

Communiqué



# La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

# Grande Voiture du Missouri

March 2021 - Grand Chef de Gare Franklin V. Angelo

L'Editeur Robert C. Emery



Greetings Voyageurs,

I hope this article finds everyone doing well. I am hoping everyone

made it through the Artic Vortex without much trouble. I got the opportunity to go visit Voiture 1541, since my last article. I would like to say Thank You to Voiture 1541 for the invite. I am still waiting on Voitures to let me know they are holding Promenades or an event where I can attend. I unfortunately do not have anything on the schedule for the month of March yet for attending Locale functions. Hopefully, we will be able to start holding Promenades at every Voiture Locale in the near future. On the Grande du Missouri webpage it still has the registration form for the Grande Spring Cheminot and Wreck for the weekend of March 26th-28th If you are reading this about the Spring Cheminot and Wreck and have not made your room reservation or sent your registration in yet you need to do that immediately please. It is a large group of Poor Goofs that are going through on the 27th of March. If you are not on my email distribution list and would like to be please let me know and I will add you (fangelo618@aol.com). Please let me know if your Voiture is hosting an event and would like me to attend, I am trying to plan a visit to every Voiture.

In Membership we are trudging along and working towards our goal of 100% Membership. We finished February with 636 paid members out of the 708 quota for a 89.83%. We are only short 72 members to attain the goal of 100% membership. February was another decent month for membership we added forty-three members.

We are always looking for new Voyageurs to help fill our ranks, so make sure you invite that Veteran to join our organization. Our goal is still achieving at least 100% so we can sit up front at Promenade Nationale. After we hold Spring Cheminot and Wreck, I am sure we will be awfully close to our membership goal. We were close last year on achieving 100% membership last year, I am positive we will achieve it this year. The 102ND Promenade Nationale is still scheduled for the week of September 14TH – 18TH 2021 in Springfield, MO. We are still selling advertisements for the Program Book, they are starting to trickle in also. If you know of a business, an individual or Locale Voiture that would like to purchase an advertisement, please let us know and we will get you the information. Grand Chef de Gare Passe Richard Heigert is the Chairperson for the Promenade Nationale. The information for Central States Promenade is on the Grande's webpage. The location is in Omaha, Nebraska and the dates are Thursday April 22ND – Sunday April 25TH. I still believe we will have a great year this year! If I can do anything, please let me know and I will do my best to make it happen. Please stay safe and I hope to see everyone soon.

Frank Angelo

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## Sous Grand Correspondants Notes

I am looking for articles from the following Grand Directeurs:

GRAND DIRECTEUR BOX CAR: Ernie Parker

GRAND DIRECTEUR CARVILLE STAR: Mike Scruby

**GRAND DIRECTEUR RITUAL: Larry Elliott** 

#### Voiture Activities

Voiture Activities encompasses everything the Voiture's members spend in volunteering on activities that are not otherwise reported to another 40&8 program such as Americanism, Carville Star, Child Welfare, etc. And, since 40&8 members are also representing the 40&8 in all their activities (such as the American Legion, VFW, VVA, volunteering at a VA Hospital, etc.), this time and money may be included in the Voiture's Activities report. However, National says activities not sponsored by the 40&8 require a quorum of the Voiture to be in attendance at any (nonsponsored) activity for inclusion in the Activities report.

The format for the annual report of Voiture Locale Activities (covering the 12month period from July 1 through June 30 of the following year) to the Grand divides Voiture Activities into 7 separate groupings, and the 2021 report format appears to be identical to previous years. A copy of the annual report can be found at the 40&8 National's website under <u>Resources/Forms & Petite Communiques/Locale</u> Voiture Activities Report 2021.

With the 40&8 Activities being so broadly defined, it seems improbable that any Voiture would have nothing to report on its annual Activities Report. In 2019 (my first year as Voiture Activities Directour), only 9 of the then 16 Voitures (representing 60% of our Missouri membership) submitted Activities reports for the 2018-2019 period. This improved for the 2019-2020 period with 10 of the 15 Voitures submitted reports representing 86% of the Missouri members.

Reporting Considerations:

- Use reasonable averages for attendance at activities when exact numbers are not available, and also for the round-trip mileages driven by the attending members.
- o Include travel time both to and returning from an activity in addition to the time at the "activity".
- o Reporting the activity's monetary costs in the (\$ Spent) box...In the Voiture Activities report, this box is only for cash expenditures. Some of the other 40&8 Programs reports (Americanism, Carville Star, Child Welfare, etc.) combine actual cash spent with "Other Expenses/Services", the latter computed by multiplying the total reported hours by \$5/hr, but this is not done in the Activities report. However, the cost for activities-related transportation msy be included in the Activities report by using an estimated \$.50/mile rate for vehicular milage or the actual cost for commercial transportation.

Charles Kuehnel, Grand Directeur Voiture Activities

Spring Wreck & ChemInot

March 26 to March 28, 2021 Oasis Hotel and Convention Center

> 2546 North Glenstone Ave. Springfield, MO 65803 417-866-5253 888-532-4338

Room Rate \$99.00 (+Tax) per night For Deluxe King or Deluxe Double PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIABLE Handicapped Rooms Available Make your reservations directly with Oasis Hotel ASAP Mention 40&8 Honor Society for special rate when making reservations

Friday

Registration 3 P.M. until 6 P.M. in Paradise Prefunction Hospitality Room

3 P.M. until 11:59 P.M. Maui Ballroom

102nd Promenade Nationale Committee Meeting7 P.M. until 9 P.M. in Sahara Room

Saturday

9 A.M. until 12 P.M. Registration in Paradise Prefunction/ Promenade/Spring Wreck Coco & Fiji Ballrooms

LUNCH 12 P.M. until 1 P.M. in Maui Ballroom Spring Wreck

Continuation 1 P.M. in Coco & Fiji Ballrooms

Grand Chef de Gare Passé Social Hour: 5 P.M. to 6 P.M. in Maui Ballroom Social Hour 6 P.M. -Cash Bar/Banquet 7 P.M. in Grand Ballroom Hospitality Room will be open after the Banquet

Sunday 9 A.M. until 12 P.M. Grande Cheminot in Coco & Fiji Ballrooms

**Deadline to register** for the Banquet is March 15, 2021 Make your check payable to: Voiture 460 for registration

SEND TO: AJ Noonan 20165 Highway 28 Dixon, Missouri 65459

Last Name	First Name	Spouse/Guest
Title	Voiture Locale's #	
Banquet Buffet \$35.00	\$	
Registration Fee \$10.	\$	
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## **Tuskegee Airmen**

## Update 01:

Quarter Coin Sets Honoring Airmen Go On Sale at US Mint A Tuskegee hometown hero has once again made it on the back of a United States coin. The Black World War II fighter pilots who completed 15,000 sorties in 1,500 missions throughout the Mediterranean, and even sank an enemy destroyer, have joined fellow hometown heroes Booker T. Washington and George Washington Carver as faces of commemorative U.S. currency. (Booker T. Washington was the first free Black person featured on legal tender when his image was placed on the silver half dollar coin in 1946). The Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site Quarter set went on sale 19 FEB. It's the 56th and final release of the America the Beautiful Quarters Program that features designs capturing parks and sites of national significance.

The first commemorative set was released in 2010. The Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site Quarter set is the 56th and final release of the America the Beautiful Quarters Program While the front (heads) of the quarter features George Washington, its reverse (tails) shows a Tuskegee Airman pilot suiting up with an image of the Moton Field control tower in the background. Behind him, two P-51 Mustangs fly overhead. The inscription "THEY FOUGHT TWO WARS" arcs above his head in reference to 1942's Double V campaign championed by Black journalists, members of the military and citizens. The campaign was grounded in the irony that Black soldiers were engaged in a war on two fronts: fighting fascism abroad and racism at home.

After World War I, the U.S. began investing in aviation training for civilians, but segregation laws excluded African American men from enrolling in these pilot training programs. After the NAACP filed suit against the U.S. government in 1941 it was forced to open the training program to Black pilots. Six historically Black colleges and universities were selected to begin training and Tuskegee was soon identified as the highest performing among the group. That year, the university was selected as the official site for the first Black training facility for an Army Air Corps unit. It was designated a national historic 44 site in 1998. Tuskegee Airmen quarter set sales started at 11 a.m. Central time on 19 FEB. Each set costs \$11.50. [Source: Montgomery Advertiser | Safiya Charles | February 16, 2021 ++] \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

## **Burial At Sea**

## How to Do It without the Navy' Help

For many, it will come as a surprise that it's so simple to bury a deceased loved one at sea, with little more than sail cloth and some weights. All you have to do is ensure you have all the necessary permits for transporting the human remains and a boat. When burying someone at sea, it's important to note that a military burial beyond what you can provide amongst your family and friends (or chartered boat service) isn't possible. You'll need the Navy's help to do that, but if you do family won't be allowed to be present. Refer to https://www.wearethemighty.com/military-life/burial-at-sea-rules. The first step is getting familiar with the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act, which affords a general permit from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for "dumping of certain materials that will have a minimal adverse environmental impact and are generally disposed of in small quantities." This general permit allows for the transport and burial of human remains in the ocean under specific 46 conditions. The remains have to be dumped at least three nautical miles from shore and you can dump things that won't decompose along with them. These are things like plastic flowers and wreaths. You'll need a permit to move the body to the boat (your funeral director can help with this part) and you'll need to prepare the body for sea by either using a non-plastic casket or some kind of natural fiber wrapping affixed to a weight for easy sinking. If using a casket, a specific series of holes must be drilled so the box fills with water and offsets the buoyancy of the body. The casket must be wrapped with 5 steel bands or chains, four around the width of the casket and one wrapped lengthwise. Additional weight in sand or stone must be added so the entire casket weighs at least 300 pounds. n either case, remains must not be visible. The EPA also has some other, important regulations regarding civilian burials at sea. 2 You cannot use a rocket or a balloon to transport the body. If using aircraft to dump the remains, the aircraft has to be able to land. 2 Funeral pyres or uncontrolled burning boats are not permitted by the MPRSA general permit, so Viking funerals will require a special permit. I The general permit applies to the ocean only. Lakes and other bodies of water are regulated by the states. There is no form or application required for conducting your own burial at sea, but the EPA must be notified within 30 days of burial using the Burial at Sea Reporting Tool available by opening an account at https:// burialatsea.epa.gov. [Source: We Are The Mighty | February 24, 2021 ++]



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## 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 Spring Grande Cheminot and Wreck to be held March 26th to March 28th, 2021 at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center, 2546 North Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803, phone (417) 866-5253, or (888) 532-4338.

The Active Wreck will be held on Saturday, March 27th, 2021, at 9:00AM in Springfield.

The Spring Grande Cheminot will be held on Sunday March 28th, 2021 at 9:00 AM at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center.

There may be an Executive Board Meeting scheduled on Saturday. If there is one, the time and place will be posted in the Hospitality Room.

There will be a 102nd Promenade Nationale meeting on Friday March  $26^{th}$ , 2021 at 7:00 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.

Terry L. Lanning Grand Correspondant Frank Angelo Grand Chef de Gare

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25-Feb-21 Voiture Name	Voiture	2020	2021	2021	Sh/Ov	% of
	Volture	Year End		Quota	Quota	Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	39	39	39	0	100.00%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	68	58	68	-10	85.29%
JESSE JAMES	130	30	36	30	6	120.00%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	34	32	34	-2	94.12%
STATE FAIR	333	109	100	109	-9	91.74%
GATEWAY	448	69	67	69	-2	97.10%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	54	54	54	0	100.00%
KICKAPOO	760	31	16	31	-15	51.61%
MARK TWAIN	966	3	3	3	0	100.00%
CAPITAL	1292	72	59	72	-13	81.94%
MINERAL AREA	1321	73	73	73	0	100.00%
NEUF COMPT	1379	41	33	41	-8	80.49%
ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties	1402	19	1	19	-18	5.26%
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	13	12	13	-1	92.31%
TWO RIVERS	1541	53	53	53	0	100.00%
Missouri Total		708	636	708	-72	89.83%