



**MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE
OF THE UNITED STATES
GRAND PUP TENT OF WASHINGTON
Aug. 2023**

**GENERAL ORDER #1 Paul M. Herrera COMMANDER 2023-2024
TO BE READ AT THE NEXT PUP TENT SCRATCH**

- #1. Having Been Duly Elected and Installed on 20 May 2023, I Paul M. Herrera do hereby assume the office of Commander Grand Pup Tent of Washington, Military Order of the Cootie of the United States.
- #2. **Grand Elections:** The following officers were duly elected and were installed at the Grand of Washington Convention 20 May 2023 in Bellingham, Washington.

Grand Commander:	Paul Herrera
Sr. Vice Commander:	Alec Haggerty
Jr. Vice Commander:	Linda Fairbank
Quartermaster:	Hardy Nettles
Chaplain:	Dale Iannello
Judge Advocate:	Tony Whetstine
Surgeon:	Frank Persa IV
Historian:	Dave Moylan
Aide De Camp South:	Deane Bray
Aide De Camp North:	Perry Taylor

- #3. **Appointments:** All Previous appointments are declared null and void and those former appointees will convert their tassels to their now current level. The following 2022-2023 appointments are announced and are hereby in effect as of 20 May 2023

Chief of Staff:	Steve Woodward
Adjutant:	Dan Bujok
Officer of the Day:	Dwight Booth
Provost Marshall:	Rick Holland

Jimmy Legs:	Drew James
Guard:	Frank Persa
Shirt Reader:	Perry Taylor
POW/MIA Chair:	Rick Holland
National Home:	Rick Holland
News Hound:	Dale Iannello
Windjammer:	Dan Bujok

#3. Appointments: Continued

Rebel Rouser:	Frank Persa
Guardian of Sacred Ditty Bag:	Drew James
Inspector:	Dwight Booth
Inspector:	Hardy Nettles
Membership:	Hardy Nettles
Life Membership:	Hardy Nettles
VFW Booster:	Steven Woodward
Hospital:	Drew James
Blood Chairman:	Drew James
Special Project Chair:	Traci Williams
Ways and Means Chair:	Perry Taylor
Apple Program Chair:	Hardy Nettles
Great South Wind:	Larry Alexander
Fall C of A Chair:	Dale Fezer
Spring C of A Chair:	Tony Whetstine
Convention Chair:	James Desterhouse
VAVS Rep Tacoma:	
VAVS Dep Tacoma:	Jim Vettori
VAVS Rep Vancouver:	Mike Archer
VAVS Dep Vancouver:	James Becker
VAVS Rep Seattle:	Traci Williams
Advisors:	PGC Hardy Nettles
	PGC Kirk Veistenz
	PGC Steve Woodward
	PGC Dwight Booth
	PGC Bob Berleen

#4. Grand Special Project: This year's Special Project is The Pulmonary Suite at the VA Puget Sound.

#5. Pup Tent Scratches: In accordance with Supreme By-Laws, Article II, Section 213, all Pup Tents shall hold at least one scratch per month.

#6. Hospital Reports: Monthly MOC Hospital Reports are now automated submission only. Click or copy this link. <http://hospital.cootie.org>. If you have any questions please contact out Hospital Chairman,

Drew James

Email: drew-james@hotmail.com Cell Phone: (559)230-7732

Please also email a copy to me at guntruck400@yahoo.com In case there are issues with our reports with Supreme.

- #7. **Blood Reports:** Monthly Blood Reports need to be sent directly to The Supreme Vampire at the Supreme Website LOTCS.org under reports Blood follow the links, or jimschinman@yahoo.com. **Also email or snail mail the Grand Blood Chairman Drew James. Drew-james@hotmail.com**
- #8. **Pup Tent Inspections:** Pup Tent Seam Squirrel, CCDB, Hungry Cootie ensure you connect with the inspector if there are conflicts with the inspection dates. Also ensure you have all required paperwork and books ready and available. Pup Tent Inspections are scheduled as follows:
- 13 Aug 23 2:00 pm Lucky 11 PT #11 Renton, Hardy
 - 13 Aug 23 1:00pm Van-Orc PT #6 Vancouver, Dwight
 - 20 Aug 23 3:30pm Chuckanut PT #18 Bellingham, Dwight
 - 26 Aug 23 10:00am Tahoma Warriors Pt #4 Lakewood, Hardy
 - 27 Aug 23 1:00pm Yur-A-Bum PT #3 Puyallup, Hardy
 - 2 Sept. 23 11:00 am Crazy Eights PT #8 Everett, Dwight
 - 16 Sept 23 3:30pm Heep Good PT #9 Bremerton, Dwight
- #9. **Pup Tent Roster:** The Roster for the Grand of Washington is being produced by the MOC Grand Commander and will be available at the Fall C of A in October if not before at Bremerton, WA.
- #10. **Membership Dues:** Dues payments with appropriate transmittal forms, need to be sent directly to the Grand Quartermaster.
Hardy Nettles
2747 Mt. Baker Hwy.
Bellingham, Wa. 98226
Email lorinhardy@yahoo.com, Phone: (360)961-6411
- Please try and get all renewals completed by 30 November.
- #11. **Audits:** Quarterly audits are due to the Grand Quartermaster
Hardy Nettles
2747 Mt. Baker Hwy.
Bellingham, Wa. 98226
Email lorinhardy@yahoo.com, Phone: (360)961-6411
- No Later than 30 days after the end of the quarter
(30 April, 31 July, 31 Oct, and 31, Jan)
- #12. **Pup Tent Bonding:** Now is a good time to review your bond to ensure you are bonded for the proper amount for funds in the bank. All Pup Tents are required to obtain at least a \$1000 minimum bond. All Pup Tents should already be bonded through 31 August 2023, if you update please forward a copy or email a copy of your new bond to the Grand QM.
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#13. **990:** Ensure your Pup Tent 990 is current with the IRS

#14. **Grand Website:** The Grand of Washington website is: <http://lotcswa.org>

#15. **Calendar of Events:** All Events will begin at 10:00AM

Fall C of A	Bremerton	October 6 & 7 2022 *7 th Registration Only If the Post has a Friday dinner or function show up and support the post.
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Spring C of A	Renton	March 1 & 2 2023 *3 rd Registration Only If the Post has a Friday dinner or function show up and support the post.
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Grand Convention	Puyallup	May 5 & 6 2023 *5 th Registration Only If the Post has a Friday dinner or function show up and support the post.
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This is provided for planning purposes and will be fully detailed prior to the event.

#16. **All pup tents are required to pre-register at least one delegate for the Supreme Scratch. No Later than July 15, 2023.** Registration form on LOTCS.org under Events, Registration Form.

#17. **Grand Commanders Remarks** Hello Fellow Cooties!!!(VFW Speak),
thank you for electing me to represent this lousy Grand of Washington. I believe in communication and accountability. Those of you in leadership positions need to be leaders your pup tent needs you to be. All I ask, is take a active roll in you pup tents and don't be a seat warmer. We can do things that are required and have fun while doing it. Covid all but done with, so we need to go back and hit Hospital work hard and bring the love and smiles back to our veterans. We will work closely with our VFW counterpart and support each other to achieve the mission of helping veterans. This year's Washington Grand theme is, "Helping Veterans together, forever".

BY COMMAND OF:

Paul M. Herrera
Grand Commander

Grand Adjutant

