NATIONAL SACKETTES

HONOR AND FUN GROUP

OF

AMVETS LADIES AUXILIARY

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# NATIONAL SACKETTE HANDBOOK

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OPENING PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, We ask Thy Blessing upon those gathering here. Where by our loyalty and work has gained membership into this organization. Guide us in our work and in our play. Give us strength to meet each task with courage, each cross with fortitude. Help us to live, meet and work with love towards thee, our country and our fellowman. We ask in thy name. AMEN

CLOSING PRAYER

Help us, O Lord, to go forth with love and friendship toward each other. May we so comfort ourselves with the outer world that thy blessings will remain with us until we meet again.
AMEN

PREAMBLE

We, the members of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary, do hereby unite to form an Honor & Fun Organization for the purpose of giving recognition to the members for their meritorious service contributed to AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

SACKETTE FINES

1. Out of Uniform – fine of $ 0.26
2. Tardy – fine $.01
3. Voting Improperly – a fine of $.05 (proper vote – Yes is forefinger to eye and No is forefinger to nose)
4. Officer absent from fracas, but attending NEC or Convention – fine of $.51
5. Talking without permission – fine of $.01
6. Asking for recognition improperly – fine $.03 (proper method is wiggling right forefinger in a circular motion)
7. Improper use of Sackette Vocabulary – fine of $.05
8. Use of forbidden word (Think) – fine $.05
9. Applauding incorrectly – fine $.05 (applause is by stomping feet/banging table)
10. Forgetting the password or not knowing the password – fine $.17. If Stubbornest fails to ask for the password (Sugar & Spice) a fine of $.27 shall be levied on her.

OBJECTIVES

The objective of this organization shall be for the official honor group of the National Ladies Auxiliary to honor qualified members and to promote Nurses Education. To create more enthusiasm and interest in the welfare of our fellow man and to increase attendance and participation at all levels of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.
MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be limited to members in good standing of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary. They must be a member for at least one year and have attended at least one half of the regular AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary meetings in the past year. Application must be signed by the local President or Secretary to verify qualifications and points accumulated.

CONVENTION

All SACKETTES in good standing shall have a vote at the Department & National Conventions.

ORGANIZATION

There shall be only one SACKETTE Unit in each local AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary, but members of more than one Auxiliary may form a Unit. When a Unit is formed from more than one, the minimum membership shall not be less than ten. After the Unit has been in existence for one year, there must be ten members to maintain the Charter. Local Units shall hold at least three fracases each year. Departments may be formed when two units have been organized within the State. Departments should hold at least three fracases each year with one being at their State Convention.

DUES

The annual dues shall be no less than $5.01 per member year. Membership runs concurrently with the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary year. Any member delinquent in AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary shall forfeit membership in SACKETTES until such time as she reestablishes her eligibility and is a member in good standing.

UNIFORM

SACKETTE uniforms may be worn only at SACKETTE functions, State or National fracases or parades. Uniforms shall be made from suitable material. Uniform is Sackette attire, (shirt or unit shirt).

QUALIFYING POINTS

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<th>Points/Year</th>
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<td>Past &amp; Present National or State Officer or Service Chairman</td>
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<td>Local Officer or Service Chairman</td>
<td>15 pts./yr.</td>
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<td>District Officer or Service Chairman</td>
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<td>Each visit to Hospital/Nursing Home</td>
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<td>Attending District Meetings</td>
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OSSIFERS

Elected Ossifers of SACKETTES shall be:

Snappiest…………………………….President 1 yr. term
Snappier……………………………..Vice President 1 yr. term
Savingest…………………………….Treasurer Indefinite
Serious……………………………….Chaplain 2 yr. term
Stubbornest…………………………..Sgt-at-Arms 1 yr. term
Hustler……………………………….Ways & Means 2 yr. term

Appointed Ossifers of SACKETTES shall be:

Scribbling……………………………Secretary Indefinite
Scrappiest……………………………PRO/Historian 1 yr. term
Solicitress……………………………Parliamentarian 1 yr. term
Weezer Squeezers…………………...Aid for the Sgt-at-Arms 1 yr. term

FORMING A SACKETTE UNIT

1. Any Auxiliary in good standing may form a Sackette Unit even if no Sad Sacks exist in the Post.
2. Each member must accumulate fifty points within a one year period prior to application in the SACKETTES.
3. Each member must be a member in good standing of the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.
4. Each member must be a member of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary for at least one year and attend at least one half of the regular meetings of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary held in the past year.
5. All applications must be signed by the local President or Secretary verifying qualifications and points accumulated.
6. Notification of intent to organize is sent to the National Scribbling with the date and place of the first meeting. The National Scribbling will furnish all necessary forms.
7. Application forms are filled out at the first meeting and the sum of not less than $5.01 per member for dues will be collected.
8. The Charter application must be completed and temporary officers are elected and appointed until the first Annual meeting.
9. After a Unit is organized, a name and mascot shall be chosen. A Unit may request a number. If said number has been assigned to another Unit, the National Scribbling shall assign another number.
10. All new SACKETTES may be initiated after the local Unit accepts their membership. The National Scribbling upon request will send procedure on the initiation to the Snappiest. All initiation paraphernalia shall at all times be confined to the Fracas room and all initiation rituals to be kept secret.
11. All Units must maintain ten paid members to maintain their Charter.
12. All meetings shall be called a Fracas and shall be conducted according to the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary procedures. Keep in mind, however, we are an Honor & Fun Group and utter confusion is the order of the day.
13. By-Laws shall be adopted by each Unit, sent to the Department Solicitress in triplicate, if a Department exists, and/or to the National Solicitress for approval and one copy to Local, Department and National files

FORMING A STATE DEPARTMENT

1. A State Department may be formed when two or more Units have been organized within the State.
2. The procedure shall be the same as forming a Local Unit, with the addition that all locals shall be notified in advance of the meeting, time and place and the purpose must be stated.
3. The Department shall submit By-Laws, in triplicate, to the National Solicitress for approval, sixty days following the first Department Convention Fracas.
4. It shall be the duty of the Department to aid and provide assistance to all of the local Units in the State.

SACKETTE AGENDA

OPENING SESSION

Call to disorder
Prayer
Presentation of Colors
Pledge of Allegiance
Preamble

BUSINESS SESSION

Roll Call of Officers
Roll Call of Units & Past Snappiests
Introduction of Guests
Reading of the Story (Minutes)
Tall Tale (Financial Report)
Official Communications/Correspondence
Report of Committees:
  - Membership
  - Scholarship
  - Ways & Means
  - Others
Reports of Officers
Unfinished Business
New Business
Presentation of Bills
Programs (could be initiation)

CLOSING CEREMONY

Closing Prayer
Retiring of the Colors
Adjournment
SACKETTE INSTALLATION SERVICE

INSTALLING OFFICER

OSSIFERS of the SACKETTES, you have been chosen by the members of this organization to serve as OSSIFERS of SACKETTES for the ensuing year. The members will look to you to carry their affairs with honesty and integrity. With this in mind, are you willing to faithfully and impartially perform the duties of these offices to the best of your ability?

NEW OSSIFER

I am.

INSTALLING OSSIFERS

You will raise your right hand and repeat after me the Oath of Office:
“We, the Ossifers of SACKETTES, (Department/Unit) ________, do solemnly promise upon our honor, and in the presence of this assembly, that as OSSIFERS of SACKETTES, we shall do all in our power to promote loyalty, peace and goodwill for our country. We further pledge ourselves to support the laws and Constitution of SACKETTES and to observe these as now constituted or as they may be legally amended. To these principles we dedicate our service and ourselves.”

SACKETTE SOLEMN OATH

Now place yourself in this position to take another solemn oath. Raise your left foot ten inches from the floor, place your thumb behind your ears and wiggle your fingers, and repeat after me.
“I promise I will violate all the laws of this SACKETTE group, or any other darn group. I will make things as miserable as possible. In fact, I will make some things so hot that Hades will seem like a cold storage plant compared to this place. I will tell everything I see and all I don’t see, and by doing so, I will consider myself a faithful and true SACKETTE.”

HUSTLER

Your title means Ways and Means Chairman, and you are to have at least one project per year to raise money. Be careful how you do it, you might be asked to do it again if you raise a lot of cash. Try not to let too many people know about your program, they might want to donate. Now waddle to your seat and remember to keep it a Secret.

SCRAPPIEST

It is your duty not only to write the history, but to make some as well. Better make it good, for remember, your grandchildren might be reading it someday and you want to appear as a hero. So be safe and write it in a language that no one but yourself can understand so the records can’t be held against you. If, at any time, the boss asks a favor of you be careful – for if you serve on a tough assignment, and do a good job, you will surely be hooked for the next year as well, and doing too much work, you will be violating the obligation you just assumed. Now take two steps to your chair and look wise.
**STUBBORNEST**

Your duty is to stand at the door, but care not your position is a high one. You can sit on a mountain top or a tack as far as this group is concerned. Be careful who you admit to the fracas. If they are in uniform, do not admit them, they are probably trying to serve a summons. If someone is carrying a gun – keep them out also, for they would just shoot up the joint. When fines are levied, collect all you can – if you are sly enough you can smuggle out enough to pay your own fines. Now sneak back to your seat and keep your eyes peeled for trouble.

**WEEZER SQUEEZER**

You are an Aid for the Stubbornest, (Sgt-at-Arms).

**SERIOUS**

It is your duty to ask divine guidance for all us poor mortals. If you are asked to sit all night with a sick friend, dress the part keep your shoes greased with polecat oil, for nothing makes you more uncomfortable than a tight belt or shoes. Now walk a straight line to your seat and ask for help for those around you.

**SCHOLARSHIP**

You are supposed to be a learned person and to raise as much as you can toward our Scholarship Fund for the Nurses. You can beg or borrow, to make the goal you set for the program. Do not let anyone give you any wooden nickels or any notes as those nurses need cold hard cash. Now twirl your seat and start begging.

**SOLICITRESS**

It is up to you to learn the dos and don’ts of this group. Keep a club on hand at all times when your members get unruly and won’t listen to you – use it. Keep a copy of your laws with you at all times – someone might want to listen to you or even ask a question and you would not want to appear dumb. Now slide your feet across the floor and take your rightful place beside the throne so you can advise the boss.

**SAVINGEST**

It is your duty to have a charge of all the mazuma that belongs to this club. Do not get it into your head that it belongs to you. You must at all times have your money bag open so members can either drop some in or take some out. But, when it is time to turn it over to the next Officer, you better make sure the mazuma in the bag checks with the books, or we won’t be seeing you around for awhile – the State will have to feed you. Now, hippity-hop back to your chair and heed these words of wisdom.

**SCRIBBLING**

Your duties are the ones of vast importance. Not only must you keep track of all that goes on the Fracas, but all of the news and especially all of gossip you hear on corners or by phone after the Fracas. It is also up to you to keep track if they are on time, and ok their excuses. It is also necessary to see that they come across on time with cold, hard cash to belong to this outfit. If you can’t collect the
cash, take a promissory note, or even a mortgage, but beware of checks. If they are rubber and bounce, it is up to you to catch them. Now waltz back to your seat and sharpen your wits.

**SNAPPIER**

It is your duty to help the boss in all she undertakes to do. When it comes time to help examine the new members, use extra caution. Examine them both inside and out. Make sure they do not have corns on their throats and tonsils on their feet. Any time the main boss can't show up it is up to you to take over. See how miserable you can make the Fracas. Be sure to give absent members plenty of heck, for then your true worries will be over as you will never get elected to be high boss. Now stagger to your seat and start making plans.

**SNAPPIEST**

Your duty is to show who the boss is of this outfit. The best way is to give them a piece of your mind whenever you feel like it, but do not let them talk back to you. In fact, it is better if you do not let them say anything at the Fracas. If they get unruly, knock them down; do not use your fist. Take a brick – the blow has more feeling in it and it lasts longer. Above all, do not allow the members to get friendly with you. Carry a piece of limburger cheese in your pocket so they will keep their distance. It is your duty also to examine new members who might try to get into the Club. The best thing is – if they are richer or better looking than you, blackball them. This gavel, or club, is an emblem of authority, one rap stands them up or sits them down, or lays them out, if properly used. Now, skip to your chair and start taking over.

**INSTALLING OFFICER**

My fellow members, I hereby take pleasure in presenting to you the newly installed Officers. I trust you will aid and cooperate with them in all they do. I extend my congratulations to the Officers and wish them the best, as they assume the duties of their Office. I hereby declare the Officers of SACKETTES (Department/Unit) __ duly installed for the year ______.

**CLOSING PRAYER**

**SACKETTE NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

Nursing Scholarships will be presented at the National Convention Fracas, funds permitting. Entries will be mailed to the Scholarship Chairman. Applications will be judged by a committee. A check and certificate will be sent to the Units with the winning entries following National Convention and the Unit will present it after verification of enrollment.
National Sackette Nursing Scholarship Application

ELIGIBILITY:
1. Applicant must be enrolled at a Nursing School and in at least his or her second year of nursing at an accredited school or college of nursing, FULL TIME AND PURSUING AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE IN NURSING. (No online applicants will be considered)
2. The candidate must be sponsored by a Sackette Unit.
3. No post graduate applications will be considered.

REQUIREMENTS:
1. The applicant must submit a paper of not more than 300 words about themselves. It should include past accomplishments, career and educational goals and objectives for the future.
2. Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be the faculty advisor.

APPLICATION PROCESS:
1. All applications for the National Sackette Nursing Scholarships must be returned to the local Sackette Unit no later than May 1st. Please make certain that all requirements are met.
2. All applications must be forwarded to the National Scholarship Chairman prior to July 15th.

JUDGING:
1. All entries will be judged at the Sackette National Convention in August by the Past National Snappiests.
2. Winners will be notified by the sponsoring Sackette Unit.

LOCAL UNIT # ____________________________
UNIT DUE DATE FOR LOCAL JUDGING _______________________________________

UNIT SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN ____________________________________________
ADDRESS ________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________

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National Sackette Scholarship Application

Student Data – Please Print – This form must be filled out completely.

Name __________________________________ Telephone # __________________________
Last __________ First __________ Middle __________
Address _________________________________________________________________
Street __________ City __________ State __________ Zip code

Source of Support

1. Who contributes the major portion of your support? ______________________
   Name
   Relationship __________ Occupation __________ Self Employed __________
   Yearly Income ___________________________ Other Income ___________________

2. What other sources of support do you have? ____________________________

3. Name of Source ___________________________ Amount __________________

4. Marital Status – Married ____ Single _____ Dependents _____ Ages _________

5. Brothers ________ Sisters ___________ Ages ___________ Other _____


7. Summarize the financial obligations you or your family have which effects the potential
   contribution to your education. ____________________________________________

8. Amount of the current tuition $____________________ yearly or monthly.

9. Are you making applications for scholarships other than this one? __________________
   If yes, describe source – amount – duration __________________________________

10. Have you been notified by any scholarship source that you will receive a scholarship?
    For this year? __________ Next year? ______ Source __________ Amount _________

11. List any scholarships, prizes, awards or special achievements ____________________
    ________________________________________________________________

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE __________________________ Date: __________________

Name of School & Location ______________________________________________________

Signature of School Director __________________________ Submitted Sackette Unit: ______
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PREAMBLE

We, the members of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary do hereby unite to form an Honor & Fun Organization for the purpose of giving recognition to the members for their meritorious service contributed to AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the organization shall be SACKETTES. National, State and Local meeting of SACKETTES shall be known as a SACKETTE Fracas.

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVES

The object of this organization shall be the official group of the AMVETS National Ladies Auxiliary to honor qualified members and to promote Nurses Education.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP & DUES

1. Membership in the SACKETTE Unit shall be limited to members in good standing of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

2. All Auxiliary members applying for membership in the Local SACKETTE Unit must have been a member of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary for at least one (1) year and must have attended one half of the regular AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary meetings held for the past year. Applicants must also accumulate fifty (50) points within one (1) year.

3. The point system is as follows:
   - Past/Present National, Department Officer or Service Chairman: 25 pts/yr.
   - Local Officer or Service Chairman: 15 pts/yr.
   - District Officer or Service Chairman: 10 pts/yr.
   - Each Visit to Hospital/Nursing Home: 5 pts/yr.
   - Attending Department or National Conference/Convention (each): 10 pts/yr.
   - Attending District or Division Meetings (each): 5 pts/yr.
   - Serving on a General Committee: 5 pts/yr.
   - Each AMVET or Auxiliary member signed up (each): 5 pts/yr.
   - Participation in any Service Program: 5 pts/yr.

4. Applications invited or seeking membership in the Local SACKETTE Unit must submit their applications in writing, signed by the Local President or Secretary verifying the points accumulated.
5. Applications shall be acted upon and accepted in the order that the Scrutinizing Committee receives them. Refer to ARTICLE IX.

6. Honorary members of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary may be granted honorary membership in SACKETTES. The granting of honorary membership shall be limited to one per year, per Unit. Honorary members are not eligible for an elected office, but may hold an appointed office. **Dues of $4.50 are paid to National Sackettes only once.** Names are listed each year on the D&R form as EH (existing honorary) or NH (new honorary).

7. Annual dues shall not be less than five ($5.01) dollars per member, per year. Membership runs concurrently with AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary membership; January 1 to December 31.

8. Any Sackette member that has not paid her dues by December 31st shall be considered delinquent, until such time as eligibility has been reestablished and her dues are paid. The dues of the members joining after June 15th will be considered for the next year of membership.

9. Each local SACKETTE Unit shall remit to the National Savingest the sum of Four Dollars and Fifty Cents ($4.50) per member per year, of which $1.00 is deposited to the National Scholarship Account.

10. An initiation fee of not more than fifty one ($0.51) cents per member may be charged.

11. Any SACKETTE member who becomes delinquent in her SACKETTE dues must reapply for membership in the SACKETTES.

12. Any SACKETTE member who is suspended or expelled from AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary shall be suspended from SACKETTES until such time as she is in good standing with AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

13. Any SACKETTE member who is suspended or expelled for proper cause, written charges may be based upon disloyalty, neglect of duty, misappropriation of SACKETTE funds or disregard of any provision of the Constitution and By-Laws of SACKETTES, cannot reapply for membership.

14. Local Units shall remit three (3) copies of the Dues & Remittance forms to the Department Scribbling. The Department shall forward one copy along with a check for the amount of Four dollars and 50 cents ($4.50) per member transmitted to the National Savingest (of which $1.00 is deposited to the National Scholarship Account); and one copy of the Dues and Remittance form and a copy of the copy of the check to the National Snappier. Local Units without Departments shall send one (1) copy of the Dues & Remittance form and a check for the amount of four dollars and fifty cents ($4.50) per member to the National Savingest and the Dues and Remittance form and a copy of the check to the National Snappier.

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**ARTICLE IV – ORGANIZATION**

1. This organization shall consist of the following Departments:
   1.a. National – to be known as National SACKETTES
1.b. State Department a subsidiary to the National SACKETTES
1.c. Local SACKETTES Unit a subsidiary to the National and Department SACKETTES where applicable

2. A State Department may be formed when two (2) local SACKETTE Units have been organized within the Department.

3. The Department SACKETTE Fracas may be held at the discretion of the SACKETTE Department where one exists.

4. In the event of the surrender, cancellation or forfeiture of a Department or Local Unit Charter, all money, official records, and paraphernalia shall be surrendered to the National SACKETTE Scribbling. Local Unit shall surrender to the Department, where one exists, all properties to be held in trust for a period three (3) years. In cases such as when Departments or Local Units are reinstated or reorganized within the three (3) year period, such money, records, etc. originally forfeited by said Department or Local Unit shall be delivered to the reorganized Department or Unit in connection with the Charter. If the Department or Local Unit remains inactive at the end of three (3) years, all properties of said Department or Local Unit shall become the permanent property/possession of the National SACKETTES or of the Department, where one exists.

5. Each local group of members shall be called a SACKETTE Unit.

6. There shall be only one (1) SACKETTE Unit in each Local Auxiliary, but members of more than one (1) Auxiliary may form a SACKETTE Unit. Any Auxiliary in good standing may form a SACKETTE Unit even though there is no Sad Sack Unit in that Local Post.

7. Each SACKETTE Unit shall be a subsidiary to the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary and shall do all in its power to help the Local Auxiliary.

8. A SACKETTE Unit may be formed after the Auxiliary has been organized and active for two (2) years.

9. A minimum of ten (10) members are necessary to form a SACKETTE Unit, whether it is from one (1) Local Auxiliary or a Unit that is formed from more than one (1) Auxiliary. Local Units maintain ten (10) members per year to maintain their Charter.

10. Local SACKETTE Fracases shall be held at least three (3) times a year. It is recommended that a Fracas be held as often as possible.

**ARTICLE V – DUTIES OF SACKETTE MEMBERS**

1. Every SACKETTE member must serve on at least one (1) AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Committee each and must actively participate in service programs sponsored by their Local AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

2. All SACKETTES must work on all SACKETTE projects.

3. All SACKETTES must attend at least one half of her Auxiliary meetings each year in order to remain a member in good standing of the SACKETTES, unless a valid reason is given.
4. All SACKETTES must attend at least one half of the SACKETTE Fracases per year, unless a valid reason is given.

5. Each SACKETTE member, to remain in good standing, must maintain fifty (50) points per year.

6. All new SACKETTE members must appear in complete SACKETTE uniform the second Fracas following their initiation.

ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS

1. Elected Officers of SACKETTES shall be:

   Snappiest ...................... President  1 year term
   Snappier ...................... Vice President  1 year term
   Savingest ...................... Treasurer  Indefinite
   Serious .......................... Chaplain  1 year term
   Stubbornest .................... Sgt-at-Arms  1 year term
   Hustler .......................... Ways & Means  1 year term

   Appointed Officers of SACKETTES shall be:

   Scribbling ...................... Secretary  Indefinite
   Scrappiest ...................... PRO/Historian  1 year term
   Solicitress ...................... Parliamentarian  1 year term
   Weezer Squeezers .............. Aids for Sgt-at-Arms  1 year term

2. Nominations, elections and installation of SACKETTE Officers shall be held to coincide with the Local Auxiliary. The Change of Officers form is required to be sent to the National Scribbling, by July 1st.

3. All SACKETTE Officers shall be nominated from the floor and elected by secret ballot. They shall be installed according to SACKETTE procedures. Installation shall be conducted by the Past Snappiest of National, Department or Local Unit.

4. All officers may be reelected or reappointed, but shall not serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms, with the exception of the Solicitress, who may be reappointed, at the discretion of the National Snappiest elect.

5. National Scribbling and Savingest shall serve for an indefinite period, as long as she fulfills the duties of her office or until she resigns. At which time, the National Snappiest shall appoint her replacement to finish the fiscal year. A new Officer may be appointed or elected at the next annual Fracas. This with the approval of the body.

ARTICLE VII – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The Snappiest SACKETTE shall preside at all SACKETTE Fracases and she shall be responsible for “Kitty Doo” (Snippy the Cat went on to her eternal resting place in December of 2008) & Kitten Snippy Doo.”
a. She shall enforce that SACKETTE Constitution & By-Laws.
b. She shall appoint all necessary committees and shall perform such duties as are prescribed by her office.
c. She shall appoint a review committee to audit the Scribbling & Savingest books immediately following the second National Convention Fracas. Books are to remain with the reviewing committee until completed. Books will be returned to the proper Ossifers.

2. The Snappier SACKETTE:
   a. Shall preside and assume the duties of Snappiest in her absence.
   b. She shall be the chairman of the Scrutinizing, Membership and Organization Committee.
   c. Membership Dues and Remittance Forms shall be sent to her.
   d. She shall process the membership and mail the membership cards to the Local Snappier whom will disburse them to the members.
   e. The Snappier shall prepare a membership report for all National Fracases.

3. The Scribbling SACKETTE:
   a. Shall send notices of all Fracases to members.
   b. Record the Story, with copies emailed, (or snail mailed, if necessary) within thirty (30) days, following each fracas to all National Ossifers, Past National Snappiests, the Scribbling and Snappiest of each Department and each Local Unit. She shall mail copies of all newly approved Constitution & By-Laws to each of the above.
   c. Receive, count, record and turn all monies to the Savingest SACKETTE.
   d. Keep copies of all bank statements on file.
   e. She shall transfer all records pertaining to her office to her successor within thirty (30) days following the National Fracas.

4. The Savingest SACKETTE:
   a. Shall keep an accurate record of all money received and shall bank it.
   b. Shall collect registration monies and report on funds at each Fracas.
   c. Three (3) signatures to be required on all accounts. (Snappiest, Scribbling & Savingest). Checks must be signed by two (2) of the three (3) Officers.
   d. A voucher system is necessary for all disbursements of funds.
   e. The Scholarship funds shall be deposited in a savings account.
   f. Send copies of all bank statements and all monies received to the Scribbling.
   g. Be prepared to have all records including receipts and cancelled checks for review in accordance with ARTICLE VII, 1. (c) This is an annual review which is conducted at the National Convention.
   h. Turn over all records pertaining to her office to her successor thirty (30) days following the National Fracas.

5. The Scrappiest SACKETTE shall be the Historian & PRO:
   a. She shall make a scrapbook with pictures, newspaper clippings, card, etc.
   b. She shall present it to the National Snappiest at the end of her term.
   c. She shall write the publicity for National and or Department or Local Unit.
   d. She shall present the completed scrapbook at the Spring NEC.

6. The Serious SACKETTE:
   a. Shall say the prayer at the opening and closing of each SACKETTE Fracas.
   b. She shall give spiritual and inspiration support to all SACKETTE members.
   c. She shall send sympathy or get well cards as appropriate.
d. She shall money or flowers depending on event.

7. The Stubbornest SACKETTE:
   a. Set up Fracas room.
   b. Care for the Colors.
   c. Check membership cards.
   d. Collect fines and ask for the password and other duties as assigned by the National Snappiest SACKETTE.
   e. Have the Colors and Banner cleaned after each National Fracas, if needed.
   f. Transfer all property pertaining to her office to her successor at the end of National Fracas.

8. The Weezer Squeezer SACKETTE:
   a. You are an Aid for the Stubbornest, (Sgt-at-Arms).

9. The Hustler SACKETTE:
   a. Shall be responsible for the Ways & Means duties.
   b. One project a year is required,

10. The Solicitress SACKETTE:
    a. Shall enforce the National Constitution & By-Laws of SACKETTES.
    b. She shall be responsible for the interpretation of the By-Laws and advise and render her opinion when requested.
    c. She shall notify by letter any Unit whose membership is less than the required ten (10) members.
    d. She shall be present at all Fracases and Business meetings.
    e. She shall be responsible for retyping all revisions or changes to the Constitution & Bylaws, forwarding same to AMVETS National Auxiliary President and Parliamentarian for approval.
    f. After properly approved Constitution and Bylaws are received she shall copy and mail to the National Snappiest, Snappier and Scribbling.

11. The Scholarship Chairman is the Immediate Past Snappiest:
    a. She shall be responsible for the distribution of the Nurses Scholarship applications.
    b. She shall have raffle tickets available at the last National Convention Fracas or as soon as possible so Units may have them to sell for the ensuing year.

12. All Officers are required to have a written report to the National Scribbling before all mailings. Scribbling will notify the National Officers of the date of the deadlines for mailings.

**ARTICLE VIII – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

1. The administration of the National SACKETTES shall be under the jurisdiction of the National SACKETTE Executive Committee, which shall be composed of all duly elected and appointed National Officers and the Past National Snappiest.

2. A Majority of six (6) members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.
3. The Executive Committee shall prescribe the initiation ritual. Said ritual shall be secret and can only be obtained from the National Scribbling upon request from the Snappiest & existing SACKETTE Unit.

4. The Executive Committee shall meet prior to NEC and National Convention. All members shall be notified forty five (45) days prior to each meeting of the time and place of said meeting.

**ARTICLE IX – SCUTINIZING COMMITTEE**

1. The Scrutinizing Committee shall be composed of the Immediate Past Snappiest SACKETTE, Snappier SACKETTE (Chairman) and Scribbling SACKETTE.
2. They must investigate all applications received for membership in the Local SACKETTE Unit and report at each Fracas. (refer to ARTICLE III, #5)

**ARTICLE X – FINANCES**

1. All finances of the SACKETTES shall be under the control of the Savingest SACKETTE and the Executive Committee.
2. The Savingest SACKETTE and shall make a report at each Fracas or whenever required by the Snappiest. (refer to ARTICLE VII, #4)

**ARTICLE XI – UNIFORM & PARAPHERNALIA**

1. Initiation paraphernalia shall be confined to the Fracas room at all times.
2. SACKETTE uniform may be worn only at SACKETTE functions, Units, Departments, National Fracases and parades.
3. SACKETTE uniform shall be made from any suitable material and the basic style will be Sackette Attire (Sackette Shirt or Unit Shirt).
4. The uniform required for the National Snappiest is and overseas cap of gold with a blue braids, to become her property and paid for by the National SACKETTES. She may wear any combination of Dress, Slacks, Skirt and Blazer of navy blue & gold when representing the National SACKETTES.
5. The hat should be made in the fashion of the Auxiliary hat with the SACKETTE emblem on the left side. The National hat shall be gold with blue braid and the Department hat shall be navy with a gold braid. The Local colors shall be at their discretion.

**ARTICLE XII – DISCIPLINE**

1. When my disciplinary action for any SACKETTE member becomes necessary, the procedure outlined in the National AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Constitution & By-Laws shall be used. Refer to AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary National manual.

**ARTICLE XIII – RIGHT TO APPEAL**

For rights to appeal – refer to By-Laws section of the AMVETS Ladies National Auxiliary manual.
ARTICLE XIV – AMENDMENTS

1. This Constitution may be amended at the National SACKETTE Convention Fracas by two-thirds vote of the total authorized delegates and shall be updated every three years.
2. All matters not covered in the Constitution of SACKETTES shall be governed by the Constitution of the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

ARTICLE XV – RATIFICATION

1. This Constitution of the National Sackettes shall become effective upon its adoption by the National AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

2. The names National SACKETTES or State SACKETTES, whenever they appear Herein, shall become effective and shall be used when these Departments shall be organized.

Article XVI - Governance

1. Robert’s Rules of order, Revised, shall govern any business of Sackettes not already Designated in the National Constitution and By-Laws or AMVETS National Ladies Auxiliary Constitution and By-Laws.

This Constitution was approved and adopted the Monday August 7, 2017
ARTICLE I- NATIONAL FRACAS

1. A Fracas may be held at the same time as the Spring NEC at the discretion of the National Snappiest. The National SACKETTE Fracas shall be held prior to the opening session of the National Convention of the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary.

2. The members of the National SACKETTE Executive Committee shall be delegates to the National Fracas with one vote each therein.

3. To be seated as a voting delegate at the National Fracas, revalidation must be received by the National Scribbling prior to the National Convention Fracas.

4. A majority of the registered delegates shall constitute a quorum.

5. All National SACKETTE Officers shall hold office from September 1 through August 31.

ARTICLE II – AMENDMENTS

1. These BY- Laws may be amended at the National SACKETTE Convention by a 2/3 vote of the total authorized delegates present.

2. The National AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Parliamentarian must approve all amendments to the Bylaws.

These By - Laws were approved and adopted on Monday August 7, 2017
STANDING RULES

1. The National Snappiest SACKETTE shall receive three hundred ($300.00) dollars to help defray her expenses for attending each of the following; National Convention Fracas, the Spring NEC, the National Saddest Testimonial, the National Commander's Testimonial and the National President's Testimonial.

2. In the event of the death of a National Officer or Past National Snappiest or her spouse, proper respect shall be shown by the National SACKETTES in the form of a memorial donation to the family, not to exceed seventy-five ($75.00) dollars.

3. Nurses Scholarships will be given by the National SACKETTES annually, in accordance with funds available.

4. The National SACKETTE Scribbling, Savingest, Snappier, Solicitress and Hustler shall receive one hundred ($100.00) dollars to help defray her expenses to the NEC in March and National Convention Fracas in August.

5. National SACKETTE will have a mascot “Kitty Do (Snippy the Cat went on to her eternal resting place in December of 2008.) & Kitten Snippy Doo”.

6. The Scholarship Chairman (Immediate Past National Snappiest) shall be in charge of the Scholarship Program. She shall responsible for the distribution of raffle tickets to each Unit. The Scholarship Committee, consisting of the Past National Snappiest shall do the judging of all applications received at the National Convention Fracas. The National Scholarship Chairman must receive all proceeds from the raffle tickets prior to the drawing at National Convention.

7. A donation of one hundred dollars and one cent ($100.01) is presented to the National President for her annual project.

8. The National Scribbling and National Snappier shall be given one hundred ($100.00) dollars per year to cover National SACKETTES operating expenses. If more funds are expended, the amount will be reimbursed upon presentation of vouchers/bills/receipts.

9. The National Scribbling shall send a copy of the Story of all National Fracas to the National SACKETTE Officers, Department Snappiest and Scribbling, where they exist. One copy will be sent to each Local Snappiest and Scribbling and one copy to all Past National Snappiest. This is to be done thirty (30) days after the Fracas.

10. The National Snappier shall update the Sackette Roster each time the annual revalidation forms are received. She shall email or snail mail the updated roster to the National Scholarship Chairman, and all National Sackette Officers in May of each year.

11. All properties of National SACKETTE Officers shall be turned over to the incoming National SACKETTE Officers at the close of the National Fracas, with the exception of the National Savingest and Scribbling, who shall turn over all records within thirty (30) days.

12. Standing Rules may be changed or deleted at any National Fracas by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership present. Revised 8/17CAR