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Chef de Gare's Corner

Greetings comrade Voyageurs!

After three years of being a "Lady-In-Waiting" as your Chef de Train, here I am. I've witnessed a number of caring and competent people serve our voiture through the years and they all manage to lift my soul! I'll get to the most recent Passé Chefs in a minute, but many of you like to serve in the background, and you need to know that you're not anonymous. We need more people like you to keep this station humming, so please everyone keep volunteering and

knocking it out of the park!

About those recent Passé Chefs that I've served under: Chef Beaton and Chef Falbee, well done! The bingo hall that funded our programs for years was neutered by a particular local I-5 casino and went from being our "Cash Cow" to being "the anchor around our neck" costing us hundreds of thousands yearly. The realization process took a while and the sale of the property took even longer! Anyway, the proceeds of the sale are locked into multiple investments managed through a trust now and will hopefully continue to support our programs eternally (depending on the market!)

As for my goals this year: the bingo property is gone, so can't do that; the parking lot is in good order with new surface and lighting, so can't do that; new flagpoles are in with landscaping, so can't do that; part of the Loci has been repaired, so can't do that. Looks like priority number one now is finding a new cook! We need all hands on deck to find someone here in the next couple of weeks so they can overlap with Ron before he leaves to be with his family in Vegas. Right now a new cook is vital to our operation and after that I know more fires will crop up to deal with.

We may have disagreement and dissent occasionally, but we need to keep it light and all continue working for the success of our organization.

Confido,
Todd "T-Bone" Boyd,
Chef de Gare

Correspondants Notes

Dear Voyageurs,
What a wonderful and busy month August has been. We have held our Grande Promenade and our all-membership picnic. At the picnic Chef Falbee with the assistance of Voyageur Sumrill, did a formal dedication of our flagpoles. It was a very nice ceremony and a long time coming. We are hoping to submit an article to the Forty and Eighter with a photo to share our pride in our new flagpoles.

We had a fantastic turnout at the picnic and a super raffle! Thanks to John Treosti for all of his work in obtaining over \$1500

worth or prizes. Once we have a final total on the amount that was raised from the raffle it will be reported at the Promenade in September. I would like to thank the volunteers who helped at the picnic and those who worked on the downed trees before the picnic. You did a great job, and your efforts are appreciated!

Our membership year has started off with a bang! We are over 51% renewed after I came into the office Monday and processed all the renewals from the picnic. Remember we can take cash, check, or credit card and payments can even be processed anytime there is staff in the building.

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La Femmes

The Rummage/Book Sale held on August 12th and 13th earned \$650.00 for voyager programs. Thank you to those of you who donated items and those of you who supported the dames by purchasing items. Also thank to the dames who set up and worked the sale. It wasn't as successful as it has been in the past, but we still made some money for programs.

Our next fundraiser will be serving coffee and donuts at the Labor Day Car Show. We will be serving McDonald's coffee for \$1.00 a cup starting at 6:30 a.m. We will also have donuts for \$2.00. Please support your Dames, the funds raised will go to the POW/MIA program.

Membership cards are available for 2023. We currently have 16 of 27 members who have renewed. If you would like to renew, please mail your check for \$25.00 for membership, or \$30.00 if you would like to donate to Founder's Club to: Elaine Meis, 10911 NW 35th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98685-3524.

If you have questions about La Societe de Femme or are interested in joining the Dames of Cabane 99 please contact La Presidente, Judy Bailey at 360-798-5166, or Commissaire Intendante, Roberta Giesler at 360-909-5124.

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Chateau Schedule for September 2022

Chateau Manager (360)574-3872

Voiture 99 Meetings Reminder
Promenade - September 06, 2022
Dinner 5:00pm / Meetings 6:00pm

Voiture 99 Meetings Reminder
Cheminot - September 20, 2022
Dinner 5:00pm / Meetings 6:00pm

Voiture 99 Reminder -
We are open to the public for lunch
Mondays and Tuesdays 11am - 2pm

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm		01 DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	02 BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am CMAC – 830-1030	03 Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm
04	05 Annual Labor Day Car Show 10 am – 3 pm	06 Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm Promenade / Grilled Chicken \$10	07	08 DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	09 BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am	10 Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm
11	12 Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	13 Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	14 DAV – 630-830 HDSCBA-11-12	15 DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	16 BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am CMAC – 830-1030	17 Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm
18	19 Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	20 Lunch Open to Public 11am - 2pm Cheminot - Dinner- 5pm Meetings 6pm Salt 11-12	21 KWWA-10-1130 Dietrich 5 pm	22 DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	23 BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am	24 Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm
25	26 Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	27 Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	28	29 DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	30 BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am CMAC – 830-1030	

Ongoing Meeting-
SALT (Senior and Law Enforcement Together) 3rd Tuesday – 11am – 12pm
DAV (Disabled American Veterans) 2nd Wednesday –
KWWA (Korean War Veteran's Association) 3rd Wednesday –
HDSCBA (Hazel Dell Salmon Creek Business Association) 2nd Wednesday –
CMAC (Community Military Appreciation Committee) every other Friday morning 830-1030

Correspondants Notes

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Thanks again to the PUFLS and those who have taken the time to take care of your dues.

The Labor Day Car Show is right around the corner, and we need your help!! If you could spare even just 2 hours, it would make a big difference. Please reach out to Earl Edwards and let him know when you can be available. Again, thanks to those folks who signed up to help at the picnic. Many hands will make light and easy work on Labor Day!

At the last Cheminot it was approved to start using Zoom to get more folks to participate in

the business of Voiture 99. A link will be sent out with the reminder a couple of days before the promenade, so please look for it. If you need assistance, please reach out to me in advance so we can try to walk you through things. It really is easy. You can connect by phone, tablet, or computer with or without your camera on. We do ask that you do mute yourself as to limit background noise. When discussion is called for, we will also look for those in Zoom who wish to address the promenade. Please be a bit patient we are still working out the kinks and try to log in early to ensure you have the proper settings for input and output so you can full participate in the meeting.

En Service,
Annie

40et8 Annual Labor Day Car Show

40et8 Annual Labor Day Car Show is taking place on Monday, September 5th from 10am-3pm. The address is 2809 NE 78th Street, Vancouver WA. There is a \$20.00 Car Entry Fee. There is Vendor Space available for \$30.00. There will be Trophies, Vendors, Music, Food & Beer. Please contact Earl Edwards for more information or to be a participant or vendor at 360-513-8251.

(See flyer on page 5)

CLARK COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE CENTER 2022 VETERANS STAND DOWN & EXPO

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2022 0900 (9:00AM) TO 1500 (3:00PM)
RIVER CITY CHURCH, 2400 E. 4TH PLAIN BLVD, VANCOUVER WA 98661

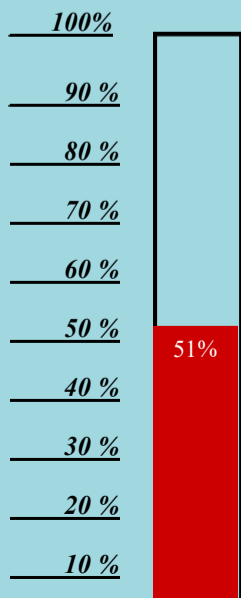
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- HEALTH & DENTAL INFORMATION
- COMMUNITY RESOURCE INFORMATION
- EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
- LUNCHES PROVIDED
- CLOTHING/SUPPLIES
- HAIR CUTS/SHOWERS
- PET SERVICES
- TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PROVIDED FROM 13TH & COLUMBIA
 - SHARE HOUSE ON 13TH & ESTHER SHORT PARK
 - VA CAMPUS (FREEDOM'S PATH AND CENTRAL PARK PLACE)

OPEN TO ALL VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES

Upcoming CMAC Events

1. Patriots Day remembrance will take place at the Vancouver Waterfront on September 11th at 9:05 am. More information on the website when available.
2. CMAC will be hosting a POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony on September 16th at the Armed Forces Reserve Center Memorial Site. More information on the website when available.
3. Veterans Day Parade will take place on November 5th at 11am and will be in front of the Marshall House with reduced capacity as in previous years. More information on the website when available.

Membership Goal for 2023



2022 PORTLAND VETERANS HIRING FAIR + STAND DOWN

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

9:00 am to 1:00 pm • Registration opens at 8:00 am

Veterans Memorial Coliseum | 300 N. Winning Way, Portland, OR

Masks will be mandatory and available for all attending

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247th Marine Corps Birthday Ball November 11, 2022
1700 Cocktails 1800 Ceremony 1900-0001 Dinner & Dancing
Ball Tickets: \$100.00 per person RSVP Cpl Sylvia Mata 503-326-3017

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@ Spirit Mountain Casino & Lodge
27100 Salmon River Hwy, Grand Ronde, OR 9734
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Lodge Reservations: Call 800.760.7977 "Marine Corps Ball RS Portland"
Or online: group ID of 3442

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POW/MIA

24 August 2022

We are at the end of the 40 et 8 reporting year, so I thought that I would give you some statistics on the POW/MIA Program. Washington as a Grande, contributed more than twice as much to the Scholarship Fund than any other Voiture/Grande within the 40 et 8. As a Grande we contributed just over \$6,000.00. Of that amount, Voiture contributed just over \$5,300.00. It was a great year for our Voiture. Thank you for you support throughout the year.

As the Nationale Directeur, I have the privilege of receiving Applications for Scholarships as new as Great Grandchildren of verifiable POW/MIA individuals. What a great opportunity to hear from people throughout the United States. Last year I was able to award 12 scholarships. As you can imagine, the recipients are most appreciative for all support. This years' awardees will be notified during September, with checks to follow.

There was a total of 10,803 hours documented for the POW/MIA Program. There were 22,007 miles driven throughout the year. The accrue total value of miles, hours, and actual money spent has a total value of \$75,505. What a GREAT YEAR!!!

Sincerely,

Steve Slegers
National/Grande/Voiture Directeur POW/
MIA

Boxcar Program

24 August 2022

The Boxcar Program is up and running once again this year. In 2020 we were dealing with COVID Protocols for most of the year. Merchandise sales were started get-

ting better as the year progressed. In 2021 Grande du WA submitted \$600.00 to Nationale for the program. In 2022 we were finally getting back to some semblance of normalcy. Meetings were regularly held, therefore the program progressed much better. As a Grande, we submitted \$800.00 to Nationale. Once again, Voiture 99 contributed \$650.00 of the total. I would like to thank you for all of your support for this Program. Boxcar helps all of the Programs

within the 40 et 8, so it's very important that we continue our work to ensure we maintain GREAT Standards of participation.

Sincerely,

Steve Slegers
Grande/Voiture 99 Directeur Boxcar



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of **VETERANS' AFFAIRS**





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purchase tickets

CELEBRATING OREGON'S WOMEN VETERANS

Chicago Red Stars at Portland Thorns • Providence Park
Sun, Sep 25, 2022 • 1:00 PM

Join us in celebrating the military service of Oregon's more than 28,000 women veterans when the two-time NWSL champion Portland Thorns take on the Chicago Fire in their final regular season home match of 2022.

A portion of the proceeds from each ticket purchased will support the Oregon Women Veterans Fund.

thorns.group/WomenVeteransNight

40&8 ANNUAL LABOR DAY CAR SHOW



Monday, September 5th from 10:00am to 3:00pm

2809 NE 78th Street, Vancouver, WA 98665

Entry fee \$20/car

Prizes-Trophies

Walk-ins are FREE

Music

Raffles

Dash Plaques for
1st 100 cars

Vendors

Food & Beer



40 et 8

Membership info

Veterans welcome!

Contact Info: Earl 360-513-8251 Cliff 360-901-8671

Vendor space 10'X10' \$30

Courtesy of Byron Jacobus

A captured German tank gunner and his American GI guard were having a conversation.

The GI asks the German, "I hear that you guys have the best tanks in the world. Is it true that each Panzer is worth five of our Sherman tanks?"

The German gunner replied, "Actually, one Panzer is worth ten of your tanks."

Incredulous, the GI replied, "Well if your tanks are really that good, then how on earth did you end up getting defeated and captured like this?"

The German replied dryly, "Because you Americans always brought eleven tanks for each one of ours."