

# GRANDE VOITURE DE WISCONSIN CORRESPONDANTS CORNER

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## MIDWINTER PETITE PROMENADE / CHEMINOT

Everyone I hope is staying safe and warm during this latest rash of bad weather. First we get more snow from three different storms and now with the polar vortex sweeping down from Canada it is expected that temperatures will be extremely cold for the next nine days.

With that in mind and after conferring with Grand Chef de Gare John Aasen; it has been decided that the official dress for next weeks Midwinter Petite Promenade/Cheminot will be for warmth. The only official uniform will be the chapeau.

The reservations for next Saturday evening at George's Supper Club in Appleton are full. Great response everyone.

Spoke with Chef de Chemin de Fer Passe Don Emley this past week and we will be planning on a trip to the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Green Bay later this spring to go over any and all details for hosting the 2022 National Promenade & Rendezvous.

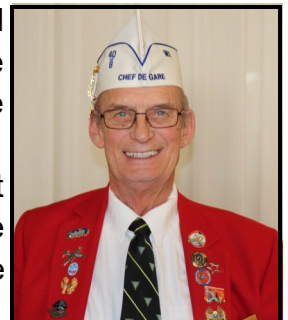
As soon as the Committee on Committee meeting is completed on Friday the 12th in Appleton, we'll be going into the meeting for the 2022 event. Am sure we will get a good number of volunteers for the various committees in Green Bay. Here is a design of what the Promenade pin just may look like for the National Promenade & Rendezvous.

Received a call from Jim Chapin on Friday. He wanted to let me know that we have been granted permission to have a contractor take off the old shingles on the kitchen building and patio area at the Rainbow Flowage and have a steel roof installed. Grand Commissaire Intendant Jim Vissers has suggested that we might as well do both of the outhouses. He is

putting this into the budget for the upcoming year.

As Grand Correspondant, I will be sending a letter to the Wisconsin American Legion State Headquarters in Portage making an official request on what we are going to do at the Flowage. This was done in the past and what it amounts to is the Grande Voiture and the American Legion Department of Wisconsin are covering our butts.

I am still very surprised that so many in Wisconsin have never been to the Flowage or have never heard of it.



John Aasen  
Grand Chef de Gare



# FROM THE CORRESPONDANT

## THOMAS J. ORVAL

For Ad's that are in the Badger Forty et Eighter; I still need remittance from Richland # 1268, Trempealeau # 260, Langlade # 1204, Dane # 683, Rock # 844, Milwaukee # 1519 and the Rustic Manor Hotel in St Germain. Hopefully everyone will bring their checks with them this coming weekend in Appleton.

Articles and pictures for the next Badger need to be sent to Grande Voiture Headquarters no later than February 27th. With all of the Ad changes and such we do need everything by the **DEADLINE!**

If your Locale owes for program pins; please have this taken care of at the Midwinter Petite. Our Directeur's need to get their books cleared on this matter. Many of you have been wondering where to purchase the danglers for the POW-MIA pin. Our Grand Directeur Jim Bassett I'm pretty sure will be at the Midwinter and you can buy them there.



Our Commissaire Intendant "Jim Vissers" has informed the Finance Committee that our Edward Jones Investments are doing quite well and that he will be giving a full report on this next Saturday. Speaking of Jim; who is a candidate for the high office of Chef de Chemin de Fer, he has ben selected as the National guest at the South Dakota Grande Promenade later this summer which will be held in Watertown, SD.

One last item I need to mention and that is the wearing of masks next weekend at the Midwinter Petite. Please use your own good judgement. Masks will be optional and not officially required. We will need to do what the local laws require us to do.



# MEMBERSHIP

We still have three of our Locales who have not sent in any membership yet this year. Sauk # 652 and Green #1121 are still GOOSE EGGS. St. Croix # 1485 has only one membership and that's a LIFE member. We all need to find out what is going on and lend whatever assistance possible in securing membership for these Locales in question.

Wisconsin is at 704 members with another 244 just to make 100%. We are currently at 74.26% with 704 members turned in. I do hope that by next week Wisconsin will not have anymore goose eggs.

**STAY SAFE**

**We'll see many of you in Appleton next weekend**

**Grande Voiture de Wisconsin**

**Faith Family Forty et Eight**