



# Greetings from Le Chapeau

Doris Ann Werlinger, Le Chapeau

## *“Racing for a Cure Coast to Coast for our Special Children.”*



Greetings Partners,

Happy Mother's Day to All the Partners. Thank you for all you do for our Special Children.

Well, it's that time of the Year --- Get your reports all in to your chairman and please make sure all your awards are sent in so your Departementaux can get an award for all the things each of your Salons do for the community, camps, or fund raisers, and anything special your Salons do.

The Departementaux that I have visited have all had some wonderful ideas and the partners had a lot of fun winning or getting a particular item them wanted. I got several things that I wanted and

I'm enjoying each of them.

Thank you to Illinois, Indiana and Missouri for having me visit your Spring Pouvoir. So, you will hear all about my visits in September. I do hope you have made all your reservations for Crazy

Horse, your corsages, all the meals and your rooms. We are very excited to see all of you at the Homecoming and Marche in September in Rapid City,

South Dakota.

Again, I want to remind all the Chairman that have the Chairman Books with them to hand to the next new Chairman, and if you are not going to be here for Marche, then mail it to me so I can give it to the new Incoming Chairman. This book helps you make it through the year, so you know what to do, when, where, how and why!

Partnership is really down, Partners, so please work on getting new partners for 8 and 40. All of our programs are low this year, but please do what you can. Please get your reports done and sent to the appropriate chairman or Division Demi Chapeau, it tells you in the handbook, all the things you need to know, and the handbook is on the website of 8 and 40

God Bless Each of You and God Bless America,

In Fun and Fellowship,

Hugs,

Doris Ann Werlinger

Le Chapeau National



Salon La Boutique des Huit Chapeaux et Quarante Femmes

# The Hat Box

### HELP WANTED

Salon National is currently seeking candidates for the La Secretaire-Caissiere Nationale position. Due to ongoing health concerns, Sandra has submitted her resignation. For more information, please submit a resume by June 25, 2026 to a member of the Finance Committee:

Cayce Morice: [cayce.morice@yahoo.com](mailto:cayce.morice@yahoo.com), 314-574-0850

Vickey Zwall: [zwallvj@msn.com](mailto:zwallvj@msn.com), 928-919-6334

Brenda Smith: [BSmith205@aol.com](mailto:BSmith205@aol.com), 205-381-5108

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## CALL TO THE ONE HUNDRED & FOURTH ANNUAL LA MARCHÉ NATIONALE

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In accordance with the Nationale Constitution and Bylaws, and by the authority vested in me as Le Chapeau National of La Boutique Nationale des Huit Chapeaux et Quarante Femmes, I hereby issue the Call to the One Hundred & Fourth Annual La Marche Nationale, to be held at the Best Western Ramkota \* 2111 North La Crosse Street\* Rapid City, SD. 55701, Thursday September 10 through Saturday September 12, 2026.

### PURPOSE:

To elect officers for the ensuing year;  
To receive and take action on any proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws;  
To receive and take action on any proposed changes to the Handbook;;  
To receive and take action on any proposed changes to the Ritual;  
To receive reports of National Officers and Chairmen; and,  
To transact such other business as may come before La Marche.

### REPRESENTATION:

Delegates and Alternates:

**Each Salon Departemental shall be entitled to five (5) elected Delegates and an additional Delegate for each five hundred (500) Partners or major fraction thereof, whose current dues shall have been received in Salon National Headquarters not less than thirty (30) days prior to said Marche, and one (1) Alternate for each elected Delegate.**

Les Marche Departementaux shall elect the Delegates and Alternates not less than thirty (30) days before La Marche Nationale. Pouvoir Members have an Alternate, said Alternate being the retiring Le Chapeau Departemental.

If elected and attending, the retiring Le Chapeau Departemental shall be the first Delegate and the incoming Le Chapeau Departemental shall be the second Delegate.

Delegates-at-Large are National Officers, National Chairmen of Standing Committees, National Pouvoir Members and Les Chapeaux National Passè in good standing. If a National Officer or National Chairman is either a National Pouvoir Member or Le Chapeau National Passè, she will cast one (1) vote only, that vote to be cast with her respective Departemental.

Regional and Divisional Chairmen, Members of National Committees, or Departemental Officers have no vote unless the Partner is a regular Pouvoir Member or duly elected Delegate.

Les Chapeaux Departementaux may attend Le Pouvoir National as observers without voice or vote.

### REGISTRATION:

Registration fee is \$20.00 and **payment is required regardless of attendance at Marche**. All packets and Credentials are to be picked up by the Chairman of the Delegation or her representative, upon surrender of the duplicate Credential sheet. The Chairman of the Delegation, or her representative, may pick up packets for pre-registered Delegates at the Nationale Headquarters Office.

Attest:

Doris Ann Werlinger  
Le Chapeau National

Sandra Winchester  
La Secretaire Nationale

## ENDORSED CANDIDATES 2026-2027

Le Chapeau National	Luella Buske - Illinois **
Le Demi Chapeau National	Lisa Hoyland - Florida
Le Demi Chapeau Central Div	Dorothy Jackson - Indiana
Le Demi Chapeau Eastern Div	No announced candidate
Le Demi Chapeau Southern Div	Diane Spencer - Kentucky
Le Demi Chapeau Western Div	Lila Speckels - South Dakota
L'Archiviste Nationale	Patricia Gilbert Mann – New York
L'Aumonier National	Karen Peel - Ohio
La Concierge Nationale	Dorothy Stephens - Indiana

## Gone But Not Forgotten

Department	Salon	Last Name	First Name
IL	1	Testen	Patricia
IL	53	Buske	Luella
IL	63	Howanietz	Frances
IL	137	Rizzolo	Mary Emily
IL	137	Stanton	Cheri
IL	148	Leezy	Marjorie
IL	148	Smitt	Marie
IL	480	Buhle	Elizabeth
IN	896	Tevlin	Dorothy
KY	585	Fox	Eula Jane
MD	796	McKay	Shirley
MO	771	Key	Juanita
MO	771	Mais	Barbara Elaine
NE	486	Hajny	Janet
NY	24	Birney	Beverly
NY	31	Davis	Jean
OH	333	Thatcher	Martha Lee
PA	182	Kenesky	Jean
TX	108	Wons	Kathleen

### Endorsed Candidate Notice

**\*\* Due to the passing of Le Demi National Luella Buske in mid May 2026, there will be some changes in the endorsed candidates for 2026-2027.\*\***

### Passé Luncheon Notice:

**The Passé Luncheon will be in the party room of Minerva's restaurant. While not totally private, it will be away from the crowd. Everyone will order from the menu and pay at that time.**

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## MARCHE HOUSING RESERVATION INFORMATION

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### 104th Annual La Marche Nationale September 10 – September 12, 2026

Best Western Ramkota \* 2111 North La Crosse Street\*  
Rapid City, SD. 55701 605-343-8550  
Group Block Code: – 8 and 40 Organization

Room rate – Double Queen - \$139 plus tax  
Executive Suite - \$159 plus tax (extremely limited number)

To book online, please follow the link below:

[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.42048.html?groupId=5Z4UX7W4](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.42048.html?groupId=5Z4UX7W4)

To book by Phone, please have your guests follow these steps to reserve their room reservations. 1 (800) 780-7234

1. Ask to make a reservation at the Best Western Ramkota
2. Let them know you are with a group on **September 10-12, 2026**
3. Give them the group block code: **8 and 40 Organization**

**Please keep in mind that the cut-off date to book a room is 8/07/26.**

Guests may book Tuesday, September 8, 2026 - Sunday, September 13, 2026. All rates based on 1–4 person occupancy in each room  
Daily check-in time is after 4:00pm and check-out time is by 11:00 am



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## Basic Marche Events Schedule – Subject to revision

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Office Location – Ramkota Hospitality 9/10/26 at 7:30 am

Wednesday 9/9/26 Homecoming – Rushmore

Thursday 9/10/26 9:00 am – 10:00 am – 8 & 40 Foundation Board Meeting - Rushmore

10:00 am – 11:30 am Leadership School - Rushmore

11:00 am – 1:00 pm National Chapeau Passé Luncheon  
(Minervas Restaurant)

1:30 pm – 4:00 Pre-Marche Committee Meetings

4:30 pm - Pre-Marche Pouvoir (Rushmore)

6:00 pm – Rehearsal for La Marche (La Concierge Patricia Mann & Marechals and Pages) (Rushmore)

8:30 pm - Candidates Reception (Olympic / Gold)

Friday 9/11/26

8:30 am – Opening Session (Rushmore)

Saturday 9/12/26  
(Rushmore)

8:30 am - Memorial Service followed by Marche Session

6:30 pm – Installation Banquet (Rushmore)

### Pre-Marche Meetings

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Revision***

#### **Needles Room**

Public Relations, Kim Estes

1:30PM – 2:30PM

L'Aumonier, Patricia Mann

2:30PM – 3:00PM

L'Archiviste, Lisa Hoyland

3:00PM - 3:30PM

Handbook, Diane Spencer

3:30PM – 4:00PM

#### **Badlands**

Nurses Scholarship, Sharon McClain

1:30PM – 2:30PM

Partnership, Floann Clark

2:30PM – 4:00PM

#### **Bear Butte**

Children and Youth, Debra Albers

1:30PM -2:30PM

Ritual & Emblem, Linda Sullivan

2:30PM –3:30PM

#### **Black Elk Peak**

Constitution & Bylaws, Denise Bossetti

1:30PM –2:30PM

Resolutions, Pam Seelye

2:30PM -3:30PM



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# LA MARCHE MEALS RESERVATION FORM

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## Luncheon – by Division

Cost - \$25.00 – Deadline is August 21, 2026

Division \_\_\_\_\_ Departemental \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ *Shaved Ham & Swiss Lettuce / Tomato / Whole Grain Wheat Bread*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Turkey Wrap Provolone / Lettuce / Roasted Red Pepper / Banana Pepper / Bruschetta Tomato / Tomato-Basil Tortilla*

\_\_\_\_\_ *California Wrap (VEG) Provolone / Lettuce / Tomato / Cucumber / Roasted Bell Pepper / Avocado / Garlic Aioli / Tomato-Basil Tortilla Wrap*

*All include Assorted Individually Package of Chips, Bottled Water, Cookie, Whole Fruit & Appropriate Condiments (Mayo & Mustard),*

## INSTALLATION BANQUET

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Departemental \_\_\_\_\_

**\$42.00 per person**

Entree:

\_\_\_\_\_ *8oz Top Sirloin Mushroom-Bourbon Cream Sauce, Baked Potato, Honey-Buttered Carrots*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Honey Pepper Salmon House Pepper Seasoned & Honey Glazed/ Sauce Bearnaise*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Rosa Primavera Manicotti Three Cheese Stuffed / Marina & Alfredo Sauce*

*All Entrée Dinner include: Beverage service, House Salad & Assorted Dressings, House Rolls & Butter*

Dietary restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

**Separate reservation slips for each person attending would be appreciated!!!!**

All checks are to be payable to **La Boutique Nationale** and mailed to: Sandra Winchester, PO Box 1108, Lake Dallas, Texas 75065-1108. You may write one check for all meals.

**Deadline is August 21, 2026. Please remember, deadlines are for a reason!**

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## National Chapeau Homecoming Banquet Reservation Form

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**\$42.00 per person**

September 8, 2026

All Entrée Dinner Buffets include: Beverage service, House Salad & Assorted Dressings, House Rolls & Butter

\_\_\_\_\_ *Burgundy Beef Tips with Mushroom & Onion Demi-Glace,  
Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans (Canned)*

OR

\_\_\_\_\_ *Primavera Pasta (VEG) Mushroom/Red Onion/Zucchini/ Tomato/ Carrot/  
Broccoli/ Arugula/White Wine*

Dietary restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Separate reservation slips for each person attending would be appreciated!!!!

Make checks payable to Departemental de SD #3 8and40

and mailed to: Lila Speckels, 34465 249th St Chamberlain, SD 57325-6326.

You may write one check for all meals.

Deadline is August 21, 2026. Please remember, deadlines are for a reason!





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the lives of children.*

**We're on the Web!**  
**www.8and40.org**



**On May 3, 2026, Salon 19 Departemental De Connecticut held a Race for A Cure Event in a park. It was a cold and blustery day. But it didn't stop the 8 & 40 or our brothers in 40 & 8 from trying to get donations to purchase the pediatric nebulizers for the Connecticut Children's Hospital. It's not too late to donate at <https://give.connecticutchildrens.org/team/818623>**