

# GRANDE VOITURE DE WISCONSIN 103RD GRANDE PROMENADE TOMAH, WISCONSIN

THURSDAY AUGUST 1st

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE MEETING:** Grand Chef de Gare Dave Behling called the Committee on Committee meeting to order at 1:00 P. M. following a Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call was taken by the Grand Correspondant Tom Orval showing Chairman John Aasen Cheminot National Larry Winger, Alternate Cheminot National John Edelblute all present along with a number of past Grand Chef de Gares.

Also introduced was our National guest Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer Kevin Johnson of Missouri and National Nurses Training Treasurer Ralph Turner also from Missouri.

Grand Correspondant Orval read the resolving clause from each nomination.

National Cheminot – John Edelblute IV  
Alternate Cheminot National – Dave Behling  
Grand Chef de Gare – Ken Laatsch  
Grand Chef de Train – Melissa Guthmiller  
Sous Grand Chef de Train – George Heck  
Grand Conducteur – John (Jack) Vissers  
Grand Garde de La Porte – Andrew Minch  
Grand Commis Voyageur – Lori Zimmerman  
Grand Commissaire Intendant – Jim Vissers  
Chef de Chemin de Fer – Jim Vissers

There were discussions on each of the Voyageurs who submitted nomination papers. Question on if we interview them still. “Yes” at the beginning when they are beginning to move up the line. A lot of very amusing and funny comments! All are very qualified Voyageurs. With no further business to come before the meeting, Grand Chef de Gare Dave Behling closed the meeting with a Salute to the Colors.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** Grand Chef de Gare Dave Behling called the Finance Committee to order at 1:26 P. M. Following the Pledge of Allegiance the meeting Roll Call was taken by the Grand Correspondant. The Grand Chef, Grand Correspondant, Grand Commissaire Intendant were present. Sous Commissaire Intendant George Heck and Ray Pasbrig were also in attendance. Committee Members George Heck and John Helgeson were present. Ken Kozubek was excused due to his upcoming heart surgery.

The meeting was turned over to Grand Commissaire Intendant Jim Vissers for his report. Review of the 2023-2024 Budget. Budget is at \$12,203.93. Our Investment Portfolio is valued at \$949,382.75 as of the end of June. This is an increase of \$93,678.47 from the previous year. \$30,000.00 of this was put in to our investments from the Robert Polaske Estate. Net Worth of the Grande Voiture stands at \$966,334.86. Great Lakes profit was \$1,815.17.

V. Vissers then went over the proposed budget for the 2024-2025 year. John Edelblute wanted to know about sponsoring a Badger Girl. Ask the Cabane. There were a few more questions on the budget.

\$90,000.00 is in Restricted Funds.

Finance meeting was closed at 1:52 PM with a Salute to the Colors.

**TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE MEETING:** Grand Chef Dave Behling called the Time & Place meeting to order at 1:58 P. M. following a Salute to the Colors and Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call. An update on the 2024 Grande Promenade this weekend.

Bids were asked for hosting the 2025 Grande Midwinter Petite and Grande Promenade & Rendezvous or other future events. None have been received. But there is a lot of talk on possible sites.

Talk of La Crosse Voiture hosting next year's Grande but it will be in La Crescent, MN. Also talk on Langlade Voiture # 1204 hosting either Midwinter or the Grande in Antigo. Need written bids before any action can be taken.

**BADGER FORTY ET EIGHTER:** L'editeur Tom Orval spoke on the upcoming fiscal year of the Badger Forty et Eighter. Need articles and pictures within 3 weeks. Labor Day weekend is the deadline. All questions were answered. The Correspondant will send out a schedule as to when articles are due. Meeting lasted about 12 minutes.

## FRIDAY AUGUST 2<sup>nd</sup>

Grand Chef de Gare Dave Behling called the 103<sup>rd</sup> Annual Grande Promenade to order at 9:00 A.M. Colors already being posted the Voyageurs saluted the Colors and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation the Grand Aumonier Ray Kline with the Alter Cloth and the placing of the POW-MIA Seat Cover by Grand Chef de Train Ken Laatsch, the Promenade was opened for such business as to come before it.

National Ritual Directeur Steve Bradley wanted to know if all of the Line Officers have a Ritual Manuel! Wanted to know why he doesn't use the Ritual book instead of the scripted program that came word for word out of the Ritual book.

Correspondant Orval stated that it is scripted right out of the Ritual Manual and he is the one who did this. Questions on purchasing Ritual Manuels for all Line Officers. Get the larger ones.

Approval of the Official Call as was sent out electronically. A notion was offered, seconded and carried.

Roll Call was taken by the Grand Correspondant.

Distinguished Guests Sous Chairman John Edelblute introduced National Guest Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer Keving Johnson of the Grande du Missouri along with Voyageur Ralph Turner who is traveling with him this weekend. Ralph is National Nurses Training Treasurer.

V. Edelblute then offered a notion to fine the Grand Chef \$1.00 for not letting him introduce the guests. It was in the program. Fined him \$1.00 anyway. Seconded and Carried!

V. Mitchell offered a notion to fine V. Edelblute \$1.00 for jumping the gun and getting everyone all excited. Seconded and Carried!

Approval of the 2023 Grande Promenade minutes and the 2024 Midwinter Petite minutes that were also sent out electronically. All were Carried!

Grand Chef de Gare Dave Behling then welcomed everyone to the Grand Promenade this weekend. We'll have Roll Call now. We already had Roll Call. **Someone is a little nervous!**

Greetings by V. Eric Diekmann who is the General Chairman of this event.  
Monroe County # 804 Chef de Gare Lori Zimmerman also gave greetings.

**RULES AND ORDER:** Chairman George Heck gave the Committee's report with the Delegates being in line with the number of Voyageurs that each Locale has. Rules will be followed in the Grande Voiture Constitution and Bylaws and Standing Rules of Order. A copy of the Roberts Rules and Order in in the folder. Would like to see a change when addressing the Membership that when you address the body, you will state which Locale you belong to! Notion was offered for acceptance of report. Seconded and carried!

**ACTIVITIES:** Directeur Ken Kozubek was excused due to his upcoming surgery. His report was read by the Grand Correspondant. 13 Locales reported. 12410 participated in the various events. There were 1569 events. Guests totaled 676. Hours accumulated were 18810. Money spent totaled \$59,526. Mileage was 41,563 and there were 5 Rolling Stock. Notion was offered for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

**AMERICANISM:** Ken Laatsch stated when he first got the reports from the Grand Correspondant, there were 25. Fantastic and then he counted them. 7 were from the same Locale. "CRAP". Total hours were 7,856, Actual miles came to 6,549 and actual cash was \$13,054. Total hours were \$194,880, Miles came to \$35,916.50 and total cash spent was \$46,469. Per Capita this came to \$367.24 per Voyageur. Total cash and services were \$227,265.50. Then V. Laatsch phone went off and being that it is new he didn't know how to shut it off. Automatic \$1.00 fine. Notion for acceptance of the Americanism report; Seconded ad Carried!

**BADGER FORTY ET EIGHTER:** L'editeur Tom Orval stated that last year we won the John Kilgus award for the most outstanding publication in all of La Societe. This is his 9<sup>th</sup> time winning the award. He was also awarded the National L'editeur of the Year Award. He then spoke about effectively sending in articles and pictures for either the fall, winter, spring or summer publications. Notion and second for acceptance. A few questions were asked and answered. Notion was carried.

**NATIONAL BOX CAR ASSOCIATION:** Directeur John Aasen has a lot of pins from years ago if anyone wants any. He used to get 350 pins each year along with many Crew and Associate cards, but that figure has dropped off considerably. Now it's 100 pins, 100 Associate cards and 150 Crew cards. Please support the Box Car program because it gives all of its money back to the other programs every year. Voyageur John then thanked Sous Directeur John Vissers for all of his work over the last year. He also sells many of Johns other raffle tickets. A notion was then offered for acceptance of the report. Seconded and carried!

**CARVILLE STAR:** Not in attendance and no report was sent. Should be here tomorrow.

**CHILD WELFARE:** Grand Directeur Eric Diekmann reported that there have been multiple fires in which the 40 et 8 have helped with the children. This last year the Grande Voiture has assisted 21 children and spent \$6,623 from the Charles W. Ardery Fund  
Remember that \$500 can be spent on each child and a maximum of \$2,000 per family.

V. Eric then spoke on the proper way to fill out the annual Child Welfare Communique report. Notion was offered, seconded and carried for acceptance of report.

**CHARLES ARDERY REPORT:** Grand Correspondant Orval reported that La Societe spent \$8,719.36 assisting children this last year. Wisconsin had 8 claims and all were paid in full. However, one claim from La Crosse he could only allow \$500 to be reimbursed because they were approximately \$147 over the limit. South Dakota had 3 claims and Michigan had 1. He then gave a number of financial figures out to the membership on the Arderly Fund. Total funds in the Arderly Fund are \$2,734,389.06. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

**NURSES TRAINING:** Directeur Dale Mitchell has three Nursing students from Peshtigo, Appleton and Fond du Lac. There are two openings. \$1,000 per scholarship. He then broke down the criteria of sending in scholarship applications to National. You have to get the applications from National. Can't get it on the website. Twenty reports were turned in. Over \$11,000 was spent on scholarships in Wisconsin this year.

**JACK D. WILSON FUND:** Grand Commissaire Intendant Jim Vissers reported that there was \$20,000.95 last year. Two scholarship checks were written totaling \$1,000. Income was \$44,011.97 from the Robert Polaske estate. Total in the account is now \$63,012.92.

**GEORGE B. BOLAND FUND:** Tom Orval reported that this last year there were 25 inquiries, 16 applications and 15 scholarships awarded. They each were for \$1,500. 10 Grande Voitures had scholarships approved came from Louisiana, South Dakota, North Carolina, Missouri, South Carolina, Montana, Indiana, Georgia and Idaho. Net income was \$123,986.66; Unrestricted Net Assets were at \$176,368.17. Total funds in the George B. Boland Fund are at \$1,311,689.41. Notion was offered for acceptance of report. Seconded and carried!

**POW-MIA:** Jim Bassett was excused due to his wife Sharon still rehabbing from her illness. Read by V. Jim Vissers. The POW-MIA Scholarship Program relies on the sales of merchandise such as pin sales along with the bolo ties. This last year Wisconsin raised \$428.00 worth of POW-MIA pins. The Grand Correspondant is assisting with the 2025 pin sales.

11 Locales submitted POW/MIA reports. Of those 11 Locales, 7 showed no activity. Of the Locales reporting, there were 5,502-man hours, 15,535 miles, expenses of \$5,509.00 for an equivalent of \$340,787 in support of the POW/MIA Scholarship Program. A notion was offered for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Directeur Tom Orval spoke on all Locales trying to promote and maintain a positive image of La Societe to the general public. Press releases and pictures should be sent to the local newspapers. 16 Locales submitted Communique reports. What better way to promote La Societe then to get pictures or articles on all the wonderful things your Locale does. Should generate interest on membership in the Veterans lining in the area. Some would send in articles and pictures on a regular basis. Notion was offered for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

**RITUAL:** Grande and National Directeur Steve Bradley reminded everyone to open and close Promenades accordingly to Ritual. The Blue Ritual and Manual of Ceremonies should be used in all Memorial Services. A black banner should be draped over the flag to show respect when there

is a death of a fellow Voyageur. V. Bradley also spoke on the Alter Cloth and when it is to be removed during Initiations and Installations of Officers. Notion for acceptance of the Ritual Report. Seconded and carried!

**SPECIAL AWARDS:** Ron Pfalzgraf stated he sent in no Special Awards nominations to National this year. There were 15 Locales reporting and 13 had no reports on them. Even if you do not have a nomination, you can still report man hours and miles. If you go to the National Promenade and attend Generals Club luncheon, you can report money hours and miles. City or Town of the Year and be resubmitted if they didn't win every three years. Notion was offered and seconded to accept the report as given. Carried.

**VAVS:** Directeur Edelblute unfortunately left the reports at home so he will adlib. V. John spoke on the Keep Those Wheel Chairs Rolling. 17 submissions were sent in. Milwaukee will receive \$950; Madison shall receive \$700 for the Food Pantry. Tomah will get \$500 for golf equipment. 10 Communique reports were sent in with seven reporting activity. Would like to see more Voyageurs volunteering at the VA. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried. Voyageur Mitchell spoke on supporting the NBCA which donates funds to the VA.

**ZABLOCKI VA:** Representative VA Rep John Edelblute IV stated he volunteers between 24 and 32 hours a week. A Baby Shower event is coming up on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. August 15<sup>th</sup> is a volunteer banquet. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried.

**Middleton Madison VA:** VA Rep Gerry Scalissi was excused. His report was read by the Grand Correspondant. V. Gerry talked about the new Madison East VA Clinic. An Open House is scheduled for some time in September. They did begin to receive new patients on July 10<sup>th</sup>. V. Gerry is in therapy presently due to numbness in his elbows, hands and legs. Notion for acceptance of report. Seconded and carried.

**TOMAH VA:** George Bloom reported 181 hours, 4,964 hours and assisted 82 Veterans at the Tomah VA. Becky Fitzpatrick had 240 volunteer hours. V. George also spoke about where he has been these last 6 months. He was also in St. Germain for 40 et 8 Days at Camp. He and Marion are coming back next year. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

After a 10-minute break the Grand Chef de Gare called the 2024 Grande Promenade back to order without his gavel. Some Voyageur stole it from under his nose. Who could have done such a dastardly deed. Grand Commis Voyageur Minch offered a notion to fine the Grand Chef \$10.00 for losing the gavel and then he returned the gavel to its proper place in the hand of Grand Chef Dave.

## REGION CHEMINOT REPORTS

Region #1

Region #2

Region #3

Ray Pasbrig

Mikki Bradley

Jim Vissers

Region #4

John Helgeson

## REPORT OF GRAND OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Avocat	John Helgeson
Grand Aumonier	Ray Kline
Alternate Cheminot National	John Edelblute
Cheminot National	Larry Winger
Grand Commissaire Intendant	Jim Vissers
Grand Historian	Dale Mitchell
Grand Correspondant	Tom Orval
Grand Commis Voyageur	Andy Minch
Grand Garde de La Porte	Jack Vissers
Grand Conducteur	George Heck
Grand Sous Chef de Train	Melissa Guthmiller
Grand Chef de Train	Ken Laatsch
Grand Chef de Gare	Dave Behling

### LUNCH BREAK

**CARVILLE STAR:** Directeur James Witte had a very short report. He has been selling pins and all 50 he took has been sold. He then passed around his Star Bank for donations for Carville Star. Notion to accept his report as given. Seconded and carried!

**AUDIT REPORT:** Chairman Steve Bradley along with Voyageurs Ken Laatsch and Andy Minch reviewed all checks written, Deposits, Invoices and Balances. Grand Commissaire Intendant has a very orderly system of receipts, deposits, invoices and checks paid. The Audit Committee recommends approval of their Audit.

The Audit also recommends a 10% increase in the stipends for the Grand Chef de Gare, Grand Commissaire Intendant, Grand Correspondant Grand Webmaster and Grand Historian. V. Steve then offered a notion to accept the Audit report as read. Seconded and carried.

**CREDENTIALS REPORT:** Chairman Ron Pfalzgraf opened the meeting at 8:05 A.M. other members were Larry Winger and Dave Behling. Credentials were all in order. Closed meeting at 8:10 A.M. Notion was offered. Seconded and carried!

**RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:** Chairman John Helgeson that they opened up the folder and other then the paper to write on there was nothing to go over so they told war stories for twenty minutes. Offered a notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE REPORT:** As reported by V. Tom Orval. Nomination papers were read and discussed. It was decided that all were qualified and they are all moving up the ladder. Also, a resolution on Jim Vissers running for Chef de Chemin de Fer. After it is voted on tomorrow (and passed) it'll be mailed to National on Monday. The report was approved as read seconded and carried!

**TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE:** There have been no bid turned in yet for the 2025 Midwinter Petite or the 2025 Grande Promenade. The Fall Cheminot will be in West Salem on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Notion was offered, seconded and carried for acceptance.

**EMBLEM SALES:** Dale Mitchell has a lot of different emblems for sale to include grave markers and car ornaments. A lot of questions were asked concerning where to get grave markers. Notion for acceptance! Seconded and carried! He will have an abundance of them at the National Promenade and Fall Cheminot.

**FINANCE REPORT:** Grand Commissaire Intendant Jim Vissers the Financial Committee met yesterday. Seconded and Carried.

**BADGER FORTY ET EIGHTER MAGAZINE:** L'editeur Tom Orval gave the report earlier in the day.

**FORTY ET EIGHT DAYS AT CAMP AMERICAN LEGION:** Chairman Tom Orval gave highlights of the 55th Installment of 40 et 8 Days at Camp. Even though it rained a lot but everyone still had a great time. Due to bad weather the beanbag and fishing tournaments had to be cancelled. Great picnic at the Flowage on Saturday. Next year the dates are June 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>.

V. Tom Orval then called on V. Doug Schaller to come up and receive his award as **2024 Party Animal of the Year** Certificate. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and Carried.

**FORTY et EIGHT CAMP CONSULTANT:** Consultant John Helgeson spoke on the current needs of the Camp from a report from V. George Heck. Cabins 2 & 3 should be opened in August. Cabin 8 will be demolished and rebuilt very soon. Other updates at the Camp were given. The Camp Store is now open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Camp American Legion is scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

**GREAT LAKES PROMENADE:** Voyageur John Edelblute gave a report on the recently concluded Great Lakes Promenade. There were 90 Voyageurs and guests in attendance. Wanted to thank everyone who assisted in making this event such a huge success.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE REPORT:** Aumonier Ray Kline gave the run down on who is doing what at the Memorial Service tomorrow. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried.

#### **PROMENADE IN RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW MORNING**

Grand Chef de Gare Dave Behling opened up the Grande Promenade for the Saturday morning session in traditional Forty et Eight manner.

**YOUTH SPORTS:** Due to work Directeur Matt McCallson was unable to get to the event until yesterday afternoon. Cash spent was \$1,230.00, Hours and Mileage came to \$5,155.50 and total cash was \$6,385.50. Notion for acceptance. Seconded and carried!

**TROPHY AND AWARDS:** Certificates were presented to those deserving Locales in the respected various programs. These were done by Trophy and Awards Chairman Ray Kline along with Grand Youth Sports Directeur Matt McCallson Saturday Morning 2024.

**MEMBERSHIP AWARDS:** Membership Certificates were then presented to various Locales and Grande Voiture Line Officers.

**RESOLUTIONS FOR OFFICES FOR 2025:** Voyageur Tom Orval read off the full Resolutions for Officers for the upcoming year. They are as follows.

National Cheminot – John Edelblute IV  
Alternate Cheminot National – Dave Behling  
Grand Chef de Gare – Ken Laatsch  
Grand Chef de Train – Melissa Guthmiller  
Sous Grand Chef de Train – George Heck  
Grand Conducteur – John (Jack) Vissers  
Grand Garde de La Porte – Andrew Minch  
Grand Commis Voyageur – Lori Zimmerman  
Grand Commissaire Intendant – Jim Vissers  
National Chef de Chemin de Fer – Jim Vissers

A short recess for the guests to be admitted. National Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer Kevin Johnson was called upon to install the Officers of the Grande Voiture de Wisconsin for the 2024-2025 year.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Grand Aumonier Ray Kline asked to spent some money to get the Memorial Service equipment updated. The crosses and candle holders are very old. Notion was offered, seconded and carried.

V. John Helgeson spoke on the Wreaths Across America Program both physically and financially. His notion is we support this program. Seconded and carried.

V. John took questions on this program.

The Grand Correspondant had to offer a notion for the surrendering of the charter of Eau Claire County Voiture Locale # 525. Letters were sent out to all five members and emails to the current Chef de gare and Correspondant. Seconded and carried.

A notion was offered and seconded to increase the Delegates allowance going to National from \$125.00 to \$300.00. This was approved at \$250.00 with an official notion, seconding and carried.

By secret ballot two Voyageurs were selected to replace two of our automatic Delegates who cannot attend the National Promenade this year. The two Delegates who are joining John Edelblute, Ken Laatsch and Tom Orval are Jim Vissers and John Helgeson.

Chef de Gare Ken Laatsch closed the 103<sup>rd</sup> annual Grande Promenade of the Grande Voiture de Wisconsin in traditional Forty et Eight manner.

**2024 CHEMINOT MEETING**



Grand Chef de Gare Ken Laatsch called the Cheminot to order with a Salute to the Colors, Placing of the POW-MIA Seat Cover on the chair next to the US Flag and opening prayer by the Grand Aumonier.

Voyageur John Aasen offered a notion to fine the Grand Correspondant \$2.00 for forgetting who he was. Seconded and carried! **HUM BUG!**

**GRANDE COMMISSAIRE INTENDANT:** Budget for 2025 by Voyageur Jim Vissers. V. Andy Minch from the Audit Committee. offered a notion that the Grand Chef de Gare, Grand Correspondant, Grand Commissaire Intendant Grand Webmaster, Grand Historian and Grand L'editeur each be given a 10% pay raise. This was seconded. Under the question Correspondant Orval offered an amendment to the notion stating that the Grand Commissaire Intendant for all the work he does on our finances needs a bit larger pay raise and went from 10% to \$300 per year. The amendment was seconded and passed.

V. Vissers then read off the proposed budget. After some questions, a notion to accept the 2025 budget was seconded and approved.

**MEETINGS AT PROMENADE NATIONAL:** The Grand Correspondant read the list of the Voyageurs who will be attending the various meetings at the National Promenade in Sandusky, Ohio next month.

VAVS Seminar – John Edelblute

Resolutions / Constitution – Anyone and everyone

Child Welfare – Steve Bradley

Box Car – Jim Vissers & Tom Orval

Membership – Dale Mitchell

VAVS – Dale Mitchell

Carville Star – Doug Schaller & Tom Orval

Time & Place – Steve Bradley

Public Relations – Tom Orval

Historians – Ron Pfalzgraf

Special Awards – Ron Pfalzgraf

Youth Sports – Steve Bradley

Nurses Training – Jim Vissers

Americanism – Ken Laatsch

Ritual – Steve Bradley

POW / MIA – John Helgeson

Finance – Steve Bradley

Credentials – Doug Schaller

Voiture Activities – John Helgeson

### **GRANDE VOITURE APPOINTMENTS**

These appointments were read by Grand Chef de Gare Ken Laatsch.

Aumonier

Ray Kline

Sous Aumonier

Joe Ternes

Avocat

John Helgeson

Membership Chairman	Melissa Guthmiller
Historian	Dale Mitchell
Aide de Camp	Doug Schaller

**PROGRAM DIRECTEURS**

Directeur Activities	Ken Kozubek
Sous Directeur Activities	Mark Degener
Directeur Americanism	Ken Laatsch
Sous Directeur Americanism	Ray Pasbrig
Directeur Box Car	John Aasen
Sous Directeur Box Car	John Vissers
Directeur Carville Star	Jim Witte
Sous Directeur Carville Star	Dave Behling
Directeur Child Welfare	Eric Diekmann
Sous Directeur Child Welfare	Wayne Hancock
Directeur Nurses Training	Dale Mitchell
Sous Directeur Nurses Training	Linda Pfeifer
Directeur POW-MIA	Jim Bassett
Sous Directeur POW-MIA	Jim Schmidt
Directeur Public Relations	Tom Orval
Sous Directeur Public Relations	Dean Larson
Directeur Ritual	Steve Bradley
Sous Directeur Ritual	Joe Story
Directeur Special Awards	Ron Pfalzgraf
Sous Directeur Special Awards	Joe Ternes
Directeur Youth Sports	Matt McCallson
Sous Directeur Youth Sports	Gavin Johnson
Directeur VAVS	John Edelblute
Representative Madison VA	Gerry Scalissi
Representative Milwaukee VA	John Edelblute
Representative Tomah VA	George Bloom

Emblem Sales	Dale Mitchell
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40 et 8 Days at Camp American Legion	Tom Orval
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Camp American Legion Consultant	John Helgeson
Camp American Legion Consultant	George Heck

Grande Committee on Committee	Larry Winger	Chairman
	John Edelblute	
	Dave Behling	
	Ken Laatsch	Grand Chef de Gare
	Tom Orval	Grand Correspondant

Time & Place Committee

Ken Laatsch    Grand Chef de Gare  
Tom Orval     Grand Correspondant  
Grande Cabane    Presidente  
Grande Cabane    Correspondante  
Melissa Guthmiller  
George Heck  
Jack Vissers

Finance Committee

Kan Laatsch    Grand Chef de Gare  
Tom Orval     Grand Correspondant  
Jim Vissers    Commissaire Intendant  
John Helgeson  
George Heck  
Ken Kozubek

Constitution & Bylaws

John Helgeson        Chairman  
Joe Story  
Don Emley

Trophy & Awards

Matt McCallson  
Ray Kline

Announcements were made by the Grand Chef de Gare concerning the Fall Cheminot and his Homecoming on October 26<sup>th</sup> in West Salem.

Grand Chef de Train Melissa Guthmiller announced that on October 12<sup>th</sup> Monroe County VOiture Locale # 804 will be sponsoring their annual Brown Collar Wreck. Time to be PG's there by 10:00 AM with Wreck to begin at 11:00 AM.

With no further business to come before the Cheminot it was closed in proper Forty et Eight manner by Grand Chef de Gare Ken Laatsch, Grand Chef de Train Melissa Guthmiller and Grand Aumonier Ray Kline.

Respectfully Submitted

Thomas J. Orval

Grand Correspondant (on my 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive year)

Grande Voiture de Wisconsin