



Communiqué

La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

Grande Voiture du Missouri



February 2022 - Grand Chef de Gare A.J. Noonan

L'Editeur Robert C. Emery



Fellow Voyageurs:

I want to thank everyone for all they do for this organization. I'm proud to be a part of the 40

and 8 and everything it represents. There are times that we take for granted everything that happens behind the scenes. We do this as Veterans and our commitment to this great organization. Everyone's effort and dedication are truly appreciated.

I had the opportunity to attend the Missouri Veterans Commission and MAVO meeting in Jefferson City on 25 Jan 2022. There was a MAVO Rally on 26 January 2022 in the Rotunda in the State Capitol to bring awareness and discuss with our State Legislators the importance of a fully funded Missouri Veterans Commission (MVC). The funding includes operation and maintenance of State Veterans Homes, State Cemeteries, Veteran Service Officers Program and Veterans Grant Programs. Our Missouri Veterans Homes (7) are at 50% capacity due to staff shortages (CNA's, LPN's and RN's) and the underfunding of our Medical Professionals in Veteran Facilities. Our Veterans deserve better. This reiterates the importance of one of our core programs: Nurses Training.



MAVO Rally at Missouri Capital 26 January 2022

Spring Wreck:

If you haven't sent your registration paperwork in or made hotel reservations for the Spring Wreck – I encourage everyone to do so as soon as possible. Registration form is included in the article. The Spring Wreck is an enjoyable time but requires a lot of coordination and support to execute. I look forward to seeing

everyone there and welcoming our Voyageurs Militaires into this great organization.

MEMBERSHIP

: As of 27 January 2022, Grande du Missouri is at 81.72% and continues to head in

the right direction. I appreciate everyone's effort this past month. The Grande is still 130 short of reaching our goal. Keep up the effort. Our focus should be Recruit and Renew for the organization. I would ask each Voiture contact their members that have not renewed their membership. With your efforts – we can make 100% membership for Grande du Missouri. Reminder, as of 31 December 2021, those members who have not paid their dues are delinquent. Continue to reach out to those members and get them involved in your Voiture Activities. A phone call or letter may be all that it takes for that renewal.

Reminder

If any Voiture has a special event coming up in the next few months; send Robert Emery a flier to include in the monthly Communiqué.

Sincerely,

A.J Noonan

Grand Chef de Gare

Grande du Missouri

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.Spring Wreck:

If you haven't sent your registration paperwork in or made hotel reservations for the Spring Wreck you need to do so as soon as possible. Rooms have to be reserved by March 4, 2022. The registration form is included in this newsletter. Voitures let Grand Conducteur Forrest Johnson know how many PG's you are going to have at the Spring Wreck. Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning

Military Uniform Flag

The Real Reason Why it is Backwards on Uniforms

For over 230 years, whenever our troops have marched, sailed, flown, swam, or paraded into battle, the American flag has been there. Between the Mexican and Civil Wars, it was carried out front by a flag bearer. In later conflicts, the standard was converted into a patch worn on the service member's right shoulder. And it's always "backwards." Most Americans see the flag every day, flying outside government buildings, schools, and other institutions. We saluted it in primary school, and we know what it looks like. The blue field of white stars is in the top left corner, with red and white stripes making up the rest of the right and bottom.

So, did someone make a mistake on these uniforms? Actually, the flag patch is worn backwards to give others the same impression it did when it was first carried into battle. The momentum of the flag bearer would leave the flag streaming behind, appearing backwards to enemies, or anyone else close enough to catch a glimpse. According to Army Regulation 670-1: "The American flag patch is to be worn, right or left shoulder, so that the star field faces forward, or to the flag's own right. When worn in this manner, the flag is facing to the observer's right, and gives the effect of the flag flying in the breeze as the wearer moves forward."

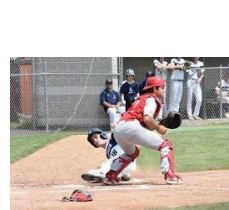
This feature is unique to U.S. military uniforms. No other country in the world maintains this symbolic standard. The next time you see an American service member in uniform, show them your gratitude, and take pride in the fact that the flag is always on the advance, never retreating.



Special Olympics
Missouri



What does these IMAGES have in common??



RIGHT!

YOU RIGHT 40 & 8 Youth Sports J

Remember our Motto: "NO ATHLETE SHOULD STAY AT HOME FOR A LACK OF FUNDS" The National Youth Sports Program has funds available to help assist the young athletes in your area.. Your Grand can be reimbursed up to \$1,000.00 for your participation. You select the athlete or athletes that you wish to help. Make your contribution to the athlete or team and then submit the proper claim form and proof of your contribution to the Directeur Youth Sports. The form requires the signatures of the Locale Directeur, the Grand Directeur and the Nationale Directeur. AND, The Youth Sports Program carries out its mission by 1. Assisting programs that build comradeship, strengthen participation, and encourage competition among amateur athletes. 2. Working with other sports organizations to benefit amateur athletes. 3. Recognizing young athletes for leadership, high moral character and sportsmanship.

Have fun. Participate, Volunteer, Cheer-on, Take part in, Donate to transportation and their team's needs and wants. J

Thank You, Ann Puck, Grande du Missouri Youth Sports Directeur



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40 & 8 Voiture #1541 annual “Night at the Races”

When: Saturday March 5, 2022

Where: American Legion Post #312 St. Charles

Time: Doors open at 6PM. Races start at 7PM

Cost: \$10 per person which covers racing program, draft beer and soda.

Cash Bar available for other drinks. No outside liquor allowed. 50/50, raffle baskets, and non winning ticket prizes. You are welcome to bring in your own snacks. For more info please contact event coordinator Leon Hill (636)387-0671 or (314)406-2260 or any member of the 40&8 Voiture #1541. Proceeds go towards Nurses Training and Child Welfare programs.

GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

GRANDE CHEMINOT and WRECK

March 25, 26 and 27, 2022

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

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



For Standard King or Standard Double Queen Occupancy

Handicap rooms available

Make Hotel reservations directly with Holiday Inn by **March 4, 2022**

Mention "Forty & Eight" to receive room rate

Friday, March 25, 2022

Registration: 1500 until 1800

Hospitality Room 1500 - ????

Saturday, March 26, 2022

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 27, 2022

Grande Cheminot 0900 - NOON

Check Out

HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Deadline for registration for the banquet is March 19, 2022

To register for the Grande Cheminot, make Check payable to **Voiture 448**

Send to:

Terry Lanning
2045 Granada Drive
Florissant, MO 63033

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Title: _____ Voiture Number _____

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

Registration Fee \$10.00 (Voyageurs Only) _____

Total \$ _____

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January 14, 2022

Monsieur Voyageurs, Dames and Guests:

Greetings from all the Voyageurs and Dames of the Grand Voiture du Oklahoma. We would like to extend to each and every one of you an open invitation to attend our Central States Promenade 2022.

Please ensure the widest dissemination of this information to all your Voitures, Cabanes, Voyageurs and Dames.

All the fun and festivities will start on Thursday, April 28, 2022, and will be held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, 2101 S. Meridian Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73108. Their phone number is 1-405-685-4000. The room rate is \$92.00 per night plus tax. We have reserved 30 rooms for this event so make your reservations early as all rooms not reserved by April 15, 2022 will be returned to the hotel for their normal bookings. Be sure to mention that you are with the 40&8 Central States Promenade. There are **handicap accessible rooms** available so if you fit into this category, please ask early because these are on a first come, first served basis. **Make all your room reservations directly with the hotel reservations number.** Pets are allowed with \$50-\$75 pet fee depending on size.

Individual registrations for this event will still be \$85.00 per person and registration kit includes our Friday evening B-B-Q meal, our Saturday evening banquet, your Central States Promenade 2022 Pin, your Souvenir Program Book, and of course, the Grande du Oklahoma's own Hospitality Room. Please fill out the registration form completely when returning your reservations.

For those of you who have never been to the Oklahoma City area and want to strike out on your own, we will have maps of the city for your use, along with flyers and pamphlets that describe local attractions. The Bricktown Area and Canal in Oklahoma City are popular tourist destinations. Several casinos are within a short drive from the hotel. We have great shopping too. Plan to arrive here early and check out the OKC area.

Naturally, for those of you who like to stay close to home, our hospitality rooms will be open for your pleasure at the following times: Thursday 4:00 pm to midnight, Friday 2 pm to 5 pm and will open after the BBQ until midnight, Saturday after the Promenade 3:00 P.M to 5:00 P.M. and will open after the Banquet until midnight.

For those of you who intend to fly into Oklahoma City Airport, the hotel is less than 5 minutes from the airport, and they have an airport shuttle bus to pick you up. Just give the hotel a call when you arrive.

The BBQ will take place on Friday 29 April at the Wyndham Garden Hotel. The Voyageur's Luncheon and the Women's Luncheon on Saturday will each cost \$25.00. We hope you will attend.

The meals will be:

- BBQ - green salad, Cole slaw, fried chicken, beef brisket, baked beans with bacon, fried okra, dinner rolls, and fruit cobbler and triple chocolate cake.
- Ladies Luncheon - Citrus Chicken - green salad, grilled chicken breast marinated in orange, lemon and lime juice, topped with fruit chutney, grilled asparagus, wild rice, and strawberry shortcake.
- Voyageurs Luncheon - Grilled Chicken Breast - green salad, marinated chicken breast with lemon pepper demi-glaze, herb roasted potatoes, Julienne vegetables, and strawberry cake.
- Banquet -
 - Choice of Burgundy Beef Tips - green salad, tender sirloin tips in a rich burgundy sauce served over egg noodles, with French beans and apple pie.
 - or Chicken Marsala - green salad, breaded chicken breast topped with mushroom Marsala wine sauce, with roasted red skinned potatoes, steamed broccoli, and red velvet cake.

The form for placing ads in our Souvenir Program Book is enclosed. Prices for the ads are shown and must accompany your ad copy. The special events are shown on your Registration Form and you are requested to fill these out if you intend to participate in any of the special events. Unauthorized raffles, or similar types of fund-raising activity, will not be allowed at this event. **Make all checks payable to Grande Voiture du Oklahoma with CSP 2022 in memo line.**

With the COVID-19 virus and variants being in play at this writing and making event planning unpredictable, if Oklahoma City goes into or is in a lock down situation the Central State Promenade 2022 will BE CANCELLED AND NOT BE RESCHEDULED. All registrations will be refunded or returned.

Please feel free to contact me or Joseph Steil with any questions.
Thank You.

Charles Baker
President, CSP 2022

CENTRAL STATES PROMENADE 2022
April 28 to May 1, 2022
Registration Form (PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: _____ EMAIL _____

ADDRESS: _____ City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL/WORK PHONE: _____

Voiture/Cabane #: _____ GRAND DU: _____

Will Spouse/Guest attend? (YES) ____ (NO) ____ NAME: _____

HIGHEST OFFICE HELD: VOYAGEUR: _____

DAME: _____

DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE VOYAGEUR'S LUNCHEON ON SATURDAY? _____

WILL YOUR SPOUSE/GUEST ATTEND THE LADIES' LUNCHEON ON SATURDAY? _____

REGISTRATION AND ACTIVITIES REMITTANCE

Registration Fee: _____ X \$85 = \$ _____

Voyageur's Saturday Luncheon: _____ X \$25 = \$ _____

Ladies' Saturday Luncheon: _____ X \$25 = \$ _____

Ads: Full Pg - \$100, Half Pg - \$50, Qtr Pg - \$25, Business Card - \$15 \$ _____

Booster: _____ \$2 each name _____ X \$ 2 = \$ _____

Booster: _____ Booster: _____

(Mr. & Mrs. Counts as 2 Names)

Total amount of Remittance -----\$ _____

Banquet:

For the Banquet, please indicate how many: Burgundy Beef Tips _____ OR Chicken Marsala _____.

MEMO: Your registration fee includes a personal set of Credentials; the 2022 Souvenir Central States Program book; the Official Central States Promenade 2022 Pin; your Friday evening Barbeque, your Saturday evening banquet and the Hospitality Rooms of your Host the Grand Voiture du Oklahoma.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS REGISTRATION FORM CLEARLY AND RETURN TO: Central States Promenade 2022, 17921 Groveton Blvd, Edmond, OK 73012-4572. Promenade registrations need to be received prior to April 15, 2022. The hotel needs a number by that date for the food. If you are coming let us know. Call if you have to, (405) 820-6881.

Thank You.

MAKE ALL CHECKS (except Hotel reservations) PAYABLE TO: Grande Voiture du Oklahoma with CSP 2022 in memo line.

CENTRAL STATES PROMENADE - 2022

Advertisement Request Form

It is requested that the attached ad copy be included in the Central States Promenade - 2022 Souvenir Program Book. Circle the size of the ad that you wish to be printed: (Don't forget to send in your ad with your money.)

Full Page Ad (5 ½ x 8 ½) ----- \$100.00

Half Page Ad----- \$ 50.00

Quarter Page Ad----- \$ 25.00

Business Card Ad----- \$ 15.00

Booster Club Ad (Per name) ----- \$ 2.00
(Mr. & Mrs. Counts as 2 Names)

Booster Name: _____ Booster Name: _____

Booster Name: _____ Booster Name: _____
(Please Print Booster Names)

MEMO: Each Booster Club Ad Name will be printed in a special section of the Souvenir Program Book. You are not required to register nor attend the Central States Promenade 2022 in order to place an ad in the Souvenir Program Book. Likewise, the same information applies to those who only wish to place their name in the Booster Club portion of the Souvenir Program Book. Full payment for all ad material and for Booster Club Names must accompany this request form.

Make all checks payable to **Grande Voiture du Oklahoma with CSP 2022 in memo line.**

THE FINAL DATE FOR SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF ALL AD REQUESTS AND AD COPY, AS WELL AS BOOSTER CLUB NAMES IS APRIL 15, 2022. Please submit all Booster Club Names; all Ad Requests, Ad Copy, and check to: Central States Promenade 2022, 17921 Groveton Blvd, Edmond, OK 73012-4572.

FROM:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: _____

HOME PHONE :() _____ WORK/CELL PHONE :() _____

E-Mail ADDRESS: _____



	Membership	
Grande Voiture du Missouri		

27-Jan-22

	Voiture	2021	2022	2022	Sh/Ov	% of
		Year End	To-date	Quota	Quota	Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	39	34	39	-5	87.18%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	59	52	59	-7	88.14%
JESSE JAMES	130	38	33	38	-5	86.84%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	32	29	32	-3	90.63%
STATE FAIR	333	111	91	111	-20	81.98%
GATEWAY	448	67	52	67	-15	77.61%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	59	51	59	-8	86.44%
KICKAPOO	760	32	14	32	-18	43.75%
MARK TWAIN	966	3	3	3	0	100.00%
CAPITAL	1292	77	50	77	-27	64.94%
MINERAL AREA	1321	73	64	73	-9	87.67%
NEUF COMPT	1379	37	38	37	1	102.70%
ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties	1402	19	8	19	-11	42.11%
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	12	8	12	-4	66.67%
TWO RIVERS	1541	53	54	53	1	101.89%
Missouri Total		711	581	711	-130	81.72%