



Alliance Française de Charleston – March 2010 Activities

<http://www.afusa.org/af/Charleston>

Belated Chandeleur (Crepe Party)

Need to know how many crepes to make- Be sure to let Pat know if you are coming.

Opportunity for Pianists and Singers

Juliann and Peter have a piano.
They will graciously let you play the piano and sing French songs if anybody has music bring it. We will all sing and be merry!

**New Date- Sunday March 7
Same Time, Same Place**

Sunday, March 7, 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 March 3, 2010

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

Directions: [Directions to Juliann's home: Factors Walk \(5 Middle Atlantic Wharf\)](#)

If you are coming from Broad Street, you will end at the Exchange Building. Turn right at the light and make an immediate left onto Exchange Street. Go to the park where the street ends and turn left on to the cobble stones (Concord Street). Her front door is on your left. Please enter by this door and use the call box at the top of the stairs on the right. Or call on your cell phone to 937-0210 and she will buzz you in.

If you are coming down East Bay toward the Battery when you get to the light at Broad Street go through the light but make an immediate left onto Exchange Street and follow the directions above.

Coming April 9th - Monique Saigal

Héroïnes Françaises



Presented by the members of the Alliance Française's le Cêrcle Littéraire

College Professor's Real Life Experiences Lead to Book, Play About Courageous Women in World War II **Her recently published book, *Héroïnes Françaises, 1940-1945: Courage, Force et Ingéniosité*, is a collection of interviews with women who served in the French Resistance.**

In her research, French Professor Monique Saigal interviews women of the French Resistance and unveils her own past, coming to terms with her Jewish roots.

CLAREMONT, Calif., Feb. 22 (AScribe Newswire) -- Monique Saigal was only three years old when she was sent to the South of France as World War II raged around her. Her father had died in the war and, during her stay, her grandmother died at Auschwitz. An uncle wrote to Saigal's hosts asking if she could extend her stay. To help protect their Jewish visitor, her hosts had her baptized. Saigal returned to her biological mother in 1950 as a "good Catholic."

Her mother wouldn't talk about the war years, but Saigal longed to know more about her personal history. She has spent the last five years researching women who were part of the French Resistance in WWII. Since 2001, she interviewed and filmed 20 women who were in the Resistance.

In April, the book club will host Monique Saigal for a special presentation of her book on Friday April 9 at 7:30pm at Chantal Rousselin's house rousselinc@hotmail.com. More information will be coming.

Greet and Meet Monique in April!

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.

Cultural Events

Friday- March 5 from 5- 8pm– Fred Jamar, Alliance member and artist invites you to the Art Walk and visit him at Robert Lange Studio, 2 Queen Street, downtown.

Thursday-March 11 - Evening Bridge at 630pm will be hosted by Corinne Mills. The session is limited to 4 tables of 4. Contact Tony Bassett at Tony3541@gmail.com for the confirmed date, time, location and information.

Friday- March 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 FRANÇAIS PAR LES FILMS Class- FRENCH THROUGH FILM

Registration for the remaining sessions of the class 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.

Monday -March 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.

Sunday -March 28 at 2 pm - Pétanque will resume March 28 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.**

Language Center

New Intermediate Class on Tuesdays and Beginners on Saturdays!

New Session starts March 2. Register Now!!

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.

Beginners, taught by Marie Arnaud Tuesdays: March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 at 3:30pm at Charleston Library Society, 164 King Street, Downtown. Intermediate is for those who read, speak and write moderately well. For class information, email Marie-Laure at marielaurearnaud@hotmail.com or Marie_Arnaud@S5A.com or call 843 884-5228.

Beginners taught by Marie-Laure Arnaud. Saturdays: March 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 9:30pm at Charleston Library Society, 164 King Street, Downtown. For class information email Marie-Laure at marielaurearnaud@hotmail.com or Marie_Arnaud@S5A.com or call 843 884-5228.

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

Intermediates, taught by Marie –Laure Arnaud Tuesdays: March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 at 1:30pm at Charleston Library Society, 164 King Street, Downtown. Intermediate is for those who read, speak and write moderately well. For class information, email Marie-Laure at marielaurearnaud@hotmail.com or Marie_Arnaud@S5A.com or call 843 884-5228.

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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.

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.)

Wednesday - March 3- Le français par les jeux at 1 pm. *Please notify Pat if you are coming.*
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, Trivial Pursuit, Scrabble etc. **RSVP to Pat at 556-8458 or caldpat@bellsouth.net**

Monday- March 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- March 20 - 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

Linda Citera's house on Friday, March 26 at 7:30pm

Friday- March 26 - Le Cercle Littéraire will meet at Linda Citera's house at 7:30 pm. Linda Citera will host the meeting. ***Please RSVP to Linda at kozacitera@bellsouth.net.***

In April, the book club will host Monique Saigal for a special presentation of her book on Friday April 9 at 7:30 pm at Chantal Rousselin's house rousselinc@hotmail.com.

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 – March 21 - Cooking Class at 7:00 pm. *Please RSVP!!!* Menu will be – poulet aux vinaigres, gratin de pommes de terre et de poireaux a la crème, et bread pudding a la brioche.

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.**

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**
