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## Chef de Gare's Corner

Greetings Voyageurs,

Wow, this summer has been busy!!! Things are moving along with the sale of the building and as of the writing of this article this upcoming weekend we are having a sale of the excess equipment from the Bingo Hall. As of now I don't have a firm date when we will be turning over the keys of the building. If you do have keys to the Bingo Hall they will need to be turned in to Barbara Locks. I can't thank the Voyageurs enough who have stepped up to help with the sale of the Bingo Hall equipment. The Chef owes you a pizza party at a future date. I am hoping to see you all at the Membership Picnic, but I don't know what phase we will be in and if it will be able to be held. Please know that the Cheminot has been working very hard to make the sale of the building go smoothly for us as well as the staff.

The Investment Committee has a meeting on 7/24 with Heritage Bank, the research that committee does now is what will fund our future. We will not be going on any sort of spending spree, I am thinking of this as we have hit our "retirement" and now we need to live on our "pension". Our pension will be the interest earned on our investments. These proceeds will fund our day to day operations and

our programs. When we get back to having Proms and Cheminots I will be asking for updates so the membership will know how our finances stand.

We have updated the menus for Friday Breakfast and it is "Have it Your Way!" Things are now priced a la carte so you can get as much or as little as you want. Most tickets last week were less than the \$9.00 set price. We are still fine tuning the menu by taking non popular items off the menu and working on pricing but I think for the first week it was well received. Please talk to a Chateau Advisory Board Member, Jim Resleff, Mike Reynolds or Frank Matlock with any comments or concerns you many have.

Don't forget we are open for Thursday Coffee and Donuts and Saturday Lounge. I know Donica would love to see you Saturday from 12-5pm with food being served 12-2:30, the food is good and the beer is cheap!

I will leave you with this one thought.. When you can be anything in the world, be kind.

Yours in Service to the Voiture,

Annie Beaton, Chef du Gare  
Voiture 99

## Correspondants Notes

It is that time of year again. The 2021 Membership and Renewal Drive has begun. I know that many of you might feel uncomfortable about coming into the Chateau to pay your dues because of the COVID-19 Virus. This is totally understandable. If you would like to pay your dues now, but don't want to come into the Chateau, Mail your check or money order for \$30.00 to me at

Frank Falbee  
8515 NE 60th St.  
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Make your check or money order payable to "The 40 et 8, V99" (not to me.) I will be at the Chateau on Thursday and Friday mornings if you do choose to come in then.

Our goal this year is 235 members. Remember, your membership is valid until the 31st of December. After that date you are considered delinquent. Thank you to Bill Barnes and Debra & Roger Proctor. You are the first to renew your 2021 membership dues. If you never want to bother with paying your annual dues again – talk to me about becoming a

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# Chateau Schedule

Members and guests allowed on Friday for breakfast.

Thursday morning coffee & doughnuts at the Chateau at 7:00am.- 9:30am

Chateau (360)574-3872

Voiture 99 Meeting Reminders  
Prom TBA  
Cheminot TBA

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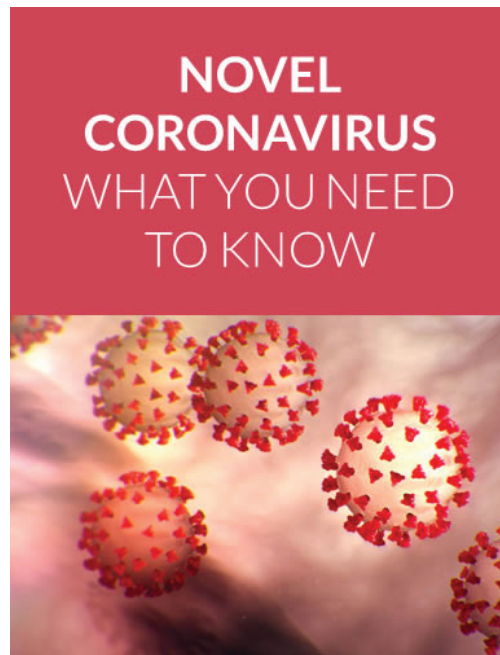
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	3 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	1 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
2	3 <b>PROM</b> Chateau <b>CANCELLED</b>	4	5	6 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	7 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	8 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
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16	17	18 <b>CHEMINOT</b> Chateau 5:30pm <b>CANCELLED</b>	19	20 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	21 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	22 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
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Coffee & Donuts and Friday Breakfasts will be served  
in the picnic area behind the Chateau

PUFL, It's a simple process and not as expensive as you might have thought.

We have a core of 30-40 members who faithfully support our programs and attend our functions. They volunteer to help in and around the Chateau and are regulars at Thursday morning coffee and Friday morning breakfast.

They are involved. We are an Honor Societe of American Veterans, a social club consisting of members who share many things in common. You have all read the pre-ambule to our National Constitution – it's on the back of your membership card. To belong to an organization, any organization, implies that you believe what the organization stands for. That you support its goals and objectives. By belonging, you have a right to express your opinion and to influence the opinions of other members. The best way to achieve this is by running for a position of leadership or as a chairperson of one of our committees or programs. This process will allow you to learn how the organization is run and gives you the opportunity to influence change. Most change is good. It stimulates new and different ideas, enhances an organizations ability to achieve its stated goals more efficiently and professionally while satisfying the desires of the membership. Suggested changes can provide the existing leadership



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with a good estimate of how their performance is effecting the moral and efficiency of the organization. So think about it. If you're not satisfied with the way things are being run – don't run away, run for a leadership position and help make the changes you feel are necessary. Contact John Treosti at [jtpfp@comcast.net](mailto:jtpfp@comcast.net) and apply for a position.



A Sergeant was addressing a squad of 25 and said: "I have a nice easy job for the laziest man here.

Put up your hand if you are the laziest."

24 men raised their hands, and the sergeant asked the other man "why didn't you raise your hand?" The man replied: "Too much trouble raising the hand, Sarge."



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### **Army Football Team Goes on a Break**

The Army coach gave his Army football team a few days off. Several decided to go down to Panama City Beach for fun and relaxation. Coach saw the players the first day back at practice and asked about their vacation.

"Not good coach," said the players. "We never made it to the beach."

"Why not," the coach asked, "car trouble?"

"No," they replied, "every few miles down the interstate we saw signs that said, 'Exit, Clean Restrooms'. You have no idea how many restrooms we cleaned between West Point and Panama City."