

# Whistle Stop

February 2019

*A publication of the Grande du Michigan Forty and Eight*



## From the Grand Chef de Gare

Greeting Fellow Voyageurs,

Hopefully everybody had a great holiday season. I know I did. Here we are at the start of a New Year.

As always, membership is one of the main topics. As of Jan. 10th, we have only seven Voitures that are 100 percent or higher. We need to contact all our fellow Voyageurs and let them know they have not been forgotten. We have a long way to



go to get to our goal of 100 percent. Time to get out to those Sunday breakfasts at the Legion and VFW and talk up the 40 and 8.

District Cheminots, Chef Locales, Program Directuer and Fellow Voyageurs if any of you have an article, helpful topic or humorous tale that you would like to share with the rest of the Grand, feel free to write it up and send it in to our Grand Correspondant. This is our Whistle Stop and we can all participate in it.

With the coldest part of our Michigan winter upon us, let's all keep warm and check on our fellow Veterans to make sure we all make it to the spring.

Save thee Date! This year's Testimonial Dinner and State Wreck will be held at VFW 9656 in Lambertville on April 6. Bring your PGs!!

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## From the Grand La Presidente

Greetings Dames,

Happy New Year. I hope you enjoyed the holidays and have started what I hope is a prosperous and rewarding new year.

We have our Spring Cheminot coming up March 9 at Voiture 946. I hope we have a great turnout.

Also upcoming is the Homecoming Dinner for La Presidente Nationale Cheryl Jamnick. It takes place March 16 at the Causeway Bay



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Professional Mrs. and Santa Claus visited Voiture 946 in December. Attendance was great thanks to a social media blitz.

### From the Grand Chef de Gare

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Furthermore, if anyone is interested in seeking a position in the Nationale line, please reach out to me and let me know of your interests.

Thank you all for your continued service and may God Bless you and your families,

**Robert Bialecki**  
**Grand Chef de Gare**  
**Grand du Michigan**

### From the Grand La Presidente

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Hotel and Conference Center in Lansing. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. You can find the registration form on our website, [www.40et8Michigan.com](http://www.40et8Michigan.com), and in this edition of the Whistle Stop. Dinner is dressy, but not formal. I hope we can bring many Dames to the event to show our support for La Presidente Nationale.

I've been busy and haven't had much of a chance to visit any cabanes locale this winter, but hope to make some visits this spring. It is always a joy to see what other cabanes are doing.

Great Lakes is coming up in June in Ohio. You can find registration forms and other information on the 40 et 8 Nationale website at [www.fortyandeight.org/events/](http://www.fortyandeight.org/events/).

I hope to see you this spring. Enjoy the days of more sunlight and warming weather.

**Yours in service,**  
**Lori Bolley-Majeske**  
**Grande La Presidente**

### From the Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer

Voyageurs,

Greetings from Nationale!

Hopefully everybody made it through the holidays with minimal damage to body, mind, and wallet.

In case you haven't heard it before, our membership is down and needs immediate attention. Last year, we made it to 97 percent. Just a few short of what could have been. We all need to make a concerted effort to get those memberships in.



We are closing in on the busy time of year. We have Spring Cheminot, State Wreck and Grand Chef's Testimonial, and Mother's Day Wreck at V-946. We need to get participation up at these functions.

It appears that many of our Voitures are pretty much doing their own thing, rather right or wrong. Due to my health issues, I am unable to travel much currently, but my phone still works, and email is alive and well.

Consider the Nationale La Presidente's Homecoming 15-16 March in Lansing. The registration form is on our web site, Facebook, or contact me and I will make sure you get one. Lots of 40 et 8 friends coming in from all over the country. Congrats La Presidente Cheryl Jamnick!

Nurses Training pins. I have 75 to get sold. Do your part to support our programs! Let me know, I will ship them out; \$3 each.

**Jim**  
**Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer**

### From the Grand Correspondant

Fellow Voyageurs,

I hope everyone survived the holidays and are likewise surviving the snowmeggedon that swept through Michigan recently. We had a pretty mild winter until that arctic blast blew in!

I have been trying to keep up with the duties of the correspondant. It can be difficult when working a full-time job, but I have tried to get everyone what they requested in good time.

I have not seen many taps notices coming my way. Perhaps we have been blessed with few of our active members there are newsworthy events passing away, but if we have

lost some of our own, I need to be advised, please. I need to send the information to Nationale. Please either email me the full info (name, date of death, Voiture) so I can record the information and honor the deceased at our Memorial. If you are not online, send it to me at Rich Adams, 15855 Turnberry St., Lansing MI 48906.

As Grand L'Editeur, I echo the Grand Chef's sentiment that we would appreciate any copy that voitures may send in to include in the Whistle Stop. I am sure there are newsworthy events happening in your areas, and we

welcome contributions. Photographs will also be welcomed.

Please see the Spring Cheminot Call to Order in this edition of the Whistle Stop. Also the Homecoming for La Presidente Nationale Cheryl Jamnick is in March, and the registration for that event is included in this issue as well.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me for anything I can help with. My email and my physical address are above, and my phone is 517-388-4962.

**Yours in service,  
Rich Adams  
Grand Correspondant**



BILL MAULDIN'S ARMY

# Grande du Michigan



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## La Societe Des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux

To: Grand Officers                      Grand Committeemen  
Grand Cheminots                      Grand Executive Committee  
Voiture Officers                      Interested Voyageurs

By order of the Chef de Gare, Grande du Michigan, the Spring Cheminot will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at Voiture 946, 2949 S. Waverly Highway, Lansing, MI 48911

Pre-registration \$10, send to Rich Adams, 15855 Turnberry St. Lansing MI 48906  
MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO VOITURE 946


Femmes pre-registration \$10, send to  
Make checks payable to Sandy Christian, 1512 Settlers Hill Drive Lansing MI 48917  
MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO CABANE 946

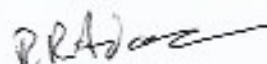
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meets at 1100 hours, then each committee will be called in order, then the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE will close the meeting.

### SCHEDULE

Friday, March 8, 2019              Fish fry at Voiture 946  
Saturday, March 9, 2019              Time and Place, 1130 hours  
Saturday, lunch SOUP AND SANDWICHES. \$6  
CHEMINOT CONVENES at 1300 hours

ALL OFFICERS, CHEMINOTS AND COMMITTEE DIRECTEURS ARE ADVISED TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN COPY OF THEIR REPORT to the Correspondant.

  
Robert Bialecki  
Grand Chef de Gare

  
Rich Adams  
Correspondant



**CHERYL JAMNICK**  
**La PRESIDENTE NATIONALE 2019**  
**HOMECOMING**

**Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel & Conference Center**  
**6820 South Cedar Street Lansing, MI 48911**  
**March 15-16-17, 2019**

Reservations MUST be made directly with the Hotel by March 1, 2019 Call: 517-694-8123  
 Mention "40 and 8 National Homecoming" to insure the \$91.00 (plus tax) per night rate

<u>SCHEDULE OF EVENTS</u>	<u>DINNER</u>	<u>PROGRAM BOOK ADS</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday March 15<sup>th</sup></b>            Noon-Until ? Hospitality</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup></b>            10 AM – 5 PM Hospitality            6 PM Social Hour (Cash Bar)            7 PM Dinner            Hospitality room will re-open after dinner.            (Dinner is "dressy" not formal)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Boneless Breast of Chicken Breese</b>            Stuffed with Boursin Cheese, Fresh Herbs and finished with Peach Cognac Sauce</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Deep Fried Veal Cutlets</b>            Served with Burgundy Mushroom Sauce</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Center Cut Pork Chop</b>            With Apple Mint Chutney and Caramelized Onions            Served with:            Three Cheese Au Gratin Potatoes            Honey Glazed Carrots            And Garden Salad</p>	<p>Full Page: \$60.00            Half Page: \$30.00            Quarter Page: \$20.00            Boosters: \$2.00</p> <p>PLEASE eMail your ad to:   <a href="mailto:cljamnick@comcast.net">cljamnick@comcast.net</a></p>

(STRONG possibility of a shopping trip scheduled to "Old Town" Lansing to visit the Polka Dots Boutique)

PLEASE PRINT:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ eMail: \_\_\_\_\_

Booster Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Ads: Full Page \_\_\_\_\_ 1/2 Page \_\_\_\_\_ 1/4 Page \_\_\_\_\_ Boosters \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Tickets: Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Veal \_\_\_\_\_ Pork Chops \_\_\_\_\_ # of Tickets @ \$40.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: Lori Coe  
 Mail registration & check to: Lori Coe 277 Maple Run - Mason, MI 48854

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS AND ADS: March 1, 2019**

Transportation available from Capital Region International Airport- Lansing, MI upon request.  
 Please send flight number and arrival time to Lori Coe.