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Chef de Gare's Corner

October is rapidly coming to an end. Another very fast month it seems. Our guest speaker for October was, of course, the deputy chief of police for Vancouver, Officer Tory Price. A very interesting gentleman. I particularly enjoyed his comments on what the police can and cannot do, and why. How they are restricted by law from stepping in when certain situations arise. I found his talk very informative, and I hope that the Voyageurs that were present did also. The one thing that I must remind myself to do is leave more time for questions and answers.

During the November Promenade, we will have the Veterans Volunteer Services coordinators from both Vancouver and the Portland VA on hand to tell us what volunteer options are available at both locations. While many of our members do volunteer at the VA, this might answer some questions and spark some interest in others to help serve their fellow veterans. I would like to continue to have guest speakers at our Promenades, and your input would be very useful. So, please contact me and

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Dear Voyageurs,

Fall is here! The leaves are changing colors and our clocks will be changing soon as well! November 2nd is election day, don't forget to mail in your ballot! Speaking of changes, I want to emphasize that the meals served at the Promenades and Cheminots will now be by RSVP only. The menus will be put out in advance, this month at the Promenade the menu is chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans and pumpkin pie, while at the Cheminot the menu will be a traditional turkey dinner. You can RSVP 3 ways!

The first way is to send an email to Barbara at Barb.Loucks@voiture-99.com, the second way is to phone the office at anytime at 360 574-8461 and leave a message if Barbara is not in the office. The easiest way is to stop by the Chateau and add your name to the list!

We currently are barely over 50% renewed membership, we need to do better!!!! Again, we have three ways to pay dues by cash, check or credit card. You can

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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- November 1st
Cheminot November 16th

November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Promenade Dinner 5:00 Meeting 6:00pm Chateau	2		4 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	5 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	6 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
7	8	9	10 See Flyer on page 8 →	11 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am Veterans Day Ceremony 11:00AM	12 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	13 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
14	15 See Flyer on page 9 →	16 CHEMINOT Dinner 5:00 Meeting 6:00 Chateau La Femme Cheminot	17 KWVA Membership Meeting 10:00am Boxcar Room	18 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	19 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	20 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
21 	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Day	26 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	27 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm
28	29	30	1	2 Coffee & Donuts 7:00 -9:30am	3 Member & Guest Breakfast 7:30am-9am	4 Chateau Lounge open 12pm - 5pm

Coffee & Donuts and Friday Breakfasts will be served in the Chateau

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let me know what would interest you.

Site preparation has begun for the installation of our flagpoles. The holes have been dug and the forms and concrete poured. Hopefully, the entire project will be completed by the beginning of the new year.

There has not been much movement in our membership this month. Again, I remind everyone that our goal is to have all members renewed by December 31st. So, if you haven't renewed yet, please do.

Also, remember we are on the lookout for new members. New members bring fresh ideas and new approaches to our goals. Talk to your friends and neighbors who you think would make a good voyageur, bring them in for Coffee or for Breakfast and let them get a feel for the place and our membership. Growth in membership is essential if we are going to endure.

Lastly, COVID-19 infections in Clark County and Vancouver in particular, seem to be dropping. Although we are not at that point yet, I hope to see some relaxation in the masking requirements and other restrictions soon. Meanwhile be safe, take care of yourself and your family. Stay healthy.

LaFemmes

Elaine Meis

Membership cards for 2022 are now available for \$25.00. We currently have 16 renewals which is 50% of last years membership. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please consider mailing in your \$25.00 check to either Roberta Giesler or Elaine Meis. If you are not planning to renew your membership, we would appreciate you letting either Roberta or Elaine know by email. According to our bylaws dues are past due as of October 20th. A reminder will be emailed on November 1st for those who have not renewed.

We are still taking table requests from people interested in participating in the Holiday Craft Bazaar to be held on November 19 and 20 in the Boxcar Room. We only have a couple more tables available for rent. So if you are interested you need to let us know soon.

We are still gathering non-perishable food for the Share Program. Bea Ritter collects the donated foods and delivers it to the Share House. Please leave your donation in the barrel by the front door of the Chateau.

Remember to attend Rendezvous Monday, November 1st, and Cheminot, November 16th. We will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Chateau. Come for dinner at 5:00 p.m. And remember that the Chateau is open Friday morning for breakfast and Saturday for

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mail your dues to Voiture 99 Attn: Correspondant 2809 NE 78th St. Vancouver, WA 98665 or drop by in person during our activities.

Ok, I will get off my soap box now and remind you the La Femmes are having their annual Holiday Bazaar November 18 & 19 from 9am-4pm. The ladies are very generous with their time and talents to help fund our projects, I highly encourage you to support this endeavor and get a head start on your holiday shopping!

In this season of thankfulness and gratitude, I am thankful for the opportunity to serve the Voiture and wish you and your family a warm, wonderful, and healthy Thanksgiving!

Annie



lunch.

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 Commissaire Intendante, Roberta Giesler at 360-909-5124.

Elaine Meis
Cabane 99 Correspondante

From the Chef

I thought that everyone would like an update on the progress of the flagpole project started earlier this year. It has been a long slow bureaucratic process, but it looks like things are starting to happen.



On Thursday, the 21st of October, a large vacuum truck with a water jet assist (like a power washer) excavated two holes, 30" wide and 10 feet deep. The vacuum truck sucks up all the water and small stones in the hole. The only thing left are the very large rocks and tree roots which had to be removed by hand.



A 30" in diameter heavy cardboard tube is placed in each hole to prevent cave-ins. The 2X4's are used to ensure that the tube is maintained at the right height.



The rebar fixture, a 24" X 10-foot cage, is inserted into the cardboard tube to provide the necessary strength to the base.



2X4 forms are used to level the tubes and rebar fixtures at curb height.



A template with the anchor bolts for the flagpoles is positioned.



Concrete is no longer mixed by hand. Now it's provided in the exact amount you need and, in the consistency, needed for the job.



The process of pouring is made easy with this type of equipment.



Water that accumulated in the two holes is displaced by the concrete.



The last step in this process is to finish (smooth out) the surface of the newly poured concrete and clean-up the mess.

The next phase will be the actual installation of the flagpoles. That should be in late December or early January.



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October 1, 2021

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Lewis,

Once again, let me take this opportunity to thank you both for your generous donation to the 40 et 8 of \$1,000.00 in honor of Mrs. Lewis' brother Dale. This money will be placed in a restricted fund for support of needy veterans in the Vancouver community.

Your letter outlining Dale' many accomplishments will be placed on our web site and also in the next edition of our Voiture 99 Boxcar newsletter.

Again, please accept my condolences upon the loss of such a fine man.

Sincerely,

Frank Falbee
Chef de Gare
Voiture 99

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James Dale Anderson

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My brother, Dale, as he was known, served in the Army at Ft. Lewis. He was proficient in many languages, some learned in high school, some self-taught. He knew French, German, Russian, Arabic, Spanish, and a few more. After he enlisted and after boot camp, he was sent to a facility for 37 weeks to learn and study decoding. Although he wasn't career military, he gained respect from those around him and mostly, his father, James R. Anderson, who served in the Navy as a submariner during WW2.

We make this donation in his honor, and I am sure, with his blessing, to make sure that in some way, he can pay forward to his veteran brothers.

Kindest regards,

Darcy Anderson Lewis and Mark Lewis

Veterans Day Ceremony

Veterans Day is a day to thank and honor ALL those who serve or have served
in the U.S. military

November 11, 2021

Ceremony starts at 11:00 AM



FREE Community Event!

Complimentary Access to the WWII Exhibit

'Fighting for the Right to Fight' starting at 9:00 AM

Artillery Barracks

600 Hathaway Road, Vancouver WA 98660



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HAPPY THANKSGIVING



NOVEMBER CHEMINOT

Tuesday November 16

TURKEY DINNER WITH ALL THE FIXINS' WITH RSVP

You need to **RSVP** before Thursday 11/11

***phone to office 360-574-8461

*** email- barb.loucks@voiture-99.com, or

***sign up on the list by the check in table

Meals are going to be planned and prepared for the persons on the list.



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.afishriners.org

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Camas	Will 360-773-6271
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	Jeff 714-261-8182
	Everett 360-520-1894
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Yelm	Larry 360-790-4436

Drawing is December 11th!

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.