



## *Voiture 1379 Communiqué for June 2011*

Please welcome the newest member of the Forty and Eight and Voiture 1379 Vernon Hudspeth. Vernon was voted in at the may Promenade and will be “WRECKED” later in the year.

The Voiture will be holding its election for the 2012 membership year, this year so if there is a position you are interested in holding please contact Gary Reno.

The other offices and Directures will be filled by eager volunteers – that is the old fashioned military version of volunteering. Thank you all in advance for filling these positions and helping make the Voiture and the 40et8 better with each passing year. After all “Service is Our Greatest Fun”.

**VA Barcodes:** A new threat to your personal information. It's so simple it's scary. And all an identity thief needs is a Smartphone. It can happen to anyone. Every year, millions are the victims of identity theft. Criminals steal driver's licenses, credit cards and Social Security numbers. Now throw Smartphone into the mix and a free app putting all of us at risk. When it comes to identification, barcodes are being used all the time. So keep an eye out and know what kind of information your barcode contains as apps are everywhere and will only get more sophisticated. The VA is making progress. Once their system is overhauled, they said Social Security numbers won't be used on any documents like badges and patient ID cards, but that's a massive project and could take years.

**Vet Deaths.** The National World War II Museum reports that more than 900 World War II veterans die every day. In 2010, more than 103,000 of the 8 million veterans active during the Vietnam War died, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs, a number that has spiked over the last decade.

Don't forget the date for this year ChicNic has been set so; mark your calendar and start getting the word out for August 27<sup>th</sup>. The place is Wallace State Park at the enclosed shelter so weather won't be a problem. Time is 1:00 P.M. Cost is \$10.00 for Adults. Be sure to bring a passing dish and a door prize item to donate, with you to the ChicNic.

The Voiture is still looking for a replacement fundraiser to help support our Nurses Training Scholarships. Please bring your fundraising ideas to the next Promenade.

This months Promenade will be on June 22<sup>nd</sup> Liberty, MO with dinner at SMOKEBOX BBQ in Liberty, MO (it's across from WAL-MART) at 18:00 HRS and the Promenade will begin at 19:00 HRS at SMOKEBOX BBQ.

If there are any other functions you would like to “get the word out” please let me know and I will put them on 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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