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La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux
Grande Voiture du Michigan

“WHISTLE STOP”



Spring Cheminot

March 11, 2017

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

PRE-REGISTRATION Cost \$ 10.00 send to Jim Coe II at 277 Maple Run
Mason ,Mi 48854 . Make checks payable to Voiture 946

Hotel Causeway Bay 6820 S Cedar street 517 694 8123 rooms \$91.50 plus tax
Subject: GRAND SPRING CHEMINOT

By order of the Grand Chef de Gare, Grande Voiture du Michigan,
the Spring Grande Cheminot will be held Saturday March 11 th ,2017 at:
Voiture 946
2949 S Waverly Hwy
Lansing ,Mi 48911

The Executive committee will open the meeting then each committee will be called in the
above order, then the Executive committee will close the meeting.

SCHEDULE

Executive Committee 11:00 AM
Finance and Audit
Time and Place
Credentials and Resolutions
Lunch 12.00 noon

Spring Cheminot reconvein at 1.p.m. when giving their report
All Officers ,Cheminots andCommittee Directeurs are advise to provide a
Written copy of their report to Sous Grand Correspondant ,

David Bunch
David Bunch
Grand Chef de Gare

David Webb
David Webb
Grand Correspondant

From the desk of the Grande Chef de Gare

Well I hope everyone had a nice Christmas and
New Year.

Membership should be 100 percent.

The spring cheminot has been changed from
March 4th to March 11th at Voiture 946 . I HOPE TO
SEE ALL (12) DISTRICT GRAND CHEMINOTS
THERE !!!!!

Not much more to say, so good health and happy
new year to all.

Grand Chef Dave Bunch

From the desk of the Grande Presidente

Greetings from the Grande Presidente,

I hope to find all Femmes in good health and wish you all happy new year.

We need to work on membership it is critical to Grande du Michigan in order to stay alive.

Looking forward to visiting Cabanes 946 thank you for the invitation. God bless and take care.

Sincerely

Grande La President Laurie Bunch

From the desk of the L'Editeur

Slogging along through the winter months, I look forward to hearing from anyone who has items to share in the Whistle Stop. If you have photos of events at your Voiture that you want to share with the rest of them, please email them to me.

I continue to add buttons to the website, which can be found at www.michwhistlestop.com. I recently added the Call to Order for the March Cheminot in Lansing. I am trying to make it as user friendly as possible. The Call to Order button is in the Upcoming Events area. If you need help navigating the page please feel free to email me or call at 517-388-4962.

Looking forward to receiving items from different areas across the state so they can share the work they do with the rest of the 40 et 8.

Sincerely,

Rich Adams

L'Editeur

From the desk of the Grand Correspondant

Greetings All,

Now that the holidays are behind us, we are sure starting off the new year on the wrong foot with membership:

Voiture 181 short 15; Voiture 659 short 12; Voiture 690 0 egg; Voiture 721 short 14; Voiture 868 short 14; Voiture 946 short 70; Voiture 997 short 33; Voiture 1116 short 14; Voiture 1153 short 64 and no reply from a grand line officer (why); Voiture 1363 short 12; Voiture 1420 short 27.

At his point we are in 33rd place 64.88 percent total - 399 short! It seems like were trying to close Grand du Michigan instead of making it stronger

I've contacted V-1288 and V-1002 by email also contacted V-1153 by e-mail tried to contact V-690 by phone seems the roster names that I was given are no longer good because names have changed and nothing forwarded to the Grand Correspondant

Thanks,

Dave Webb

Grand Correspondante

Grand Du Michigan

From the desk of the Grand Chef de Train

Greetings and Happy New Year to all!

With the new year come new challenges and new opportunities. Our number one challenge is Membership. As of the 1st of January, those Voyageurs who have not paid their dues for 2017 are not members in good standing. We have one Voiture who has not remitted any dues for this year. We have 8 other Voitures who have sent in less than 10 members!! It is difficult to hold Promenades and conduct other business with 3 or 4 current members.

Our focus needs to switch from apathy to activity!! We stand 33rd in meeting quota. I want to thank the few Voitures who are at, or above 100 percent. You are the flag bearers for our Grande. I have contacted a few Voitures regarding their status and, if you are behind the power curve, you can count on hearing from me. If you have problems, don't hesitate to contact me.

We also need to get some new members in. We have two wrecks scheduled this spring. Let's get to work!!

I also have more Nurses Training pins for consignment. Support your programs; make Michigan the leader in all that we do!!

James A. Coe II
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Grande Nurses Training Directeur
Sous Directeur Nurses Training (Nationale)

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Upcoming Events

March 11 - Grande du Michigan Spring
Cheminot, V946, Lansing

April 22 - State Wreck, Oscoda

April 22 - Testimonial Dinner for the Grand Chef
de Gare and La Presidente, Oscoda

May 13 - Mother's Day Wreck, Lansing



Voiture 946 was featured on Fox 47's Morning Blend show in January. Lori Barber, Randy Gregor and Jim Coe explained the purpose of the 40 et 8 and the programs we support in Lansing and the state of Michigan. Included in the three-minute segment were photos of the state boxcar and video of our train in action in Lansing. You may view the video here: <http://www.fox47news.com/entertainment/shows/the-morning-blend/40-et-8-veterans-group-11617>