



Greetings from Le Chapeau

Doris Ann Werlinger, Le Chapeau



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



Just want to take this opportunity to say “Thank You” again for electing me as your Nationale Chapeau for the year 2025-2026. We are going to have a Great Year and its only because all of you are wanting to hear and do great things for our special children. Le Chapeau—All Partners Project. It is the project for the Mogridge School After School Reading program for the children who stay after school for extra help in reading math and any subject they need help with, a snack, have nurses on premises at all times and are there until the children are picked up by mom and dad after their work day. We need to raise \$10,000.00 for this project so please do what you can to help.

We need to work on Partnership, so your first date is 20 November 2025, so lets see whose first in getting their 5 new members and may be more, this would be wonderful, because if we don't get more members we could be done as the 8 and 40. So please

get out and ask anyone and everyone to become a Partner. Next we need to work on all the programs and I know all of you are doing your best to do things for Nursing and Respiratory Therapists Scholarship, ALCWB Foundation, making sure your Constitution and By-Laws are updated, and making sure your Salons are being kind to all members. Remember Kindness goes a long way to get new Partners and to keep them active in your Salons. Please have Fun!!!

Again, I just want to say thank you to each of you for all you do and to “My Pit Crew” thanks for all of you stepping up to the plate and taking on your very important position. Your bulletins are important to

get the Word Out, the 8 and 40 is Alive and Well and we are going to have fun racing, running, swimming and getting the word out “We Want You!” to come join us and have fun.

Thank you for your support and let's Race for a Cure Coast to Coast for our Special Children.

God Bless Each of You and God Bless America,

The Hat Box

Salon La Boutique des Huit Chapeaux et Quarante Femmes



A message from the Editor:

I have great news, we had a lot of people sending in articles for this quarters Hat Box—unfortunately I am limited to 8 pages, so if the type is small or your article didn't make it in—I am sorry. I did my best,

Thank you for your understanding, Terri Angell

Partnership Goal Dates

10/21/2025	=	25%
11/20/2025	=	30%
12/20/2025	=	50%
2/20/2026	=	75%
04/20/2026	=	100%
05/15/2026	=	101%

Fun and Fellowship

Anna Cornwell



Hello Partners!

Well, the race is on and what a whirlwind of excitement! We have cars, trucks, canoes, sailboats, horses, harnesses, buggies, planes, turtles, and many, many more. Keep waving that green flag to GO, GO, GO!!!

This makes for a very eventful Holiday Season of Fun and Fellowship.

Many Departmentals and Salons are making Doris Ann, Chapeau National's theme of "Racing for a Cure Coast to Coast For our Special Children" a main event for the Holidays with Christmas games, word searches, Left-Right game and so on with a little imaginative work. Remember that most games can be altered to fit your ideas and themes.

The Fun and Fellowship Face book Page is up and running. Feel free to join in with some of your ideas to pass along, On Facebook go to 8 and 40 Fun and Fellowship As everyone works really hard on our programs, don't forget to have some "Fun and Fellowship".

Wishing all of you a Happy Thanksgiving, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

In Fun and Fellowship,

Anna Conwell

Fun and Fellowship Chairman



Brief recap LaMarch 2024-2025

1. Chapeau Doris Ann's theme is "Racing for a Cure Coast to Coast for our Special Children".
2. Chapeau Doris Ann's project is NJH Morgridge Academy. We are hoping to raise \$10,000 for a new after school reading program. This program provides an additional environment in which students remain engaged and learning, as well as provide a safe place to stay, a healthy snack, and care from the nurses until parents get off work.
3. Partnership goal is your partnership at close of books 7/31/25 + 3 per Departemental.
4. Nursing and Respiratory Therapists Scholarships moved to award 8-10 Scholarships at \$2,500 each, funds allowing.
5. 8 & 40 Foundation - raise the number of Scholarships up to five (5) if funds are available.

La Concierge—Nationale

Karen Peel

LA CONCIERGE ARE THE FLAG BEARING PIT CREW!

Congratulations to all the newly elected Departemental and Petite Salon La Concierge's! Welcome to the new 8 and 40 year!

As La Concierge (Departemental or Petit Salon) it shall be your duty to attend all Salon meetings. You are responsible for the order at all meetings and the advancement and retirement of the Colors. As Departemental La Concierge, you shall provide guidance to each Petite Salon La Concierge. You should send out bulletins or newsletters monthly or at least quarterly when information is received from Nationale. These should be sent to all Les Petits Chapeaux, Les Petit Secretaires, Departemental Officers and Chairmen. Assist the Chapeau whenever asked to do so.

As Petit La Concierge, share all information that is received from Departemental. Keep your partners informed. Assist the Chapeau whenever asked to do so. Have some fun this year at each meeting. Come up with some out of box activities. Prizes? Absolutely! Our partners love rewards! Speaking of those out of the box activities – there will be some rewards for those out of the box activities! Send those activities to me. I will need a description and pictures of your activity. I will share them with the partners. Let's have some fun! Also, I am looking for pictures of our American flag. As you around your community and you see a beautiful picture of our flag, take that picture! Please send them to me and I will share them each month in the bulletin. Again – there could be a prize for the best picture!

I hope you all have a successful year. If you need anything, please let me know. I am here to assist!

In Fellowship and Fun,

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La Demi Chapeau—Southern Division

Liz Close

Hello Partners.

I am reporting from the sunny and warm state of Florida. Can you feel the warmth radiating from the Southern Division as all five race cars revved up their engines and were ready when the green flag dropped on this year's race in support of our special children. There are many great and lofty goals for us to reach. Working in unison and cheering each Departmentale along, one can only conclude that we are focused on using every tool and resource to land the Southern Division in the winner's circle when we attend the 2026 Nationale Marche in South Dakota next year. We will remain engaged in "Racing For A Cure Coast to Coast For Our Special Children." Partnership, planning fundraisers in support of the All Partners Project, the Morgridge School (after-school program), and meeting our program goals will be our driving force.

Children and Youth Nationale —Eastern Division

Mary “Sugar” White,

Well, we are off to the “races.” Our National La Marche is over and our cars are revving up and just

waiting for the “checked flag” to give the signal. “Racing for a Cure Coast to Coast for our Special Children.” Is exciting.

The project, that has been chosen by our Chapeau, is an “After school reading program.”

The following is what I read on the National Jewish Health while researching. Sharing with you.

National Jewish Health is the only hospital that has a school of its kind on a hospital campus in the

U.S. It is a free, Colorado Department of Education approved facility school for children in

kindergarten through eight grades. They provide an environment that nurtures the individual medical,

educational, emotional and physical needs of children diagnosed with chronic illness, with rigorous,

innovative and authentic experiences. Morgridge Academy is committed to whole-child development.

(The above paragraph, of Morgridge Academy, was taken from their web page)

With that being said and printed... What will we, as partners, do for the project this year?

In reading the Central, Southern and Western Divisions... we were challenged to a race as to what we will do to win. We need to keep our division strong and complete our donations to the Eight and Forty along with Chapeau Doris Ann project - as well as our communities. I know we are strong in our Eastern Division and we can accomplish our goals. With having my remembrance for my son David who loved charity work, we have already started. So, Partners... Start your engines, please include the spectators of our “Race to Victory” and win...

Let me know what we are doing, we can share in our Eastern Division bulletins.

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Nurses Scholarship—Nationale

Sharon McClain

It is hard to believe that it is almost a month gone by since National La' Marche, let us hope that everyone is moving forward toward the finish line from Coast to Coast. The purpose of the Nurses Scholarship is to supporting the medical community for those involved the professionally involved with those children with lung diseases and to help in caring for those in need of a special caring nurse and Respiratory Therapist.

The Nurses / Respiratory Therapy Scholarship is to help Registered Nurses /Respiratory Therapist to receive advanced training in the field of lung and respiratory diseases in Children. This is to help them to achieve clinical position, found in the Scholarship brochure.

The deadline for returning an application to National Headquarters is also on the brochures. You can also go to the 8 and 40 website for more information. Lets hope that your Departemental and Petit Salons have your ideas of how you are going to help in donations to the Nurses Scholarship Program. Share this with other Salons.

Hoping to give out 10 Scholarship across the nation. It was approved thru National La` Marche that we give the amount of \$2,500.00 each. Hopefully we can send out more Scholarships with the help of each of you. Remember to send out the National Nurses Scholarship Brochure. Send them to Hospitals, doctors offices, clinics, Colleges. You can contact the Departemental La Secretaire or your Petit La Secretaire for them to order the brochure. You should keep track of how many brochures you send out, along of where you took them too.

Looking forward to a successful year. Any questions feel free to call me anytime. Please use my cell phone number. (330) 571-1664

In Fun and Fellowship, Sharon McClain

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Children and Youth Nationale —Western Division

Pamala Way

WESTERN DIVISION DEPARTEMENTAL RACING TEAMS!

The 8 & 40 is a unique organization of women dedicated to promoting child welfare and funding programs that improve the health and well-being of children, particularly in the fight against lung and respiratory diseases. Together, we're Racing for a Cure toward a brighter future for the children in our communities!

Why do we Fundraise?

Every dollar raised by the 8 & 40 partners goes directly to help support that. Provides resources for children battling lung and respiratory illness. Support medical research and education to improve treatment. Fund raising for nurses scholarships for nurses who specialize in caring for these children.

How can you help?

Join our PIT CREW- Volunteer your time to help with events. Fuel the Cause - Make a donation or sponsor one of the fundraisers. SPREAD the WORD - Share our missions with friends, family and your community!

Together, we can cross the finish line with stronger, healthier futures for our special children. Thank you for supporting the 8 & 40 and helping us keep the Race Alive!

The 1st Race ends 10/31/25 Spook Wheel's - Who will Win?

2nd - 12/31/25 - Snowman's Race

3rd - 2/28/26 - Big Hearts Race

4th - 4/30/26 - Chapeau's Race

5th Final - Championship Race



Winners will be determined by the highest amount donated to CWBF and NJH. Trophy will be given for each race.

**ARIZONA,CALIFORNIA,IDAHO,WASHINGTON,OREGON,SOUTH
DAKOTA,NEBRASKA, MONTANA Are you RACING FOR A CURE?**

We are Strong and these special children need us.

Central Division Demi Chapeau

Linda Kilmer

Greetings Partners:

I hope everyone has been enjoying these beautiful fall days. The temperatures are fluctuating currently, but we are prepared, right. The holidays are fast approaching, but what a fun time it is to be with family and friends or even cuddle up in a warm blanky and enjoy Hallmark movies.

I hope that all our Salons are working on getting partnership. We were so close to being 100%, so if we invite, invite and invite we will make the goal that is set before us, and I know we can accomplish this task. YES! YES!

Many of you take care of our Special Children especially during the holidays, let us remember our Special Children, always. A visit or cards can make their day. Your Children and Youth can be a big part of helping with activities your Salon has planned.

I visited the partners of d'Illinois and what a beautiful weekend. A good time of fellowship and hey have many plans coming in their future, including partnership. Thank you. I do have other visits to attend in our Central Division. I look forward to all.

I hope each one has a happy and healthy holiday season!

Southern Division Demi Chapeau

Liz Close

Welcome to the Second Bulletin from the mighty Eight and Forty Southern Division. We have revved up our engines, the checkered flag has been dropped, and the race is on. Get your toolboxes ready, as we of Doris Ann's "Pit Crew" are racing toward the finish line at year's end in support of our special children, keeping the focus on partnership and donation to support our children.

Nationale Chapeau, Doris Ann's theme is "Racing for a Cure Coast to Coast for our Special Children." Her All Partners Project is the Morgridge Academy. This after-school reading program provides an additional environment in which students remain engaged, receiving extra help in reading, math, and other subjects. It provides a safe place to stay, a healthy snack, and nurses are on the premises until their parents pick them up. Our goal this year is to raise \$10,000 for this project. I personally visited the Academy located in Denver, CO, which our organization has been associated with. Read more from our Leadership Chairman Nationale in her bulletin this month.

As a first-time attendee at the 8&40 Nationale Convention in Pasco, Washington, in September, it was a great time. I learned about our great organization and engaged with our partners who have contributed to our organization. As of September 30th, here are our standings –

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Southern Division									
	New	Renewal	Total	Goal	% Goal	Child Welfare	8 and 40	NJH	NS
Alabama#8				42					
Arkansas#47	1		1	32	3.13%				
Florida#7	1	14	15	48	31.25%				200
Kentucky#48				60					
Texas#32	3	64	67	131	51.15%				
TOTAL	5	78	83	313	26.52%	0	0	0	200

Partnership goals were set at Partnership Close of Books 7/31/25, plus 3 new partners per Departmental.

Thank you for all you do to make the lives of our children a little brighter each day.

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Nationale Public Relations

Kimberly A. Estes

Calling All Team Partners,

ZOOOOOOOMMMMM! Nationale Chapeau Doris Ann theme is ' Racing from coast to coast for a cure for our Special Childern!'

We have a huge year in front of us. Partnership is still dropping, it was voted to raise all Departementaux goals by 5 Partners per Nationale Chapeau. Get the word out and be seen in the public eye. Reminder that we lowered to 18 age to join.

We raised the amount of Nurses and Respiratory Therapist Scholarship from \$2000.00 to \$2,500.00. We are still giving out 10 Scholarships. We raised over \$30,000.00 dollars last year. REMEMBER all funds must be reported to Nationale by May 20 th 2026, to be accountable for the year. Let's keep our car in the race, 'THE RACE IS ON!!!!'

The committee needs all your newsletters, any paper articles, radio and TV air time, the reason is to keep records for Nationale Chapeau to see just what is going on in the nation. If nothing more send a copy of your minutes, but please send something in to Nationale. This is your bulletin to express any concerns or problems you may have. The only thing we will not publish is political opinions regarding our government.

Under the good of the organization! This year at Nationale Le Marche the dress code was blown out the window. This is a brief gentle remember that the following outfits are not proper to wear while attending meetings. We are glad you are there but you are our ambassadors and should dress as such. NO Shorts, Capris, sloppy shirts, topless dresses and tops. Shoulders must be covered with a small sleeves or caps. All outfits on the floor must be white can have red accent. Nice pant suits, dresses, and pants with appropriate tops. Come on we all like to dress up, jeans and shorts are waiting after the meetings.

Another issue was not property addressing the floor. First stand to be recognize by the chair. Give your name in a loud speaking voice, then spell your name for correct spelling, your Departementeau then state your business.

Western Demi Chapeau

Pam Seelye

Western Division partners are working diligently on partnership. As of the end of September we are in second place with 20.72%. We are rowing as a team going in the same direction in our "Awesome Dragonboats". Each draw stroke (term for lining the boat up straight) keeps us on our course. Donations are coming in slowly but being the first part of the year, this is common. We will pick that up as our race continues on and be doing great before the finish (when the steersperson calls for an increase in power and rate) of the race. Continue to work on getting partners renewed and finding those individuals just waiting to join this wonderful organization. Plan and organize your fundraisers for the year to help with our donations. Always remember that you are awesome.

Pam Seelye, Western Division Demi Chapeau





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the lives of children.***

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

Greetings Partners,

Dept. de South Dakota is organizing a fundraiser in support of Le Chapeau Doris Ann's All Partner Project at NJH. As part of this effort, we are offering custom patches for sale. We have 150 of these patches, they are 3 1/2 inches wide and 3 1/2 inches long. They are suitable to put on a key ring, sew it on a shirt to wear to the Homecoming, when Le Chapeau comes to visit your Salons, or to use a pin on a jacket or sweatshirt.

Each patch is available for \$5.00 + \$1 postage per patch.

To place an order: submit completed order form and payment to: DaLynn Rollins, 130 Morningside Drive, Box Elder, South Dakota 57719. DaLynn Rollins will handle all orders for these patches.

Make checks payable to Departemental de SD #3 8and40.

Name _____ Departemental _____

Address _____

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Phone # _____

Total # of patches: _____ x \$5.00 \$ _____

Postage: (\$1 per patch) \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____ Check # _____

