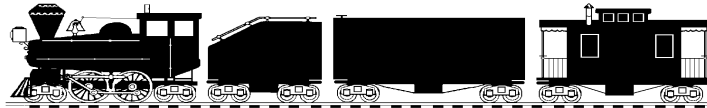


Communiqué
La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Cheveaux
Grande Voiture du Missouri



May/June 2013 - Grand Chef de Gare Edward Jones

- L'Éditeur Grant Willis

The Grand Chef Sez

Fellow Voyageurs:

This will be my final Grand Chef Sez Column as my tour as Grand Chef de Gare du Missouri is coming to an end. I want to express my sincere thanks to those who have supported me and have shown many kindnesses during this year that has cruised by so quickly. I attended a White Collar Wreck in Warrenton, Mo V-520 on 4-6-13. We have four new Voitures. Thanks Chef de Gare Van Bibber. I attended the Spring Wreck and Cheminot in Springfield, Mo sponsored by V-460. Another group of four were wrecked. Thanks Chef de Gare Chris Bryson. The efforts of yourself and helpers did not go unnoticed, what a great job. Attended the Central States held in Dubuque, Iowa on 25-28 April 2013. A special thanks to Art Wilson, Norman Reichel, David Christian, Leslie Willis, John Kopp, Robert Phillips, Edward Schmidt, Richard Heigert, Clarence Buckley, and Steven Hoffrogge for making the trip to Central States. We could have used a few more Voitures in attendance. No one likes to come in second. The Truman Day ceremonies were held at the Presidential Library in Independence, MO on 05/07-08/13 attended by the Chef de Chemin de Fer Barry Bovee and Grand Chef de Gare du Illinois, John York. Post 21 and its

members put forth a lot of work to host this important event honoring President Harry Truman. All those that attended had a good time. A special thanks to John Williams and John Neger, V-3 for all their hard work in the planning of all the events surrounding Truman Day. I am scheduled to do a White Collar Wreck in Columbia, Mo for V-292 on 6-05-13 and I have the honor to Wreck the first lady into the ranks of V-292. To Chef de Gare Robert Lee, thanks for the support. It is my belief that we should open our doors to Women Veterans, who have served the same country that we have and are still supporting. This is the right thing to do for those that qualify.

In closing, I want to share this letter that I received:

THE MEMBER THAT NEVER CAME BACK;

I'm the guy/girl who was invited to join your Voiture. I am the person who paid his/her dues and fees to be a member. I promised to be faithful and loyal.

After the wreck, I went to a Promenade and no one paid any attention to me. I tried several times to be friendly to some of the Voitures, but they had all their buddies to talk to and other thing to talk about.

I sat down several times, but no one paid any attention to me. I hoped very much that

someone would ask me to take part in a fund raising project or something, but no one noted my efforts when I volunteered.

I missed a few Promenades after joining because I was sick. No one asked me where I had been. I guess it didn't matter very much to others whether I was there or not.

The next Promenade I decided to stay home and watch T.V. I attended the following Promenade, but no one asked me where I was when the last Promenade was held.

You might say I'm a good person, a good family person who holds a responsible job. One who loves his/her community and my country.

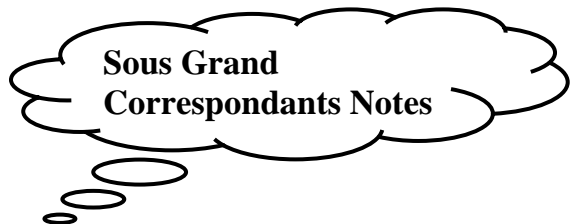
You know who I am? I'm the person who never came back.

It amuses me when I think back on how they were discussing why they were losing members. It amuses me now to think that they spent time looking for new members, when there I was all the time.

ALL THEY NEEDED TO DO WAS MAKE ME FEEL WELCOME (DOES THIS HAPPEN IN YOUR VOITURE?) That's all folks.

God Bless You and God Bless America

Ed Jones
Grand Chef de Gare



Articles for the Newsletter are due at the end of July for the first issue of the new year.

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

A reminder to all, 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.

At the Grande banquet the Grande had its Fashion Show. To which 4 Voitures had participants and were they good. A good time was had by all. The 4 participants collected \$663.75. There was a total of \$1,429 collected counting the collections, donations, and fines. Thanks for everyone's help. Special thanks to Leon Hill, this was his idea.

Voiture 1541 took first place with \$290 collected



Second place was Voiture 1379, who collected \$202.75.



Third place was Voiture 460, who collected \$99.
Fourth place was Voiture 448, who collected \$72.



SPRING GRAND CHEMINOT, APRIL 14, 2013
RAMADA OASIS Hotel, SPRINGFIELD, Missouri

With a rap of the gavel, Grand Chef de Gare, Ed Jones, opened the Spring Grand Cheminot sharply at 9:00 AM with a salute to the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a much needed prayer by Grand Aumonier, John Paul Kopp.

Roll call of officers showed more absent than excused and the rest said they were there. Roll call of Grand Chefs de Gare Passe showed ten answering.

Roll call of Grand Cheminots showed there was a quorum. Voyageurs don't know how to answer roll call and love to pay fines, even the Buzzard paid a fine. Absent were Voitures 3, 293, 333, 447, 966, 1395, and 1402.

Notion offered by Rich Heigert, seconded by Grant Willis, that the Fall Grand Cheminot minutes be accepted as printed and sent out...passed.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning said there were envelopes for the Grand Directeurs and Locale Correspondants in the back of the room. Terry had a letter concerning Memorial Day at Arlington National Cemetery and their program book. Terry received notice the following are running for Chef de Chemin de Fer - Pat Beamer from Florida, Preston Olson from South Dakota (for 2014-2045). Received a letter from Cabane Nationale encouraging Voitures to form a Cabane in their area. Voiture 293 gave a \$12,000 donation to Missouri Southern Foundation for nurses.

Grand Correspondant Lanning read the following resolutions: Ralph N. Turner for Grand Chef de Gare, Leon L. Hill for Grand Chef de Train, David Bexten for Grand Commissaire Intendant, Grant Willis for Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, Terry Lanning for Grand Correspondant, and Terry Lanning for Commissaire Intendant National. These will be acted on at the Grand Promenade.

Grand Commissaire Intendant, Leon Hill stated the finance report was passed out and discussed it. Notion offered by Barry Campbell, second by Errol Wilson, to accept the Finance report subject to audit...passed.

Grand Chef de Train, Ralph Turner, reported on the Grande has 1177 members, 87% and need 152 more members. Ralph had passed out a listing of 11 members in Missouri from Voiture 2000. This would be a good source of members. You have to roll up your sleeves and get to work on membership but it can be done. Voitures 130, 292, 447, 520, 1395, 1402, and 1541 is at or above 100%. Ralph recognized two of our new PG's wrecked yesterday. Grand Chef Ed gave a 100% patch to Voiture 1541.

Grand Cheminot reports were given by Voiture 3, 38, 130, 448, 460, 520, 760, 1292, 1321, 1379, 1403 and 1541. Some of the highlights are Voiture 3 participated in the Salvation Army's Bell ringing program and raised \$1,500, 18 nurses scholarships, on April 25, 2013 will have their annual Nurses training dinner; Voiture 38 are starting their summer BBQ's, the first one will be on May 4, 2013; Voiture 130 sold towels to raise funds for their nurses training, have 15 nurses; Voiture 448 had a kids xmas party and Easter party, participated in Veterans Day parade, on June 1, 2013 will have a BBQ at Post 397; Voiture 460 has 27 Nurses in Training, sponsored youth teams for \$4,750, donated \$1,883 to assist Missouri Veterans Home and disabled veterans, expended \$16,151 for child welfare, donated \$9,550 for Wreaths Across America, MDA, Fort Leonard Wood Windows/Widower Group and the Salvation Army Tree of Lights; Voiture 520 just wrecked 4 PG's; Voiture 760 sponsored girls volleyball, nurses training for \$500, donated to the Springfield reunion Club; Voiture 1292 had a Christmas party for 110 special kids, participated in School Awards; Voiture 1321 have their cooker out, have 4 nurses in training; Voiture 1379 had to cancel their ChickNick due to the heat, they will have a wreck for 2 PG's on April 24, 2013; Voiture 1403 supports xmas baskets for Veteran families, help Post with veterans day breakfast and Easter egg hunt, supported 1 girl to girls state, will have ribs to go on Memorial Day; Voiture 1541 has 5 nurses in training, will have their Car Show on August 17th, sponsored one boy to Boys State, had a Christmas party, Wild Game Coon Supper, and Night at the Races, wrecked 3 PG's, installation will be August 10, 2013.

Grand Medicin, Errol Wilson said he checked out 4 PG's yesterday.

Grand Avocat Rich Heigert stated Voiture's need to update their constitution, because of the changes made in the Nationale Constitution over the last few years.

Grand Directeur Child Welfare Hallie Williams says to get your reports into him by June 15, 2013.

Grand Directeur Nurses Training Jim Hartley said for each Voiture to make sure to turn in a report.

Grand Aumonier John Paul Kopp says he needs a list of deceased voyageurs for the Grand Promenade Memorial Service.

Grand Drapeau West David Voyles said the flags and banner are up.

Grand Publiciste AJ Noonan said he has report packets to pick up.

Grand Organizer Robert Phillips said the northeast does not have any Voitures and he has made contacts to see about starting one up.

Grand Directeur Box Car, John Paul Kopp, said he has outstanding pins and cards that Voitures need to send him their money.

Grand Directeur Carville Star David Bexten encouraged Voiture's and everyone to buy subscriptions to the magazine.

Grand Directeur POW/MIA Gary Reno said his report is in the Grande Newsletter. Rich Heigert talked about the POW/MIA museum at Jefferson Barracks. They are looking for donations. The museum will have a dedication on May 1, 2013.

Grand Directeur Ritual, Ed Schmidt, stated to get your reports in.

Terry Lanning said, on behalf of Sous Grand Directeur Special Awards Law & Order Norm Gentry, there is one nomination. It is Florissant Police Officer Michael Vernon. Officer Vernon was shot during an investigation of a robbery and was paralyzed. Ralph Turner offered a notion to accept the nomination for Officer Vernon to be the Grande Law Officer of the Year, seconded by Barry Campbell. Notion passed.

Grand Chairman VAVS Thomas Berkley said for everyone to get their reports into him.

Sous Correspondant, Grant Willis, said to send him any articles for the Grand Newsletter. There will only be one more newsletters this year, in May.

Time & Place Committee, Larry Ebersold, reported that he has proposed contracts for the Spring Grande Wreck and Cheminot in St. Louis County DoubleTree, on April 11 - 13, 2014, Grande Promenade (July 11-13, 2014) and the Fall Grand Cheminot & Homecoming (September 26-28, 2014). He believes the Grande Promenade dates will conflict with the Department Convention so the dates will have to be changed. John Kopp said the April 12th date will conflict with 3 Districts meetings. The cost of the banquet in the St. Louis and St. Charles area is a lot higher than the rural area. Right now the banquet price is \$33.00 but we don't know if the 18% gratuity is included. So the price of the banquet may be \$35 to \$40. Larry asked for any comments concerning the banquet proposed price, not much said. Larry asked for a show of hands for those that would still go to the banquet if the price is \$35 to \$40 and quite a few raised their hand. Larry offered a notion to give the Time & Place Committee the authority to approve a final contract for Leon to sign. Seconded by Grant and passed. Terry Lanning recommended Leon set up a meeting with the hotel to discuss these issues and with Robert Eisenbath and with Art Wilson being so busy with being Department Commander for Grant Willis to take his place to meet with the hotel.

Rich Heigert gave a MAVO report and said there is a Veterans Lottery ticket bill being considered.

Old Business - Made award presentations to those Voitures (38, 130, 292, 448, 460, 520, 760, 1321, 1379, and 1541) that either were in the fashion show or paid a fine for not having a participant. Last year's Grand Historian Mick Brueckmann presented Dave Christian his Grand Chef History book.

New Business - Grand Chef Ed made the following appointments for the Grand Promenade committee chairmen: Nominations Kevin Johnson, Resolutions Grant Willis, Credentials Ralph Turner, Constitution Bob Phillips, and Audit Rich Heigert with committeemen Sam Guenther and Dave Bexten. Notion by John Kopp to approve, seconded by Phillips, passed.

Good of the Grande Voiture - Ralph Turner said there will be BBQ for Friday night at the Grand Promenade and the banquet will be a sit down meal. On Saturday St. James Winery will have wine testing.

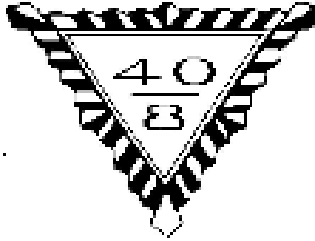
Grand Chef de Gare Jones closed the Spring Grand Cheminot in the proper manner at 10:45 AM.

Submitted by,
Terry L. Lanning
Grand Correspondant

Grande Voiture du Missouri

GRAND CHEMINOT AND PROMENADE

June 28-30, 2013



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Make reservations directly with Hotel by June 12, 2013
Inform the Hotel you are with the Society of 40's when making reservations.

Friday, June 28, 2013

Registration: 3:00 - 6:00 P.M.
Hospitality Room: 3:00 P.M. UNTIL
BBQ: 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Saturday, June 29, 2013

Registration: 9:00 - 12:00 AM
Committee Meetings: 9:00 - 11:30 AM
Grande Cheminot: 1:00 - 4:00 PM
Grand Chef de Gare Passe Social Hour: 5:00 - 6:00 PM
Banquet will begin at 6:00 P.M. with a Social Hour
Hospitality Room will reopen following the completion of the banquet.

Sunday, June 30, 2013

Grand Promenade: 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Guest will be admitted for Memorial service and Installation of officers
Time will be around 10:15

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

To Register for the Week & Cheminot make Check payable to Volume 400
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Waynesville, Missouri 65583

There will be a choice of meals Island Bistro Medallions or Caribbean Rubbed Pork Loin please circle your choice.

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse/Guests _____
Volume Number _____ Banquet \$25.00 per Person/ total number _____ = _____
Registration Fee \$5.00 (Voyagers Only) _____
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prior to WWII) | 24. Trucks |
| 9. 1945 - 1965 <i>Modified</i> | 25. Trucks <i>Modified</i> |
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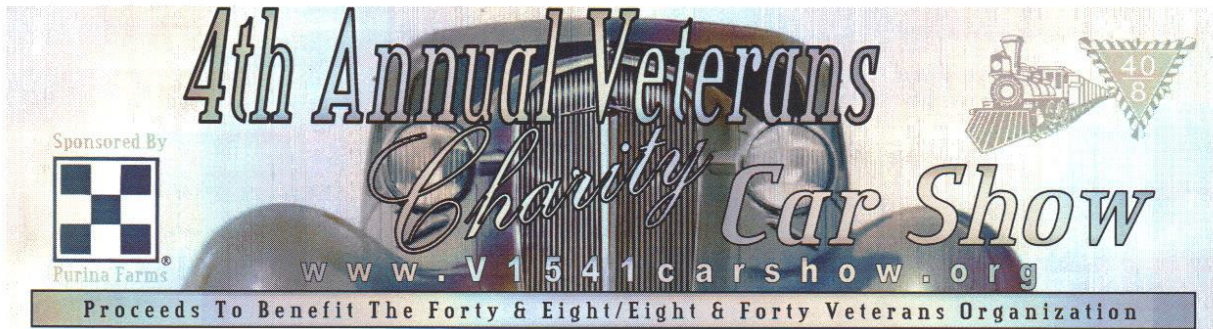
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Grand Voiture du Missouri

Membership

May 16, 2013

Thanks to Voiture 3 and 760 for sending in memberships this week. Keep pushing on. We need more of the Voitures to do the same. The following Voitures are still at or above 100%; 130, 292, 447, 448, 520, 1321, 1395, 1402, and 1541. For those Voitures please keep pushing on and get that 105%. You are leading the way for Grande du Missouri. I would be great to see all the Voitures in the 100% club by the end of the year.

The Grande Promenade is 28-30 June. There have not been very many registered at this time. If you plan on attending please get those registrations in the mail. There will be a BBQ on Friday night (28 June) at the hotel. The BBQ is sponsored by Voiture's 460 and 760. There is no additional charge however you need to register to attend. Please register with the attached form.

Please pass this information on to any and all Voyageurs.

Thanks,
 Ralph Turner
 Grand Chef de Train
 573-528-7424
 email:ralph.n.turner.civ@mail.mil
ralph.n.turner@hotmail.com

Voiture Name	Voiture	2012 Year End	2013 To-date	2013 Quota	Sh/Ov Quota	% of Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	58	56	58	-2	96.55%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	125	110	125	-15	88.00%
JESSE JAMES	130	30	30	30	0	100.00%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	52	52	52	0	100.00%
CROSSROADS OF MISSOURI	293	11	10	11	-1	90.91%
RUSSELL H. MILLER	333	277	200	277	-77	72.20%
TABLE ROCK LAKE	447	2	2	2	0	100.00%
GATEWAY	448	117	117	117	0	100.00%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	63	60	63	-3	95.24%
COON COOKERS	520	12	12	12	0	100.00%
KICKAPOO	760	80	66	80	-14	82.50%
MARK TWAIN	966	6	5	6	-1	83.33%
CAPITAL	1292	80	74	80	-6	92.50%
MINERAL AREA	1321	69	69	69	0	100.00%
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	30	37	-7	81.08%
TWO RIVERS	1541	70	71	70	1	101.43%
Missouri Total		1177	1051	1177	-126	89.29%