Voyageurs,

We have lost two more Voyageurs who were dedicated to La Societe. In April Grand Avocat James Coe II of Voiture 946 and Grand Chef de Gare John Bradford of Voiture 1002 passed away. Our prayers are with their families.

Their shoes will be difficult to fill, but I am confident Voyageurs will step up and offer to fill these offices. Coe also was Directeur of Time and Place and Nurses Training Directeur. Don't forget that Grand Promenade will be in Okemos. A registration form is in this edition of The Whistle Stop and on both the Grand du Michigan website and Facebook page. It is once again a one-day function without a banquet, but the hospitality room will be available on Friday, August 9 and after Promenade on August 10.

I'll bring up membership again, because we are so close to being 100%.

Thomas Reesman Nationale Sous Directeur of Membership, Region 4, reports that Region 4 has three Grands at 100%. We now have 77 out of 190 Voitures at 100% or more.

Grand du Michigan is at 92,27%, placing us fifth in the list of 12 Grands in Region 4. We only need 56 more members to be at 100%. Let's double our efforts and get these members to pay their dues and lift Michigan to 100%.

Speaking of Promenade, we will have to fill several offices in the Grand Line — Chef de Gare, Chef de Train, Conducteur, Avocat — pretty much the entire Grand Line. If you are interested in serving in any of these offices, please contact me or Correspondant Rich Adams.

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