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I miss my simple ritual of sliding into a diner booth after a long weekend run. For years, I’ve fueled the miles under my feet with visions of the hash browns awaiting me at the end. In my five years here, I’ve found those dreams fulfilled at these cute, charming, quaint, and quirky places. When it’s safe again, you’ll find me skipping the run to dive straight into breakfast at one of these local loves.

**Today’s Specials**

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I’d like the:
- Three Little Pigs Pile & a strawberry shake!

**Hattie’s Hat**

This classic calls itself “Ballard’s last stand since 1904.” Walking down Ballard Ave, you’ll certainly pass by this former home to The Old Home Saloon & Malmen’s Fine Foods. The building’s look is credited to a design by Victor Voorhees. The business became Hattie’s Hat, named for the favorite aunt of the new owner George West’s wife, in 1967.

I’d like the:
- Chicken Fried Chicken Breakfast & a peach mimosa!

**Offshore Café (now Voula’s)**

“If you’re not served in 10 minutes...Relax! You’ll be served in 20 or maybe 30 minutes...” Called the “Offshore Café” until 1984 when Voula took over, this spot has served up delicious breakfasts for more than 50 years. My favorite thing after a run on Cheshiahud Loop (besides the hash browns which are just “chef’s kiss”): taking in the Lake Union mural while waiting those 10, 20, maybe 30 minutes. Relax!

I’d like the:
- Biscuits n’ Gravy & diner coffee (with unlimited hash browns, of course)!

**Geraldine’s Counter**

My first visit to Geraldine’s was guided by none other than Eugenia Woo, our Director of Preservation Services, during a personal tour of Columbia City after I started my job at Historic Seattle (talk about a work perk!). It’s now my favorite stop after a few loops around Seward Park. Geraldine’s is a relatively young business (2005) but is located in the Columbia City Historic District in a building that housed the Columbia Drug Store from the 1910s – 1940s.

I’d like the:
- Geraldine’s Casserole & Geraldine’s Ginger!

**Beth’s**

How could I cover this topic without a nod to the all-you-can-eat hash brown heaven? Take a bet on whether you can finish a 12-egg omelette (hint: no) at this 1954 spot, originally a nickel slots gambling parlor. The property was listed for sale for development last year, which could have meant the end of this beloved institution. Thankfully, no deal was finalized and Beth’s lives on for my post-Green Lake loop hash brown binge!

I’d like the:
- Biscuits n’ Gravy & diner coffee (with unlimited hash browns, of course)!

**Voula’s Offshore Café**

Guy Fieri endorses this order. Normally I wouldn’t care, but it turns out he’s a good Guy! He started the Restaurant Employees Relief Fund, raising more than $20M so far to help service industry workers impacted by COVID-19.