A Merry Christmas wish to everyone and a Safe and Happy New Year.

Like all to remember our staff at Voiture Nationale Headquarters, for the work they do to keep La Société running day to day. My personal THANK YOU to: Bill Beaumont, Landry Foley, Tammy Bennett, and Holly Claunch for all that you do.

La Société is doing well, and when the 2019 year arrives we will be in even better shape than we have been. There have been some internal changes implemented that should work better for us and bring us into our 100th year (in 2020) with fireworks and celebrations all over.

There are a couple of items that we all have to work on to encourage growth and acknowledgement of the Forty and Eight. First, I would like to see each Voiture Locale receiving the PALS news letter and utilizing it to gain the communities' awareness of the Forty and Eight along with the other VSOs. We gain the public's awareness by working our programs and advertising what we do.

Second, that each and every Voyager recruit or get someone reinstated this membership year. I am just asking for one new member from each Voyager, that is my Christmas Wish.

Oh! One last thing, remember not only our military and their families, but also all of the Emergency workers, maintenance workers and others who are not home with their families this Holiday Season so that you can be home with yours.
The technology field has been changing the world for many years and it is a proven fact that it is also a cost saving venue in many ways. Our Chef de Chemin de Fer and National Finance Committee has hired me as a mobile Correspondant National at a much reduced salary to be effective January 1, 2019. This means that I will work off site via computer, telephone internet and all communications available. The only difference will be the physical appearance of the Correspondant National not being actually in Headquarters full time. The National Staff & I have been working on this situation for the past three months and it is working well. Every new endeavor has problems that will have to be handled as they appear. Our Staff is very professional and experienced to help me through these transitions. As of January 1 my email for official 40/8 business will be cornat@fortyandeight.org.

I look forward to working with all Voyageurs to better the interests of La Societe.

I wish everyone and their family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Emblem Sales Highlight of the Month

This months highlight features a new Cotton Twill Honor Society of American Veterans Cap. It comes in 6 colors; royal blue, white, red, light blue, hunter and gold. Part number 18CT $18.75. Specify color and it can be ordered at our emblem sales store online at - http://store.fortyandeight.org/

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National Nurses Training Program

GRAND VOITURE of the MONTH

November

The 2019 Nurse Training Pin Program is approaching the end of the 2018 year with excellent participation from our Voyageurs Militaire. We are now embarking on the New Year 2019 with great expectations for the trend for success to continue as Pin sales and requests have increased thanks to the great efforts of our Sous Directeurs.

The pride that goes with being a member of a contributing Grand goes a long way in indicating the attitude and dedication of the Voyageurs of that Grand. While many Grands are putting forth those extra efforts, there is always a Grand Voiture that stands out with their hard work at any given time.

This month one such Grand from the Southwest Region has shown a great effort in support of the National Nurse Training Program by demonstrating the commitment needed to effectively support this vital program of the 40/8.

GRAND VOITURE of the Month for NOVEMBER
GRAND du California

Southwest Region of Sous Directeur Ron Wheeler posted earned sales to date of 301 Pins for $903 and a member per-capita of $.93.

“MERCI, Fellow Voyageurs Militaire”, National Secretaire/Treasurer, H.T. “Terry” Sharp
Chef Rick and Madam Presidente Cheryl traveled to Lafayette, IN, home of V-364 and C-364 for their 50th Annual “Hawg Butcher”. The Voiture raised $26,000 in one day for Nurses Training and Child Welfare. The Voiture sponsored 15 Nurses at $2,000 each for our Nurses Scholarship Program. During the year, their fundraising efforts for Child Welfare amounted to $100,000. The Cabane deserves much of the credit for these fundraising events. It is really something to watch the Cabane work selling the tip boards and raffle tickets for these Programs.
**BINGO WITH THE VETERANS**

The 3rd Tuesday of each month is Bingo with the Veterans at the Norman Veterans Center which is home to an average 301 of Oklahoma’s finest Veterans. Voyageurs and Dames assist every month, but Grande du OK sponsored the November festivities for the 10th straight year. This was a $2 month which means that the veterans received $2 for every bingo and either $2, $5, or $10 in their birthday card if their birthday is in November and in their U-Pick envelopes. Above is a photo of the Voyageurs, Dames, and family members who volunteered.

**Voiture 90**

Above is a photo of the six student nurses that were awarded a $750 scholarship a piece at our Nurses Scholarship Awards Dinner in October of 2018. Left to right. Bridget Ryan, Monica Montano, Lucia Avila-Romero, Shannon Rodeback, Erica Geisler, Amanda Blalock. Fred Willsey, Chef de Gar V90

**Voiture 899**

**Voiture 899** made monetary donation to Toy Drive sponsored by Wild Turkey Tavern in Avon Park, Florida for local children’s Christmas event. Pictured are Vicki Boyd manager of Wild Turkey and Voiture 899 Chef de Gare, Scottie-ann Murphy.

**Voiture 306**

Recently, the Voiture 306, Grand du Nevada, created a nursing scholarship program at the College of Southern Nevada. Each semester, two $500 scholarships are awarded to students pursuing a nursing degree. Veterans and their family members receive special consideration for the awards, and this semester one Veteran and the wife of an active duty Air Force Staff Sergeant were selected. Selected were Martin Brooks and Yosimar Rodriguez. Pictured left to right: Post 149 Commander Bob Benesko, 2nd Vice Commander Dennis Soukup, Martin Brooks, Yosimar Rodriguez.
Aaron Burr Jr. (February 6, 1756 – September 14, 1836) was an American politician. He was the third Vice President of the United States (1801–1805), serving during Thomas Jefferson's first term.

Burr served as a Continental Army officer in the American Revolutionary War, after which he became a successful lawyer and politician. He was elected twice to the New York State Assembly (1784–1785, 1798–1799), was appointed New York State Attorney General (1789–1791), was chosen as a U.S. senator (1791–1797) from the State of New York, and reached the apex of his career as vice president. In the waning months of his tenure as president of the Senate, he oversaw the 1805 impeachment trial of Supreme Court Justice Samuel Chase.

Burr shot his political rival Alexander Hamilton in a famous duel in 1804, the last full year of his single term as vice president. He was never tried for the illegal duel and all charges against him were eventually dropped, but Hamilton's death ended Burr's political career.

Burr left Washington, D.C., and traveled west seeking new opportunities, both economic and political. His activities eventually led to his arrest on charges of treason in 1807. The subsequent trial resulted in acquittal, but Burr's western schemes left him with large debts and few influential friends. In a final quest for grand opportunities, he left the United States for Europe. He remained overseas until 1812, when he returned to the United States to practice law in New York City, where he spent the rest of his life in relative obscurity.