

Voiture Nationale 40&8

VOYAGEUR BRIEFS

Rick Williams –Chef de Chemin de Fer



Bonjour, Howdee, and Gooday Voyagers, Dames, and readers. I would like to pat each and everyone on the back for all that you have done for La Societe this year. You all know who you are and so do we. Thank you! Just a reminder that our National web site has some great information on it and we should encourage use of it. This is where you will find all of the forms and Petite Communique for your yearly reports. It should be checked on a regular basis. Bill Beaumont does a wonderful job keeping it updated, -- a special thanks to Bill and the Voiture Nationale Staff. They do not get enough thanks for all that they do, so next time you call give them a thank you.

The first of March you could find me at our La Presidente Nationale Cheryl Jannick's Homecoming. We had a wonderful time. A very gracious hostess and leader of our Dames, she is doing a GREAT job at working with us in our endeavors. Chef de Chemin de Fer Bob Kaseman was her MC, and he had all of the Chef de Chemin de Fer Passe and myself dressed in Sombreros before the banquet as we made a grand entrance from the back of the hall.



The next week I was in St Louis, MO for their Grand Promenade and Wreck. They had seven PG's and from what I saw, all of them will make good hard working Voyagers, after they endured the wrecking crew and penny pickup. I am most assured that their sponsors will guide them along the way! Sightseeing with the PG's on Voiture 38's Locomotive around and about St Louis was a site not to be forgotten. As always our rolling stock draws a lot of attention and is enjoyed by most. Grand Chef de Gare Calvin Bumgarner had a sure

hand in the guidance of the Grand, along with all of their Officers and Directors.

Then back to Cleveland, TN and the



Standing L to R: Aumonier Steve Stewart, Guard la Porte Mike Visage, Chef de Train John Oswald, Chef de Gare Gary Cox; Conducteur Rob Trosclair
Sitting L to R: Voyageur John Ellerbe, Chef de Chemin de Fer Williams, Voyager Ryan Visage. Not pictured Calvin Mathews, Dedrick Crisp

Hillbilly Wrek and my Homecoming. After six years absence from Cleveland, what a wonderful time to come home! The weather was very comfortable in the seventies with slight rain at night. I can not express my thanks to the Voyagers and Dames of Voiture and Cabane 735 for hosting and building on grand old memories with many new ones to be added to them. The Locale had two PGs and two reinstated Voyagers after the

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Left to Right: Dames of Cabane 735 La Presidente Angie Trosclair, Phillis Crisp, Sous La Presidente Dallas Oswald, Chef Williams, Briget Ricketts, Olga Oswald

ceremony was completed, putting them over 100%. Would like to see every Locale at or above this mark before Promenade Nationale.

Our hearts are saddened and we are in mourning over the loss of La President Nationale 1986 Kay Wesner. The La Femmes and an enormous number of Voyagers will be less fulfilled.

In my travels I have learned a lot about the different workings of La Societe, and some officers are fulfilling the title and working as they should; others are not. If you take on the responsibility of an office, you need to do it! An oath was taken by you when you assumed the position; please fulfill it.

I am asking our Nationale Directors if they would consider having the Sous

direct their letters to the Locale Chef de Gare and Correspondents. Not all Voiture Locales are receiving the information from the letters being produced by the Sous Directors. I believe that with email being the main means of communications (at really no cost) this would improve the membership and activity in our programs, and get some good reporting results at the end of the year.



Terry Sims -Correspondant National

Bill has a new heading (Veterans Events) on our website concerning events that are not 40/8 affiliated but can be of interest for our Voyageurs to attend. We receive many invitations during the year but do not want to cause confusion with our usual major events.

The Box Car and Locomotive are very important symbols of LaSociete; therefore, I'm going to mention a Loci that is for sale by Grande Voiture du Minnesota. Mcleod County V-414 is selling its Loci, insured for \$20,000 but selling it for \$10,000 or best offer. She has attended Promenade Nationale since 1961 and has always been stored inside. If interested

contact: Jerry Block, Grand Correspondant, 612-616-4434, blockest@mchsi.com

Many events are just around the corner, attend your Wrecks, Grand Cheminots, Grand Promenades, Locale Promenades and of course other Veteran events; There is always a potential PG at these activities. All we have to do is "Ask". Remember the trait of a 40/8er is "an outstretched hand with a smile on their face".

Please keep in your hearts Presidente National 1986 and Avocat National for many years Kay Wesner who graduated to Cabane Everlasting this past week.



Promenade Nationale

Our 100th Promenade Nationale is quickly approaching and we are encouraging every Voyageur & Dame to come join us for this momentous Event.

I wanted to make sure everyone knows that the Early Bird on Tuesday will be a traditional Low Country Boil, which consists of Shrimp, Sausage, Potatoes, and Corn cooked all together in a pot with some southern spices (it's REAL good!) We will also have some chicken for those who cannot have seafood (please let us know in advance) We are also planning some entertainment

A few weeks ago, I sent an email to every Grande Chef de Gare & Grande Correspondant regarding Hospitality Rooms. If you, your Locale, or your Grande would like to host a Hospitality



100th Promenade Nationale

Myrtle Beach, SC
September 10th - 14th, 2019

Room for a day please send me an email. The rooms are \$175 and will only be used for Hospitality Rooms. There will be no beds or sleeping in these rooms. You can, however, bring your own Beer, Booze, and food into the room; it does not have to be purchased through the Hotel. To reserve one, you

must contact me and let me know. These are 1st come, 1st serve and need to be reserved as soon as possible.

William Simpson is putting a Golf Tournament together for Saturday-Wednesday. If you are coming early or staying late, we can set you up for those days as well. Please send him an email at wsimpson204@comcast.net if you are interested in playing golf while you are here. With over 100 courses in the area, it should be a good time.

Between now and September, I will be sharing more information as we get closer to this historical event. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me

En Service, Dave Hill, President
100th Promenade Nationale Corporation

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
<http://www.fortyandeight.org/events/>

Emblem Sales Highlight of the Month

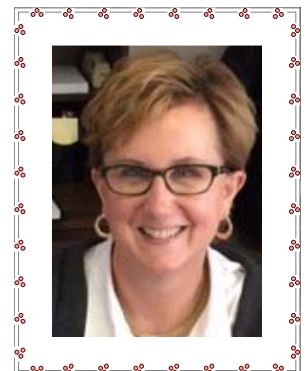


This month's Emblem Sales Item is the Centennial T-shirt. Celebrate 100 Years of the 40&8 with this new shirt. Available in White, Gray (Oxford) and Light Blue. (15100THT \$20.00). Sizes Small - 5XL. Delivery within 4 weeks. This item can be ordered at our emblem sales store online at:

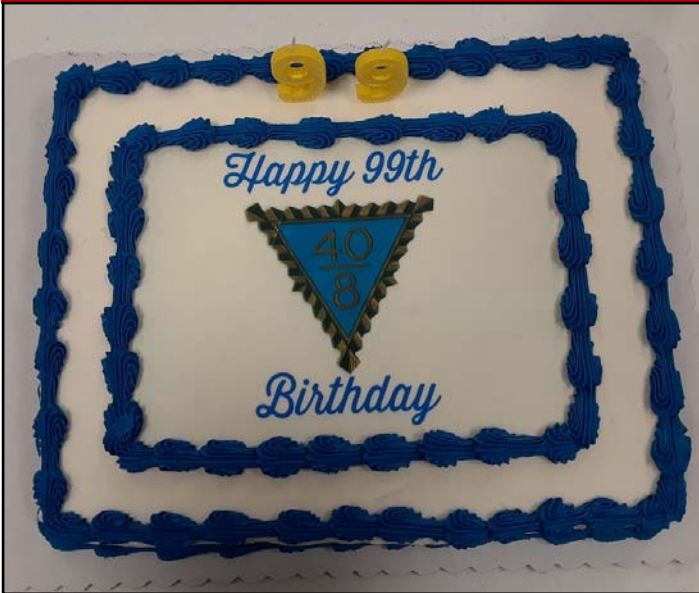
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Voiture 1387



V.L. 1387 Grande du Kentucky celebrated La Societe's 99th birthday 21 March 2019 in Elizabethtown, KY.

Voiture 899



Voiture 899 Directeur of Youth Sports & Child Welfare presents donation to Michelle Bullock Director of Dart Stars of Tomorrow Youth Dart League.

Voiture 1637



The newest Voiture in the Grand du New York, Voiture 1637, celebrated The 40 & 8 Society's 99th Birthday on March 13, 2019. Pictured here are: seated: Shirley Zabrok. L to R: Grand Chef de Gare Charlie Ellis, Voyageurs Dave Noonan, Ron Zabrok, Rob Williams, Rene Lessard, Bruce Lacillade, Chef de Gare locale Wayne Sorrentino, Bob Winder and Arnie Tuchow. The beautiful cake was donated by Voyageur Rob Williams.



Voiture 80



Lane County Voiture 80 showing appreciation for not only excellent cakes but years of Albertsons on Coburg Road in Eugene, "Making Our Lives Easier" by making us feel they were glad we asked them to make birthday cakes. Since discovering Connie Hottinger's ability to make unique personalized cakes, she has made the cakes for Lane County Voiture 80 of the Forty & Eight. Alternate Cheminot Nationale, Cab Clark, and Glenn Knox presented Albertsons, Eugene, Oregon's, Store Director John Tarpley, a 40 & 8 POW/MIA lapel pin and gave our long term cake decorator Connie Hottinger a POW/MIA necklace along with a certificate of appreciation.



Building Donation Challenge Grand Total \$166,218.57
 March 2019



| NAME | VOITURE | GR | AMT |
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| Voyageurs of Voiture 122 | 122 | MD | \$ 601.00 |
| Voiture 634 | 634 | MN | \$ 115.00 |
| Grand du TN | Grand | TN | \$ 9.00 |

Voyageur News



Voiture Locale 1156, Tomahawk, WI announces that Voyageur Militaire Austin Story has been awarded the US Army Expert Infantry Badge on March 1st, 2019.

This testing only occurs once every two years. The test to earn the Expert Infantry Badge is a week long, in the field, test. Austin is one of 7 soldiers from Company D, 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment of the 25th Infantry to have successfully completed the testing process.





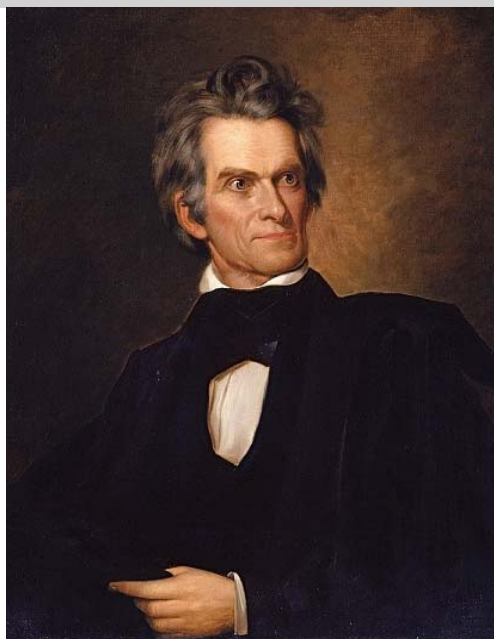
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Vice Presidential History

John Caldwell Calhoun (March 18, 1782 – March 31, 1850) was an American statesman and political theorist from South Carolina who served as the seventh vice president of the United States from 1825 to 1832. He is remembered for strongly defending slavery and for advancing the concept of minority rights in politics, which he did in the context of protecting the interests of the white South when it was outnumbered by Northerners. He began his political career as a nationalist, modernizer, and proponent of a strong national government and protective tariffs. In the late 1820s, his views changed radically and he became a leading proponent of states' rights, limited government, nullification, and opposition to high tariffs—he saw Northern acceptance of these policies as the only way to keep the South in the



Union. His beliefs and warnings heavily influenced the South's secession from the Union in 1860–1861.

To protect minority rights against majority rule, he called for a concurrent majority whereby the minority could sometimes block proposals that it felt infringed on their liberties. To this end, Calhoun supported states' rights and nullification, through which states could declare null and void federal laws that they viewed as unconstitutional. Calhoun was one of the "Great Triumvirate" or the "Immortal Trio" of Congressional leaders, along with his Congressional colleagues Daniel Webster and Henry Clay. In 1957, a Senate Committee headed by Senator John F. Kennedy selected Calhoun as one of the five greatest United States Senators of all time.