





June-July 2016 - Grand Chef de Gare David Bexten - L'Editeur Grant Willis

The Grand Chef Sez

Fellow Voyageurs, Hope everyone had a great Memorial Weekend. I had the honor of attending and participating in 3 Memorial Services. On Memorial Day I had the honor of doing a military honor for a fellow veteran. Wow! Whoever said "time sure does fly when you're having fun", well I sure had fun. My year as our Grand Chef is coming to an end, this being my last newsletter. I would like to take this time to express my sincere gratitude to each and every Voiture and Voyageur for your wonderful hospitality you have shown me and my wife Patty and my Historian Richard Pack during our visits. It has been an awesome experience and one I will always treasure and never forget. I appreciate the confidence you have had in me.

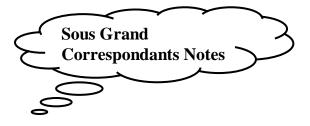
As membership, we still have a few weeks to get membership in. Currently Missouri stands at 93%. 68 short for goal. I will be visiting V292 in Columbia Wednesday night to White Collar Wreck and new Voyageur so that will leave us at 67 short. Let's keep plugging along. It would be icing on my cake if we could reach 100%.

On May 19th Richard Pack and I traveled to St. Joseph to V130 for their monthly Promenade. It was a nice turnout and again great hospitality and comradeship. On May 21st, Patty, myself, Historian Richard Pack and his wife Connie and Sous Chef de Train Calvin Bumgarner and wife Karen visited V333 in Sedalia for a fundraiser to restore our state box car. What a great turnout and I think they did quite well with the fundraiser.

Don't forget there is still time to register for the Grande Promenade at the Ramada Inn Oasis and Convention Center in Springfield, Missouri on July 1, 2 and 3rd with the Memorial Service on Sunday morning July 3rd.

God Bless our troops and the United States of America.

Yours in Service Dave Bexten Grand Chef de Gare de Missouri



Articles for the next Newsletter are due at the end of July, to start off the new year.

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

This is a reminder that you need to get your registration turned in for the Grande

Promenade and Cheminot for July 1 through 3.

Some upcoming events for different Locales:

June 4, 2016 Voiture Locale 448 will be having a BBQ at Cabela's at the St Louis Outlet mall.

July 1st through the 3rd will be the Grande Promenade in Springfield Missouri.

August 20th will be the Auto Show sponsored by Voiture 1541 to be held out at Purina Farms.

August 20 will be Voiture Locale 1379 ChickNic

August 27th will be a trivia night sponsored by Voiture 38

There will be more about these events as they get closer along with some that are not mentioned here.

Voiture 333 web site is up and running. Please go to <u>www.voiture333sedalia.com</u> and take a look. I have some updates on the fundraising for the boxcar to put in (account is over \$13,000 now) and need to modify and update the news page. On that page, be sure to go to the bottom of the page and look at the downloads. I'd appreciate any comments or suggestions on how we can make it better.

Thanks, Ernie

FINAL REMINDER TO ALL VOITURE LOCALS

A reminder to all Voiture Locals to get their year-end reports sent in to the Grand Directeur's. Time is running out and the Grand Directeur's need to finalize the Grand reports and get them turned into the National Directeur's.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

On Sunday July 3 we will be having our Grande du Missouri Memorial Service. It is requested that all Voiture's please send the names of their deceased members into Grand Aumonier John Kopp at <u>jfkopp@att.net</u> so they may be remembered at this year's Memorial Service.

HISTORIEN

Locale History books and scrap books will be judged this year for Grande du Missouri, during the Grande Cheminot and Promenade. Instructions are included in this month's communique.

The judging this year will take place on July 2nd, around 10:00 a.m. The winning book will be sent on to Nationale for judging. Good luck and I hope you each submit some kind of book to honor what your locale has accomplished during the past year.

Respectfully,

Richard Pack Grand Historien du Missouri <u>devildogpack@gmail.com</u> 573-690-0308

MEMBERSHIP

As the Chef stated above, it looks like we are down to the last few members and will be 67 short of achieving 100%. With that said we still have about a month to go before the books will be closed at National. What does this mean, well it means we still have a little time to get those 67 members picked up with Reinstatements, Renewals, or Recruitments, the three R's of our membership program.

GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI



GRANDE CHEMINOT and PROMENADE

JULY 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2016 Ramada Plaza Hotel & Oasis Convention Center 2546 North Glenstone Ave Springfield, MO 65803 417.866.5253 888.532.4338



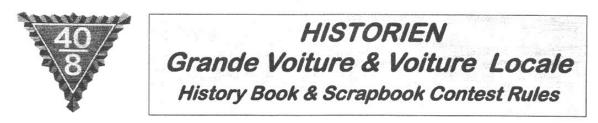
Room Rate: \$82.00 (+Tax) per night For Deluxe King or Deluxe Double Room Rate includes PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE Handicapped Rooms Available Make your reservations directly with Ramada Plaza by June 3rd Mention 40 & 8 Honor Society for special rate when making reservations

Friday Registration 1500 until 1800 Hospitality Room 1500 until ???? Saturday Registration 0900 until 1200 LUNCH 1130 - 1300 1300 - ???? Grande Cheminot Grande Chef de Gare Passe' Social Hour 1700 -1800 Social Hour 1800 – Cash Bar Banquet 1900 Hospitality Room: After Banquet until ???? Sunday Grande Promenade 0900 - 1200 Check Out HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

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Title:			Voiture Number:	: _	
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	HISTORIEN
	Grande Voiture & Voiture Locale
	History Book & Scrapbook Contest Rules
	Voitures Locale are to submit their History Book or Scrapbook to their Grande Historien for judging by the Grande. <u>Only</u> the First Place Winners for Locale, one History Book and one Scrapbook from each Grande will be accepted for competition by Nationale. They should be delivered to Nationale prior to the Historiens' Meeting for Judging. The Locale History Book & Scrapbook must be accompanied by the Certification Form filled out by their Grande. If there is no Certification Form accompanying the Locale's book, they will be disqualified. The Grande History Book and Scrapbook <u>do not need</u> a Certification Form, as the next level for them is Nationale.
3.	All Locale Books and Grande Books require a Title Page that looks like the following:
	Voiture Locale History Format
	History Book (or Scrapbook) of
	Voiture Locale No County, Grande du/de
	From (Month) of 20to (Month) of 20
	By:(Person compiling History Book or Scrapbook)
	(Person compiling History Book or Scrapbook)
	Grande History Format
	History Book (or Scrapbook)
	Grande Voiture du/de
	From (Month) of 20 to (Month) of 20
	Grande Chef de Gare
	Grande Historien
4. 5.	History Books require a Table of Contents, Scrapbooks do not. History Books and Scrapbooks require Alphabetical Indexing. Scrapbooks only require a list of activities and on which pages they can be found (to make them easier to find for judging). The alphabetical indexing is located at the

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- 6. History Books require a Forward that must include a brief statement on the formation of the 40 et 8 as well as a tiein statement about the formations of the Voiture Locale.
- 7. Reporting period is for the year's activities and should coincide with their Grande. (Starting and ending with their Grande Promenade.)
- Physical size should be a maximum of 12 by 14 1/2 ins. and have a substantial hard cover. (Books are available from American Legion Headquarters, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206
- 9. Identifying captions must be used with all clippings, photographs, and items listing occasion, source, dates, functions and names identifying the subject matter.



- 10, Voiture Activity theme is suggested, as the scrapbook history should relate the various activities conducted during the year. Accuracy is most important.
- 11. Arrangement may be either chronological or by the various programs of La Societé. Systematic and logical arrange ment should be sought. The reader must be able to follow the meaning of the illustrations (pictures, etc.) with very little difficulty or confusion.
- Judges will be members of the Forty and Eight Historiens' Association selected at Nationale. They will select three

 Voiture Locale Histories, three
 Voiture Scrapbooks and three
 Grande Voiture Histories as winners.
- Rating Criteria: Cover-5 points; Clearness-5 points; Arrangement-10 points; Table of Contents-10-points; POW/MIA-10 points; Americanism-10 points; Child Welfare-10 points; Nurses Training-10 points; Carville Star-10points; Youth Sports-10 points; Number of Activities-10 points.
- 14. Name and address of Voiture Locale Historien to be on the inside cover, lower left hand corner. This book will be returned to the name and address of the person whose name appears inside the cover of the book or may be picked up by your Voiture or Grande at Nationale after judging.

AWARDS

Locale 1st Place Locale History Book-*First Place Plaque* 2nd Place Locale History Book-*Runner-up Plaque* 3rd Place Locale History Book-*Plaque* Ist Place Locale Scrapbook-*First Place Plaque* 2nd Place Locale Scrapbook-*Runner-up Plaque* 3rd Place Locale Scrapbook-*Plaque* Grande 1st Place Grande History Book-*First Place Plaque* 2nd Place Grande History Book-*Runner-up Plaque* 3rd Place Grande History Book-*Plaque*

40 & 8 News Media Awards 40&8 Staff Writer Awards

Final selection is made by the Nationale Forty and Eight Historiens Association, whose decision is final.

NOTE: Cross out either History Book or Scrapbook, whichever applies.

Certification Form Voiture Locale History Book or Scrapbook Contest

Voiture Locale # _____. Grande Voiture du/de_____

Submitted by: Historien

Number of Volumes

Grande Voiture Certification

Grande Voiture du/de

/oiture du/de ______certifies that this entry participated in and was awarded First Place in theVoiture Locale History Book or Scrapbook Contest held at the Grande.

Grande Voiture Certification Officer

Phone___

Street Address-

----City/State/ZIP

Date of Grade Certification____ Date Received HQ

Membership and participation in the Forty and Eight Historiens Association is encouraged, but is not required as a prerequisite for contest participation.

Membership May 31, 2016

Grande du MISSOURI

2015									
	2015	2016	Year						
	YTD	YTD	End	% of			% of	Short/over	
Voiture	Total	Total	Total	Quota	short/over	Goal	Goal	Goal	
3	46	41	47	87.23%	-6	50	82.00%	-9	
38	97	85	97	87.63%	-12	102	83.33%	-17	
130	22	30	30	100.00%	0	32	93.75%	-2	
292	44	40	44	90.91%	-4	47	85.11%	-7	
333	185	165	190	86.84%	-25	200	82.50%	-35	
447	2	0	2	0.00%	-2	3	0.00%	-3	
448	89	96	95	101.05%	1	100	96.00%	-4	
460	64	69	65	106.15%	4	69	100.00%	0	
520	10	0	10	0.00%	-10	11	0.00%	-11	
760	61	52	64	81.25%	-12	68	76.47%	-16	
966	4	4	4	100.00%	0	5	80.00%	-1	
1292	75	68	75	90.67%	-7	79	86.08%	-11	
1321	62	66	66	100.00%	0	70	94.29%	-4	
1379	55	51	55	92.73%	-4	58	87.93%	-7	
1395	15	15	15	100.00%	0	16	93.75%	-1	
1402	16	21	16	131.25%	5	17	123.53%	4	
1403	23	22	24	91.67%	-2	26	84.62%	-4	
1541	80	86	80	107.50%	6	84	102.38%	2	
TOTALS	950	911	979	93.05%	-68	1037	87.85%	-126	