



Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary

Supreme General Orders #1



2021-2022

I realize that these General Orders are long and some repetitive, however, this information needs to get out to EVERYONE.

PRESIDENTS ON ALL LEVELS, PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR MEMBERS!!!!

1. **MEMBERSHIP – HELP WE NEED MEMBERS!!!!** We are in a serious trouble. As of the end of June we only had approximately 3500 members nationwide. Unless we get more members, we (the MOC Auxiliary) may not be around much longer. Last year the MOC stated that if they remain at their rate, the MOC would last maybe about 10 years. At the rate we are losing members and Auxiliaries, we may not be able to last more than 3 or 4 years. So please push membership. Go out to your Bachelor Pup Tents and see if they would like an Auxiliary. Get with your VFW Auxiliaries and look for members. To join the MOCA they only have to be a VFWA member in good standing for 6 months.
2. **TREASURERS – PLEASE, PLEASE, DO NOT HOLD DUES!!!** Auxiliary Treasurers, you should all have your 2022 Dues Cards by now. If not Please let Rebecca Wischmeyer know A.S.A.P. Once you receive the dues from your members, complete your transmittal and forward your dues to your Grand Treasurer. Grand Treasurers, please DO NOT HOLD them, send your Transmittal to our Supreme Treasurer: Rebecca Wischmeyer 914 Bourn Ave., Columbia, MO 65203. Her phone number is 573-777-0248.
3. **BONDS** – There have been lots of questions concerning this issue. Let me see if I can help answer a few. At Supreme we voted to appoint and Bond an Assistant Treasurer and until this By-law change has been approved by the MOC & VFW we bond ONLY the President and Treasurer ON ALL LEVELS as we have in prior years. **Once this By-law change has been approved**, then **ALL GRANDS MUST** appoint an Assistant Treasurer and have him or her bonded. Auxiliaries **MAY** appoint an Assistant Treasurer; (they do not have to unless they want to), if they appoint and Assistant Treasurer, then he or she must be bonded also.
4. **990 & EIN's** – Every Auxiliary and Grand must have their own EIN number and file a 990 every year. The 990 needs to be filed by Nov15, 2021. The 990 is to be filed in order to keep your non-profit status.
5. **TOMB TREK** – As of right now, Tomb Trek is still a go. As is Cootie Christmas. So please get your wreath orders in and make your hotel reservations for both.

6. **COOTIE CHRISTMAS** – December 4, 2021. You can make your hotel reservations at the Quality Suites, 901 Delta Commerce Drive, Lansing (517)886-0600. Room rates are \$100 + tax. Make sure you mention **Military order of the Cootie**.
7. **AUDITS** – Reminder, the July, August and September Audits will be due in a couple of weeks, get them done and get a copy to our Supreme Treasurer. You can either snail mail them or scan them in and email a copy to supremetreasurer2021@icloud.com.
8. **BY-LAWS & RITUALS:** Please make sure that you purchase the most current By-laws as some of the By-Laws have been changed or new ones added. And I would like everyone to be on the same page.
9. **SUPREME REPRESENTATIVE:** Now is the time to also start thinking about who you want as your Supreme Rep at your Grand Conventions. Please get your requests to me no later than December 31, 2021.

GRAND PRESIDENTS, please call me if your Grand or one of your Auxiliaries are having problems. If you don't want to talk to me, e-mail Peggy Bell, Supreme Chief of Staff at peggythomasbell626@att.net. We can't afford to lose any more Auxiliaries this year.

10. To those who have lost loved ones and friends our sympathy and prayers are with you. To those who are ill, we are wishing you're a speedy recovery.

Attested By:

Kathy Browne

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Supreme Secretary

By Order of:

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Supreme President