



Alliance Française de Charleston – February 2010 Activities

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Belated Chandeleur (Crepe Party)



Saturday, March 6, 2010 at 7:00pm

at the lovely home of

Juliann Bannon and Peter Humphrey
5 Middle Atlantic Wharf
Downtown Charleston

\$ 20 per member, \$30 per guest

Wine- \$3 per glass or \$5 for two glasses

Make reservations by February 26, 2010

Contact – Pat Caldwell at caldpat@bellsouth.net or 843 556-8458

Pawley's Island French Film Festival – February 25-28. See Attached Flyer for film times, stories, details, etc.

French Children Play Dates

Lisette Luton is raising her two year old daughter to be bilingual in French and English and is looking for parents who speak French and raising their children to speak French. She is interested in play dates with preschool- aged French children. She is working toward possibly offering a class in the future for 3-5 year olds for learning French.”

Anyone who is interested, please contact her at 821-1928. French children are also welcome to attend the Pause Café in Summerville with their parents. (Cookies are served.)

Language Center

Winter's cold but French is Hot. C'est l'hiver! Et le français rechauffe les coeurs.

Winter classes will start In March. If you have not registered, contact Corinne Mills ASAP.

OUR CLASSES – Check Classes and Dates: For questions or registration, contact Corinne Mills at cgm_51@hotmail.com or 843 817-4967.

Very Beginner taught by Marie-Laure Arnaud. Tuesdays: February 2, 9, 16, 23 at 3:30pm at Charleston Library Society, 164 King Street, Downtown. For class information email Marie-Laure at marielaurearnaud@hotmail.com.

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Advanced Beginner, taught by Nicole McCauley. Thursdays: February 4, 11, 18, 25 at 1pm at Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 1812 Sam Rittenberg Blvd, West Ashley. For class information email Nicole at Buford.mccauley@comcast.net.

Intermediate, taught by Claire Auberjonois. Intermediate is for those who read, speak and write moderately well. For class information, email Claire Auberjonois claireauberjonois@yahoo.co.uk or at 843 609-8204 for date and place.

Advanced, taught by Marie-Laure Arnaud. Advanced is for those who are almost fluent. For class information, please contact Marie -Laure Arnaud at marielaurearnaud@hotmail.com or tel 843 884- 5228.

Private Lessons - If you are interested in more intensive and specific instruction, we offer private classes tailored to your needs. The lesson rate is \$ 30.00 per hour for members only. For more information, contact Corinne Mills at cgm_51@hotmail.com or Marie-Laure Arnaud at marielaurearnaud@hotmail.com.

Classes are for members only. (Please join us if you are not yet a member!) Price is \$100.00 per eight-week session. Classes held for less than 3 students will be considered as semi-private classes. Mail checks to Alliance Française de Charleston, Attn Corinne Mills, 1432 wellesley circle Mt Pleasant sc 29466.

Wednesday - February 3 - Le français par les jeux 7 at 1 pm . *Please notify Pat if you are coming.* Charlotte Ennis has shared French Trivial Pursuit. Learn French and French history, culture, geography etc. The games will be at Pat Caldwell's, 29 Bainbridge Dr, Charlestown Estates 1, West Ashley. Learn and practice French through games! Play Taboo, Devine Tête, Scrabble etc. **RSVP to Pat at 556-8458 or caldpat@bellsouth.net**

Monday- February 8 - Rendez Vous – L'heure de Conversation is at Mistral from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm. *RSVP to Pat Caldwell at caldpat@bellsouth.net or 843 556-8458.* Meet other Francophiles from the Charleston area. Enjoy mingling with others en français. Everyone will practice at his/her level. Full bar and menu are available.

Saturday- February 22 - Pause Café at 1pm – Summerville groupe de conversation. Are you interested in a French conversation group in Summerville? Lisette Luton will be hosting a "Pause Café" at her place, which will allow people to speak French in a relaxed atmosphere over a cup of coffee and cookies. Come and help us shape this new group and decide what the format will be. 254 Weathers Court, Summerville, SC 29483. **RSVP: Lisette Luton 821-1928.** French children are also welcome to attend the Pause Café in Summerville with their parents. (Cookies are served.)

Alliance Library

Friday- February 26 - Le Cercle Littéraire at 7:30pm. Brigitte Codron will be hosting the meeting. ***Please RSVP to Brigitte at codronb@cofc.edu or 843 766-2673.*** All are welcome; you choose the book you feel like reading. It can be one you purchased or one you borrowed from Le Cercle Littéraire's many offerings. The meeting is conducted in French. Contact Brigitte for more information at codronb@cofc.edu or 843 766-2673.

Upcoming Workshops

Sunday - February 21 - Cooking Class at 7:00 pm. *Please RSVP!!!* Menu will be – Osso Buco Crepes aux pommes, palmiers aux olive et jambon. **Demonstration and Participation class with mini dinner plate tasting.** Registration Information: Where: 1990 Belair Court Mt Pleasant, Who: Taught by Marie-Laure Arnaud, How Much: \$25.00 for members, \$30.00 non-members, How to reserve your place: **Call Marie at 843 884-5228 or email or Marie_Arnaud@S5A.com.**

Cultural Events

Pétanque Cancelled for February - Pétanque will resume in March if weather permits. Meet at Hampton Park at 2pm by the Gazebo. All are welcome from novice to expert. We provide the "boules". **RSVP to Corinne Mills at cgm_51@hotmail.com or 843 817-4967.**

Thursday- February 11 - Evening Bridge at 630pm will be hosted by Philippe and Marie-Laure Arnaud. The session is limited to 4 tables of 4. Contact Tony Bassett at anthonybassett@bellsouth.net for the confirmed date, time, location and information.

Friday- February 12 - Le Français par les Films at 7 pm at the Auditorium of the Institute of Psychiatry at MUSC, 67 President Street, downtown Charleston.

LE FRANCAIS PAR LES FILMS- FRENCH THROUGH FILM

Registration for the remaining sessions of the class, February 12, March 12, April 16, May 7, is \$5.00 regardless of the number of sessions attended and can be done at the door or directly to the Treasurer John Green.

The meeting time is 7:00pm in the Auditorium of the Institute of Psychiatry at MUSC.

On February 12, we will see *La Fille de Monaco (The Girl from Monaco)* 2008 directed and co-written by Anne Fontaine (*Coco Avant Chanel*). With Fabrice Luchini, Roschdy Zem and Louise Bourgoïn.



A brilliant and straight-laced Parisian attorney, Bertrand, goes to Monaco to defend a wealthy socialite accused of murdering a member of the Russian mafia. Given a by-the-book bodyguard by the defendant's son, Bertrand falls for a beautiful, sexy, uninhibited weather girl who turns him into a complete wreck. Hopefully, his zealous bodyguard will step in and put everything in order so Bertrand can focus on the high profile trial...or will he?

Filmed in the beautiful city of Monaco (referred to as the Rock) *La Fille de Monaco* received two nominations at the 2009 Césars Awards, for Best Supporting Actor (Roschdy Zem) and Most Promising Actress (Louise Bourgoïn). Roger Ebert calls it a romantic comedy with a dramatic twist.

For more French film class information contact Josette Sharwell at PageJosette@aol.com.

Monday - February 22 -Tricot at 2pm- 4pm. Bring a project or just come to chat. The group is not just for 'tricoteuses' but is open to all who might want to do any sort of handwork or indeed just come to chat! Free Parking at Charleston Library Society, 164 King Street permitted for the time you are in the library. Contact: Alma Brown at almab@bellsouth.net or 843 243-9888 for meeting details.

Membership

Thank you for your support and participation! If you have not renewed your membership, you can still do it.

Your membership is vital to carrying out the many French programs and social opportunities provided through our alliance. Membership is essential to our success. Your membership expires in September 2009. Please print, complete and return your membership renewal form with your check to Alliance Française de Charleston, c/o John Green, 636-G 200 Long Point Road, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464. Thank you for your membership.

Membership is renewed annually, each September. Renewals should be submitted beginning in August, but no later than September 30th. Any new membership acquired after May 31st of a given year will be valid through September of the following year.

Annual Membership Dues

Family Membership	\$60.00
Individual Membership	\$35.00
Academic Membership (Limited to Teachers of French and students –under 25 years old)	\$25.00
Patron Membership	\$500.00
Superbe Patron Membership	\$1000.00
Corporate Membership	\$500.00

For more information about membership, please email John Green at johnagreen.comcast.net.

Contact- If you need more information, have corrections, additions or have any questions concerning this information **and the Alliance Française de Charleston; please contact Pat Caldwell at caldpat@bellsouth.net**