



Communiqué



La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

Grande Voiture du Missouri

April 2023 - Grand Chef de Gare Hallie Williams

L'Editeur Robert C. Emery



Greetings Voyagers,
Spring is here, but
winter won't let go
yet. I hope all is
well, with the ter-
rible storms we are

having. Please keep all Voyagers
in our prayers. Some have suffered
losses.

Central State is fast approach-
ing. Hope to see some of you
there. We can't slow down with
membership, keep pushing for only a
few more months. Please call if I
can be of assistance on your mem-
bership drive. Remember the Buddy
Check. Alone we can do little, but
together we can do so much
more. Our goal is to **RECRUIT RE-
CLAIM RETAIN.**

Hallie Williams

Grand Chef de Gare du Missouri

**Attention all Locale Di-
recteurs reports are due to
Grand Directeurs by June 15,
2023.**

Address updates:

Daniel Petite

Daniel has a new phone number and email.
816-244-0773

dpetitt130@gmail.com

By virtue of being veterans who have
served their country in its time of great-
est need, the
fun loving, hard working Voyageurs Mili-
taire maintain a strong commitment to the
American way of life.

Americanism projects, respect for the
flag, Constitution, Law and Order and the
proven willingness to defend these princi-
ples is evident in the day
to day activities of members of our socie-
ty.

**Americanism projects cover the following
and more:**

Americanism Awards

School, High School, College, Junior ROTC,
ROTC, Community Organizations, Individual
Citizens, Firefighters, Law Enforcement,
Paramedics, etc

Americanism Speeches and Flag Activities

Flag presentations, Flag Raising Ceremo-
nies, Flag Retirement Ceremonies

Youth Activities

Band Support, Baseball, Boys and Girls
State, Oratorical Contests, Scouting (Boy,
Girl, Cub), Child ID Programs, Driver
Training, FFA, 4H, PTA, etc.

Community Activities

Blood donor, Community Services, Get out
the Vote, National Security, Political Ac-
tion, Senior Citizens, Hunter Safety Pro-
grams, Poppy Sales, Special Olympics Meet-
ings, Promenades/Wrecks, Activities in
other Fraternal Organizations Holidays and
Memorials, Calvin Kain Memorial Service,
Grave Decoration, Memorial Day, Memorial
Services: funerals, memorial dedications,

SPRING GRANDE CHEMINOT, March 19, 2023
Oasis Hotel & Convention Center, Springfield, Missouri

With a rap of the gavel, Grand Chef de Gare Hallie Williams, opened the Spring Grande Cheminot at 9:00 AM with a salute to the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a needed prayer by Grand Aumonier Ted McCart.

Roll call of officers showed some were there. Roll call of Grand Chefs de Gare Passe showed that eleven answered. Roll call of Grand Cheminots showed we had a quorum. Voyageurs don't know how to answer roll call and paid fines. Absent were Voitures 38, 966, 1402 and 1403.

Grand Chef Williams recognized Missouri Department Commander Rose Noonan and Deb Reynolds Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer.

Grand Avocat Richard Heigert said just like last time we will follow the Voiture Nationale Constitution and then Roberts's rules.

Notion offered by Kevin Johnson, seconded by Ben Sargent, that the Fall Grand Cheminot minutes are accepted as printed and sent out...passed.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning said Voiture Nationale sent out a recommended appointment of Ron Rolfes as Correspondant National. Terry polled the Executive Committee previously for approval and it passed. Told Frank Angelo Cheminot National of action and he told Voiture Nationale that Grande du Missouri approved appointment.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning said he received a flyer for Frank Campo for Chef de Chemin de Fer. Gave info on Memorial Day at Arlington, ads for Central States and an update on addresses for Jeremy Lachut Grand Nursing Training Directeur is in between houses so send any Nursing Training reports to Kevin Johnson. Bowman McArthur Grand Directeur Child Welfare new address is 20103 Hwy 28, Dixon, MO 65459.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning stated he had received the following resolutions: Kevin Johnson for Sous Chef de Chemin der Fer, Mike Scruby for Grand Chef, Ron Leverenz for Grand Chef de Train, and AJ Noonan for Grand Correspondant. Action on these resolutions will be at the Grande Promenade.

Grand Commissaire Intendant, Ron Leverenz, read the finance report and discussed it. Notion offered by Kevin Johnson to accept the finance report subject to audit, second by Allen Schultz... passed.

Grand Chef de Train Mike Scruby reported the Grande had a membership of 638, 94.8%. Sous Grand Chef de Train's Rose Noonan was at 87%, CJ New 93%, Robert Emery 98% and Ernie Parker 100%. Need 35 to be at 100%.

Cheminot Nationale Frank Angelo said he told Voiture Nationale that Missouri approved Ron Rolfes for Correspondant National

Some of the highlights of the Grand Cheminot reports are: Voiture 130 is selling their towels, sponsors Boys and Girls to Boys State and Girls State, donated to the School back pack fund, had Nurses Training dinner and banquet, have 38 members, and in May will have a Flea Market; Voiture 292 are at 100%, they help St. James and Mexico Nursing Homes; Voiture 333 at their December Promenade had 8 children and 2 staff from the Show-Me Christian Youth Home who presented some skits, and donated \$687 to them, JROTC hosted a raider meet at the State Fairgrounds with over 40 teams from 15 schools, the JROTC in Sedalia is getting a new commander for the high school and another at the 8th grade, received 7 applications for nursing scholarships, hope to award 2 \$2,000 for 4 year, 3 \$1,000 year, and 2 \$500 year scholarships, membership at 103 out of 105, gave out 1200 flags to First Graders, the JROTC will have training programs on flag etiquette, they replace flags in Sedalia, 46 new flags were put up for Veterans Day and Memorial Day; Voiture 448 provides gifts to kids at Marygrove for Christmas and Easter, several of the graduate students at Marygrove are in the Service, Promenade every other month; Voiture 460 helped a family that had a house fire, wrecked 3 PG's yesterday; Voiture 760 has 1 nurse in training, had 2 nurses graduate; Voiture 1292 will have a golf tournament for nurses training, had a sausage sale and made \$1500, had a Special Needs xmas party, did Teddy Bear run, a Trunk n Treat, wrecked 2 PG's, has 10 nurses in training at \$750 each, Voiture 1321 membership at 92%, their cooker will be out, have 4 nurses in training, participated in the Missouri Guard's Funeral Honors Program did 39 funerals so far, supports Boys State and Cadet Patrol, submitted a Law Officer of the Year and a Distinguished Voyageur of the Year, have a VAVS rep at Poplar Bluff and JB Hospitals; Voiture 1379 has 2 nurses in training, sold 90 Youth Sports pins, participated in Military Funeral Honors program, over 400 hours, calling on veterans to see how they are doing, helping veterans with the VA and volunteer at KCVAMC, participate in veterans activities in a Musical Salute to Veterans by the American Legion

but plan on adding 2 more, have 55 members paid, had a Christmas party at Wentzville Post, had a Night at Races at St. Charles Post 313, assisted American Legion Post 312 with the Oratorical contest, sponsored a round of Baseball Trivia Night at Post 312, donated \$100 for Moolah Shrine Circus, and keep CJ New in thought and prayers as he recovers from cancer surgery.

Grand Medicin Tommy Thomas said we had 4 PG's and did not have any injuries.

Grand Historien Allen Schultz If any Locales have any pictures they would like to include in the Grande History book send them to him. Voiture 460 won Scrap Book of Year.

Grand Avocat Richard Heigert said some Voitures did not update their Constitution and need to do so.

Grand Directeur Voiture Activities AJ Noonan said to put info in to reports.

Grand Directeur Nurses Training Terry Lanning said the Grande received a Boland Scholarship for \$1,000 for nurse from Voiture 1379.

Grand Aumonier Ted McCart said to send him the names of the deceased so he can put them in the Memorial program at the Grand Promenade.

Grand Conducteur Frank Angelo said there were 4 PG's wrecked and said he estimated the PG's collected over \$100 in coins. All of the money the PG's collected and the fines from this Grande Cheminot will go to Boland Trust. Motion to this affect by Kevin and seconded by Frank and passed.

Grand Directeur Carville Star Forrest Johnson has 30 pins left for sale.

Sous Grand Directeur POW/MIA John Kramer said reports needed to be in by June 15, 2023.

Grand Directeur Ritual Duane Declue said reports needed to be in by June 15, 2023.

Grand Directeur Special Awards Ben Sargent said he received one Law Officer of the Year from Voiture 1321 for Greg Vohm. Rich Heigert offered a motion to have Greg Vohm be the Grand LOY, seconded by Janice Hartley and passed.

Sous Grand Chairman VAVA Gary Puck said he attended video meetings and training, top five wish list needs are ZtRip finds, gas cards, Wal-Mart gift cards, fans and batteries, and snacks. Helps out at hospital in a number of ways. He needs to know how and what to do for next year's plan.

Sous Grand Chairman VAVA – Rich Heigert said Sam Mercer is the Rep for Popular Bluff and attends the meetings. Dennis Ecker is the Rep for JB and attends the meetings.

Grand Directeur Youth Sports Ann Puck said she has sold or given away 90 pins. Each Voiture needs to check to see if any local sports teams need help. Get your reports in by June 15, 2023.

Sous Grand Correspondant Bob Emery Terry Lanning said he sent to all Locale Correspondents info on the reports that are due to the Directeurs by June 15, 2023.

Time and Place Committee Kevin Johnson said the Grand Promenade and Cheminot 2023 will be June 30-July 2, 2023 at Oasis Hotel in Springfield at \$104 and the Grand Chef's Homecoming and Cheminot will be October 13-15, 2023 at same hotel and rate. Central States Promenade will be in Manhattan Kansas April 20-23, 2023, 104th Promenade Nationale is September 12-16, 2023 at Kalahari Resorts Sandusky, OH..

Distinguished Voyageur Award Calvin Bumgarner Chairman said he received one motion. Wally Bowman from Voiture 1321. Ben offered a motion to accept nomination seconded by Ron Turner passed.

Old Business – none

New Business – Grand Chef Hallie Williams made the following Grand Promenade Committee appointments: Constitution Bob Phillips; Nominations Kevin Johnson; Credentials Mike Scruby; Resolutions David Bexten and Audit Chairman David Voyles with Frank Angelo and AJ Noonan. Rose offered a motion to approve the appointments second by John Kramer and passed.

Terry Lanning said the Grande will be hosting the Central States in 2025. He offered a motion for Mike Scruby to be the President of Central States, when it is appropriate and to create a Grand Central States Committee of : Kevin Johnson (Chairman), Ron Leverenz, Frank Angelo, and Chip Berkley. Seconded by Rich Heigert and passed

Good of the Grande Voiture – Terry Lanning said for the Voitures to bring gifts for attendance prizes to the Grande Promenade.

Grand Chef de Gare Hallie Williams closed the Spring Grand Cheminot in the proper manner at 10:40 AM.

Submitted by,
Terry L. Lanning
Grand Correspondant



La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux Grande Voiture du Missouri

OFFICIAL CALL

TO: ALL GRAND CHEMINOTS
ALL GRAND OFFICERS
ALL GRAND CHEFS de GARE PASSE
ALL VOITURE'S CHEFS de GARE & CORRESPONDANTS
ALL VOYAGEURS OF GRANDE VOITURE du MISSOURI

This is the OFFICIAL CALL for the Grande Promenade and Cheminot to be held June 30 to July 2, 2023 at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center, 2546 North Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803, phone (417) 866-5253.

There will not be an Executive Board Meeting. If one is needed, it will be posted in the Hospitality Room. The Grande Promenade Committee Meetings will be held on Saturday morning and the time and place will be posted in the Hospitality Room.

The Grande Cheminot will be held on Saturday, July 1st, 2023 at 1:00 PM at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center. The Grand Chef de Gare, Hallie Williams urges all Grand Directeurs that are giving out awards to the Locales to do it during the Cheminot on Saturday. It could save you a fine.

The Grande Promenade will be held on Sunday morning, July 2nd, 2023 starting at 9:00 AM sharp. Chairmen of the Grande Promenade Committees, Audit, Credentials, Constitution, Nominations, and Resolutions, will give their reports at this time along with the election of new Officers, Delegates and Alternates for the 104th National Promenade, September 12-16, 2023 in Sandusky, Ohio.

ALL GRAND OFFICERS AND GRAND CHEMINOTS ARE EXPECTED TO GIVE A REPORT OF THEIR ACTIVITIES AND SUBMIT A COPY IN WRITING TO THE GRAND CORRESPONDANT.

All Voyageurs are to be in proper attire. The following Officers are expected to be in coat, tie, shirt, long pants, socks and shoes: Grand Chef de Gare, Grand Chef de Train, Grand Commissaire Intendant, Grand Correspondant, Grand Garde de la Porte, Grand Lampiste, Grand Conducteur, Sous Grand Conducteurs, and Grand Aumonier.

Terry L. Lanning
Grand Correspondant

Hallie Williams
Grand Chef de Gare

GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

GRANDE CHEMINOT and PROMENADE



June 30, July 1 and 2, 2023

Oasis Hotel and Convention Center
2546 North Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, Missouri 65803
417-866-5253



Room Rate \$104.00 (+TAX) per night
NO BREAKFAST INCLUDED

For Deluxe King or Deluxe Double

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE

Handicapped Rooms Available

Mention 40&8 Honor Society for special rate when making reservation

Friday, June 30, 2023

Registration: 1500 until 1800
Hospitality Room 1500 - ????

Saturday, July 1, 2023

Registration 0900 – Noon
Committee Meetings: 9:00 – 11:30 AM
LUNCH 1130 – 1300

Grande Cheminot 1300

Hospitality Room opens after Cheminot until 1700
Grand Chef de Gare Passe' Social Hour – 1700 – 1800
Social Hour 1800 – Cash Bar
Banquet: 1900
Hospitality Room: After Banquet – ??????

Sunday, July 2, 2023

Grande Promenade 0900 - NOON

Check Out
HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Deadline for registration for the banquet is June 18, 2023

To register for the Grande Cheminot, make Check payable to **Voiture 1379**

Send to:

Robert C. Emery
16001 E 31ST ST S
Independence, MO 64055-2709

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Title: _____ Voiture Number _____

Banquet/Person \$35.00 X No. Guests _____ = _____

Registration Fee \$10.00 (Voyageurs Only) _____

Total \$ _____



**La Société des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux
Voiture Nationale**

Gena K. Keller & Daisy



Membership Directeur Nationale

Nationale Paid Life Membership Drawing

1. The nominee must be a member in good standing. You can nominate yourself.
2. The cost of nomination is \$10.00, the Voyageur being nominated cannot already be a life member.

Send your nomination and \$10.00 to: (one nomination per form) Make Checks payable
40&8 Life Membership Drawing 2023:

40 & 8 Life Membership
c/o Paul Emmert, Directeur Nationale Box Car Association
345 Moores Branch Circle
Westminster MD 21158

3. All mail in entries must be received NLT September 1st, 2023. Submissions will be accepted during the 104th Promenade Nationale in Sandusky OH for \$20.00. Lucky Voyageur will be announced during the banquet. Winner does not need to be present to win. (Cannot be redeemed for Cash) Remaining money from the membership drawing will be donated to the Nationale Box Car Association.

Voyageur: _____ Phone: _____

Grande: _____ Voiture Locale: _____

Membership number: _____ Age: _____

Person making nomination: _____ Grande: _____

Address: _____



Gateway Voiture 448 and Salon 116

invites you to a

Murder Mystery Dinner

When: Starts 5:30 pm Saturday, June 17, 2023
Doors open 4:30 pm

Where: American Legion Post 397

934 Rue De La Banque Drive, Creve Coeur, MO

Cost: \$30.00/person (Includes dinner and show
plus three Sodas and/or Beers)

***Join us at your own risk...for dinner and a
murder!***

For Tickets, contact Terry Lanning 314-839-2032
or email t_lanning@charter.net



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| | Membership | |
| Grande Voiture du Missouri | | |

30-Mar-23

| | Votre | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | Sh/Ov | % of |
|--------------------------------|-------|----------|---------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | Year End | To-date | Quota | Quota | Quota |
| HEART OF AMERICA | 3 | 34 | 34 | 34 | 0 | 100.00% |
| SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS | 38 | 53 | 53 | 56 | -3 | 94.64% |
| JESSE JAMES | 130 | 37 | 39 | 37 | 2 | 105.41% |
| HEART OF MISSOURI | 292 | 29 | 30 | 30 | 0 | 100.00% |
| STATE FAIR | 333 | 104 | 103 | 105 | -2 | 98.10% |
| GATEWAY | 448 | 65 | 60 | 67 | -7 | 89.55% |
| CENTRAL OZARK | 460 | 59 | 51 | 59 | -8 | 86.44% |
| KICKAPOO | 760 | 23 | 22 | 27 | -5 | 81.48% |
| MARK TWAIN | 966 | 3 | 2 | 3 | -1 | 66.67% |
| CAPITAL | 1292 | 63 | 70 | 64 | 6 | 109.38% |
| MINERAL AREA | 1321 | 67 | 67 | 73 | -6 | 91.78% |
| Neuf Comtés | 1379 | 38 | 37 | 38 | -1 | 97.37% |
| ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties | 1402 | 8 | 14 | 13 | 1 | 107.69% |
| LAKE OF THE OZARK | 1403 | 12 | 9 | 12 | -3 | 75.00% |
| TWO RIVERS | 1541 | 55 | 54 | 55 | -1 | 98.18% |
| Missouri Total | | 650 | 645 | 673 | -28 | 95.84% |