



Voiture 1379 Communiqué for January 2016

**If your membership does not say 2016 you are delinquent!
Dues are still only \$20.00**

Happy New Year to one and all I hope everyone survived the holidays and are ready for the New Year.

Well so far we have very few renewals have come. We currently have forty five (45) members paid up for the 2016 membership year. Our Goal for 2016 Membership year is fifty five (55). Thank you to those who have already paid their 2016 dues. To those who have not yet paid their 2016 dues please take a moment and do so. Be sure to make your check out to **V#1379**.

We have one (1) P.G. waiting to be WRECKED – Vernon Mattocks Hopefully we will get him to the Grande Spring WRECK in Springfield. This will help the P.G. to know the Forty and Eight and about the fun and honor of the Forty and Eight. I hope all those who can, will attend the Grande Spring WRECK and help introduce and welcome the P.G. to the Forty and Eight.

Americanism is the activity of any Voiture or Voyageur in service to the public. While participating in your communities' activities, you are not only accumulating hours, miles and dollars for the Americanism Program, you are promoting the Forty and Eight Americanism Program and its ideals by setting an example of a Veteran's love for his community, state and nation.

My fellow voyageur now is the time to start putting your Voiture Locale's activities for the 2015-2016 year down on paper for our annual reports. If you have done anything for the Forty and Eight, American Legion, VFW or any other veterans organization, then please report those activities to your Americanism Directeur Locale or Correspondant Locale for inclusion in the end of year reports. It is far easier to keep a running total, than it is to try and remember all of your activities at the end of the year. That being said we are still under reporting our activities to Nationale every year. Some times from forgetting to make note of things in the annual reports but mainly from not wanting to seem like we are bragging about what we do. So please report all your activities through out the year and let everyone know what the Forty and Eight is doing.

FYI - The state of Missouri provides several benefits to veterans as indicated below. To obtain information on these "Veteran State Benefits –MO" for an overview of the below benefits. Benefits are available to veterans who are residents of the state. For a more detailed explanation of each refer to

<http://mvc.dps.mo.gov> & <http://militaryandveteransdiscounts.com/location/missouri.html> :
Housing Benefits, Financial Assistance Benefits, Employment Benefits, Other State Veteran Benefits, and Discounts

This months Promenade will be January 27th and held in Kansas City, MO at Post 61 with dinner at the Post beginning at 18:00 HRS and the Promenade starting at 19:00 HRS.

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

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