

2015 Dues are being collected now!

Well so far very few renewals have come in so far. We currently have thirty (30) members paid up for the 2015 membership year.

Here are the members who have not yet paid their 2015 dues so far: Paul Bennett, Gregory Blas, Rebecca Boehmer, Tim Coulter, Lisa Coupel, Lynn Coupel, Ray Crestwell, James Gallup, James Gooden, Larry Hammes, Jodi Hatcher, Bill Hendrix, Roger Kohrs, J. Whitfield Moody, Cole Nixon, Bob Patterson, Jerry Phelps, John Poteet, Roy Rash, Neal Reno, Darrell Richards, Jake Samborski, Judi Samborski, and Ron Sloniker.

If your name is listed above please take a moment and pay your dues today. It will be greatly appreciated.

Note from Chef de Gare Passé Ed Schmidt - As outgoing Chef de Gare I would like to thank everyone for supporting my ideas and making the past two years quite memorable for me. I was hoping to increase membership and thanks to your support we have been really successful at doing that. I hope that we can continue to grow.

I feel like the ChickNic and raising money for nurses scholarships has been quite successful. I really appreciate the support that I have received in selling tickets and supporting the dinner. I worked hard to make sure that a good time was had by all.

This past year has been a really tough one for me with health issues. In February I had a brain stem stroke, in May I fell and fractured my good leg. As a result the VA placed me in Riverside nursing and rehab. I escaped the nursing home the week before the ChickNic looking forward to go to the Nationale promenade unfortunately on the 17th of September I had a severe fall and badly fractured my good leg. As soon as the ChickNic was wrapped up I had my son take me to the hospital. The orthopedic doctor couldn't believe that it had been 3 days between falling and reporting to the hospital. I am currently back at Riverside Nursing Home in Riverside MO again recuperating and rehabilitating. I'm not too sure how long it's going to take for me to heal this time, but I'm working hard on it.

This year I am fortunate to be the Grande Directeur of Box Car. Please support the box car program by purchasing box car pins, member cards and associate cards; I want our Voiture to be number one in box car program support. If anyone needs box car coins please feel free to contact me.

In the future I would like to be in the line for chairs to be the Missouri Grande Chef de Gare at some point. Thanks to some of our Voiturés newest members a fund has been started to cover expenses during my run for Grande Chef. I will at some point need the support of all of you in recommending me for that position and helping me operate a hospitality room and hosting the Grande Promenades.

Thank you again for the memorable last two years. I want everyone to join me in supporting Bob Box and his ideas and programs to improve our Voiture.

This months Promenade will be October 22nd at Post 61 with dinner at 18:00 HRS – Provided by Auxiliary Unit 61 and the Promenade will be starting at 19:00 HRS

Thank you for your service to Our Great Nation, your service the 40et8 through Voiture 1379 and Grande du Missouri. If we all work together we can and do make a difference. **Robert C. Emery, Correspondant Locale, Voiture 1379**

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