



Greetings from Le Chapeau

Linda Diebel, Le Chapeau



Salon La Boutique des Huit Chapeaux et Quarante Femmes

The Hat Box



We had a great La Marche in Nebraska. The Partners worked hard to hold a wonderful fun filled event. I hope the one in California will be just as wonderful.

I want to thank each Partner for their support and confidence in voting me Chapeau National. I will do my best to represent a group of magnificent women who work hard to improve the lives and health of our Special Children. I look forward to visiting each Departmental.

My theme is “**Searching for the KEY to a CURE**” and the symbol is an old fashion key and lock. My special program is the 8 and 40 Foundation, specifically issuing 4 scholarships, one for each Division. The requirements to be determined. The amount of each

scholarship will be determined by the total amount donated. So, the more you donate the larger the scholarship!

Each Chairman, with her committee, will be sending out bulletins each month or so informing our Partners where we stand in donations or membership and what the Petit Salons and Departementaux need to complete each program.

Please read your bulletins, read the Hat Box, and read any other information sent to you by National, Departmental Officers and Chairman. You might find something you did not know and did not think of to help you support our Special Children.



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Did you know?

Keys and locks were originally constructed from wood until mankind developed metal-working skills that could produce more precise pieces (the skeleton key).

Gone But Not Forgotten

Dept	Salon	Last Name	First Name	
CA	141	Williams	Mary	NCP Patricia Pierce served as Le Chapeau National from 2010—2011.
CA	277	Crow	Vicki J	
ID	104	Bentley	Pearl	This edition of the Hat Box is dedicated to Patty and the many other Partners that passed away.
ID	592	Patricia	Pierce, NCP	
IL	484	Guy	Della	
IN	156	Taylor	Judy	We thank these ladies and all the other Partners we lost for their dedication to our children and a job well done.
KY	894	Beasley	Sarah Elizabeth	
MO	116	Kieffer	Betty Jo	
MO	390	Smith	Mary Elaine	
NE	92	White	Irene	

Eastern Division Le Demi Chapeau

Rose Burbidge

Greetings from beautiful Eastern Division! Autumn has set in and the trees are just gorgeous with their various colors. Maple syrup is in season. Nothing better on your pancakes than 'real' maple syrup.

But we also know what that means..... WINTER is not far behind! By next month, everybody (and I mean EVERYBODY) will be getting their snowblowers ready as well as the plows on trucks both private and commercial.

Partnership is off and running. I am thrilled to say that New York already has one Salon that has reached 100 % goal. I am sooooo proud of them. Still waiting to hear from the other states.

Southern Division Le Demi Chapeau

Eula Fox

Southern Division is on its way to leading us all to more. More new Partners, more \$\$\$ for our programs and more Fellowship and Fun. Won't you all join us in our task?

Plans are underway for various project to enhance the pocket books so all are welcome to donate. Think about it. If we each put in just a dollar or two in each fund, you get the idea.

Southern Partners, don't forget you may call or email almost any time.

Central Division Le Demi Chapeau

Evelyn Cox

Holidays are coming and so is winter. Remember, we are seeking the key for a cure for our Special Children in new partners and it a message out about our wonderful organization.

Join in the fight to find a cure for our Special Children with Lung and Respiratory Diseases. A key opens the door for new ideas to raise monies for all our programs.

May your days be blessed, and filled with all the things that will bring you lasting happiness. May you have Peace in knowing who you are.....Peace in knowing what you believe in and peace in understanding of what is important in life. May your faith guide your path toward your dreams...May hope be a constant light in your life and May love warm your heart every day.

National Scholarship

Linda Varejcka, Chairman

Dear Partners,

At Nationale Marche the goal was passed for us to give at least eight (8) nurses/therapists scholarships in the amount of \$3,000.00. One of our very important projects.

Respiratory Therapy is in high demand in the health care field. An associates degree takes a minimum two years and a bachelor degree takes 4 years. As a therapist they provide basic treatment for diseases such as asthma, emphysema, COPD etc. Measure lung capacity, Educate patients about their conditions and proper use of their therapeutic equipment, initiate mechanical ventilation and maintain life support to just name a few of their important duties.

We must all work together to achieve or exceed our goal and help nurses achieve their goal. Plus we must spread the word by placing our brochures in schools and medical facilities.

Please work with your area chairman: Central - Evelyn Nagel, Eastern - Eileen Chmielewski, Southern - Dee Schutz, Western - Kathy McCoy. Feel free to communicate with them and help brain storm for a successful program. Plus also have fun while working for our nurses and special children.

"ACT AS IF WHAT WE DO MAKES A DIFFERENCE. IT DOES!. William James

Western Division Le Demi Chapeau

CJ Reyes

All quiet on the Western front, Have not heard from any departmental except California. We are now well into the year, partnership is going well and we are running second in division. I know we can try harder and make #1.

Don't forget to let me know what your fundraiser are for this year. I know several salons in California are holding Quartermanias. Don't forget our Chapeau Linda's Special Project is 8 and 40 Foundation's Scholarships. Have a safe Halloween and a Happy Thanksgiving. Don't forget to have FUN in all you do!

Handbook

Mary "Sugar" White, Chairman

Great news, our Hand Book has been updated with the voting changes from our September Marche in Lincoln, Nebraska and posted, under forms, on our 8and40.org website. Exciting 89 pages filled with reading material. Much easier to take a section at a time and read at a meeting or when you have some spare time. Remember to share what you have read with your Partners as **Communication** makes a successful chairmanship or office.

Now sharing with you... received a telephone call from a Partner, she asked me, "When are our Partners going to pay attention to where they use "e" when they are writing their bulletins?" Well, I can be in that group as well because I am still learning. We seem to be confused as to when to use that infamous "e" when we are writing our bulletins, newsletters, newspaper-letters to the editor, posters, or any project we take pen or pencil to. So... check the way it is written in the Handbook. That last sentence reminds me of the play/movie of the King and I, starring Yul Brenner, great play which we were fortunate to see. Yul, in the play, would say "what is written, is written." Anyhow, what is written on page seventy-two (#72), it seems to deal with **ADJECTIVES FORMATION OF THE FEMININE OF ADJECTIVES AND AGREEMENT, etc.** Please continue to read more on this subject, written on pages seventy-one (#71) through seventy-four (#74.) Pronunciation and correct spelling of our French words can also be found on these pages. What is written on responsibilities of **officers and chairman** is on pages twelve (#12) through twenty-eight (#28.)

Printing sections has help me immensely and hope this helps you too. Again. my goal this year is take the mystery out of the Hand Book.

Reading is the **KEY** to understanding.....unknown

Departemental de Arkansas



Proud to present Arkansas Children's Hospital with a check for \$1244 from Past Departemental Chapeau, Naomi Owen's, fund raising. The donation was designated to their Cystic Fibrosis program, one of the few in the country at a children's hospital. Pictured L-R, Donna L Rayford Graves, Arkansas Children's Hospital, Naomi Owens and Patricia L. Murray.

Change to National Finance Committee

Due to the unexpected passing of Committee Member Vicki Crow a new 3 year committee member has been appointed. Welcome to the committee Cayce!

The National Finance Committee is now:

- Chairman - Vickey Zwall, AZ, zwallvj@msn.com, 928-919-6334 (**Corrections**)
- 2 yr member - Linda Kilmer, III
- 3 yr member - Cayce Morice, MO

L'Aumonier National

Luella Buske

In addition to the Partners we have lost recently several other Partners have lost loved ones and we should also remember them.



As previously announced, NCP Patty Pierce passed away. If anyone would like to send a card here is the address for her son. Walter and Martha Cassi, 9255 Sassafras Trail, Reno, NV 89523.

National Le Demi Barb Rutherford lost her husband Wes. Cards can be sent to Barbara Rutherford, PO Box 4508, Wenatchee, WA 98807.

Ohio Pouvoir Sharon McClain lost her husband Howard "Mike". Cards may be sent to Sharon at 1322 Forest Glen Dr, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221-4846.

May the Wings of these Angels help guide us as we continue our programs for our Special Children.

A thank you from SD Chapeau Roberta Olson for all the cards. "Your words of support meant a lot to me and my family during this difficult time".



Le Chapeau National Linda Diebel is pinned by NCP Mary "Sugar" White.



Pictured L-R is Lila Speckels, Barb Rutherford, Linda Diebel, Doris Ann Werlinger and Lisa Hoyland.

Note to Officers & Chairmen:

A copy of last year's annual report was sent to the current Officer and Chairman for revision on 10/05/23. Reports are due back to national office by 11/30/23. If you did not get it please let Sandra Winchester know at lasecraire@8and40.org.

Scholarship Recipients

2022–2023

Scholarship Recipients 2022-2023

Chloe Akers	University of Louisville	KY
Cori Jarmer	Northern Arizona University	AZ
Cornesha James-Williams	Wayne State University	MI
Dawn Webster	Baylor University	TX
Destany Webb	Wayne State University	MI
Jessica Karg	Western Governors University	UT
Oscar Havoc	University of Kansas	KS
Peyton Gardner	Endicott College	MA
Rosemary Penwell	Grand Valley State University	MI
Skylyn San Nicols	Pima College	AZ

Foundation Scholarship Recipients 2022-2023

Chloe Akers	University of Louisville	KY
Peyton Gardner	Endicott College	MA

La Secretaire-Caissiere Nationale

Sandra Winchester

Have you been on the website lately? We continue to update with new information and forms. Many of the printed materials available on the Emblem Sales order form are also on the website where they can be printed for free.

By Partner request the following forms have been added to the website, Forms page.

1. Constitution template
2. By Laws template
3. Officer & Chairmen Duties
4. Password template
5. Obligation template

We hope to see you soon at www.8and40.org



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Marche Roundup

Quite a group of wonderful women gathered in Lincoln and conducted much business that benefits Our Special Children in the end,

Partnership is Close of Books for 2023-2024. No additions added.

Changes to our Bylaws and Handbook saw Petit Salon minimum number of Partners reduced to five paid partners. However 10 partners are still needed to form a Salon.

After much discussion an Ad Hoc Committee was formed to explore regalia return. Some Salons still participate in local parades and event and believe regalia would help identify us.

Nurses Scholarship Awards approved for up to eight at \$3000 each.

The proposed budget was reviewed and passed.

Seeking a Cure for our Special Children and elected to the indicated offices were:

Chapeau Linda Diebel, de California, Le Demi Barbara Rutherford, de Washington

Divisional Demis listed with their articles. L'Aumonier Luella Buske, L'Archiviste Doris Ann Werlinger, La Concierge Lisa Hoyland, L'Avocate Lila Speckels and Sandra Winchester remained as La Secretaire-Caissiere.