



# Cabane Chatter



Greetings Dames,

I hope that June finds you all healthy, safe from the weather that continues to cause us concern, and ready to enjoy a wonderful Summer. The weather here in Oregon is typical for this time of year, if you don't like it now, just wait 5 minutes and it will change.

May found Mike and I making 2 trips, the first to Goose Creek, SC the weekend of May 11-13th. We had a blast once we got there but oh the travel woe's. We left Portland on a red-eye, ready to sleep the flight away, but NO, a passenger was having a medical emergency, lights on and we were diverted to Salt Lake City to off load them to the medics. Now you would think that we would then be on our way and finish our flight, but no, they had used 2 oxygen bottles and could not take off until at least one of them was replaced. It was the middle of the night and the man with the keys to the cage holding the tanks was at home sleeping. After he finally arrived, it turns out they don't have the right ones for the plane we were on. Now it has been so long the crew is out of flight hours and they need to fly in a new crew. We were able to get a different flight and arrive in Charleston only seven hours late, but wait, where's our luggage, you guessed it, not in SC.

In spite of all this we were able to get a few items to get us thru until our luggage arrived the next day and then enjoy our weekend at the Gator Wreck. Dave and Michele Hill met us at the airport and made sure we had everything that we needed during our stay. The Dames and Voyageurs were amazing. Those PG's were wrecked in style and a good time was had by all. The 'Swamp' was full of hospitality. Cabane Presidente Michele Dejonghe-Hill presented me with a beautiful necklace of rice beads and a Gates pendant. I will treasure it always.

After a great weekend, our travel woe's continue getting home. Severe weather closed the Charlotte, NC airport for 3 hours. So by the time we got to our connecting flight and made it home it was 3:45 AM and I started work at 5:30. Made for a short night.

Next we headed to Lorton, VA on May 24th for Memorial Weekend events and duties. We took two of our grandkids with us, Harmony, 17, and Bailey, 19. We arrived Thursday evening and were met by Dick George and Randy Shrader and safely delivered to the hotel. Friday was a day spent in DC showing the kids the sights and monuments. Saturday we joined the Legion and some local Eagle Scouts placing flags on the graves of local veterans at 2 local cemeteries. Later Grande Chef James Rovinski and Grande Presidente Linda Edwards escorted Doc and Patricia along with Mike and I and the grandkids to dinner at Glory Days Restaurant. The food is always wonderful and a good time was had by all. Sunday was the joint Memorial service at AL Post 162. It included speeches and remembering the lost of the past year. Along with the presentation of our bricks in their Memorial. Then it was off to Arlington Cemetery to place flowers on the graves of Breen, Younger and Pershing. Lots of photo ops and a reminder of why we belong to this organization. Banquet Sunday night was well attended and the food was wonderful. Angie Anderson did a fabulous job all weekend and was a great emcee. Monday we headed off to Arlington bright and early, handing out flags to all in attendance and then the carrying of the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Only one of our wreaths arrived but we did what we do best, adapt and carry on. Our members assisted with 2 other wreaths that were missing people to present them and we showed why it is the Honor Society of American Veterans. Doc and I were honored to be able to watch President Trump lay the wreath also. So proud to be a member of this organization and a citizen of this great country.

Thank you to everyone that attended and participated in the Memorial Day Tradition.

Yours in Service,

Joyce Robberstad  
La Presidente Nationale



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

Support  
Child Welfare  
Program

## Program Spotlight



### **Aide to the Voiture**

This program is a compilation of all the Voiture sponsored programs from the Locale to Grande to Nationale for the year.

The following Voiture sponsored programs are as follows: Americanism, Boxcar, Carville Star, Child Welfare, Nurses Training, POW/MIA and Youth Sports.

You may count work for the Voiture at Locale, Grande and Nationale. Total monies donated by Cabanes directly or through the Voiture.

The work you may count are as follows Installations, Nurses, Blood donations, Promenades, Cheminot lunches and dinners, etc. Also cleaning, painting, making purchases such as drapes, furniture, dishes, etc.

Working Monte Carlo Nights, Bingo, Car Washes, Raffles, Turkey Shoots, etc, as long as it is a Voiture sanctioned event.

Typing Voiture News Letters, Bulletins, addressing envelopes, or any office work as long as it is for the Voiture.

You may count the mileage only for the Voiture if you are the only driver and it is a Voiture sponsored activity.

You can count the hours in the Rendezvous, Grande or Nationale Walk-a-Thons.

If you work at Locale, Grande and Nationale registration, cooking, serving, being clowns at the Children's Parties, etc.

Cannot count attending Rendezvous at Locale, Grande and Nationale. You cannot count any AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES. Only Voiture sanctioned activities.

Give a brief summary of everything you have reported on additional paper so that the Chairman understands how you came to your reported figures.

Read the Guidelines, Instructions and Forms carefully. Check your figures and math, make you sign, that they are attested too and have the proper signatures on the proper lines.

PLEASE give yourself time to complete your report and mail it in time to the Chairman.

Sheryl D Palsrok

Aid to Voiture Chairman

**HAPPY  
SUMMER  
VACATION!**

## Meet Your Officer's

### **LA CORRESPONDANTE NATIONALE**

#### **CAROL K. AUSTIN**



I have been a member of the La Societe de Femme since 1999, in Goose Creek, South Carolina. THE HOME OF THE GATOR WRECK

I've held every office we have, Presidente 3 times, Sous Presidente 3 times, La Drapeau 1 time, La Aumonier 2 times, and Commissaire Intendante at least 15 years. Grande Presidente 1 time, Sous Presidente 1 time, and many other positions in the state.

I was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska, married and left Omaha in 1970, had two wonderful Boy's, 7 Grandchildren and 3 Great Grands.

Moved to Charleston, South Carolina 1979 and left there in 2016.

I worked for 37 years in the Banking world, NEX, Jewelry Store, and many other part time jobs.

My oldest son is a Police Detective, and the Youngest is retired Army.

Moved to Indianapolis, Indiana, in April of 2016.

This organization is the best there is. There is a lot of programs to work for, and also if the Voiture asks, you can help them when needed.

PLEASE INVITE A WOMAN INTO YOUR CABANE AND MAKE THEM FEEL NEEDED AND WANTED. BUT THE BEST IS LET'S KEEP THEM INTERESTED AND BUSY

SEE YOU'LL IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY IN SEPTEMBER 2018

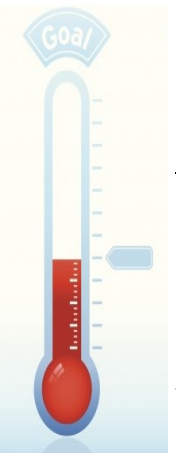


### **FINAL MEMBERSHIP**

**Final Membership totals will be on the Website, after JULY 5, 2018. This is the numbers to use for your year end reporting.**

## How Are We Doing?

### Presidente's Program:



#### Child Welfare:

Goal: \$5000 YTD: \$11,713.00

#### Other Programs:

##### Pennies for POW/MIA:

Goal: \$3000 YTD: \$1224.78

##### Nickels for Nurses:

Goal: \$3000 YTD: \$943.25

##### Youth Sports:

Goal \$2000- YTD \$350.00

Membership is coming in and **Oregon is at 103%; South Dakota and Tennessee are 100%!! We have 23 Cabanes at or above 100%, Way to go!!**

Many are just short 1 or 2, but as a whole we are still short 545. We need to each reach out and share what makes us so special and invite someone to join the fun that goes along with the service that we do.

Remember Dues are due to Cabane Nationale by October 20th each year. Does your card say 2018? If not please get your dues paid today.

Membership reporting ends June 30th of each year for Trophy and Awards reports

## PRESIDENTE TRAVEL

<b>June 5-10, 2018</b>	<b>Visit Nationale and Great Lakes</b>	<b>Indianapolis &amp; Lafayette, IN</b>
<b>July 13-15, 2018</b>	<b>New York Grande Rendezvous</b>	<b>Latham, NY</b>
<b>July 27-29, 2018</b>	<b>Oregon Grande Rendezvous</b>	<b>Seaside, OR</b>
<b>Aug 3-5, 2018</b>	<b>Wisconsin Grande Rendezvous</b>	<b>Lake Mill, WI</b>
<b>Aug 10-11-2018</b>	<b>Michigan Grande Rendezvous</b>	<b>Lansing, MI</b>
<b>Sept 9-16, 2018</b>	<b>Rendezvous Nationale</b>	<b>Louisville, KY</b>



## Correspondante's Corner!!!

Our Year is winding down and Nationale is quickly approaching. Please get your registration in if you plan on attending. It would be really great to see everyone at Nationale. Make sure to send in your lunch selection for the Presidente's luncheon. You can find the information in this Chatter, on the Webpage and in the Forty and Eighter.

Check the WEBSITE for your MEMBERSHIP. Deadline JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>. Let's get all those last minute new members and renewals in today. Just remember there is always a reason for Deadlines!!! All of our year end reports are coming due and they depend on the final membership numbers. Make sure to send them to the chairman listed on the reporting form by the deadline.

Remember to send in your Cabane and Grande officers immediately after your elections have been complete and they have been installed. Don't forget to send your program donations so that we can present them to the Voiture at Nationale.

For the good of La Societe

**Carol Austin,**  
**Correspondante Nationale**





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

Choose your Luncheon Menu selections and return to Carol



LA SOCIETE DE FEMME  
PRESIDENTE LUNCHEON  
CROWNE PLAZA LOUISVILLE, KY  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2018

Name \_\_\_\_\_

The LUNCHEON will be Chicken Marsala or Bourbon Pork Loin

And 1 Dessert of your choice.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR SELECTIONS

CHICKEN MARSALA\_\_\_\_ BOURBON PORK LOIN\_\_\_\_\_

Kentucky Derby Pie\_\_\_\_  
Double Chocolate Cake\_\_\_\_  
Caramel Apple Pie\_\_\_\_  
Classic Cheesecake\_\_\_\_  
Classic Carrot Cake\_\_\_\_  
Chocolate Cheesecake\_\_\_\_  
Turtle Cheesecake\_\_\_\_



EMAIL OR MAIL TO  
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BY AUGUST 6, 2018  
[femmes@fortyandeight.org](mailto:femmes@fortyandeight.org)

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

Thanks,

Carol K Austin, La Correspondante Nationale



*CABANE NATIONALE WAYS AND MEANS*

*2018*

*TWO RAFFLES*

*TICKETS 6 FOR \$5.00*

*MAKE CHECK TO CABANE NATIONALE*

## DEADLINES FOR

### NATIONALE

*August 5th Registration*

*August 17th Delegates/Alternates*

*August 24th Resolutions*

## 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](mailto:femmes@fortyandeight.org) or 317-639-1879.

**Bring your Red, White and Blue (especially Shoes) For Wednesday,**

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**Bring your favorite Derby Hat for the Luncheon on Thursday**



## LETTERS OF INTENT FOR NATIONALE ELECTED OFFICES

### NOTE

As amended at Rendezvous Nationale 2015, Each Grande or State can have two (2) resolutions of endorsement as long as they are for two (2) different offices. You do not have to have a Grande to run for Nationale office. A Cabane Locale can submit a Resolution of Endorsement where no Grande exists.

Rendezvous Nationale is fast approaching and we need you to consider running for one of the elected Nationale Officers positions. We will need to elect:

(1) La Presidente, (4) La Sous Presidentes, (1) Commissaire Intendante, (2) Garde de la Porte, (1) Historian, (1) Aumonier, (2) Drapeau.

**We currently have six letters of intent; one for La Presidente, one for Commissaire Intendante, one for Drapeau, two for Garde de la Porte and one for aumonier.**

Please consider running for one of these vital offices. Get those letters of intent in as soon as possible and then get your resolution done and signed by your Locale and Grande. Resolutions of Endorsements must be received no later than August 24, 2018.



## Calling all Photographers

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

### Scrapbook Chairman

Kathy Ahner  
310 MacGreger Dr  
Hudson, NC 28638

### Nationale Historien

Trudy Smith  
3358 Dealmill Rd  
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Visiting Goose Creek SC for the 33rd Annual Gator Wreck



Memorial Day Weekend  
Activities in Lorton VA and  
Arlington National Cemetery