

GRAND OF FLORIDA

MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE AUXILIARY



"As on Gentle Wings We Work Together for our Veterans"

General Orders #7 January 2019

TO BE READ AT ALL MEETINGS, ACTED UPON & FILED FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Happy New Year! What a great time at the National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, Michigan for the Cootie Christmas! Thanks goes out to Steve and Judy Surface, Bob and Sandra McKinley, Ken and Debbie Thie for their continuous aide in taking care that the Staff at the National Home has a nice dinner and preparing the food for all the families and children at the party. The look on all the children's faces made everything all worthwhile.

- COMMUNICATION: It is important to share all necessary information to the MOCA members and chairmen of your Auxiliary. Let's not forget our main focus, our Hospitalized Veterans. They need us to be there for them. The Florida website is http://mocgrandofflorida.com. All general orders will be posted on the website along with photos taken at events.
- 2. **INSPECTIONS**: The inspections are complete per Jean Clark, our Grand Inspector. THANK YOU to all who helped.
- 3. **AUXILIARY CHAPLAINS**: **Jennie Parks** has had to undergo surgery and is currently in rehab. She is unable to complete the year as our Grand Chaplain. We are sorry to see her leave us, but understand completely. Please remember that your reports still need to be sent **every month**, PLEASE send them to me for the interim, 122 Queens Ct; Sanford, FL 32771. The reports still need to be sent 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.
 - Please note: We will need a ProTem Grand Chaplain to fill the chair at Mid-Term in Crystal River this month plus at Grand Convention in Maitland this June. If you are able to step up to ProTem this position, please get in touch with me immediately.
- 4. **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.
- 5. **CLOWNS**: If you are attending any of the Grand Meetings please bring/wear your clown outfits and bring a bag of candy to hand out to the MOC, when collecting money from them. Also, please send Mama Clown Jean Clark your clown name, address, telephone number and email Her **NEW** address is 5350 Beatle Court, Jacksonville, FL 32244. Jean's phone number is 904-576-3512 and email is jalberta@bellsouth.net
- 6. **CHIEF OF STAFF**: Susan Haines, Grand Chief of Staff, is ready to assist your Auxiliary anyway she can. Susan is aware that I am there to assist if there are any issues in the Auxiliaries. Her address is 11270 NW 86th Court, Chiefland, FL 32626. Susan's phone number is 352-949-399 and her email is susanlechat@gmail.com.

- 7. **MEMBERSHIP**: When we have new members in our meetings, it is very important to mentor them! This includes new members, reinstated members, and current members. We are losing three (3) Auxiliaries because of lack of participation in two of them, and one where the MOC has decided to fold. Auxiliaries around them have invited the members to join their Auxiliaries. I hope that all of the members have an opportunity and feel comfortable in moving over to another Auxiliary. Remember, we need you. Our Hospitalized Veterans need you. Please don't wait to call if you need someone to talk to.
- 8. **Supreme 5th District:** The meeting is January 11-12. It will be held at the Quality Inn, 2001 Boundary St, Beaufort, South Carolina 29902. Their number is 843-524-2144, room rate is \$78 and don't forget to mention VFW-MOC. More information on the website.
- 9. **Mid-Term Conference & Council of Administration**: We will be at the Plantation in Crystal River, 9301 West Fort Island Trail, Crystal River, FL 34429. Reservations are \$119 for a Standard Room, \$139 for a Patio Garden View Room and \$159 for a Water view. Call 800-632-6262 for reservations and make sure you mention MOC/MOCA to get these rates. There will not be a banquet, but we have made reservations for 40 at Crackers on Saturday and can increase that total if more decide to join us. Please let us know if you are coming. We will have food to eat at our hospitality room on Friday. Looking forward to seeing everyone.
- 10. Our 2019 Grand Convention will be here before too long. It is June 6 to June 9 at the Sheraton Orlando North, 600 N. Destiny Road, Maitland, FL 32751. Reservations can be made by calling 407-660-9000 and mentioning MOC/MOCA. The room rate is \$99/tax. Plans are in the works to have our Banquet at our Post. There will be transportation provided, if needed. More information to follow.
- 11. Please call me to assist you in any way possible or even just to say you are doing fine. I am 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. The Grand Officers and staff offer their sympathies to all our Members who have recently lost a loved one. For anyone suffering any illness, we are praying for complete healing and peace. Our deepest prayers go out to you all to be safe as we enter into the New Year. Let's keep Working Together for our Veterans

Respectfully,

KATHY

Jerry-Ann

Kathleen Godard Grand President 2018-2019 Jerry-Ann Henry Grand Secretary 2018-2019

Updates:

Jennie Parks, surgery – 2298 West Tee Circle, Citrus Springs, FL 34434

Patricia McQuaig, loss of Sister-9751 Viceroy Drive E, Jacksonville, FL 32257