

Voiture Nationale 40&8

# VOYAGEUR BRIEFS

## Mike McGary – Chef de Chemin de Fer



Greetings to all. I hope everyone has survived Promenade Nationale. It only took me about a week, and I'm still walking on air. If you weren't there you missed one of the best ones in years and one of the biggest. My chapeau goes off to Dave Hill and his staff for doing a bang-up job with all of the work involved in putting on one of these events. I also have to give a huge thank-you to Indiana's Lefemmes and my Aide de Camps for the work they did to make my meet and greet the success it was. Thank you one and all.

For those of you that didn't make it there I'd like to give you the high points on my comments at the Saturday Cheminot. For this year my motto is "mentor a member for the future" and the slogan is "have fun getting the job done". These are two points that can be done at the same time and is what makes the Forty and Eight the organization it is. We must recruit younger veterans and give them the knowledge they need to carry our organization for the next century. As I explained at the Cheminot in my 32 years as a member I have been associated with about every program in La Societe and I couldn't think of a better program than Boxcar to champion for this year because Boxcar is there for



all our programs

As I write this, I am in Savannah Georgia enjoying the hospitality of Voiture 567 at the Shamrock Wreck. Chef Mike Ball and Legion commander Art Pelliter have put on a great program and bring a great time to this event. With seven PG's (two from Goose Creek) there was enough laughs to go around for everyone. At the trials Friday night, I even took a pie (or two) for my program Boxcar. We raised \$325.00. Quite the accomplishment after the PG's raised over

\$250.00 for Nurses Training. Madam President raised \$265.00 for her program by taking a pie herself. Well done.

It was nice to see many of those that I'd seen at Myrtle Beach, and those that I had not seen since last year at this event. For those of you that don't travel, I can not explain how much of a joy this organization has to offer when you do travel. It's a family I'm proud to be a part of and could only hope to convey to everyone else that feeling unless you're willing to put forth the effort.

I want to let everyone know that I believe we have put together a list of Directeurs and Sous Directeurs that can get the job done. Each has been given the directive that they are to be there to answer questions ANYONE may have but also to teach and relay their knowledge to everyone down the chain of command. This knowledge is very valuable and must be shared for this organization to survive. A goal we must all strive for.

I want to thank everyone for their confidence in me to lead this organization into our next century of service. With all of your help there isn't anything we can't accomplish. We are bound together as veterans and together there isn't anything we can't accomplish. Join me in a journey of having fun getting the job done.

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# 100th Promenade Nationale



## Terry Sims -Correspondant National

Much credit is due to Grande du South Carolina for hosting our 100<sup>th</sup> Promenade Nationale. It went very smoothly and we missed the hurricane-thank goodness. The weather was a might warm for us "ole boys & girls" from the North, but we'll take it. We had the most registrations in years at this Promenade Nationale.

March 2019 Voiture Nationale obtained a loan from the Carville Star program to pay the bank note on the Headquarters building. The loan was for \$84,348.21 at 5% interest for 6 years (72 months). Since March 2019 Voiture Nationale has made a monthly payment of \$1,358.42 to repay the loan. The outstanding loan balance is currently \$76,954.73. There has been \$11,563.13 donated to the building fund since March 2019. The Correspondant National and

Finance Committee have instructed Voiture Nationale to make an additional \$11,563.13 payment back to Carville star this month. Instructions were also given to apply the payment to the principal balance and continue making the same approximate monthly payment (now \$1,354.80). This will shorten the repayment schedule from the current balance of 65 months to 54 months.

Each year at Promenade Nationale the Ritual Committee presents their idea of a new Password. The word is approved by the body when the Directeur National Ritual reads the minutes on the Floor on Friday. At the Cheminot Nationaux held on Saturday at Promenade Nationale the Password is repeated and the new Cheminot National is instructed that it is there duty to relay this new Password to each of the Voitures Locale in your Grande Voi-



ture. It is not to be put in print in any Correspondence. I'm thanking you in advance for applying these instructions.

Voiture Nationale wishes all Voiture Locale, Grande and National Officers a very successful 2020 year.

## Emblem Sales Highlight of the Month



This months highlight is the 40/8 Cocktail Glass Set of 4. This set includes four 13-1/2 oz. double old-fashioned rocks glasses with 40&8 Logo on Front and Back. Part number 18GLASS for \$25.75.

This item can be ordered at our emblem sales store online at: <http://store.fortyandeight.org/>

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## 2020 Great Western Promenade

Fairbanks, Alaska

April 16<sup>th</sup>-19, 2020 North Pole Hotel (907)-488-4800

Registration Date: **April 18<sup>th</sup>**, Registration Fee: \$75 for Member

## Quilts of Valor



Voiture 364 Chef de Gare Brad Young, voyagers Bill Lucas & Harry Uerkwitz being awarded a Quilt of Valor. The quilts of Valor Foundation's mission is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. To date, they have awarded over 230,000 quilts free of charge. If you would like to nominate a veteran, all info is in their website. [www.qovf.org](http://www.qovf.org)



### Charles W. Ardery Memorial Child Welfare Trust Fund



This is the beginning of a New Year, a New Century for the 40&8. This year I am the Charles W Ardery Trust Fund (CATF) Disbursement Board Chairman. As such, I would first wish to bring up last year's stats. There were six Grandes which participated, 16 claims submitted for 42 children. The total funds submitted were \$8,490.81 with a reimbursement of \$6,325.97.

Charles W. Ardery Trust Fund is an extremely rewarding program. With this sort of participation maybe Voyageurs are not aware of what this program is and what it may do for you, your Locale and especially the members of Your Community. The primary function of the CATF is to provide reimbursement of funds expended by a Voiture Locale or Grand, in meeting the **emergent needs of children 17 years old or younger**. It is limited to \$300.00 per individual child, with a maximum claim limit of \$1,000.00 per single family. The total amount of program claims, beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, which can be approved for any single Grand is limited to \$5,000.00 per program year.

Claims determined by the CATF to be "emergent" are defined as; A situation which has developed of a serious nature, which demands prompt action. A situation is an event caused by natural disasters, flood, tornado, hurricane, fire, volcano, etc.

For situations caused by society, such as the loss of parental support, discretionary consideration will be exercised. Action will be based totally on the facts and circumstances of the situation, as explained by the claim, and exceptionally justified by the documentation and evidence submitted, at the time of the claim. Justification of why assistance was not available through other established public or private agencies must be addressed.

What is considered reimbursable; Expenditures should be Limited to clothing and shoes. Toys are not considered emergent nor essential. Food assistance is available through other public and private agencies such as your local food pantry. School lunches are the same. School Supplies may also be obtained through other public and private agencies but may be taken into consideration. Gifts of cash are never acceptable. Above all, an originating Voiture or Grand **MUST** always remember that it is *spending its own money first* ... and the rules of the program *carry no guaranteed reimbursement of expenses, in any instances*.

More information is available through <https://www.fortyandeight.org/> use the "Programs" drop down to "Ardery Trust Fund" then simply click on the red "Here" for either the Application Claim Guidelines or to the **Ardery Child Welfare Claim Application Form**.

I am available for any program questions you may have through e-mail: [moots@charter.net](mailto:moots@charter.net) or phone: 256-520-5782  
**Mark Moots, Chef de Chemin de Fer 2017, Ardery Trust Fund Committee**

## Voiture 1411 Dream Program



### The Forty & Eight Tigers Flag Football Team

Gulf Coast Voiture 1411 sponsored The Tigers, one of the DREAM Program's flag football teams for the Fall 2019 season. (Tom Adams, V-1411 and Pat Adams, Cabane 1411 are team coaches.) The DREAM Program provides activities in athletics, art, and music to Coast residents ten and older with varying lev-

els of disabilities due to Down Syndrome, intellectual difficulties, cerebral palsy, autism, and other physical or developmental challenges. There is never a charge for the participants. Voiture 1411 and La Société's Youth Sports Program have been faithful supporters of the DREAM Program where "Dreams become Realities." Athlete and coach don the flag football "jerseys" funded by V-1411 and Youth Sports.



## John C. Murphy - Aumonier National

... "leadership starts with a simple promise:  
only knowing yourself can you become an effective leader" ~ Vince Lombardi Jr.

The Lord be with you, let us pray; Loving Lord as we begin this Centennial of La Société des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux, it brings new Officers for the 2019 – 2020 year. We bring before You the many new and experience leaders of La Société, and many of those in high positions knowing that the nation whose God is the Lord is a blessed nation indeed.

We pray for not only our National leaders but those Locale and Grande around the world, who are seeking to abide by the truth of Your law and we pray that they my be tools, used by You, to maintain justice and righteousness in their positions and duties.

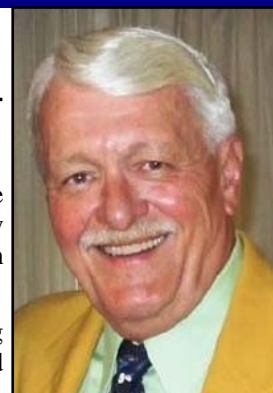
We particularly lift up those men and women whom You have called to take leadership positions this year and pray that they will give You first place in their lives and seek You diligently in prayer when they are called upon to make difficult decisions that affect the lives of so many Voyageurs and those we serve and support.

Lead and guide them into all truth and guard them from the ridicule that leaders of La Société inevitably have to face in a world that has pre-dominantly abandoned the truth of Scripture.

Lord we lift up all in high positions and pray that You will bring many to faith in the Lord Jesus, so that we may live peaceably in this world into which You have placed us.

Lord protect La Société and it's members as we go into this Centennial year continuing to serve God and Country and serving those through our many programs such as Nurses Training, Child Welfare, Americanism and our concerns for our POW/MIA's to only name a few. O Lord we pray, and bring us back to a nation whose God is the Lord, "In the name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" now and forever more Amen.

Murph, Aumonier Nat'l.



**Building Donation Challenge Grand Total \$176,727.70**

September 2019



<u>NAME</u>	<u>VOITURE</u>	<u>GR</u>	<u>AMT</u>
Grand du Illinois	GRAND	IL	\$ 5,000.00
Nat. Americanism Fund	National	Americanism	\$ 2,100.00
Bernie Sampson	534	NY	\$ 749.84
Tom Adams	1411	MS	\$ 200.00
Voiture 850	850	IN	\$ 100.00
Voiture 260	260	WI	\$ 89.00
Voiture 360	360	ND	\$ 87.00
Voiture 915	915	NC	\$ 55.00
Terry Bigham	1100	IL	\$ 39.84
Voiture 721	721	MI	\$ 33.00
Voiture 1031	1031	TX	\$ 30.00
Voiture 717	717	IL	\$ 25.00
Voiture 439	439	AZ	\$ 21.00
Voiture 1539	1539	AK	\$ 20.00
Voiture 1539	1539	AK	\$ 20.00
Voiture 83	83	WA	\$ 16.00
Voiture 44	44	MN	\$ 14.00
Voiture 620	620	NC	\$ 5.50
Voiture 926	926	IL	\$ 5.50
Voiture 773	773	SD	\$ 5.00





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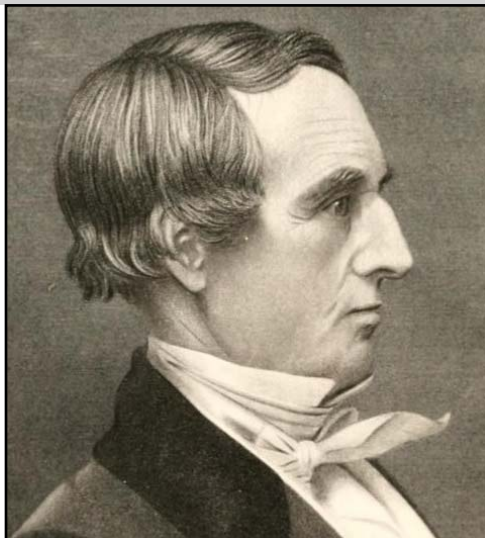
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## Vice Presidential History

William Rufus King (April 7, 1786 – April 18, 1853) was the 13th vice president of the United States for six weeks in 1853 before his death. Earlier he had been elected as a U.S. representative from North Carolina and a senator from Alabama. He also served as minister to France during the reign of King Louis Philippe I.

A Democrat, he was a Unionist and his contemporaries considered him to be a moderate on the issues of sectionalism, slavery and westward expansion, which contributed to the American Civil War. He helped draft the Compromise of 1850. He is the only United States executive official to take the oath of office on foreign soil; he was inaugurated in Havana, Cuba, due to poor health. King died of tuberculosis after 45 days in office. With the



exceptions of John Tyler and Andrew Johnson—both of whom succeeded to the presidency—he is the shortest serving vice president.

King was born in Sampson County, North Carolina, to William King and Margaret deVane. His family was large, wealthy and well-connected. He graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1803, where he was also a member of the Philanthropic Society. Admitted to the bar in 1806 after reading the law with Judge William Duffy of Fayetteville, North Carolina, he began practice in Clinton. King was an ardent Freemason, and was a member of Fayetteville's Phoenix Lodge No. 8.

King was the only U.S. vice president from the state of Alabama and held the highest political office of any Alabamian in American history. He was the third vice president to die in office.