



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

September 2025

GENERAL ORDER # 2      Linda Fairbank      COMMANDER 2025-2026  
TO BE READ AT THE NEXT PUP TENT SCRATCH

- #1. **Tomb Trek:** 31 October-2 November 2025 **Wreath Registration** is \$25.00 Washingtons goal is 100% participation of all pup tents. Order must be received by 1 October 2025 to be printed in the Annual Tomb Trek booklet. Registration and information can the found at <http://lotcs.org>
- #2. **Pup Tent Bonding:** All Pup Tents who have not paid for their new bond or voted to not obtain a bond are now delinquent. Send copies of your bond/minutes not to bond to the Grand Quartermaster.
- #3. **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](mailto:lorinhardy@yahoo.com)      Phone:360-961-6411  
  
Please try and get all renewals completed by 30 November.
- #4. **Audits:** Quarterly audits are due to the Grand Quartermaster  
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No Later than 30 days after the end of the quarter  
(30 April, 31 July, 31 Oct, and 31, Jan)
- #5. **990:** Ensure your Pup Tent's 990 is current with the IRS
- #6. **Grand Special Hospital Project:** Is the Dementia Unit at the Washington State Veterans Home (Retsil) in Port Orchard. Coins are available for \$20.00 each. 100% of money given goes directly to the Dementia Unit. Coins can be obtained from the Grand Commander in person or by mailing a check payable to the Grand MOC to the Grand Commander Linda Fairbank 21213 6<sup>th</sup> Ave S Des Moines WA 98198. Add \$5.00 for postage if obtaining by mail.

#7. **Schedule of events:** Is provided for planning purposes and will be fully detailed prior to the event.

**All times and places subject to change**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>2025</b>			
Oct 3-4	Fall C Of A		
Oct 3	Registration/Food	Bremerton Post 239	5pm-7pm
Oct 4	Registration/Food	Bremerton Post 239	8am-9:30am
Oct 4	Scratch/Meeting Lunch	Bremerton Post 239	10am
Oct 5	Institution PT 7	Spokane Post 1474	3:00pm
Oct 12	Official Visit PT 6	Vancouver Post 7824	1:00pm
Oct 18	Official Visit PT 9	Bremerton Post 239	3:30pm
Oct 25	Official Visit PT 4	Lakewood Post 2329	10:00am
Oct 26	Official Visit PT 3	Puyallup Post 2224	1:00pm
Oct 30- Nov2	90 <sup>th</sup> Tomb Trek	Arlington VA	
Nov 7-9	VFW Western Conference	Garden City ID	
Dec 7	Official Visit PT 11	Renton Post 1263	1:00/2:00pm
Dec16	Official Visit PT 8	Everett Post 2100	11:00am
<b>2026</b>			
Jan	Grand of Oregon Winter C of A		
Feb 1	Official Visit PT 5	McCleary Post 5564	1:00pm
Feb 28-Mar 5	Washington Conference	Washington DC	
Mar 6-7	Spring C of A		
Mar 6	Registration/Food	McCleary Post 5564	5pm-7pm
Mar 7	Registration	McCleary Post 5564	8am-9:30am
Mar 7	Scratch/Meeting Lunch	McCleary Post 5564	10am
May 1-2	Grand Convention		
May 1	Registration/Food	Bellingham Post 1585	5pm-7pm
Mar 2	Registration	Bellingham Post 1585	8am-9:30am
Mar 2	Scratch/Meeting Lunch	Bellingham Post 1585	10am
Apr	Grand of Oregon Convention		
June	VFW Convention		
Aug15-20	VFW National Convention	Reno, NV	
Aug	107 <sup>th</sup> Supreme Scratch	Reno, NV	

**BY COMMAND OF:**

***Linda Fairbank***

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Washington Grand Commander**

# *Grand Special Hospital Project*

## *The Dementia unit at Washington Veterans Home*

### *(Retsil)*

The Washington Veterans Home was founded in 1910 to serve Veterans in need who had served in the Civil War. Veterans continue to be served at a state-of-the-art care center providing comprehensive medical, nursing, dementia, psychiatric/psychosocial, rehabilitative/restorative and nutritional care. The home's highly skilled team, in addition to addressing an individual's direct care needs, is also focused on fostering the quality of life and overall well-being of veterans served. Psychosocial support is provided in a safe, pleasant home-like environment. An array of life-enriching opportunities responsive to individual's abilities, interests and desires are available. A dedicated care staff includes knowledgeable and skilled individuals who are committed to meeting the needs and desires of those who served, while also advancing their quality of life and overall well-being.



**Challenge coins will be sold for \$20.00 throughout the year to raise funds for this vital and important project.**