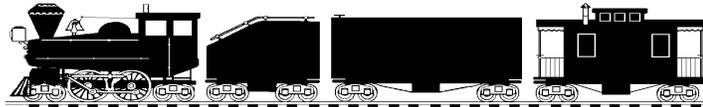




Communiqué
La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux
Grande Voiture du Missouri



October 2016 - Grand Chef de Gare Chip Berkley - L'Editeur Grant Willis

The Grand Chef Sez

Fellow Voyageurs,
The 97th Promenade Nationale in Perrysburg, OH has come to an end. We have a new Chef de Chemin de Fer. Mark Moots of Guntersville AL was chosen to lead the 40/8 for the 2016/17 year. Our Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer for 16/17 is James Vissers of WI. The 98th Promenade Nationale will be held in Bossier City, LA on Sep 12-16, 2017. They hosted a hell of a party on Wednesday evening at the hotel. I was lucky enough to not be put into consideration for the "Paul Bunyon" gavel. This year's recipient of the 47 lb. trophy was the Grand Chef du California.

Our password has changed for this year. The pass word is *&%\$#@* this year. Get out your wallets in case you have a memory issue.

Unfortunately, past Grand Chef de Gare, Kevin Johnson, caught me with food in my mouth and my Chapeau on my head at the banquet. He and fellow past Grand Chef, Ralph (Pretty Boy) Turner has yet to levy my fine.

The year seems to be flying by at an abnormal pace this year. So far the added duties of the office have only conflicted with one other event I had scheduled. If I haven't been to your Voiture yet and you have an event you would like me to attend please let me know. I will do my best to make it there.

We got back from Ohio in time to finish up the registrations for the Fall Homecoming. Numbers are not up where we would like them, so we will have plenty of food to eat. If you haven't registered yet, please do so as soon as possible. Call and let us know that you will be there and we will save you a meal of your choice (chicken or pork). I am looking forward to turning the duties of the Hospitality room over to Chef de Train David Voyles. It will be a relief to just be able to attend the functions without having to make sure we have enough of this or that. I want to thank those of you who have made this easier on Lora, myself and V-292 by helping us.

Yours in Service,

Grand Chef de Gare

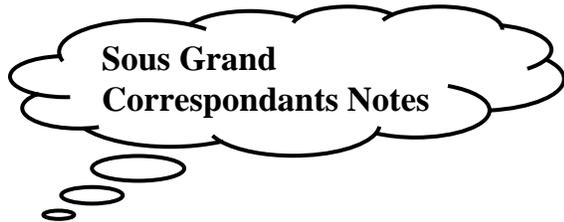


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Articles for the next Newsletter are due at the end of each month. **I would like to see articles for Voiture Activities and Nurses Training for the November issue of the Communiqué.**

Changes to the Yearbook:
Voiture 130 has moved their Promenade's to Post 287, 501 E. Price Street, Savannah, MO 64485. They meet on the third Thursday at noon.

Voiture 333 has change their name to State Fair Voiture 333.

If you have anyone that would like to receive this communique electronically please provide their email address to:
willis.grant@sbcglobal.net.

BOX CAR

Recently I sent out Crew Cards, Associate Crew Cards and Pins to those Voiture's that I contacted during our recent Grande Cheminot & Promenade held last July. Just as a reminder, the cost of either card is \$1.00 each and the pins are \$3.00 each. I hope to be able to pay Box Car Nationale as soon as possible for the pins and cards that are on consignment.

I just returned from the 97th Promenade Nationale and I know some of the Voiture's either paid for pins and cards or put them on consignment. If your Voiture is one of these, I would request that you let me know how many you picked up so I can keep my records up to date. For those Voiture's that

have not ordered your cards or pins, and wish to do so, give me a call or text message me at 314-799-4568 and let me know how many you would like.

Once again the Box Car Committee at Nationale donated \$8000 to the Boland Trust Fund – this money comes from the cards and pins sales. Let's keep up the good works that you all have done in the past and see if through sales we can support more individuals to obtain their nursing degree.

Janice Hartley
Grand Directeur Box Car

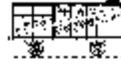
MEMBERSHIP

Here we are at the start of a new membership year and once again we must all get out and start collecting those renewals and also start looking for perspective new members to bring in to this great organization.

In this newsletter you will find a 2017 renewal notice that you can use to start getting those easy renewals in. The harder renewals you will need to make personal contact with and what better time than to start now.



Forty and Eight Membership Renewal Notice for 2017



Voiture Locale _____ Amount due _____ Notice No _____ Date _____

Make check payable to the Voiture Locale listed above. If you have already paid your dues please disregard.

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Thank You for your continued support.



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MEMBERSHIP
September 29, 2016

Grande du MISSOURI

Voiture	2016 YTD	2017 YTD	2016	% of	short/over	Goal	% of Goal	Short/over
	Total	Total	Year End	Quota			Goal	Goal
3	9	17	42	40.48%	-25	45	37.78%	-28
38	44	42	88	47.73%	-46	93	45.16%	-51
130	16	24	30	80.00%	-6	32	75.00%	-8
292	9	38	40	95.00%	-2	42	90.48%	-4
333	43	51	166	30.72%	-115	175	29.14%	-124
448	43	20	96	20.83%	-76	101	19.80%	-81
460	69	42	69	60.87%	-27	73	57.53%	-31
760	35	22	56	39.29%	-34	59	37.29%	-37
966	4	4	4	100.00%	0	5	80.00%	-1
1292	29	35	73	47.95%	-38	77	45.45%	-42
1321	49	34	66	51.52%	-32	70	48.57%	-36
1379	35	26	55	47.27%	-29	58	44.83%	-32
1395	15	15	15	100.00%	0	16	93.75%	-1
1402	1	1	22	4.55%	-21	24	4.17%	-23
1403	22	11	22	50.00%	-11	24	45.83%	-13
1541	22	23	86	26.74%	-63	91	25.27%	-68
TOTALS	445	405	930	43.55%	-525	985	41.12%	-580