



GRAND PUP TENT  
Fertile Hunting Grounds of New Mexico



MILITARY ORDER OF THE COOTIE  
Of the United States



*"The Honor Degree of the Veterans of Foreign Wars"*  
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1. Notice is hereby given that the Grand of New Mexico will hold its Mid Winter Conference in Alamogordo New Mexico on February 12th, 2010. The Budget meeting to be held at 0800 hrs and Grand C of A to follow at 1000 hrs in cootie hall. The host pup tent will be Apollo 20 at VFW Post 7686. The convention chairman will be Cootie Scott Millar. Further information concerning the conference will be forthcoming. Mark your calendar now. All pup tents are expected to have a representative present at the C of A.
2. All Grand Chairpersons will be expected to provide an update on their programs at the Mid Winter Conference. Please provide a report to the Grand Commander or Grand Quartermaster, if you are unable to attend.
3. Your attention is invited to the Change to the Supreme By-Laws Sec 302 passed at the 90th Supreme Scratch in Phoenix, Arizona which states that starting with the 2010-2011 administrative year, only the Seam Squirrel, Blanket Bum, Hide Gimlet and Tight Wads will be elected officers. The Sky Pilot, Shyster, Pill Pusher and Keeper of the Lousy Records will now become appointed officers.
4. All Cooties are reminded that the Grand of New Mexico has three primary programs:
  - a. Support to hospitalized veterans and their families.
  - b. Obtain members for the VFW.
  - c. Support the VFW National Home for Children.These three programs will be a priority within all Pup Tents. Remember if your Pup Tent is supporting these programs, you don't get credit if the reports are not submitted to the appropriate Grand Chairman.
5. The Cootie Convention will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico in June 2010. Pup Tent 7 will be the host Pup Tent. The details to be disseminated at a later date.
6. I would like to thank each and every cootie for their dedication and hard work. special thanks to Marty, Dave, Gordon and Cathy for putting up with me. We started out like a tornado but now we are a southern breeze so let's not stop and keep up the work of reports and recruitment which is vital to the Grand of New Mexico.
7. Let us all recommit to that wonderful tradition of the Military Order of the Cootie, and the Grand of New Mexico in especially, in Partners in Progress 2009-2010.
8. Your attention is directed to the Supreme Hospital Visit to be held on 7 Feb 2009 in Albuquerque VAMC. Reception to follow at VFW Post 401.

GEORGE BROWN  
Grand Commander

DAVE WIMMER  
Grand Adjutant