



Communiqué



La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

Grande Voiture du Missouri

August 2023 - Grand Chef de Gare John "MIKE" Scruby

L'Editeur Robert C. Emery



Greetings voyageurs
It's my honor and pleasure to be the Grand Chef De Gare Du Mo. for 2024-2025. I will try hard to retain our current members and find new members.

I traveled to St. Robert Mo. to install Rose Noonan July 29th along with the rest of the officers.

The next event for the Grand will be the Fall Grande Cheminot and Grand Chefs Homecoming Oct.13th-15th at Ramada Inn Oasis Hotel and Convention Center in Springfield Mo. , please try to attend.

The 104th promenade National will be Sept. 13th-15th in Sandusky Ohio.

Grand Chef de Gare du Missouri

Phone: (816) 204-1746

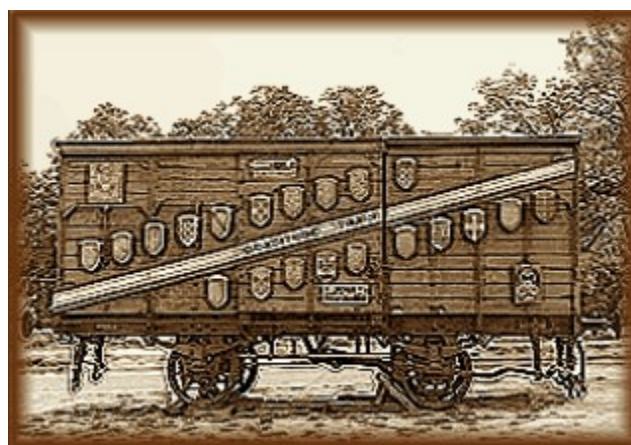
Email: jscruby50@gmail.com

Janice Hartley's new email is now: jghartleykdr@outlook.com

AJ Noonan's email address is ajnoonan2004@yahoo.com

Sous Correspondant notes:

ATTENTION all newly appointed program directures. You will need to send an article about your program to be included in the Communiqué.



.If you re planning to attend the Fall Grande Cheminot and Grand Chefs Homecoming please send in your reservation so we can get a good head count for the banquet (The hotel needs good numbers so they can order enough food for the banquet). It will also get your name badge printed instead of hand written.



POW/MIA recognition day is the 15th of September.

As of 22 May 2023, more than 81,000 Americans remain missing from WWII, Korean War, Vietnam War, Cold War and the Gulf Wars/other conflicts.

1579 Americans of who served in the Vietnam War are now listed by the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency as still missing. Of those: 1241 Vietnam, 285 Laos, 48 Cambodia, and 7 from the Peoples Republic of China territorial waters.

The agency estimates that more than 80,000 individuals never returned home. There are no known living POWs left in Vietnam from the American time frame. 59 American women who served as civilians (including nurses) in Vietnam were also killed in that war of which 4 were POWs.

If your Voiture would like the 2024 pins, please let me know how many. I plan to pick up some of the pins when I go the Nationale.

Janice Hartley
Grand Directeur POW/MIA

Pentagon COVID-19 Case Registry Is Riddled with Errors, Watchdog Finds

https://www.military.com/daily-news/2023/07/24/pentagon-covid-19-case-registry-riddled-errors-watchdog-finds.html?ESRC=eb_230725.nl&utm_medium=email&utm_source=eb&utm_campaign=20230725

VA to review possible connections between toxic exposures and acute leukemia, chronic leukemia, and multiple myeloma

<https://app.box.com/s/o584jgvgn0mz2gq6sjrspazbsc14soo3>

Tricare for Retirees

https://www.military.com/benefits/tricare/retiree/tricare-for-retirees.html?ESRC=eb_230720.nl&utm_medium=email&utm_source=eb&utm_campaign=20230720

PACT Act benefits: claims received by August 9 will be eligible for 12 months of backdated compensation

https://news.va.gov/121448/pact-act-benefits-claims-backdated-compensation/?utm_source=feature&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=VetResources&utm_id=19JUL2023

Report on Meeting Between Military-Veterans Advocacy and VA Undersecretary for Benefits Josh Jacobs

<https://app.box.com/s/3diwb85jbzrhmrnz6r4zqvkas2xdpteq>

DOJ Puts Pressure on States to Recognize Military Spouse Job Licenses After New Law

https://www.military.com/daily-news/2023/07/18/doj-puts-pressure-states-recognize-military-spouse-job-licenses-after-new-law.html?ESRC=eb_230719.nl&utm_medium=email&utm_source=eb&utm_campaign=20230719



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 Fall Cheminot and Grand Chef de Gare John Scruby Homecoming to be held October 13th and October 14th, 2023 at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center, 2546 North Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803, phone (417) 866-5253.

There will be an Executive Board Meeting on Saturday morning at 9:00 AM in the Hospitality Room.

The Fall Grande Cheminot will be held on Saturday, October 14th, 2023 at 1:00 PM at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center.

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 male Officers are expected to be in coat, tie, shirt, long pants, socks and shoes, whereas female Officers are expected to be in a dress or skirt and blouse or slacks and blouse 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.

A.J. Noonan
Grand Correspondant

John Scruby
Grand Chef de Gare

GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

GRAND CHEF DE GARE HOMECOMING & CHEMINOT

October 13th thru October 15th, 2023



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



Room Rate \$104.00 (+TAX) per night
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
Make Hotel reservations directly with Oasis Hotel and Convention Center by October 1st, 2023

Friday, October 13th, 2023

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

Saturday, October 14th, 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, October 15th, 2023

Check Out
HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Deadline for registration for the banquet is October 1st, 2023

To register for the Grande Homecoming & 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: _____



3-Aug-23

	Votre	2022 Year End	2023 To-date	2023 Quota	Sh/Ov Quota	% of Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	34	34	34	0	100.00%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	56	53	56	-3	94.64%
JESSE JAMES	130	37	39	37	2	105.41%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	30	30	30	0	100.00%
STATE FAIR	333	105	104	105	-1	99.05%
GATEWAY	448	67	67	67	0	100.00%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	59	59	59	0	100.00%
KICKAPOO	760	27	29	27	2	107.41%
MARK TWAIN	966	3	2	3	-1	66.67%
CAPITAL	1292	64	73	64	9	114.06%
MINERAL AREA	1321	73	74	73	1	101.37%
Neuf Comtés	1379	38	37	38	-1	97.37%
ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties	1402	13	18	13	5	138.46%
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	12	9	12	-3	75.00%
TWO RIVERS	1541	55	54	55	-1	98.18%
Missouri Total		673	682	673	9	101.34%