



Communiqué



La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

Grande Voiture du Missouri

February 2024 - Grand Chef de Gare John "MIKE" Scruby

L'Éditeur Robert C. Emery



Greetings Voyagers
I hope everyone has been staying warm. It's been cold and snowy and icy in Kansas City the last 3 weeks. I've been shoveling snow and putting

down ice melt in the frigid cold. I'll be going to Wichita Kansas for the Twister wreck February 9th. - 11th. With my sidekick Frank Angelo and Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer Kevin Johnson. I hope to be home for the Super Bowl. April 5th.- 7th. Is our Spring Grand Cheminot and wreck at the Oasis Hotel and Convention Center in Springfield Missouri. If any Voitures have PG's

Please let the wrecking committee know.

March 7th.- 9th. Is Homecoming for Chef de Chemin de Fer Frank Campo in Springfield Illinois. Just a reminder this year marks 75 years since the Boxcar came to Missouri. There will be a celebration for the Boxcar at the Fairgrounds sometime this summer. The traveling Vietnam wall will be at the fairgrounds from September 18th.- 23th. This year the fair runs from August 10th.- 20th. Central States this year will be in Kerrville Texas April

18th.- 21st. this year I will be attending as vice president. Current membership is at 80.50% we need to keep working on getting new members and retaining old members. If you would like for me to visit your Voiture let me know.

Mike Scruby

Grand Chef de Gare du Missouri

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816-204-1746

Grand Spring Wreck Fundraiser

Spring Wreck Fundraiser at the Spring Wreck will be a Corn Hole contest. Frank Angelo will be in charge. If a Voiture does not participate then there will be a \$50 fine. If a Voiture participates there is a \$50 participating fee. Bring your best game for a fun time. Send your Voitures fine money or your participating money to Grand Correspondant AJ Noonan.
AJ

Sous Correspondant notes:

ATTENTION all program directures. You will need to send an article about your program to be included in the Communiqué. If your Voiture will be holding an event please send me information so I can post it on the Grande Website and make a note of it in the Grande Communiqué.

PGs—Grande Spring Wreck

To all Voitures:

Voitures that have PG's participating in the Spring Wreck on 5-7 April 2024. Please send the names of PGs to the Grand Chef de Train (Ron Leverenz) and Grand Conducteur (Frank Angelo) along with gender for proper planning purposes. If any PGs have physical limitations - let them know also. If there are any questions - please contact them. Looking forward to a great Spring Wreck in April

Thanks

AJ Noonan

Grand Correspondant

Grande du Missouri

Request from the Grand Historien:

Felllow Voyagures,

The Grand Historan would appreciate your help. If you have any pictures of the Grand Chef de Gare visiting your functions to send him any pictures so he can include them in the Grand Chefs Year Book.

Grande Spring Wreck PG information

Grand Conducteur Frank Angelo would appreciate any information about any specific needs your PG may need for the WRECK. i.e. any help with movement walker, wheelchair, feet , also any size variations for clothing items for the imitation (tall, heavy, big feet) or any other restrictions beyond average sizing items. This will help make the WRECK a more enjoyable experience for the PG.

The 2024 TWISTER Wreck in Wichita, KS!

Exclusive 40/8 Room Rates of \$131 per night + taxes and fees at: The Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview 400 W Douglas Ave, Wichita, KS, 67202 Hotel rate includes breakfast and evening social with Hors D'oeuvres. \$50 Wreck registration fee covers your Friday night mixer, Saturday lunch and evening banquet. What a deal! (\$25 for guests only participating in the banquet.) Register online or contact Nick Weyers (nweyers@gmail.com) to reserve your spot! Let us know if you need some PG's WRECKED! Bonus! Come and meet your Chef de Chemin de Fer, Frank Camp

Defense Department Expands ID Card

Renewals by Mail to US-Based Retirees

, Dependents

Military retirees and their dependents based in the U.S. may now renew their military ID cards online and receive them by mail, relieving them of a trip to the on-base ID card office.

The Defense Department [announced Tuesday](#) that it's expanding a pilot program that [began in 2023](#) and initially allowed certain dependents' Uniformed Services Identification cards, or USID, to be renewed by mail.

Portions of the renewal process have previously been available online. However, the pilot program allows online ordering from start to finish. While in the past the renewed card had to be retrieved in person at a local ID card facility, it will instead be delivered by mail under the pilot program.

After first offering the renewals by mail to dependents whose sponsors held a Common Access Card -- generally active-duty dependents -- the DoD will now allow the renewals for additional [USID holders](#), who include U.S.-based retirees, their dependents and reservists.

Out of the 4.5 million IDs of all types that the department issues every year, about 1 million are the USIDs of people based in the U.S., according to the news release announcing the pilot program expansion.

The opportunity is only for people who already have a USID and need to renew it. Those applying for the first time will still need to go to an on-base office of the Real-Time Automated Personnel Identification System, or RAPIDS.

Further expanding the new renewal process to USID holders outside the U.S. in the future is "in the works," according to the news release.

Sponsors and cardholders may request renewals at the [ID Card Office Online website](#). At the site, the sponsor must verify the dependent's identifying information and digitally sign a new Form DD 1172-2 to receive the renewed ID by mail.



40 & 8 Voiture #1541 presents

“A Night at the Races”

Proceeds to benefit nurses training and child welfare programs

Saturday March 2nd, 2024 small hall American Legion Post #312

Doors open at 6PM. Races start at 7PM.

\$15 per person which covers entry, racing form, draft beer, and soda

Tickets available from any member of the 40 & 8 or at the door

You are welcome to bring your own snacks. Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase. NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL ALLOWED.

Questions- Contact Leon Hill (314)406-2260 or (636)387-0671

NIGHT AT THE RACES

Save the date! 40 & 8 Voiture #1541 will again be holding the annual “Night at the Races” fundraiser on Saturday March 2nd in the small hall. The doors will open at 6PM with the races starting promptly at 7PM. Our goal is to have the event end around 10PM. Tickets are \$15 which covers admission, the horse racing form, draft beer, and soda. Mixed drinks are available for purchase. You may bring in your own snacks. There will be a 50/50 drawing and basket raffles. This years feature basket will be a St. Louis Cardinals basket that has various Cardinals goodies including “2” all inclusive tickets in the Perficient Red Jacket Club. The game is Saturday May 4th 1:15PM against the Chicago White Sox . All proceeds for the event will go towards our Nurses Training and Child Welfare programs. Every year we present “3” Nurses currently in school a monetary check to help them with miscellaneous expenses. For any questions, please feel free to contact event coordinator Leon Hill at (636)387-0671 or (314)406-2260. Thank you very much and we hope to see you there.

Forrest Johnson

Chef de Gare

GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

GRANDE CHEMINOT and WRECK

April 5th thru April 7th, 2024

Oasis Hotel and Convention Center
546 North Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, Missouri 65803
417-866-5253

Room Rate \$109.00 (+TAX) per night
For Deluxe King or Deluxe Double

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE
Handicapped Rooms Available

Mention 40&8 Honor Society for special rate when making reservation

Make Hotel reservations directly with Oasis Hotel and Convention Center by March 3rd, 2024

Friday, April 5th, 2024

Registration: 1500 until 1800
Hospitality Room 1500 - ????

Saturday, April 6th, 2024

Registration 0900 - Noon
Wreck 0900-1130
LUNCH 1130 – 1300
1300 wreck continues
Hospitality Room open after Wreck until 1700
Grand Chef de Gare Passe' Social Hour – 1700 – 1800
Social Hour 1800 – Cash Bar
Banquet Buffet: 1900
Hospitality Room: After Banquet – ???????

Sunday, April 7th, 2024

Grande Cheminot 0900 - NOON

Check Out

HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Deadline for registration for the banquet is March 29th, 2024, NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

To register for the Cheminot, make Check payable to Voiture 760

Send to:

**Ron Leverenz
425 Boonville Ave
Springfield Mo. 65806**

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Title: _____ Voiture Number _____

Banquet \$35 per person X No. Guests _____ = _____

Registration Fee \$10.00 (Voyageurs Only) -----

Total \$ _____

CHEF DE CHEMIN DE FER FRANK CAMPO'S HOMECOMING

March 7 -9, 2024
Northfield Inn & Suites
3280 Northfield Drive
Springfield, Illinois. 62702
217-523-7900

Come join us as we celebrate the Homecoming of our Chef de Chemin de Fer, Frank Campo. All events will be held at the host hotel, Northfield Inn and Suites. Room rates are \$99.00 for king/double queen or \$115.00 for king suite, all rates do not include sales tax which is currently 14%. **Make reservations directly with hotel and mention "40 & 8". Cut-off date is February 22, 2024, for reservations and ads.** The hotel is a short 5 minute drive from the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport. For those arriving by air, please contact the hotel the day before to arrange pickup. There are plenty of restaurants nearby and the American Legion and VFW post are a short drive.

Besides our honored Chef, Springfield is the home of Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States. The only home he ever owned is open to the public to tour. His final resting place is at Oak Ridge Cemetery and is the second most visited cemetery in the country besides Arlington National Cemetery. The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum is open to the public and charges a nominal fee for entrance. Springfield is also one of the stops on Historic Route 66 and home to the "corn dog".

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday	Hospitality Room	3:00 P.M. to closing
Friday	Hospitality Room	9:00 A.M. to closing
Friday	Registration	12:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Saturday	Hospitality Room	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
	Cash Bar	6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
	Banquet Dinner	7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

Program Booklet

1/2 Page	\$40.00
Full Page	\$80.00
Booster Names	\$ 2.00 Each

Meals: Choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu or Stuffed Roasted Pork Loin w/spinach, pine nuts, & onions. All meals include mushroom rice pilaf, honey glazed carrots, tossed salad, rolls, dessert, iced tea or coffee. Banquet tickets are \$50.00 each.

Booster Names: _____ Program Ad: _____

Banquet Chicken _____ Banquet Pork _____

Total for Ads, Boosters and Banquet \$ _____

Send Registration & Payment to: Jodie Cruthis - Campo
3 Lydia Lane, Riverton, Illinois. 62561
Email Ads to fpcampo@juno.com



Grande du Indiana & Grande du Ohio invites you to attend the

105th Promenade & 61st Rendezvous Nationale
Sandusky, OH
September 17-21, 2024



Come Enjoy some Indiana/Ohio Hospitality

Date form completed _____

PLEASE SUBMIT SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH REGISTRANT

Last Name _____ First _____ MI _____
Address _____
City /State/Zip _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

Payment by Check? (Enter Check Number): _____

Payment by Credit Card? (Check one below)

VISA Master Card Discover

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Card Exp Date: Month _____ Year _____ CVV _____

BILLING ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE FOR CREDIT CARD REQUIRED

BILLING ADDRESS _____

BILLING ZIP _____

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
# _____	Voyageur's Registration @ \$30.00 (NON REFUNDABLE)	\$ _____
# _____	Voyageur's Late Reg. Fee (AFTER 6/1/24) @ \$35.00	\$ _____
	Grande Voiture: _____ Voiture Locale: _____	
# _____	Dame's Registration @ \$25.00	\$ _____
	Grande Cabane: _____ Cabane Locale: _____	
# _____	La President Luncheon (9/19/24) @ \$35.00	\$ _____
# _____	Early Bird (9/17/24) Tickets @ \$30.00	\$ _____
# _____	Banquet (9/20/24) Tickets @ \$45.00 each	\$ _____
	Select one meal for each person:	
	Pan Seared Bone in Chicken _____	
	Lemon Garlic Baked Salmon _____	

REGISTRATION AND RESERVATIONS

NOTE: ALL VOYAGEURS & DAMES MUST REGISTER WITH THE PROMENADE NATIONALE CORPORATION. Complete this form as applicable and either provide your credit card information or make your check payable to "105TH Promenade Nationale Corp." Then mail form and payment to;

Voiture Nationale
250 East 38th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205
Or Email to ttaylor@fortyandeight.org

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY AUGUST 1, 2024
Registrations you may send in until the end of August 2024

NOTE: REGISTRATION FEES ARE NON REFUNDABLE

Additional forms are on line at www.fortyandeight.org

HANDICAP ROOMS ARE LIMITED: PLEASE CONSIDER THIS WHEN MAKING YOUR REQUEST. HANDICAP ROOMS ARE ASSIGNED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS

THE KALAHARI RESORT IS FOR BOTH VOYAGEURS & DAMES

ALL VOYAGEURS & DAMES WILL BE EXPECTED TO MAKE THEIR RESERVATION WITH THE RESORT DIRECTLY THERE IS A LINK ON OUR WEBSITE OR YOU CAN CALL 1-419-433-7200 GIVE THEM **CODE ID 37072** MAKE SURE TO LET THEM KNOW YOU ARE THERE FOR THE 105th 40/8 PROMENADE

NOTE: Rates ONLY available through Promenade Nationale Corporation

The 2024 *TWISTER* Wreck in Wichita, KS!



February 9-11, 2024



Hosted by Voiture 58 of Grande du KS

Get 'em WRECKED at the *TWISTER*!
Wrecking for over 100 years!

www.voiture58.org

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**Membership
Grande Voiture du Missouri**

1-Feb-24

	Voiture	2023 Year End	2024 To-date	2024 Quota	Sh/Ov Quota	% of Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	34	33	34	-1	97.06%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	53	49	53	-4	92.45%
JESSE JAMES	130	33	32	39	-7	82.05%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	30	27	30	-3	90.00%
STATE FAIR	333	92	99	104	-5	95.19%
GATEWAY	448	41	42	67	-25	62.69%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	39	45	59	-14	76.27%
KICKAPOO	760	21	10	29	-19	34.48%
MARK TWAIN	966	2	2	2	0	100.00%
CAPITAL	1292	56	66	73	-7	90.41%
MINERAL AREA	1321	60	49	74	-25	66.22%
Neuf Comtés	1379	30	35	37	-2	94.59%
ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties	1402	1	11	18	-7	61.11%
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	9	4	9	-5	44.44%
TWO RIVERS	1541	54	45	54	-9	83.33%
Missouri Total		555	549	682	-133	80.50%