

GRAND OF VIRGINIA WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TO THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE OF THE USA

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GENERAL ORDER #4: To be read at the next Auxiliary meeting and filed.

I forgot to mention last month: Vicki Petersen, Supreme District Hospital Commissioner, did a fantastic school of instruction on filling out the new hospital forms. Thanks honey! Thank you also to Aux #9 for hosting this council meeting, setting up and cleaning up in record time!

Thank you all who attended **Tomb Trek!!** A special thanks to all who assisted in the Hospitality Room. I know I will leave someone out, but **Co-Chairs Marcia & Ken Eggers** and their little helpers, did an outstanding job. For all who donated food and time, helped cook, helped clean, patrolled that huge room, kept glasses filled and trash emptied, thank you from the bottom of my heart. It was a **Huge Job Well Done!** To those who placed wreaths at the Argonne Cross, truly a breathtaking experience, wasn't it?

According to our Booklet of Instructions, **absolutely no alcoholic beverages** will be permitted in the meeting room during business session. There will also be no smoking during the business session.

The usual reminders:

Audits must be conducted quarterly and mailed to the Grand Treasurer, Lula Lamb.

Hospital Reports to Hospital Chairman Delpha Martin. dwmartin8953@comcast.net

Vicki Petersen is again the chairman of Ways and Means. If anyone has any items she can use, please bring them to the next Grand Meeting in January in Williamsburg (Hopefully)

Blood supplies are still low. Please, if you are able to donate, do so now. For additional information call 1-800-448-3543 or visit the website www.weneedblood.org. If you are able to respond, please report to our Hospital Chairman, Delpha Martin.

Grand Chaplain, Donna Webster stands ready to assist any members in need, websweb@cox.net, She has only received reports from 2 auxiliaries, Chaplains, REPORT!

Blood shortages are so severe that Tidewater area hospitals are canceling elective surgeries. Please, if you are able to donate, do so now. For additional information call 1-800-448-3543 or visit the website

We are members of the greatest organization in the world, the Veterans of Foreign Wars. That we are also MOCA members, attests to our dedication to our service members and our veterans. We don't question what we need to do; we just get it done. Only by working hand in hand, with the Ladies Auxiliary and Post members, and combining our forces can we do what we do best: assist and care for our veterans.

Remember, only WE will "Keep them smiling in beds of white". Happy Thanksgiving, my dearest ladybugs, be safe and eat a lot of turkey. I'm so looking forward to turkey sandwiches!

My heart and prayers go out to those sisters who are ill or who have lost loved ones.

Grand President, Gail M. Payne

