

LA SOCIETE DES QUARANTE HOMMES ET HUIT CHEVAUX
GRANDE DU MICHIGAN



THE WHISTLE STOP



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November 2011

Grand Chef de Gare

Gary Beatty

VOYAGURES

The October Fall Cheminot in Monroe was well attended and very productive. Thank you to everyone that helped with the hospitality room.

As of November 3rd Grand du Michigan's membership was at 50.50%. Currently there are 3 goose egg Voitures, V-181, V-1223 and V-1383. Membership is our lifeline, without it we won't exist. Try calling those that haven't paid their dues yet, you would be surprised what one phone call can do.

The State Wreck will be on December 10th at Lenawee Voiture 997. We will have the PG "FUN" night at the Chateau on Friday starting at 7 PM. Bring your PG's for a "fun filled" evening or have them to the Chateau by 10 AM on Saturday. If you bring your PG's on Friday night please bring their sleeping bag/blanket and pillow. We want them to be comfortable.

Be sure to keep track of your hours and miles for report time. It is much easier to keep track of what you do monthly instead of trying to remember at report time.

The Grand Directeurs have pins available, be sure to contact them and get pins for your Voiture today. Names and addresses for all Directeurs are available on the Michigan Website at http://mi40-8.com/GrandeOfficers_R.pdf.

If you are having a function that you would like me to attend please contact me at garybeatty68@yahoo.com.

Gary Beatty

Grand Chef de Gare du Michigan

Grand Correspondant

Glen DeLoach

Voyageurs,

I know that I have said this before, but I still do not have all of the Officer's lists and bonding nor the Cheminots and Sous Cheminots.

I need the Officers list and bonding from the following Voitures: 553, 1494 and 1536. Remember you must include a check for \$10.00, with your bonding form.

I also need the following Grands Cheminots and Sous Grands Cheminots: District 2 Sous and District 5 Cheminot & Sous.

Finally I need the Officers elected at the Petite

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Grande La Presidente

Linda Bovee

Hello Dames

I can't believe summer is winding down already, Seems like it just started. Let's get out and enjoy it while we still can. I did not make Nationale this year, but received a phone call each and every day to keep me informed on how the Michigan Dames and Voyagers were doing.

We can be so proud to have our own Sharon Schulte to be named Dame of the Year at Nationale. She certainly deserves this award. Sharon has always been a great help for everyone, not counting the long hours she has spent on credentials and other appointments she has held. What an honor for her to receive this award, congratulations Sharon.

Also, Diane Carignan was elected as one of Nationale Garde de La Porte. We are all so proud of you Diane for stepping up, congratulations to you as well.

Sandy wood is our new La Presidente Nationale. She is from Virginia and has held many offices in her Grande as well as Nationale. I'm certain she will do a good job just as Pat Jones did.

Fall Cheminot is over and I thought it went quite well. There were thirty-six Dames present and I'm proud to say nine of them were from my cabane.

Several issues were discussed and resolved on our CD's and other banking issues. On our budget discussion, the expenses exceed our income and as we know that is never a good thing. With only eleven

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Grande LaCorrespondante

Cheryl Jamnick

Hello Dames:

Welcome to FALL, what a relief after the hot, wet summer we have had. Joe and I just recently returned home from our wonderful trip to Vancouver, Washington. We were gone 11 days, long enough to take in the beautiful sites in the Oregon and Washington. Rendezvous Nationale at the Hilton Hotel in Vancouver was well attended. Unfortunately Michigan came in second this year in the total number of votes; we have taken great pride in being number 1 for the past several

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Promenade in the U.P.

I would like to be able to pass out the Grande Officer Roster at the Fall Cheminot on October 8th. There is a working copy of the Grand Officers Roster on the web site; please check it to make sure that your information is correct.

One more point on the Officers list and bonding. Any event that you are holding at your Voiture will not be placed on the Grande Calendar and your request for the Grand Chef de Gare to attend any of your local events will be denied until I receive your Officers list and bonding.

Hope to see all of you at the Fall Cheminot in Monroe on October 7-8. All Grande Officers, Directeurs, and Cheminots you should be working on your reports that you need to turn into the Sous Correspondant at the Fall Cheminot. Grand Cheminots make sure to contact the Voitures in your district so that you will be able to report on their activities.

The State Wreck December 12, 2011 at Voiture 997. Please bring your PGs.

The new membership Quota and Goal have been released. The Grande's Quota is 1618 down 153 from last year's 1771. The Grande's Goal is 1650 down 165 from last year's 1815.

Ok I know that you are tired of reading this over and over. Believe me I am tired of writing it, but I still do not have all of the Officer's lists and bonding nor the Cheminots and Sous Cheminots.

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The Boland Trust Fund, is now offering one Nurses Scholarship to the Grande. So if our Voiture does not have the funds to support a nurse but you would like to of if you have exhausted your funds and have already received funding from the Boland Trust Fund, please contact the Grand Nurses Training Directeur, Clive Seydell

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Yours in Service

Glen DeLoach
Grand Correspondant

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Cabanes left in Michigan our total membership is really down. We need each Cabane to try hard to build up our membership not only **flying to the top with 100%** of the members we already have but build it up with new members.

Past Grande La Presidente Karen Webb is making a beautiful quilt to be raffled off at Grande in August. Her Cabane 669 has offered to pay for the license, and have the tickets printed up. Tickets will be handed out at Spring Cheminot in March. Many thanks to Karen and Cabane 669 for taking on this project to earn money for the Grande de Michigan. While we're on the topic of raffles the Grande raffle tickets were handed out please do your best to sell them. It has been our greatest fund raiser in the past.

Trophy and Awards chairman Patsy Gilmer reported there were new report forms made up for the Chairman of each program to fill out. There were also new trophy and award books handed out with all the Grande awards for each program. many changes were made this year in an effort to give more Cabanes a chance to win an award for their efforts to each program. Reminder to the Chairman please read the awards over as many changes were made.

I hope everyone is looking forward to fun and happy Halloween.

After that it seems the holiday season will be here before you know it. Then we will all have to get busy and

"Fly to the Top"

Grande La Presidente
Linda Bovee



Voiture 1153's soccer team finished their season with a ride on the train. This was V-1153's first year sponsoring a soccer team.

Rides were given, a Box Car pin was given to each of the player and the parents that went on the ride and we gave each player a pencil with the Voiture on it. Then each player climbed up into the cab and rang the bell and blew the horn.

Calendar Winners

Winners for September

Ticket	Amount	Selling Voiture	Winner
0541	\$50.00	1153	John Seymour Jr.
1486	\$50.00	1061	Cory Biancull
0407	\$50.00	946	Jennifer L. Smith
0070	\$100.00	1116	Henry Lerche
0599	\$100.00	1153	Michael Vanlooce

Winners for October

Ticket	Amount	Selling Voiture	Winner
1492	\$50.00	1061	Dan Wisniewski
0381	\$50.00	1420	Bob Reinsmith
0588	\$50.00	1153	Linda Lefcheck
1003	\$50.00	1061	Harley Ray
1325	\$100.00	1061	Theresa Driest
0401	\$100.00	946	Kammy Johns

Grand Directeur Ways and Means

Donald R. Eastcott

At fall Cheminot on 10-8-2011 three Voiture Local's that picked up their calendars in West Branch, picked up 40 more. I still have 687 calendars available for pick up and 16 Voiture's that have picked up none, zero. I'm home for the winter, give me a call at: (586294-3564).

Many thanks to all sellers for their help and many thanks and good luck to all purchasers.

Donald R. Eastcott
Grand Directeur - Ways and Means
Calendar program

Voiture 746

Swiss Steak Supper Nov. 12th 5-7PM
Spaghetti Supper Nov. 26th 5-7PM

Boosters

Kay Bauer	Tom Jones
Ernist Berry	Leonard Lewis
Betty Biggert	Lonnie Loveland
Jim Biggert	Erica MacLachian
Bob Bradley	Ed MacLachian II
Dave Bunch	Dennis Mersino
Laure Bunch	Fred Moorhouse
Grace Butterfield	Betty Morrison
Jerry Butterfield	Michaees Morrison Sr.
Ray Capouch	Tony Perales
John Churchill	Fred Post
Wayne Collier	Patty Prescott
Wilson Coomer	Richard Rathburn
Erwin "Bo" Coykendall	Jim Sadler
Marge Coykendall	Barb Sarrach
Lynn DeWerth	Jerry Sarrach
Charles Dice	Barry Schweitzer
Bernard Fleichmann	Bud Sehra
Mary Gark	Clive Seydell
Leonard Gonyea	Susan Sprangel
Denee Gregor	Randy Standard
Randy Gregor	Norm Stone
Sam Hanna	Mike Taylor
Mike Hemker	Steve Tracy
Joan Hoskins	Richard Truax
Less Hoskins	Robert Walker
Lily Hoskins	Kristine Waun
Brent Jacobs	Dave Webb
Wayne Jacobs	Karen Webb
Butch Johnson	Charles Willson
Lance Johnson	Amanda Wilson
P.J Johnson	Carol Worvie
Joe Joly	Dale Worvie

A big thank you to all of the Boosters of the Whistle Stop.

Booster Ads are \$2.00. Please send to the address on the back cover of the Whistle Stop.

Subscriptions to the Whistle Stop are \$10.00.

Free Box Car Pins to Give Out

Barry Bovee has old Box Car pins if anyone would like some to use as hand outs. The pins are FREE but you must pick them up or send enough money to cover the postage.

Call Barry at (517) 265-5941 to order pins and set up when you can meet.

Grande Voiture du Michigan

Box Car Directeur

November 1, 2011

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years. We will make up for that next year, right Sharon? Sandy Wood from Virginia is our new La Presidente Nationale and our own Diane Carignan was elected La Garde de la Porte Nationale, congratulations Diane! More good news - Cabane Nationale finances are in

GREAT shape thanks to the watchful eye of our new LaCorrespondante Nationale Terry Sampson and Commissaire Intendant Nationale Kathy Kaseman. All debts have been paid and we have money in our account. I'm sure we will get a rundown of other events when we get together at Fall Cheminot on October 8th. Until then stay safe, I look forward to seeing you soon.

The Fall Cheminot in Monroe was well attended and La Presidente Linda Bovee did an excellent job! La Grande Chairman gave out information for their programs for 2011-2012. Grande raffle tickets have been sent out to all Cabanes. This is Grande's one fundraiser for the year, please try to sell all of the tickets that have been sent to your Cabane. Karen Webb is working on a quilt that she is donating for a Grande fund raiser, tickets will be available at Spring Cheminot and the raffle drawing will be held at Grande Rendezvous.

Please log into La Femmes Nationale web site and check out the newsletter that La Correspondante Terry Sampson has written. She has provided a wealth of information that each Cabane can use. For example - The membership reporting deadline has changed to June 30th of each year. Membership reports must be postmarked no later than June 30, 2012 to count towards membership totals. This is a change from the previous deadline of July 31st. Cards for the membership year go on sale now July 1st of each membership year instead of the August 1st date from previous years.

LaPresidente Nationale Sandy Wood's Program this year is the Carville Star Museum. Donations should be sent to Cabane Nationale and earmarked for Carville Star Museum. Have your filed the 990EZ or 990N postcard for your Cabane for 2011? The deadline is November 15th. Please be sure to get this postcard filed to keep your tax exempt status. Log onto <http://epostcard.form990.org/> to file or for more information log onto www.fortyandeight.org (under the Femmes Tab-Finance). Getting reinstated could be a costly and time consuming ordeal for the Cabanes that have not filed. Don't let this happen to you. Again, the deadline is November 15th.

Until next month, stay safe,

Cheryl Jamnick
La Grande Correspondante

To: Grand Chef de Gare Gary Beatty
Voiture Locale Correspondants
Cabane Locale Correspondants

Every year, the National Box Car Association, has pins, this year is no different.

If your Voiture haven't got their Box Car Pins, Crew Cards or Associate Cards, I would like to know what you need. As of right now, Michigan's, Box Car Pin allotment is all out, actually I have 33 pins left, and if your Voiture would like pins, please let me know at the phone number or email address listed below.

Currently, Grand du Michigan started with 200 Pins for the Voiture's and 120 for the Femmes and as of today, a total of 431 Pins out to Voiture and Cabane Locales. I would like to get more, but only if your Voiture wants pins or cards, as the cards are really no problem to send you. Currently 7 Voiture Locales and 1 Cabane Locale have paid their Box Car Pins and Cards.

If your Voiture has a Loci, you could get Crew Cards and Associate Cards, and sell each to the Voyageurs with Crew Cards for \$1.00, and if you have guest on your Loci, what a way to raise money for the National Box Car Association, by selling them an Associate Card for a \$1.00.

The National Box Car Association distributed \$25,800.00 at Promenade Nationale this year thanks to the hard work Voyageurs did last year. The breakdowns for these funds are as follows:

VAVS Wheelchairs	\$8000.00	
Membership	\$6000.00	
40/8'er	\$4000.00	
Wounded Warriors	\$1000.00	
VAVS Vancouver	\$1000.00	
Homeless shelter	\$1000.00	(Veterans family
shelter in Vancouver, WA)		
Merci Box Cars	\$2100.00	
Hero of Year	\$800.00	
Law officer	\$500.00	
Nat. Historian	\$500.00	
PAL's Mag.	\$500.00	
Loci's	\$400.00	

Remember when you buy a pin or card; you are supporting the Nationale Box Car Association, who supports the major programs at Promenade Nationale.

Respectfully submitted

Douglas R. Carignan
Grand Box Car Directeur
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586-484-4354

Grande Voiture du Michigan Membership

As of November 3, 2011

Voiture	Quota	Reported	Short	Percent
District #1	Ronald Runyan		Alexander Germany	
102 Wayne	51	50	1	98.04%
1002 Sub-Wayne	56	41	15	73.21%
Total	107	91	16	85.05%
District #2	Ray Capouch			
746 Jackson	55	21	34	38.18%
957 Washtenaw	90	55	35	61.11%
997 Lenawee	169	140	29	82.84%
1153 Monroe	83	51	32	61.45%
Total	397	267	130	67.25%
District #3	Mike Hemker		Leo "Stub" Hoag	
161 Kalamazoo	14	11	3	78.57%
181 Calhoun	21	0	21	0.00%
396 Branch	41	22	19	53.66%
1223 Hillsdale	9	0	9	0.00%
Total	85	33	52	38.82%
District #4	James Brodbridge		Robert Leis	
545 St. Joseph	38	22	16	57.89%
1494 Allegan	10	2	8	20.00%
Total	48	24	24	50.00%
District #5	Tom Pawloski		John Rendak	
553 Kent	31	1	30	3.23%
District #6	Jim Simmons		Randy Stanard	
946 Ingham	182	79	103	43.41%
1116 Genesee	60	4	56	6.67%
Total	242	83	159	34.30%
District #7	Barry Schweitzer		Edward MacLachlanII	
120 St.Clair	25	55	31.25%	25
1061 Macomb	20	60	25.00%	20
1383 Tuscola	0	7	0.00%	0
1536 Lapeer	52	4	92.86%	52
Total	97	126	43.50%	97
District #8	Boyd J. Poppy.		Frank Rocha Jr.	
600 Saginaw	45	20	25	44.44%
756 Shiawassee	15	1	14	6.67%
868 Clinton	25	17	8	68.00%
1420 Ionia-Montcalm	32	2	30	6.25%
Total	117	40	77	34.19%
District #9	William Huhnke		George Jingles	
721 Newaygo	36	31	5	86.11%
1206 Wexford-Missaukee	19	21	-2	110.53%
1363 Manistee	18	21	-3	116.67%
Total	73	73	0	100.00%

Voiture	Quota	Reported	Short	Percent
District #10	Norman Mosele		Don Good	
690 Bay	18	16	2	88.89%
767 Clare	50	40	10	80.00%
1425 Midland	20	20	0	100.00%
Total	88	76	12	86.36%
District #11	Michael Bruntjens		Thure Dahlgren	
663 Delta	24	13	11	54.17%
1288 Menoninee	40	12	28	30.00%
Total	64	25	39	39.06%
District #12	James Duray		Jim Feliciano	
397 Gogebic	26	7	19	26.92%
599 Marquette	28	6	22	21.43%
659 Dickinson	54	13	41	24.07%
Total	26	7	19	26.92%
District #13	B J Arnold		Gerald Lynch	
811 Oakland	40	32	8	80.00%
District #14	John "Ed" Vallad		Elden Avery	
669 Iosco	46	30	16	65.22%
1086 Ogemaw-Arenac	13	12	1	92.31%
Total	59	42	17	71.19%

Quota	1,771	100% Voitures	1
Goal	1,616		
Members	816	100% Districts	0
%Quota	46.08%	Short for Quota	955
%Goal	50.50%	Short for Goal	800

For Sale Red Blazers

Sizes: 40 R, 44 R, 44 L
Contact;
Frank Warren
606 Lynn Ave Unit 5
Kalamazoo, MI 49008

Denzel Washington, and Brooks Army Medical Center

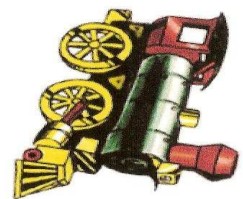


Don't know whether you heard about this, but Denzel Washington and his family visited the troops at Brook Army Medical Center , in San Antonio , Texas, (BAMC), the other day. This is where soldiers who have been transported from Germany come to be hospitalized in the United States , especially burn victims.

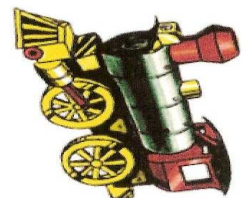
There are some buildings there called the Fisher House. The Fisher House is a Hotel where soldiers' families can stay, for little or no charge, while their soldier is staying in the Hospital. BAMC has quite a few of these houses on base, but as you can imagine, they are almost filled most of the time.

While Denzel Washington was visiting BAMC, they gave him a tour of one of the Fisher Houses. He asked how much one of them would cost to build. He took out his check book, and wrote a check for the full amount right there on the spot.

The soldiers overseas were amazed to hear this story, and want to get the word out to the American public, because it warmed their hearts to hear it. The question is ...Why do: Britney Spears, Lindsay Lohan, Paris Hilton, Tom Cruise and Charles Sheen Make front page news with their ridiculous antics, and Denzel Washington's Patriotism doesn't even make page 3 in the Metro section of any newspaper except the local newspaper in San Antonio.



**Voiture 1153
Monroe County
Wrecking Crew**



If you would like to plan a Wreck at your Voiture but you do not have a Wrecking Crew.

Then Voiture 1153 would like to help you out by providing our Wrecking Crew to perform your Wreck.

We will take possession of the PGs in the morning and get them ready for the Wreck in the afternoon.

We will provide our own Acts and supplies. We supply the Wrecking Sergeant, Wrecking Chef de Gare, Chef de Train, Conducteur, Medicin, Aumonier, Chairman of the So-Long League, Mayor.

All you need to provide is a place to hold the Wreck, lunch, Locale Chef de Gare, Chef de Train, Aumonier, and Conducteur to open and close your Promenade.

Contact

Please contact the following for more information and to
reserve V-1153 Professional Wrecking Crew

Commis Voyageur Voiture 1153

Mary Blaecki

9103 Albain

Ida, MI 48141

Phone (734) 680-6854

E-Mail mj_blaeck@yahoo.com

Taps

In Memoriam

May Their Souls Rest In Place

William Anderson	1002	August
Donald Hatfield	1002	August
Charles C Head	1002	August
Don Howard	1002	August
Joseph Mcdonald	1002	August
Kenneth D Muscoe	1002	August
Jay E Alford	946	September
Billy Allen	946	September
George Benoit	957	September
Joseph G Dobis	600	September
Ronald C Franklin	946	September
William Hubbard	690	September
Howard Johnson	946	September
Henry Longhini	396	September
Norman N Nelsen	663	September
Joseph G Rayome	599	September
Richard L Robitaille	663	September
Herbert Schwidkay	161	September
Thomas C Sproul	946	September
Edward Bouty	1288	October
James Brewer	767	October
Donald Goetz	997	October
Jerry Mathews	1363	October
Earl Reinhardt	811	October
Ralph J Salerno	120	October
Francis L Shaw	1536	October
Ivan Suydam, Jr.	997	October



Grand Aumonier Raymond C. Carrier

Every deceased Voyageur and Dame is entitled to have his name read and the bell rung in his memory at the Annual Memorial Service held on the Sunday morning following the Grande Promenade. As a reminder, please see to it, that the names of other deceased Voyageurs are reported to me along with the Voiture Locale of their membership

Yours in Service
Raymond C. Carrier

Taps Notification

For Voyageurs

Grande Voiture du Michigan

It is with regret that we inform you of the passing of Voyageur Militaire

of Voiture Locale _____ Date _____

Nationale has been notified: Yes ___ No ___

Send to:
Grand Aumonier
Raymond C. Carrier
3108 Negaunee Trail
Clyde, MI 48049-4526

For La Femmes

Grande Cabane de Michigan

It is with regret that we inform you of the passing of Dame

of Cabane Locale _____ Date _____

Nationale has been notified: Yes ___ No ___

Send to:
Grande LaAumonier
Ida Rocha
2431 Ledyard
Saginaw, MI 48601

Child Welfare Directeur

I have 2012 pins.
Please call to order 989-305-1984.
I will have them at the Fall Cheminot.

Thanks,
Dave Bunch
Child Welfare Directeur

The Whistle Stop

mi40-8.com

Glen DeLoach

1109 John L. Drive

Monroe, MI 48162

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Calendar of Upcoming Events

November	
5	Detroit Veterans Day Parade
11	Veterans Day
December	
10	State Wreck V-997
23	Deadline for January Whistle Stop
March	
12	Spring Cheminot V-946, Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel
April	
14	Grand Chef's Testimonial, VFW Post 1584, Adrian, MI
22	Deadline for May Whistle Stop