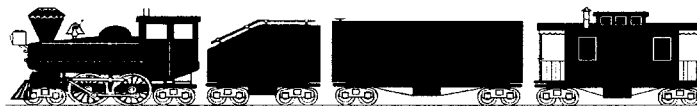




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*Grande Voiture du Missouri*



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September 2012 - Grand Chef de Gare Edward Jones - L'Editeur Grant Willis

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**The Grand Chef Sez**

Fellow Voyageurs:

I have had many adventures during my travel in the month of July and August 2012.

I installed Chris Bryson as the Chef de Gare and his elected officers of V-460, St Robert, Mo on 7/29/12 and Garde de la Porte John Kopp installed the Legion Officers, Post 331 and the American Legion Riders (talk about someone doing a dual gig) John was called upon to do the installation because the installation officer did not arrive until the ceremony had begun. A special thanks to the ladies that served a great meal. A special mention goes out to Chef de Gare Bryson's oldest daughter who won a Gold Medal (First Place) in the Customer Service Skill competition for the good old USA. "WELL DONE". I then visited V-292, Ashland, Mo and installed Robert E. Lee as the Chef de Gare and all his officers on 08/01/12. Did I mention the food was excellent (thanks ladies). From there, I went to Wentzville, Mo and was a guest of American Legion Post 323 for their installation. A good time was had by all. After leaving Post 323, I went down to Springfield, Mo and attended the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual La Marche Departemental de Missouri Salon 26 banquet/meeting on 08/3-4-5/12. The members of 8/40 were extremely gracious and showed me an outstanding time. Outgoing Departmental

Chapeau was Shanna Jelinek and the incoming is Lorna Crawford. Best of Luck to both of them. I need to mention that the Master of Ceremonies, Patty Garrett, was outstanding. On 8/11/12, I then visited V-3 and installed Pat Burton as Chef de Gare and his designated officers. It was like old homecoming for me. The food was delicious and the atmosphere was entertaining (thanks to John Neger). I attended the 99th birthday for Walter "Mac" McBride, V-333 in Sedalia, Mo on 8-18-12 at the Fair View Nursing Home. A small party was had by his relatives and friends. His cake had a patriotic theme. His family was very pleased that I attended as a representative of 40/8.

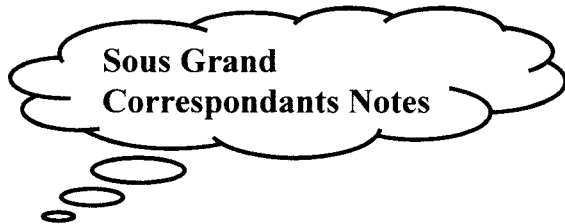
On 8/21/12 I visited V-38, St Louis, Mo and installed Louis Venegoni as the Chef de Gare and his officers. What impressed me was the job they did on converting a gas station into a chalet. The work they all did was tremendous. The Blue Train was in the garage, beautiful as ever.

On 8-28-12 I went to Springfield and installed the Chef de Gare and all his officers for Voiture 760. The meal was delicious and I did it justice. The Post 69 Bartender did an outstanding job taking care of everyone. Thus ends my travel for the month of August 2012. Looking forward to seeing more Voitures in September 2012. Remember the 93<sup>rd</sup> Promenade National in Fort Mitchell, Ky September 11-15, 2012. My calendar for September 2012 has a lot of room for activities. Invitations I want.

Remember the Grande Cheminot and Homecoming in Jefferson City, Mo on 28,29 and 30 of September 2012. Go membership.

Thanks to all and God Bless America.

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



Articles for the Newsletter are due at the end of each month. The schedule for articles due from the Directeur's will be as follows:

**October – VAVS, Carville Star and Publicity**

November – Ritual and Child Welfare

December – Youth Sports and Box Car

January – Americanism and Voyageur Activities

February – POW/MIA and Special Awards

March – Distinguished Voyageur Award

## **Veterans Designation Now Available on Missouri Driver License and State ID**

JEFFERSON CITY – As part of Senate Bill 470, signed by Governor Nixon and effective on August 28, 2012, Veterans may now obtain a Veteran designation on their Missouri Driver License or State ID Card. To get the Veterans designation, a Veteran needs to present at any Missouri license office a copy of the DD-214 showing a discharge status of "Honorable," "General," "Under Honorable Conditions," or "General under Honorable Conditions" and pay the applicable fees for the license or card. The Veterans designation, a ribbon with the word "Veteran" inside, will be printed on the back of the card.

If the driver license is not due to expire within the next six months, the transaction would be processed as a duplicate with the same expiration date as the current license. If the driver license is due to expire within the next six months, the transaction would be processed as an early renewal, and the Veteran would be required to present acceptable documents to verify name, date of birth, place of birth, social security number, and Missouri residential address. "Veterans in Missouri have wanted a Veterans designation for a long time, instead of always having to carry their DD-214," said Missouri Veterans Commission Executive Director Larry D. Kay, "by listening to the needs of its Veterans, Missouri has once again shown its support for those who have served."

If a Veteran needs assistance in obtaining a copy of their DD-214, they are encouraged to either contact an MVC Veterans Service Officer by calling 1-866-VET-INFO, or online at

**<http://www.mvc.dps.mo.gov/service/serviceofficer/>**. They can also check with their local Veterans Service Organizations as many posts have Service Officers available as well.

The Missouri Veterans Commission, a state agency, operates seven State Veterans Homes, five State Veterans Cemeteries, and the Veterans Services Program. The Commission is committed to honoring and serving Missouri's Veterans whose dedication and sacrifices have preserved our nation and its freedoms. For more information about the Missouri Veterans Commission programs, call 573-751-3779, online at **[www.mvc.dps.mo.gov](http://www.mvc.dps.mo.gov)**, or [facebook.com/MissouriVeteransCommission](https://www.facebook.com/MissouriVeteransCommission).

**God Bless AMERICA**

# GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

## Grande Cheminot and Grand Chef Homecoming

September 28, 29, 30, 2012



Truman Hotel  
1510 Jefferson Street  
Jefferson City, Mo. 56109  
Phone: 800-392-0202  
573-635-7171



Fax: 573-635-7519

Room Rate is \$63.10 (tax included) per night

Suite Rate is \$103.26 (tax included) per night

For Single or Double Occupancy

**Smoking Rooms available on second floor only**

**Three handicap rooms available**

Make Hotel reservations directly with Truman Hotel by **September 1, 2012**

Mention 40 & 8 Honor Society, for special rates when making reservation.

**Friday, September 28th, 2012**

Registration: 3:00 till 5:00 P.M. (In Hospitality Room)

Hospitality Room 3:00 P.M. - till ????

**Saturday September 29th, 2012**

Registration: 9:00 A.M. till NOON

Executive Meetings 9:00 A.M.

LUNCH 11:30 A.M.

Grande Cheminot 1:00 P.M.

Hospitality Room open from end of Grande Cheminot til 5:30 P.M.

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

Social Hour 6:00 – Cash Bar

Banquet: 7:00 P.M.

Hospitality Room opened after Banquet – till ????

**Sunday September 30, 2012**

**ALL GUESTS TRY TO CHECK OUT BEFORE 12:00 P.M.**

To register for the Cheminot, make Check payable to Voiture 130

Send to:

**Robert Emery**

**11501 East 14th Street South, Apt. Q**

**Independence MO 64052-3894**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Voiture Number \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet/Person \$25.00 X No. Guests \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee \$5.00 (Voyageurs Only) \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**VOITURE976**  
**LA SOCIETE DES**  
**40 HOMMES ET 8 CHEVAUX**  
**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS:** The office of Avocat National is the chief legal officer of La Societe, and is required to render all legal decisions pertaining to our order.

**WHEREAS:** The problem has not been the use of "non-qualified attorneys", but the use of non-qualified individuals who are not attorneys. Or even 'who are not practicing attorneys'.

**THEREFORE:** Be it resolved, by Voiture 976, Grand du Virginia, La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux, dully convene at a regularly convened Promenade the 18th day of July, 2012 that it does request that the office of Avocat National be filled with a qualified attorney.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That Article VIII, duties of officers and **Committees, section 8, Avocat National be Changed to read;**

**Section 8: AVOCAT NATIONAL.** The Avocat National is the chief legal officer of La Societe who shall advise the Chef de Chemin de Fer, the Commissaire Intendant National and the Correspondant National upon all legal matters affecting La Societe in their duties as officers thereof, The Avocat shall be an attorney currently licensed by one of the jurisdictions of the United States of America. The Avocat National shall be the parliamentarian of the Promenade Nationale and of the Cheminots Nationaux. The Avocat National shall examine the texts of the constitutions of Grandes Voitures and of Voitures Locales submitted, and if satisfied they do not conflict with this constitution shall approve the same; but otherwise shall disapprove the same and return them for conforming alteration. The Avocat National shall forward the texts of the approved constitutions to the Correspondant National for filing; and shall perform such other duties as may be required of the Avocat National by the Chef de Chemin de Fer.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That upon the adoption of the requested change to the Constitution at Article VIII, Section 8, that such change shall be effective immediately. That a copy of this Resolution be entered in the minutes of Voiture Locale 976, and that copies are sent to all Grand Voitures within the National organization requesting their support.

Carl Moore, Correspondant Local

John Burrell, Chef De Gare Local

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: I have set my hand this 28th day of July 2012.

John N Schenk, Grand Correspondant

Bill Englert, Grand Chef de Gare