



Communiqué



La Société des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

Grande Voiture du Missouri

December 2024 - Grand Chef de Gare Ron Leverenz

L'Editeur Robert C. Emery



Greetings Voyagers,

I hope the Thanksgiving season was good to you and your families. I myself was blessed to have a home cooked full meal prepared by my wife here at our house and attended by friends and family members locally. Great conversation and laughter was included in the main course.

At my local Voiture 760, we take a break from Promenades until January. A Thanksgiving dinner was planned by the Chef de Gare Carrie Watkins and a full turn out with the member voyagers at Ruby Tuesdays here in Springfield. Again a great time just to chat and relax with friends and comrades with their spouses.

Times like these lead us into the next holiday, the Christmas Season. My thoughts and joy of the season I would to pass on to you all in our great close society of the Forty and Eight.

Touching on the Subject of Membership. It is very important this part of the year.

We are as I have been seeing in emails and calls that a few of the Voitures are at 100% and others are climbing fast. It is very important to get those numbers and paperwork in as we gain numbers. I will be calling the Voiture Correspondants and Chef de Gare's to see if they need any help in the following weeks.

During the Holiday season we have an opportunity that comes easily this time of year. Gathering crowds and local shopping, talking and elbow to elbow chats at checkouts can also be a great way to introduce yourself as a Member of the best and most fun veteran societies in the U.S. We have made it over 124 years by this knack we have in choosing the right members. Please use this season of closeness to pick up a member or two. They can usually be spotted easily by the "Veteran caps" so often seen lately. They wear these with pride. Those are the ones we are looking for. Pride is one of the most important virtues in being a great prior service member. Pride is also what they would enjoy as being a Member of the 40/8 as well. A great conversation starter to bring them together with us.

Again to all the Voyagers of Grande du Missouri. I wish you a Happy Holiday Season and a Wonderful joyous New Year ahead.... Semper Fi.

Ron Leverenz
Ronleverenz@gmail.com
Grand Chef de Gare du Missouri.

SEASONS GREETINGS FROM CABANE 760

Hello Voyagers and Dames,
I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new year. I am very excited for 2025 to get here so Cabane 760 can have our first meeting and start contributing to the 40/8. Please remember you can reach out to us ladies at anytime for any needs you have.

I am hoping at the 2025 Wreck we are a little more established and can Pitch in where needed. See you all next year. Thank you again for your support in getting Cabane 760 chartered. Merry Christmas.

Brittany Leverenz
Cabane 760 President
brittany8190@gmail.com



Special Awards

Good evening Voitures,

My name is Wade L. Mano, and I am the new Grand Directeur of Special Awards for Missouri.

I do apologize for getting off on a late start, but I assure you I will move forward to assist every voiture in the area of special awards.

If you have candidates or city you would like to submit, please contact me and I will help you or get the information and timeline to submit your applications. If you don't have any candidates for this FY please acknowledge and I will submit my report to National.

I can be reached at Cell: 808-937-1157

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Thank you.

V/r

Wade L. Mano

Grand Director Special Awards

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Nationale Web Site

Good Afternoon Grande and Locale Correspondants

We now have a new website! It is different but once everyone learns how to use I think you will like it. Under resources we have the Nationale, and Grande officers listed but they are pass worded because all their info is listed. So please share the below password with your fellow Voyageurs any questions let me know

PASSWORD: Societe

Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you

Terri

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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 April 4th to April 6th, 2025 at the Oasis Hotel & 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 5th, 2025, at 9:00AM in Springfield.

The Spring Grande Cheminot will be held on Sunday April 6th, 2025 at 9:00 AM at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center.

There will be a Central States Meeting followed by an Executive Board Meeting on Friday evening. 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 male Officers are expected to be in coat, tie, shirt, long pants, socks and shoes, whereas female Officers are expected to be in a dress or skirt and blouse or slacks and blouse and shoes: Grand Chef de Gare, Grand Chef de Train, Grand Commissaire Intendant, Grand Correspondant, Grand Garde de la Porte, Grand Conducteur, Sous Grand Conducteurs, and Grand Aumonier.

A.J. Noonan
Grand Correspondant

Ron Leverenz
Grand Chef de Gare



GRANDE VOITURE DU MISSOURI
Grande Spring Wreck & ChemInot
April 04 to April 06, 2025
Oasis Hotel and Convention Center
2546 North Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, MO 65803
417-866-5253

Room Rate \$114.00 (+Tax) per night for
Deluxe King or Deluxe Double
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE
Handicapped Rooms Available
Make your reservations directly with Oasis Hotel
Mention 40&8 Honor Society for special rate when making reservations

Friday April 4th, 2025
 Registration 1500 - 1800
 Hospitality Room 1500 - ??? Kalahari / Mojave Room
 Central States Meeting 1800
 2025-2026 Officer Slating Meeting 1900

Saturday April 5th, 2025
 Registration 0900 – 1200
 Spring Wreck Activities 0800-1130
 Lunch 1130 - 1300
 Grande Promenade/Spring Wreck 1300 – 1600 Sahara Room
 Grand Chef de Gare Passé Social Hour 1700-1800 Hospitality Room
 Social Hour 1800 Cash Bar
 Banquet 1900 Fiji Ballroom
 Hospitality Room will be open after the Banquet

Sunday April 6th, 2025
 Grande Cheminot 0900 Sahara Room

To register for the Grande Spring Wreck and Cheminot. Make check payable to Voiture 460

Send to:
A.J. Noonan
20165 Highway 28
Dixon, MO 65459

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **Spouse/Guest** _____

Title _____ **Voiture** _____

Banquet / Person: \$40.00 X No. Guest _____ **=** _____

Registration Fee \$15.00 (Voyageurs Only) _____

Total Enclosed: _____



Membership Grande Voiture du Missouri

5-Dec-24

	Voiture	2024 Year End	2025 To-date	2024 Quota	Sh/Ov Quota	% of Quota
HEART OF AMERICA	3	33	16	33	-17	48.48%
SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS	38	49	44	49	-5	89.80%
JESSE JAMES	130	28	19	41	-22	46.34%
HEART OF MISSOURI	292	27	23	27	-4	85.19%
STATE FAIR	333	99	46	105	-59	43.81%
GATEWAY	448	28	34	63	-29	53.97%
CENTRAL OZARK	460	41	35	59	-24	59.32%
KICKAPOO	760	10	12	23	-11	52.17%
MARK TWAIN	966	2	2	2	0	100.00%
CAPITAL	1292	64	48	74	-26	64.86%
MINERAL AREA	1321	49	1	60	-59	1.67%
Neuf Comtés	1379	27	27	35	-8	77.14%
ATCHISON NODAWAY HOLT Counties	1402	9	1	11	-10	9.09%
LAKE OF THE OZARK	1403	4	4	4	0	100.00%
TWO RIVERS	1541	39	40	47	-7	85.11%
Missouri Total		509	352	633	-281	55.61%

