

**Hello Dames,**

**Fall Cheminot is over and I thought it went quite well. There were thirty-six Dames present and I'm proud to say nine of them were from my cabane.**

**Several issues were discussed and resolved on our CD's and other banking issues. On our budget discussion, the expenses exceed our income and as we know that is never a good thing. With only eleven Cabanes left in Michigan our total membership is really down. We need each Cabane to try hard to build up**

**our membership not only flying to the top with 100% of the members we already have but build it up with new**

**members.**

**Past Grande La Presidente Karen Webb is making a beautiful quilt to be raffled off at Grande in August.**

**Her Cabane 669 has offered to pay for the license, and have the tickets printed up. Tickets will be handed out**

**at Spring Cheminot in March. Many thanks to Karen and Cabane 669 for taking on this project to earn money**

**for the Grande de Michigan. While we're on the topic of raffles the Grande raffle tickets were handed out please**

**do your best to sell them. It has been our greatest fund raiser in the past.**

**Trophy and Awards chairman Patsy Gilmer reported there were new report forms made up for the Chairman of each**

**program to fill out. There were also new trophy and award books handed out with all the Grande awards for each**

**program. many changes were made this year in an effort to give more cabanes a chance to win an award for**

**their efforts to each program. Reminder to the Chairman please read the awards over as many changes were made.**

**I hope everyone is looking forward to fun and happy Halloween.**

**After that it seems the holiday season will be here before you know it. Then we will all have to get busy and**

**"Fly to the Top"**

**Grande La Presidente**

**Linda Bovee**

