

Membership Program 2023-2024

OBJECTIVE: To encourage all Pup Tents to SURPASS their 31 May 2023 membership total by recruiting at least one (1) new member. The Supreme organization recognizes all Grands and Pup Tents who reach their goal which will be EOY + 1 cootie.

SEAM SQUIRREL'S MESSAGE: We do our duty as SPECIES PEDICULI to INCREASE and MULTIPLY: this is our 2023-2024 goal. We have a tremendous pool for membership. They are workers of the Veterans of Foreign Wars who wish to become Cooties; all you need to do is ask them. So please do your duty and these good comrades will join our ranks and we will all increase and multiply.

QUARTERMASTERS AND CCDBS: Membership transmittals must be postmarked by 31 May 2023. Look at the awards program below and set your goals.

Membership Awards

PUP TENT AWARDS: Pup Tents with 100% paid membership PLUS a growth factor of 1 new or reinstated members by 31 December 2023 and verified by Supreme Headquarters will receive a Supreme Citation. Pup Tents with 100% paid membership + 1 by 31 May 2024 will receive a Supreme Citation.

SEAM SQUIRRELS and CCDBS: Seam Squirrels and CCDBs with 100% paid membership PLUS a growth factor of two (2) new or reinstated members by 30 November 2023 and verified by Supreme Headquarters, will receive an "Outstanding SS" and "Outstanding CCDB" pin, and a Supreme Citation. The Seam Squirrel's name will be entered into a drawing to win one of the following for the 105th Supreme Convention:

A three day stay.

A Two-day stay and a banquet ticket.

A one day stay and a banquet ticket.

This is only for the Seam Squirrel; is not transferable and is only for the room. This does not include food or transportation costs. Transmittals must be postmarked by 30 November 2023. Pup Tents with 100% paid membership by the end of the 2023-2024 year (31 May 2024) will receive a Supreme Citation.

GRAND AWARDS: Grands that are 100% in membership + 1 by 31 December 2023 will have their Grand Commanders name entered into a drawing to win one of the following for the 105th Supreme Convention:

A three day stay.

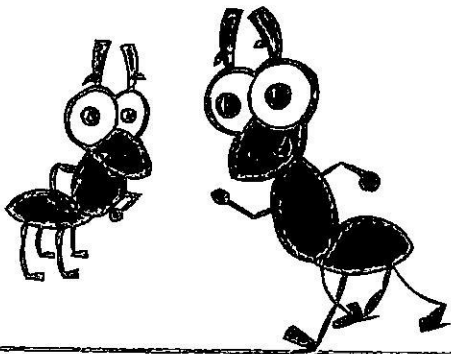
A two day stay and a banquet ticket.

A one day stay and a banquet ticket.

This is only for the Grand Commander and is not transferable and is only for the room and does not include food or transportation costs. Transmittals must be postmarked by 31 December 2023. Grands with 100% paid membership + 1 by the end of the membership year 31 May 2024 will receive a Supreme Citation.

COMPUTING YOUR BASE MEMBERSHIP: Computing the quota for each Pup Tent will be as follows:

- ◇ Total Membership as of 31 May 2023, total membership is the total of continuous members, plus life members, plus those members that did not renew (pay) their membership during the current year or the prior year, plus one (1) new or reinstated member.
- ◇ Any deceased members reported during the membership must be made up.
- ◇ For a Pup Tent to be 100% in membership, it must grow by one (1) new or reinstated member based on the EOY.
- ◇ Delinquent members will fall off the roster in the 3rd year after they did not pay their membership dues.
- ◇ The Supreme CCDB's records will be used to compute membership awards.
- ◇ **Grand CCDB's are directed to forward a copy of the Grand membership transmittals to:**



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Life Membership Program 2022-2023

The Life Membership Program has been approved and is in effect.

First, all applicants must be VFW Life Members - NO EXCEPTIONS.

Second, all applications for Life Membership must be paid-up continuous 3rd degree members for the current year. The Life Membership dues are as follows:

* Through age 30	\$340.00
* 31 through 40	\$325.00
* 41 through 50	\$305.00
* 51 through 60	\$275.00
* 61 through 70	\$245.00
* 71 through 80	\$190.00
* 81 and over	\$150.00

Do you have your Red Star Life Membership?



If you are a Life Member of our crummy fraternity, you may or may not be aware of a program that started over a decade ago. In 2005, Supreme Commander Tom Tweet proposed a program to help raise funds for Supreme Organization.

At that time, Supreme Quartermaster/Adjutant, John L. 'Jack' Roberts announced that we were about to run out of the old-white-life membership-cards. He began redesigning a new-shiny-gold-colored-life-membership-card to replace the nearly depleted stock of old, white cards.

During the process, SC Tweet suggested that every life member replace their white cards with the gold cards. He mentioned that when the US Mint replaces a semi-destroyed dollar bill, it re-issues the serial number, but places a little star in front of the serial number. He suggested that we start up a program similar to that, only the Life Member would have their LM# reissued on the new gold-colored card with a Red ★ Star placed in front of their number signifying that a second donation of ninety-five dollars (\$95) had been made to help the MOC. Since then, hundreds of Cooties have sent in their cards, from all three Life Membership plans.

Now is the time to change out your tired old card for a shiny new one, you can do that for only six bucks. However, if you combine you change out your old card with a Red Star donation of only ninety five dollars, you can save one dollar and do it all for \$100 even!

You'll be helping the organization you love the most, the MOC and you'll have a shiny new card with a Prestigious Red Star! Today is the day to become a Red Star Life Member!