

## HOURS OF OPERATION

The office is open Monday—Friday 8:00 AM –2:00 PM EST

The office will be closed September 3rd, for Labor Day and  
September 10-14th for Rendezvous Nationale



La Societe de Femme

September 2018



# Cabane Chatter



Greetings Dames,

I can't believe that it is September already. This year has been a whirlwind of travel, great people and loads of fun. Thank you everyone for making it such a special year. I am looking forward to a fabulous finish in Louisville, Kentucky.

But first I cannot miss sharing about our final 2 trips. August started out with Wisconsin's Grande, a flight into Madison, WI Thursday, August 2nd, where we were met by Judy and Ron Pfalzgraf. Then a short trip to the beautiful small town of Lake Mills. The lobby of the hotel was full of Dames and Voyageurs when we arrived. We had a few minutes to unpack and relax and then about 30 of us headed downtown to have dinner at a very nice Mexican Restaurant. Nobody left hungry after this meal. Doc had his driver stop for an ice cream turtle on the way back. He said it was exceptional, I am sorry I missed it. Friday morning we headed down to the Post for registration, raffles and the Cheminot. It was great to have this time with the dames. Grande Presidente Mary Schaller did a great job getting thru the needed business intermixed with lots of door prizes. Lunch was brought in both days and was fabulous. Friday evening there was a potluck hospitality event for the candidates, and the food was over-the-top. Chef de Chemin de Fer 2016 Don Emley and Fay made sure that Mike and I had plenty of Wisconsin cheese to take home with us. It was very yummy. Saturday was a very productive Rendezvous culminating with the installation of the new (or retread) officers. Presidente Mary was installed to her 3rd term. Maybe this time she'll get it right. I joined Doc in lighting the unity candle during the Joint Memorial Service. Banquet Saturday was loads of fun and I got to help present the Dame of the Year award and pin 4 new honorary dames. Always a highlight for me to acknowledge those voyageurs that help us be so successful. My entry was chosen to name the Royal Crown Bear, meet Prince Voyageur. He should be in attendance at Nationale, I hope. I won a basket much too large to try to get on the plane so Doug and Mary Schaller graciously volunteered to bring it to Nationale for me. Sunday was opening Cheminot, new appointments and Presidente Mary had to pay some ransom for losing her Flamingo. Then Tom and Mary Orval picked Mike and I up and showed us around the surrounding countryside and then took us to lunch before heading to the airport. It was a wonderful visit that I will not soon forget.

The very next Thursday night, yes another red-eye flight, we headed to Lansing, MI for the Michigan Grande, arriving Friday morning. We were met at the airport by Lori Coe and she did a fabulous job all weekend taking care of all of our needs. We got to the hotel and had just enough time to say hello and unpack, then Madame Presidente Lori Bolley-Majeske had planned a trip on the train (Loci) to have lunch and then shopping the small boutique shops in old town for any of the Dames who wanted to join us. It was a wonderful trip and everyone came back with something. We got back just in time to visit a little, then we headed to the Chateau for a Fish Fry dinner. It was really good. We rode to and from the Chateau on the Train again. The weather was great and made for a really nice ride. Saturday started with Cheminot and then the Joint Memorial Service. Rendezvous followed and Presidente Lori did a great job of conducting business and having fun at the same time. Reporting was very well done and bundled into a book of reports to make it easy for everyone to follow along. Presidente's luncheon was back at the Chateau. I got to have some fried Okra, yeah, can't get it at home. Elections saw Presidente Lori re-elected for a second term. She promises to get it right this time. Banquet Saturday night was very nice. It culminated with the closing of the silent auction, which saw Mike carting home a huge book on the Navy, among other things. I got several bottles of wine and thank you to Rick Williams for carting them to Nationale for me. Sunday we headed home early and then got to spend an extra 4 hours in Chicago due to a late departure out of Lansing due to weather conditions delaying our inbound flight. It was fitting with all the other flight issues we have had all year.

Let's all have a great time in Louisville. See ya'll real soon,

Yours in Service,

Joyce Robberstad  
La Presidente Nationale

**G** - Growing  
**E** - Each  
**M** - Members  
**S** - Strength

Support  
Child Welfare  
Program



## Program Spotlight: Ritual

What is a Ritual?

Well according to "the dictionary" a ritual has several definitions:

- an established or prescribed procedure;
- a book of rites or ceremonies;
- a prescribed or established rite, ceremony, proceeding, or service;
- any practice or pattern of behavior regularly performed in a set manner;

The Ritual and Manual of Ceremonies is our guide. The Ritual book contains rituals for conducting a Rendezvous, Initiation Ceremony, Installation Ceremony, Memorial Service and Funeral Service. It is recommended that each Grande and Locale Cabane have a Ritual Committee.

When Dames are initiated into our organization they should be provided with a copy of our Ritual, Handbook and Constitution. All Dames should read the Ritual, Handbook and Constitution thoroughly and offer suggestions of improvement, if any, to the Nationale Ritual Chairman for consideration during the Ritual Committee meeting at Rendezvous Nationale. Dames are encouraged to always use the Ritual during Locale and Grande functions.

Yours in service,

Cheryl Jamnick  
Nationale Ritual Chairman

## Meet Your Officer's

### La Conducteur Nationale



### Patsy Klein

I would like to thank all the Dames for offering to help me at the Nationale Rendezvous and a special thanks to Dee Schultz for all her help and ideas. Without all your help I would not be able to put it all together. Added thanks to Cabane 1067.

We are looking forward to helping you to have a good time in Kentucky. We are going to Churchill Downs on Sunday or Monday before the Rendezvous and hope to make a trip to the Louisville Slugger factory and museum, I don't have the times yet.



They have a Bourbon Whiskey Trail that can be limited to Louisville or you can follow it down into Bourbon country, in central Kentucky. Louisville has a reputation for great dining options, from Southern cooking to ethnic dining.



Here's hoping we have something for everyone and you have a great time with us.

Patsy Klein  
Conducteur Nationale

### PRESIDENTE TRAVEL

Sept 9-16, 2018

Rendezvous Nationale

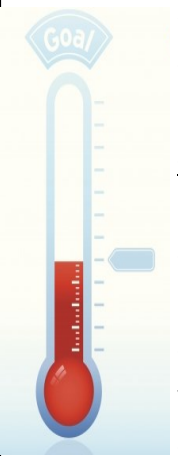
Louisville, KY

See ya'll there, Safe Travels



## How Are We Doing?

### Presidente's Program:



#### Child Welfare:

Goal: \$5000 YTD: \$12,259.92

#### Other Programs:

#### Pennies for POW/MIA:

Goal: \$3000 YTD: \$3290.06

#### Nickels for Nurses:

Goal: \$3000 YTD: \$1413.75

#### Youth Sports:

Goal \$2000 YTD \$850.00

Membership is closed for 2018 reporting. Membership reporting ended June 30th of each year for Trophy and Awards reports. Yearend totals are on the web-site.

This does not mean that we stop working membership. A new membership year has now begun. Get your 2019 cards today.

Remember Dues are due to Cabane Nationale by October 20th each year.

Does your card say 2018 or 2019? If not please get your dues paid today.

## Correspondante's Corner!!!

It's September and time for Nationale. The office will be closed September 3rd for Labor Day and also the week of September 10th - 14th for Rendezvous Nationale.

Our Dessert options have changed at the Presidente's Luncheon. The hotel determined that they could not manage so many options. You will have 2 choices on your table to pick from.

Bring your Red/White/Blue for Wednesday, your Derby Hat for the luncheon, and yourselves to Nationale in Louisville, KY.

We do ditty bags on Monday September 10, help is needed if you come in early, 9 AM.

**Please send in your delegate forms, purple for Locale and lime green for Grande. Send them even if no one is going to Nationale. I need to know who your officers are for 2019.**

Your 2019 cards are ready so send in your dues today.

For the good of La Societe

**Carol Austin,**

**Correspondante Nationale**



# Items for 55th Rendezvous Nationale in Louisville, KY September 12-15th, 2018



*CABANE NATIONALE WAYS AND MEANS  
2018  
TWO RAFFLES  
TICKETS 6 FOR \$5.00  
MAKE CHECK TO CABANE NATIONALE*

All PNP's please bring your new Gold Lanyard with you to Nationale.

Thanks,

Carol K Austin, La Correspondante Nationale

## 2019 Nationale Officer candidates needed

We did not receive resolutions or letters of intent to fill all of the elected positions.

Please come to Nationale thinking about Dames who have the skill and willingness to fill an office. Some offices take more skill, some take more stamina. They all take a willingness to do the job completely.

## APPOINTMENTS TO NATIONALE OFFICES

If you are interested in an appointment to a Nationale Office or Committee, please email or call Cabane Nationale with your request. All candidates for La Presidente Nationale will be notified of your desired appointment.  
femmes@fortyandeight.org or 317-639-1879.

## **Calling all Photographers**

Anyone with pictures from Madame Presidente's travels, please send them to the Nationale Historian and Nationale Scrapbook Chairman, Thank you for your assistance.

### Scrapbook Chairman

Kathy Ahner

310 MacGreger Dr

Summerville, SC 29486

### Nationale Historien

Trudy Smith

3358 Deal Mill Rd

Hudson, NC 28638



## *Meet & Greet for your Correspondante Nationale*

*Carol Austin*

*When: Wednesday, September 12th*

*At: 11 AM*

*Where: Carol's suite, Room number will be posted at Nationale*

*Come put a face to the voice on the phone and let her do the same*

*Beverage and snacks will be supplied*

