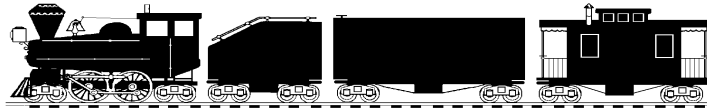


# *Communiqué*

## *La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux*

### *Grande Voiture du Missouri*



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November 2016 - Grand Chef de Gare Chip Berkley

- L'Editeur Grant Willis

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#### **The Grand Chef Sez**

Fellow Voyageurs,

Last week I had the honor of joining the Ladies of the 8/40, Salon 26, as a guest of the Departmental Chapeau, Evelyn Cox at their fall Pouvoir Banquet. I was told what happens at the Pouvoir stays at the Pouvoir, unless posted on Facebook. I will say it was entertaining and apparently made it onto some Facebook pages.

The first marker in this years' membership drive has arrived. Grande du Missouri has exceeded the mark of 50%. We have 30 days to get the numbers up to the 75% level. Unfortunately, I am seeing entirely too many notifications of taps including in my own Voiture. I was saddened to see only three Voiture's attended the last service for a member of my Voiture. Our preamble says we are "to participate in all memorial services for and to be present at the funerals of departed comrades". Let's not forget these members and especially their families at such times.

I am looking forward to visiting several more Voiture's in the weeks to come. Lora and I have received several invitations to holiday functions and will be making the rounds to the children's parties and Voiture Christmas dinners. I don't believe in imposing upon the hospitality of any Voiture so I will await an invitation from "most" of you. If I haven't received an invitation

before January to attend one of your promenades I will begin contacting the remaining Voiture's to see if I may schedule a visit.

Voiture 292 bbq'd at the Truman VA hospital for the fall festival and we will probably be doing it again on Veteran's Day. Please don't forget our Veterans in the State Nursing Homes and the VA Hospitals during the holiday season. They do appreciate your visits.

Yours in Service,

*Grand Chef de Gare*



*TD "Chip" Berkley*

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## Sous Grand Correspondants Notes

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

Changes to the Yearbook:

ON page 19 the new Chef Voiture 3:

PAT BURTON, 24622 TRAIL RIDGE  
PASS, CLEVELAND, MO 64734

**816-618-3861; [pbgb@fairpoint.net](mailto:pbgb@fairpoint.net)**

We have had some decreased members this past month:

**Tony Gallagher of Voiture 333** passed on October 27th.

**Honorary Grand Chef de Gare Bill Russel of Voiture 130** passed away on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

If you have anyone that would like to receive this communiqué electronically please provide their email address to:  
[willis.grant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:willis.grant@sbcglobal.net).

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Greeting Voyageurs,

Here is a yearly wrap up of how well all the Voiture's did this year and is very impressive, We had 81 nurses in training and 5 Graduated and \$61,797.50 dollars spent and add to that 4 Boland Trust Fund Scholarships awarded by Nationale for \$1000 dollars each. In addition to that the 97<sup>th</sup> Nationale Promenade was just held and every year I submit a Recommendation for Award of Nationale V-510 Anderson Indiana Award which is for the Voiture with

the best Nurses Training Program per capita in a Grande Voiture, I was proud to hear that Heart of America Voiture #3 (Trois) won that award. Ed Jones brought it home and will give it to them (I hope). If you missed it in August Communiqué I was honored to present a check to a Nurse in training sponsored by the Grand with the money that the PGs that where Wrecked raised and donated to Nurses Training.



It was for \$281.91 presented on 7/29/16.

As always if you have any questions About Nurses Training or Boland Trust fund or what to do if you have a nurse needing funds but Voiture in your area doesn't have the money to help them please let me know geographic boundaries should not keep them from getting help and maybe we can work it out. Call me at 314-607-1433 or email me at [kc0wdb@yahoo.com](mailto:kc0wdb@yahoo.com)

James Hartley

Grand Directeur of Nurses Training du  
Missouri

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FALL GRAND CHEMINOT, OCTOBER 8, 2016  
RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL, SPRINGFIELD, Missouri

With a rap of the gavel, Grand Chef de Gare Chip Berkley, opened the Fall Grand Cheminot at 1:00 PM with a salute to the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and a much needed prayer by Sous Grand Aumonier Sam Guenther.

Roll call of officers showed some were there. Roll call of Grand Chefs de Gare Passe showed that nine answered. Roll call of Grand Cheminots showed that we had a quorum. Voyageurs don't know how to answer roll call and many paid fines for it. Absent were Voitures 760, 966, 1321, 1395, and 1402.

Sous Grand Avocat Grant Willis said the same thing Rich said in the past.

Notion offered by Ralph Turner, seconded by Jim Hartley, that the Grand Promenade and Cheminot minutes are accepted as printed and sent out...passed.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning gave the minutes of the Executive Meeting, held on October 8, 2016, at 9:00am. The budget was read by Calvin Bumgarner. Art Wilson offered a notion to accept the budget as printed, seconded by Ralph Turner ... passed. Discussed what fundraiser we should have at the Spring Wreck. Art made a notion to have participants dress up at a jockey and have a horse race using dice, seconded by Dave Voyles and passed. If a Voiture does not participate then a \$50 fine and \$50 for a Voiture to participate. It was decided that the Grande should invite the new Correspondant National Patrick Mobley to the Grande Spring Wreck and Cheminot. Executive meeting closed 9:27am. Bob Phillips offered a notion to accept Executive meeting minutes, seconded by Janet Hartley...passed.

Grand Correspondant Terry Lanning stated the new yearbooks and envelopes for the Grand Directeurs are in the back of the room. He received a letter about placing ads in the 98<sup>th</sup> Promenade Nationale program book.

Grand Commissaire Intendant, Calvin Bumgarner, stated the finance report and budget were passed out and discussed them. Notion offered by Jim Hartley, second by Art Wilson, to accept the budget and Finance report...passed.

Grand Chef de Train David Voyles said we are at 48% and called on the Sous Chef de Trains to report on their Voitures, to which A. J. Noonan, Mike Brueckmann, Mike Scruby, and Terry McDonald did. The Grand has a total membership of 451. This is 32 members less than at this time last year.

Cheminot Nationale Leon Hill reported on the Nationale Promenade. There was a good turnout from the Grande. Leon presented the new password.

Promenade National - Terry Lanning attended the Finance Meeting. Mark Moots was elected Chef de Chemin de Fer, he is from Alabama. Grant Willis was appointed Sous Membership Directeur, Janet Hartley was appointed Sous Box Car Directeur and Terry Lanning was elected Commissaire Intendant National.

Some of the highlights of the Grand Cheminot reports are: Voiture 38 had a trivia night, their loco has been out a number of times, planning is underway for Patch Center kids xmas party for December; Voiture 130 sells towels and trash bags to raise money for their nurses in training, their Promenades are now being held at American Legion Post 287, have 10 nurses in training; Voiture 292 had a BBQ at VA Hospital on Labor Day, on September 28<sup>th</sup> had a Carnival at VA Hospital, bought 4 bus passes for local veterans without transportation to use for appointments at VA Hospital, bought a recumbent bicycle for a local veteran to prepare for knee and hip surgery; Voiture 333 their fundraising for the Boxcar restoration is at almost \$18,000, presented a certificate to recognize the Grande as a \$500 sponsor, submitted an updated Constitution, bought \$1,650 trophies, medals and plaques for Jr ROTC, 8 members attended a memorial service for Betty Eickhoff (E.L.'s wife) and preformed a 40/8 service; Voiture 448 had a BBQ in June, on

11/5/16 will have a fish fry at Post 400, will have their xmas party at Marygrove on 12/4/16, are meeting at the Elks in Manchester; Voiture 460 supported a local youth team, have 12 nurses at \$6,000, spent \$182 on a some kids in need, spent \$250 on an Americanism event, membership at 73%; Voiture 760 1 nurse in training, spent \$200 for Reunion Club, \$600 to the Rare Bread and \$600 for Ozark Food Harvest; Voiture 1292 had a fundraiser BBQ in June, on October 22 will have a Ham and Chicken dinner at Fall conference, in November will have a Sausage sale, kids xmas party on 12/13/16, on June 2, 2017 will be the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Dr. Tamara Hopkins Golf Tourney; Voiture 1379 had their ChickNick and made money, have a stained glass raffle for nurses training; Voiture 1403 has 1 nurse in training; Voiture 1541 had their Car Show, their history book won 1<sup>st</sup> Place at Nationale, Christmas party will be 12/14/2016, donated their credit balance to Nationale Building Fund.

Grand Historien Hallie Williams said to send him pictures of the Grand Chef.

Grand Directeur Child Welfare Benjamin Sargent said he has new 2017 pins if anyone wanted any let him know.

Grand Directeur Voiture Activities George Ridley said to make sure you put everything in the Voiture Activities report and to give him copies of the Locale reports.

Grand Directeur Nurses Training Jim Hartley said the Grand had 81 nurses in training last year and we spent \$61,797. Boland sponsored 4 nurses. Voiture 3 won an award at Promenade National. He presented the Grand nurse in training money on July 29, 2016 to a nurse in training. He has pins if anyone needs them let him know. Contact him if anyone has any questions on Nurses Training or Boland Trust. Janice attended the Nurses Training meeting at Promenade National and there were 327 scholarships for 2016 for a total of \$275,000. She also attended the Ritual meeting and they said only 68 locals conducted the Calvin Kane Ceremony last year. There were two suggests for a new password. The ritual manual should be given to all new members.

Grand Publiciste Bob Emery said to send items to him to put on the web.

Sous Conducteur Terry McDonald said the Grand Conducteur Tom Goodin will have an organizational meeting concerning the Spring Wreck.

Grand Directeur Americanism Bob Emery said he had new pins if anyone wanted any pins to let him know.

Grand Directeur Box Car Janice Hartley said she sent out pins and cards to those that requested them. Let her know if anyone else wants any. She attended the Box Car meeting at Promenade National, we placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Coin sales and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Crew Card sales.

Grand Directeur POW/MIA Frank Angelo said he has new 2017 pins if anyone wanted any let him know. He attended the POW/MIA meeting at Promenade National, they gave out 26 scholarships.

Sous Grand Directeur POW/MIA Allen Schultz said in the last 3 months they have found and identified 32 remains, 20 from WWII, 11 from Korean and 1 from Vietnam.

Grand Directeur Youth Sports Ann Roberts sent in a report. It said communication, contact information, and other general information about ordering Youth Sports went out to all Voiture in September. There are also coins for Special Olympics. She would like all of the coins collected be directed towards the Missouri Special Olympics Learning for Life Campus. If you participate in any community, family, Special Olympics games, American Legion Baseball, etc., please let her know. Remember, no child/youth should not be able to anticipate in youth sports because of a lack of funds.

Grand Sous Correspondant, Grant Willis said the Grand Chef and any other articles are due to him by the end of the month. If anyone else has anything to put in the Grande Newsletter then send it to him. If a voyageur wants the newsletter then send him their email address and he will email the newsletter to them.

Time and Place Committee Chairman Art Wilson said the spring wreck and for the next year all Grande functions will be held at the Ramada Plaza in Springfield.

Distinguished Voyageur Award Chairman Grant Willis said to send him nominations prior to the Spring Wreck. He will have a meeting at the Spring Wreck.

Aide de Camp Terry McDonald said he accompanied the Grand Chef three times so far.

Grant Willis talked about membership. If anyone brings in 2 renewals then they get an award. 10 new members is a super recruiter award. The goals are 50% as of 10/15/16, 75% as of 11/30/16, 100% as of 12/31/16 and 105% as of 7/1/2017. National will be coming out with a portfolio for membership, its cost will be \$1.00 each. Last year National was down 854 members or 3%, which is better than the prior few years. This year's slogan is Going For The Gold.

Old Business – none

New Business – none

Grand Chef de Gare Berkley closed the Fall Grand Cheminot in the proper manner at 2:35 PM.

Submitted by,  
Terry L. Lanning  
Grand Correspondant



La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux  
Grande Voiture du Missouri

**OFFICIAL CALL**

TO: ALL GRAND CHEMINOTS  
ALL GRAND OFFICERS  
ALL GRAND CHEFS de GARE PASSE  
ALL VOITURE'S CHEFS de GARE & CORRESPONDANTS  
ALL VOYAGEURS OF GRANDE VOITURE du MISSOURI

This is the OFFICIAL CALL for the Spring Grande Cheminot and Wreck to be held March 31st to April 2nd, 2017 at the Ramada Plaza Hotel & Oasis Convention Center, 2546 North Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803, phone (417) 866-5253, or (888) 532-4338.

The Active Wreck will be held on Saturday, April 1st, 2017, at 9:00AM in Springfield.

The Spring Grande Cheminot will be held on Sunday April 2nd, 2017 at 9:00 AM at the Truman Hotel.

There may be an Executive Board Meeting scheduled on Saturday. If there is one, the time and place will be posted in the Hospitality Room.

ALL GRAND OFFICERS AND GRAND CHEMINOTS ARE EXPECTED TO GIVE A REPORT OF THEIR ACTIVITIES AND SUBMIT A COPY IN WRITING TO THE GRAND CORRESPONDANT.

All Voyageurs are to be in proper attire. The following Officers are expected to be in coat, tie, shirt, long pants, socks and shoes: Grand Chef de Gare, Grand Chef de Train, Grand Commissaire Intendant, Grand Correspondant, Grand Garde de la Porte, Grand Lampiste, Grand Conducteur, Sous Grand Conducteurs, and Grand Aumonier.

Terry L. Lanning  
Grand Correspondant

Chip Berkley  
Grand Chef de Gare

***La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Cheveaux  
La Quartier Locale de la Two Rivers Voiture 1541***

**Resolution**

**Whereas:** Two River Voiture Local 1541, Grande du Missouri, La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux, St. Charles County, Missouri has a Voyageur Militaire who is deserving of your consideration for the high office of:

**Grand Commissaire Intendant**

**AND**

**Whereas:** Voyageur Janice G. Hartley was initiated into Voiture 1541 in 2010, Served as Gard de La Port, Chef de Train Currently serving as Chef de Gare and

**Whereas:** Voyageur Janice G. Hartley has served the Grande Voiture du Missouri as Grand Lampist, Sous Conductor, Sous Chef de Train and is presently serving as Grand Directeur Box Car and

**Whereas:** Voyageur Janice G. Hartley is a very Active Veteran Serving as Financial Officer at State and local levels in three different veteran groups, Held Offices in Legion as Commander Post 313, Vice Commander, Membership Chairman, Commander Hawaii post Honolulu, American Legion Senior Vice Commander Hawaii, Marine Corp League #725 Commandant, Senior Vice, paymaster, Adjutant, Auditor, Pay Master State Level Military Order of Devil Dogs, State Finance Officer American Legion riders, Paymaster Marine Corp League 1405. Deputy Operations National Level Military Order of Devil Dogs, Paymaster Marine Corp League Midwest Division, Finance officer Events and Activities Committee American Legion Post 313, Finance Officer Honor Guard

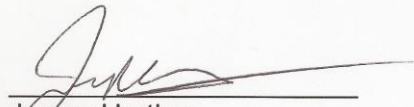



American Legion Post 313, Judge Advocate Marine Corp  
League Detachment 1405

Whereas: Voyageur Janice G. Hartley has demonstrated her  
Devotion to La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit  
Chevaux and

Now: There be it resolved by Two Rivers Voiture Locale 1541,  
La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux,  
St. Charles County, Missouri in regular Promenade duly  
Assembled this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016 do hereby  
Enthusiastically endorse Voyager Janice G. Hartley for  
The high office of Grand commissaire Intendant for the  
Year 2017-2018, to be voted on at the grande Promenade  
Du Missouri to be held in June 2017, and

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY**, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016, by Two  
Rivers' Voiture 1541, St. Charles County, Missouri at it's regular  
Promenade assembled.

  
James Hartley  
Correspondant

  
Janice Hartley  
Chef de Gare





**GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI**  
**Grande Cheminot & Wreck**



**MARCH 31 TO APRIL 2nd, 2017**  
**Ramada Plaza Hotel Oaks Convention Center**  
**2546 North Glenstone Ave**  
**Springfield, Mo. 65803**  
**417-866-5253**  
**888-531-4328**

**Room Rate: \$84.00 (+Tax) per night**  
**For Deluxe King or Deluxe Double**

**PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE**

**Handicapped Rooms Available**

**Make your reservations directly with Ramada Plaza by March 2nd 2017**  
**Mention 40 & 8 Honor Society for special rate when making reservations**

**Friday**

**Registration 1500 until 1800 in Sahara Room**  
**Hospitality Room 1500 until 7777 in Sahara Room**

**Saturday**

**Registration 0900 until 1200 in Sahara Room**  
**Wreck 0900 - 1130**

**LUNCH 1130 to 1300 in Sahara Room**

**1300 - Wreck Continues**

**Hospitality Room open after the Wreck until 1700**

**Grande Chef de Carte Passe' Social Hour 1700-1800 in Arabian Room**

**Social Hour 1800 - Cash Bar / Banquet 1900 in Main Ballroom**

**Hospitality Room After the Banquet**

**Sunday April 2, 2017**

**GRANDE CHEMINOT 0900 - 1200**

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**Deadline to register for the Banquet is March 2, 2017**  
**Make your check payable to Voiture 130 for registration.**

**Send to: David Voyles**  
**P O Box 36**  
**Amazonia, Mo. 64421**

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

**Title \_\_\_\_\_ Voiture Number \_\_\_\_\_**

**Dinner Buffet Banquet \$30.00/ a Person x Number of Guests \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Registration Fee \$ 10.00 ( Voyageurs Only )**

## MEMBERSHIP October 27, 2016

Grande du MISSOURI								
	2016	2017	2016					
	YTD	YTD	Year	% of			% of	Short/over
Voiture	Total	Total	End	Quota	short/over	Goal	Goal	Goal
			Total					
3	16	30	42	71.43%	-12	45	66.67%	-15
38	53	49	88	55.68%	-39	93	52.69%	-44
130	16	24	30	80.00%	-6	32	75.00%	-8
292	40	38	40	95.00%	-2	42	90.48%	-4
333	78	61	166	36.75%	-105	175	34.86%	-114
448	43	50	96	52.08%	-46	101	49.50%	-51
460	69	42	69	60.87%	-27	73	57.53%	-31
760	37	22	56	39.29%	-34	59	37.29%	-37
966	4	4	4	100.00%	0	5	80.00%	-1
1292	36	38	73	52.05%	-35	77	49.35%	-39
1321	49	52	66	78.79%	-14	70	74.29%	-18
1379	41	34	55	61.82%	-21	58	58.62%	-24
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	37	39	86	45.35%	-47	91	42.86%	-52
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>930</b>	<b>54.84%</b>	<b>-420</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>51.78%</b>	<b>-475</b>

As you can see the Grand du Missouri is at 54.84% which is great, but we can't stop now with our next goal of 75% due on November 30<sup>th</sup>. This means as a Grand we are just 188 members short of being at 75%, so let's start knocking and calling to get those members paid up to date. Right now we have two Locales that are already at 75% or better and they are 130, 292, 966, 1321, and 1395, great job.