



GRAND OF FLORIDA

MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE AUXILIARY

As on Gentle Wings We Work Together for our Veterans

General Orders #1

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As we begin our new year, I want to take a moment to thank you for the confidence you have placed in me to be your Grand President for 2018-2019. It is an honor to represent this great organization and I will do my best to carry out the duties of this office. Once again we are looking to encourage new members, male and female, to join the MOCA. All former appointments are null and void and only appointments for the 2018-2019 year will be honored.

Some of this information will be repeated throughout the year to remind us of what we need to know.

- 1. COMMUNICATION:** This is a very important part of our success. It is imperative that ALL information you receive be forwarded to those members who do not have access to email or the Florida website. The Florida website is <http://mocgrandofflorida.com>. All general orders will be posted on the website.
- 2. INSPECTIONS:** As Grand President, I hope to visit all Auxiliaries during the year. I am asking Past Grand Presidents to assist with the inspections to ensure that they are completed by December 31. Jean Clark will be Inspector again this year. Thank you, Jean.
- 3. BUG SWARM/SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION AND COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION:** The date is September 28 and 29, 2018 at the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary, 1501 International Parkway, Lake Mary FL 32746. The number to call for reservations is 855-272-5207. Please mention MOC. The room rate is \$115/night plus tax.
- 4. AUXILIARY CHAPLAINS:** Please email or mail your reports to Grand Chaplain, Jennie Parks, every month. Jennie's address is 2298 West Tee Circle, Citrus Springs, FL 34434 and her email is jparks26@tampabay.rr.com. The reports need to be sent to her no later than the 26th of each month in order to report to the Supreme Chaplain. Remember to put your Auxiliary number, your name, phone number and email on each report. This information is also listed on the reports.
- 5. HOSPITAL CHAIRMEN:** Send your reports to Mary Frederick monthly. Her address is 206 Branscomb Rd., Green Cove Springs, FL 32243 and her email is fred43@bellsouth.net. Remember to put your Auxiliary number, your name, phone number and email on each report. This information is also listed on the reports.

6. **CLOWNS:** We do not have a Mama Clown as of this writing. *(At the Grand Convention, Jean Clark, see inspector, stepped up to take this chairmanship)* ~~So, I am putting out a shout to all of you to see if we can fill this very important chairmanship. Please contact me if you are interested.~~ All clowns are asked to continue to bring or wear your clown outfits and to bring a bag of candy to hand out to the MOC, when collecting money from them.
7. **CHIEF OF STAFF:** Susan Haines will be the Chief of Staff again this year. Thank you, Susan. Her address is 11270 NW 86th Court, Chiefland, FL 32626. Susan's phone number is 352-949-3992 and her email is susanlechat@gmail.com. Auxiliary Presidents, please call Susan if there are any issues in your Auxiliary. They should be handled promptly with kindness so we can retain our members. Susan is asked to keep me informed.
8. **MEMBERSHIP:** This is a very important chairmanship. **WE NEED MEMBERS!** This includes new members, reinstated members, and current members. Invite any VFWA male members into our organization. The same rules for membership are to have been a member of the VFW Auxiliary for at least 6 months. When you go to your VFWA District meeting, ask to speak for a few minutes about our organization. Without doing more, we will not exist.
9. **SUPREME CONVENTION:** This year's convention will be in Kansas City on July 25 – 29, 2018 at the Marriott Hotel in Overland Park. The hotel address is 10800 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Pak, Kansas 66210. Hotel reservations are to be made by calling 800-228-9290. The room rate is \$110/night. The cutoff date for making reservations is June 29, 2018. All information can be found on the Supreme website: lotcs.org.
10. **84TH TOMB TREK:** On November 1 – 6, 2018 at the Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel, 900 S. Orme St., Arlington, VA 22204. The number to call for reservations is 703-521-1900. The room rate is \$109/night and the cutoff date is October 2, 2018.
11. Please remember that I am just a phone call away should you need to discuss anything with me directly. My phone number is 407-271-9467 (text capable) and email is godard62@gmail.com. I very much look forward to **Working Together for our Veterans** with you this year. Let's all enjoy it and have a fantastic year!

Respectfully,

Kathy

Kathleen Godard
Grand President 2018-2019

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Grand Secretary 2018-2019