year has flown by. Here it is January 2024 and that is hard to believe. How time flies. I hope and pray that all of you had a wonderful holiday and that 2024 will be even a better year.

Cootie Christmas at the National Home was wonderful. It is always great to see the delight on all the children's faces when Santa and Mrs. Clause show up and give out gifts. Thanks to all of you that took the time to travel and participate in this event. I also want to send out a great big thanks to all the MOC's and the MOCA's that sent in their donations to help with this yearly event.

It is now time to start thinking about what is on the horizon. Grand Conventions are just around the corner. I have received some of your Representative Requests, but not all of them. I will try to send one of the Representatives that you requested. But, just remember, that cannot always happen.

Auxiliaries in a Grand: Nominations, elections, and installation of officers must be completed between January 15th and March 31st, 2024; **unless** the Supreme President has given the approval in writing, to delay it. IAW MOCA By-Laws Section 305, "Installations shall be held at a date to correspond with the Pup Tent and if desired by mutual consent of the Pup Tent and Auxiliary, may be joint. New officers will assume their duties at the same time as their Pup Tent.

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As most of you know, we have a new Supreme Treasurer. She is doing an awesome job on updating information into the database. Get those Membership Transmittals to her now. I have extended the membership cutoff date until 31 January. Do not sit on those transmittals. Remember that all Treasurers must have time to process them. A reminder to all, if your 2024 dues are not paid by 31 January on 1 February you will become a "Member not in good standing."

I personally want to thank all of you for your hard work and support that you have given to me. We still have a few months to go. I hope to see you as I travel throughout the country visiting the Grands.

Billie Cassidy

MOCA Supreme President