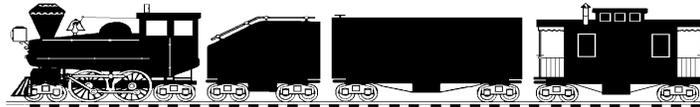




**Communiqué**  
**La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Cheveaux**  
**Grande Voiture du Missouri**



**September 2014 - Grand Chef de Gare Leon Hill**

**- L'Editeur Grant Willis**

**The Grand Chef Sez**

Hello from Leon Hill

Voyageurs, Thank you for the opportunity to serve you this year as Grand Chef de Gare du Missouri.

It's early in my year as Grand Chef and I've had a great time visiting various Voitures. Please express my Thanks to all of the Voyageurs, their wives and friends for the great Hospitality given to myself and my wife Linda. I appreciate it.

Since the last report I have had the honor of installing the following Voitures:

Voiture #3, August 9<sup>th</sup> at the Robert L. Clore American Legion, Post 189 in Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Voiture # 292, August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Copper Kettle Restaurant in Ashland, Missouri.

Voiture #1541, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at the American Legion Post 323 in Wentzville, Missouri.

I will be in Springfield on Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> for the Installation of Voiture #760 at the American Legion Post.

It's a new year for Membership and Programs for each Voiture. Please make a commitment to continue to recruit new members, renew the members that you have and continue working on our highly regarded programs. The 40/8 is a great organization to belong to and an organization to be Proud of. Let's show that Missouri is the "Show Me" State.

Best wishes for each Voiture a successful

Year.

Please plan to attend the Grand Cheminot and Grand Chef de Gare's Homecoming, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at the Doubletree Hotel at Westport.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 314-406-2260 or email me at [lhil2@aol.com](mailto:lhil2@aol.com).

God Bless our Troops and the United States of America.

Yours in Service,

Leon Hill  
 Grand Chef de Gare

**Sous Grand Correspondants Notes**

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, Voyageur Activities and Aumonier

February – POW/MIA, and Special Awards

March – Distinguished Voyageur Award

The Grand Yearbooks will be available at the Fall Grand Cheminot and Homecoming at the end of September. If you have an email address and would like to receive this newsletter electronically, then please send me your email address to [willis.grant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:willis.grant@sbcglobal.net).

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### **Grand Cheminot & Grand Chef's Homecoming:**

So far we have 24 signed up for Grand Cheminot and Grand Chef's Homecoming October 3-5. If you have not signed up, a flyer is included in this Communique. As not everyone gets a Communique, I'd like to ask all Chef de Gare's and Correspondants to ensure that all of their Voyageurs are aware of this event. The deadline for hotel reservations was September 1st. The last I checked rooms were running low. You can contact the hotel directly to see if they may have saved any rooms. The deadline for registration for the banquet is September 26th. I must have your registration in hand by that date if you plan to attend the banquet. This is the last Grande event for 2014 and the last event Voiture #1541 will be hosting. It has been a pleasure getting to know Voyageurs from around Missouri. I hope you all offer the same level of support to Chef de Train Dave Bexten and Voiture #1292 in 2015.

Allen Schultz  
Registration Coordinator  
**Voiture #1541**

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership reports will not be out until

October, but everyone needs to start working on their 2015 membership stats and not wait until the end of the year. The new membership year started August 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 and will continue till July 31<sup>st</sup> 2015.

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On September 20th at High Noon VL 1379 I'll be holding its annual Chick-nick and installation of officers at Wallace State Just 7 miles south of Cameron 2 miles off of I-35.

We will have a great fried chicken dinner and all the fixens. This year we are selling raffle tickets again \$1 each or 6 for \$5 the prizes this year include a 9" android tablet and a 7" android Tablet. We have a donation from the Harley Davidson in St. Joseph and several gift cards. Last year's tickets were all sold out and the prize winners were very satisfied with their winnings. If you are planning to attend please bring a \$5 gift for our drawing. No one will leave without prize in hand and having had a great time. The price for the meal is \$10 Per person this is a family event and Everyone is welcome.

If you have any questions, need directions or need a place to stay please contact chef de Gare Ed Schmidt [ed@maysvillemo.com](mailto:ed@maysvillemo.com) , 8162007576 or our correspondent Robert Emery [Remery18@comcast.net](mailto:Remery18@comcast.net)

Thank you!

Ed Schmidt  
Chef de Gare VL 1379

# GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI

## GRAND CHEMINOT and GRAND CHEF de GARE HILL'S HOMECOMMING



October 3, 4 and 5, 2014

DOUBLETREE HOTEL ST. LOUIS AT WESTPORT

1973 Craigshire

ST. Louis, MO 63146

Phone: (314) 434-0100

1-866-786-8088

Fax: (314) 434-0140

Room Rate is \$79.00 (plus tax) per night

For Standard King or Standard Double Queen Occupancy

**So Register EARLY**

**Handicap rooms available**

Make Hotel reservations directly with Doubletree Hotel by **Sept 1, 2014**  
Mention 40 & 8 Honor Society, for special rates when making reservation.

**Friday, October 3, 2014**

Registration: 3:00 until 6:00 P.M. (In Hospitality Room)

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

**Saturday, October 4, 2014**

Registration 9:00 A.M. until Noon

Executive Meeting 9AM

LUNCH 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Grande Cheminot 1 P.M.- 4 P.M.

Hospitality Room open after Cheminot until 5:30PM

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

Social Hour 6:00 P.M. – Cash Bar

Banquet: 7:00 P.M.

Hospitality Room: After Banquet – ??????

**Sunday, October 5, 2014**

Check Out

HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

**Deadline for registration for the banquet is September 26<sup>th</sup>, NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

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To register for the Cheminot, make Check payable to Voiture 1541

Send to:

**Allen Schultz**

1427 Summergate Parkway

St.Charles, MO 63303-6384

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Voiture Number \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet/Person \$35.00 X No. Guests \_\_\_\_\_ =

\_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**Meal Choice (circle) Dijon Chicken or Herb Grilled Salmon with Chardonnay Cream Sauce**

