



*La Société de Femme*

**January 2023**

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

Greeting Dames,

I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and your new year is getting off to a great start.

Membership continues to slowly increase. The La Sous Presidentes are working hard to get renewals in, as of December 23<sup>rd</sup> membership was 68.87%. We have 41 Cabanes at 100% or more, on the flip side we have 15 Cabanes still at zero membership. Please remember the 2023 membership cards expired on December 31, 2022. So, get those renewals in as soon as possible. We are getting close to our goal of 100% membership for two consecutive years.

Ron and I attended Voiture and Cabane 304's Christmas Party. Santa was present handing out gifts.

December 31, was the end of the first six months of the Cabane's fiscal year. If you haven't already started gathering information for all your hard work, now is a good time to organize your notes and receipts for what you have done in preparation for the year end reports. You do the work and donate all your time and money, get credit for your efforts with your year-end reports. The reports help us keep our tax-exempt status.

January starts my travel with a trip to Orlando to Grande de Florida's Mid-Winter Cheminot and then the following weekend to Winston-Salem, North Carolina to the Joint Carolina's. Then a short couple of weeks to my Homecoming in Jacksonville, Florida.

If you plan on attending my homecoming, please get those **hotel reservations** in as the **special pricing deadline is January 12<sup>th</sup>**. The Homecoming Flyer and Reservation form is on the website. I have rooms blocked for February 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 5<sup>th</sup> at the Double Tree – Hilton, in downtown Jacksonville, Florida on the St. John River. If you would like enjoy the warmer Florida weather and stay a few extra days the hotel will honor the special pricing two days before the 2<sup>nd</sup> and two days after the 5<sup>th</sup>.

Happy New Year!

For the Good of La Societe de Femme,

Robbie Garland

La Presidente Nationale 2022-23

## **Christmas Party—Locale Cabane 304**

Madam Presidente Robbie Garland and Santa wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!





# LA PRESIDENTE NATIONALE ROBBIE GARLAND

## HOMECOMING

### February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

(Friday and Saturday)

Double Tree by Hilton Jacksonville Riverfront

1201 Riverplace Blvd.

904-398-8800

Room Type	Standard	Riverfront	Riverfront Jr Suite
Rate	\$109.00	\$129.00	\$149.00

*Rates do not include applicable taxes, subsidies, housing fees or parking fees of \$8 per day. The current tax rate is 13.5%*

For Reservations By **phone** (available 24 hours a day) to **1-800-222-8733** and be sure to **ask for “La Presidente Nationale”** or Group Code **LPN**. **By Internet**—click on this link: **Booking Link:** <https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=JAXJRDT&groupCode=CDTLPN&arrivaldate=2023-02-03&departuredat=2023-02-05&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

**Cut off for Room Registration is January 12, 2023.**

Banquet is \$65 per person.

#### Program Book Ads

Full Page ..... \$60.00

Half Page.....\$30.00

Quarter Page.....\$20.00

Booster/Friend.....\$2.00 per name

Please send hard copy of Ad with Registration and e-mail ad in Word or PDF to [rjgarland@bellsouth.net](mailto:rjgarland@bellsouth.net)  
**cut off for ad is January 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Mardi Gras Theme for the weekend – Dress code not formal.**



LA PRESIDENTE NATIONALE ROBBIE GARLAND'S HOMECOMING

RESERVATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM ADS: Full Page \_\_\_ 1/2 Page \_\_\_ 1/4 Page \_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Booster/Friend Names \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ x \$65.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet Choices:

Slow Roasted Pork Loin w/Apple Chutney \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Chicken Breast w/Prosciutto, Goat Cheese & Sundried Tomatoes \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian/ Pappardelle Pasta & Chestnut Mushrooms w/Garlic Butter, Fresh Sage & Parmesan Cheese \_\_\_\_\_

Make Check Payable to: Roberta Garland

Mail to: 4559 Whispering Inlet Dr., Jacksonville, FL 32277

Schedule of Events:

Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>

Noon – 4 pm Registration

Noon – 4 pm Hospitality Room

Noon – Until?? Hospitality Room

Cash Bar Open 6 pm

Banquet 7 pm to 9 pm

Hospitality open after until??

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## Aid to the Voiture Chairman - Louise Canellos

As your Nationale Aid to the Voiture Chairman, I would like to give you some information on reporting for all programs. Since Aid to the Voiture includes all of your Cabane's program reports.

These are the questions to ask your yourself:

1. *Was it a Voiture Sponsored Activity?*
2. *Did we work the event?*
3. Did I drive the vehicle?
4. Did the Cabane donate money to a Voiture Program?
5. Did I donate items to help a Voiture Program?

If you can answer Yes to any of these questions then they can be counted.

### **Do not count:**

- Hours and miles for attending Rendezvous.
- Working for other events, such as Legion, Auxiliary and other organizations.
- Babysitting
- Flying the American and POW-MIA flags.
- Flags for First Graders goes on Americanism.

When you receive or finish the other program reports, such as Child Welfare totals, Box Car totals, etc., check them over and check Math, include them on your Aid to the Voiture report. Then list anything else you have helped your Voiture with that is not included under the other programs, other items need to be itemized on an attached sheet. Then check your Math, more than once.

You are half way done, you must then have both your Locale Presidente and Correspondante sign and attest to your report, also include their information. Then next, this is very important, you must have a Locale Voyageur attest your report with their signature, this is a very important verification. The Voiture also needs a copy of your report to include on their reports. Now make sure it is addressed to the proper person and post marked by the deadline.

This information and more details are available at [fortyandeight.org](http://fortyandeight.org) under La Femmes and Trophy and Awards. I recommend you print out and read General Reporting Information, Trophy and Awards Guidelines and Report of Activities for Programs-Locale these contain great information, also make sure you are using the right form for your Cabane, check your membership numbers and use the right form.

If you have any other questions or need help you can contact me. My telephone number is (309) 525-2167, you can call or text me. My email is [canellos@kewanee.com](mailto:canellos@kewanee.com) make sure you put Aid to the Voiture in the subject line, since my husband and I share an email. If you email your Aid to the Voiture Report, please also text me or call me so that I will watch for your report.

I would like to Thank everyone who took their time to fill out their Cabane's Reports last year. This is a thankless job that takes a lot of time. Thank You!!



## La Presidente Nationale Travel Events

Mid-Winter	January 12-15, 2023	Orlando, FL
Joint Carolina's	January 19-22, 2023	Winston-Salem, NC
La Presidente's Nationale Homecoming	February 2—5, 2023	Jacksonville, FL
Cajun Wreck	February 8-12, 2023	New Iberia, LA
Chef de Chemin de Fer Homecoming	March 24-26, 2023	Independence, OH
Memorial Day	May 27—29, 2023	Lorton, VA
Great Lakes	June 1-4, 2023	Okemos, MI
Grande-Oregon	July 21-23, 2023	Lebanon, OR



Let's fill up this area with invitations for travel.  
La Presidente Nationale Robbie Garland motto is:  
**Recruit, Educate and Mentor**



## **News From Nationale Commissaire Intendante Cheryl Jamnick**

At the Finance Meeting in Green Bay, Wisconsin membership per capita was discussed. Currently per capita checks are set quarterly. There are several different per capita amounts for Grandes/Locales. The amounts range from as little as \$.50 per member up to \$5.00 per member. This variation in per capita results in quarterly checks being written for as little as \$.50. As you can see the cost of the postage is more than the per capita check.

The Finance Committee voted to calculate per capita checks twice a year (January 1st and July 1st). If the January per capita check is \$100 or greater it will be mailed mid-January. If the per capita check is \$99 or less, it will be held and included in the July 1<sup>st</sup> per capita check.

### **Tax Exemption Status Information**

We are still waiting for a response from the IRS regarding our request to correct the Cabane Nationale tax exemption status from individual tax-exempt to a parent organization along with reinstatement of group exemption number 5006. To date we have not received the correction, the delay is being explained as personnel shortages as well as large volumes of requests for information. I will continue to work on getting a response and will advise as soon as I have any new information.



# Correspondante's Satellite Office

Phone number: (920) 253-1945

femmes@fortyandeight.org

- **Nationale 2023 membership renewal dues is now past due as of December 31, 2022.**
- Please everyone send in your membership renewal dues for your Locale's as soon as possible.
- Travel time for our La Presidente Nationale Robbie Garland. Please send your travel requests for Madam Presidente to Cabane Nationale. Plan ahead Dames! You may contact Cabane Nationale for the necessary request form to be sent to you.
- Please see the attached flyer for La Presidente Nationale Robbie Garland's homecoming. The flyer & reservation form for La Presidente Nationale Robbie Garland's homecoming has been placed on the La Femmes website under News & Notes.
- Grande Per Capita Check Information Form is on the La Femme's website under **Print Forms**. Please print and fill out form. You may email it or send the mail to Cabane Nationale.
- The Per Capita Checks will be mailed out for the first half in January 2023. Please note in the information stated on the above letter from our Nationale Commissaire Intendante.



## **Toys for Tots—Voiture and Cabane 217—Georgia**

The annual Christmas party with the focus on Toys for Tots. This year our Child Welfare Chairman, Betty Hanna and her trusty Elf, Bea Ayton along with all Dames and Voyageurs were able to collect (during 2022) and donate over \$ 15,000.00 in Toys for "Toys for Tots".

**Congratulations Dames and Voyageurs!!**

Shown in photo from Left to Right:

Hiram Hayes, Bea Ayton, Janet Walsh, Jeremy Lange, Sandy Wood, Susan Terzich, Betty Hanna and Elsie Jones. Shown in the truck is the Toys for Tots representative.

## Letters of Intent for Nationale Elected Officers

**2023-2024**

As amended at Rendezvous Nationale 2021. 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 a 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:

La Presidente Nationale	1
Les Sous Presidente Nationale	2
Aumonier Nationale	1
Commissaire Intendante Nationale	1
Les Drapeaux Nationale	2
Les Garde de La Portes Nationale	2

If you are interested or considering running for a Nationale Office, please do the following:

- Send a letter of intent to the Cabane Nationale Satellite Office.
- Signed Resolution of Endorsement by your Locale or Grande.
- Send as soon as your Grande is over.
- Must be received before the deadline date: **August 18, 2023**
- Email to: [femmes@fortyandeight.org](mailto:femmes@fortyandeight.org)
- Mail to: Cabane Nationale Satellite Office, 312 Hillside Circle, Johnson Creek, WI 53038 Phone number: (920) 253-1945
- For Dames requesting an appointment or re-appointment for a Nationale Committee, please email Cabane Nationale with your requests. All requests will be forward to the candidate for La Presidente Nationale.

# OFFICIAL CALL

## 60<sup>TH</sup> RENDEZVOUS NATIONALE OF LA SOCIETE DE FEMME

**Sandusky, Ohio September 11-16, 2023**

In conformity with Section 1, Article 1, By-Laws of La Societe de Femme, the Rendezvous Nationale is hereby called to convene at the KALAHARI RESORTS & CONVENTIONS, 7000 KALAHARI DRIVE, SANDUSKY, OHIO 44870

### PURPOSE

The Rendezvous Nationale is called for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, amending the Nationale Constitution and By-Laws, and the transaction of such other business as may be brought before it.

### BASIC OF REPRESENTATION

In accordance with Article 1, Section 3, Section 4, of the Nationale By-Laws, each Grande Cabane shall be entitled to ten (10) delegates and ten (10) alternates and each Cabane Locale shall be entitled to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for the Charter and one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for the first twenty-five (25) members and one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each additional twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof, such membership shall be calculated as of the end of the membership year (June 30<sup>th</sup>) prior to the convening of Rendezvous Nationale.

The preliminary convention roll call will be made up to the close of business on June 30, 2023.

Cabane Locales indebted to their Grande Cabane or Cabane Nationale will not be included in this Roll Call. Membership will be computed on the basis of **membership reported** and not on membership cards purchased.

### CABANE NATIONALE HEADQUARTERS

Cabane Nationale Headquarters will be in the KALAHARI RESORTS & CONVENTIONS, 7000 KALHARI DRIVE, SANDUSKY, OHIO 44870. All matters relating to Rendezvous Nationale should be addressed to La Correspondante Nationale 312 Hillside Circle, Johnson Creek, WI 53038 as to reach her by August 18, 2023.

Rendezvous matters being forward prior to that date as well as all routine reports of membership orders should be addressed to Cabane Nationale, 312 Hillside Circle, Johnson Creek, WI 53038 as usual.

### DELEGATION HEADQUARTERS

Each delegation should establish a headquarters assignment to hotel, reporting the location of each headquarters to Cabane Nationale and each member of the delegation.

### REPORT OF OFFICERS

Report on your Nationale officers will be included.

### RENDEZVOUS NATIONALE SESSIONS

Sessions of the 60<sup>th</sup> Rendezvous Nationale, as well as all Committee meetings, will be held at the **Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, 7000 Kalahari Drive, Sandusky, Ohio 44870.**

### LES CHEMINOT NATIONALE

There will be a meeting of Les Cheminot for 2023 at 1:00 pm, Wednesday, September 13, 2023.

### ADMISSION TO RENDEZVOUS NATIONALE

Only registered Delegates and Alternates holding Credentials as delegates or alternates will be admitted to the floor of the Rendezvous Nationale. Only registered visiting members of the La Societe de Femme will be admitted upon presentation of the 2023 membership card. Only authorized Delegates or Alternates will have a voice or vote.

## INITIATION

There will be no initiations of new members at Rendezvous Nationale.

## EXPENSE OF DELEGATES

No expense of any Delegates or Alternates attending Rendezvous Nationale will be assumed by Cabane Nationale.

## CONTESTS

Should any Cabane Locale be denied Credentials or claim more delegates than are allowed in the preliminary Roll Call, it may present a claim to the credentials Committee for consideration and decision.

Credential Forms will be mailed for Cabane Nationale to the Grande Correspondante for reporting the names of Grande Cabane's Delegates and Alternates and to Les Correspondante Locale for reporting the names of Locale Delegates and Alternates.

## VOTING

In the Rendezvous Nationale, all Roll Call votes will be by the Grande Cabane (where organized) and by Cabane Locales. Therefore, arrange to organize and elect a Delegation Chairman and Secretary and forward the names to Cabane Nationale, 312 Hillside Circle, Johnson Creek, WI 53038 by August 18, 2023.

## REPORT OF CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARIES

Each Delegation Secretary should report as soon as possible after arrival in SANDUSKY, OHIO on forms provided for the purpose, if they have not already done so, the following information:

Name of Grande Cabane and the number of Delegates

Names of Grande Cabane Delegates and Alternates

Name and address of 2023 Delegation Chairman

Name of Chairman attested by Secretary

## RESOLUTIONS

Proposed Resolution must be in writing and should be submitted to La Correspondante Nationale as early as possible, as and not later than **August 18, 2023**. Grande Cabanes and Cabanes Locale are urged to give the matter of election of delegates their most serious consideration and elect those who plan to attend Rendezvous Nationale and who will give time to the business matters to come before the Rendezvous Nationale.

## ENDORSEMENTS

No Candidate for Nationale Office shall be placed in nomination by the Nominating Committee unless a written resolution of endorsement postmarked fifteen (15) days prior to La Rendezvous Nationale is received by La Correspondante Nationale from the Grande Cabane endorsing a candidate for a particular elective office in Cabane Nationale. Any state which has only one (1) or two (2) Cabanes Locale may endorse a candidate by written resolution of endorsement from either one or both Cabanes Locale. Two Resolutions of Endorsement may be submitted from a single Grande Cabane provided the Resolutions are for separate elected offices. Nominations shall be accepted from the floor for all offices provided that the said candidate is nominated by a Dame from her own Locale or Grande Cabane. Nomination Committee recommendations shall not preclude nominations from the floor.

## READING THE CALL

**THIS CALL SHALL BE READ** at Rendezvous in each Cabane Locale and the Grande Rendezvous. Correspondante should make it their duty to see that each Delegate and Alternate is familiar with its provisions.

**Attested: January 1, 2023**

*Robbie Garland*  
La Presidente Nationale

*Mary Orval*  
La Nationale Correspondante

# Rendezvous Nationale Registration 2023

## Locale - Delegates, Alternate and Officer Report Form

This **LOCALE** form must be completed and mailed or emailed to: Cabane Nationale immediately following your Grande Rendezvous. **(Send the form even if you are not reporting Delegates to Nationale Please read the instructions on the back carefully!**

Grande de \_\_\_\_\_

Cabane Number \_\_\_\_\_

Locale Presidente 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Locale Correspondante 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Final membership Total as of June 30, 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Members

### Credential Form

Please list the names of the duly elected Delegates and Alternates that will be represent your Locale at Rendezvous Nationale as required by the Official Call. If you have a Grande, it is recommended that you take this completed form to your Grande Rendezvous to coordinate with your Grande's Credentials Form. *A Dame cannot be BOTH a Locale and a Grande Delegate/Alternate.*

Delegates		Cabane Number	Alternates		Cabane Number
1.			1.		
2.			2.		
3.			3.		
4.			4.		
5.			5.		
6.			6.		
7.			7.		
8.			8.		
9.			9.		
10.			10.		

### 2024 Locale Officers

2024 Locale Presidente \_\_\_\_\_

2024 Locale Correspondante \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Cabane Nationale  
312 Hillside Circle  
Johnson Creek, WI 53038

Delegates and Alternates are your voice at Rendezvous Nationale. They will cast the votes that your Locale and Grande are entitled to. All Delegates and Alternates must be registered for Rendezvous Nationale. A Dame CANNOT be both a Locale and a Grande Delegate or Alternate. Here is some information to help you in selecting Grande and Locale representatives.

### **GRANDE**

Each Grande is entitled to ten (10) Delegates and ten (10) Alternates.

The Grande must have at least five (5) Dames registered for Rendezvous Nationale to use their ten (10) votes.

At least one Grande Delegate or Alternate must be on the Rendezvous Nationale floor to cast the Grande's votes.

### **LOCALE**

Locale's voting strength is based on your Cabane membership as of June 30, current year. You must have at least half of your eligible delegation registered for Rendezvous Nationale. For example: If you are entitled to two (2) votes (2 delegates and 2 alternates) you would need one (1) registered for Rendezvous Nationale in order to use your two votes. If you have three (3) votes, two dames would have to be registered for you to use your three votes.

### **LA PRESIDENTE NATIONALE PASSE**

A La Presidente Nationale Passé is entitled to cast one vote as a Delegate at Large (DAL). If the La Presidente Nationale Passé is listed as either a Locale or Grande Delegate, she will not be able to cast her DAL vote. You are encouraged to use the Delegate status of your La Presidente Nationale Passé to maximize the Locale or Grande voting strength.

### **LOCALE DELEGATE AND ALTERNATES**

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10-37 Members =	2 Delegates and 2 Alternates
38-62 Members =	3 Delegates and 3 Alternates
63-87 Members =	4 Delegates and 4 Alternates
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113-137 Members =	6 Delegates and 6 Alternates
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### **Appointed Nationale Officers and Committee Chairman**

The following appointments will be made by the newly elected La Presidente Nationale at the Saturday Cheminot, following installation of officers. If you would like to recommend a Dame for one of these appointments, please attach a separate sheet of paper with the Dame's name, Cabane # and Grande/State and a brief paragraph explaining which position you're recommending her for and why you believe she would be a good choice. Chairman of committees with scheduled meetings should be expected to attend Rendezvous Nationale to conduct their committee meetings.

La Conducteur Nationale	La Avocat and Sous Avocat	Credentials
La Sous Credentials	La Sous Drapeau	La Sous Garde de la Porte
Advisory Board Dame at Large	Les Aide de Femme	Constitution and By-Laws Committee
Finance Committee	La Nurse and La Sous Nurse	Nominating Committee
La Photographer	La Garde de la Microphone	Scrapbook Chairman
Boxcar Assoc. Liaison	VAVS Liaison	Aid to Voiture Chairman
Americanism Chairman	Carville Star Chairman	Child Welfare Chairman
Nurses' Training Chairman	POW/MIA Chairman	Resolutions Chairman
Rules and Order Chairman	Youth Sports Chairman	Trophy & Awards Chairman
Trophy & Awards Co-Chairman	Ways and Means Chairman	Ways and Means Co-Chairman

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La Grande Presidente 2023

La Grande Correspondante 2023

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5.			5.		
6.			6.		
7.			7.		
8.			8.		
9.			9.		
10.			10.		

Delegate Chairman	Cabane Number	Delegate Secretary	Cabane Number
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### 2024 Grande Officers

2024 La Grande Presidente

2024 La Grande Correspondante

Address

Address

Phone

Email

Phone

Email

2024 La Cheminot

Cabane

2024 Alternate Cheminot

Cabane

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