We have just completed another fantastic Rendezvous Nationale under the very capable leadership of La Presidente Passe Lorinda Kies. I want to congratulate her on a very successful year! There has been quite a bit of strife to deal with in the last few months, and she dealt with it showing poise and dignity. I truly hope that we can move back into the sunshine of the La Femmes’ good work and remember our purpose. I would like to ask that every member think about that purpose and not pass a lot of judgments on people. There are always two sides to every story and it is not our responsibility to judge. It is of utmost importance that situations be handled by the principals involved and not in the court of public opinion.

I am truly overwhelmed with gratitude for the tremendous support shown to me in my journey to become your La Presidente. I am honored to be able to represent all of you wherever I go and will do my utmost to never disappoint you. I owe a great deal of thanks to the Grande Cabane de North Carolina who gave me my beginning in this terrific organization. The Dames there, especially Gail Davis, La Presidente Passe, must have seen something worth keeping because they lit a fire in me to want to learn as much as possible about La Societe de Femme. Then, years and many Locale and Grande offices later, I lost a son and a husband within 9 months of each other. So I moved to Virginia to be closer to the family I had left. But because of the loving friendship of Mike and Sandy Wood, my family grew by leaps and bounds with the Grande Cabane and Voiture du Virginia. They cultivated my interest and hunger to be involved, and here I am—your new La Presidente Nationale! Two other very special friends who have supported and encouraged me every step of the way—Dave and Michelle Hill—deserve my deep affection and gratitude in ways I can never repay. Of course there are many, many others that I am extremely grateful to—too many to try to name—but these five will always be at the center of my heart.

My theme for the coming year will be ‘GO THE DISTANCE FOR THE GOAL’, and the program that I’m asking everyone to give extra support to is YOUTH SPORTS. I’m hoping that we can work together to raise $5000 to assist in youth sports’ activities. Going the distance for the goal is also how we need to look at our membership. We definitely need to achieve more membership goals in order to ensure La Societe survival.

So, I am looking forward to a great year, full of new experiences, as we all GO THE DISTANCE FOR THE GOAL!

For God, Country, and La Societe
Joyce Willis

CONGRATULATIONS TO
LA PRESIDENTE NATIONALE JOYCE WILLIS
AND
CHEF de CHEMIN de FER MARK MOOTS

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Dames,

It was so good to see the Dames at the 53rd Rendezvous Nationale in Perrysburg, OH. I also enjoyed meeting new-Dames. Thanks to everyone for your help during Rendezvous Nationale. Everything would not have run so smoothly without your assistance. Membership is a very important part of “La Societe de Femme”. Dues for 2017 should be paid by October 20, 2016. We have a lot of work to do on membership. If you should loose a Dame, try to replace them. Also, bring in new members. This is the only way our organization will continue to grow. Please send your membership reports in with updates of your Dames, addresses, emails, and phone numbers, so they can be updated with us. If you have a transfer please put that on the form along with any decrease Dames. Watch the weekly updates to Membership on the website, so if there is any problems, We can get it corrected. This will help us all. This organization has had my heart since I became a member. If you should need anything, please do not hesitate to call or email me anytime.

For the good of La Societe de Femme
Carol Austin, La Correspondante Nationale
Call 317-639-1879 femmes@fortyandeight.org. It always good to hear from YOU.

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS 2017
PRESIDENTE PROJECT “YOUTH SPORTS”
NATIONALE CHAIRMENT NURSES TRAINING, KIM HENTNIX
NATIONALE POW/MIA, BARBARA DOTZAUER
Send Checks to Cabane Nationale marked for the project you are supporting.
Cabane Nationale, 250 East 38th St, Indianapolis, in 46205

Past Nationale Presidente
Thank you to all the PNP’S who were able to attend our luncheon and for those who could not be there, “YOU WERE MISSED”. Please note that I failed to let you know and see the certificate of appreciation that was presented to us by Voiture Nationale for our donation to the building fund and sidewalk repairs.

Have a safe, healthy and prosperous year.
My Best to the Best
Kay Wesner PNP 1986

New officers list, La Sous Presidente areas, are on website, along with the T&A Winners.

The reported hours worked, miles driven and donations made by the Dames this year were valued at over $1,712,044.00, way to go Dames.

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OUR PAST NATIONALE PRESIDENTE
