

## SUPREME **COOTIE TICKLE** SERIES 2020-2021

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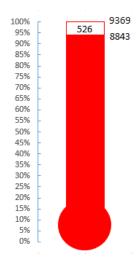
isten Cooties, Cuties and all of the Crummies who will painfully make their way through the following gibberish. We are on the downhill side of the year and you

should be nominating and voting on your 2021-2022 officers. This year has been a tough one, but let's finish strong! The Bottom 3 are doing our best to travel when and where we can, but it has been a challenge with so many places shut down. I appreciate everyone trying to meet, at least via Zoom, but hope we don't grow too familiar with Zoom meetings. It would be very easy for Pup Tents and Grands alike to start substituting all of their scratches with a virtual option. Once we start doing that our organization is on its last days. The camaraderie we experience together really pulls us together. I can't really write in crayons online for our Marines and I can't 'cuss like a Sailor' online very well. Keeping all of my words under four letters for my Army buddies wouldn't make sense on paper. I doubt our Air



Force comrades trouble themselves with the work it takes to pull up a Zoom meeting without an Admin Specialist to do it for them. Coast Guard comrades? Do they even

get internet so far off coast?



I want to challenge every Grand Commander to get ALL of their officers' memberships renewed ASAP! That alone would put us much closer to 100%. I plan to publish Grands having officers who are not in good standing in the March Cootie Tickle. Don't make me turn next Tickle into a Cootie Punch (and I'm not talking about the Cootie Milk 'punch' flavored either). Will I have to publish individual names in the April issue? Our membership is currently 8843 and we need 9369 to be 100% +1. This means we are ONLY 526 away from that goal! I KNOW we can do it. It would be a HUGE statement for our organization if we were to pull off 100% membership in such a challenging year! I know that we tend to bring in fewer numbers toward the end of the year or hold them back for next year. PLEASE, because we are SO CLOSE, don't be



tempted to do that this year. I am discussing with the other two most bottom Cooties to see if we can come up with a way to sign up members from a recruiting station. Perhaps sign them up as Members at Large where they will be an Atom. Then the most local Pup Tent could start their degree work to make them a Nit, Greyback and Cootie. I understand the discourse this brings about Post voting and Pup Tent voting, etc., but our parent organization has found a way. I'm sure we can too if we put our mush filled heads together.

We are still a GO for the Supreme Commander's Homecoming in Phoenix, Arizona on March 6<sup>th</sup>. The fellowship and frolic will begin at 1pm. We plan to have several entertaining activities to include Music, Magic and Mystery. Doesn't that sound MMM good? Please contact Weezie Burrell at (602) 615-0093 or email her at: <a href="mailto:burrell.beth@yahoo.com">burrell.beth@yahoo.com</a> for more information.

I was able to attend the Grand of Arizona C of A and it was absolutely crummy. We didn't have ANY fun. However, I was able to talk to more than PGC Bob Hysko (he is second from the left)!

We are doing our best to have a Supreme Representative at your Grand Convention. We have actually done a very good job having Supreme Representatives at many of your Councils of Administration, which is something we normally don't do. Some of you may say, "We shouldn't be spending money for the bottom three to travel." Well, I disagree. However, we HAVE NOT spent any money traveling. Olin, Dwight and I have traveled on our own dime this year and that is not cheap. I don't say this to boast, but to stop the squealing that may arise. Also, I want everyone to know that this organization means A LOT to us. We have not only invested our time but our money into making this year a productive year for our organization. The three us realized, 'If not now, when and if not us, who?' We can't simply kick the can of action down the

road another year. Next year, we must find someone to put in the Junior Vice Commander position with the strategic mindset and the work ethic to WORK and not just wear a shag. I am so bold to say that while past year's SVC and JVC were simply in waiting without many duties, YOUR SVC Olin Parks and JVC Dwight Hora have WORKED hard this year promoting our organization and we are not finished by any means. I hope you will get on board if you haven't already and join us in our year of growth, not decline. Will you help? Don't just say it, Do it.

Yours in the LOTCS,
Darin Combs
Supreme Commander

