

GRAND OF VIRGINIA AUXILIARY TO THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE OF THE USA

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December 2019

GENERAL ORDER #6: To be read at the next Auxiliary meeting and filed.

Officers and Chairmen:

| Pres | Gail Payne | Sr Vice | Irene Peters |
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| Jr Vice | Donna Webster | Chaplain | Lisa Horan Eck |
| Treas. | Lula Lamb | Conductress | Susan Adamczyk |
| Guard | Kelli Levitt | Secretary | Darlene Mays-Tittman |
| Chief of Stuff | Lisa Horan Eck | VAVS Rep | Robin Milewski |
| Nat'l Home | Teresa Evans | Ways/Means | Vickie Petersen/Lula Lamb |
| Hospital | Vickie Petersen | Scholarship | Rebecca Moninghoff |
| Mama Clown | Peggy Schupska | SPSP still need a volunteer??? | |

The usual reminders:

Audits must be conducted quarterly and mailed to the Grand Treasurer, Lula Lamb. Hospital Reports to Chairman Vickie Petersen, vpetersquilts@gmail.com, within 90 days!

Vicki Petersen and Lula Lamb are co-chairman of Ways and Means. If anyone has any items they can use, please bring them to the next Grand Meeting in January in Portsmouth.

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, Vickie Petersen.

Grand Chaplain, Lisa Horan Eck stands ready to assist any members in need, lisahoraneck@yahoo.com

Fun Day was held at **Post 3160, Ocean View on November 23**rd. Seam Squirrel, Melissa Barnes and MOCA Pres., Lisa Petersen, and the members of MOC/MOCA 1 hosted a fabulous event for the Grand. 6 members were initiated and came through beautifully! Thank you to all who attended!

Fall Council-

• Before any funds are disbursed, the motion MUST come across the floor of a meeting. No funds will be disbursed after an event if not approved beforehand.

- Tomb Trek wreaths are purchased by the Grand a year in advance, so Virginia can be in the front, and all auxiliaries together. Please make sure the Grand is reimbursed. Treasurers, it is time to pay your for your 2020 wreaths.
- Our very own **Jennifer Winn** will be elected Supreme President for 2020-2021. She has been raising funds for her Homecoming to be held February 5-7, 2021, at the Holiday Inn Oceanside, in Virginia Beach. Funds for the Homecoming will be run through MOCA #9, and donations are needed. Please forward your checks to Gail Payne, 3709 Palace Pl, Virginia Beach, VA 23452, and **EARMARK for Jennifer's Fund**. Jen will be the 1st Virginia Supreme President and needs all the support we can provide. Help on committees will also be needed!

The Military Order of the Cootie has been spreading Christmas cheer to the children of the **VFW National Home**, for over 89 years. On November 29- December 1, we will again, be traveling to Eaton Rapids, Michigan, to share the holiday spirit at the National Home with **Cootie Christmas**. See the MOC/MOCA website, **lotcs.org** for details.

I am told the Chaplain's **reports** are needed from MOCA 2 and 14. **Tina Brown**, Secretary of MOCA 9, thank you for filing these reports monthly from your minutes. I have not seen National Home Reports either. Please forward the Teresa Evans. SPSP-please forward to me! No one has reported!

Winter Council will be held at the Portsmouth Renaissance, on January 10-12, 2020. Call 757-673-3000. \$90/night Group Rate, deadline December 9th. Our meeting will be at **2-3pm on Saturday. Please make a note of the new time!**

All our Hospital events are open to ALL volunteers. So when your post or advertise an event, include this info. Many new members do not know what the Cooties do, so this is a good way to recruit! Remember, we never turn away volunteers!

Remember, while *Running to Support Our Veterans*, We Keep Them Smiling in Beds of White!

I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving! Please enjoy your time with friends and family!

My heart and prayers go out to those sisters and brothers who are ill, or who have lost loved ones. Please attend to these members with calls, cards or visits. Many times they do not reach out!

With Love & Respect, Gail M. Payne

