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General Order Number Three, Series 2007-2008, 1 January 2008
To All Grand Council members, Grand President, Past Grand
Commanders, Seam Squirrels and C.C.D.B.'s

These Orders are to be read at your next Scratch.

Listen Cootie;

73rd Supreme Tomb Trek, 1-4 November 2008 at the Doubletree in Crystal City, was once again a success. Once again your hospitality suite was the focal point of the Trek. For the future I would ask that we get maximum participation from all Cooties in Virginia. This is by far the most important organizational function we do in the public's eyes. While attendance has fallen in recent years the dedication and participation of our members is critical to the programs future success, please plan now to attend next November.

- The Next Grand Meeting will be held in Williamsburg, 16-18 January 2008 at Williamsburg.
- Grand Fun day; The Virginia Grand Fun Day will be held at Post 4809 in Norfolk, Va. on Feb.23, 2008. For further information please contact Pup Tent 2 Seam Squirrel Gary Messersmith at m.messersmith@cox.net or 757-479-2551. The date for FUN DAY is February 23, 2008. The schedule of events will be sent out when completed as well as lodging accommodations.
- Joint Pup Tent Installation. This year Pup Tent #2 Norfolk Crabs will host the Norfolk area Joint Pup Tent Installation. This joint installation will include Pup Tents #1, #2, #4 & #5. The date for the Joint Installations of all the above Pup Tents to be held on March 22, 2008. The installation is to be held at Post 4809, 5728 Barteet St, Norfolk, Va. The details concerning time, schedule of events, food, beverages and entertainment will be promulgated after the meeting of a joint committee with the Pt#2 Seam Squirrel.
- The State Convention will again be in Richmond 12-15 June 2008.

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This years Fund Raiser for the Grand is a drawing. Tickets have been sent out to the pup tents. Proceeds Go to Support Grand Functions Drawing To Be Held At State Convention June 13, 2008. Let's get out and get the tickets sold so that we may put a few more dollars in the coffer for the Grand functions.

1st Prize \$500.00
2nd Prize \$250.00
3rd Prize \$100.00

Donation \$1.00 Each or 6 for \$5.00

As I reported in the past G.O, 4th Supreme District has formed a committee to review and plan that tasking to run Tomb Trek. The following members of the 4th Supreme District are appointed:

Appointed Committee Members:

H. Steve Mason as past Tomb Trek Chairman
James T. Brady as past Tomb Trek Treasurer
Gary Dressel as Certified Public Accountant
Skip Sharp as 4th Supreme Adjutant

Members at Large

Dan Cooler
Lynn Hill
Gene Bess
Sterling Moninghoff

Since the last set of G.O. it is not a good thing to report that the Grand of Virginia has lost yet another Pup Tent. Pup Tent #7 Fleas Flickers of Luray Virginia has in accordance with the Supreme By-Laws, surrendered their charter and any and all assets to the Grand of Virginia. Pup Tent #7, by its own accord, surrendered its charter due in part to membership. As I have posted in my last G.O., our membership is a aged one and it is time to get younger members to join and step up to the task on keeping our organization in good order.

VFW Booster Reports: Keep thinking about the VFW Booster Program and sign up a member for your Post. When you sign up a new member, remember to submit a Booster Report and

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send it to the Grand Quartermaster Gary Dressel at gray8953@comcast.net or 703-447-3607.

And I will repeat this again.

Membership: Since I have been involved in the M.O.C., I have noticed our ranks thinning. A vast majority of our membership is reaching that most favored age where they would like to take a well deserved rest and let the younger members take the rains. I for one am very proud of being a member of this great organization and would like to see it grow in numbers.

With that being said, it time to get out there and get the membership up. We have member out there that have not renewed there annual membership yet. As of November 30, 2007, the Grand of Virginia is standing at 78.28% in membership. That is 91 members short of 100% (464).

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

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