



**ALL AMERICAN POST 7909**  
**JUNE/JULY 2022**  
**"NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS"**

**COMMANDERS CORNER**

This year has flown by and my year as Commander has come to an end. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support. I know come 18 June 2022 when Joe Casey takes over as Commander, you will give him the same support you gave me. So, once again thank you from the bottom of my heart.

**Robert Hernandez**  
**Commander**

**COMMANDERS CORNER**

Thank You to all of our Post and Auxiliary members for your support and contributions to the Post's success this past year! Many improvements have been made and many volunteer hours have been spent in support of our goals. We have a long way to go and a lot to do to get there. I encourage us all to participate in our volunteer activities in whatever way you can help. We don't need everyone all the time; however, we need everyone to help some of the time.

We are looking forward to continuing the success of our predecessors this year. They have set the bar high and have assured their support for the new officers. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Post for meals, games, entertainment, programs and just for the camaraderie.

**See you at our Post!**

**Joseph Casey, New Commander**

## SERVICE OFFICER

Beware of all those so called organizations and lawyers who say they can help you with your VA claim, agent orange, burn pit or Gulf War syndrome. The VA frowns on these kinds of organizations because all they are doing is trying to get your money. **Don't get me wrong, there are some good lawyers out there that will help.** When I was doing my claim, I had a person advise me to pay \$500 to this lawyer in California and he will get me 100%. These are the issues you have to be careful of. Oh, and by the way, I got 100% without paying \$500. Scott and I have done the same for other veterans and if you don't want to see us, find a reputable Veteran Service Officer (DAV, American Legion and so on).

**Robert Hernandez**

### EMPLOYMENT INFO

### **Jobs for Veterans**



The following websites are provided:

Federal Jobs (USAJOBS) <https://my.usajobs.gov>

State Jobs (People First) <https://peoplefirst.myflorida.com/peoplefirst> for help (877)562-7287

Local Jobs (Career Source) <http://www.careersourcenortheastflorida.com> for help (904) 356-5627

VA jobs <http://www.va.gov/jobs>

Employ FL Vets <http://veterans.employflorida.com/portals/veteran/> for more info 1 (866) 352-2345

Transition & Employment Services <http://www.vfw.org> go to Assistance then Trans & Emp Svcs

**J.R. Wood**

### MOC PUP TENT 23

Summer is upon us! A time for BBQ's and being with friends. The Post will be alive with its usual activities that keep us all going in the spirit of loyalty to our nation and comrades. This year will be the 78th Anniversary of D-Day and the Normandy invasion in June followed by our nations 246th birthday July 4th! As the leader of our Posts Cootie Pup Tent, I want to take this opportunity to recognize all of our veterans sacrifice, duty, and honor. And as we enjoy our summer, I would encourage you all to think of our brothers and sisters in need. From the nations VA long term care facilities, to nursing homes and hospitals in our area. OUR support is what helps keep them going! And our organization, both VFW and Cooties is dedicated to letting those men and women know that they're not forgotten or alone. So please, take the time to ask a Cootie how YOU can help us with our mission to "Keep Em' Smiling!"

All the Best,

**David Grodt, Seam Squirrel**

## AUXILIARY NEWS

Aloha All,

I can't believe that we are at the end of another auxiliary year. I want to thank everyone for all of your hard work and the support you have given me throughout the 2021-2022 year. We will be ending our year with a prom night on June 24th . Please join us for the "enchantment under the sea" dance. We will have dinner and dancing with Soul Fire. Dress to impress. More details to follow. The new officers for the 2022-2023 year have been elected and installed and will begin their new positions at the July meeting. Your chosen officers are...

President- Leilani Jones

Conductress - Machel Leverock

Sr. Vice- Donna Casey

Guard - Lori Steichen

Jr. Vice - Kathy Danahoo

1st Year Trustee - Margaret Latimer

Secretary - Fran Cramer

2nd Year Trustee - Keith Epps

Treasurer - Linda Seiler

3rd Year Trustee - Robin Manzo

Chaplain - Lola Higgins

Patriotic Instructor - None yet

Kitchen help is ALWAYS needed and very much APPRECIATED!!! Let's have another fantastic year.

**Leilani Jones**

**President**

## MOCA CATFISH 23

The MOCA (Military Order of the Cooties Auxiliary) Needs YOU!!! What are cooties and what do they do?? With the outbreak of World War II, the Cooties recognized a need to entertain hospitalized troops and veterans during their confinement and rehabilitation at Veterans Administration facilities throughout the country. Our service program is described as a directive to "Keep 'em Smiling in Beds of White." Each year the Cooties volunteer thousands of hours of time worth over ten million dollars to DVA Hospitals and domiciliaries throughout the United States. This work, in addition to the hours of service donated as active members of the VFW, set the members of the MOC /MOCA apart as Foreign Service and Combat Veterans who are fully engaged in their communities, and their fellow comrades in arms and their families. Our distinctive red hat and unusual uniform sets us apart and draws attention to the plight of those less fortunate than ourselves. We sacrifice a little of ourselves to bring a smile or a laugh during what is normally a difficult time for our heroes. We seek others like us to join and help us help them in their times of stress and anxiety. You are invited to join the MOCA Catfish 23 at our post the third Tuesday of every month at 7:01 pm. We work hard but have fun, too.

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AND AUXILIARY  
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**POST OFFICERS**

**Commander  
SR Vice  
JR Vice  
Quartermaster  
Chaplain  
Surgeon  
Judge Advocate  
Adjutant  
1<sup>st</sup> Year Trustee  
2<sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee  
3<sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee**

**Joe Casey  
Bernice Gorman  
Paul Syverson  
John Daniels  
Roger Gregory  
J R Wood  
Dani Hernandez  
Scott Sutherland  
Howard Maas  
George Higginbotham  
Robert Hernandez**

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Secretary  
Treasurer  
Chaplain  
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Conductress  
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Patriotic Instructor**

**Leilani Jones  
Donna Casey  
Kathleen Danahoo  
Frances Cramer  
Linda Seiler  
Lola Higgins  
Margaret Latimer  
Keith Epps  
Robin Manzo  
Machelle Leverock  
Lori Steichen  
None**