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### A BLAST FROM THE PAST



While researching in the Temple U. Digital Library, Doug Pollock came across the attached 1926 Phila. Bulletin photo of Denver members of American Legion 40 and 8 Society getting ready for the display of Rocky Mountain burros at the Legion convention in Philadelphia. I thought you might be interested in sharing the photo.



### GRANDE DU NORTH CAROLINA



Voiture 1638 Grande du North Carolina visited the Vietnam Memorial Traveling Wall at the Concord Motor Speedway on October 22nd. (starting from the left to right) Jay Weitzel, Fred Dorsey, Ken Fleming, Al Cerino, Ted Daniels, Russell Duncan; Grand Chef de Gare du NC- Robert Hickey Voiture 506 (in grey sports coat), Michelle May- Grande Chef de Train du NC Div 3; Louis Aresco, Stephen Wilfong- National Sous Avocat.

**VOITURE NATIONALE OFFICERS 2022 - 2023**

Frank Kronen	Chef de Chemin de Fer	Ohio
Terry Sims	Correspondant National	Indiana
Deb Reynolds	Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer	Florida
Janie Miller	Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer	France
Steve Dircks	Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer	Minnesota
Terry Chatfield	Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer	North Carolina
William Stroud	Avocat	Louisiana
William Streuber	Aumonier	South Carolina
Dan Dumas	Commissaire Intendant	California
David Cook	Conducteur	Ohio
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**TRAVELS WITH THE CHEF DE CHEMIN DE FER**



Chef de Chemin de Fer Frank Kronen places the chapeau on a new Voyageur at Voiture Locale # 1182 Trumbull County Ohio Promenade



Chef Frank Kronen in Madison Ohio at their Christmas luncheon on December 17th. L to R: Fred Hardesty, Ray Pike, Barb Padavick, Chef Frank, Joe Milmont, Bill Keller, Larry Lutz and Bill



Grand Chef de Gare/National Nurses Training Directeur Bob Hickey of North Carolina was presented an eagle statue from Chef de Chemin de Fer Frank during his and Grande Presidente Cindy Hickey's Homecoming in Greensboro on November 5th.



Big Chef Frank and Presidente Robbie with Florida Grand Chef Binion Williams and Grande Presidente Annie Anderson at the Florida Midwinter.

**CHEF DE CHEMIN DE FER FRANK KRONEN**



First off, Happy New Year to all! Now with the Holiday Season clearly in the rear-view mirror it is once again time to Refocus and Recommit.

Two items of major concern are COMMUNICATION and MEMBERSHIP. Remember they go hand in hand. When you have delinquent Voyageurs, you need to broaden your communication technique. If calls and emails have failed, and if within a reasonable distance try a personal visit, or if another Locale Voyageur lives close by, ask for their help. Possibly are they ill? Perhaps lost their employment due to this Chinese Medical Invasion. If this is a possibility, initiate something I've always referred to as Sickness and Distress. At least cover their per-capita to Nationale. Keep in mind next year this could be YOU!!! And this all begins with COMMUNICATION!!!

This years FUN began with a trip to Orlando Florida and the Grand du Florida Midwinter Promenade. Upon my arrival I was met by Chef de Chemin de Fer 2005 Mac and Patti McCarthy, and we went to have lunch at (You Gussed It) Hooters. After which we reported to the hotel and began the Grand Festivities. It was a very Enjoyable time by all. Much to my surprise they really tried to make me feel at home since Sunday morning it was 35 degrees and hotel guests were using their room keys to scrape the frost from their windshields. While in the hotel lobby Saturday prior to the banquet, Americanism Treasurer Ron Garland, Passe' Mac and myself talked with a discharged Marine and gave him the informational Forty and Eight handout. Sunday while at breakfast, Passe' Mac, Patti, and I, overheard the waiter of the table next to ours ask for the customer to repeat their order since from the military he had a hearing deficiency. You guessed it we called him over and gave him a brochure about us and answered his questions. He told us he was a former Navy Seal. After breakfast Passe' Mac and Patti got me to the airport for my return flight home. Now while taking my seat on the plane the individual with the seat across the aisle from mine inquired to what was that on my jacket? I have my Chef's pin embroidered on my jacket. After my explanation, he informed me that his Sister-in Law seated at the window was a former Army Nurse and caregiver to former First Lady, Mamie Eisenhower. Yes, you guessed it another informational pamphlet was passed out. While we were exiting the plane, I spoke with her, and we were both stationed at Walter Reed Army Hospital at the same time. The Walter Reed Army School of Nursing was next door to my duty station. Will any of these three contact become Voyageurs? Time will tell. But I'd like to believe this was a perfect example of COMMUNICATION.

This past weekend found me in Winston-Salem North Carolina for the Joint Carolinas Wreck and Promenade. On Saturday at 0600 I greeted the PG's at the flagpole and recited the Pledge of Allegiance along with them. While they were performing close order drills in the parking lot of American Legion Post 55. The wrecking Chef turned them over to me where I greeted them, introduced myself to them and mentioned that 27 years prior I was doing the same as them being wrecked into the Greatest Veterans organization on earth. I then encouraged them to study the programs we have and get involved into whatever one they liked the best. Then I encouraged them to by all means to have FUN!!!

During my talk at the banquet, I once again recognized the PG Passe's and asked them what they learned, they all yelled out to have FUN!!!

Now I wish again to Thank both Florida and the Joint Carolina organizations for Wonderful Fun Filled Events.

**NOTE:** With Hotels and Catering the way they are these days; an absolute cutoff date for my Homecoming Registration is March 3rd at 12:01 A.M.

**JOINT CAROLINA'S**



Chef de Chemin de Fer Frank Kronen shares a soda with past Big Chef Bill Simpson at the Joint Carolina's.

**GRANDE DU GEORGIA**



Cabane 217 and Voiture 217 have an annual Christmas Party with the focus on Toys for Tots. This year our Child Welfare Chairman, Betty Hanna, and her trusty Elf, Bea Ayton, along with all Dames and Voyageurs in the attached photo, were able to collect (during 2022) and donate over \$15,000.00 in Toys for "Toys for Tots". Congratulations Dames & Voyageurs. Shown in photo from left to right: Hiram Hayes, Shirley Hayes, Bea Ayton, Janet Walsh, Jeremy Lange, Sandy Wood, Susan Terzich, Betty Hanna and Elsie Jones. Shown in the truck is the Toys for Tots representative.



**THE GENERALS CLUB**

The Forty and Eight General's Club was formed in 1973. Its original purpose was to honor and dignify the profession of law enforcement. Funds generated by the annual dues in this elite club, underwrite the expenses of the Outstanding Law Officer of the Year program. In so doing, the General's Club affords each annual Outstanding Law Officer of the Year award recipient, the opportunity to attend Promenade Nationale, as a guest of the Forty and Eight.

In recent years, the Club has taken on additional fiscal responsibilities associated with the Americanism Award program. For 50 years, the General's Club has been a very important and select element within the Forty and Eight.



## MEMBERSHIP

### Successful Results Equate To Asking For Help, and The Gratitude of Thank-you



A young boy was having a problem lifting a large rock. His father saw how he was struggling and asked him, "Are you using all of your strength?" The boy responds impatiently "Yes I am Dad" as he continued to struggle. "No you are not," his father said, "I am standing right here just waiting, and you have not asked me to help you."

Are we using every available tool to enrich and grow this organization through membership? If in fact we were using every tool, wouldn't we be in a growth year in membership?

No matter what your age one of the things that people seem to find hard to do is ask for help. However, some people do realize the endless benefits and success that come by simply asking for help. Here are a few things to consider, as we continue to build and enrich the membership of this organization:

- Two brains are always better than one. It's amazing how much you can accomplish with more than one person or even a group collaboration toward accomplishing a goal. Sharing the success stories from every Grande.

- When you ask for help you may get ideas for that part of your program that are not your strengths, this way you will save time to concentrate on the parts that you are strong in and have more ways to accomplish the parts that are not your strength. The final result is a more successful approach to your goal.

- Seeking another person's perspective to a problem can open new paths and offer creative solutions that you may not have considered. There is often more than one way to do things if you open your mind to new ideas. This will also make you a better leader in the future by broadening your knowledge, and broadening the knowledge of the 40&8 programs.

- Asking other people for help can help strengthen your connection to the people you have on your committee and build a strong relationship with them.

- Asking for help is not a sign of weakness or that you have given up. Quite the contrary, it shows that you are wise enough to seek assistance from others to be successful in achieving your goal.

- Others will admire your courage to step forward to ask for help and it will make them feel as they were an integral part in a successful program.

No man is an island, nor does he know it all. Everyone has challenges and obstacles to overcome in their pursuit of success and sometimes you cannot get it done alone. All we need to do is ask for help from those around us.

Remember Micro Managers get micro results. You can accomplish anything with these five powerful words: "Would you please help me?" But you have to ask. And never forget after you do receive that help, don't forget to tell them those other two just as powerful words; "Thank you."

In closing, Thank you, to every voyageur who invited a veteran into our organization. Through this you are part of the success.

I am asking you to believe that: Membership Matters  
Gena K. Keller  
Nationale Directeur of Membership

## TIME & PLACE

The 104<sup>th</sup> Promenade and 60<sup>th</sup> Rendezvous Nationale will held at the Kalahari Resort Hotel in Sandusky OH. Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> thru Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> 2023.

The rate is \$109 per night. Do not forget you will have to make your own reservations.

The registration form is on the Nationale web site with the Hotel web site and phone number is 419-433-7200. Hope to see you there.

Jim Maxwell Time & Place Chairman

## YOUTH SPORTS

Greetings Voyageurs

I hope all had a great holiday and enjoyed their time with their families.

Winter is here and this is our halfway point for the year. How are your Youth Sports activities doing? I would like to see Locales and Grandes brag about what they are doing. Contact your Sous Directors and let them know what is new in your program.

Great News!! The Youth Sports Challenge Coins are in our hands. This will be a great way to raise a few more dollars for our program. The initial order was 300 and we are selling them for \$10 per coin. I can easily order more. Considering the way inflation has hit us, this is not a bad deal.

Contact the Youth Sports Treasurer - Donald Reed to order yours now.

You can mail a check to: Youth Sports Treasurer  
212 W Caroline Lane  
Chandler, AZ 85225

I would also like to extend my appreciation and a big Thank You to my Sous Directors for their help and go get them attitude. With their help and drive to keep our Grandes active I am sure this will be a successful year.

Randall Shrader  
Director  
Youth Sports Nationale



## BLUE CHEVALIERS

As many of you are aware the Public Relations Program launched a new project at Promenade Nationale last year in Springfield, Missouri called The Blue Chevaliers. Its sole purpose is to support Law Enforcement and



provide recognition and positive public relations for the Forty and Eight. The name, Blue Chevaliers is a mixture of English and French, as is the tradition if La Societe. Blue being the English term that refers to law enforcement and Chevaliers is French for "noble or honored Knight." We felt this was a most appropriate description of our law enforcement personnel in America. We kicked off this project in January 2022 with donations, pin, and shirt sales to raise the funding to support law enforcement officers and their families program that we offer through Special Awards. Every cent raised goes for those purposes.

Now, what some of you may not be aware of is that at the Promenade Nationale, General Session this year in Green Bay, Wisconsin, The Blue Chevaliers project presented a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the Forty and Eight Law Officer of the Year recipient, Deputy Sheriff Tyler Post, in addition to the plaque he received from La Societe. We felt so honored to do this and it was made possible by the tremendous participation and support of the Voyageurs and Dames in the inaugural year of this project. As it stands now, we plan to make this award annually at Promenade Nationale.

That can only be accomplished by the continued support of the members of La Societe. The Project Manager is Bob Cearlock and Advisors are Mike Wood, Frank Campo and Greg Hall. Please contact any one of these Voyageurs to join The Blue Chevaliers Posse.

In addition to this award they were able to recognize many Officers, Deputies and Sheriffs all over the country with awards and honors, many that the membership of La Societe were not aware of. We now offer a very attractive pin that is a one-time purchase, shirts and decals for your car. In the near future we hope to offer patches and ball caps. In recognition for different level donations are award and achievement certificates and in honor or memorial certificates. We have had an outstanding response in the first year of the project and hope that we can match that participation in 2023, if we can it could lead to making The Blue Chevaliers a full stand-alone program in The Forty and Eight. Join in now and support this project and show the world that The Blue Chevaliers and The Forty and Eight make a great TEAM in supporting law and order in America.

Mike Wood

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

I deeply appreciate the confidence placed in me as your new Public Relations Directeur. The Forty and Eight must make use of PR in support of its programs, fund-raising, new member recruiting, member retention, and to increase community awareness and involvement. Said in another way... Public Relations can be La Societe's most valued resource for building name value, maintaining membership vitality, and establishing credibility in our communities.



Our Public Relations manual has been updated is current and is a great asset and tool for those needing guidance and tips in communication within your Locale, Grande and communities. Find it under resources at the National website. Public Relations is not well understood - the manual will make it clear.

Within Public Relations we have the Press Association of La Societe (P.A.L.S.) with its 12 page monthly newsletter with membership and press credentials. Under the PR umbrella is the new Blue Chevalier Project in support of grassroots Law Enforcement recognition. I asked Bob Cearlock to remain as the Directeur of P.A.L.S. and he is also the project manager for Blue Chevalier with a supporting staff of Mike Wood, Greg Hall and Frank Campo.

Regarding Blue Chevalier - let me get this message out - like P.A.L.S., Blue Chevalier is on a yearly calendar basis, Jan - Dec so renewals are due for 2023 for both. Blue Chevalier renewals are only \$2.00 for those already members. New members \$15.00 and a PUFL is available. New and renewal applications will soon be on the National website.

Finally, the annual Public Relations report has been updated and available under the Petite Communique - changes have been made so please check it out. Submission is a must for Grandes and Locales to Grandes. An important note - please get me copies of your newsletters from the Grande and Locale level - in the upcoming months we will start looking at our annual Public Relations awards. Any changes to contacts or any of our areas under Public Relations, we will get out to you immediately - I have a monthly communique I put out as Directeur and of course in the P.A.L.S. Bulletin.

Questions, concerns, comments or recommendations are always welcome and I am easy to contact at

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## NATIONAL BOX CAR ASSOCIATION

The Box Car program has been busy this year! I want to thank the Grands who have participated in the Box Car program! To the Grands that did not participate - I would like you to try to find a way to help this year, we have Sous Box Car Directeur's that cover every state and region in the 40&8. Pins are for sale now for \$3.00. Crew cards are \$1.00. Association cards \$1.00. Please continue to buy and sell our items. Every dollar of our proceeds is donated and used every year and we need these funds to make a difference



The Merci Maintenance deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023. \$150.00 is given to every Grande that completes the form and buys at least \$150.00 of Box Car pins or cards. 17 Grands received there check last year. If your state has the Merci Box Car you are eligible to get this check.

If your Grande plans to have your locomotive at Sandusky, OH for the 2023 Nationale Promenade, please send me a message by the July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 deadline. There is a form that needs to be completed for participation.

I have enclosed in this article a picture of Passe Box Car Directeur Jim Maxwell, presenting a check for \$500.00 to the Green Bay, WI VA Health Care Center. This is one example of your contributions benefiting veterans.

### BOX CAR SECRETAIRE

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## GREEN BAY VA BOX CAR DONATION



Green Bay VA donation. During the 2022 National Promenade, the National Box Car Association donated \$500 to the Green Bay VA. L to R: Virgil Blum Box Car Secretaire/Treasurer, Kyle Newkirk NEWAC Voluntary Services Specialist, Box Car Directeur Jim Maxwell and Grand Directeur Wisconsin John Aasen.

A soldier runs up a hill and around a corner before slamming into an officer.  
"Where do you think you're going, son?" "Sorry, Captain! It's crazy out there and the firefight was so heavy. I got scared and tried to go AWOL." "Who you calling Captain? I'm a general!" "Wow!" exclaimed the soldier. "I didn't realize I'd run that far back."

# MEMBERSHIP 2023

## January 26th, 2023

	AREA	2021	2022	PERCENT
ALABAMA	3	99	74	74.75%
ALASKA	2	119	98	82.35%
ARIZONA	2	383	286	74.67%
ARKANSAS	1	75	56	74.57%
CALIFORNIA	4	674	477	70.77%
COLORADO	1	65	35	53.85%
CONNECTICUT	3	113	103	91.15%
DELAWARE	3	23	13	56.52%
DIST OR COLUMBIA	3	14	2	14.29%
FLORIDA	3	571	388	67.95%
FRANCE	2	96	92	95.83%
GEORGIA	4	350	183	52.29%
GERMANY	4	72	65	90.28%
IDAHO	4	87	69	79.31%
ILLINOIS	3	1001	746	74.53%
INDIANA	1	2061	1414	68.61%
IOWA	3	227	168	74.01%
KANSAS	3	320	224	70.00%
KENTUCKY	4	184	140	76.09%
LATIN AMERICA	2	5	4	80.00%
LOUISIANA	4	487	394	80.90%
MAINE	1	86	79	91.86%
MARYLAND	2	208	165	79.33%
MASSACHUSETTS	2	96	79	82.29%
MICHIGAN	2	760	600	78.95%
MINNESOTA	4	913	733	80.28%
MISSISSIPPI	2	133	107	80.45%
MISSOURI	3	673	550	81.72%
MONTANA	1	73	55	75.34%
NEBRASKA	4	281	179	63.70%
NEVADA	4	20	17	85.00%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1	76	67	88.16%
NEW JERSEY	4	63	55	87.30%
NEW MEXICO	1	22	3	13.64%
NEW YORK	2	715	522	73.01%
NORTH CAROLINA	1	459	366	79.74%
NORTH DAKOTA	4	176	156	88.64%
OHIO	3	1023	710	69.40%
<b>OKLAHOMA</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
OREGON	2	151	107	70.86%
PENNSYLVANIA	2	927	642	69.26%
SOUTH CAROLINA	4	273	186	68.13%
SOUTH DAKOTA	1	320	296	92.50%
<b>TENNESSEE</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>107.55%</b>
TEXAS	2	231	182	78.79%
UTAH	1	15	14	93.33%
VERMONT	3	28	20	71.43%
VIRGINIA	4	330	259	78.48%
WASHINGTON	2	430	285	66.28%
<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>106.36%</b>
WISCONSIN	1	855	672	78.60%
<b>WYOMING</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>122.22%</b>
V2000		413	349	84.50%
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>17051</b>	<b>12776</b>	<b>74.93%</b>



Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer  
Steve Dircks



Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer  
Terry Chatfield



Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer  
Deb Reynolds



Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer  
Janie Miller



AREA	2022	2023	Percent	
Area - 2 <b>Janie Miller</b>	4364	3286	75.30%	1st Place
Area - 1 <b>Terry Chatfield</b>	4201	3151	75.01%	2nd Place
Area - 4 <b>Steve Dircks</b>	3900	2913	74.50%	3rd Place
Area - 3 <b>Debra Reynolds</b>	4163	3077	73.91%	4th Place
V2000	413	349	84.50%	



## CARVILLE STAR A NEW YEAR BRINGS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Happy 2023! At a first mass of the new year, the priest reminded that a new year provides new opportunities. There will be new blessings, new trials, new failures, and new victories. The lyrics of "That's Life" as sung by the great Frank Sinatra express what we can look forward to: That's life (that's life), that's what all the people say



You're riding high in April Shot down in May  
But I know I'm going to change that tune  
When I'm back on top, back on top in June  
I've been up and down and over and out And I  
know one thing  
Each time I find myself flat on my face  
I pick myself up and get back in the race

In the October 1941 edition of *The Star*, guest columnist Dr. J.D. Riley delivered this message to patients at Carville (the National Leprosarium of the United States) in an article titled "Don't Be a Worry Wart." Dr. Riley stated "The test of good common sense is whether one will do what he can do about the problems confronting him and not worry about what he cannot do; the test of genuine worthwhileness is whether one can accept the situation that is inevitable and smile under adversity and carry on to success, which is to make the best of our opportunities and never, never be a worry wart!"

The Carville Star Committee embraces the opportunities that 2023 will bring. We welcome two new committee members: one Sous, Ralph Turner covering Area 3; and Carol Kaiserian, La Femmes Carville Star Chairman. Please call upon the Sous in your Area for any questions you may have. As always, effective communication will promote success.

We are still seeking donations for our special project, restoration of the monument located in the first Carville cemetery. Remember that our Buy-A-Country or Buy-A-Clinic programs can be used to memorialize or honor a voyageur, dame, or others. Donors to these programs receive a certificate of appreciation bearing the name of the person memorialized or honored. (See the 40&8 website for forms used for these two programs.) Donations should be sent to our treasurer. Let's all take advantage of the opportunities that a new year brings!

### Carville Star Committee 2023

Sous Directeur	Roger Folmar
Sous Directeur	Steve Villegas
Sous Directeur	Ralph Turner
Sous Directeur	Emeritus Ron Diebold
Sous Directeur	Rich Richardson
Treasurer	Tom Emerson
National Directeur	Tom Adams
La Femmes Chairman	Carol Kaiserian
Advisor	Kenneth Laffler

### VAVS / SVH RON ROLFES - NATIONALE DIRECTEUR

I hope that everyone had an opportunity to spend time with family and friends over the Holiday's and recharge the batteries. 2023 will be a busy year for many of us and I am no exception. The Grande du Arizona honored me by having me out as their National Guest 13 - 15 January in Tucson, AZ. Grand Cheminot Steve Sperl greeted me at the airport and it was off to American Legion Post 36 where they had lunch waiting for us. Upon arrival there, I was greeted by Local Chef de Gare Rich Schweiss



of Voiture 73. I quickly learned that Voiture 73 was the host for the event and the members of their Voiture as well as other members of the Grande made sure I was welcomed in Tucson. I even had the pleasure to meet Mike Simon, Commander Department of Arizona, American Legion who was also in attendance. I want to commend Voyageur John Duenes for conducting an outstanding wreck. His crew did an outstanding job ensuring the PG's were well taken care of. Speaking of PG's congratulations to the new Voyageurs of the Grande du Arizona; Allen Foraker, Donald Miscovich and Willie Webster. A special thanks goes out to Steve "Chico" Aguirre who kept me informed prior to arrival and my chauffeur for the weekend Steve Sperl. It was nice to see many old friends but it was great to make many new friends. If I've forgotten to thank anyone, I do apologize, but all in all it was a memorable event and I am truly grateful to the Grande du Arizona for their generous hospitality. Thank You

Now on to VAVS. Our numbers are still down, both volunteer hours and Representation in facilities. We can fix the volunteer hours a couple of ways; 1) Ensure current Volunteer hours are properly recorded. 2) Increase Volunteers in our Facilities. This starts with the Locale and Grande Directeurs. It is your duty as a VAVS Directeur to ensure that you have Representation in facilities within your Grande. If you chose not to seek out Representatives for the Forty and Eight to fill these vacancies, then you yourselves should be in contact with your chain of command to seek a replacement. For those that are pounding the pavement actively trying to seek out representation, Thank You. If a Locale does not have anyone able to do the job, then look to the Cabane for help, the Dames are a great asset and are willing to assist. You just need to ask! We must remember as a member of La Societe, we serve of community, state, and nation but most importantly we serve our Veterans. That is what the VAVS Program is all about. Serving Veterans!

"Keep the Wheelchairs Rolling" contest name change update. If you recall I posted a survey 3 months ago regarding changing the name of the contest. The purpose was twofold 1) to get some thoughts on what to call it 2) get the memberships thoughts on whether we should change the name versus having the VAVS Committee make that determination. Well the results are in and the name of the contest will remain the same. Of the entire membership of La Societe, we got twelve responses to the survey. Twelve responses out of Seventeen thousand plus members! Needless to say, this topic is now a dead issue. Speaking of the contest, I want to put it out there now that we will be really stretching our penny's this year. A total of \$3,700 awarded, so money is going to be tight. Get your requests in early and as always, we will do all we can to accommodate each request. The 2023 flyer is posted on the website.

Still waiting to hear if anyone is interested in a VAVS workshop via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. If so I am looking for a minimum of ten participants per session. For those that might be interested, please contact me via e-mail; rolfesr@hotmail.com

Lastly, the National Advisory Committee Conference is scheduled for 26-28 April 2023 to be held at the Hilton Double Tree in Denver, CO. This is an open event and is very informative relating to the VAVS program and VA. For anyone that may be interested in attending, please contact me.

## SPECIAL AWARDS

Greetings Voyageurs and Dames. My name is Wayne Sorrentino from the Grande du New York. First of all thanks to Big Chef Frank Kronen, the COC, Special Awards Directeur Passe Greg Hall and the Grande du New York for my appointment as the new Directeur of Special Awards. I have big shoes to fill. I am honored by your confidence in me and my abilities to handle this important J O B.

We have 52 Grandes in La Societe; 48 states, plus District of Columbia, France, Germany, and Latin America. But we don't have a listing of the 52 Chef de Gares, 52 Grand Correspondants, 52 Cheminox nor 52 Grand Special Awards Directeur's. Why not? The more eyes we have open and charged with looking for quality candidates to nominate for our four great Special Awards to be presented at Promenade Nationale, the better we can cover all of the worthy individuals who should be considered for these impressive awards from The 40 & 8. This is your 40 & 8 and you should have as much input into these awards as everyone else.

Every night on the news, every page in the local newspaper, every watercooler conversation at work (for those not yet retired) and every Cheminot and Promenade we see and hear about PEOPLE doing great things and helping other PEOPLE, day in and day out. Do we take note of the details and determine if they're worthy of our SPECIAL AWARDS? Perhaps not. That's why we don't see 55 nominations each year for each award.

Our Sous Directeur's send a letter every month to all of our Grandes, explaining the program and what is required to submit a quality nomination. These letters are emailed to the Chef, Correspondant, Cheminot and Special Awards Directeur of each Grande in La Societe. **Please notify me by phone or email if you are not receiving these monthly letters.** Copies of these letters are then supposed to be emailed or snail mailed to each Voiture Locale by the Grand Special Awards Directeur (or Grand Chef or Grande Correspondant in his/her absence) so everyone gets the same information and every Voiture Locale has the same opportunity to submit one nomination for EACH of our four categories. The Grande then selects the best nomination received for each category and then sends the nomination package to the Sous Directeur & Judge who handles that award category.

Our Special Awards Sous Directeur's are doing a tremendous job selecting the best candidate for each award, but we should make their job even tougher by submitting more QUALITY nominations through your Grand Correspondant. Your Grand Correspondant can only forward one nomination for each category to our Sous Directeur's. The Petite Communique is our BIBLE and the four Special Awards pages therein provide all of the instructions you need to submit a high-quality nomination. If you've never done one before, contact the Sous Directeur & Judge of the award you have in mind for some pointers and assistance with completing the task. They are more than willing to assist you, but you need to ask them for help. Remember, this is a National Award. You are up against tough competition. But your candidate is worth your time and energy for you to put together a high-quality nomination. You must go through your Grand Correspondant and have all of the signatures and supporting documentation / pictures included for your nomination to be considered. Pay attention to deadlines listed on the forms. There is no leeway from these dates.

We are always on the lookout for another potential 40 & 8 er from our inner circle of Veteran friends. Why not pay particular attention to everyday life and decide if there's a SPECIAL AWARDS candidate in our local community who must be considered for our HERO or LAW OFFICER of the Year? What about the hard-working Voyageur in your Voiture who does everything without even being asked? What about your City or a neighboring City who is doing great things for our Vets? The look of appreciation in their faces when they are honored with a Special Awards plaque and recognition at Promenade Nationale will be the payoff for your hard work.

Merci.

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## LA PRESIDENTE NATIONALE ROBBIE GARLAND

Greeting Voyageurs and Dames,

I hope everyone's year has gotten off to a good start and you have someone in mind to invite into our wonderful organization.



Our membership continues to increase. As of January 19<sup>th</sup> our membership was 80.64%. We are getting closer to our goal of 100% Membership again this year. We have 49 Cabanes at 100% and of

these 49 Cabanes there are 13 that are above 100% Congratulations to all the Cabanes who have reached 100% or more. On the flip side we have 9 Cabanes still at zero membership. All of us should be helping our La Sous Presidente's with membership. Check your Cabane's membership list and reach out to the Dames who have not renewed yet this year. The renewals are easy increases in our membership, so go after them.

We should also focus on new members. Find ways to share what our wonderful organization does and the programs we support. You never know when you will touch something in a person you would not expect to have a desire to join La Femmes. Once you get them into our organization, give them responsibility for something in the program or programs they were touched by.

I attended the Florida Mid-Winter Cheminot in Orlando. I was greeted upon my arrival by Grande Presidente Annie Anderson from Cabane 215 with a wonderful basket of goodies. The basket was filled with snack items, drinking glasses filled with chocolate and many other wonderful treats. My escorts were Annie Anderson and Pattie McCarthy. They made sure I was where I needed to be and on time. Cabane 215 hosted a Meet and Greet for Chef and me on Friday afternoon. Friday night was dinner out with Chef Frank and several of the Florida Dames & Voyageurs at Hooters. Food was good and everyone had a great time. Saturday I attended the Grande Cheminot where the Florida Dames gave me a beautiful Lighthouse bird feeder and the food to go in it. I am sure I will get many relaxing hours watching the birds at my feeder. Lunch was with Past Grand Chefs and Grande Presidetes, with some of the best chicken noodle soup I think I have ever tasted.

The following weekend was off to Winston-Salem, NC for the Joint Carolinas Promenade and Wreck. Grande La Presidente and my escort for the weekend Cindy Hickey greeted me at the entrance to the hotel and helped me with my luggage and getting everything to my room. When I entered my room there was a large basket of items from local vendors in the Winston-Salem area. I was able to meet the gentleman who made the bottle of vodka in my basket. Thursday evening the Voyageurs and Dames took Chef Frank and me, as well as Passe National Chef Bill Simpsons & Dell to dinner at Cin Cin Burger Restaurant. The name of the restaurant was very misleading, they did have burgers on the menu, but that wasn't all. They had a huge variety of other items. No matter what was ordered everyone said their food was very good. Friday evening was dinner at the post with chili and the fixings. La Presidente Pam Backi of Cabane 982 arranged two wonderful lunches for the Dames at the West End Café on Friday and the Middle Town Café and Dessertery on Saturday. We were back from lunch on Saturday to attend the Third Degree.

This was the first 40 & 8 event our new Cabane 982 had hosted. What an amazing group of Dames in this Cabane. They were all working very well

together and made sure everything was getting handled. They had a very successful Wagon of Cheer Basket Raffle. Making over \$1,000 for their Cabane.

It is a short few months until our year end reports will be due again. I know all of you are working the programs and putting in time and money on our programs. Report that information so you can get credit for all your hard work. If you have any questions about what you can and cannot claim, do not hesitate to contact either your Grand Chair Person or the Nationale Chair Person. They are there to help you. If you don't get an answer there then reach out to the Trophy and Awards Chair Person.

I would like to extend and heartfelt appreciation to all who have invited me to their functions and your support this year. I am looking forward to attending these functions in the various areas around the country and making new friends.

Please remember my program this year is Child Welfare, I would like to exceed my \$3,000. If you have good ideas for fund raising please share with other Cabanes as we are always looking for new ways to support our programs.

For the Good of La Societe de Femme,

Robbie Garland

La Presidente Nationale 2022-23

## CARVILLE STAR CAROL KAISERIAN - CHAIRMAN

Let me introduce myself - I am Carol Kaiserian, a Dame since 1998 in Cabane 1219, Florida, and have served many Locale, Grande and Nationale positions. This year I am wearing a new Beret - Nationale Carville Star Chairman. Ever since visiting Carville Louisiana several years ago, I have been a staunch supporter of this program.

What is Carville Star - do you know?

Unfortunately, many people do not know what the Carville Star program is all about. It is one of the oldest on-going programs of the 40and8. While Carville, Louisiana was once a hospital housing many patients with Hansen's Disease (otherwise known as Leprosy), it currently has no patients, and the property is overseen by the Louisiana National Guard. The main building on the property is the Carville Star Museum, which houses artifacts from the days when there were patients.

The Star is a quarterly magazine disseminating information regarding the research into Hansen's Disease. The 40and8 Voyageurs and Dames have provided all the equipment necessary for the publication and distribution of the magazine as well as over 80% of the funding.

There are several ways to support this program:

Buy a Country - \$ 50.00 will send 12 one-year subscriptions to a specific county of the donor's choice.

Buy a Clinic - \$ 25.00 will send 25 copies to a clinic to provide them with the most up to date information on Hansen's Disease and the treatment of it. A list of clinics is provided in each issue of The Star.

Subscribe to the Star - \$ 2.00 per year.

Buy a pin - Carville Star pins are available from your Voiture and/or Cabane Chairman.

Donate funds to the Museum fund.

An individual is not likely to lend support to a cause, no matter how worthy, if little or nothing is known about it. Reading the Star will keep you informed about the program and become acquainted with the "Facts about HD" which are printed on the back cover of each issue.

I look forward to receiving many wonderful year-end reports.

Carol Kaiserian - carolk365@gmail.com

## YOUTH SPORTS CABANE NATIONALE

Hello Dames! It is a pleasure to once again be sharing my thoughts with you. My name is Cindy Hickey and I am your Nationale Aumonier and Chairman of the Youth Sports, and Youth Sports is what I am writing about today.

As you know, we do not have our own programs, we support the Voitures programs. I thought about the type of sports that are out there and of course there are the American favorite pastime: Baseball and Sunday Football, and Hockey, Basketball, La Crosse, Tennis, Volleyball, well you get the point, there are a lot of different sports for kids out there. However, only 38% of children today are playing sports!!

Playing sports helps children in so many ways, it builds self-discipline, it builds self-confidence, it builds strong relationship and a strong body and healthy mind. Why do I tell you all this? Well to share the importance of why we support these sports programs, and it can be done in so many ways. How about your Cabane supporting your members children or grandchildren sports team. This will serve a purpose in two ways. 1. Obviously, the support that we can give a team by either just attending or how about supporting the team members with snacks and 2. It's a great way to meet younger women who may be interested in the La Femmes and becoming a member (and we need younger members) when you engage in conversation. Here's the crowning moment, you also have an opportunity to count that time, the materials, miles and monies spent, which goes into the grand totals from all Cabanes, from Locales, Grandes and then Nationally. Did you know that last year we had almost \$1 million dollars in combined reporting? Okay, you know I have to do this! "REPORTS" are so important. I thought to myself last year because, we were so close to a million dollars in reporting. Hmmm, I wonder if everyone did submit their reports? It must be a great feeling when the La Nationale Presidente shares at our Nationale Rendezvous the total of the reporting to us and the Voyageurs. The Voyageurs do appreciate all the hard work, the Dames put into these programs. So, in closing, reporting all the work you do can add up to a lot of monies spent supporting the Voyageurs programs. Thank you, in advance for submitting your reports.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Hickey



Nationale La Presidente Robbie Garland with Santa at Cabane & Voiture 304 Annual Christmas Banquet December 10th. La Presidente Robbie is a member of Cabane 304.





## AMERICANISM

Bon Jour Voyageurs and Dames, Happy New Years to all! I hope everyone had a pleasant Christmas and Santa brought you whatever you asked him to. Moving into the new year means we are almost halfway into our reporting year. I want to encourage everyone to continue reporting your hours, miles and monies spent on behalf of our programs. The consolidated reports can be found in the petite communique on the 40/8 website. January brings some great dates in American ...history that you and your Voiture may have participated in. Of course, January 1 is New Years Day; January 8 was the Battle of New Orleans for you Cajuns; January 17 is Martin Luther King Day as well as the start of the Gulf War; January 21 is the birthdate of the National Guard; January 27 is International Holocaust Remembrance Day; January 28 is the official date for the Cease Fire in the Vietnam War; and January 31 is the official end for Operation Just Cause (Panama). We still have pins available for consignment. If you were not able to pick any up in Green Bay, let myself or Ron Garland know, and we will get them out to you in the mail. They are \$3.00 a piece or if you get 100 or more, \$2.75 a pin. You can email Ron at [rgarland46@bellsouth.net](mailto:rgarland46@bellsouth.net) to get them. We also have some 2022 pins available for purchase. I believe Ron is running a special price on these pins. Again, be mindful of anyone in your community that is doing great work to further the ideal of Americanism. This person would be an ideal candidate for the Americanism award that is given out each year at Promenade Nationale. This person does not have to be a veteran nor a voyageur. The information is under the Americanism tab in the Programs section of the national website. You do not have to wait until the due date to submit. The sooner the better in fact.

National Directeur - Frank Campo

## GRANDE DU OKLAHOMA



Joe Steil was awarded the Grande Voyageur of the Year for 2022 and his wife Trina received the Grande Dame of the year.

## GRANDE DU MINNESOTA



McLeod County Voiture #414, 40 & 8 awards Nursing Scholarships at annual banquet held at the Hutchinson VFW December 10. They received a total of \$7000 from V414 Nurses Scholarship Fund and thanks to donations from American Legion Post 96 and the DAV Nursing students seated l to r - Ellie Petersen, Brittney Richter, MaKanna Neighbour Standing - Grand Nurses Training Directeur Rick Cross, Sous Chef de Chemin der Fer Steve Dircks, Grand Le Editor James Olson, Grand Chef de Gare Joe Brown, Grand Correspondent Kevin Kipler, V414 Chef de Gare Pete Stoltenow, V414 Correspondent Jerry Block

## GRANDE DU TEXAS



On November 7th, 2022, V-605, Grande du Texas conducted a special Veterans Day Program for 3rd through 5th grades at Bliss Elementary School, Fort Bliss, Texas. Coordinated by Directeur of Americanism Dale Thompson and conducted by Public Relations Directeur Renslar Keagle. Pictured with them are the school student ambassadors who conducted the White Table Ceremony.

The two part program consisted of the history and importance of Veteran's Day and a discussion on who and where our veterans are. The students were told that Veterans Day has a special number - "11-11-11" for the 11th month, 11th day and 11th hour.

The second part of the program was showing and displaying the POW/MIA America's White Table. Student ambassadors from the school were picked to set the table with an explanation of each item. At the conclusion the entire student body went by the table reverently looking at the final display .

## GRANDE DU MISSOURI



The Grande du Missouri awarded the mayor of Perryville Missouri the plaque for being selected the 40 & 8 Nationale City of the year. It was presented Saturday October 1, 2022 at the Holiday Inn Hotel Earth City, Missouri. L to R: Richard Heigert, AJ Noonan, Ben Sargent, Mayor Larry Riney , Duane McClue and Tim McCart.

## GRANDE DU SOUTH DAKOTA



Jim Stalzer, Eric Carlson, Preston Olson & Bill Peters, before the PEARL HARBOR laying of the WREATH in the BIG SIOUX RIVER in Sioux Falls, SD, which did not happen, with the drought the river is so low we could not reach it and it was frozen over. We held a short Memorial Service and Legion Commander Bill Peter took the wreath to Alliance Building. GOD BLESS our departed comrades



### Welcome New Voyageurs

Directeur Nationale Membership Gena Keller and Daisy VL-773, Anita Hartl, Correspondant, VL- 658, Stephan Vrabel (New), VL-658, Wesley Barnes (New), VL-658, Cris Vrabel V-658 (Transfer from Alaska), Kevin Morello VL-658, (New) Gary Galinat, VL-522, President Great Western, Ron Krogman, Wrecking Chef VL-146, Clark Davis VL-658, (New), and Don Fuller, Chef de Gare, VL-658. Welcome new voyageurs!

## GRANDE DU INDIANA



On Dec. 12th Voiture Locale 145, Grande du Indiana held its annual Christmas Get-together. Grande Officers including Grande Chef de Gare Norman Crawford, Jerry Hill, Jeff Carrol, David Emily, and Jean Pearson and Past Grande Chef de Gare Art Parkhurst (a WWII veteran and V-145's own).

What a great event for V-145 to have both the oldest past Grande Chef de Gare du Indiana Art (a current Voyageur of V-145) alongside the current Grande Chef de Gare du Indiana Norm Crawford.

## GRANDE DU GEORGIA



Saturday the 17th of December marked the first Post-Covid trip that the Voiture 217 train returned to what it does best: "Serving the Community". The Train and Crew was invited to American Legion Post # 258 in Jonesboro to attend their Annual Children's Christmas Party. Santa delivered toys to the Children followed by lunch with Santa and then all were invited to take a ride on the train. It was a Great Day of Fun!!



### GRANDE DU MICHIGAN



Voiture # 1153 of Monroe County participating in the Veterans Day Parade in Luna Pier, Michigan.

### GRANDE DU MINNESOTA



Voiture #414 Voyageurs received Quilts of Honor at their November Promenade.  
Standing L to R: Voyageurs Joe Niesen, his wife Rosemary, Don Pankake, Dave Mackenthun, Ken Kleiman.  
Seated Bob Rolander and Sam Flom

### GRANDE DU ILLINOIS



Voiture #1100 of Schuyler Co, Illinois went to Washington School and did flag presentation. Each child was given a coloring book and a flag to take home.

### GRANDE DU GERMANY



On January 7, 2023, Voiture Locale 1467 Grande du Germany presented a check for \$500.00 to the Landstuhl Fisher House. Pictured left to right Grande Correspondant Mike Young, Fisher House Manager Sarafiana Buchanan, Locale Chef de Gare John Gerdeman, Locale Boxcar Directeur Robert Gray and Locale Voiture Activities Directeur John Pruitt.

### GRANDE DU OKLAHOMA



Grande du Oklahoma's Annual Christmas Party for residents at the JD McCarty Center for Children with Developmental Disabilities as held on 17 December 2022. Grande du OK founded the JD McCarty Center in 1946 as a Cerebral Palsy Hospital and is still active with the annual Christmas Party and Voyageurs on the Cerebral Palsy Commission. Due to Covid restrictions over the past 2 years, Grande du OK purchased presents for the residents, but the Voyageurs were unable to personally give the presents to the residents. This year the Voyageurs acted as Santa's elves and presented the presents to the residents. Voyageurs and Dames also donated presents to Santa's Workshop so toys could be given to out-patient children. It was great to be able to pass out the presents in person, and everyone had a great time.

### GRANDE DU INDIANA



Voiture Locale #145, Grande du Indiana continues to participate in the 40 et 8's Americanism Program. Recognizing that the Flag Disposal Box at VFW Post 5864 was in need of replacement, Voiture #145 Voyageurs voted to replace the box with a new steel drop box similar to the USPS drop boxes. Mounted near the curbside outside the VFW Post it is now available for drive-thru dropping off of worn and tattered U.S. Flags.

### GRANDE DU NORTH CAROLINA



North Carolina Voiture Locale # 1237 has completed the Flags for First Graders Program for the elementary schools in Alamance County for this school year. The first school, B.E. Jordan Elementary was done on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and the last, Eastlawn Elementary on December 7<sup>th</sup>. We were pleased to be able to visit all 29 Elementary Schools in Alamance County this year, 20 public, 6 private and 3 charter schools. We distributed 2,420 Flags to students and teachers this year, drove 3,083 miles and expended 343 man hours. The presentations were done using 3 or 4 presenters per school with a total of only 10 volunteers. Without the devotion of these 10 volunteers we could not have been successful.





## NURSES TRAINING



Greeting from the Directeur of Nurses Training Nationale.

My name is Bob Hickey. I assumed to duties as Directeur of Nurses Training at Nationale Promenade September 2022. I have held offices in Locale, Grande and as a Sous Directeur POW/MIA Nationale. Let's take a quick look at the history of our Nurses Training

Program.

1955

The Forty and Eight formally established its Nurses Training program

1963

The Nurses Training Program sponsored 2,129 nurses for a total of \$248,047 in scholarships

We also do not want to forget about the Boland Trust Fund

1975

The Forty and Eight established the *George Boland Nurses Training Trust Fund*, with a \$100,000 startup grant, in honor of Nebraska's George B. Boland, who had served as Chef de Chemin de Fer in 1952 and as Avocat National (national attorney) for many years.

In our Preamble it references to "the health of our Nation by fostering a nurses training program".

We have come a long way since the start of our Nurses Training Program but, we still have a long way to go. If we remember after COVID a lot of nurses had to leave their jobs. Right now, we are about 37,000 nurses short of taking care of our veteran (bothers in arms) and other people. I encourage all our Voiture Locales and Grands to put in place an active Nurses Training Program. If you need assistance starting your program you can reach out to the Sous Directeur in your region listed below.

We still have Nurses Training pins available for any Grand or Locale wishing to order them. Contact Bob Hickey [rhickeyusmc93@gmail.com](mailto:rhickeyusmc93@gmail.com) or 617 283 7195.



## CHILD WELFARE

**Joe Donovan - National Directeur**

I'm thinking as I write for the WINTER edition of the 40 & 8 ER Magazine, WOW, I hope Spring comes soon! Snow covers most of the US, California is underwater, the south has had Tornados? In Winter? My purpose for the above is to remind those fortunate enough to have gotten through any devastation, is to remind you of your obligations if possible to assist children. They could use a helping hand! The Ardery Trust is available for those Locales that participate in our Child Welfare program by providing reimbursement for the assistance that Locales provide to Children. The guidelines are on the National Web Site.

The Ardery Trust is funded by our Pin Sales AND direct Donations to our Child Welfare Program. There are lots of Grande Voitures AND Locales who have not purchased ANY Child Welfare pins or made any direct donations to our program. We thank those that have, BUT if you, your Locale, or your Grande Voiture haven't yet purchased any pins, the time is NOW. Order them from me as your National Directeur Joe Donovan, Phone 760-721-9405 or E-Mail [jdodovan4660@hotmail.com](mailto:jdodovan4660@hotmail.com). Pins are \$3.00ea with payment due by April 1, 2023, pre-payment of 100 pins or more are \$2.75ea. CONTACT ME!

**PLEASE support our Program! We function FOR THE KIDS!**



## RITUAL



At the beginning of this new year, let's talk about Memorial Services.

The Blue Ritual & Manual of Ceremonies states: "There is a great need for Memorial Ceremonies for our deceased Comrades. This work would be carried out by (Grandes) Voitures Locale in those counties (states) where organized. *Each Voiture of La Societe shall, at least once each year, carry to completion a Memorial Ceremony in respectful memory of those veterans who have passed to the great beyond during the preceding year.*"

There are five different Memorial Services listed in the Blue Ritual & Manual of Ceremonies, each for a different purpose.

You are encouraged to conduct a **Memorial Service For A Deceased Voyageur** during the Promenade following the death of a Voyageur from your Locale. Review this service and notice the draping of Voiture Banner. At your following Promenade, follow the Ritual for Undrapping the Voiture Banner. In a Promenade the first Order of Business is Roll Call Of Officers-Memorial Service for a Deceased Voyageur (when necessary).

In 1940 the **Calvin Kain Memorial Service** was officially adopted by Voiture Nationale. Conducting this service will include all Voyageurs from your Locale who have passed to the great beyond during the preceding year.

The **Calvin Kain Memorial Service** is a stand-alone service and is not to be conducted during a Promenade. It can be conducted prior to a Promenade or after a Promenade but not during a Promenade. Guests are welcome to attend. Family members of a deceased Voyageur are often invited to attend this ceremony.

The Ritual & Manual of Ceremonies makes it easy to conduct a dignified and respectful Memorial Service.

Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year!

## POW/MIA ANNUAL AWARDS

**Steven W. Slegers Nationale Directeur**

The 2022-2023 POW/MIA Reporting period is half over. PROGRESS IS BEING MADE BY THE ENTIRE 40 et 8 Organization. Scholarship Applications have been received, reviewed, and awarded for the 2022-2023 School year. All funding for this program is provided through the sales of a POW/MIA Merchandise Pin, contributions, and donations collected from our membership. Award amounts are determined by the amount of funds have been collected and the number of qualified applicants. This year there were 10 Scholarships awarded. Half of them were new with the remaining being the second or subsequent years' award. Applications must be submitted each year, up to a total of four (4) awards.

As the Directeur of this Program, I have the privilege of receiving these applications from throughout the United States. Applications are reviewed for completeness and to ensure that the individuals are qualified. Proof of eligibility includes academic records and certification that they are descended from an actual POW/MIA.

Awardees are most appreciative of their Scholarships. The following is a letter that was received this past year:

Dear Scholarship Committee:

I am writing this letter with great appreciation for the previous Scholarships that have been awarded to me. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your contribution to my education at Sonoma State University.

I just successfully completed my Sophomore year

of my Art History Degree Program with a minor on Museum and Gallery Methods. My dedication and passion for my degree have allowed me to maintain good grades and get accepted to a study abroad program in Florence, Italy.

I had a wonderful time this past year. I learned a lot and was able to join some clubs. I was able to join the Hiking Club, and was able to see a lot of beautiful scenery in the Sonoma area. I also had a lot of fun in the International Club, where I joined exchange students on trips that introduced them to American Culture.

I am looking forward to continuing my education in Italy next year where I will be working towards my Art History BA while experiencing a new culture and learning a new language!

My educational pursuits would not be possible without your aid. Thank you for your continued support and investment in my future.

Sincerely, NATALIE DUTTON

DO NOT FORGET OUR FOUR GOALS

- Merchandise Sales
- Raising our POW/MIA Survivor Scholarship Fund Awareness
- Consolidated Reports
- POW/MIA Pin Design

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS GET IT DONE

**"Are you strong enough to be courageous enough to take the risk to get it done?"**

Four Hundred Forty-Nine! (449) that is the magic number of growth this week. The goal placed last week by the Four Region Membership Directeur's for this week's growth was to be (440) four hundred forty. This increase is outstanding. Last year our membership percentage to goal was 72.28 percent. This year, we are now at 72.35 percent towards goal. That is an increase. One by one the membership matters mindset is making an impressive upwards movement. It also means we are turning the ship slowly towards the objective and mission of the 40&8 Membership. In September, with the assembly of the 2023 membership team, a challenge was issued that in the first 90 days, the newly appointed directeurs call their first line of Grande membership teams assigned to them, and continue to work with all the membership teams. The first Directeur to place 408 calls will have an ad placed in the Nationale Promenade ad booklet. John Rodgers Region II and Carl Killion Region, I, both tied. All the Directeur's within the first 90 days from Promenade Nationale placed over 1673 calls. With this success, a lot of factors are working. Everyone is working the programs and projects of the 40 & 8; we are getting noticed. In the past 90 days, we have received over 53 membership interests generated from the Nationale Website. The 40&8 emblem is showing up more and more across communications throughout our communities. Public Relations is a key factor as we step into the next portion of our membership year.

As I stated in last week's letter, we must see the challenge of membership head on, and meet the membership goals.

I thank every Voyageur who invited a veteran to join, asked a Voyageur to renew their dues. It is through your strength and dedication we grow.

A survey was sent out a couple of weeks ago, 85 percent responding said they would like to see a Nationale Membership Drive. We hear you, and we are looking into various proposals. Stay Tuned.

**"You are strong enough to be courageous enough to take the risk to get it done"**

**"Membership Matters"**

## AID TO VOITURE CHAIRMAN LOUISE CANELLOS

As your Nationale Aid to the Voiture Chairman, I would like to give you some information on reporting for all programs. Since Aid to the Voiture includes all of your Cabane's program reports. These are the questions to ask your yourself:

1. Was it a Voiture Sponsored Activity?
  2. Did we work the event?
  3. Did I drive the vehicle?
  4. Did the Cabane donate money to a Voiture Program?
  5. Did I donate items to help a Voiture Program?
- If you can answer Yes to any of these questions then they can be counted.

### Do not count:

Hours and miles for attending Rendezvous.  
Working for other events, such as Legion, Auxiliary and other organizations.

Babysitting

Flying the American and POW-MIA flags  
Flags for First Graders goes on Americanism.

When you receive or finish the other program reports, such as Child Welfare totals, Box Car totals, etc., check them over and check Math, include them on your Aid to the Voiture report. Then list anything else you have helped your Voiture with that is not included under the other programs, other items need to be itemized on an attached sheet. Then check your Math, more than once.

You are half way done, you must then have both your Locale Presidente and Correspondante sign and attest to your report, also include their information. Then next, this is very important, you must have a Locale Voyageur attest your report with their signature, this is a very important verification. The Voiture also needs a copy of your report to include on their reports. Now make sure it is addressed to the proper person and post marked by the deadline.

This information and more details are available at [fortyandeight.org](http://fortyandeight.org) under La Femmes and Trophy and Awards. I recommend you print out and read General Reporting Information, Trophy and Awards Guidelines and Report of Activities for Programs-Locale these contain great information, also make sure you are using the right form for your Cabane, check your membership numbers and use the right form.

If you have any other questions or need help you can contact me. My telephone number is (309) 525-2167, you can call or text me. My email is [canellos@kewanee.com](mailto:canellos@kewanee.com) make sure you put Aid to the Voiture in the subject line, since my husband and I share an email. If you email your Aid to the Voiture Report, please also text me or call me so that I will watch for your report.

I would like to Thank everyone who took their time to fill out their Cabane's Reports last year. This is a thankless job that takes a lot of time.

## CHILD WELFARE

Judy Pfalzgraf - Chairman

It is that time of Year where we can use some ideas to help out are Children and Youth.

One idea is to go to your local library and ask the librarian to order some patriotic books for children. Pay for the books and you have helped children. When the books come in, have your picture taken, and put it in the local paper to show what your Cabane has been doing. Advertise what the 40 & 8 and Cabane has done through the year.

Contact your local food pantry, they will tell you what food items are needed for children.

Contact your schools and churches, they many times know of a child that is in need of a new warm coat, mittens, hats or scarves. It is cold out there now, and they can tell you if there is someone to help.

Another thing you can do is contact a local day care and see if they can use arts and crafts supplies. Lots of times they need new colors and coloring books.

Remember that your projects need to be Voiture sponsored so ask them to make a money donation to the project you pick to do.

Keep track of your hours, miles and money spent on each project. Remember that our children are our future.

## POW/MIA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Greeting Dames,

As your Nationale Chairperson I hope to provide some information on the purpose of this program and raise funds to support it.

We work to raise funds in Honor of the Servicemen & Women who were Prisoners of War, or are considered Missing in Action while serving in the defense of the United States of America, or its allies during times of armed conflict.

We honor them with Scholarships which are limited to the Veteran, the Spouse of the veterans, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren of the veteran. There is an application located on the National 40&8 website under the program drop down under POW.MIA. We can also hand out scholarship forms at your local High School.

How do we raise money? We promote the sale of our pins, collect "Pennies for POW/MIA" and fund raisers such as car washes or any other ways you already do for other programs.

Our goal this year for Pennies is \$3,000.00 and we currently are at \$430.68 we have a way to go but I know we can do it! You can collect Pennies anywhere and anytime. Just have something to collect the pennies. At your Grande's and any other place just ask and poof there it is. So Good Luck.

Yours in service,

*Barbara Dotzauer*

National POW/MIA Chairperson

## CHERYL BOSWELL

### LA SOUS PRESIDENTE NATIONALE - AREA 1

Dear Dames,

Let me begin by telling you about myself. My name is Cheryl Boswell, and I have the honor of being elected as La Sous Presidente Nationale. I joined the La Femmes in 1985 in Montgomery, Alabama through my father's eligibility. My husband Lloyd is also a 40/8'er. I learned that fun fact on our first date. We recently celebrated our 31<sup>st</sup> anniversary. We have 3 children, 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grands.

A new job took me to Columbus, Georgia in 1983 and I transferred my membership in 1988 to Cabane 280 when it was chartered. I have held offices at the Locale, Grande and now the Nationale level. This organization has a very special place in my heart.

The programs of the Forty and Eight are amazing and do so much for our veterans and communities. The one thing that stands out for me, is the camaraderie of our members. At any event there are old friends to reconnect with, and new friends made. We really are a **Forty and Eight Family**.

My primary responsibility is to work with all of you to recruit and retain members. I suspect you each know of someone who would be a great addition to your Cabane. I challenge each of you to reach out and extend the invitation to at least one person this year. Please contact those in your Cabane that appear to have lost interest. Give them a phone call, find out what is happening.

Encourage them to renew and participate. Often, we

simply want to be included and know we are making a contribution. Every member brings a special talent and ideas to the group. In short, "a lot of different flowers make a bouquet."

I am here to serve and assist you in any way I can. You can reach me at (706) 575-1295 or by email at [cawlboswell@gmail.com](mailto:cawlboswell@gmail.com). I look forward to meeting many of you, and hearing about the wonderful things you are doing in your Cabanes.

Yours in service - Cheryl Boswell

## LORI COE

### LA SOUS PRESIDENTE NATIONALE - AREA 2

Hello Dames!

I am Lori Coe, your new La Sous Presidente for Area 2. Please allow me to give you some information about me. I have been going to our local 40 & 8 Chateau since I was 18 years old. My father was a Voyageur at that time. I first joined the La Femmes around 1981 and was a member for several years as my children grew up. I let my membership go for a few more years, joining again in 2014 in South Carolina, Cabane 1067. I returned to Cabane 946 Michigan in 2017 where I am still a member.

My offices currently are Locale La Presidente (in my second year); Grande La Presidente, and of course this position. I am also Aide to the Voiture committee chairperson and Burger Night co-chairperson at the Local level. My husband, Jim, is a past Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer. We live in Mason, Michigan which is just south of Lansing. We have five (5) children (all grown), three (3) his and two (2) mine, plus two (2) grandchildren and one little dog.

We all know that Membership is the lifeblood of this organization. We will not continue without new, fresh members. I encourage everyone to try and recruit someone new. If every member gets just one, think of how many more that would be!

I look forward to assisting my states in any way I can. Please let me know if I can help you. Email is [loriene2000@yahoo.com](mailto:loriene2000@yahoo.com).

I hope everyone enjoys the new season. It is getting chilly here in Michigan. Be healthy and safe.

In Your Service,

Lori Coe

## GRANDE DU FLORIDA



On November 2nd, Terry Lee, Sous Nationale and Grand du Florida Directeur for Child Welfare, Anita Lee, Chairperson for Grand de Florida Child Welfare, Binion Williams, Grand Chef de Gare Grand and Debbie Williams, Nationale La Presidente's Aide de Camp, visited the HOPE Project in Fountain.

The HOPE Project provides free services for Military, Veterans, First Responders, their families, abuse victims and children with special needs, through Equine Therapy. They also support PTSD/TBI, suicide prevention, addictions and Chaplain counseling services.

Also pictured is Florida Aumonier David Trogden, who volunteers approximately fifty hours per week with the HOPE Project







**SOUTH DAKOTA WELCOMES YOU TO GREAT PLACES GREAT FACES  
GREAT WESTERN STATES PROMENADE**

April 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Western Theme Cowboy hats and sheriff badges will be given out  
Registration Fee: \$75.00 for members (includes banquet & early bird

**\$25.00 for Guests**

Registration Deadline: March 1, 2023

Voyager Name: _____		Hotel Information	
Guest Name: _____			
Voiture/Grande: _____		The Rushmore Hotel & Suites	
Mailing Address: _____		445 Mt Rushmore Road	
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____		Rapid City, SD 57701	
Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____		Phone: (605) 716-7238	
Room/Section of Banquet? _____		Single Room \$74.00 plus tax	
Grilled Chicken w/Raspberry Sauce or Honey Dijon? _____		Mention 40/8 Great Western	
		Hotel Deadline March 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2023	
Mail completed forms and check or money order made out to Y&E to:			
Registration: _____ \$	75.00	Arta Hart, Correspondent	
Guest: \$75 _____ \$		754 Earthen Street, Unit C	
In Memory Line @ \$2.00 per Line? _____ \$		Rapid, City, SD 57701	
Booster Line @ \$2.00 per Line? _____ \$		email: @jortn1@tmsd.c	
Program Ads: Full Pg: \$100.00 _____			
Half Pg: \$50.00 _____			
Qtr Pg: \$25.00 _____ \$ _____			
Total _____ \$ _____			



**CENTRAL STATES PROMENADE 2023  
April 20 to April 23, 2023  
Registration Form**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL/WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Voiture/Cabane #: \_\_\_\_\_ GRAND DE: \_\_\_\_\_

Will Spouse/Guest attend? (YES) \_\_\_\_\_ (NO) \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HIGHEST OFFICE HELD: VOYAGEUR: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE VOYAGEUR'S LUNCHEON ON SATURDAY? \_\_\_\_\_

WILL YOUR SPOUSE/GUEST ATTEND THE LADIES' LUNCHEON ON SATURDAY? \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION AND ACTIVITIES REMITTANCE**

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$85 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Voyager's Saturday Luncheon: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ladies' Saturday Luncheon: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Ads: Full Pg - \$100, Half Pg - \$50, Qtr Pg - \$25, Business Card - \$15 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Booster: \_\_\_\_\_ \$2 each name \_\_\_\_\_ X \$2 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Booster: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mr. & Mrs. Counts as 2 Names)

Total amount of Remittance \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMO: Your registration fee includes a personal set of Credentials; the 2022 Souvenir Central States Program book; the Official Central States Promenade 2023 Pin; your Friday evening Barbeque; your Saturday evening banquet and the Hospitality Rooms of your Host the Grand Voiture du Oklahoma.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS REGISTRATION FORM CLEARLY AND RETURN TO: Central States Promenade 2023, 515 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street Herington KS 67440-2928. Promenade registrations need to be received prior to April 15, 2023. The hotel needs a number by that date for the food. If you are coming let us know. Call if you have to (785) 366-8094. Thank You.

All the fun and activities will start on Thursday, April 20, 2023, and will be held at the Shearson Four Points 530 Richards Drive Manhattan KS 66502. Their phone number is 1-785-529-5311. The room rate is \$89.00 per night plus tax and includes breakfast. We have reserved 20 rooms for this event so make your reservations early as all rooms not reserved by March 20, 2023.

**MAKE ALL CHECKS (except Hotel reservations) PAYABLE TO: Grande Voiture du Kansas with CSP 2023 in memo line.**

**MEMORIAL DAY IN ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY**



The Forty and Eight Memorial Day Ceremony is an annual event hosted by the 40 & 8 Memorial Day Committee. Planning for the weekend starts in October for the next year's Memorial Day Ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery. The Sunday evening banquet includes the Calvin Kain Memorial Service. Monday is a solemn occasion when we attend and participate in the National Memorial Day Ceremony at the Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery. At this event, Voiture Nationale and Cabane Nationale Drapeaux are marched into the Amphitheater. After Memorial Day addresses are given by the President of the United States and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Chef de Chemin de Fer and La Presidente Nationale are invited to present a wreath at the tomb of the Unknowns. This is the only time that the 40 & 8 and La Femme leaders are recognized publicly by the US Government.

In 2001 we started a tradition of giving a US Flag to everyone entering the amphitheater. Because this requires about 10,000 flags, the committee requests donations. If you can help, please send your contribution to the Committee (as shown on the registration form). All donors will be listed in the Program Book. This is truly a weekend to remember and it is OPEN to everyone who would like to attend. Because of limited space, we recommend you register early. The weekend is largely financed by the Memorial Day Program Book, so even if you are unable to attend, please consider purchasing an Ad or being a booster.

Alvin R. "Dick" George, President  
Forty and Eight Memorial Day Committee



**FORTY AND EIGHT MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM**

May 27 - May 29, 2023

**REGISTRATION & RESERVATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ VOITURE: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

If registering for more than one person, please list names below with current title.

**EVENT**

Registration:	\$35.00	Total	\$ _____
Banquet :	\$40.00		
Donations for Flags	\$ _____		

Please note registration covers hospitality and transportation to Arlington Cemetery

Program Ads: Full Page - \$70.00, 1/2 Page - \$40.00, 1/3 Page \$25.00

Boosters - \$2.00 Per Name

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT FOR EVENTS, ADS AND BOOSTERS TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Attendees must make their own hotel reservations prior to April 24, 2023. room rates are \$119.00 + 13% room tax.

Holiday Inn Express  
8180 Silverbrook Road  
Lorton, VA. 22079  
Call: 703-643-3100

Mention 40 & 8/American Legion when making reservations

Make checks payable to: Forty and Eight Memorial Day Committee

Mail to: John Schenk

406 E Randall Ave.

Norfolk, VA. 23503

Phone 757-588-7732

legionjohn@cox.net

E-Mail ads should be in Word Document Format.

## HOMECOMING

**Frank Kronen**  
**Chef de Chemin de Fer**

Double Tree by Hilton  
March 23-26, 2023  
6200 Quarry Lane  
Independence, Ohio. 44131

RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL AT 216-447-1300  
MAKE SURE TO MENTION THE 40/8 AND EVENT CODE: CCF RATE \$115.00


SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	PROGRAM BOOK ADS	DINNER
<u>Friday March 24th</u> Noon to 5:00 P.M. Registration Noon to 7 Hospitality	Quarter Page \$20.00 Half Page \$30.00 Full Page \$60.00 Booster \$ 2.00	Herb Crusted Tenderloin Sliced & Served w/ Peppercorn Bortefelaise
<u>Saturday March 25th</u> Noon to 4:00 P.M. Hospitality 6:00 P.M. Cash Bar 7:00 P.M. Banquet	Please include copy of Ad with Registration Cutoff 3/10/2023 Email Ad copy to <a href="mailto:fwkron@gmail.com">fwkron@gmail.com</a>	Chicken Belchaise Sauteed Chicken Breast Topped with Shrimp & Scallops and served with Lemon Brandy Cream Sauce

**Formal Attire**  
Hospitality reopens after Banquet

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
BOOSTER NAMES \_\_\_\_\_  
PROGRAM ADS Full Page \_\_\_\_\_ 1/2 Page \_\_\_\_\_ 1/4 Page \_\_\_\_\_  
Boosters \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet Tenderloin \_\_\_\_\_  
Banquet Tickets \$50.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total for Ads Booster & Banquet \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to Frank W. Kronen**

Mail Registration & checks to: William Conrad  
8158 Castle Rock Dr.  
Warren, Ohio. 44484

  
**Southland's Dixie Promenade 2023**  
April 20-22, 2023  
Alexandria, Louisiana

REGISTRATION BADGES WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ALL EVENTS  
**Please submit a separate form for each Registrant**

Name Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_  
Visitor Locale # \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_ OR Colmer Locale # \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION must be received and paid by 4:00 PM for Banquet**

Registration Fee (Includes Friday Cajun Jambalaya and Beer Bash, Hospitality Room, Banquet & Prix) One \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
at \$61.00  
Banquet Choice: Smoked Brisket \_\_\_\_\_ Bentley Blackened Chicken Albedo \_\_\_\_\_  
Early Bird Party Thursday at 6:00 PM \_\_\_\_\_ One at \$25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to: *Grande du Louisiana* Please reference  
Southland Dixie as the For Memo line on your check  
and Mail to: Southland Dixie 2023  
c/o Keith H. Kingston  
553 Business Lake Rd.  
Kingold, LA 71068

**HOTEL RESERVATION To Be Made Directly with the Hotel \* Before April 5, 2023 \***  
The Hotel Bentley  
200 DeSoto Street  
Alexandria, LA 71301  
(518) 442-2226

Mention the Group code "DIXIE" for the Special Room Rate of \$110 plus tax (Room  
Reservation Includes complimentary breakfast for 2 persons per room)  
BE SURE TO INFORM THE HOTEL OF ANY SPECIAL NEEDS THAT YOU OR A GUEST MAY HAVE!

  
**Grande du Ohio invites you to attend the**  
**104<sup>th</sup> Promenade & 60<sup>th</sup> Rendezvous Nationale**  
Sandusky, OH  
September 12-16, 2023  
**Come Enjoy some Ohio Hospitality**

Date form completed \_\_\_\_\_  
PLEASE SUBMIT SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH REGISTRANT

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Payment by Check? (Enter Check Number) \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment by Credit Card? (Check one below)  
VISA  MasterCard  Discover   
Card Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Card Exp Date Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity Description Amount  
A \_\_\_\_\_ Voyagers's Registration @ \$100.00 (NON REFUNDABLE)  
B \_\_\_\_\_ Voyagers's Late Reg. Fee (AFTER 6/1/24) @ \$1.00  
C \_\_\_\_\_ Grande Voyeur \_\_\_\_\_ Visitors Locale \_\_\_\_\_  
D \_\_\_\_\_ Dame's Registration @ \$25.00  
E \_\_\_\_\_ Grande Colmer \_\_\_\_\_ Colmer Locale \_\_\_\_\_  
F \_\_\_\_\_ La President Luncheon (9/14/23) @ \$15.00  
G \_\_\_\_\_ Early Bird (9/12/23) Tickets @ \$30.00  
H \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet (9/15/23) Tickets @ \$40.00 each


SELECT ONE MEAL FOR EACH PERSON:  
Herb stuffed Chicken \_\_\_\_\_  
Roast Pork loin \_\_\_\_\_  
Parmesan crusted Walleye \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION AND RESERVATIONS**  
NOTE: ALL VOYAGERS & DAMES MUST REGISTER WITH THE PROMENADE NATIONALE CORPORATION. Complete this form as applicable and either provide your credit card information or make your check payable to "104<sup>th</sup> Promenade Nationale Corp." Then mail form and payment to:  
Voyeur Nationale  
250 East 38<sup>th</sup> Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46205  
Or Email to [taylor@fortyandeight.org](mailto:taylor@fortyandeight.org)

**THE KALAHARI RESORT IS FOR BOTH VOYAGERS & DAMES**  
ALL VOYAGERS & DAMES WILL BE EXPECTED TO MAKE THEIR RESERVATION WITH THE RESORT DIRECTLY  
THERE IS A LINK ON OUR WEBSITE OR YOU CAN CALL 1-419-453-7200 MAKE SURE TO LET THEM KNOW YOU ARE THERE FOR THE 40/8 PROMENADE  
THE LINK IS <http://www.fortyandeight.org>  
NOTE: Rates ONLY available through Promenade Nationale Corporation.

**\*\*FISHING CHARTERS & FISH STORAGE WILL BE AVAILABLE PLEASE SEE OHIO AT REGISTRATION TABLE\*\***  
Additional forms are on line at [www.fortyandeight.org](http://www.fortyandeight.org)  
**RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY AUGUST 1, 2023**  
NOTE: REGISTRATION FEES ARE NON REFUNDABLE

**HANDICAP ROOMS ARE LIMITED: PLEASE CONSIDER THIS WHEN MAKING YOUR REQUEST. HANDICAP ROOMS ARE ASSIGNED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS BY REGISTRATION DATE.**

  
**104<sup>th</sup> Promenade & 60<sup>th</sup> Rendezvous Nationale**  
Sandusky, Ohio  
September 13, thru 16, 2023

The Grand "D" Ohio in Partnership with the Grand du Indiana  
Will be your Promenade Nationale Hosts  
We Welcome you to the Buckeye State

**Ad Order Form Book Size is 8 1/2" X 11"**

Full Page \$150.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Half Page \$ 75.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Quarter Page \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Card \$ 25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Outside Cover \$350.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Inside Cover \$250.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Boosters \$ 2.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone & email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Make Checks Payable To: "The Ohio Promenade Corporation"  
Please Return Contract,  
Ad Copy and Remittance To: Joseph M. Dolwig  
1502 US 52  
New Richmond, OH. 45157

**Ad Deadline is July 1st**