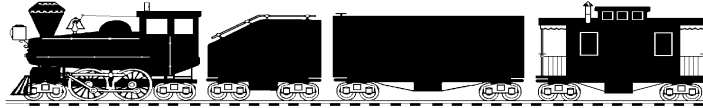


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*Grande Voiture du Missouri*



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**March 2013 - Grand Chef de Gare Edward Jones**

**- L'Editeur Grant Willis**

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**The Grand Chef Sez**

Fellow Voyageurs:

February 2013 was truly a slow month. I attended the American Legion Department Spring Conference in Jefferson City.

Attended the Homecoming for American Legion Auxiliary President Laura Mosby. The food and service was outstanding. Wish her the best for the coming year.

The American Legion Department Oratorical Competition was held. This year's winner is Agnes Reiger, a Senior attending Oak Park High School in Kansas City, Mo. She is going to National and we are rooting for her for continue success.

Grand Directeur Special Awards, Kenny Goth, is asking that each Voiture submit your Officer of the Year nomination to him as soon as possible. We know that there is a deserving Law Officer that can be given special recognition.

Remember the Spring Grande Cheminot and Wreck on 12-14 April 2013 to be held at the Ramada Inn, Springfield, Mo. Make your reservation soon.

March 2, 2013, Night at the Races will be held at the American Legion Post 312, 2500 Raymond Drive, St. Charles, Mo. Happy Hour: 1800-1900. Races begin at 1900.

Come one, come all.

The Fortieth Annual Truman Pilgrimage will be held on the 7-8 May 2013. Price of

the Wreaths are \$20.00 each. Send check to American Legion Post 21, 16701 E. 40 Highway, Independence, Mo 64055-5328. Make checks payable to American Legion Post 21, Truman Pilgrimage. If you are planning to stay overnight, hotel reservations can be made directly with the Holiday Inn Express, 19901 E. Valley View Parkway, Independence, Mo (exit 17) off 70 Highway. 816-795-8889. Please state you are with TRUMAN DAYS for discount rate. Each Grand Directeur should be writing an article for the monthly communiqué to keep everyone inform of the status of their offices. This will help keep everyone informed and could increase needed support for many functions.

Membership needs that good old Missouri Mule kick. We have fallen down in the National rankings. This is everyone's responsible to get your 2013 membership card. Lets go TEAM.

God Bless You and God Bless America

**Ed Jones**  
**Grand Chef de Gare**

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**DISTINGUISHED VOYAGEUR  
AWARD**

Each year at the Grande Voiture Promenade Banquet, the Distinguished Voyageur Award is bestowed upon an outstanding member of our organization, when brought to the attention of the Award Committee for

consideration and approval by a Voiture Local, nor is the Committee obligated to make awards.

The governing rules and qualifications will be applied to every nominee application and must be adhered to for approval. The main award qualifications are:

- a). Submitted on forms designated by the Committee. The form is available through the Grand Correspondant.
- b). All applications must be submitted by and approved by the Voiture Locale in which the candidate is a member.
- c). All Voyageurs Militaire with ten(10) years or more in membership that has personally contributed to the success of our programs and work are eligible, with the exception of Grand Chefs de Gare Passe.
- d). Awardee should be present at the Grande Voiture Promenade Banquet to receive said award. His or her Locale is responsible for the attendance of the recipient.
- e). All Distinguished Voyageur Award applications must be received by the Award Committee prior to the Grande Voiture du Missouri Spring Cheminot.

These are a few of the main rules of the Award project. Application forms and complete rules and regulations governing this worthy program can be obtained by request through the Grand Correspondant.

Raymond J. Brodzinski  
Chairman Distinguished Award Committee

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Articles for the Newsletter are due at the end of each month.

Do not forget to send in any address changes to the Grand Correspondant.

A reminder to all that the annual Program Fund Raffle has been sent out to all Voyageurs in Missouri. The drawing for this will be at our Grand Promenade, so please get your monies in before the end of June

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## SPECIAL AWARDS

The purpose of Law Officer of the Year award is to recognize and pay tribute to a Law Enforcement Officer who has done an outstanding job of performing his or her duties at the level of his employment, as well as their off-duty contributions to the community, both past and present.

Candidates for this award may be obtained by seeking recommendations from the agency chief executive (Superintendent, Sheriff, Chief, etc.) or directly by a Voiture Locale. Some of the more specific guidelines are: a previous Law Officer of the Year may not be submitted a second time, the candidate must be living at the time of application, the candidate must reside in and perform their duties within the State, and the candidate need not be a veteran. Please address the application to either Kenneth Goth or myself and be sure to put Forty and Eight Law Officer of the Year in the Subject Line.

The candidate's "packet" must be received on or before April 14, 2013 by Sous Grande Director Special Awards,

Norm Gentry

6872 Fox Bend Ct, Florissant, MO 63033

Email: [npentry@swbell.net](mailto:npentry@swbell.net)

## POW/MIA REPORT

In 2012 the remains of our Brothers who served in WWII, Korea and Viet Nam were identified, and returned to their families and American Soil to be properly buried.

They were; **from WWII:**

Army Air Force 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Samuel E. Lunday, of Marianna Florida.

The following 7 Marines, also from WWII will be buried as a group, in a single casket representing the crew at Arlington.

USMC 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Laverne A. Lallathin of Raymond, Washington

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Dwight D. Ekstam of Moline, Illinois

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Walter B. Vincent of Tulsa,

Oklahoma

Tech. Sgt. James A. Sisney of Redwood City, California

Cpl. Wayne R. Erickson of Minneapolis, Minnesota

Cpl. John D. Yeager of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

PFC John A. Donovan of Plymouth, Michigan

**From the Korean War:**

US Army Cpl. Luther Jesse James originally from Kansas

Marine PFC Richard S. Gzik of Toledo, Ohio

**From the Viet Nam War:**

Marine PFC James R. Maxwell

Marine PFC Richard W. Rivenburgh

Both of the above Marines were involved in the Mayaguez Incident. There are 7 still missing.

USAF Lt. Col. Clarence F. Blanton

USAF CMSgt. Richard L. Etchburger

Both of the above were involved in the Lima 95 Site incident. There are 9 airmen still missing.

US Army 5<sup>th</sup> Special Forces Sgt. Robert Jones, USA

US Army Sgt. John R. Jones of Louisville, Kentucky.

Since 1973 over 900 servicemen have been accounted for from the Viet Nam War. Please pray for the families who have not yet heard and I ask for your continued support to demand a full accounting from all wars. God Bless.

Gary Reno  
POW/MIA Directeur

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### Let's Have Fun

The Grande is in need of funds. The Grande would appreciate any donations that any Voiture or Voyageur would like to make. The Grande is going to have a fundraiser at the Spring Grande Cheminot & Wreck. Each Voiture that is represented at the banquet will have one male representative dressed up as a woman, the more realistic the better. Each Voiture will select their own male representative to dress as a woman. There will be a \$20.00 per Voiture entry fee. If a Voiture does not put up a male representative there will be a \$50.00 fine. At the banquet the men, dressed as women, will go around the audience to collect money. The top three that collected the most will win a prize. This is being done to have fun and make some money for the Grande. A new PG wrecked during the weekend should not be a Voiture representative. Lets everyone be creative. They could be made up so that they are not recognizable.



# Grande Voiture du Missouri

**GRANDE CHEMINOT AND SPRING WRECK**

**April 12-14, 2013**



**Ramada Oasis Hotel and Convention Center  
2546 North Glenstone Ave.  
Springfield, Mo. 65803  
(888) 532-4338  
(417) 866-5253**



Room Rate is \$ 75.00 per Night  
For Single or Double Occupancy

**Make reservations directly with Hotel by March 1, 2013**

Inform the Hotel you are with the Society of 40/8 when making reservations.

**Friday , April 12,2013**

Registration: 3:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Hospitality Room 3:00 P.M. UNTIL

**Saturday , April 13, 2013**

Registration: 9:00 A.M. - Noon

2013 Spring wreck 9:00 A.M. Until Completed ( There will be a break in the  
Wreck from 11:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. for lunch).

Hospitality Room will open upon completion of the wreck until 6:00 P.M.

Grand Chef de Gare Passe Social Hour: 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Banquet will begin at 6:00 P.M. with a Social Hour

Hospitality Room will reopen following the completion on the banquet

**Sunday , April 14, 2013**

Grande Cheminot: 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

**All Guests Try To Check-out By 11:00 A. M.**



To Register for the Wreck & Cheminot make Check payable to Voiture 400

Send To:

Kevin Johnson  
605 Wildwood Lane  
Waynesville, Missouri 65583

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Frist \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guests \_\_\_\_\_

Voiture Number \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \$25.00 per Person/ total number \_\_\_\_\_ \* \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee \$10.00 ( Voyageurs Only ) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**CENTRAL STATES PROMENADE 2013**  
**April 25 to April 28, 2013**  
**Registration Form (PLEASE PRINT)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Voiture/Cabane #: \_\_\_\_\_ Grand Du: \_\_\_\_\_  
Will Spouse/Guest attend? (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No) \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
HIGHEST OFFICE HELD: VOYAGEUR: \_\_\_\_\_  
DAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to play in the golf tournament? \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_  
Will Spouse/Guest play in the golf tournament? \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you plan to attend the Voyageur's Luncheon on Saturday? \_\_\_\_\_  
Will your Spouse/Guest attend the Luncheon on Saturday? \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION AND ACTIVITIES REMITTANCE**

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Voyageur's Saturday Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dames &  
Guest Saturday Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Golf Tournament: Includes cart \_\_\_\_\_ x \$45.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Booster: \_\_\_\_\_ \$2.00 each name \_\_\_\_\_ x \$2.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Booster: \_\_\_\_\_ Booster: \_\_\_\_\_

(Mr. & Mrs. Counts as 2 Names)

Total amount of Remittance \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Memo: Your registration fee includes a personal set of Credentials; the 2013 Souvenir Central States Program book; the Official Central States Promenade 2013 Pin; your Friday evening BBQ; your Saturday evening banquet and the Hospitality Room of your Host, the Grand Voiture du Iowa.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS REGISTRATION FORM CLEARLY AND RETURN TO:**  
**Kris Reeves, 162 Tribble Rd., Waterloo, IA 50702. Promenade registrations need to be received prior to March 25, 2013.**

**HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS  
FOR  
CENTAL STATES PROMENADE 2013**

**BEST WESTERN PLUS HOTEL  
3100 DODGE ST.  
DUBUQUE, IA 52003  
TELEPHONE: 1-563-557-8000**

There are 100 suites blocked for the Central States Promenade 2013 at this Hotel. Cutoff date for Guaranteed reservations for these suites is March 25, 2013. After this date, suites are on first come, first served basis. To guarantee your suite availability, call or mail this form to the above address prior to the cutoff date. Be sure to mention **40/8 CENTRAL STATES PROMENADE 2013** when you are making your room reservations.

All room are \$109.00 for 1 to 4 persons, plus tax. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY TO ENSURE YOU RECEIVE ONE OF THE BLOCKED SUITES.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK/CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

SUITE REQUEST: TWO BEDS \_\_\_\_\_ KING: \_\_\_\_\_

HANDICAPPED FACILITIES REQUIRED: (YES) \_\_\_\_\_ (NO) \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF CREDIT CARD: \_\_\_\_\_

CARD NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRES: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**If paying by check, make all room reservation checks payable to: Best Western Plus Hotel.**

MAKE ALL CHECKS (except hotel reservations) PAYABLE TO: Central States Promenade 2013

**CENTRAL STATES PROMENADE 2013**

**Advertisement Request Form**

It is requested that the attached ad copy be included in the Central States Promenade 2013 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 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 10.00  
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 2013 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 Central States Promenade 2013.

**THE FINAL DATE FOR SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF ALL AD REQUESTS AND AD COPY, AS WELL AS BOOSTER CLUB NAMES IS MARCH 25, 2013.** Please submit all Booster Club Names; all Ad Requests; Ad Copy, and check to: Kris Reeves, 162 Tribble Rd, Waterloo, IA 50702.

**FROM:**  
**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**HOME PHONE:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ **WORK/CELL PHONE:** ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
**EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Grand Voiture du Missouri

## Membership

### February 28, 2013

Thanks to Voitures 38, 1292, 1321, 1395, 1403, and 1541 for sending in memberships this week. Keep pushing on. We need more of the Voitures to do the same. This was a very good week for memberships. Let's try next week to do the same. The following Voitures are at or above 100%; 130, 447, 1395, and 1402. For those Voitures please keep pushing on and get that 105%. You are leading the way for Grande du Missouri. For everyone else need to kick it into second gear and get those memberships. Please do not forget about the 40/8 "Lucky 13" Incentive Program.

The Spring Wreck is rapidly approaching. Please remember to register with the attached form.

Ralph Turner  
Grand Chef de Train

Voiture Name	Voiture	2012 Year End	2013 To-date	2013 Quota	Sh/Ov Quota	% of Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	58	46	58	-12	79.31%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	125	102	125	-23	81.60%
JESSE JAMES	130	30	30	30	0	100.00%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	52	49	52	-3	94.23%
CROSSROADS OF MISSOURI	293	11	10	11	-1	90.91%
RUSSELL H. MILLER	333	277	121	277	-156	43.68%
TABLE ROCK LAKE	447	2	2	2	0	100.00%
GATEWAY	448	117	88	117	-29	75.21%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	63	57	63	-6	90.48%
COON COOKERS	520	12	11	12	-1	91.67%
KICKAPOO	760	80	59	80	-21	73.75%
MARK TWAIN	966	6	5	6	-1	83.33%
CAPITAL	1292	80	66	80	-14	82.50%
MINERAL AREA	1321	69	60	69	-9	86.96%
NEUF COMPT	1379	46	44	46	-2	95.65%
HEART OF THE OZARKS	1395	17	17	17	0	100.00%
ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties	1402	25	26	25	1	104.00%
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	37	27	37	-10	72.97%
TWO RIVERS	1541	70	69	70	-1	98.57%
Missouri Total		1177	889	1177	-288	75.53%