



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

**GRAND PRESIDENT**  
Lisa M. Eck  
[lisahoraneck@yahoo.com](mailto:lisahoraneck@yahoo.com)  
757-593-3253

**December 2023**

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

**The usual reminders:**

**Audits** must be conducted quarterly and mailed to the **Grand Treasurer, Vicki Petersen.**

**Hospital Reports to Chairman Vickie Petersen, [vpetersquilts@gmail.com](mailto:vpetersquilts@gmail.com), within 90 days!**

**Shema Peppers is 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.**

**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).

**Reminders:**

- 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 for your 2024 wreaths.
- Treasurers please remember to send Grand Treasurer \$25.00 for Hospital

**Winter Council** will be held at the Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, 6845 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, Virginia 23 220-2250. Room Rates are \$89.00 per night plus tax. **Make your reservations directly with the hotel** and mention group name “Veterans of Foreign Wars-Winter Council Meeting Group”. Cut-off Date December 11, 2023. **Grand MOCA meeting is Saturday, January 13, 2024 from 1:30pm-3:00pm in the Petersburg A room.** The VFW Riders, will again be hosting the Friday night dance, Cost is \$10.00.

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!

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 and hand, with the Auxiliary and Post members, and combining our forces can we do what we do best: assist and care for our veterans.

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

**As we are all so very busy at this time of year, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone.**

## **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

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,  
Lisa M. Eck

