



**GRAND OF VIRGINIA
WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TO THE
MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE
OF THE USA**

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GENERAL ORDER #4: To be read at the next Auxiliary meeting and filed.

I would love to share any events with other Auxiliaries, so please let me know what is going on at your posts so I can put it out in my general orders!

I am still in need of volunteers to fill the chairmanships of VAVS Representative and Scholarship. If you are interested please let me know.

The usual reminders:

Audits must be conducted quarterly and mailed to the **Grand Treasurer, Vickie Petersen. Hospital Reports to Hospital Chairman, Vickie Petersen @ vpetersquilts@gmail.com. Grand Chaplain, Jennifer Winn** stands ready to assist any members in need, jen.vfwa.moca@gmail.com. Shema Peppers Is the chairman of **Ways and Means**. If anyone has any items she can use, please bring them to the **Grand Council of Administration on the 19th of this month in Mechanicsville or 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. If you are able to respond, please report to our Hospital Chairman, Vickie Petersen.

Blood shortages are so severe that Tidewater area hospitals are canceling elective surgeries. Please, if you are able to donate, do so now. For additional information call 1-800-448-3543.

The 89th Annual Tomb Trek, November 8-10, 2024-the dress code required for presenting a wreath is printed in the Supreme Program Book and includes **appropriate** white pants, COLLARED white shirt and closed toe shoes. **ANY PERSON NOT ATTIRED IN THE**

REQUIRED UNIFORM, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PRESENT A WREATH.

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, Virginia 22204. Phone: (703) 521-1900. Room rates are \$114.00 plus tax. **Make your reservation 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 95 years. **On December 6-8, 2024.** I will 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.

Winter Council will be held at Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center, 6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, Virginia: phone: (757) 220-2250. Room rates are \$89.00 per night + tax. Group name “Veterans of Foreign Wars-Winter Council Meeting Group”, Cut-Off Date should be in December of 2024. Grand meeting date and time have not been set yet. Details should follow in a following general order later this year.

Remember, it’s our job to “Keep them smiling in beds of white”. Have a spooky Halloween, my dearest ladybugs. Be safe and eat lots of candy.

My heart and prayers go out to those sisters who are ill or who have lost loved ones.

Grand President,
Laura A. Adamczyk