Grand of Virginia Military Order of the Cootie

GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 4 DECEMBER 2021

- <u>Commander's Remarks</u>: Cooties, having attended Tomb Trek and Cootie Christmas I can tell you that we are standing on solid ground when it comes to the pillars of our organization. With that being said, as individual units we look like we are on shaky ground. If you glance at individual reports, it looks like we are not doing the work. We are doing the work! We are just not reporting the work. Please put in your reports, whether that is Hospital, Blood, Recruiting, Membership, etc....
- 2. <u>Grand Email List:</u> Seam Squirrels, CCDB's, Hungry Cooties, and Cooties in the Grand should send an email to grandofvirginia+subscribe@groups.io to subscribe for communications from the Grand.
- 3. <u>Grand Recruiting Competition</u>: The Supreme is looking to recognize those Grands that are "refilling our VFW pond." If you are out there recruiting and not seeing your name on the list, please let us know so that we can account for your work recruiting new members to the VFW.
- 4. <u>Membership Awards</u>: In addition to the Recruiting Competition stated above the Supreme has announced the following awards:

PUP TENT AWARDS: Pup Tents with 100% paid membership PLUS a growth factor of two (2) new or reinstated members by 31 December 2021 and verified by Supreme Headquarters, will receive a Supreme Commander's pin and a Supreme Citation. Pup Tents will 100% paid membership by 31 May 2022 will receive a Supreme Citation.

SEAM SQUIRRELS and CCDB'S: Seam Squirrels and CCDB's with 100% paid membership PLUS a growth factor of two (2) new or reinstated members by 30 November 2021 and verified by Supreme Headquarters, will receive an "Outstanding SS" and "Outstanding CCDB" pin, and a Supreme Citation. The Seam Squirrel's name will be entered into a drawing to win one of the following for the 103rd Supreme Convention:

- 1) A three day stay,
- 2) A Two-day stay and a banquet ticket,
- 3) A one day stay and a banquet ticket.

This is only for the Seam Squirrel; is not transferable and is only for the room. This does not include food or transportation costs. Transmittals must be postmarked by 30 November 2021. Pup Tents with 100% paid membership by the end of the 2021-2022 year (31 May 2022) will receive a Supreme Citation.

 Supreme Zoom Calls: Supreme MOC has a Zoom call on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. Send an email to <u>cootieworker-Zoom@yahoo.com</u> to receive an invite to join the call.

"Keep 'em Smilin' in Beds of White"

6. <u>Grand Emails</u>: The Department of Virginia has been gracious enough to provide email addresses for use by the Grand. Please use the below emails for official correspondence.

Here are directions for logging into your new account for the first time.

- 1. Go to Department web site <u>www.vfwva.org</u>.
- 2. Click on Resources, Microsoft 365.
- 3. The username is your email address; put that on the first line (see below for your new address).
- 4. Your default password will be VFW2021!

Once you have accessed the mail program you will be asked to change it; it must contain at least one uppercase letter and one number.

a.	Grand Commander	grandcdr@vfwva.org
b.	Grand Quartermaster	grandqm@vfwva.org
с.	Grand Adjutant	<u>grandadj@vfwva.org</u>
d.	Pup Tent 1	puptent1@vfwva.org
e.	Pup Tent 2	puptent2@vfwva.org
f.	Pup Tent 5	puptent5@vfwva.org
g.	Pup Tent 9	puptent9@vfwva.org
h.	Pup Tent 11	puptent11@vfwva.org
i.	Pup Tent 13	puptent13@vfwva.org
j.	Pup Tent 14	puptent14@vfwva.org
k.	Pup Tent 17	puptent17@vfwva.org

- 7. <u>Pup Tent Scratches:</u> In accordance with Supreme By-Laws, Article II, Section 213, all Pup Tents shall hold at least one scratch per month.
- Hospital Reports: Monthly Hospital Reports are due by the 7th of each month and should be sent directly to the Grand Hospital Chairman Robert "Check" Adamczyk hospitalmocgrandva@vfwus.org.
- <u>Blood Reports</u>: Blood Reports should be submitted to <u>http://vampire.puptent1.org/</u> in order for the computer to recognize your effort. Questions or pleas for assistance may be directed to the Supreme Vampire via the above page.
- 10. <u>Pup Tent Inspections:</u> Pup Tent Inspections will begin in August. The inspector will give advance notice of their visit and it is important that you be prepared with the updated books and records of the HC and CCDB. In addition, you should have on hand proof of your CCDB bond and the latest Quarterly Report of Audit. Attendance of the SS, HC, and CCDB is paramount to a quality, worthwhile visitation.

- 11. <u>Membership Cards and Pup Tent Roster:</u> Supreme has mailed out Pup Tent Membership Rosters and Continuous Membership Cards for the 2021-2022 membership. Please verify all contact information on the roster included with the membership cards and forward any corrections on the appropriate forms to Grand Quartermaster Marcia Eggers. Reports should be emailed to grandqm@vfwva.org. Be exact, as the Supreme printout is the ONLY one that really counts; if it's not right there, then it's not right. Appropriate fillable "pdf" forms may be found on the Supreme website (https://www.lotcs.org/).
- 12. <u>Membership Dues</u>: Due's payment, with appropriate Transmittal Forms and payment, need to be sent directly to Grand Quartermaster Marcia Eggers, <u>grandqm@vfwva.org</u>, in a most timely and expedient manner. Do your best to have all renewals completed by 30 November.
- 13. <u>Pup Tent Audits</u>: Quarterly Audits are required to be completed and submitted to Grand Quartermaster Marcia Eggers no later than (NLT) 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter. Reports should be emailed to grandqm@vfwva.org.
- 14. <u>**Grand Website:**</u> The Grand of Virginia website, <u>http://lotcsva.org/</u>, will be a repository of all General Orders and the Virginia Rumor Mill for viewing at your leisure. You can always see the latest editions there and it's an easy place to send your members for their respective education. In addition, here is an opportune place for you to tell this great land about all that you do. Photos, events, officers, visitations, special dates, etc. of your Pup Tent and Auxiliary in action can all be posted here. Contact Grand Adjutant Ken Eggers, grandadj@vfwva.org with information and activities your Pup Tent is doing.
- 15. <u>Photos</u>: Supreme is asking for pictures from events you hold this year. Most likely to be used are those showing Hospital Work or unique events.
- 16. <u>2021-2022 Calendar</u>: The following dates and locations are announced for planning purposes.

a.	Winter C of A	January 7-9, 2022	Portsmouth, VA
b.	National Home Easter	April 8-10, 2022	Eaton Rapids, MI
c.	VFW National Convention	16-21 July, 2022	Kansas City, MO
d.	MOC Supreme Scratch	21-24 July, 2022	Overland Park, KS

17. <u>Supreme Appointments:</u> Congratulations to the following on their Supreme Appointments:

a.	Supreme Deputy Chief-of-Staff	Chris Mulholland	Pup Tent 11
b.	Supreme Deputy Inspector	Harold Sayles	Pup Tent 13
с.	Supreme Recruiter (VFW or MOC)	Tom Levitt	Pup Tent 14
d.	Supreme Seam Worker	Jose Rivera	Pup Tent 13
e.	Supreme Cootie Supporter	Ray Delpesche	Pup Tent 17

- f. Supreme Aide-de-Camp
- g. Supreme Newshound
- h. Supreme Comedian
- i. Supreme Cheerleader
- j. Supreme Cootie Juicer

Dennis TurnerPup Tent 11Kathy GoodallPup Tent 2Michael MackowiakPup Tent 5Josh HegerPup Tent 9Doug HoffmanPup Tent 1

18. <u>General Orders:</u> The cut off for the General Orders is the 20th of the month. No Exceptions.

Official:

Ken FEggers (Dec 9, 2021 11:04 EST)

Ken Eggers Grand Adjutant

By Decree of:

Ronnie Steele Grand Commander