

Whistle Stop

April 2021

A publication of the Grande du Michigan Forty and Eight



From the Grand Chef de Gare

Greetings, all,

Well, Spring Cheminot is over. I was hoping to see more of you at Spring, but I appreciate those who showed up.

It was great to see our Nationale Past Chef de Chemin de Fer Joe Jamnick, and Past Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer Jim Coe. Once again we had the privilege of having our three La Femme Nationale officers present: Nationale Presidente Cheryl Jamnick, Nationale Sous Presidente Lori Bolly-Majeske and Nationale Garde de la Porte Lori Coe.



I would like to hear your feedback on how you felt Spring Cheminot went at Rose City Post 324 in Jackson. During social hours it wound like most felt it went well and enjoyed the lunch, So maybe, with some encouragement, Voiture 746 might be up to the challenge to host another Cheminot.

The next Grand event is in June, the Great Lake Promenade hosted by Grande du Pennsylvania. Then we're off to West Branch for Grande Promenade. I'm excited to head back to one of our old stomping grounds. Hopefully we'll have a nice turnout and see some old and new faces. If things go well we should be joined by some Voyageurs from the Upper Peninsula, which would be great.

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From the Grande La Presidente

Happy spring!

We had a great turnout for Spring Cheminot this year, I want to thank Voiture 746 for being such gracious hosts. I also want to express gratitude for all who joined us for a productive gathering. Special thanks to Nationale Presidente Cheryl Jamnick and Nationale Garde de la Porte Lori Coe for coming to our Cheminot. And special thanks to Carrie Haynes for all the hard work you did to make it a memorable Cheminot.



I am looking forward to our Grande Rendezvous, which will take place Aug. 6 and 7 at Quality Inn West Branch, 2980 Cook Road in West Branch. I am hoping for a great turnout. On Saturday, Aug. 7 please join us for our Memorial Service at 9 a.m., where we pay tribute to the Voyageurs and Dames who have passed away in the last two years. We also install Grande officers later that day. The cocktail hour begins at 5 p.m. and the banquet starts an hour later. Registration for Grand Promenade is in this edition of The Whistle Stop.

Although spring is officially here, the weather continues to waver from nice and warm to ... well, we had snow on April 1, and it wasn't an April Fool's joke.

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From the Grand Correspondant

Greetings Voyageurs,

Thanks to all those who came out for Spring Cheminot in Jackson, and thanks to Voiture 746 for being such gracious hosts. Thanks also to those who let me know in advance they would not be present.

The next big event on our agenda is Grande Promenade in West Branch. You will find the Official Call and registration form in this edition of The Whistle Stop. This is important because your Voiture can have a say in the election of new officers and any important business during our Promenade. One key vote will be for redistricting to reduce the number of districts in Michigan. This will make for a more efficient and manageable Grande du Michigan. The proposed district plans can be found on the home page of our website.

If your Correspondant Locale has not already emailed or snail mailed me a list of officers for 2021-22, I urge any Chef de Gare or Correspondant Locale attending Grande Promenade to bring me a list so I can update the roster. I keep getting mail returned when I send items to each Chef and Correspondant with information to pass on to their Voiture Locale. My email is rrileyadams@gmail.com, my mailing address is 15855 Turnberry, Lansing 48906, and my phone is (517) 388-4962.

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

From the Grand Chef de Gare

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be great.

As your Special Awards Director, it sure would be nice to have a Hero, Law Officer or Voyageur of the Year sent into Grande. It would be an honor to forward those individuals into Nationale.

For those who have made 100% membership, thank you. For the rest, keep working at it. Until next time, y'all be safe.

**For God and country,
Grand Chef Lonnie Haynes**

From the Grande La Presidente

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Thank you again for all who attended Cheminot and I sincerely hope you'll attend Rendezvous.

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

Tornado season

Keep an eye out for bad weather, and stay tuned to a radio or television station for information.

A tornado watch means tornadoes are possible. Remain alert for changing weather conditions.

A tornado warning is an urgent announcement a tornado has been sighted or indicated by weather radar.

You should take shelter immediately.

March 10, 2021
Michigan Voyageurs,

Here we are again 2021 MEMBERSHIP, PLEASE GET 2 !!!!!!!

2021 Membership

Voiture	YTD 2020	YTD 2021	2020 Year End Total	% of Quota	Short/Over
102	54	50	54	92.59	-4
120	49	38	57	66.67	-19
161	54	5	5	100.00	0
181	19	15	22	68.18	-7
396	20	2	21	9.52	-19
545	19	18	26	69.23	-8
553	13	4	13	30.77	-9
599	29	14	29	48.28	-15
600	23	22	23	95.65	-1
659	7	7	7	100.00	0
669	40	39	40	97.50	-1
721	10	3	10	30.00	-7
746	36	32	36	88.89	-4
756	12	15	14	107.14	+1
767	35	30	37	81.08	-7
868	3	3	3	100.00	0
946	96	75	113	66.37	-38
957	43	33	45	73.33	-12
997	97	97	100	97.00	-3
1002	24	21	24	87.50	-3
1061	36	33	36	91.67	-3
1116	4	3	6	50.00	-3
1153	23	25	25	100.00	0
1223	5	0	5	0.00	-5
1288	4	20	18	111.11	+2
1363	9	0	9	0.00	-9
1420	25	27	25	108.00	+2
1425	24	24	25	96.00	-1
1536	36	33	36	91.67	-3
State	800.00	688	864	79.63	-176



Total 29: 7 at 100% or better, 7 at 90%, 3 at 80%, 1 at 70% and 11 at 60 or less.
1 or 2 bodies can make the difference.

Grand Promenade August 6th & 7th West Branch, MI.

Respectfully Submitted;
Michael V. Brokenshire
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By order of the Chef de Gare, Grande du Michigan, the Grande Promenade will be held Aug. 6 and 7, 2021 at Quality Inn West Branch, 2980 Cook Road, West Branch MI 48661

The Executive committee will open the meeting then each committee will be called in the following order; Finance and Audit, Time and Place, and Credentials and Resolutions, then the Executive Committee will close the meeting.

Saturday, Aug. 7, 2021
 Memorial Service 0900
 Grande Promenade 0930
 District Caucus 1130
 Lunch Noon
 District Caucus 1300
 Promenade Reconvenes 1330
 Cheminot for 2021-2022 Officers, Cheminots, Directeurs after adjournment.

Cocktail Hour 1700
Banquet 1800

All Officers, Cheminots and Committee Directeurs are advised to provide a written copy of their report to the Grand Correspondant when giving their report..

Rich Adams
Grand Correspondant



Grande du Michigan
Grand Promenade
Hosted by Voiture 946
August 6th & 7th, 2021

Please Mail this ½ of this letter with your Registration:

Name _____ Voiture/Cabane _____ Title _____

(Please Print)

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone Number _____

Voyageur Registration \$15 per # _____ / La Femmes Registration \$15 per # _____

Booster Name \$2 per name (s) _____, _____

Booster Ads \$50.00 Full Page / \$25.00 ½ Page

Please email ads and/or pictures to: GySgtRet99@gmail.com **(Use MSWord & Jpeg Format)**

Banquet \$35.00 per person: How Many Attending Banquet _____.

Choice of Lemon Rosemary Grilled Chicken with confetti rice pilaf with seasonal vegetable # ____ **OR**

Rosemary Roasted Prime Rib with chive potatoes and fresh vegetable # ____.

Both will come with a tossed salad and house-made bread and butter.

Deadline: July 19th 2021

Quality Inn West Branch
2980 Cook Road, West Branch, MI. 48661
989-345-3503/4194

You must make your own reservations. Room rate is \$119.00 or Suite rate is \$139.00.

USE CODE: 40et8 for our Convention. (Taxes not included).

Keep this ½ of this letter for YOUR records:

Voyageurs send registration and Banquet money to:

Michael Brokenshire, Grand Chef de Train Michigan

2949 S. Waverly HWY

Lansing, MI 48911

Voyageurs, please make Checks Payable to: Voiture 946 or V946

La Femmes send Registration Only to: And Banquet Money to Michael Brokenshire at the above address:

Name Cheryl Jamnick, Cabane 997

Address 7835 Munger Road
Ypsilanti, MI. 48197

La Femmes Please make Checks Payable to: Cabane 997

Voyageurs Registration \$15 # _____, La Femmes Registration \$15 # _____

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