



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

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**GENERAL ORDER #2:** To be read at the next Auxiliary meeting and filed.

MOC/MOCA #1 Cootie Safari, August 26. See flyer attached with General Orders.

**The usual reminders:**

**Audits** must be conducted quarterly and mailed to the **Grand Treasurer, Vickie Petersen. Hospital Reports to Chairman Vickie Petersen, [vpetersquilts@gmail.com](mailto:vpetersquilts@gmail.com), within 90 days!** Thank you Vickie, you are so incredibly busy and still accepted this position!

**Shema Peppers is chairman of Ways and Means.** If anyone has any items they can use, please bring them to the next **Grand Meeting in October in Ocean View.**

**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](http://www.weneedblood.org). If you are able to respond, please report to our Hospital Chairman, Vickie Petersen.

**Grand Chaplain, Jennifer Winn** stands ready to assist any members in need, [Jen.vfwa.moca@gmail.com](mailto:Jen.vfwa.moca@gmail.com).

**FALL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2023 FROM 11-2 AT VFW 3160, 111 A VIEW AVENUE, NORFOLK, VA 23503. REQUESTING ALL PRESIDENTS TO ATTEND. WE WILL HAVE A SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION.**

**The 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Tomb Trek November 3-5, 2023**-the dress code required for presenting a wreath is printed in the Supreme Program Book and includes **appropriate** white pants, COLLARED shirt and closed toe shoes. **ANY PERSON, NOT ATTIRED IN THE REQUIRED UNIFORM, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PRESENT A WREATH.**

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**Please read the dress code carefully** so that you will be able to represent your Auxiliary at this wonderful ceremony. No pins on hats or jackets.

**HOTEL:** Sheraton, Pentagon City, 800 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204. Phone: 703-521-1900. Room rates are \$114.00 plus tax. **Make your reservations directly with the hotel** and mention "Military Order of the Cootie" for discounts.

The Military Order of the Cootie has been spreading Christmas cheer to the children of the VFW National Home for over 89 years. On December 1-3 I 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.

Please keep in mind, that all our Hospital events are open to ALL volunteers. So when you post or advertise an event, include this info. Many new member do not know what we 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!**

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 and Respect,  
Grand President,



Lisa Eck