

Paul Chartrand Interview by Spenser Thibault, November 20, 2021

This is a little bit about Cha-Bay's Lii Blagues, his fun stories. One time, you know, my father had a store there for a few years, right across the road from where Cha-Bay lived. So, he'd come over often and one time he came and I was at the store and, Cha-Bay told me this story—a great hunting story. He'd gone goose hunting, and he'd shot these geese on the bottom of a haystack. You know when you move a haystack, there's all the hay there. Anyway, he told me he's crawling up there, and he shot them, and it's just an amazing story! I absolutely loved it. I think I was about sixteen years old or something, and I loved this story. About half an hour later or so, he comes back, and he admits to me, he says: "You know that story I told you?" He says, "Well it's not true." I remember I was all deflated, I was really, really, sad. "But it's not true," he said, "that story." "C'est pas vrai, la." But anyway, he was a real character... but, that's that brand of story.