MOC Mid-Winter Conference

Joint Meeting

Joint Meeting called to order by the Grand Commander at 08:31 AM.

Guests included:

* Supreme Jr. Vice Commander, Steve Ruger
* Supreme MOCA Sr. Vice President Pat Potter
* Grand of Colorado CDR & 11th Supreme Council Member, Ron Johnson also candidate for Supreme Jr. Vice Commander
* 5th Supreme Commander, Betty Hilliaed and her Officers

General Discussions held, no motions passed.

General Meeting Called to Order by the Grand Commander at 10:01 AM.

Opening Prayer given by Dani Hernandez

Grand Commander lead the members in pledge to the Flag of American.

Roll call taken, all “absent” except Surgeon, Dave Hoffman excused, District 1 Commander, Ed Campbell “present”, Past Supreme & Past Grand Commanders, Eugene Thomas & John Hamilton “excused”, Past Grand Commanders James Gasper, Chester Pyatt and William “Joe” Gault are excused.

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* 5th Supreme Commander, Betty Hilliaed and her Officers
* Amber Putnam, Candidate for National Jr. Vice Commander

Quartermaster’s report read and accepted subject to audit.

**Budget and Finance Report** read:

1. One signature on check, but two on the card with the Bank.
2. Florida hosting 2019 Supreme Convention, Grand Quartermaster request separate account for 2019 Convention.
3. Would like to put the profits from Book Ad and Booster money for 2018 and 2019 into the Grand’s Supreme Convention fund. Need to go to the MOCA and request their half of the profits also be put into the Supreme Convention Fund.
4. **VAVS** requesting $500.00, $250 now and $250 when needed.

John Barber second a motion, made by Bob Hernandez to accept the Budget and Finance Recommendations as read. Motion “failed” (passed)

**Time and Place Committee.** Motion second by Gary Godard, motion made Dani Hernandez to dissolve the time and place committee. Motion “failed” (passed)

**Hospital report**: Read by Jason Smith. Jason requested Pup Tents continue to make their reports. Contact Jason if you have problems with completing reports. Nine Put Tents with NO report to date.

**Inspection Report**: Read by Bob McKinley. Most Pup Tents completed, last ones expected soon. PT76; PT69; PT77 still missing reports

**National Children’s Home**:

* Cootie Christmas was great success. Had 84 Children for the Christmas party.
* There are some items needed at the Children’s Home; The Kitchen is in need of some new equipment, especially the dishwasher. There is a need for some new outdoor grills for the outdoor cooking. Original grill is rotted out. One good Gas Grill, but they need two more of the large grills for the children’s events.

**Publicity Report**: Gary Godard made his report. Please send your pictures for ads to Gary. They can be e-mailed or mailed.

**Blood Bank**: John Barber made his report. Reported on Blood Donation Awards. Reports are sent directly to Supreme.

Blood Awards

* Bob Green
* Bob Hernandez

**MOCA Guest** escorted in to podium. Susan Hanes, chief of staff for Grand President, presented a request for Pup Tents without Auxiliary to help establish new Auxiliaries.

**Deceased members for 2017** list read by Dani Hernandez

Members in Distressed also read.

MOCA Clown visit held

**Past Commanders’ Club**: President John Barber presented Cootie of the Year Awards.

There were two Awards presented for Cootie of the Year.

* Elwood Schiffman from PT 17
* Walter Smith from PT 66

There will be a meeting held at the Grand Convention. Time and place to be announced.

**VFW Veterans Village**: Report made by Kenny Thie.

* The Village Golf Tournament to be held on Friday March 23rd.
* The Village Annual Picnic to be held on Saturday March 24th. Tickets only $10.00 includes meal. Games, Raffles and Fun for all.
* There are two major projects at the Village that need our assistance.
	1. The roof on the original building is leaking bad. Need new roof.
	2. The Village needs a new or newer van for transporting the handicap veterans.
* Bill McQuaig requested the Pup Tents do just one fund raiser or dinner and donate to the Veterans Village Home. Al Lugo, Director is an active Cootie. Pam and Sharen from the staff are active MOCA members. They support all our Cootie events, lets show some support to the Village Home.

**2017 Supreme Convention Awards Presented**: Awards presented by Chairman Al Priestera.

Supreme Appointments:

Larry Trowbridge – Supreme Deputy Chief of Staff

Bob McKinley – Supreme Deputy Inspector

Steve Surface – Supreme Recruiter

Jason Smith – Supreme Seam Worker

Dani Hernandez - Supreme Cootie Worker

Tom Brown – Supreme Aid-de-Camp

Bill McQuaig – Supreme Historian

Jerry Bazar – Supreme Comedian

Jon Bennett – Supreme Cheerleader

John Barber – Supreme Cootie Juicer

**Supreme Hospital report awards**

* PT 2 - 198.27%
* PT 8 - 207.24%
* PT 11 - 415.96%
* PT 25 - 106.4%
* PT 32 – 158.66%
* PT 56 – 266.67%
* PT 66 – 150.32%
* PT 86 - 121.55%
* PT 23 – 175.08%
* PT 98 – 115%
* PT 41 – 113%

**Pup Tent Chairman,** Walter Smith noted, New Pup Tent installed by the Grand Commander. Pup Tent 1.

Grand Quartermaster, Steve Surface discussed the 2019 National Convention in Orlando. FL. Requested Pup Tents to do fund raisers and donate to the Grand with ear mark for 2019 Supreme Convention.

Shirt Color for Volunteers was discussed. Motion second and made for Green to be accepted as the color. Motion “failed” (passed).

Amber Putnam presented her plan for candidate of National Jr. Vice when it is Southern Conference turn again. Motion second by Gary Godard, motion made by Ken Thie for MOC Grand to endorse Amber for her candidacy. Motion “failed” (passed).

Dani Hernandez presented her plan for candidate of State Surgeon 2018-2019. Requested the MOC Support.

Reminder from Gary Godard. Pup Tent election reports for 2018-2019 must be sent to Steve Surface, Grand Quartermaster also copy to Gary Godard of his book.

Gary Godard reminded everyone, his shirts for his year are on display by hospitality room after the meeting. Pre-orders are being taken. Start at $25 per shirt.

Gary reminded everyone of all the updates made constantly to the Grand web site. Make sure you have your email updated with Gary.

Election Forms: Steve Surface reminded everyone to go to the web site and use the new forms. He will not be able to accept any of the old forms.

Closing Prayer held, Salute to Flag of the United States.

Meeting Closed in proper form.

* ***After the meeting, requested the results of the request for the MOCA profits from book ad & booster sales to the Grand for Supreme Convention fund. This motion was not passed on MOCA floor. Tabled till Grand Convention.***