

## Voiture 1379 Communiqué for September 2011

Membership renewals for 2012 are coming in very slowly again this year. We currently have 29 of the 46 listed members of Voiture 1379 paid up for 2012. Membership is our life blood and if we are to continue we need to find new members so be on the

lookout for prospective 40et8'ers.

I know that my goal to have us at 100% by Veterans Day and it's just a couple of months away. If you have not yet paid your 2012 dues please take a moment and send them in today.

## JUBILEE OF LIBERTY MEDAL

Governor Bob Holden provided funding after the state legislature and Governor Mel Carnahan established that "Every Veteran who honorably served in the United States military [during World War II] shall be entitled to receive a medallion, medal and a certificate of appreciation pursuant to the conditions established in [Senate Bill No. 961]," in 2000.

Governor Bob Holden and the Missouri General Assembly then expanded the program under new legislation; House Bills 1398 and 1399 in 2002, and then again in 2003 with Senate Bill 219. Veterans who served on active duty any time during the period of December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1946 are eligible to receive the award. Under the most recent legislation the spouse or the eldest living survivor of WWII Veterans may apply on behalf of deceased veterans. Applications will be accepted through July 1, 2004.

In addition to the Missouri World War II Veterans Award Recognition medal and medallion, veterans who participated in the "D-Day" invasion of Europe between the dates of June 6, 1944 to August 31, 1944 will receive a replica of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Jubilee of Liberty medal. The Jubilee of Liberty was originally produced by the Government of France and was first awarded in 1994.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Applications are available www.moguard.com

This months Promenade will be on September 28<sup>th</sup> in Claycomo, MO at Post 61 with Dinner – provided by SAL Squadron 61 - and the Promenade following the dinner. 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. **Robert C. Emery, Correspondant Locale, Voiture 1379**