



# Boxcar Bulletin



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## Chef de Gare's Corner

Greetings comrade Voyageurs!

Wishing you all well...

Well, here we go, the Holiday season is upon us! By the time you get this Thanksgiving will be in the rearview, it'll be time to get the lights up, the cards out, find a tree and decorate for Christmas.

Or it just may be fun to watch the youngsters jump through those hoops. Either way, I hope it brings you all good cheer!

Our final Wreck of the year is planned for December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 1000! It unfortunately appears we may only have a couple of initiates. Chef Jon will have another awesome menu for all of us afterward, and I'm pretty sure it won't include jumbo chicken dogs.

Our AEDs are finally out for recertification, new batteries and new pads! They should be back in the early part of December.

It is finally time to give our Texas Hold 'em poker sets a workout! I don't think they've been used since Jerry Keen donated them. I'd like to run the tournaments as a 50/50 with half going to the official program of the winner's choice. The vision here is to have a session on the first Saturday of each month at 1300. The inaugural may be after the wreck; who knows?!! Let's start the first one with a \$5 buy in and see where it goes...

We will be hosting a few Christmas parties in our building this month and it'll be exciting to see how they all turn out. Jon aims to serve and impress, so you know they'll be great!

Hope you all have an incredible Christmas season!!

Confido,

Todd "T-Bone" Boyd, Chef de Gare

## Correspondants Notes

Happy Holidays Voyageurs!

We will be having several events in the month of December! The first of which is at our Promenade; on the 5th we will be honoring our nursing students. Please join us at 5pm for a brisket dinner just prior to our meeting. Next on December 10th we have a wreck planned at 10am, with an Army-Navy watch party to follow in the Chateau. Finally, our Passe' Chef's Dinner which is open to all is on the 17th, we will be having prime rib with all the fixings and Passe' Chef Falbee is providing wine for each table. As a reminder your reservations are due to Barb in the office no later than December 5th!

I will be hosting a gift exchange for those who would like to participate. If you would like to join in the fun bring a white elephant gift (a white elephant gift is something you already have or something that you would like to re-gift, if not don't spend more than \$10 on a gift) wrapped or in a bag. I've got a couple of ideas on how I could do this; you will have to show up

and find out which one it is!

As your Grand Chef I wish you all a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, and a Healthy New Year!

Grand Chef Annie

## Cabane 99 La Femmes

The Dames are having a Bake Sale for voyageurs and their dinner guests before Prom on Monday, December 5th. Funds raised will be donated to POW/MIA.

We will not be holding Rendezvous until March, however, on the 5th we will have a social hour (+), during Prom. We will be playing nickels, so bring a friend and a bottle of wine, (oh, I mean nickels!). As Barb always says - "More fun to be had!"

Membership is currently at 19. 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 are not planning to renew, we would like to know that also. We will be sending our membership information to Nationale by the end of December (before the snowbirds leave town.)

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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## Historian News

Check out the album bookcase in the Chateau. You will find some LOCI photo albums there. Keep your 40 & 8 stories coming. You can include service story, committees you have served on, when you were wrecked. Anything else you want to add.

Thanks for participating.

# Chateau Schedule for December 2022

Chateau Manager (360)574-3872

**Voiture 99 Meetings Reminder**  
Promenade - December 05, 2022  
Dinner 5:00pm / Meetings 6:00pm

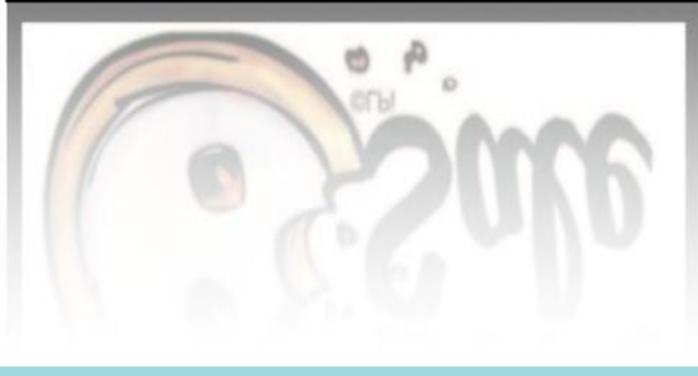
**Voiture 99 Meetings Reminder**  
Cheminot - December 20, 2022  
Dinner 5:00pm / Meetings 6:00pm

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

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>01</b> DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	<b>02</b> BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am	<b>03</b> Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm
<b>04</b>	<b>05</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm  <b>Prom</b> Holiday Brisket Dinner \$13	<b>06</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	<b>07</b>	<b>08</b> DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	<b>09</b> BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am  Van. Recruiting Office Holiday Dinner 5-9pm	<b>10</b> Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm  Army/Navy Game  CMAC Holiday Dinner 5-9pm
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm  S.A.L.T Holiday Party 5-8pm	<b>13</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	<b>14</b> KWWA- 10-1130  DAV – 630-830	<b>15</b> DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am  Nutter – 6- 730am	<b>16</b> BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am  KWWA – Holiday Dinner 230pm	<b>17</b> Saturday Lunch 12-3 pm  Passe Chef Dinner 530pm - RSVP
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	<b>20</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm  <b>Cheminot</b> TBA \$13	<b>21</b> Dietrich Trucking 5-7pm	<b>22</b> DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am  Bret Sorenson Holiday Lunch Noon	<b>23</b> BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am	<b>24</b> <b>CLOSED</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	<b>27</b> Lunch Open to Public 11am – 2 pm	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> DONUTS 6:30 – 9 am	<b>30</b> BREAKFAST 6:30 – 9 am	<b>31</b> <b>CLOSED</b>

**Ongoing Meetings-**

- SALT (Senior and Law Enforcement Together) 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 11am – 12pm
- DAV (Disabled American Veterans) 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday –
- KWWA (Korean War Veteran's Association) 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday –
- HDSCBA (Hazel Dell Salmon Creek Business Association) 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday –
- CMAC (Community Military Appreciation Committee) every



Cabane 99

will have a Voyager only

Bake Sale

December 5th

before Prom

(4:30 to 5:55 p.m.)

Funds will go to POW/MIA



Hello, we are with the Lewis and Clark Young Marines, each year we team up with Wreaths Across America and Evergreen Memorial Gardens to honor our fallen Veterans. We are asking for your help to ensure every fallen Veteran is Remembered by sponsoring wreaths to lay on our Veteran's graves at Evergreen Memorial Gardens in Vancouver, Wa.

This year, National Wreaths Across America day will be held on Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Locally, a ceremony will begin at 10am followed by the placement of wreaths at Evergreen Memorial Garden, located at 1101 NE 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Vancouver, WA 98684 where over 2,000 local veterans are laid to rest. This is open to anyone who would like to attend!

*This year our goal is to place a wreath on all Veterans buried at Evergreen Memorial Gardens! With your generosity, we are hoping to meet this goal and ensure no veteran is forgotten. Each hand made, fresh, live wreath costs only \$15 to sponsor and is made in the United States with Maine balsam. We would love to recognize every business or individual who sponsors at least 20 wreaths this year by putting their family or business' name in the program at our ceremony!*



Wreaths Across America's mission is simple: **Remember** the fallen, **Honor** those that serve, and **Teach** the next generation about the value of freedom.

We want to thank you for your consideration of this patriotic cause! If you are interested in helping us meet our goal this year please visit our donation page at <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/157078> to sponsor wreaths!



Thank you so much!  
YM Ssgt. Corban & YM Sgt. Skyler Rider

Lewis and Clark Young Marines  
501(c)3 Fed EIN #38-2346425



## Passe Chefs' Christmas Dinner

will be held on Saturday, 17 December, in the Boxcar,

hosted by Passe' Chef Frank Falbee.

Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM.

Return enclosed form with payment to:

40 et 8 Chateau  
2809 NE 78<sup>th</sup> St.  
Vancouver WA 98665

Each member may invite one guest.

Widows and Widowers are encouraged to invite one guest.

We must receive your reservation by Monday December 5<sup>th</sup>

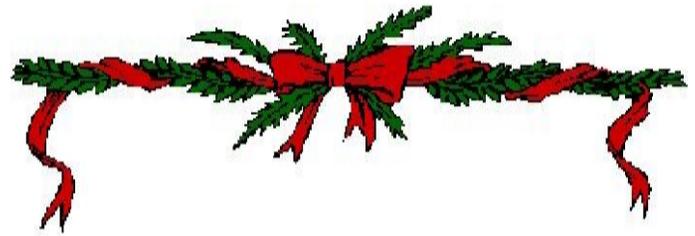
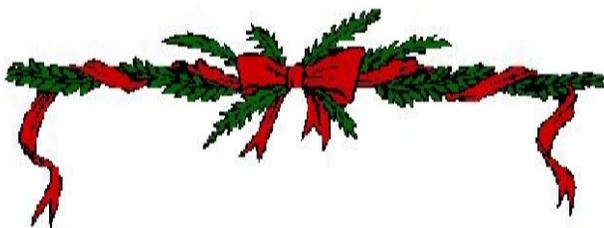
Semi-formal dress. Chapeaus not required.

RSVP and Payment Required

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a prosperous and Happy 2023.

Frank Falbee

Chef de Gare Passe'



## 2022 Passe Chefs' Christmas

### Dinner Reservation

A response is needed by end of Monday December 5, 2022.  
Prepaid Reservations are necessary so that we can have your meal ready for you. Please include your phone number and email.

Cost per meal; \$30

Member \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Menu PRIME RIB -- Rare\_\_ Med Rare\_\_ Med\_\_ Med Well\_\_ Well\_\_

All meals are served with dinner salad, potato,  
vegetable, dinner roll and dessert

Please return this information with your \$30 per plate payment to:

2809 NE 78<sup>th</sup> St Vancouver WA 98665  
or email to office@voiture-99.com

Type of Payment: Check \_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_

Name on Card:

Address associated with Card \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Information: Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp Date \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ CVV Code \_\_\_\_\_



Chromolithograph of The signing of the Armistice, November 11th

## America’s “forgotten war” ended on this day, and few people knew

On December 24, 1814, the Treaty of Ghent officially ended the War of 1812, but the delayed news couldn't stop nearly 1,000 British troops from being killed at the Battle of New Orleans.

The conflict started on June 18, 1812, when American President James Madison signed a resolution, approved in Congress, declaring war against Great Britain. Over the next two and half years, both sides engaged in bitter contests, and the war ended with much unchanged between the two nations.

Today, most Americans recall the war because of two events: the British occupation of the United States’ capital of Washington, and Andrew Jackson’s victory in the Battle of New Orleans. To many others, the war remains forgotten.

Madison was known as the “Father of the Constitution,” and he succeeded Thomas Jefferson as president in 1809. The British issue had plagued Madison since he took over from Jefferson. Britain and France, the United States’ two biggest trading partners, had been at the center of a war that dominated the European continent for decades.

As part of the conflict, the British Royal Navy had forced as many as 6,000 Americans into its service through the practice of “impressing” American merchant sailors. The British also openly supported Native Americans on the western frontier, which was seen as a threat by the Americans. The British also knew factions in the United States were eyeing Canada as a possible addition to the Union.

Canadians also had strong feelings about remaining in the empire. More than a few had left the United States for Canada as loyalists to the crown.

Another factor was the influence of the War Hawks, a group of young Democratic-Republican congressmen led by 33-year-old

Henry Clay, who pushed for war with Britain.

The War Hawks were also concerned with the activities of two Native American leaders, Tecumseh and his brother, The Prophet, who put together an alliance to oppose expansion into Native American-held lands.

The war vote passed in Congress, but not by a huge majority. The Federalists in the Northeast were opposed to the war, and mockingly called it “Mr. Madison’s War.” It was the closest war vote in congressional history, and it was along party lines.

The United States struggled to make any headway in Canada. Madison had assumed that the British, who were occupied fighting Napoleon in Europe, couldn’t effectively defend Canada. Instead, American troops failed in its attempted invasions as they were met by British troops, Canadian militia, and

Native American fighters.

The United States fared better at the Battle of Lake Erie, where it defeated British naval forces. Tecumseh died in a subsequent battle, weakening the ability of the Native American coalition to help the British.

However, the British were able to mount a naval blockade of the East Coast. They invaded and set fires in Washington, D.C. in August 1814. Dolley Madison helped to rescue the Gilbert Stuart portrait of George Washington in the White House dining room before the British arrived.

The Americans countered with a significant victory at the Battle of Plattsburgh, which set up a potential stalemate. But by that point, the war was winding down. Napoleon had abdicated months earlier and the French threat had diminished for the British.

Peace talks had started shortly before the attack on Washington. The sides came to an agreement with the Treaty of Ghent in Belgium, with a tentative deal reached on December 24, 1814. British troops attacking New Orleans were unaware of the peace deal, which still had to be ratified by both governments.

On January 8, the American troops, led by Jackson, routed the British troops in New Orleans. The treaty was ratified by the U.S. Senate on February 15, 1815.

In the end, the war was considered a draw and the Americans didn’t secure a promise from the British to stop the practice of impressment. But two immediate consequences became apparent: The United States had seen the last attempt by the British to impose its military will on its former colonies, and Canada had seen the end of the annexation threat from the United States.

The Native American coalition that sided with the British suffered great losses. Aside from Tecumseh’s death, it lost the British as an ally to slow or stop westward expansion.

### Upcoming CMAC Events

1. CMAC is hosting their annual Holiday Social on the 10th of December 5pm to 9pm at the Chateau. More information on the website when available.

### Membership Goal for 2023

