



**GRAND OF VIRGINIA
GRAND SCRATCH, 8 OCT 2022
GRAND COMMANDER
BEN GUINAN**

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Commander's Opening Remarks

Supreme Programs

Grand Programs

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Commander's Shirt

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UPCOMING DATES AND EVENTS

88 th Tomb Trek	November 3-6, 2022	Arlington, VA
94 th Cootie Christmas	December 2-4, 2022	Eaton Rapids, MI
Mid-Winter Council/Grand Scratch	January 12-15, 2023	Portsmouth, VA

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GOALS OF THE GRAND

- Help all Pup Tents achieve All-Star status this year!
- Increase communication, connections, and esprit de corps between all Pup Tents in the state...between each other, the Grand, and the MOCA!
- Support our veteran brethren in the hospitals, convalescent homes, and recovering at home however we can!
- And...making All-Star at the Grand level would be pretty cool as well!

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CONCLUSION

It is my distinct honor and privilege to be the Commander of this Grand and the awesome cooties we have in this state. It is my goal to support you all in all of your good works this year. Please let me know if there is anything you need from me, and I will strive to do my best to help in anyway I can. I'm looking forward to another great year in Virginia!

We Are Better Together!

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SUPREME PROGRAMS

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PUP TENT ALL-STAR PROGRAM 2022-2023

QUALIFYING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: To be eligible for the Pup Tent All-Star program, all items listed must be completed by 31 May 2023.

1. Must be 100% + 2 in Membership. (based on 31 May 2022 membership).
2. Must be 150% in Hospital quota (\$250 worth of work x number of members at EOY).
3. Must be 100% in Supreme Special Projects (\$1 per cootie in the Pup Tent).
4. Must be 100% in Donation to MOC/MOCA House Support (\$1 per cootie in the Pup Tent).
5. Pup Tents must be inspected.
6. Pup Tent election report must be received by the Supreme Headquarters by 31 May 2023.

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GRAND ALL-STAR PROGRAM 2022-2023

QUALIFYING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: To be eligible for the Grand All-Star program, all items listed must be completed by 31 May 2023.

1. Must be 100% + 2 in Membership. (based on 31 May 2022 membership).
2. Must be 125% in Hospital quota (\$250 worth of work x number of members at EOY).
3. Must be 100% in Supreme Special Projects (\$1 per cootie in the Grand).
4. Must be 100% in Donation to MOC/MOCA House Support (\$1 per cootie in the Grand).
5. Must have 100% of the Pup Tents in the Grand inspected and received by the Supreme Inspector by 31 May 2023.
6. All Pup Tent election reports must be received by the Supreme Headquarters by 31 May 2023.

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RECRUITER COMPETITION

OBJECTIVE: Replenish the Pool we recruit from... Our Parent Organization...the VFW!

PROGRAM DETAILS:

1. Report Pup Tent Cooties who are recruiting VFW Members to the Grand.
2. Grands need to send in the names to MOC Chairman Paul Arnold.
3. Grands are split up based on size from last year's membership totals. See below!

FORMS: Can be found by clicking the membership tab under the Reports tab on <https://www.lotcs.org/> and in the Supreme Commander's Program Book.

DEADLINE: 10th of each Month for the previous month (Ex: July Reports are due August 10th)

CHAIRMAN: Paul Arnold guns_66@yahoo.com / (712) 579-4522

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OTHER SUPREME PROGRAMS

- **Membership Awards**
- **VFW National Home and Special Project Programs 2022-2023**
- **Sky Pilot / Chaplain of the Year Program 2022-2023**
- **Cootie Of the Year Program 2022-2023**
- **Blood Program 2022-2023**
- **VAVS Program 2022-2023**
- **Clown Program**

Further information for these programs can be found in the Supreme Commander's Program Book for the 2022-2023 year.

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SUPPORTING PROGRAMS FROM OTHER GRANDS AROUND THE COUNTRY

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Maryland Fire Dept - The money received in support of this Grand of Maryland Honorary Fire Department is presented each year to the VFW National Home.

Michigan Nitpickers - Proceeds go to the Grand of Michigan to help with all programs they are involved in to include possible donations to the National Home, support the children of the National Home Cedar Point Trip and Veterans Hospital Work.

PA Keystone Cops - Proceeds from this program are donated to the VFW National Home to assist in the security of the grounds.

MOC Pacific Area Paddy Daddy Program - The VFW National Home Special Project is the recipient of the proceed from this program in the Pacific Area.

Texas Horny Toads - Proceeds from this program are used to help purchase vehicles for the VFW National Home for Children. During the past thirty-five year, we have donated over twenty-five vehicles for the home.

Washington Apples - All funds received are donated to the VFW National Home for Children for approved special projects.

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GRAND PROGRAMS

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OUTSTANDING COOTIE OF THE YEAR

Application must be in the hands of the Grand Awards Chairman no later than June 1st.

Criteria for consideration:

1. Offices Held (Pup Tent, Grand, Supreme, and VFW Post/District/Department)
2. MOC Program (Hospital, VFW Booster/Recruiting, and Involvement w/ Supreme and Grand programs)
3. Written Recommendation – Anything else the Cootie has done that isn't already included on the application form

The application can be found and downloaded from the VA Grand website <http://lotcsva.org/>

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OUTSTANDING SEAM SQUIRREL OF THE YEAR

Application must be in the hands of the Grand Awards Chairman no later than June 1st.

Criteria for consideration:

1. Leadership (Membership, Hospital, VFW Booster/Recruiting, and VFW National Home Donations)
2. MOC Program (Hospital, and Involvement w/ Supreme and Grand programs)
3. Other Accomplishments (Scratches, Recommend Cooties for Grand Awards, and Any Positions held on the Department/Grand and/or National/Supreme levels)
4. Written Recommendation – Anything else the Cootie has done that isn't already included on the application form

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VIRGINIA HAMS

OBJECTIVE: The Grand of Virginia invites you to “Ham It Up” with the **Virginia Hams**

MISSION: Proceeds help support the VFW National Home

MEMBERSHIP: Open to all MOC and MOCA, Membership comes in 3-levels. The different levels are achieved as follows:

Bronze – Donation of \$10, Shipping of \$3, for a total of \$13.00

Silver – 1-Year as a Bronze Member, Donation of \$15, Shipping of \$3, for a total of \$18.00

Gold – 1 Year as a Silver Member, Donation of \$20, Shipping of \$3, for a total of \$23.00

Straight to Gold Discount: Donation of \$50, Shipping of \$3, for a total of \$53.00

Note: no shipping cost if bought from a Grand of Virginia rep on location.

You will receive an official Ham it Up ID card and Virginia Ham Pin based on your current level.



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JOHNNY HAMBONE INITIATIVE

OBJECTIVE: The Grand Commander and the Grand Gorilla of Virginia, Johnny Hambone, invite the MOC and MOCA to take part in the “Johnny Hambone Initiative” this year!

MISSION: To collect up as many stuffed monkeys, gorillas, simians, etc as possible this year. At the end of the year, all donated stuffed animals will be donated to the Prince William Police Department’s Domestic Abuse Division. These stuffed animals are given by Police to children involved in the domestic abuse incident calls to give them something to hold on to and be comforted by during the difficult time.

THE SKINNY: Please help support this important cause by donating stuff monkeys, gorillas, simians, etc. Every bit helps! Thank you to everyone that has already donated to this cause!



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How can the Grand
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Let us know what
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GRAND COMMANDER'S SHIRT

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I'm happy to report that a new Grand Commander's Shirt is ready for purchase!

I have set the shirt options in incremental levels to help keep costs reasonable for people who want to purchase shirts.

The Base line shirt is \$33. This includes my Commander's Pin logo. For an additional \$6, you can get 2 lines of text for personalization. The baseline shirt with personalization will cost \$39.00.

There is a \$6 discount to each shirt if bought in groups of 6 people. Meaning that the total cost for each shirt ordered in the group with my logo and your Personalization lines would cost a total of \$33.

There are both male and female cuts of the shirt available for purchasing. I wanted to make that option available to accommodate anyone who wanted the different style of shirts.



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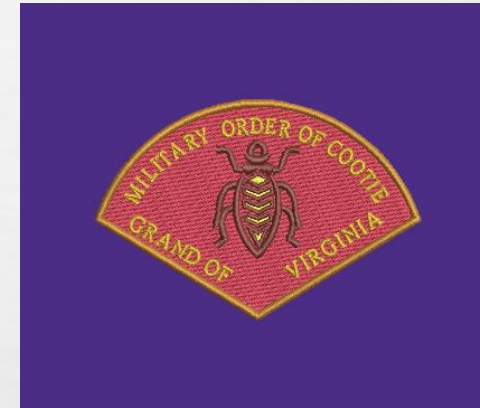
There are some optional additions for the shirt that cost a bit more but are available above the costs discussed above.

The optional additions:

Grand of VA MOC emblem on the left sleeve

Cost for individual shirts: \$12.50

Cost for shirts in orders of 6: \$8.00



Big Cootie bug on the back

Cost for individual shirts: \$19.00

Cost for shirts in orders of 6: \$13.50

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Here is a visual of the breakdown of the cost as discussed above.

If you are interested, please let me know and we will get some orders going!

88181 Core 365 Men's Performance Piqué Polo COLOR: Campus purple SIZE: 1 Large **6 piece pricing \$27 each	1	33.00
78181 Core 365 Ladies' Origin Piqué Polo COLOR: Campus purple SIZE: XS-XL	0	33.00
Logo Logo: Grand of VA Mil order of Cootie 2.3hx3.4w 11K Method: Embroidery Position: left sleeve *Optional add on (not included in shirt pricing) **6 piece pricing \$8	1	12.50
Logo Logo: cootie 6hx4w 23K Method: embroidery Position: back yoke *Optional add on (not included in shirt pricing) **6 piece pricing \$13.50	1	19.00
Logo Logo: Grand Commander 3.75hx3w 26K Method: embroidery Position: left chest *Pricing included with shirt	1	0.00
NAMES Personalization on right chest *Please use Script 6 font	1	6.00

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Thank you all for being here!

It shows your dedication to
the MOC, to each other, and
to all our veteran brethren!

Let's make this another lousy
Cootie year!

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