

Grand of Texas Military Order of the Cootie Honor Degree of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

2024-2025 Series General Orders No. 11

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- 1. Shavetails and Cooties with Official information to be published with the General Orders must submit same to Grand Adjutant, Brian Smock, 803 N. 3d Street, Copperas Cove, Texas 76522 or bsmock@hot.rr.com no later than the 21st of the preceding month.
- 2. Please notify Grand Adjutant Brian Smock of all changes and/or corrections for the Grand Directory/roster and any discrepancies that may have been Published in the General Orders. Any questions about or corrections to the Grand Status Sheet should be addressed to the Grand Quartermaster Richard Kennedy richardcootie29@yahoo.com.
- 3. Requests for a Grand Shavetail to attend special functions must be submitted to the Grand Adjutant in sufficient time for early scheduling. All Pup Tents are required to register at least one delegate to the Supreme Scratch per section 531 of the Supreme By-Laws.
- 4. The Grand Commander will notify Pup Tents of planned Official visits. The Grand Commander's travel agenda won't be routinely published in the General Orders. A tentative schedule will be included with the General Orders.
- 5. All monies for Grand should be sent to the Grand Quartermaster. This includes PCT's, Grand 50/50 monies and Horny Toad Programs. The Grand Stat Sheet will be generated by the Grand QM, but he needs input from all Grand Program Chairmen. No input, no relevant stats.
- 6. Details of events scheduled by the VFW and Supreme organizations are published in their respective periodicals, and therefore won't be duplicated here. Some key dates will be published as a reminder:

OHIO EASTER TREAT April 11 – 13, 2025 VFW National Home 3573 S Waverly Rd Eaton Rapids, MI

Grand of Texas Grand Scratch 16-18 May 2025 Abilene, TX

126th VFW NATIONAL CONVENTION Columbus, OH - Aug. 9-13, 2025

SUPREME SCRATCH

Wyndham Columbus Hotel and Events Center, 175 Hutchinson Ave, Worthington, OH 43235. The room rate is \$108.00 plus tax

- All Pup Tents are required to register at least one delegate to the Supreme Scratch per section 531 of the Supreme By-Laws. The Delegate is not required to attend; you still must register one Delegate. Registration forms can be found on LOTCS.ORG
- 8. Adjutants Add-on: Remember Grand Convention is May all Pup Tents must have their new Officers installed before Grand Convention. Also ensure members are paid up before electing them to a position. Once all this is accomplished please send your Election Warrant to myself (Brian Smock) or the Quartermaster (Richard Kennedy) we will take care of the rest. Remember a person cannot hold an office if their dues are not paid. Forms can be found on LOTCS.ORG/pup tent.
- 9. Commander's Corner: Cootie Cruise 2025, OCT 6- 11, 2025. Please consider joining us on this wonderful adventure. Great fun, friends and a whole lot of shaking going on. Please remember to keep working your membership and a reminder that nominations and elections should be going on now. Don't forget to submit the Election Report to the Grand Adjutant or Grand Quartermaster as soon as installation is complete. Thank you for all you do and keep up the Lousy work.
- 10. All General Orders of the Grand Pup Tent are to be read and acted upon at all Pup Tent scratches. Following the reading, they are to be filed for future reference.

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