



QUESTION OF THE NEW YEAR!





BIG BUG

GRAND OF PACIFIC



Listen Up Cooties:

It's 2021, I hope all had a great and prosperous Holiday Day Season and that all family members are safe. We've had a very tough first have of the year, but the Mid-Term Council of Administration in December was a great success. It was great seeing so many of you on Zoom.

Due to the continued effect of Covid-19, we must stay vigilant and alert to the on-going changes of the virus. Vaccines are being distributed and I hope all will get vaccinated if possible. I do not know if not getting the shot will hamper travel in the future. Keep abreast as to what is going on and make a sound decision for you and your love ones.

Seam Squirrels, now is the time to start writing your Pup Tent Awards and ensuring all programs are up to date.

Let us continue to do buddy checks via telephone, e-mail or personal visits if possible.

"Taking Care of Veterans."

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

RONALD J. DAVIS

Grand Sr. Vice Commander Moses

(A.K.A. Middle Bug)



You Lousy Cooties,

Happy New Year and hope all had a wonderful holiday season.

With these difficult times that we all are going through, please remember our most sacred responsibility is to look out for each other and our fellow Cooties. We need to continue to do Buddy Check to connect with our fellow Cooties and comrades who may need assistance but don't know where to go or who to ask. It's not enough to simply pick up the phone and call a Cootie you know. We need to check on All Veterans in our communities to be sure they are safe, feeling OK and have access to health care and services. The important part is to let the veterans know we care and can provide assistance.

The most important part of the contact is to see if the Cootie or veteran and family member is OK and if MOC can assist them in any way. Doing this will go a long way in helping us recruit new members and helping with growing our membership in each Pup Tent.

We understand that recruiting new cooties is not going to be easy with the global pandemic but if we are showing cooties and veterans that we are here to assist them and their family, it will go a long way in giving veterans a reason to want to become a Cootie.

As long as we can continue to show our concern and support for our cooties, veterans, their families, children, youth, troops and national security and "Keep Them Smiling in Beds of White", we are laying the ground work for our membership to grow.

My email is grdsvc@vfwpacific.org

Yours in LOTCS,

Robert Mo Moses



Grand Jr. Vice Commander Berg

(A.K.A. Little Bug)



Listen up Cooties,

Howdy All you Great Cooties – Hope you had a Merry Christmas and that your New Year be better than the last.

As the GMOC Little Bug I am still crawling and scratching my way to the TOP, with your help we will make it together – with this Little Bug is ready to get crawling.

Our mission is to" Keep Them Smiling in Beds of White" and to keep our community activities at full speed, in the next ROF I will establish the suspense dates of activities I'm responsible for.

As the Chairman of the Awards, I would like for all these awards be sent to me NLT 2 April 2021. . For the Award Forms go to "vfwdeptpacific.org/GMOCDPA/CootieAdmin"

Thanking you in advance for your support.

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Fred, Little Bug, GMOC

Email - "bergfrederick2@gmail.com" do a commo check to insure we are connected



Supreme District 15 Councilman Mitchell

Listen up Cooties,

Just wanted to pass on a few notes from Supreme:

- The Supreme C of A was held December 1-5, 2020 in Springfield, MO. Unfortunately, we were only able to send a representative to attend due to travel restrictions and health reasons. PSC Jim Malott, PT8, attended.



- Supreme District 15 Officers representing the Grand of Pacific this year are; Councilman Kevin Mitchell, SVC William "Bill" Bradford, and JVC Robert "Mo" Moses.
- Supreme Commander Combs has informed the Supreme Council that our organization has about nine years of life remaining based on our financial standing now. He has started a Panel to look into how we can raise funds to keep the MOC alive well in the future.
- Cooties are encouraged to purchase items from the Cootie Store as much as possible. A link is located at LOTCS.ORG.

Hope everyone had a nice and safe Christmas and New Year's. All the best for a successful 2021!!!
May god bless the USA!!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,
Kevin E. Mitchell

Jr. Past Grand Commander Maxon

(A.K.A., Jr. Past Big Bug)



Grand Quartermaster Napsey

(a.k.a., Duffle Bug)

Listen Up Cooties!

Hope everyone one had a Lousy Christmas and Happy New Years.

We need to continue working our membership with renewals and new members. COVID-19 has affected PTs being able to hold Scratches in person. Some have held them via ZOOM which is great.

Continue to work in sending your transmittals to Grand for processing.

Have a Lousy Day

Mike "Hot Spot" Napsey



Grand Judge Advocate Webber

(a.k.a., Judge Bug)

Listen up you Grand of Pacific Ole COOTS,

I hope our Grand of Pacific Cooties are paying attention and hunkered down, not only to the current worlds COVID-19 Virus outbreak, but extremely hot weather and possible typhoons! Make sure you wear a face mask and do social distancing. I know it's having a great impact on our Cooties throughout the Pacific Areas.

For those Cootie's Scratching in the Philippines, be extra sure you wear a face mask. You will be arrested and could pay a P20,000/\$408.00 fine, if the local police catch you and they're everywhere here.

Always be safe and continue to look out for each other. You know you can reach me anytime, if



Grand Chaplain Wilson

(a.k.a., Sky Pilot)

Sky Pilot has computer problems.



L.O.T.C.S.,

Daniel R. (Dhan B) Wilson



Grand Surgeon Gley

(a.k.a., Medic Bug)

Listen Cooties,

The VA announced on December 18th was that they teamed up with the American Lung Association to help veterans that have been diagnosed with lung disease live healthier lives. They are also helping VA doctors learn better strategies due to the increase in lung disease among Iraq and Afghanistan veterans. This can help better the treatment of vets living with COPD, asthma, and other chronic lung diseases. <https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5590>.



Enough has been said about this China Virus, just keep with the flow a while longer and keep your heads down without licking your fingers, unless you know where they have been. It looks like there might just be a light at the end of the tunnel and this thing may be finally going away with all these different vaccines coming out; hopefully in time so that we can all meet on Pattaya Beach in June. If we do see each other this June, it will be a very lousy time with lots of medicine to consume, I am certain. As always, look after yourselves and our fellow comrades!

Grand Adjutant Mitchell

(a.k.a., Ink Bug)



Listen up you "Happy New Year" ole Coots,

Hoping each of you and yours had a LOUSY, but nice and safe holiday season! Thank goodness 2020 is over and let's look forward to a successful 2021!! I thought we had a WACKY C of A, but it all worked out well. May have to get used to it for the near future...ugh!!! I would like to share some notes with you:

- **The Grand C of A Minutes are in the process of being approved. Once they are, they will be posted on the Grand website and sent out to appropriate Cooties.**
- **We are still looking for a Webhound/Newshound to take over after the Grand Scratch in June 2021. Please contact me ASAP with the volunteer's name.**
- **The new Inspection Checklist and Election Reports for 2021-22 has been forwarded to the Council and current Seam Squirrels. Webhound Malott has also posted on the Grand website. The new term will be here before we know it!!**
- **Please ensure you are using the correct Grand Letterhead for official correspondence. It has been sent to the Council and Seam Squirrels.**
- **If you are interested or know someone who is interested to run for Council positions, please submit the Letter of Intent (LOI) to Newshound Malott or me ASAP. But let's have them for the March ROF!! (Due March 5th)**

In closing, let's remember our PGC's and Cooties who maybe under distress and I love you all!! Take care of each other and have a LOUSY year!!! May god bless America!!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Kevin E. Mitchell

Grand Inspector Bradford

(a.k.a., Watchdog Bug)

Listen up all you lousy Cooties,

The Big Bug Ron has asked me to assume this lousy job of the Grand Inspector of which I was screaming no all the way.

That being said, with the timing of COVID 19, it has made interesting to hold scratches in some areas of the Grand Seam. District Inspectors have been assigned and every effort will be made to complete our inspections in a timely manner. I have set a deadline of January 31, 2021 to have completed all inspections. Let's make this work and have fun doing it. Send the completed inspection report to: wwbradford@live.com

Yours in L.O.T.C.S.

PGCB4



Grand National Home Chairman Berg

(a.k.a., Kid's Home Bug)

Listen up Cooties

As the Grand Home Chairman, I challenge each member to become a life member – however I still need for the MOC to be recognized so when we ask for an up-to-date roster it will show member Pup Tent – the Life Membership is now \$45.00 plus \$5.00 for the pin.

Still working on getting the Grand of the Pacific MOC recognized – may need to SUPREME BUG for help.

My contact info is

Fred W Berg, Sr
Bergfrederick2@gmail.com



Grand Blood Chairman Webber

(a.k.a., Vampire Bug)

Grand Blood/Vampire Says,

If any of our Cooties donate blood during this year, send your Pup Tent data to me, to include fellow Vampire's donation name, dates, amount in pints of blood sucked out of the donors.

Blood Chairman/Vampire has not received any data yet, from any Pacific Grand Pup Tent or Cootie!!!

Remember to continue supporting our Paddy Daddy and VFW National Home for Children Programs.

As always, you can contact me anytime for *assistance!*

L.O.T.C.S.,

RHETT O. WEBBER



Grand Hospital Chairman Ellison

(a.k.a., Sick Bay Bug)

With the impact of COVID-19, we are doing quite well reaching out to those who are hospitalized, infirmed or just stuck at home.

Keep up the good work checking on our fellow Cooties and Comrades. You are **TRULY CRUMMY AND VERY LOUSY**. We are on track to have another great year. Again, if you need my assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me emanosan@gmail.com. Keep 'em Smiling in Beds of White!!!!!!



Yours in L.O.T.C.S.,

Leon V. Ellison



Grand Duffel-Raising Chairman Mortimer

(a.k.a., Fundraising Bug)

The Grand Duffel-Raising Chaircootie Spews News

Coooooooooooooooooots!

Listen up now, Cooties in the happy fertile hunting grounds of the Grand of Pacific Areas, and listen up but gooooooooood to this in plain old fashioned purely un-adulterated Cootie talk and maybe a widdle tiny itty-bitty bit of straight talk fer me wwweeeeeeport!!

STAY SAFE so I can collect duffel from you at our next
PHUN RAISER!

Yours in L.O.T.C.S. and Duffel,



J. F. MORTIMER, JR.
Red Star Life Member, MOC
Blue Guard Hatchin', Blue Louse Guard



Grand News-Web Hound Malott

Cooties,

Next edition inputs are due by 05 March 2021



Please send future inputs in the following submission format:

- Arial Font, 11 Pitch
- Single Page (two pages if needing to use charts, etc.).
- Double space after end of sentence punctuation, including colons.
- Sentences must be single spaced.
- Document Type: Microsoft Word Document (.docx or .doc ONLY) (Please do not send PDFs, rtf, text, e-mail text, notepad, etc.)
- Photos / Graphics: Use JPG, PNG, or GIF, place in line with text on the Word Document, and include a caption or paragraph of who is in the photo and what they are doing. Do not stretch photos to make them fit. I can edit size and crop as necessary. No PDFs.

Date Inputs Due: **5th of the Month** (July, September, November, January, March and May)

Date Published: **10th of the Month**

UPDATE!

Send ROF inputs to: jdmcootie@hotmail.com

NOTE: Please send complete inputs and ask you to not send me 20 photos at 6MB each and ask me to select 2 or three I think are best. Again, I have less than 5 days to edit and format your inputs.

Be goofy, be fun, be Cooties! They love it!! So, do you! Can't wait for the next one! That's all for now! WHEW! This concludes my Cootie trans-a-mission. YIPPIE! This has been a Cootie service mission and will self-destruct 3 seconds ago.

Grand of Pacific Areas Announcements

**LEAVING THE LOCAL AREA OF YOUR PUP TENT?
LET YOUR PUP TENT KNOW!**



We can't read your minds!! If you are moving away from your Pup Tent area, please be sure to let your Pup Tent know and provide them with your change of address.

Emergency Contact / Medical Information Form

It may be helpful to carry around some additional immediate information for first responders in case you are unconscious, unable to speak, or worse. I made up this card below and carry it in my wallet. I thought this may be a good idea for others too and am sharing here with you: *(Cut around outer edge of card below, fold in half, and laminate for durability.)*

Emergency Contact / Medical Information

		Medical Conditions / History:
Religious Faith:		
In an emergency where I am unconscious or unable to communicate, please read		Physicians (Name / Phone):
both sides of this card to know who to contact and the special care I must have.		
Name _____	Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____	Current Medications:
Preferred Hospital:		

**GRAND PUP TENT
NEWSLETTERS/WEBSITE LISTING**



If your Pup Tent has a website and/or a newsletter, let me know, provide me with a link or how to receive them and I can list the link or information for you here! Send information to:
grdrof@vfwdeptpacific.org

These are a few current known websites and newsletters in the Grand of Pacific Areas:

Website: MOC Grand of Pacific Areas

www.vfwdeptpacific.org/GMOCDPA/

Website: PT 15 – Mighty Pinatubo, Angeles City, Philippines – VFW Post 2485

www.gpapuptent15.org/

Newsletter: MOC Grand of Pacific Areas "The Rim of Fire" Newsletter:

www.vfwdeptpacific.org/GMOCDPA/rim-of-fire-newsletter/

**SEND ME YOUR PUP TENT
WEBSITE / NEWSLETTER LINKS!**

Pacific House Chairman Lyons



Comrades and Coots of the Pacific,

At the VFW National Convention this past July our National Home Chairmen Randall Himes and I did some more research on the Pacific sponsoring a House at the National Home. We found out that at the Home there are 2 Duplex's and that one or two of the individual homes would be available for sponsorship. So, we investigated more and found out that it only cost \$4,000.00 a year for a sponsorship of half of a duplex. I said where do we sign up!

They told us we were number one on the list for a half of a duplex. Well after months of perseverance we were notified last night that the Air National Guard House sponsored by Florida was available. I immediately called the National Home.

After coordinating with Sue Alverson at the Home. We agreed that I would sign responsibility and sponsorship of the home effective 1 January 2017. This would give us time to raise the first \$4,000.00 for this. Since it was in the donation contract of the person donating the construction of this house that it would always be call the Air National Guard House. However, in our mines it will be the "Pacific House." Just remember on the plaque on the house it will say the Air National Guard House sponsored by the VFW & MOC of the Pacific. In order to raise continuous moneys to pay for the Maintenance and Utility Bills of this House \$4,000.00 per year. We have derived the following program and of course we would always be opened to any and all donations.

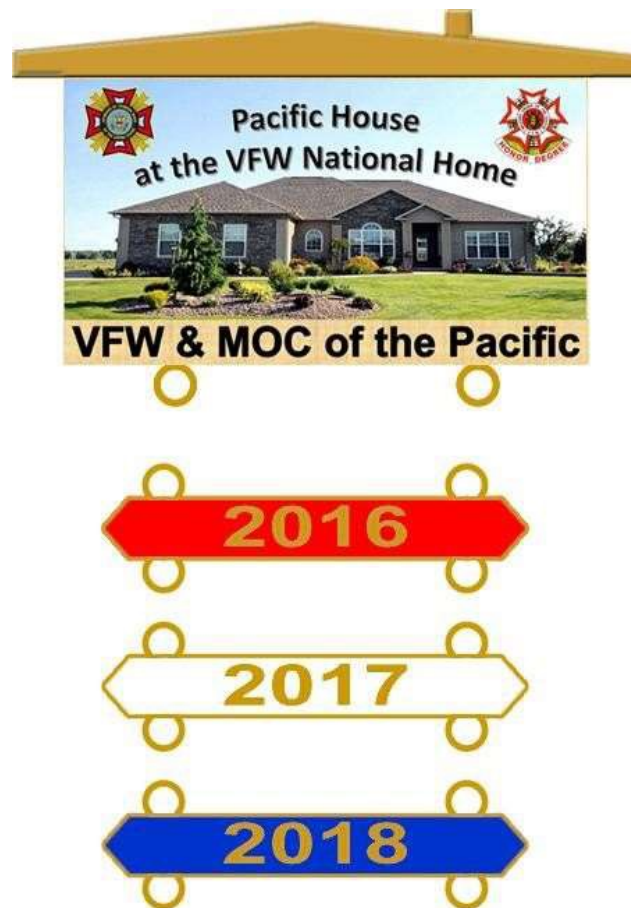
Membership into the Pacific House will cost \$45.00. With this donation the members would receive a Certificate and a Pacific House Pin along with a tab attached with the year. As seen on the next page.

Additional Year Pacific House Membership would cost \$20.00 and the member would receive a new tab for the new year along with the rings so you could clip it on your pin. Again, as seen on the next page.

"Bronze Plank Ownership of the Pacific House" would require a generous donation of \$100.00. The member or organization would receive a framed Bronze Plank Ownership Certificate along with Pacific House Pin with 1 consecutive year tab. The member would also receive a bi-annual statement on the house and financial status of the Pacific House with accountability of funds in and out. At this June's Convention and C of A's after that your name will be predominately displayed on the Plank Owner

"Gold Plank Ownership of the Pacific House" would require a generous donation of \$300.00 or more. The member or organization would receive a framed Gold Plank Ownership Certificate along with Pacific House Pin with 3 consecutive year tabs. The member would also receive a bi-annual statement on the house and financial status of the Pacific House with accountability of funds in and out. At this June's Convention and C of A's after that your name will be predominately displayed on the Plank Owner Banner at these Department Conventions/C of A's.

Comrades and Coots, we say a prayer to the widows and orphans at the National Home each Meeting/Scratch we have. This is our turn to help our own out. Will it solve all of our Veterans Families problems? No, but it will help one family at a time! I thank you in advance for your consideration to help our own.



Application for Membership into the Pacific House at the National Home

Name or Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Check desired: _____ Membership into the Pacific House (\$45.00)

_____ Continuous Year Tab (\$20.00)

_____ Bronze Plank Ownership (\$100.00)

_____ Silver Plank Ownership (\$200.00)

_____ Gold Plank Ownership (\$300.00)

Email form to: PDCLyons@vfwdeptpacific.org

Make Check out to: VFW Post 12147 (In the remarks section please print "Pacific House

Donation".) Mail Check to: Larry Lyons
CMR 301 Box 332
APO, AP 96202

Thanks for your unending support!

MOC PACIFIC AREAS PADDY DADDY PROGRAM

M.O.C. Grand of the Pacific Areas is inviting you to support our Paddy Daddy Program. Applications are available online on the MOC Grand of Pacific Areas website. The Paddy Daddy Application for signing up Comrades, Cooties, Friends, Family, and yes, even your Pets can be signed up!

Please fill out as many applications as you like for a very good cause. Proceeds go to the VFW National Home Special Project. Send the application to me along with a check made out to "Ee CHI GAE Pup Tent #2, in the amount of US\$25.00. Your Certificate, Card and Pin will be mailed to you. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to e-mail:

Yours in Comradeship, L.O.T.C.S.,

Don Kelley

Ee CHI GAE PUP TENT #2
GRAND OF PACIFIC AREAS
"PADDY DADDY"

VFW NATIONAL HOME SPECIAL PROJECTS PROGRAM
LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

State/Zip Code: _____

Post/Pup Tent #: _____

UPDATE!

Send ROF inputs to:

jdmcootie@hotmail.com

***See You
in the
March 2021
Edition***