

La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux

GRANDE VOITURE du CALIFORNIA Inc.

NOTE: Please visit the Grande Web Site www.CA40and8.org

Darlene and I along with all the Grand Officers and Directeurs wish each of you a happy, joyous, and safe holiday season and a prosperous New Year for both yourself and La Societe. Grand Chef Peter Duncan.

Grand Chef de Gare Peter Duncan has called for the **Spring** Grandes Cheminots Meeting to be held Saturday and Sunday, **February 18 & 19, 2012** at the **Escondido Veterans Memorial Building in Escondido CA.** Chef de Chemin de Fer Robert Molina from AZ has been invited to be our guest.

Hotel Accommodations: **Comfort Inn, 1290 West Valley Pkwy, Escondido CA 92029 760-489-1010** \$76 for Single or Dbl + tax. Reservations by **Jan 20** direct to the hotel **as above or 800-541-6012 or www.choicehotels.com** Mention **"FORTY & EIGHT"** for discounted rates.

FRIDAY February 17, 2012: Dinner and socializing available at the VMB hosted by J. B. Clark Post 149 of the American Legion.

SATURDAY February 18, 2012:

Tentative Agenda **ALL MEETINGS including La Femmes will be at the VMB.**

0900 Grand Officers & Directeurs meet with Grand Chef Peter Duncan

0945 Grand Membership Directeur Larry Turley Membership Meeting

1015 Grand Conducteur Howard Darter Ways & Means Meeting

1045 Grand Committee Meetings chaired by Grand Directeurs in the following order? (Maybe)

Americanism, Carville Star, Child Welfare, Locomotive & Box Car, Nurses Training, POW/MIA, Public Relations, Ritual, Special Awards, VAVS, Voiture Activities, Youth Sports, Constitution & By-Laws, Time & Place, Trophy, and Budget & Finance Committee.

NOT TO WORRY! We will break for lunch around 1130. Lunch will be available for \$6.00ea. We will get back with the meetings where we left off at 1300. We will entertain any other's that desire to meet for the good of the Grande Voiture.

1600 Or perhaps sooner, conclude Committee Meetings (if they're done) and get to the Candidates Hospitality. Location to be announced.

SATURDAY evening 1800 (that's **6:00PM** for civilians) No-Host 1800 - 1900. Banquet @ 1900 Tri-tip or Fish, \$25.00 Paid Reservations **Payable to Palomar Voiture 1406** and sent to Freddie D Sisario, 1861 Ithaca Dr, Vista CA 92081-5467 prior to February 3. Dinner, if available, will be \$30.00 after the cut-off. Further Info 760-598-3370 Cell 760-519-8880 or Fsisario@aol.com. Limited space, reserve EARLY!

SUNDAY February 19, 2012

0730 Past Grand Chef's Breakfast @ Escondido VMB. Breakfast is available for everyone @ VMB.

0900 GRANDES CHEMINOTS Meeting (Jackets, Ties, & Red Socks for Grand Officers & Directeurs)
Grand Officers
Grand Cheminots
Grand Directeurs

1100 Memorial Service by Grand Aumoniers

1300 or before - Conclude Grandes Cheminots Meeting. Have a safe trip home!

Joseph R Donovan
Grand Correspondant