



Voiture 1379 Communiqué for April 2026

Membership: Voiture 1379 paid up membership is currently at twenty six (26) with our membership goal updated to thirty two (32).

Here are members who have still not paid 2026 dues ;

John-Paul Kopp, Ronnie McBee, Tina Peterson

It's that time of the year to start adding up your hours, miles, and dollars you contributed to the various programs you have helped out on over the following year.

This month's Promenade will be on April 22nd at Post 61 Kansas City, MO immediately following the meal starting at 18:00 HRS.

Reminder to all: Please update your contact information so you will not get lost in the shuffle.

As we know, members who did not renew their 2026 membership by December 31st went into arrears and are no longer in good standing. We question why they haven't renewed. I challenge Locales to reach out to these Voyageurs and find out the reason why. Are you familiar with the document "The Member That Never Came Back"? It is based on a true story of how we lost a new member because he was not welcomed or recognized when he became a member, resulting in him quitting our organization. Sponsors should stay in touch with new members, send a reminder about the Promenade a few days ahead, offer transportation, and help them feel included. The Obligation administered to a P.G. during a Wreck, closes out with "Sponsor, remember your obligations to La Societe, and to this P.G.". Keep this in mind. Let's all strive to make membership a top priority!

Currently we only have 16 States/Nations participating in the Youth Sports Program out of 55 with 2 reimbursements to Grand WI and AZ. Thank you to those 16 and the donations we have received however, we need more participation. We respectfully ask those who haven't to at least make a small purchase or donation and those who have look at additional efforts to raise funds for Youth Sports and assisting youths that play sport in your communities. Here are a couple ideas you could consider moving forward. Perhaps one idea would be to promote our Youth Sports Programs merchandise by working with school or community teams coaches, athletic boosters and administrators using Youth Sports merchandise as a joint fundraiser with or obtaining a vender booth at a local community event(s). These options not only provide exposure and fundraising for our Youth Sports Program but also exposure to our beloved 40 & 8 organization with a potential recruitment opportunity. Weather you choose one of these options or another I remember membership is our lifeline of our organization and gives us the opportunity to assist kids in their goals of playing sports and developing strong bodies, minds and skills needed to live happy, healthy lives. Please let me or your Sous Directeur's know if you have any ideas or questions.

Thank you for your service to Our Great Nation, your service to the 40et8 through Voiture 1379. If we all work together we can and do make a difference.

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