

GRANDE VOITURE DE WISCONSIN CORRESPONDANTS CORNER



August 6, 2022



2022 Grande Promenade Tomah, Wisconsin

In one week we'll be in Tomah for the 2022 Grande Promenade & Rendezvous at the Tomah Best Western. For those of us who are arriving on Wednesday afternoon; we all hope to go out to Smitty's Overtime Inn for dinner that evening.

Al Ross came up with the idea of donating to the local food pantries wherever we have a Grande Promenade or Midwinter Petite. The Voyageurs of Monroe County will have a table set up for us to set our non perishable items. It's a great publicity event for La Societe.



Enclosed in this communication is a copy of the Grande Voiture program. Please run off a copy of it so you can follow along. Our National guest is Gary Cox of Cleveland, Tennessee. Gary is serving as one of three Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer's this year. By trade Gary is a professional photographer and has helped me out immensely with my selection of a new camera and the purchase of a lighting system.



Friday evening the Tomah American Legion is having their fish fry. If it's anything like what we have had there the last time; it'll be more than worth going to.

We have but one resolution to be voted on and that will be discussed by the Grande Voiture Constitution & Bylaws Committee before it is brought to the membership for a vote. One important item that will be brought up and that is for the Grande Voiture to purchase a piece of equipment for Camp American Legion. For now it'll be either a skid steer or a tractor with a front end loader that's also enclosed for inclement weather. These are not cheap items.

If all goes according to plan, Friday evening will be a hospitality room sponsored by incoming Grand Chef de Gare John Edelblute and old/new Cabane Presidente Barbara Dotzauer. It'll be in one of their rooms I suspect.

If you are unable to attend the Grande Promenade and have a report to give, I need it emailed to me no later than Monday the 8th. Will have everything packed and ready to go by Tuesday morning.

After John is sworn in as Grand Chef de Gare; he'll be presenting those Voyageurs present with his very stylish Grand Chef de Gare/ Grande Cabane Presidente 2022-2023 pin.



FROM THE CORRESPONDANT

2022 NATIONAL PROMENADE GREEN BAY, WISCONSIN



Voiture Locales 236, 652, 821, 831, 844, 898, 904, 1323, 1434 and 1455; I need your certification of Officers (Chef de Gare and Correspondant) for the upcoming year.

There has been a lot of discussion of the Grande Voiture/Cabane going on a one day trip together to some place in Wisconsin or in a neighboring state.

Doesn't that sound great. Well I'm working on a day trip to "The House On The Rock" near Spring Green west of Madison. Been there before and it's one of the most interesting places I've ever visited.



The Fall Cheminot will be held on October 22nd at the Orange Moose in Black River Falls. There will be Hotel Registration and Banquet forms passed out at Grande next weekend.

The 2022 Membership year has come to an end as of yesterday August 5th. Today the 2023 Membership year begins. Wisconsin was 25 members short of achieving 100%. And now for some encouraging news. Chef de Gare Jim Schmitt of Kenosha # 410 has a number of PG's who are very enthused about becoming Voyageurs. They are currently working on getting their beautiful Locomotive road worthy once again. Have also been receiving very positive membership reports from other Locales inquiring about holding White Collar Wrecks. Mark your calendars everyone for on October 8th in Tomah Voiture # 804 will be holding their annual Brown Collar Wreck. Details to follow.



Last week we had a final meeting with the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center. We now have everything finalized.

Monday afternoon we will be opening up the Registration table along with a table for the 50/50 raffle. We are opening up on Monday because those who are signed up for the Early Bird Party, their tickets are in their individual packet. "Yes" your Promenade Delegate-Alternate badge, Banquet and Early Bird tickets are all in the same packet. You'll also receive your lanyard, badge holder, Promenade booklet and diddy bag at the registration table. In order; we'll have the following tables.

Registration
Credentials
50/50
Grande du Ohio 2023 Registration

The various Program tables will be on the opposite side of the concourse so everything will be in easy access to all Voyageurs and Dames.

For those who signed up for the Early Bird Party, remember that it is a Tail Gate theme and we ask for everyone to wear your favorite teams colors. Be it Pro, Collegiate, High School, Little League or other; let's all participate and have fun.

Thanks to the work of John Helgeson, there will be a Children's Party on Wednesday starting at 11:00 A. M. If you can, go in and see the Box Car Hobo's entertain the Children.

The Grande du Ohio Hospitality Room (normally next years host has a hospitality room) will be in the Plaza Club Room. This is the same room where the Thursday evening Meet and Greet for the new Chef de Chemin de Fer and National Cabane Presidente will take place. Don Emley and Tom Orval are sharing the responsibility of opening and closing the room.

Ken Laatsch is supplying the maple saplings (8 foot) for putting the signs on as for the seating arrangement on the Promenade floor.

The deadline for getting on the \$2.00 Booster Club Roster or submitting an Ad in the Program Booklet is the 15th of August. It will be then sent to the publishers for printing.

NOTE: Correspondant's as soon as you receive your Delegate/Alternate Registration forms from National, fill them out and send them back!



103rd National Promenade & Rendezvous



Green Bay Wisconsin

September 13th - 17th

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Promenade Nationale Ad Booklet Prices

Full Page	\$150.00
Half Page	85.00
Quarter Page	50.00
Business Card	25.00
Outside Back Cover	350.00 SOLD
Inside Cover	250.00 BOTH SOLD
Booster Club	2.00

Names

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Please make checks out to: 103rd National Promenade Corporation

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GRANDE VOITURE DE WISCONSIN 2022 GRANDE PROMENADE

Proudly Hosted by Monroe County Voiture #804

August 11-14, 2022

REGISTRATION - \$10.00 Per Voyageur

Name _____

BOOSTER CLUB - \$2.00 Per Name

Name _____

Name _____

SATURDAY EVENING BANQUET – Register before August 1, 2022

BANQUET RESERVATIONS- \$28.00 Per Person

Name _____

Name _____

Bourbon Chicken & Beef Tips, mashed potatoes & gravy, California style vegetable mix, coffee, milk, rolls & cheesecake.

Promenade, Banquet and Headquarters to be held at

Best Western

1017 E McCoy Blvd, Tomah, WI 54660

608-372-3211

Mention 40 ET 8 When Making Reservations

Room Rate is \$106. Book your room prior to July 12, 2022 to get discounted rate.

PROGRAM BOOKLET AD PRICES (Circle Ad Size)

Full Page \$80.00

Half Page \$50.00

Quarter Page \$30.00

Business Card \$15.00

Email **digital** Ad to Melissa Guthmiller at: mguth1280@yahoo.com

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