



## *Voiture 1379 Communiqué for July 2009*

Congratulations to Gary Reno upon his election to Grand Chef de Gare Grande du Missouri (Lord help the 40et8 and us all).

The Grand Cheminot and Promenade has once again come and gone. It was a time of good friends, fellowship, food, drink and especially fun. That means two down and one more event to host.

If you have never been to a Grande function you need to try and go to one. You have one more opportunity to attend one right here in your back yard. Once you have been to one you will be hooked.

The Voiture held its elections at the last Promenade and the list of officers looks pretty much the same as last year's officers.

Thank you to all Voiture Militaries who agreed to hold offices in the locale. It doesn't take a whole lot of work but it's a whole lot of fun. So let's have some fun, promote the 40et8, and increase membership.

With the start of the 2010 membership year upon us, I want to remind everyone that our numbers are starting to grow. With this being said we need to be working on getting new members and keeping the members we currently have. My goal this year is to be at 100% by Veterans Day. So if you can please get your dues to me as soon as possible so we can meet our goal for 2010 membership.

The Voiture will not be holding a Promenade this month. The Voiture will be holding its Installation of Officers Dinner will be on July 25<sup>th</sup> in Cameron, MO at Post 33. The Voiture will be providing the fried chicken and everyone is asked to bring a passing dish to share. The evening will begin with Social Hour at 18:00 HRS and Dinner beginning at 19:00 HRS. Hope to see you all there.

The Voiture will not be holding a Promenade in August, so I will not be sending out a Communiqué in August either.

FYI-H.R.247 : ***Protect Our Veterans Memorials Act of 2009*** to amend section 1369 of title 18, United States Code, to extend Federal jurisdiction over destruction of veterans' memorials on State or local government property.

Sponsor: Rep Green, Gene [TX-29] (introduced 1/7/2009)    Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

Don't forget August 29<sup>th</sup> is the Annual Voiture 1379 ChicNic being held at Wallace State Park near Cameron, MO. The ChicNic begins at 13:00 HRS and the cost is \$10 per person for adults. Please be sure to bring something to use for a door prize give away.

If there are any other functions you would like to "get the word out" please let me know and I can put it in the next communiqué.

Thank you for your service to Our Great Nation, your service to the American Legion, and the 40et8 through Voiture 1379. If we all work together we can and do make a difference.

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