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Chef de Gare's Corner

Dear Voyageurs,

What a long, bumpy ride it has been being the Chef de Gare since January of 2020. In no period of our Voiture's existence have so much change and challenges occurred. The only way we moved forward was working together for the good of our Voiture. At several times the path forward was not a clear or easy, and tough decisions had to be made. Those decisions were made by the entire Cheminot and brought to the Promenade as required. My job as Chef is not to be everyone's friend, it is to facilitate the smooth operation of our voiture in its several aspects. I have taken the public criticism offered, most of it non-constructive, and have had to make the best of the situations I have found myself in. By the way that several of the members have been treated by doing his or her job to the best of his or her ability, it is no wonder we are not attracting new members, nor encouraging new members to take on leadership roles. I have taken the high road many times when dealing with members, when public censure was warranted, I chose NOT to do what has been done to me.

I would highly encourage every voyageur to read our constitution, by-laws, and policies and procedures, especially those in

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Correspondants Notes

Could someone please tell me where July went. It feels like just a day or so ago we were celebrating the 4th and now it's August. And with August, the 40/8 kicks off the 2022 Membership Year drive.

The new 2022 membership cards are in and will be available at the Chateau on Thursday, Friday at breakfast and Saturday afternoons. I will also have them available at the Cheminot. Our dues have not changed and are still only \$30.00 per-year. We are trying to make the process of renewing your dues as easy and convenient as possible. We can take cash, check, and now Visa or Mastercard's. If it's more convenient you can mail in your dues directly to the Chateau and I will have them processed within a day or two and mailed directly to your home.

I know that I say this every year, but it bears repeating. Our goal is to have everyone renewed for the 2022 membership year prior to December 31st.

Put a big red star on your calendar on August 21st. That is the date of our annual picnic this year. Jim Resleff will need a few good men and women to help set up and take

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Chateau Schedule

Members and guests allowed on Friday for breakfast.

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

Chateau (360)574-3872

Voiture 99 Meeting Reminders
Prom- no Prom this month
Cheminot August 17th

August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	6 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	7 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
8	9	10	11	12 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	13 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	14 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
15 	16	17 CHEMINOT Chateau 6:00pm La Femme Cheminot	18 KWVA Membership Meeting 10:00am	19 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	20 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	21 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
22	23	24	25	26 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	27 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	28 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
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Coffee & Donuts and Friday Breakfasts will be served in the Chateau

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the Cheminot and Committee Chairs. If you have questions, please ask someone in a leadership position will have the appropriate answer. Please know that the answer you receive may not be the one you want to hear. The leadership of this voiture is only human, at times we make mistakes, come across as blunt, but deep down every decision is made for the best outcome for the future of this voiture, be patient and understanding. Trust me, the folks at the top do not want to make every decision, nor do we want to come up with every solution. An active membership with an involved Cheminot can help make voiture 99 run smoothly. Please choose to be an active member, and let your voice be heard.

The Grande Promenade is right around the corner on the 7th of August. All members are invited to attend! We have the opportunity coming up to enjoy the all-membership picnic coming up on August 21st. I'm sure more details will be forthcoming, but please put it on your calendar. Plans for the Labor Day Sam Grooms Veterans Memorial Car Show are well under way. I'm sure more volunteers are needed to make this a success. Please contact Earl Edwards, Cliff Taylor, or Ron Fryer if you are able to help in any capacity, even shifts of only two hours would be very helpful on this busy day.

Leadership is not about being in charge, it is empowering those in your charge to become the best they can be.

Yours in Service to the Voiture,

Anne M. Beaton, Chef de Gare
2020-2021

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care of the cleanup afterward.

Earl Edwards and his team are putting together what appears to be a fantastic Labor Day Car Show. This is our annual fundraiser (and now membership drive) for our Veterans Assistance Program. So plan to stop by both events and enjoy the good food, prizes, raffle drawings, good company and great looking vintage cars.

Look for the flyer in this newsletter.

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Cheminot on August 17. We will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Boxcar Room. Come for dinner at 5:00 p.m. And remember that the Chateau is open Friday morning for breakfast and Saturday for lunch.

The Cabane is starting to plan for the November Christmas Bazaar. If you know of any creative craftspeople looking for a venue to sell their wares, please get their name and mailing address and let one of the dames know so we may send them the information for renting a table.

If you have questions about La Societe de Femme or are interested in joining the Dames of Cabane 99 contact La Presidente Bonnie Mills at 503-522-7391, or La Sous Presidente Judy Bai-ley at 360-798-5166.

Elaine Meis

Cabane 99 Correspondante

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Elaine Meis

The Rummage/Book Sale scheduled for Friday and Saturday, August 6 and 7 is quickly coming upon us. We will need all available dames to help with set-up on Wednesday and Thursday, August 4 and 5, as well as help with the sale itself on the 6th and 7th. If you know anyone who has items to donate, please ask them to bring in their items on those days.

Cabane 99 presented Voiture 99 with the following funds for their programs before the June Promenade:

Americanism	\$ 300.00
VAVS	\$ 400.00
Youth Sports	\$ 150.00
Carville Star	\$ 100.00
Box Car	\$ 100.00
Child Welfare	\$ 300.00
Nurses Training	\$1500.00

In addition, the cabane has sent \$100.00 to Nationale Ways and Means, and \$100.00 to Cabane Nationale for La Presidente Nationale's Box Car Program.

Cabane 99 continues to support the Share Backpack Program. The barrel at the front door of the chateau is a food collection barrel. Please remember to bring in non-perishable food when you are visiting the chateau for meetings, meals, or social gatherings. Bea Ritter and Bonnie Mills collect the donated foods and deliver it to the Share House.

Remember to attend the next



40&8 ANNUAL LABOR DAY CAR SHOW



Monday, September 6th 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
Vendors

1st 100 cars

Food & Beer



40 et 8
Membership info
Veterans welcome!

Contact Info: Earl 360-513-8251 Cliff 360-901-8671 Ron 360-608-4443
Vendor space 10'X10' \$30 - Ron 360-608-4443

La FEMMES - CABANE 99

RUMMAGE SAILE

FRIDAY

AUGUST 6TH

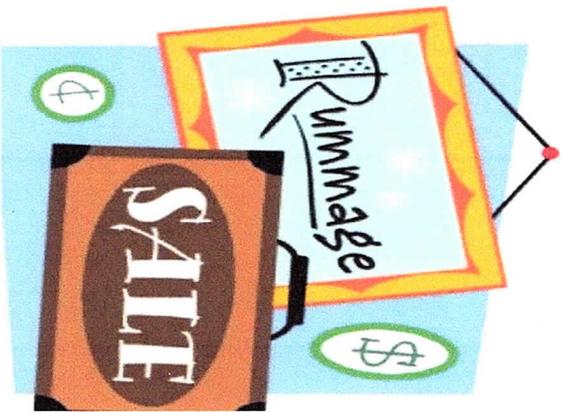
9:00 AM ~ 5:00 PM

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SATURDAY

AUGUST 7TH

9:00 AM ~ 4:00 PM



40 @ 8 BOXCAR ROOM - 2809 NE 78TH ST
VANCOUVER WA 98665

Hundreds of previously loved items -- "Best deals in town"

MY STORY

MY STORY: Jim Resleff (don't know if spelling is right), joined the 40 & 8 August, 1984. He was sponsored by Gordie Richmond. Jim is an Air Force veteran. He is one of the longest living members.

He recalls the time when the Voiture met downtown at the old American Legion building, and when the LOCI was housed at Pearson Air Park.

Bruce Jensen and Jim put the kitchen together at the Chateau. Jim manages the kitchen. He is a man busy working behind the scenes.

Often you will see Jim outside working the on the LOCI. He is the key person, who has kept the LOCI maintained and running all of these years. Jim's favorite trip is the Christmas run to Randall's Children Hospital, followed by a stop at Frito Lays to pick up Santa and take him to Open House Ministries where families are waiting.

THANK YOU JIM FOR ALL YOU DO FOR US!

The historian is looking for a tall book case in (good condition) to hold the albums that have been collected. They will be featured in the box car. Contact Dixie at (360) 953-8218 or drop it off at the 40 & 8.

SHARING HISTORY

Since the Bingo Hall has been emptied, stacks of photographs, forms and history are stacked up in the Box Car. Hopefully I will be sifting through the 'treasures' in September. . You are invited and welcome to help. More than eighty years of memories need to be viewed. The question is: What to keep and what to toss!

The operative word is HELP! You can reach me at 360-953-8218 or rebel2@comcast.net. Together we can get the job done.

Merci,

Dixie Lee Hotaling - Historian

Humor

Gone Fishing

The rain was pouring and there was a big puddle in front of the pub just outside the Navy base. A ragged old Marine Gunnery Sgt. was standing near the edge with a fishing rod, his line in the puddle.

A curious young Navy fighter pilot came over to him and asked what he was doing.

"Fishing," the old guy simply said.

"Poor old fool," the Navy officer thought and he invited the ragged old Marine into the pub for a drink.

As he felt he should start some conversation while they were sipping their whiskey, the smart-ass fighter pilot asked, "And how many have you caught?"

"You're the eighth," the old Marine Gunny answered.

Don't Worry

This Sergeant worried about everything. Then one day the other Sergeants in his unit heard him whistling happily and looking noticeably relaxed.

"What happened?" they asked him in astonishment.

He said, "I'm paying a private to do all my worrying for me."

"How much do you pay him?" they asked.

"Two thousand dollars a week," he replied.

"Wow! How can you afford that?" they asked.

"I can't," he said. "But that's his worry."

Military Kids

What do you call kids in the military? Infantry.

Real Estate

The reason the Air Force, Army, Navy, and Marines bicker among themselves is because they don't speak the same language. For instance, here's what happens after they secure a building:

The Army will post guards around the building.

The Navy will turn out the lights and lock all the doors.

The Marines will kill everybody inside and then set up headquarters.

The Air Force will take out a five-year lease with an option to buy at the end.



Share Backpack Program

Put Protein First!

Shelf-stable, protein-rich foods are the single-best food items to donate. Peanut butter, canned or easy-open meats (chicken, tuna fish, ham, etc.) canned chili and high-protein soups are easy to transport and simple to prepare.

These items are not only nutritious, but are also ideal for families who do not have access to a stove for cooking, as they can be heated in a microwave. Below are some examples of needed items:



Donations can be delivered to the Share Fromhold Service Center, 2306 NE Andresen Road.



sharevancouver.org

Note: Share does not promote or encourage the purchase of the name brand items shown above; the photos are solely intended as a representation of the types of food items needed.

Imagine Yourself in this beauty!

WIN



1967

Convertible! MGB

Raffle Tickets
\$10 each
3 for \$25
7 for \$50
15 for \$100

Get your tickets from one of the Nobles listed below or at an event at the Shriners' booth. See the car in person at most of the events listed on our website www.afifshriners.org

Battleground	Ray 360-773-8658
Camas	Will 360-773-6271
Centralia & Chehalis	Richard 360-736-6716 Jeff 714-261-8182
Federal Way	Howard 610-550-9220
Gig Harbor	Howard 610-550-9220
Grays Harbour	Doug 360-581-1031
Ilwaco	Ron 360-931-3995
Kent	Ashley 206-601-5118
Lacey	Rory 253-732-1324
Lakewood	Ashley 206-601-5118

Long Beach	Ron 360-931-3995
Morton/Packwood	Ryan 360-520-6126
Mossyrock and West	Don 360-983-3404
Puyallup	Ashley 206-601-5118
Rochester	Shane 360-941-0861
Tacoma	Howard 610-550-9220
Vancouver	Ron 360-608-4443
Vancouver, East	Will 360-773-6271
Washougal	Will 360-773-6271
Woodland	Ron 360-608-4443
Yelm	Larry 360-790-4436

Need not be present to win. Must be at least 18 years old. Drawing 6:00pm December 11, 2021 at the Scottish Rite Building, 817 S Vassault St, Tacoma, WA 98465. No cash awarded in lieu of or in addition to prizes. Prize must be claimed within 30 days of drawing. Winner is responsible for taxes and license fees. Payments are not deductible as charitable contributions. All Local, State and Federal Laws apply. Proceeds benefit Afifi Shriners activities.