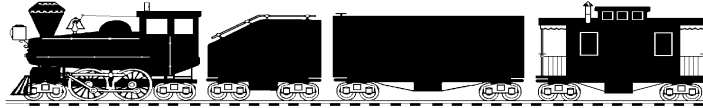


*Communiqué*  
*La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Cheveaux*  
*Grande Voiture du Missouri*



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February 2010 - Grand Chef de Gare Gary Reno

- L'Editeur Grant Willis

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**The Grand Chef Sez**

Fellow Voyageurs;

Wow! Here it is February already and we have six Voitures at or over the top. Voitures 3, 293, 520, 447, 1541 and Voiture 333 went over the top at their Promenade 22 January. Voiture 520 is to be congratulated for being the First Over the Top and is the Top Voiture at 110%. V520 is in a great position to "take it all in 2010." Keeping my promise, you have won \$25.00 from me for being the first. However, six out of nineteen Locales isn't 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of all the Voitures. We must try harder. How about a new challenge for 2010. Grand du Missouri, "Over the Top" by the Spring Wreck. You make it happen and I will volunteer the Past Grand Chefs to Hula with me at the Grand Promenade in June. I'm sure they would be eager to help.

Speaking of the Spring Wreck, we have a great one planned this year. Grand Chef de Train Larry Ebersold has pulled out the stops on this one. The Department Commander, Charles Goodin is planning on attending. Hoping to make it more interesting, I have invited Richard Skillestad, National POW/MIA Directeur, who also plans to attend. The "Spirit of St. Louis" Locomotive will also be there. Heck, I'm even going to bring my Radio Flyer Red Wagon. You can't miss this one, unless you

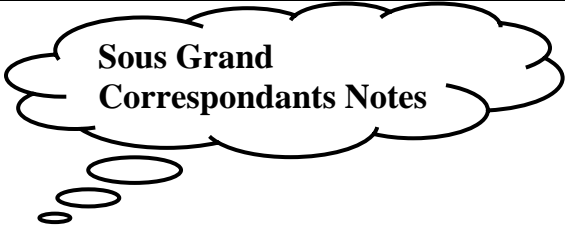
don't want to have any fun. The Truman Hotel is also easy to find. Located right on 54hwy. Almost straight across from American Legion Post 5 in Jeff City. Hope to see you there March 26 thru 28. Price of admission is cheap; all you have to do is bring one P.G. Wouldn't that be great.

Anne and I also attended our first Coon Supper at Voiture 1541 in Wentzville and had a great time. The Coon was especially good. (Tastes like Chicken). However, I have had to fight an irresistible urge to get up in the middle of the night and rummage thru the neighbors trash cans.

I wish you all a healthy and prosperous new year. Keep up the great work, and I hope to see all of you at the Spring Wreck.

**WE HAVE TO TRY!!!**

**GARY RENO**  
**GRAND CHEF DE GARE**



**Sous Grand  
Correspondants Notes**

**If you have something that your Voiture is holding please send me a flyer and I will see that it is put into the newsletter.**

We do have certain months when the newsletter is limited to space, such as this month, November and April, but I will see that they get into the previous month if given enough time before the event.

To all Correspondants, please use the attached form when ordering Chapeaus and Blazers.

Address changes are always needed to keep the mailing list updated along with deaths within your Voiture.

Articles for the newsletter are needed by the end of the month, which you can send to e Mail [willis.grant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:willis.grant@sbcglobal.net) or mail to Grant Willis, 8 Shireford, Ferguson, Mo. 63135.

The following is a schedule for articles due from the Directeur:

- March – POW/MIA and Special Awards
- April – Distinguished Voyageur Award



**UPCOMING  
DATES**

- February 13, 2010 Voiture 130 Washington's Birthday Party
- March 13, 2010 Voiture 1541 Night at the Races
- Grande Cheminot and Spring Wreck March 26 – 29, 2010, Jefferson City MO at the Truman Hotel

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**The Grande du Missouri web site is at: [grandedumissouri.com](http://grandedumissouri.com)  
If anyone has anything they want to add**

**or comments on the web site send it to Robert Emery at his e-mail address [remery18@comcast.net](mailto:remery18@comcast.net) and copy Grant Willis at [willis.grant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:willis.grant@sbcglobal.net).**

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Below is from the Voiture invoices received from Voiture Nationale on December 31, 2009. Most show a credit. A Voiture can use up the credit by applying their membership dues or ask Voiture Nationale to send a check. This will be put in the newsletter once a quarter and the invoices will not be mailed to the Voiture Correspondant unless otherwise requested.

<b>Voiture 3</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>Voiture 38</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 130</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>Voiture 292</b>	<b>\$(14.85)</b>
<b>Voiture 293</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>Voiture 333</b>	<b>\$(28.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 447</b>	<b>\$(30.00)</b>	<b>Voiture 448</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 460</b>	<b>\$(89.50)</b>	<b>Voiture 520</b>	<b>\$(1.00)</b>
<b>Voiture 760</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>Voiture 848</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 966</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>Voiture 1292</b>	<b>-0-</b>
<b>Voiture 1321</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>Voiture 1379</b>	<b>\$(52.50)</b>
<b>Voiture 1395</b>	<b>\$(24.00)</b>	<b>Voiture 1402</b>	<b>\$(7.50)</b>
<b>Voiture 1403</b>	<b>\$48.00</b>	<b>Voiture 1541</b>	<b>\$(7.50)</b>

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The Grande du Missouri has received two resolutions:

- 1- Terry Lanning for the Office of Grande Correspondant.
- 2- Terry Lanning for the Office of Commissaire Intendant Nationale

A reminder to everyone to please turn in the raffle tickets you received from the Grande.

This is what helps us to keep the Grande functioning for the year.

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**The IRS Reminds Tax-Exempt Organizations of All Sizes to File the Form 990 on Time to Preserve Their Tax Exempt Status**

IR-2010-10, Jan. 21, 2010

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service today reminded tax-exempt organizations to make sure they file their annual information form on time. In 2010 the tax-exempt status of any non-profit that has not filed the required form in the last three years will be revoked.

The [Pension Protection Act of 2006](#) requires that non-profit organizations that do not file a required information form for three consecutive years automatically lose their Federal tax-exempt status. This requirement has been in effect since the beginning of 2007.

## **Immediate News Release 09 January 2010**

Recently a member of Voiture 333 of 40 & 8 brought an important need to the attention of the 40 & 8 advisory committee. The playground equipment at the E.W. Thompson State School located on Thompson Blvd in Sedalia is in great need of being replaced. Handicapped and special needs students come from throughout the area to attend this school and use the equipment daily. The 40 & 8 membership discussed this problem and asked the Chef de Gare and his aide to visit the school and look at the equipment. Chef Gallagher and his aide, Wes Shirley, visited with the E.W. Thompson staff and students where they witnessed the worn out, dangerous condition of the equipment. Gallagher and Wes Shirley were informed of the fact that the state has no immediate funds available to

purchase new, safe equipment.

At the next 40 & 8 meeting the membership decided to plan a fundraiser for the school's playground equipment. As a result the 40 & 8 will sponsor a Sweetheart Benefit Dance on February 13 at the VFW Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ohio in Sedalia. Attendees are encouraged to dress in 50's style if possible. A prize will be given to the two-some voted the best dressed 50's couple. The dance will start at 6 PM and last until 11 PM. Refreshments will be served. Tickets are available from members of Voiture 333, 40 & 8 or by calling 660-287-3812. All proceeds will be given to the school. Tickets are \$15 per couple or \$10 for singles. Music of the 50's will be provided by DJ Ed Davis, a member of Voiture 333. Donations for the gym equipment will also be accepted by Voiture 333. Contributions can be mailed to P. O. Box 1756, Sedalia 65302. Please designate on the check "Gym Equipment".

A second project for the month of February for Voiture 333 of the 40 & 8 is to present every first grader in the 9 county area with a small American flag and an instruction sheet on how to care for the flag. Members of the 40 & 8 and their wives will be visiting many first grades to talk about our flag and present them to the young students. This will require 2,000 flags and instruction sheets at a cost of over \$300. Anyone wishing to contribute to this effort can make out your check to Voiture 333 and put on the memo "Flags". Checks can be mailed to the same address as above. The purpose of this program is to help instill patriotism in children at an early age by our heroes, the American veterans. All gifts are tax deductible.

Tony Gallagher,  
Nationale PR Directuer, 40 & 8  
Chef de Gare: Voiture 333, 40 & 8  
President: Press Associates La Societe, 40  
& 8  
[http://www.voiture542.us/pr\\_news.html](http://www.voiture542.us/pr_news.html)  
Phone 24/7: 660-287-3812

# GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

## Spring Wreck & Grande Cheminot

March 26 through March 28, 2010

Will be held at the

### Truman Hotel

1510 Jefferson Street

Jefferson City, Mo. 65109

Phone: 573-635-7171

FAX: 573-635-7519

**Toll Free in Missouri 800-392-0202**

Hotel Rates are as follows:

\$55.00 for Single and Double Occupancy

Make all reservations directly with the Hotel by March 12, 2010.

When you make reservations please mention you are with the 40et8 Honor Society.

### Friday, March 26, 2010

Registration: 3:00 till 5:00 P.M.

Hospitality Room 3:00 P.M. – ????

### Saturday March 27, 2010

Registration: 9:00 A.M. till NOON

Spring Wreck 9:00 AM

Lunch 11:30 AM

Cheminot 1:00 PM

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

Cocktails 6:00 PM

Banquet 7:00 PM

Hospitality Room opened after Banquet

### Sunday March 28, 2010

Donuts and Coffee 7:00 AM till 9:00 AM

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Make checks payable to Voiture 1292

Send to

David Bexten

1343 County Road 632

Freeburg, Mo. 65035

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

Voiture Number \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet per Person \$25.00 x No. of Guest \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Buffett

Registration Fee \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

(Voitures Only)

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

# **40/8 VOITURE 1541**

**PRESENTS A NIGHT AT THE RACES**

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT CHILD WELFARE AND  
NURSE TRAINING PROGRAMS**

**BEER SET-UPS SNACKS ATTENDANCE PRIZES**

**WHEN:** MARCH 6TH, 2010

**TIME:** 6:00-7:00PM HAPPY HOUR. RACES START AT 7:00

**LOCATION:** WENTZVILLE AMERICAN LEGION POST #323  
504 N. BUSINESS HWY 61, WENTZVILLE, MO 63385

**COST:** \$10.00 PER PERSON

**SEND REMITTANCE TO: LEON HILL  
1011 PEGASUS CIRCLE  
ST PETERS, MO 63376**

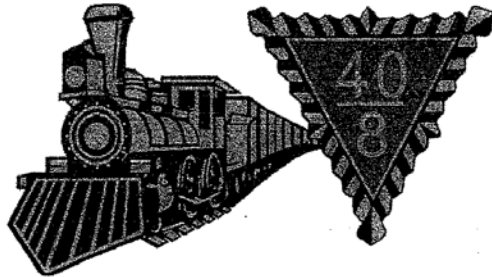
**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT LEON HILL (636) 397-2850.**

**FOR TICKETS SEE AND MEMBER OF THE 40/8 VOITURE #1541 OR  
TICKETS MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED AT THE DOOR THAT NIGHT.**

**THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

89<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Washington's Birthday Party



Wear Your Chapeau

\$22.50 per person

**Jesse James Voiture Locale 130**

**@ American Legion Post #393**

**91 N 3<sup>rd</sup>. St. Gower MO**

**February 13, 2010**

Social Hour.....5:00

Dinner.....6:30

Las Vegas Night.....8:00

Super Duper Auction.....10:00

The Washington birthday party will be a Las Vegas Night & Auction. Ladies are invited as well as Veterans who are prospective voyageur Militaire.

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Send Reservations to:

Orval Jensen

P.O. Box 82

Gower, MO 64454

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons: \_\_\_\_\_

Send Remittance with reservations

**RSVP February 6, 2010**

# 40/8 Official Chapeau and Blazer Order Form

Voiture Nationale-40 & 8  
777 N Meridian St Rm 204  
Indianapolis, IN 46204-1065

Phone Inquires Call  
Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EST  
Attn: Tananda Samuels

Phone (317) 634-1804  
Fax (317) 632-9365  
Email [tsamuels@fortyandeight.org](mailto:tsamuels@fortyandeight.org)  
Email [voiturenationale@msn.com](mailto:voiturenationale@msn.com)

**ORDERED BY:**

(Please print all information)

**SHIP TO:**

(If not the same as ordered by)

Date: _____	Voiture # _____	Phone # _____	Date: _____	Voiture # _____	Phone # _____
Name _____			Name _____		
Street Address _____			Street Address _____		
City _____		State _____	City _____		State _____
Zip Code _____			Zip Code _____		
Email _____			Email _____		

METHOD OF PAYMENT     CHECK OR MONEY ORDER     VISA (16 DIGITS)     MASTER CARD (16 DIGITS)     DISCOVER (16 DIGITS)

ACCOUNT #        -     -        EXP DATE      /

**Chapeau and Blazer orders must be in Writing -No Phone Orders**

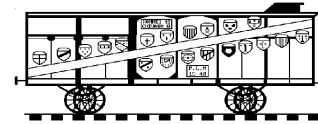
\*There is no charge for the 40/8, Locale and State lettering on a Chapeau. All other lettering is .65 per letter.

PART #	DESCRIPTION	QTY	PRICE EA	ENTER ALL REQUIRED LETTERING	SIZE	TOTAL
Example: 16LCHK	Example: LOCALE OFFICER CHAPEAU RED W/BLUE PIPING - *40/8, *Locale, *State,	1	\$33.00	Example: 40/8, 1415, IN	7-3/8	33.00
Example: 16LETK	Example: LETTERING - Title	14	.65	Example: Garde De La Porte		9.10
16ICHK	ISSUE CHAPEAU BLUE W/BLUE PIPING - *40/8, *Locale, *State		\$33.00	40/8, Locale: _____ State: _____		
	If more than 1 Issue Chapeau enter Sizes here: _____ →					
16LCHK	LOCALE OFFICER CHAPEAU RED W/BLUE PIPING - *40/8, *Locale, *State		\$33.00	40/8, Locale: _____ State: _____		
16LETK	LETTERING - Title		.65			
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16LETK	LETTERING - Title, Year(s)		.65			
16GCHK	GRAND OFFICER CHAPEAU WHITE W/BLUE PIPING - *40/8, *State		\$33.00	40/8, _____ State: _____		
16LETK	LETTERING - Title		.65			
16OWHK	PAST GRANDE OFFICER CHAPEAU BLUE W/WHITE PIPING - *40/8, *State		\$33.00	40/8, _____ State: _____		
16LETK	LETTERING - Title, Year(s)		.65			
166CHK	NATIONAL OFFICER CHAPEAU GOLD W/BLUE PIPING - *40/8, *State or		\$33.00	40/8, _____		
16LETK	LETTERING - Des Etats Unis, Title		.65			
16OGHK	PAST NATIONAL OFFICER CHAPEAU BLUE W/GOLD PIPING - *40/8, *State or		\$33.00	40/8, _____		
16LETK	LETTERING - Des Etats Unis, Title, Year(s)		.65			
14BLRS	BLAZER up to Size 50		\$110.00	Color Red, Gold or Blue:		
14BLRL	BLAZER Size 52 to 60		\$120.00	Color Red, Gold or Blue:		

**SHIPPING AND HANDLING**  
No Charge for Chapeaux  
No Charge for Blazers

**SHIPPING & HANDLING**  
**TOTAL**

No Charge



**MEMBERSHIP GRAND VOITURE DU MISSOURI**  
as of January 18, 2010

LOCALE	2009	2010	PERCENT	Short/Over
3	71	73	103%	2
38	145	116	80%	-29
130	29	25	86%	-4
292	56	50	89%	-6
293	12	12	100%	0
333	160	166	104%	6
447	2	2	100%	0
448	177	124	70%	-53
460	63	59	94%	-4
520	10	11	110%	-0
760	80	72	90%	-8
966	8	7	88%	-1
1292	76	75	99%	-1
1321	78	66	85%	-12
1379	42	36	86%	-6
1395	22	14	64%	-8
1402	34	22	65%	-12
1403	45	30	67%	-15
1541	66	66	100%	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,176</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>-150</b>

**We need PG's for the Spring Wreck.** Please let Sous Grand Conducteur Dave Bexten 573.744.5366 or Grand Conducteur Robert Emery remery18@comcast.net or 816.585.2098 (CELL) 816.833.7285 (HOME) know how many PG's your Voiture will be bringing to the Spring Wreck.

If you have any props/tests that you would be able to bring for use in the WRECK, please let Sous Grand Conducteur Dave Bexten or my self know what you can bring to the WRECK.

**National Correspondent's Corner**

The New Year is bringing in some changes in the way we will be doing business. By now all locales should have the new order form for chapeaux and blazers. The form is also on-line at [www.fortyandeight.org](http://www.fortyandeight.org). This form is a form fill in and makes it much easier to fill out with fewer mistakes "not that a Forty and Eighter would make any". You will be ordering these through National; all other merchandise will still be ordered through T&S Printing.

We are still looking for email addresses. We need to have about a fourth of our membership to start a monthly news letter. That means we need about 10,000 email addresses. If the Locale Correspondant would please collect them from their members and send them as soon as possible we can get the newsletter up and running. This will be a very valuable tool to get information out to the membership between the printing of the Forty and Eighter.

Bernie Sampson  
Correspondant Nationale

**Editors Note: the Locale Correspondant can send the members email addresses to Terry Lanning, Grand Correspondant and he will send them to Voiture Nationale.**