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Chef de Gare's Corner

Here it is February all ready. Lots of projects are going on at the Chateau. We will have the new mini bars installed in the bar area. That will give us a lot more room to sit at tables to eat, talk, and have drinks. I do want to point out that all this work is done with volunteer help and donated funds. No money is coming out of the chateau budget.

Jim Erixson and his finance committee are hard at work trying to get the best interest rates with the funds we have.

I am looking for a Commis Voyageur and a and a Conducteur. The Commis Voyageur is responsible for helping set up the room for the Wrecks, Proms, and Cheminots. You just have to set up the front of the room. The Conducteur calls the room to attention to salute the flag and escorts any guests forward to the front of the room. It is a great way to be a part of the Prom and Cheminot.

John Root has resigned from the Cheminot and will be missed. He has had some changes in his personal life and has had to miss Cheminot meetings. John did promise me that we would still see him at the breakfasts.

We are looking at a Friday night Happy Hour that would last for three or four hours. There would be snacks and drinks available. We cannot afford to have a paid bartender so we would be looking at needing Volunteer bartenders. You must have your mixologist card to be able to work the bar.

The Grande du Washington petite prom will be in April this year in Clarkston, Washington. As soon as I get registration forms I will get them to the those who would like to attend.

As you know we do not have money to support our programs. The bingo parlor has been charging \$20 to players at the Bingo Parlor that would like to reserve their seat ahead of time. They turned over \$1,100.00 to us last month. That money will go to the Authority of the Cheminot and will be used only for our programs. You can request money but all request have to be approved by the Cheminot. If you have raised the separate money yourself you do not have to have the Cheminot approve your request.

Will keep you up to date on as much as I can.

Bob Kadow
Chef De Gare
Voiture 99

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La Femmes



Help me welcome Pamela Vanderheiden to Cabane 99. Her initiation was at the January Rendezvous. Thanks to Pamela for joining us. We look forward to getting to know her better.

It is a new year and the La Femmes have begun to plan for the spring Used Book Sale as well as the Rummage Sale that will be held later in the year. Now that you know we will do those two fund raisers feel free to save up all of those books you no longer need as well as items for the Rummage Sale. We are happy that you let go of your used items and that we can put them to a good cause. Winter housecleaning can be a very good thing.

The La Femmes meet every Thursday morning for our Social in the Chateau. The Thursday Social is a fun time to share good conversation and have coffee and donuts. Feel free to bring a friend. The first dames usually show up around 7:30 a.m. and we carry on until around 9:30 a.m. Feel free to attend and have fun.

The next Rendezvous will be on Saturday February 10 at 11:00 a.m. in the Boxcar Room. The February Cheminot will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Boxcar Room on Tuesday February 20, 2018.

If you have questions about La Societe de Femme or are interested in joining the Dames of Cabane 99 contact La Presidente Judy Bailey at 360-798-5166 or La Sous Presidente Betsy Ross at 360-609-7235.

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POW-MIA

Hope that all is well in the state of Washington. Winter has arrived!! I'm not sure if it's winter or an early spring. There are already buds and blossoms on the trees. WOW!

If you were at our last Promenade, you may have noticed a slight change to my normal well groomed self. I have recently been assigned as the Sous Directeur POW/MIA. The merchandise that has been distributed by Jim Erixson is now the property of yours truly. Thank you Jim, for your years of outstanding service as the Merchandise Guru for the POW/MIA Scholarship Fund. I hope to continue your example by providing the best possible service to all of our Voitures throughout



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the Nation.

Locally and throughout Grand du Washington, my job has not changed. You will hear me trying to promote sales of merchandise in support of our program. I have made trips to three Voitures thus far in Washington with a trip to Aberdeen coming up on Wednesday for their monthly Promenade. This will be my first trip there and will be a valuable chance to ensure the POW/MIA Program is in place.

January 26th and 27th I will be attending Oregon's Mid-Winter Cheminot in Lebanon, Oregon. I'm looking forward to visiting with our fellow Voyagers to our South. I hope to renew friendships from past meetings.

In the future, I will be attending the Great Western in Tombstone, Arizona (April 5-8). That will be followed by the Grand Prom near Clarkston the following weekend (April 13-15).

Our 2018 POW/MIA Pins are available for purchase or for consignment.

We should be ever mindful of our goals:

1. Merchandise Sales
2. Raising awareness to the POW/MIA Scholarship Program
3. Consolidated Reports
4. POW/MIA pin design

Sincerely,

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CHATEAU SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2018

Members and guests allowed on Friday for breakfast. Saturday the Chateau is open to voyageurs and guests.

Thursday morning coffee & doughnuts at the Chateau at 8:30 am.

Voiture 99 Meeting Reminders:

Prom **SATURDAY 2/10/18 11:00 am**

Chemnot **2/20/18 6:30 pm**

				1	2 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am – 9:00am	3 Chateau Open 12:00pm-7:00pm Grill 12:00pm-3:00pm Bacon Cheeseburger w/ fries or onion rings
4	5	6 BNI Networking 6:00am-9:00am	7 Hazel Dell Salmon Creek Business Association 11:30-1:00pm	8 Member & Guest Coffee & Donuts 8:30am – 10:00am	9 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am – 9:00am CMAC 8:30am - 10:00am	10 PROM 11:00am Spaghetti w/garlic bread, salad & dessert
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18	19 S.A.L.T	20 BNI Networking 6:00am-9:00am CHEMINOT Lasagna w/garlic bread, salad & dessert	21 Korean War Veterans 9:00am	22 Member & Guest Coffee & Donuts 8:30am – 10:00am	23 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am – 9:00am CMAC 8:30am - 10:00am	24 Chateau Open 12:00pm-7:00pm Grill 12:00pm-3:00pm Fried chicken w/potato salad
25	26	27 BNI Networking 6:00am-9:00am	28			
<p>Chateau Lounge is open Saturday, 12-7pm--Grill is open 12-3pm for lunch</p> <p>** February 3, 2018 at 6:30pm Mardi Gras BINGO Party at 40 et 8 Bingo</p> <p>Bingo Hours- Thurs- 6:30pm / Friday- 6:30pm & 10:15pm Saturday-2pm, 6:30pm & 10:15pm / Sunday- 2pm & 6:30pm</p>						

From the Correspondant

I have just been advised by the Chef that from now on we will celebrate the birthday of each member who was born during the month at the Promenade held that month. Their first two drinks at the bar will be half price. We might even have a cake.

See you all at the Promenade.

Frank Falbee
Correspondant
Voiture 99

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Historian

I'm looking for any 40 & 8 history. I'm also looking for personal stories from members. I'm planning pages for each branch of the service and one for each program. I also want to get as many members photos as possible.

Thanks,

Dixie Hotaling
Historian
Voiture 99

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VAVS

For Bingo at the VA on December 28, we had 17 patients come play. We had 10 volunteers and gave out \$85.00 in game prizes.

John Landahl
VAVS
Voiture 99

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Mark Your Calendars!!!

BIG MONEY dates

have been announced...

- ❖ February 3, 2018 at 6:30pm
- ❖ March 3, 2018 at 6:30pm
- ❖ April 7, 2018 at 6:30pm
- ❖ May 5, 2018 at 6:30pm



Americanism

Dear Fellow Voyageurs,

Happy New Year! First of all I wish to thank those voyageurs who have turned in their service hours to me. If you haven't gotten around to filling the form out, they are available in the Chateau. The New Year is a time for resolutions, so let us resolve to renew our sense of purpose to serve our community but most of all our military and fellow veterans. This resolve has already been exemplified this year by Voyageur Nelson Collazo-Serrano and his wife Stephanie.

Nelson has just returned from Puerto Rico where he helped those of his neighbors in Corozal. This is Americanism at its finest, embracing and helping those in need.

The Chef has also challenged me to find a Sous. So if you are interested or willing to work on this worthwhile committee I would love to hear from you! I am also willing to bribe folks with cookies!!

Yours in Service to the Voiture,

Annie Beaton
Americanism Chair
Voiture 99



Thanks to the volunteers who served over 350 free meals at the recent New Years Eve Big Money Night at the Bingo Parlor.

Professional Development Programs for Teachers

There are two free Professional Development programs which are available for teachers this year. The programs are:

1. Either of two Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation Character Development Program classes that are scheduled in Washington and Oregon for April 17 and April 19, 2018. Both of these are free, and the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation will pay for substitute teachers for any teacher who attends.

2. Any of the one week Medal of Honor graduate level professional development classes at Valley Forge this coming summer (2018), which include a CMOHF teacher training.

Here are the details for each of these programs:

1. For the two local Congressional Medal of Honor Character Development Programs in April:

One is scheduled for April 17, 2018 in Monmouth, Oregon at Western Oregon University. The other is scheduled for April 19, 2018 in Tacoma, Washington at Pacific Lutheran University. Both these locations are fairly centrally located in each state, with relatively easy parking, and away from the traffic madness of Seattle and Portland. These locations allow us to draw from the whole state of Oregon and the whole state of Washington. The Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge will also have a booth at the joint WSCSS and OSCSS spring conference in Skamania, Washington on March 9-11, 2018 to answer any questions about either event.

As always, the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation will pay for substitute teachers for any teacher who attends. We need a minimum of 40 teachers to attend each event, so we would love to have any help with publicity that you can provide. The information about each event can be found at this website (which also allows people to register for the event):

Tacoma - <http://themedalofhonor.com/news-and-events/events/events/cdp-events/tacoma-wa-training-19april18>

Monmouth - <http://themedalofhonor.com/news-and-events/events/events/cdp-events/monmouth-or-training-17april18>

2. For Freedoms Foundations' summer week-long graduate courses on the Medal of Honor:

These classes are free Graduate Level Professional Development Classes held at the Freedoms Foundation in Valley Forge PA. You

can receive from one to 3 Graduate Credits from these classes. Details are at:

<http://www.freedomsfoundation.org/Graduate-Classes>

If you have questions, feel free to contact Doug Sheehan at 503-297-8474.

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A bit of history.

An 18 year-old just out of high school was trained to take pictures of damage done to German targets by B-17's. He flew in a British Spitfire fitted with extra fuel tanks where the guns were. In other words, he flew over Germany unarmed...

This is probably one of the best WWII film clips out there. Stored for 61 years in two suitcases of 16mm home movies that were inherited by filmmaker William Lorton from his great uncle who served as a Flight Surgeon. Those suitcases contained 3 hours of war footage that included a compelling crash landing of a Spitfire in 1944.

Filed in a 2005 interview with the now 83 year old pilot and seeing the expression on his face when he realizes it is him in the cockpit, is something you won't soon forget.

At 18 years old, he was all alone, behind enemy lines, with no guns, no escort, and he gladly did it.

They just don't make them like that anymore. It was truly the greatest generation and we owe them so much.

Click this link: [American Spitfire Pilot in WWII](#)

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VBMA's Military History Talk

Thursday February 15th
6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
1301 Officers Row (Marshall House)

Speaker: Dr. Donna Sinclair

Title: African American Contributions to the

Civilian Conservation Corps

From 1932 until 1942, the Civilian Conservation Corps, or CCC was one of the largest public works programs of the New Deal. The program employed single young men to perform unskilled manual labor in jobs related to the conservation and development of natural resources on federal, state and local government lands. About 200,000 African Americans were employed by the CCC. Their story has been largely forgotten. Dr. Donna Sinclair will discuss the work and conditions of these camps, the program's benefits and drawbacks for African Americans, and the shift from integrated to segregated camps.

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The Friends of the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site's annual Sweetheart Hangar Dance is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 10, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Pearson Air Museum. U.S. and Allied World War II uniforms and period dress are welcome but not required. Music will be provided by VanPort Jazz Band. A no-host bar is sponsored by Grant House. Tickets are \$25 per person and are available at the Friends Shop at the Fort Vancouver Visitor Center, 1501 East Evergreen Blvd. and online, [here](#). This is one of the primary fundraisers for the Friends of Fort Vancouver, and proceeds benefit education programs at the site.



Event Date	02-10-2018 7:00 pm
Event End Date	02-10-2018 9:00 pm
Registration Start Date	11-15-2017
Capacity	150
Registered	97
Available place	53
Cut off date	02-09-2018
Individual Price	\$25.00
Location	Pearson Air Museum

VA Announces Rollout and Application Process for New Veterans ID Card.



Veterans ID Card.

On November 28th, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced that the application process for the national Veterans Identification Card (VIC) is now available for Veterans — yet another action honoring their service.

This has been mandated through legislation since 2015 to honor Veterans, and today’s rollout of the ID card fulfills that overdue promise.

Only those Veterans with honorable service will be able to apply for the ID card, which will provide proof of military service, and may be accepted by retailers in lieu of the standard DD-214 form to obtain promotional discounts and other services where offered to Veterans.

“The new Veterans Identification Card provides a safer and more convenient and efficient way for most Veterans to show proof of service,” said VA Secretary Dr. David J. Shulkin. “With the card, Veterans with honorable service to our nation will no longer need to carry around their paper DD-214s to obtain Veteran discounts and other services.”

The VIC provides a more portable and secure alternative for those who served the minimum obligated time in service, but did not meet the retirement or medical discharge threshold. Veterans who served in the armed forces, including the reserve components, and who have a discharge of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) can request a VIC.

To request a VIC, Veterans must visit vets.gov, click on “Apply for Printed Veteran ID Card” on the bottom left of the page and sign in or create an account.

Veterans who apply for a card should receive it within 60 days and can check delivery status of their cards at vets.gov. A digital version of the VIC will be available online by mid-December.

MILITARY PERSONNEL YOU ARE INVITED

ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL: *active duty, retired, veteran, reserves, and spouses* you are invited to come in and shop at the **Nike Company Store** from 2/2-2/11.

The following are the rules for check-in:

- Invitation is Valid for **One-Time** Entry and needs to show **Valid Military ID**
- Photo ID **MUST** be provided for check in (spouse, permanent partner, and dependent children AGE 15 AND OLDER)
- The guest’s spouse/partner must provide proof of the same address to accompany the guest into the store

The guests dependent children must be:

- 22 or younger with the same address
- 24 or younger with a valid college ID

- Also, we kindly ask that you inform guests to refrain from wearing any competitor brands in our store.
 - 40% off most merchandise, select merchandise may be available to employees only.
- Returns with receipt will be refunded based on original method of payment within 30 days of purchase. **NO EXCHANGES MAY BE MADE.**

STORE HOURS	ADDRESS	CONTACT	VALID DATES
MON-SAT 10a-8p SUNDAY 10a-6p	3485 SW KNOWLTON RD BEAVERTON, OR 97005	503.671.1601	2.2.18-2.11.18

NOTICE TO ALL STUDENT ATHLETES: National Collegiate Athletic Association rules strictly prohibit high school student-athletes from receiving special arrangements or “extra benefits” based upon athletic ability. Shopping at the Nike Employee Store is considered by the NCAA to be an “extra benefit”, which may lead to the ineligibility of a student-athlete.

Managing Chronic Pain and Suffering: A Resource Workshop

Do you live with chronic pain? Join us to hear about the many resources available at Portland VA to help you manage chronic pain and increase your quality of life.

Presenters will include experts in:

Pain Medicine CBT for Chronic Pain Sleep	Medications Nutrition Yoga/Tai Chi	Complementary Medicine Movement Therapies Stress Management
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You will learn about multiple evidence-based approaches to reduce your pain-related distress and will leave with a plan of action to improve your daily life.

When: February 13, 2018 – 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Where: Portland Campus, Building 101, Room 201

For more information or to sign up, call Dr. Timothy Wright
At 503-220-8262 Ext. 55612

Program offered by NW Pain Clinic & PCMH