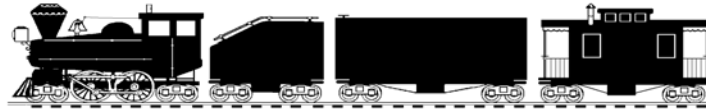


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*La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Cheveaux*  
*Grande Voiture du Missouri*



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**August 2008 - Grand Chef de Gare Robert Phillips - L'Editeur Grant Willis**

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**The Grand Chef Sez**

Fellow Voyageurs;  
I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every Voyageur Militaire of the Grande Voiture du Missouri for the privilege and honor to serve as your Grand Chef de Gare for the coming year. With your faith in me, I will do my utmost to help this Grand grow and prosper.

As I stated at my installation, I want to continue the theme started by my predecessor, Grant; we are going to have fun!! This little word will do more to increase membership and participation than anything else.

Our organization is dying, both literally and figuratively. The (2) main reasons are death and non-renewal. Deaths we cannot control. Non-renewals we can. Attendances at Grande functions, for instance, are at the lowest I have seen since I started attending in 1991.

We have got to "turn" this around.

If we, at the Locale levels, will plan activities that are FUN and FAMILY ORIENTED; I believe our numbers will increase. Have activities like B-B-Q's and family picnics but get the family involved. If any Locale has an idea they think will help other Locales,

please contact your Sous Grand Chef de Train or me with your idea and we will pass it along in the Grande Newsletter.

**WE HAVE TO TRY!!!**

**BOB PHILLIPS**  
**GRAND CHEF DE GARE**

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**Sous Grand  
Correspondants Notes**

If you have something that your Voiture is holding please send me a flyer and I will see that it is put into the newsletter. We do have certain months when the newsletter is limited to space, such as this month, November and April, but I will see that they get into the previous month if given enough time before the event.

Address changes are always needed to keep the mailing list updated along with deaths within your Voiture.

Articles for the newsletter are needed by the end of the month, which you can send to my e-mail [willis.grant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:willis.grant@sbcglobal.net) or mail to Grant Willis, 8 Shireford, Ferguson, Mo. 63135.

The September issue of the Communiqué we will have articles for Carville Star and VAVS. The following is a schedule for articles due from the Directeur's:

October - Nurses Training and Child Welfare

November - Ritual

December – Youth Sports and Box Car

January – Americanism and Voyageur Activities

February – POW/MIA and Special Awards

March – Distinguished Voyageur Award

It is with great sadness that I report the passing of William Weiss – Honorary Grand Chef de Gare Passe. Bill passed away in July 2 weeks before his 95 birthday. He will be missed by all.

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## UPCOMING DATES

- Grande Cheminot and Homecoming October 3 – 5, 2008 at Wentzville, MO
- Sept 2 through the 6 – Promenade Nationale at Orlando Florida
- Voiture 1379 ChickNic Sept 6, 2008, 1:00 at Wallace State Park, Cameron, MO

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**The Grande du Missouri web site is at: [grandedumissouri.com](http://grandedumissouri.com)**

**If anyone has anything they want to add or comments on the web site send it to Robert Emery at his e-mail address [remery18@comcast.net](mailto:remery18@comcast.net) and copy Grant Willis at [willis.grant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:willis.grant@sbcglobal.net).**

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Voiture 38 - Barbecue's  
Will be held at Ferguson's Pub,  
2925 Mt Pleasant St, 63111  
On the following Saturdays:  
Aug 9, 2008  
Sep 6, 2008

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Below is from the Voiture invoices received from Voiture Nationale. They all show a credit.

A Voiture can use up the credit by applying their membership dues or ask Voiture Nationale to send a check. This will be put in the newsletter once a quarter and the invoices will not be mailed to the Voiture Correspondant unless otherwise requested.

<b>Voiture 3</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 38</b>	<b>\$(114.01)</b>
<b>Voiture 130</b>	<b>\$(22.50)</b>
<b>Voiture 292</b>	<b>\$(178.35)</b>
<b>Voiture 293</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 333</b>	<b>\$(31.50)</b>
<b>Voiture 447</b>	<b>\$(25.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 448</b>	<b>\$(20.50)</b>
<b>Voiture 460</b>	<b>\$(414.50)</b>
<b>Voiture 520</b>	<b>\$(7.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 760</b>	<b>\$(25.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 848</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 966</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 1292</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 1321</b>	<b>\$(46.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 1379</b>	<b>\$(42.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 1395</b>	<b>\$(60.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 1402</b>	<b>\$(29.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 1403</b>	<b>\$(102.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 1541</b>	<b>-0-</b>

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Congratulations are due to Voitures 38, 333, 448, 520, 848, 1292, 1379, 1395, and 1541 for being at 100% or going over. Great Job. We are now at 100% in the Grande Voiture du Missouri. We still have some unpaid Voiture out there that we need to reach and retain.

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**Correction to Grand Cheminot and Homecoming Flyer – Reservations for the Banquet are due by September 26.  
PLEASE GET YOUR REGISTRATIONS IN EARLY.**

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**Lets have some FUN**

GRANDE CHEMINOT, JUNE 28, 2008  
HOLIDAY INN BANQUET ROOM, WENTZVILLE, MISSOURI

With a rap of the gavel, Grand Chef de Gare, Leslie G. Willis, opened the Grande Cheminot sharply at 1 PM with a salute to the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a much needed prayer by acting Grand Aumonier, David Christian. The Grand Chef said there would be no electronic devises turned on during the Cheminot or you will pay for it and lets have fun.

Grand Chef Willis acknowledged that the Alternate N.E.C., Rich Heigert, was present.

Roll call of officers showed more absent than excused and the rest were pugnacious and combatant and it cost some of them. Roll call of Grand Chefs de Gare Passe showed that ten answered roll call. Roll call of Grand Cheminots showed that we had a quorum. Voyageurs don't know how to answer roll call and many paid fines for it. Absent were Voitures 293, 333, 447, 520, 848, 966, 1395, and 1402.

Notion offered by Don Fligge, seconded by Virgil Morice, that the Spring Grande Cheminot minutes are accepted as printed and sent out...passed

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning reported that he received a thank you from Chef de Chemin de Fer Bernie Sampson for his wonderful trip to Truman Day. The Grand Correspondant said to sign the sheet indicating if you are going to Promenade Nationale. For those Voitures that have not turned in their new Officers and Program Directeurs they need to do so right away.

Grand Commissaire Intendant, Gary L. Reno, reported that the finance report was placed on the chairs, however there was an additional expense paid to the Historian of \$201.54 that needs to be added to the report and asked if there were any questions, there were none.

Grand Chef de Train, Robert Phillips, reported on the current Grande membership. Phillips stated that the Grande has 1242 members and we only need 25 to reach 100%. Phillips said we are getting close and all Voitures need to go back and contact the unpaid members to get us to 100%, it can be done. Voiture 448 indicated they had 18 to send in and Voiture 38 said they have 1 to send in and Voiture 760's written report indicated they have 2 more than reported.

Grand Cheminot reports were given by Voiture 3, 38, 130, 292, 448, 460, 760, 1292, 1321, 1379, 1403, and 1541. Some of the highlights are:

- Voiture 3 raised \$2,500 for the Salvation Army program and spent \$20,000 in their Nurses Training program, sent 8 boys to Boys State;
- Voiture 38 had 250 kids at Grants Farm, Grants Farm next year will be September 22, 2008, their Loco is in several events through the year;
- Voiture 130 has 17 nurses in training and everyone seemed to have a good time at Washington's Birthday Party;
- Voiture 448 has 2 nurses in training and had a Christmas and Easter party for an orphanage;
- Voiture 460 spent \$14,444 on Child Welfare, had 33 Nurses in Training and donated \$20,057 for flags, bingo equipment, and the American Cancer Society;
- Voiture 760 sent 10 boys to Boys State, went to Mt Vernon for a Vets Birthday/Bingo and had handicapped kids zoo trips;
- Voiture 1292 has 4 nurses in training, had a steak night dinner at the Spring Conference, and wrecked 2;
- Voiture 1379 wrecked 2 PG's and will have a ChicNic on September 6, 2008;
- Voiture 1403 will be selling ribs to go over the weekends of July 4 and Labor Day, and goes to VA Hospital once a month, will have 3 PG's in August, graduated 2 nurses and picked up three more;
- Voiture 1541 had their Night at the Races and Coon Supper, they have 5 nurses in training and had 2 BBQ's.

Grand Directeur Child Welfare John Neger could not be here so Julio Bambini gave his report. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 1321, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 38, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 460.

Grand Directeur Voiture Activities Ralph Turner could not be here but sent in his report. He received 7 reports. He asked that every Voiture make

it a goal to turn in a report next year and to make it your responsibility to promote Voiture Activities with your Locale. This will give members a reason to join our organization. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 760, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 333, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1321. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner also received a traveling trophy.

Grand Directeur Nurses Training, Clarence Buckley, stated 10 Voitures sent in a report and \$29,000 was expended. He still has pins out with a couple of Voitures and they need to send their money to him. There are 52 nurses in training. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 460, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1379, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 760.

Grand Aumonier David Christian asked for the names of deceased members for the memorial service.

Grand Conducteur, John Partin, reported he has received \$61 in fines so far and for everyone to keep it up.

Grand Directeur Americanism, Sam Guenther, stated that he received 8 reports. The total of the Americanism Consolidate Report and the Annual Local Voiture Membership Report was \$320,830.40 or \$515.15 per member. For the large Voitures the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 1321, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 448, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 333. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner also received a traveling trophy in memory of Merton Adreon. For the medium Voitures the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 460 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1541. For the small Voitures the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 1403 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1379. The traveling trophy for Raymond Owens was presented for the Flags for 1<sup>st</sup> Graders best report and it went to Voiture 333.

Grand Directeur Box Car, Bill Evans said there were 144 pins sold. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 760, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 448, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 460. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner also received a traveling trophy in memory of Jerry Castulik. Terry Lanning stated several of the Voitures have outstanding Crew and Associate cards and they need to send their money and or cards to him.

Grand Directeur Carville Star Leon Hill gave out his awards. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 1541, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1403, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 448.

Sous Grand Directeur POW/MIA Bud Avery said 6 reports were received for a total of \$30,320. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 1379, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1541, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 333.

Grand Directeur Ritual David Jennemann stated that he received 8 reports for a total of \$304,911. For the large Voitures the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 448, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 38, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 333. For the medium Voitures the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 760 and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1321, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1541. For the small Voitures the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 1379.

Grand Directeur Special Awards, David Brazie said we have a Law Officer of the Year award for Sheriff Gary Stolzer of Ste. Genevieve County. No other Special Awards nominations were received.

Grand VAVS Chairman Chip Berkley said 6 reports were received. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 333, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1541, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 1403.

Grand Directeur Youth Sports, David Christian reported Voitures 3 and 460 still have pins outstanding. David said he was going to have to defer giving out his awards until tomorrow and the Grand Chef told him that was ok but bring money.

Time & Place Committee, Art Wilson, reported that the Fall Grand Cheminot & Homecoming will be held at the Holiday Inn, Wentzville on October 3rd, 4th, 5th, 2008. The Grande Spring Wreck will be at the Howard Johnsons by the KC Airport there on March 27 to 29, 2009 for \$75.00 per night. Grande Promenade will be held at Howard Johnsons on June 26 to 28, 2009. And the Fall Grande Cheminot & Homecoming will be held at Howard Johnsons on October 2 to 4, 2009.

Distinguished Voyageur Award Committee, Ray Brodzinski, stated that he would present an award at the Banquet.

Grand Aid de Camp Art Wilson reported Thank God the year is almost over.

Distinguished Guest Committee member Rich Heigert said no one was here that is very distinguished.

Central States Promenade - Norman Reichel said Kansas won the train, there were only 12 there from Missouri. We need to do better next year. In 2009 it will be in Wichita Kansas. In 2011 it will be in Missouri.

Old Business - none

New Business - Gary Reno talked about the Chinese releasing information on the remains of a POW they have had since the 1950's.

Grand Chef de Gare Willis closed the Grande Cheminot in the proper manner at 2:50 PM.

Submitted by,  
Terry L. Lanning  
Grand Correspondant

GRANDE PROMENADE, JUNE 29, 2008  
HOLIDAY INN BANQUET ROOM, WENTZVILLE, MISSOURI

With only hours to go, Grand Chef de Gare, Leslie G. Willis, opened the Grande Promenade at 9:00 AM with a salute to the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a much needed prayer by acting Grand Aumonier, David Christian.

Grand Chef Willis acknowledged that the Alternate N.E.C., Rich Heigert, was present.

Roll call of officers showed a few more excused, a few more absent, and the rest were the same contentious and militant Voyageurs with Mr. Brodzinski and others leading the way and they all paid for it. Roll call of Grand Chefs de Gare Passe, showed that we had 10 present. Roll call of Voitures showed that we had a quorum present. Absent were Voitures 293, 333, 447, 460, 520, 848, 966, 1395, and 1402.

Notion offered by Art Wilson, second by Ed Jones, that the minutes of the July 1, 2007 Grande Promenade be accepted as printed and sent out...passed.

Grand Directeur Youth Sports David Christian gave out his awards. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Voiture 448, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner was Voiture 460, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner was Voiture 760. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner also received a traveling trophy in memory of Robert T. Wilde.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning paid a fine for not having the alter and POW/MIA cloth out for the Grande Cheminot. Grand Chef de Gare Willis also paid a fine for not wearing a white coat and not having any bars on his ribbon.

Grand Chef Willis called on the Grande Promenade Committees starting with Audit Committee chaired by Raymond Brodzinski with the help of Sam Guenther and Larry Ebersold. Also present were Grand Commissaire Intendant, Gary Reno and Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning. Ray stated that the Audit took place on June 28, 2008 at the Holiday Inn in the Lounge at 9:00 AM. The Committee thoroughly inspected the checking account and the money market accounts held at the Bank of Versailles. They were found to be correct and acceptable after a minor register book update. The 4 CD's were also inspected and found to be correct. One CD will mature on August 18, 2008 and another on September 23, 2008. Audit Committee recommends that these CD's be re-invested in what the committee believes to be a soft market on long term investments. They feel confident that the Grande Voiture officers be instructed to roll these investments over in what they believe to be the best investment possibly for the Grande Voiture in August and September 2008. Ray commended everyone involved in the audit and Grand Commissaire Intendant, Gary Reno, for the fine job he did and also the Grand Correspondant. Notion offered by Brodzinski, second by Don Fligge, to approve the Audit Committee Report as presented.....passed.

Notion offered by Ray Brodzinski, second by Virgil Morice, that the finance report given out yesterday be accepted as printed.....passed.

Grand Chef Willis called on the Resolutions Committee chaired by Virgil Morice. Virgil reported that there were three other representatives that attended the meeting. Virgil stated he had resolutions for Robert W. Phillips for Grand Chef de Gare, Gary L. Reno for Grand Chef de Train, Larry R. Ebersold for Grand Commissaire Intendant, and Terry L. Lanning for Grand Correspondant. The committee approved these resolutions. He spoke on the resolution submitted by Voiture 448 and 333, that the Nationale constitution

be changed to allow any veteran to join the 40/8. Committee decided not to take any action and bring them to the body. Morice offered a notion, second by Art Wilson, that his report be accepted....passed. Grand Chef Willis asked if anyone wanted to discuss the proposed Nationale constitution change. Hearing nothing Grand Chef Willis moved on.

Grand Chef Willis called on the Chairman of the Credential Committee, Robert Phillips. Phillips reported that there were three in attendance at the meeting. Robert gave the voting strength for the Grand Voiture and offered a notion, second by Virgil Morice, that his report be accepted as given.....passed

There was nothing submitted to the Constitution Committee, so there was no report.

Distinguished Voyageur Award Committee, Ray Brodzinski, stated an award was given at the banquet to Sam Rogers.

Under New Business Grand Chef Willis called on the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Art Wilson. Art reported that the meeting was held in Room 200 of the Holiday Inn and started at 9:00 AM. Notion offered by Rich Heigert and seconded by Virgil Morice to recommend to the Grande the elected officers....passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 AM. Wilson read the recommendation of the Committee for elective officers for 2008-2009.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS	NAME	VOITURE
Grand Chef de Gare	Robert W. Phillips	1541
Grand Chef de Train	Gary L. Reno	1379
Grand Commissaire Intendant	Larry R. Ebersold	1292
Grand Correspondant	Terry L. Lanning	448
Cheminot Nationale	Donald W. Fligge	3
Alternate Cheminot Nationale	Leslie G. Willis	448
Voitures (3-333-848)		
Sous Grand Chef de Train	Julio C. Bambini	3
Voitures (293-447-760)		
Sous Grand Chef de Train	Sam Pickens	760
Voitures (38-448-966-1541)		
Sous Grand Chef de Train	Anthony G Benskin	1541
Voitures (130-1379-1402)		
Sous Grand Chef de Train	Steven H. Hoffrogge	1402
Voitures (292-520-1292-1403)		
Sous Grand Chef de Train	Thomas (Chip) Berkley	292
Voitures (460-1321-1395)		
Sous Grand Chef de Train	John D. Morten	460
Grand Medicin	Errol Wilson	760
Sous Grand Medicin	Clarence L. Koon	460
Grand Garde de la Porte	George W. Ridley	448
Grand Historien	Kevin Gurlen	1541
Grand Avocat	Richard A Heigert	1321
Sous Grand Avocat	Raymond O. Money	3
Grand Commis Voyageur	Edward R. Jones	3
Grand Directeur Child Welfare	Thomas Goodin	1292
Sous Grand Dir. Child Welfare	Dennis Russell	130
Sous Grand Dir. Child Welfare	Hallie Williams	448
Grand Directeur Voiture Activities	Norman P. Gentry	448
Sous Grand Dir. Voiture Activities	Howard H. Engelbrecht	130
Grand Directeur Nurses Training	Clarence C. Buckley	760
Sous Grand Dir. Nurses Training	Larry Owen	3
Sous Grand Dir. Nurses Training	George W. Ridley	448
Grand Aumonier	Marvin E. Harper	1402
Grand Drapeau East	Joel Hauck	448
Grand Drapeau West	William Henry Seelye	760
Grand Lampiste	Orval L. Jensen	130
Grand Cheminot-at-Large	Raymond O. Money	3

Grand Cheminot-at-Large	George W. Powell	1379
Grand Cheminot-at-Large	Ira A. Hassenpflug	130
Grand Cheminot-at-Large	Raymond J. Brodzinski	38
Grand Cheminot-at-Large	Richard A. Heigert	1321

Robert W. Phillips was elected by acclamation as Grand Chef de Gare. Gary L. Reno was elected by acclamation as Grand Chef de Train. Larry R. Ebersold was elected by acclamation as Grand Commissaire Intendant. Terry L. Lanning was elected by acclamation as Grand Correspondant. Notion offered by Rich Heigert, second by Virgil Morice, that the balance of the officers be elected by acclamation....passed. Art Wilson read the appointed officers with permission by Grand Chef de Gare Elect, Robert W. Phillips, and they are.

APPOINTED OFFICERS	NAME	VOITURE
Sous Grand Correspondant	Leslie G. Willis	448
Grand Publiciste	William W. Hilker	1403
Grand Organizer	Virgil C. Morice	1321
Sous Grand Organizer	Thomas W. Hanks	1321
Sous Grand Organizer	James S. Whitfield	848
Grand Conducteur	John L. Wieland	1321
Sous Grand Conducteur	Robert C. Emery	1379
Sous Grand Conducteur	David Bexten	1292
Sous Grand Conducteur	Earl Trube	1292
Grand Directeur Americanism	Sam M. Guenther	1403
Sous Grand Dir. Americanism	Wilbur T. Avery	760
Grand Directeur Box Car	William J. Evans	760
Grand Directeur Carville Star	Leon L. Hill	1541
Grand Directeur POW/MIA	Davis Diaz	38
Grand Directeur Ritual	John Partin	38
Grand Directeur Special Awards	David L. Brazie	1403
Sous Grand Dir. Special Awards Law & Order	Arnold Miller	38
Grand Directeur VAVS	Donald J. Newman Jr,	1541
Sous Grand Directeur VAVS	William H. Hoppe	1321
Grand Directeur Youth Sports	David S. Christian	38
Sous Grand Dir. Youth Sports	Terry L. Lanning	448
Executive Committee "Advisory" & "Protocol"	Raymond J. Brodzinski Richard A. Heigert	38 1321
Time & Place Committee (chair)	Arthur L. Wilson Robert G. Eisenbath Richard A. Heigert	448 1541 1321
Distinguished Voyageur	Norman I. Reichel (3) Terry L. Lanning (3) Robert G. Eisenbath (2) (chair) Raymond J. Brodzinski (2) Virgil C. Morice (1) Kevin T. Johnson (1)	1403 448 1541 38 1321 460
Grand Aid de Camp	Donald J. Newman Jr.	1541
Distinguished Guest Committee	Raymond O. Money Terry L. Lanning Richard A. Heigert	3 448 1321

Notion offered by Art Wilson, second by Virgil Morice, that the appointments by the Grand Chef de Gare Elect, Robert W. Phillips, be approved as read.....passed.

Notion offered by Art Wilson, second by Virgil Morice, that the delegates to the Promenade Nationale in Orlando, Florida be Donald W, Fligge, Leslie G. Willis, Jr., Art Wilson, Robert Phillips, and Clarence Buckley. With Gary Reno being an Alternate.....passed. Notion by Art Wilson, second by Virgil Morice, that Leslie G. Willis, Jr. be chairman of the delegation....passed.

Grand Chef Willis relieved the members of the Grande Promenade Committees.

Ray Brodzinski said we needed to address the proposed Nationale constitution change to allow any veteran into the 40/8. Grand Chef Willis said he has received several letters from Voitures stating their opposition to the change. After some discussion a notion was offered by Art Wilson to reject the change, seconded by Virgil Morice ....passed.

Grand Correspondant Lanning stated he is recommending a travel reimbursement policy for the Grande. It will primarily affect the Grand Chef de Gare and will require him to submit travel vouchers to claim reimbursement. Effective June 29, 2008 the reimbursement rates will be:

Mileage 40 cents per mile for use of a personal vehicle

Per diem \$40 per day for a full day and \$30 for a first and last day of travel.

Lodging will be the actual cost.

The reimbursement will be limited to the approved budget amount. Grand Correspondant Lanning offered a notion to accept, seconded by Art Wilson..passed.

Grand Chef de Gare Elect, Robert Phillips, stated that it has been his goal for 20 years to be Grand Chef and wants to continue to have fun. Grant raised the bar awfully high for him to follow and he will do his best.

The Promenade was recessed at 10:00 AM to let the families and friends in for the Memorial Service and installation of officers.

The Grande Promenade came back to order at 10:15 AM. Grand Chef Willis turned the podium over to acting Grand Aumonier, David Christian. He was assisted by Grand Chef de Gare Passe, Art Wilson, and Grand Correspondant, Terry Lanning for the Memorial Service.

After the Service, Grand Chef Willis asked that the installing officer come to the podium. The installing officer was Ray Brodzinski, Grand Chef de Gare Passe 1984. He installed the newly elected Grand Chef de Gare, Robert Phillips, first.

Afterwards he installed the rest of the elected and appointed officers.

Installing Officer, Ray Brodzinski, took out the Past Grand Chef de Gare Willis and presented him with a Past Grand Chef's pin. Grant's wife came forward and placed his new chapeau on his head. Grant then spoke to the membership thanking them for the great year he had.

Installing Officer, Ray Brodzinski, then gave the gavel of authority to the new Grand Chef Phillips. Grand Chef Grant had his new chapeau put on his head by his wife.

The new Grand Chef de Gare, Robert Phillips, spoke to the membership thanking them for electing him and stated that his goal for this year is to continue to have fun like Grant started. At this time, the families and friends were asked to leave so that we may proceed in closing the Grande Promenade.

The new Grande Chef de Gare, Robert Phillips, closed the Grande Promenade in the proper manner at 11:12 AM.

Submitted by  
Terry L. Lanning  
Grand Correspondant



# GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

FALL CHEMINOT AND HOMECOMING

October 3 through 5, 2008

Will be held at the  
Holiday Inn  
900 Corporate Parkway  
Wentzville, MO 63385  
Tel (636) 327-7001  
Fax (636) 327-7019

Hotel rates are as follows:  
\$72.00 for Single and Double Occupancy  
\$72.00 for Triple and Quad Occupancy  
Current Tax rate will apply

Make all reservations directly with the Hotel by September 3, 2008.  
When you make reservations please mention that you are with the  
40/8 Honor Society.

Friday, October 3, 2008  
Registration 3:00 til 8:00PM  
Hospitality Room 3:00PM til ???  
Saturday, October 4, 2008  
Registration 8:00 AM til noon  
Hospitality Room 8:30 AM til 1:00PM  
Executive Meeting 9:00AM  
Cheminot will start at 1:00PM  
Cocktails starting at 6:00PM  
The Banquet will start at 7:00PM  
Hospitality Room opened after Banquet  
Sunday, October 5, 2008  
Donuts/Coffee 7:00 til 9:00AM

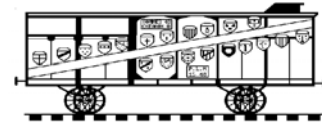
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Make checks payable to Voiture 1541 and send to Leon Hill,  
1011 Pegasus Circle, St. Peters, MO 63376.

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Voiture Number \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet per Person \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Registration Fee \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Voyageurs only)

Choice of: \_\_\_\_\_ New York Strip \_\_\_\_\_ Stuffed Chicken Breast



**MEMBERSHIP GRAND VOITURE DU MISSOURI**  
as of July 8, 2008

LOCALE	2007	2008	PERCENT	Short/Over
3	130	115	89%	-15
38	156	156	100%	0
130	32	30	93%	-2
292	61	59	96%	-2
293	15	12	80%	-3
333	83	114	137%	31
447	9	2	22%	-7
448	211	211	100%	0
460	67	65	97%	-2
520	14	14	100%	0
760	90	88	97%	-2
848	14	17	121%	3
966	11	9	82%	-2
1292	69	72	104%	3
1321	87	86	98%	-1
1379	32	35	109%	3
1395	20	21	105%	1
1402	44	38	86%	-6
1403	57	53	93%	-4
1541	65	70	107%	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,267</b>	<b>1,267</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>

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