



Communiqué
La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux
Grande Voiture du Missouri



December 2018 - Grand Chef de Gare Calvin Bumgarner - L'Editeur Grant Willis



The Grand Chef

Fellow Voyageurs,
 Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with their family and

friends.

I started out this month with the Fall Grand Cheminot & Grand Chef's Homecoming in Springfield Mo. It was a very good weekend and again I want to thank everyone for coming supporting me and Grand du Missouri.

Robert Emery and I visited Voiture 38 Promenade in St. Louis on the 19th. We had Great interaction with the members and good chili also. They told me they had only 4 members left to sign up for 2019 good job!! On the 27th Karen and I went to Voiture 448 Promenade and Christmas party the food and desserts were wonderful. I was very impressed with all the things that both Voiture's were doing for the children and the veterans during this Christmas season. A job well done!

Membership is going well. We gave it a good try to get to 75% by the end of November but just came up a little bit short. We need to let the people know we care what's happening with our organization. Let them know all the good we do for our community. Get out there work hard so we don't lose this great Organization. I know we can count on you. Let's get that 100% in

2019 and a little more.

In 2019 we will be hosting all the Grand Cheminot functions on the east side of the state in Earth City, Mo. Since we have 4 Voiture's right close I'm hoping for a great turn out for the spring wreck with a lot of new PG's. Hopefully we will make this the largest spring wreck we have had in a long time. Let's all get out there and recruit, so we can make 2019 a great year for the Grand.

In closing I want to wish every one of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thanks again for all you do for Grand du Missouri.

God Bless you and God bless America

Thanks for all you do.

Grand Chef de Gare

Grande du Missouri

Calvin Bumgarner

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Sous Grand Correspondants Notes

I have listed an approximate schedule for the different Directeur's to submit their articles for the newsletter.

Jan 2019 – Special Awards, Voiture Activities

Feb 2019 – Distinguished Voyageur

Mar 2019 – Carville Star

Here are some changes to the Yearbook:

1. Page 6 David Voles email address should be .com
2. Page 9 and 10 Arthur Wilson Res. Phone number is 636-724-0669
3. Page 10 and page 20 Ernie Parker Res Phone number is 660-620-0605
4. Page 16 Kevin Jonson Cell phone number is 573-452-1157
5. Page 21 Voiture 760 is now meeting on the 3rd Tuesday.
6. Page 24 Voiture 1395 LaVern Gisselbeck and John Doane are both deceased.

Child Welfare

Sarah and her grandmother were shopping for Sarah's school clothing. It was not the happy anticipation of a pre-school sale. They were shopping for Sarah's next-day clothing the night of a house fire that took all of Sarah's possessions. A man previously unknown to Sarah waited at the cashier's stand with up to \$300 toward her bedding and clothing. If there were other children, there would be up to \$1,000 per family. Who does that? You do. That man, representing a 40&8 Voiture Locale, will receive reimbursement from the 40&8's Ardery Trust for the money spent that night.

Child Welfare is the oldest 40&8 program. At its 1923 inception, beneficiaries were children whose fathers did not return from

WWI or whose fathers returned with wounds that limited the family's income. There were no governmental programs to assist those children. In 1925, 40&8 Voyageurs established the Child Welfare Fund, the foundation of the Charles Ardery Child Welfare Trust. That Trust has expanded to aid children regardless of veterans' connection.

The Trust obtains its funds from \$.25 of your annual dues, donations and sale of pins, mostly to 40&8 Voyageurs. Take pride in the Missouri Voitures Locales that purchased pins to support the Child Welfare program. Wear your own pin proudly, knowing you helped Sarah and other victims of fires, floods, tornadoes, or other disasters.

POW/MIA

The 40/8 Nationale POW/MIA Program raises funds in Honor of the Servicemen & Women who were Prisoners of War, or are considered Missing in Action while serving in the defense of the United States of America, or its allies during times of armed conflict. The funds raised facilitate the formation and continuance of the Scholarship Trust Fund for direct descendants POW/MIA Servicemen and Women. Scholarships are limited to the Veteran, the Spouse of the Veterans, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren of the Veteran.

If your Voiture is interested in purchasing POW/MIA pins – contact me at

ajnoonan2004@yahoo.com.

Pins are \$3.00 each.



Sincerely,
AJ Noonan
Directeur POW/MIA

FALL GRAND CHEMINOT, November 10, 2018
OASIS HOTEL, SPRINGFIELD, Missouri

With a rap of the gavel, Grand Chef de Gare Calvin Bumgarner, opened the Fall Grand Cheminot at 1:00 PM with a salute to the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a much needed prayer by Grand Aumonier Rose Noonan.

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 that we had a quorum. Voyageurs don't know how to answer roll call and many paid fines for it. Absent were Voitures 966, 1292, 1395 1402 and 1403.

Grand Avocat Grant Willis said we will follow Roberts Rules of Order. At this time Grand Chef de Gare Bumgarner's cell phone went off and he paid dearly.

Notion offered by Kevin Johnson, seconded by A J Noonan, that the Grand Promenade and Cheminot minutes are accepted as printed and sent out...passed.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning gave the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, held on November 10, 2018 at 9:00am. The budget was read by Frank Angelo. Frank Angelo offered a notion to accept the budget as printed, seconded by Ed Jones ... passed. Discussed what fundraiser we should have at the Spring Wreck. Decided to do the jockey stick horse race but with no betting, with Bob Phillips in charge. If a Voiture does not participate then there will be a \$50 fine and \$50 for participating. It was decided that the Grande should invite the Chef de Chemin de Fer Rick Williams to the Grande Spring Wreck and Cheminot. Rich Heigert offered a notion to authorize and set up a not for profit Corporation to run the 102nd Promenade Nationale, La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux. This Corporation would be owned by the Grande du Missouri with the Officers, Directors, and Incorporators being Richard Heigert President, Thomas Berkley Vice President, Terry McDonald Treasurer, Terry Lanning Secretary, and Leslie Willis Conducteur Nationale. The Grande would lend the 102nd Corporation \$500 for start up money. Any money made from the 102nd Promenade Nationale would go to the Grande. Seconded by Janice and passed. Terry will ask Department Judge Advocate Cassie Strom to set up the Corporation.

In July 2018 the Executive Committee approved a Promenade Nationale Committee consisting of Rich Heigert Chairman, with Terry McDonald, Bob Emery and Kevin Johnson. Grand Chef de Gare Bumgarner will disband this committee. Closed the Executive Committee meeting at 9:40am. Notion by Kevin Johnson to approve the minutes seconded by Ben Sargent and passed.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning stated the new yearbooks are in the back of the room. Terry emailed each Grand Directeur a listing of voyageurs from each Voiture that were on the various programs. Terry also read a letter from Special Olympics Missouri for the Grande's donation. Terry received an email from Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer James Coe, who is assigned Missouri, discussing membership. In the yearbook Mike Scruby's zip code should be 64068.

Grand Commissaire Intendant, Frank Angelo, stated the finance report and budget were passed out and discussed them. Notion offered by Frank Angelo, second by Kevin Johnson, to accept the Finance report...passed.

Grand Chef de Train Janice Hartley said we are at 65.34%. She attended the Promenade Nationale in Louisville and went to the Resolution, Credentials, and Box Car Committee meetings. Voiture 1541 won first place for their history book (4th time in a row). There were two appoints to Nationale, Janice for Sous Box Car Directeur and Grant Willis for Sous Public Relations. She called on the Sous Chef de Trains to report on their Voitures, to which Ben Sargent said his area was at 65%. Ben also reported that two members who were running Voiture 1395 had passed away and he contacted some members of Voiture 1395 to see if they wanted to transfer and they did not want to and they did not know if their Voiture had any money left. Ben will send Carolyn Doane a letter to see if she knows about a bank account for Voiture 1395 that John Doane handled. Joel Doyscher said his area was at 63%, and Don Barbour said his area was at 67%. The Grand has a total membership of 487, plus some additions that were reported we will be at 68%. Grand Chef de Gare Bumgarner said we need to let the voyageurs know how important they are.

Cheminot Nationale Chip Berkley reported on the Nationale Promenade. There was a good turnout from the Grande. It was approved to raise Nationale dues by \$5.00 but this is not effective until the 2020 membership year, next summer. The password did not change. Kevin attended the Ritual meeting and they are going to change the form online. The Time and Place Committee assigned the Promenade Nationale to Missouri for 2021. Ed Jones attended the Historian meeting and said if any Voiture has newspaper coverage then send that to Angie. Ed also attended the Special Awards which received 9 nominations.

The next Promenade Nationale's will be in Myrtle Beach September 10-14, 2019 and Sandusky Ohio September 16-19, 2020

Some of the highlights of the Grand Cheminot reports are: Voiture 38 have had their loco out and it will be available for the Spring Wreck if wanted, they had a theft of their air conditioner and have put a new one inside the garage; Voiture 130 is still selling towels and trash bags to raise money for their nurses in training but it is getting harder to get the towels; Voiture 292 had hot dogs and Brats at VA Hospital, they welcomed back the Honor Flight, donated \$1,000 to VA, attended some funerals, and rode with the Patriot Guard; Voiture 333 had a rededication of the Box Car at the State Fair, they had bingo at VA and did Flags to First Graders; Voiture 448 had a BBQ in June, will have their xmas party at Marygrove on 12/2/18; Voiture 460 helped out a prior nurse, had a BBQ, and had a Veterans Day meal; Voiture 760 had hot dogs and hand grenades and did good, they have one nurse in training; Voiture 1321 had their last cookout and have one nurse in training; Voiture 1379 had their Chick Nic and has one nurse in training; Voiture 1541 history book won 1st Place at Nationale, had their installation to which Passe Grand Chef de Gare Leon Hill did the installing, Christmas party will be 12/12/2018.

Grand Avocat Grant Willis said Voitures 333, 292, and 1379 had turned in new Constitutions and are awaiting Voiture Nationale approval. There are still a few Voitures that need to update their Constitution.

Grand Directeur Child Welfare Terry McDonald said he has new 2019 pins if anyone wanted any let him know. Everyone should keep track of their time and miles that they do and report them.

Grand Directeur Nurses Training Jim Hartley said he sent in a Boland Trust nurses training scholarship application for Voiture 1379 and is waiting on the approval.

Grand Directeur Americanism Bob Emery said he had new pins if anyone wanted any pins to let him know.

Grand Directeur Box Car Ernie Parker said he has 2019 pins so let him know if you need any.

Grand Directeur Carville Star Mike Scruby said he has 2019 pins so let him know if you need any.

Grand Directeur POW/MIA A. J. Noonan said he has new 2019 pins if anyone wanted any let him know.

Grand Directeur Ritual Kevin Johnson said he did not have any pins. Let the Conducteur know if you are bringing any PG's to the Spring Wreck.

Grand Directeur Youth Sports Ann Roberts said she has the 2019 pins so let her know if you want any. Nationale is creating a new form to ask for funds.

Grand Sous Correspondant Grant Willis said the Grand Chef is so far sending in his articles on time. Missouri was Honorable mention on the non advertising Newsletter.

Time and Place Committee Committeeman Kevin Johnson said we will be back to the Oasis Hotel in Springfield for 2020. The cost of the room will be \$99 plus tax. The dates will be April 17 - 19, 2020, June 19 - 21, 2020 and October 30 - November 1, 2020.

MAVO - Rich Heigert said the VA home in St. Louis will have \$19 million in renovations, where they are changing the 2 people per room to single rooms. The next MAVO meeting will be the 1st Monday in January 2019.

Grand Chef de Gare Bumgarner disbanded the Promenade Nationale Committee.

Old Business - none

New Business - Terry thanked everyone that helped in going through the old Grande records at Department Headquarter. Voiture 333 said on November 11, 2018 they are having a WWII speaker. Terry said the tentative Chairmen for the Promenade Nationale Committees will be: Housing Ralph Turner, Early Bird Ron Leverenz, Banquet David Voyles, Registration Kevin Johnson, Pins & Badges Calvin Bumgarner, La Femmes Shirley Willis, Packets Frank Angelo, Special Events David Bexten, Transportation Chubs Buckley, Hall Seating and Banner signs Voiture 760, Vendors Bob Phillips, Public Relations Bob Emery, Distinguished Guests Grand Chef and Program Book Art Wilson.

Past Grand Chef de Gare David Voyles thanked Bob Emery for the History book.

Grand Chef de Gare Bumgarner closed the Fall Grand Cheminot in the proper manner at 2:45 PM.

Submitted by,

Terry L. Lanning

Grand Correspondant

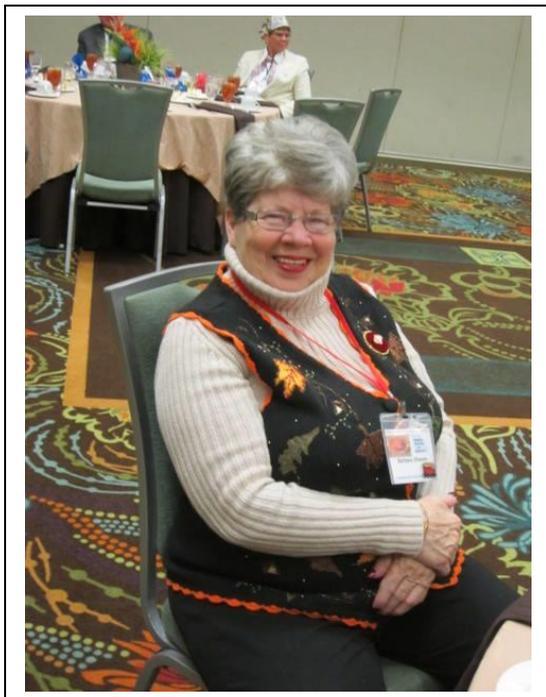
Here are some pictures from the Fall Cheminot and Homecoming:



Department Commander Kerry Boardman



Departmental Chapeau Shirley Willis



Barb Sheets enjoying herself



Grant Willis MC for the night

GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI GRAND CHEMINOT and WRECK

March 22, 23 and 24, 2019



Holiday Inn Earth City
3400 Rider Trail South
St. Louis, MO 63045
Phone: (314) 291-6800

Room Rate is \$109.00 (plus tax) per night
(Includes Breakfast)

For Standard King or Standard Double Queen Occupancy
Handicap rooms available

Make Hotel reservations directly with Holiday Inn by March 8, 2019
Mention "40 & 8" to receive room rate with breakfast included

Friday, March 22, 2019

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

Saturday, March 23, 2019

Registration 0900 - Noon
Wreck 0900-1130
LUNCH 1130 - 1300
1300 wreck continues
Hospitality Room open after Wreck until 1700
Grand Chef de Gare Passe' Social Hour - 1700 - 1800
Social Hour 1800 - Cash Bar
Banquet: 1900
Hospitality Room: After Banquet - ??????

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Grande Cheminot 0900 - NOON

Check Out
HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Deadline for registration for the banquet is March 15, 2019, NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

To register for the Cheminot, make Check payable to Voiture 1541

Send to:

Allen Schultz
1427 Summergate Parkway
St.Charles, MO 63303-6384

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Title: _____ Voiture Number _____

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

Registration Fee \$10.00 (Voyageurs Only) _____

Total \$ _____

I got this from the November issue of PALs.

WHAT IS A VETERAN? Written by a young female high school student for a school

A veteran is a man who fell in love with his country, for better, or worse - for richer, for poorer - in sickness and in health.

A veteran is a man who is willing to lay down his life for the Statue of Liberty so that her poor, her huddled mass-es, her homeless, her tempest tossed may breathe free and may enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

A veteran is as a man who does what he must - in spite of personal consequences - in spite of obstacles and dangers and pressures - for that is the basis of all human morality.

A veteran is a man who gets a lump in his throat when he sees our beloved flag and he'll fight to protect our beau-tiful bunting from those who would dare to dishonor it.

A veteran is a man who pays his taxes, willingly; serves his country, honorably; and cherishes his freedom, pas-sionately.

A veteran is a man well-deserving of our appreciation, our love, and our prayers 365 days a year.



Membership

November 29, 2018

Voiture Name	Voiture	2018 YTD Total	2019 YTD Total	2018 Year End Total	% of Quota	short/over
HEART OF AMERICA	3	31	39	43	90.70%	-4
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	64	67	72	93.06%	-5
JESSE JAMES	130	32	30	35	85.71%	-5
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	35	33	35	94.29%	-2
STATE FAIR	333	54	83	129	64.34%	-46
GATEWAY	448	65	56	84	66.67%	-28
CENTRAL OZARK	460	40	40	57	70.18%	-17
KICKAPOO	760	20	23	36	63.89%	-13
MARK TWAIN	966	4	4	4	100.00%	0
CAPITOL	1292	29	30	63	47.62%	-33
MINERAL AREA	1321	57	54	69	78.26%	-15
NEUF COMPT	1379	38	34	42	80.95%	-8
HEART OF THE OZARKS ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Co.	1395	13	2	13	15.38%	-11
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	3	9	15	60.00%	-6
TWO RIVERS	1541	46	50	58	86.21%	-8
Missouri Total		552	565	776	72.81%	-211