



La Société de Femme

February 2024

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

Cabane Chatter

Greetings Dames,

I hope that all your holidays were festive and filled with family, friends, and the best new memories! On to more memories and good times with the New year. With the new year brings membership, your 2023 cards are no longer valid so if you do not have your 2024 card yet make sure you have paid your dues. On that note, as of January 25th we are at 80.88%. Currently we have forty-nine (49) Cabanes at or over 100%, great job to those who have made it! I want to give a hug and a pat on the back for those that are still working on getting to 100% I have seen the work that is being put in to get it done. Thank you to our La Sous Presidente's for all their hard work and to all the membership Chairman across the nation working on it as well. If your Cabane has not reached 100% look at your membership list, reach out to the Dames you know, you might be just who they needed to hear from right now.

Looking toward the future as we do with everything, we do have forty-nine (49) Cabanes that are over 100% I would like to say way to go, you are helping us to a more secure future! We have a lot to offer, I do not know about you but I always feel-good participating in our fundraisers for our programs. We have great programs to work, new friends to meet in our organization. Keep involving your newer Dames so they can learn and maybe teach us who have been here awhile a few new tricks. So, what are you doing in your Locale and Grande to keep and bring in new Dames? What are you doing to support our programs? If you have suggestions for membership or any of our programs, I would love to hear them.

I was invited to the Indiana Spring Cheminot and Lafayette Cabane 364 Designer Purse Bingo. Shortly after arriving in Lafayette, I was informed that the Cheminot was postponed due to the weather. Needless to say, I was a little sad I will have missed a few people I truly enjoy seeing when I go to functions in Indiana. Now that's out of the way, I still enjoyed myself. I got to the Chateau and Shellie Dexter was working, Shaenna Marrin just got done working and Marilyn Mikels came in to meet myself and Carrie Haynes (who traveled with me). I was given a gorgeous basket with all kinds of goodies; a variety butterfly items and a beautiful butterfly quilt.

Lafayette Cabane 364 has a beautiful Chateau if you haven't been you should put it on your bucket list. I enjoyed a small visit on Friday at the Chateau and then on Saturday Marilyn Mikels picked us up for Dinner at Walt's Pub, where I had the pleasure of have dinner with Marilyn Mikels, Shellie Dexter, Shaenna Martin, Marcy Leffert, Barb Howard, Kelley Farrell, Nina Lockhart, and Carrie Haynes. Enjoyed good conversation some of us went to the American Legion following dinner after Marilyn and Shellie took me to the local Payless to get a few more things to make more chili for the Designer Bag Bingo.

I arrived at the Bingo early where I got to watch the Dames of Cabane 364 do their work, impressive to say the least! When I said watch I meant it I tried, and the best I got was a three second job. It was fun attending the Bingo, getting the time to visit with Dames that I have missed, getting to know some of the Dames I had only seen once or twice was truly enjoyable.

To watch this group is impressive, they go in they each have jobs, and everyone does their job expertly. What a fabulous weekend and fundraiser.

Thank You to the Dames of Lafayette Cabane 364.

For the Good of La Société de Femme,

Lori Bolley

La Presidente Nationale 2023-2024

Lafayette Cabane 364 –Indiana



Cabane 364 Dames dining at Walt's Pub with
La Presidente Nationale Lori Bolley
Marilyn Mikels, Shellie Dexter, Shaenna Martin,
Marcy Leffert, Barb Howard, Kelley Farrell,
Nina Lockhart and Carrie Haynes.

And **look** who is shopping again!
Carrie Haynes—Shellie Dexter—Marilyn Mikels
with La Presidente Nationale Lori Bolley



Hard at Work Dames from
Indiana Cabane 364
Marilyn Mikels—Kelley Farrell
Shellie Dexter

La Nationale Presidente

Lori Bolley's Homecoming

May 9-12, 2024

Best Western Okemos
2209 University Park Drive
Okemos, MI 48864
517-349-8700



I appreciate all of your hard work and support that you show and continue to show our organization and myself as your La Nationale Presidente. I know everyone's working hard; however, I hope your schedule will allow you to attend my homecoming where we can slow down and enjoy our time together to celebrate our collective accomplishments. All events will be held at the host hotel, Best Western Hotel & Suites Okemos Event Center. Room rates are \$112.00 for king/double or king suite for \$135.00 a night not including sales tax. **Make reservations directly with hotel and mention "La Presidente Homecoming". Cut -off date is April 22, 2024, for reservations and ads.** If you are flying in to either Detroit Metro or Capital City Airport, please let me know so I can plan accordingly for pick up. There are plenty of restaurants nearby along with shopping and The American Legion, VFW and of course the Chateau, Voiture 946.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - FIESTA THEME

Thursday	Hospitality Room	3:00 P.M. to Closing
Friday	Hospitality Room	9:00 A.M. to Closing
Friday	Registration	11:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Saturday	Hospitality Room	9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M – 9:00 P.M. to Closing
Saturday	Happy Hour	5:30 P.M– 6:30 P.M.
Saturday	Banquet Dinner	6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

RESERVATION FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

PROGRAM ADS: Full Page \$60.00 _____ 1/2 Page \$30.00 _____ \$ _____

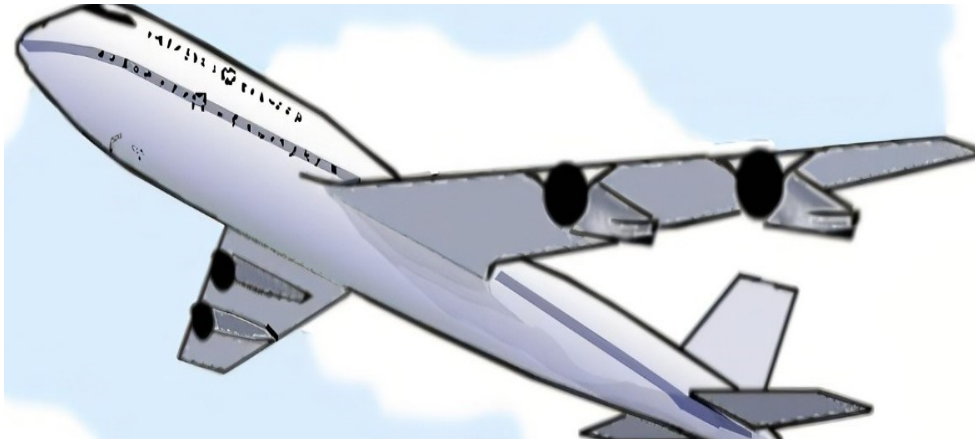
Booster Names \$2.00 each _____ \$ _____

Banquet -Chicken _____ Beef _____ Banquet Tickets _____ x \$50.00 \$ _____

Total \$ _____

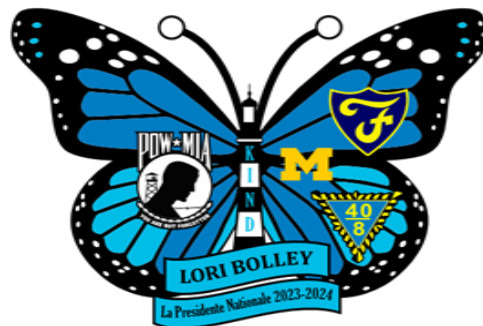
Meals: Choice of London Broil or Chicken Vesuvio (marinated with fresh herbs and a light garlic cream). All meals include mashed potatoes, vegetables, tossed salad, roll and dessert.

Send Registration & Payment to: Lori Bolley
5918 S. Waverly Road, Lansing, MI 48911
Email Ads: bolley.lori@gmail.com



La Presidente Nationale Travel Events

Chef de Chemin de Fer Frank Campo Homecoming	March 7-10, 2024	Springfield, Illinois
Annual Gator Wreck	May 2-5, 2024	Goose Creek, South Carolina
La Presidente Nationale Lori Bolley Homecoming	May 9-11, 2024	Okemos, Michigan
Memorial Day	May 24-27, 2024	Lorton, Virginia
Great Lakes Promenade	June 6-9, 2024	Appleton, Wisconsin
Grande de Michigan	August 10, 2024	Okemos, Michigan



Let's fill up this area with invitations for travel.

La Presidente Nationale Lori Bolley theme is:

Keep Involving Newer Dames—KIND

Totals for Our Program
September 1, 2023 to August 15, 2024

Americanism	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 100.00
Box Car	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 200.00
Carville Star	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 225.00
Child Welfare	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 211.00
Nickels for Nurses Training	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 50.00
Pennies for POW-MIA Presidente's Project	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,746.02
Youth Sports	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 100.00
Founders Club	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 598.00

Founders Club Donations

La Société de Femme was formed on September 19, 1963 by founders Edith Schwindler, Edna Kirkpatrick, Grace Bunch and Helen Joliff. The Founders Club was started to honor those founders of La Société de Femme.

The dues and donations received from the Founders Club will be used for website, internet, email, for mailing the 40 & 8er magazine and to upgrade or replace equipment used at our Nationale Satellite Headquarters.

Donation of \$ 5.00 for each Voyageur or Dame.

Judy Pfalzgraf - Child Welfare Chairman

Dames and Cabane's,

Thank you to all of you who posted pictures on Facebook about you all did for Children and Youth for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays.

Here are some highlights:

- ◇ Some Cabanes donated food to food Pantries for Thanksgiving. One Cabane even cooked a meal for a needy family with six (6) children this is truly amazing.
- ◇ Several Cabanes donated toys for children for Christmas by taking names off of Christmas Giving trees. One Cabane donated scarves, mittens and hats.
- ◇ A Cabane and Voiture donated over \$1000.00 in toys for Toys for Tots.

December 8, 2023, Terry Lee, Sous National Directeur & Grand du Florida Child Welfare Directeur and Anita Lee, Grande de Florida Child Welfare Directeur, volunteered at **One More Child** (formerly Baptist Children's Home) **Operation Merry Christmas**. They provided Christmas gifts for the children in Jacksonville, Florida community. They gave out bicycles, scooters, skateboards, and outside equipment.



- ◇ Another Cabane visited their local hospital and took a gift to all of the children in the hospital. This is truly amazing. Thank you to all who posted pictures on Facebook.

Now that the holidays are over, we can do so many other things for our children.

Some suggestions are:

- Donating to your local food Pantries items that are for children. Donate children's books to your school and local libraries.
- Always remember anything you do for a child is good for our Child Welfare program.
- Ask your Voiture to join you in whatever project you decide to do, so the project is Voiture sponsored.
- Remember to report all of these projects at the end of the year.
- Please keep posting pictures and include pictures in your Year End Reports.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions. Please contact me at (920) 212-0007 or email me at rjpfalz7@gmail.com. For the Good of La Societe!

Suzanne Burger – Nationale Youth Sports Chairman

Good Day to Dames Everywhere,

I'm Suzanne Burger, you're Nationale Youth Sports Chairman.

What is Youth Sports, you ask? Youth Sports is a Voiture program set up to assist athletes, ages seven (7) to twenty (20), in all amateur sports programs to promote sportsmanship, citizenship, and to emphasize safety to athletes and coaches alike.

Its motto is that **no athlete should stay at home for a lack of funds.**

How can you help? Look around your community there is always some young person who could use our help. It could be as simple as paying the fees for a young girl to play soccer.

Your neighbor might need help getting her kids to and from practices because she works two (2) jobs to support her family.

Maybe your grandson needs someone to come and sell tickets for his football game or work at a concession stand.

Get involved, go to games, and cheer the kids on. Let them know what a good job they are doing and how proud you are. It isn't always about money.

Youths need encouragement to continue to get out and try new things. Playing sports is great for kids, it helps develop physical skills, get exercise, make friends, have fun, learn teamwork, learn to play fair, and improve self-esteem.

Fundraisers of all kinds can be done to raise money for Youth Sports. Raffles, dinners, Karaoke nights, breakfasts, and 50/50s are just some of the things we can do.

It all counts, the time, the materials, the monies to keep track fill out your reports. Turn in all your time to your Locale Directeur. Reports are important for all the Voiture programs.

If you have questions, just ask. If I don't know I am sure I know someone who does.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions. Please contact me at (517) 202-9575 or email me at suzburger@comcast.net. For the Good of La Societe!



Cabane Nationale Ways & Means Mail Order

Submitted by _____

Date _____

Phone _____

Grande _____

Cabane _____

Email _____

Address _____

City _____

ST _____

Zip _____

***2023-24 Trial Shirts Limited Please call Carrie to check inventory before ordering 517-206-1653.**

Description	Circle which Emblem	Color	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
12" Flat Beret Bag - Oxford cloth material with handles & comes with embordored La Femmes Emblem Includes: Notebook & Zipper Divider	 	Black		\$20	
12"x 2" Beret Bag - Oxford Waterproof material, reinforced handles & comes embordored La Femmes Emblem Includes: Notebook & Zipper Divider	 	Black		\$25	
Beret Bag Tag with Name, Cabane & Grande Black, Sliver, Pink, Blue & Green		Choose Color _____		\$5	
Dames just wanna have Fun Scoop-neck 3/4 Sleeve Large - XL - 2XL	Choose Size _____	Pink		\$20	
Dames just wanna have Fun Scoop-neck 3/4 Sleeve Large - XL - 2XL	Choose Size _____	Teal		\$20	
Dames just wanna have Fun Scoop-neck Cap Sleeve Currently only large	Large	Med Pink		\$20	
Dames just wanna have Fun Scoop-neck Sleeve-less Currently only 3XL	Choose Size _____	Bright Teal		\$20	
Dames just wanna have Fun V-neck Sleeveless Currently only 2XL	Choose Size _____	Hot Pink		\$20	
To help the shipping cost			Shipping	\$3.00	

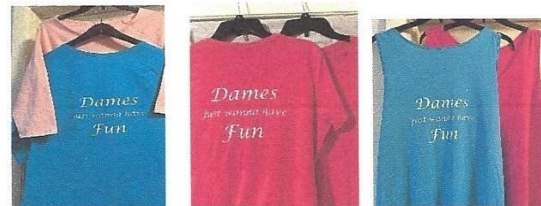
PAYABLE TO CABANE NATIONALE

Check# _____

Total _____



Inside Beret Bag
Zipper Bag
Note Book



12 Flat

12 x 2

Inside

3/4 Sleeve

Cap

Sleeveless

Your Cabane Nationale Ways & Mean Order Receipt

Order Item(s): _____

Please send your ORDER TO: Carrie Haynes, P.O. 115. Leslie, MI 49251. Phone: 517-206-1653

When you RECEIVE YOUR SHIPMENT from Carrie, send your payment as noted below.

Make check payable to **CABANE NATIONALE** and use the enclosed self-addressed envelope and/or MAIL payment check directly to: **Cheryl Jamnick, 7835 Munger Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48197**

Check #:

Amount: \$

Date Sent:

Ways & Mean Cabane Nationale Committee Announces



DOLLARS FOR DAMES RAFFLE
Monthly Drawing March - August for \$20
Gift Card Drawing held September 20, 2024

1st Prize \$250 Visa Gift Card

2nd Prize \$75 Visa Gift Card

Tickets \$5.00 each

Tickets will be mailed to each **Local Correspondante** in the first week of February, 2024.

The **Gift Card drawing** will be held at **Nationale** on Friday, September 20, 2024. You need not be present to win. The monthly drawings are a **reward** for selling your **tickets sooner**. During **March – August** we will draw one **winner** from the ticket **stubs returned** for a prize of **\$20**.

The Committee is also again **rewarding Cabanes** who buy and/or sell the **greatest number** of tickets based on their **Membership** of Thursday, January 25, 2024, divided into **Total Dollars received before the drawing** for percentage ____%.

1st Prize \$25

2nd Prize \$15

We will **report** the Cabanes **sold tickets we've receive** in the **Chatter**. The **winning Cabanes** will be announced **during Rendezvous Natioanle**.

Please make sure your Cabane's Locale Number is on each ticket you've sold.

Checks should made out to **Cabane Nationale**.

Tickets stub(s) with checks should be mailed to:

Cheryl Jamnick 7835 Munger Rd Ypsilanti, MI 48197

If you have questions or would like tickets contact
Carrie Haynes at carrie.haynes@gmail.com or 517-206-1653.

We appreciate all your hard work and effort; and so will your Cabane!

Correspondante's Satellite Office

Phone number: (920) 253-1945

femmes@fortyandeight.org

- Nationale 2024 New membership renewals dues is now past due as of December 31.
- Please Locale Cabanes send in your membership renewal dues for your members.
- May 9-12, 2024 for Madam Presidente's Homecoming. See the flyer on the above page. It has been posted on La Femmes website under News & Notes.
- Travel time for our La Presidente Nationale Lori Bolley. 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..

Important Information—Please read and mark your calendar:

- **Date Change:** September 17-21, 2024—61th Rendezvous Nationale-Sandusky, Ohio.
- **Deadline Registration is: August 1, 2024** 105th Promenade & 61st Rendezvous Nationale. Remember to use the Code ID number: **37072** for your room reservations. If you send your registration form to Voiture Nationale by mail or email—please request confirmation from Terri Taylor that it has been received.
- Copies of the Locale and Grande Registration forms for Rendezvous Nationale have been placed in this Chatter. If you wish copies to be sent to you, please call or email Cabane Nationale. **Deadline is: August 10, 2024.** You may print your copies from the La Femmes website tab—Print Forms—Rendezvous Nationale.
- It is this time of the year to send in your Letter of Intent and your Endorsement of Resolution for elected Officers. Please mail or email Letter of Intent and your Endorsement of Resolution to Cabane Nationale. **Deadline is: August 17, 2024.** See this list on the next page.
- **Note Time Change:** Dame's Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 10:00 AM. Please line up at 9:15 AM. We need help from you Dames four (4) readers and representing the nine (9) States we have so far. If participating in the our Memorial Service, please wear your whites.
- **Reminder:** The Constitution Committee will be addressing all the changes on the newly updated Constitution & By-Laws. All these changes will need to be voted on at Rendezvous Nationale. After Rendezvous Nationale, the new Constitution & By-Laws booklet will be sent out for printing. Watch the Chatter for when it is available to be sold!
- As of January 25, 2024:

Number of Cabanes	Number of States	How many reached 100 % or more	How many are still Zero	Ongoing Progress	New Members	Goal Percentage	Short Members
89	27	49	5	35	106	80.88%	326

Letters of Intent for Nationale Elected Officers 2024-2025

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	Cindy Hickey—NC 506
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 17, 2024**

Email to: 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 immediately to the candidate for La Presidente Nationale.



La Société de Femme



61th RENDEZVOUS NATIONALE

**2024 Schedule
Sandusky, Ohio**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

9:00 AM-3:00 PM PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY
9:00 AM-3:00 PM LA FEMMES EMBLEM SALES

EARLY BIRD TUESDAY EVENING 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

9:00 AM-3:00 PM LA FEMMES EMBLEM SALES
9:00 AM-3:00 PM ALL REGISTRATION
8:00 AM BOX CAR HOBO MEETING IRONWOOD
9:30 AM RITUAL SALON D-E
AID TO VOITURE
JOINT COMMITTEE (BOX CAR – POW/MIA – VAVS)
TROPHY & AWARDS
1:00 PM **CHEMINOT NATIONALE** SALON D-E
FINANCE
RESOLUTIONS
CONSTITUTIONS
CREDENTIALS

GERMANY PARTY IS WEDNESDAY EVENING 6:00 PM

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

9:00 AM ALL REGISTRATION
9:00 AM –11:00 PM LA FEMMES EMBLEM SALES
10:00 AM LA FEMMES' MEMORIAL SERVICE SALON D-E
11:30 AM LA PRESIDENTE LUNCHEON CYPRESS
1:30 PM **OPENING SESSION** SALON D-E

VOITURE MEMORIAL SERVICE IS THURSDAY AT 4:30 PM ** DAMES ARE WELCOME**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

9:00 AM SESSION SALON D-E
1:30 PM SESSION ELECTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

9:00 AM INSTALLATION OF 2025 OFFICERS SALON D-E
2025 CHEMINOT NATIONALE