

Whistle Stop

June 2023



A publication of the Grand du Michigan Forty and Eight

From the Grand Chef de Gare

Voyageurs

Our fiscal year is coming to an end on June 30 2023. Your membership and reports end on that day. If you don't have your membership total list into National before July 1st, 2023, you will not get credit for your paid membership for this year. If you are sitting on paid membership waiting for more, stop. Send them in now.

It's also time to get your reports of what you have done for our programs into Grand the first week of July so we can condense them into one report for National.

I would like to remind Correspondants Locale that they need to pass along to the Voyageurs of their Locale all info that is sent them. I was able to visit 10 Locales in March and April. If time permits I will try and visit more before Grand Promenade. After you have your elections be sure to send your new list of officers into Grand.

Yours in Comradeship
Michael R. Spitzley
Chef de Gare, Grand du Michigan
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From the Grande La Presidente

Hello, Dames!

I hope this writing finds you all healthy and happy as we move into the summer season.

I am happy to report that, in my role as Michigan's Nationale La Sous Presidente, all our Cabanes reached 100% membership! Some even exceeded that mark. Great work by everyone to accomplish this. Thank you!

Grand Rendezvous is just around the corner, August 12 in Okemos. Official Call will be out soon that will have all the details. It will only be one day this year—Saturday, but there will be Hospitality Room on Friday. You can register in advance, or when you arrive. We may need some line position filled, or some chairmanships, so please consider if you are asked.

Hope to see many of you in August. Take care of yourselves!

Yours in service,
Lori Coe
Grande La Presidente



From the Grand Correspondant

Fellow Voyageurs,

Happy summer.

I want to thank those Chefs de Gare and Correspondants who have sent in the results of their elections. This enables me to update the Grand du Michigan roster in time for Grand Promenade in August.

It is also very important to report to me any Voyageurs who have passed away. They should be included in the names we read during our memorial service at Grand Promenade. In addition, it prevents any Grand correspondence being mailed to a deceased Voyageur's address, which I am sure is painful for the family.

Grand elections also will take place during our one-day Grand Promenade in Okemos -- the Official Call and Registration Form are in this edition of The Whistle Stop. A Hospitality Room will be set up Friday night and Saturday night.

Finally, we need people to step up and run for a Grand elected office. I know it is a lot of work, and current Grand Chef Michael Spitzley has made a valiant effort to attend as many Promenades Locale. It has involved a lot of travel and a lot of phone calls.

Homecoming for Grand Chef Spitzley and Grande La Presidente Lori Coe is June 17 at Voiture 946 in Lansing. The Registration Form for Homecoming is also included in this edition.

Respectfully,
Rich Adams
Grand Correspondant
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From the Grand Avocat

Voyageurs,

It's a busy time of the year. Don't forget to not only elect your officers but to report your decisions to the Grand Correspondents.

You also need to take care of the Grand Promenade and Nationale Promenade (which will be held in September). It's time to go back to work and have a great summer. See you all soon.



James Coe II
Grand Avocat

Military Holidays and Observances

- June 14 — Army birthday, Flag Day
- June 27 — National PTSD Awareness Day
- July 4 — Independence Day
- July 27 — Korean War Veterans Armistice Day
- Aug. 4 — Coast Guard Birthday
- Aug. 7 — Purple Heart Day
- Aug. 29 — Marine Forces Reserve birthday
- Sept. 11 — Patriot Day
- Sept. 15 — POW/MIA Recognition Day
- Sept. 18 — Air Force birthday
- Oct. 13 — Navy birthday
- Nov. 10 — Marine Corps birthday
- Nov. 11 — Veterans Day
- Dec. 7 — Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Dec. 13 — National Guard birthday
- Dec. 20 — Space Force birthday

Grand 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, Grand Voiture du Michigan, Grand Promenade will be held on Saturday, August 12, 2023, at Best Western Okemos Hotel & Suites, 2209 University Park Drive, Okemos MI 48864.

Pre-registration \$10, send to Mike Spitzley 1214 N. Briarfield Dr., Lansing MI 48910
 Make all checks payable to Grand Voiture du Michigan.
 Doughnuts, fruit and coffee will be available at registration desk.

Femmes pre-registration \$15, make checks payable to Grande Cabane de Michigan and send to Lori Coe, 277 Maple Run, Mason MI 48854.

Registration for voyageurs and dames begins at 0930.

SCHEDULE

Memorial Service, 0900 sharp. Executive Committee meets at 1000 with each committee to be called in order. Promenade begins at 1030. Past Chef luncheon at 1200. Promenade reconvenes at 1300 for elections and installation of officers.

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

Michael Spitzley
 Grand Chef de Gare

Rich Adams
 Grand Correspondant



**Grand du Michigan
Grand Promenade & Rendezvous
Hosted by Voiture 946
August 12, 2023**

Name _____ Grand _____ V/C _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Dame Name: _____ Grand _____ V/C _____

Registration: \$10 Voyageurs # _____ \$15 Dames # _____

Ads: ½ page \$25; full page \$50

Boosters: \$2 per name:

Boosters: _____

**Best Western Hotel & Conference Center
2187 University Park Drive
Okemos, MI 48864
517-349-8700**

Room Block held until 7/21/23 **Use Code** Grand Promenade 40@8

Nightly Rate \$105.00; **Suite** \$135 (if available)

Attendees responsible for making own reservations.

All activities (Memorial Service, Promenade and Rendezvous) held on Saturday. There is NO banquet. Hospitality Room will be open on Friday from 10am until 11:59pm, Saturday after Promenade. Specific times for Memorial Service and Promenade/Rendezvous will be noted on the Official Call when it is sent out. Send Voyageur registration fee, booster and ad monies to: Mike Spitzley, 1214 N. Briarfield Dr, Lansing 48910. **Send Dames Registration to: Lori Coe, 277 Maple Run, Mason MI 48854. Payable to Grande Cabane de Michigan.**

You can also register on-site Friday or Saturday.

Registration(s): \$ _____

Ad: \$ _____

Booster(s): \$ _____

Total Dollars sent: \$ _____

Please return this form. Thank you.



*Grand du Michigan
And
Grande de Michigan*

*Cordially Invites you to Attend
Homecoming for Grand Chef Mike Spitzley
And
Grande La Presidente Lori Coe*

*June 17, 2023
Voiture 946*

*Cocktails: 4pm
Dinner: 5pm*

*Menu Choice: Chicken Cordon Bleu or Beef Roulade with Green Beans, Wild Rice,
Garden Salad, Roll w/Butter and Strawberry cake. Cost: \$17.00*

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Chicken _____

Beef _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

*Please return with a check payable to Michael Spitzley by June 10, 2023.
Address 1214 N. Briarfield Dr., Lansing, MI 48910
Dress: Business casual; please no jeans or shorts.*