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Cocktail-Conférence

Thursday 18 October 2007 at 7 p.m.

l'Alliance Française de Santa Rosa

La France au pas de course avec le Président Sarkozy en tête

par Jacqueline Lindenfeld

"Rupture" avec les gouvernements précédents, "renouveau" de la France: tels sont les mots d'ordre de Nicolas Sarkozy, élu président de la République française en mai 2007, et de son équipe gouvernementale. On promet aux Français beaucoup de changements dans un proche avenir. Au niveau national, il s'agit avant tout de régler les problèmes du chômage et de l'immigration, et... de redonner aux Français le goût du travail (la semaine de 35h a-t-elle fait son temps?). Au niveau européen, le principal objectif est de "remettre sur les rails le train de l'Union européenne", après deux ans de blocage à la suite du rejet (par la France en particulier) d'un projet de Constitution européenne. Au niveau international, les grandes priorités du nouveau gouvernement français sont les suivantes: établissement de rapports étroits avec les Etats-Unis, lutte contre le réchauffement de la planète, aide à l'Afrique.

Quelques mois après sa montée au pouvoir, où en est l'équipe gouvernementale dans chacun de ces domaines? Et quels sont les rapports entre la droite et la gauche de l'horizon politique dans cette France "en devenir"?

Jacqueline Lindenfeld met à profit sa formation en sciences sociales (Ph.D., UCLA) et ses rapports étroits avec son pays natal pour nous entraîner dans le dédale des événements socio-politiques en France à l'heure actuelle.

Please confirm your presence in advance by **calling 707.543.8151** by **Monday 15 October** - \$12 members, \$15 non-members.
Refreshments and snacks will be served after the conference.

Coming in November...

LA FÊTE DU BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU Fundraising Event

Paradise Ridge Winery

4545 Thomas Winery, Santa Rosa

Friday, 16 November, 2007

Members \$35 - Non-Members \$45

**AUCTION!
FOOD AND WINE!
LIVE MUSIC!**

We welcome your support, auction items and financial participation!

Please contact us or make donations at AFSR, BN07, 613 Fourth Street, Suite 200, Santa Rosa, CA 95404 707.543.8151

Déjeuner Mensuel de l'Alliance

Sassafras Restaurant

Wednesday **October 10** at noon

Join us for food, conversation, and fun!

Choices to be made from menu distributed before lunch. Some changes may be made periodically.

Bar service extra

Members \$20 -- non-members \$22

1229 North Dutton Ave, Santa Rosa.

Please reserve by calling

Adrena at 823-5539 by Monday 9

at the latest.

We will collect at the door.

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Our newsletter *Ici L'Alliance* appears monthly along with our calendar of events. This newsletter is mailed to over 350 local addresses, and is given out to anyone who might be interested in the activities of the Alliance and in the classes offered by our French Language School.

Get in touch! Merci.

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Voulez-vous parler français?*Causeries in Sebastopol*

Tuesdays, 6 to 7:30 pm, at 176 Main N. Street.
For information, call Madeleine at 526-5257.
Advanced conversation.

Causeries in Healdsburg

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Wine and cheese and a lots of talk en français! Call Myrna Greene for the latest location at (707) 433-3677.

French Chat

A monthly French Chat takes place at Sassafras on the first Friday of each month. Please join us for convivial conversation in French beginning at 6:15 p.m. at Sassafras restaurant (1229 North Dutton Avenue, Santa Rosa; dinner and beverages are available for purchase all evening. Each person is responsible for their own order. It is always helpful to the restaurant if we know approximately how many will attend. Please let Evelyn Anderson (sonprov@sbcglobal.net, 576-1124) know if you can, but don't worry if you decide at the last minute.

20 years ago...**The founding of the Alliance Française de Santa Rosa**

Excerpts from the first newsletter.

November 31, 1987

A meeting was held on November 10, 1987, between the organizers and those interested in heading the activities groups (remember the sign-ups for interested activities?) 15 people were present. We discussed how to organize, we were given a copy of the Napa Alliance Française by-laws for review and comments, since it was to be discussed a launching Event to publicize our club to the Sonoma County Community, and continued the meeting until November 18, 1987.

On November 18, we met again, basically with the same group of people, had an agenda which reflected everyone's wishes. In the meantime, comments on the by-laws were considered, and as applicable, with the cooperation of a legal friend of the Alliance Française de Santa Rosa, incorporated into our proposed Alliance Française de Santa Rosa by-laws. They were accepted, and have been submitted to the Alliance Française for final approval; Officers were elected; Chairpeople for various committees were elected as follows:

President: Jean-Philippe Favre

Vice President: Steve Gospe (Program Chairman)

Vice President: Jean-Marie Martin (Administrator)

Secretary: Denise Chramko

Treasurer: A.E. (Ned) Small

Chairpeople

Socials: Jean-Marie Martin

Films: Michelle Sikora

Lectures: Daphne Smith

Finance: Steve Gospe

Communications/Media: Ruth Brown

Children's Activities: Christine Perry, Claudine Kaufmann

School/University Liaison, Education: Philip Nix, Danielle Penzer

Coming Soon...

**20th Anniversary
Celebration
of the AFSR**

**Suggestions
and ideas are
welcome!
Get in touch!**

French Language School

www.afsantarosa.org

Session II Monday 22 October - Friday 21 December

For registration please contact our Director Hervé at
herve@afsantarosa.org Call 707.543.8151

BEGINNERS – Complete beginners, no diagnostic interview.
2 hours/week for 9 weeks - 18 hours of instruction. Tuition \$252

MONDAY	6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
TUESDAY	11 a.m. - 1:00 pm

ADVANCED BEGINNERS – Beginners with little knowledge of French, no diagnostic interview required. 2 hours/week for 9 weeks – 18 hours of instruction. Tuition: \$252

WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
THURSDAY	11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

INTERMEDIATE – 2 hours/week for 9 weeks
18 hours of instruction. Tuition \$252

WEDNESDAY	6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. Theme Class
THURSDAY	6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
FRIDAY	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

CONVERSATION Class - 2 hours/week for 9 weeks – 18 hours of instruction. Tuition \$252

This class will be offered during the session II

ADVANCED – 2 hours/week for 9 weeks –12 hours of instruction. Tuition \$252

TUESDAY	6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
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ADVANCED Theme Class – Fluent level - 2 hours/week for 9 weeks – 18 hours of instruction. Tuition \$252

The class is a discussion of various aspects of life in France such as France and the European Union, Immigration in France, Work and Leisure in France.

MONDAY	4:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.
MONDAY	6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

CHILDREN Class for 9 weeks – 9 hours of instruction. Tuition \$126

SATURDAY	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
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Pot de la rentrée
(back to school drinks)
For the students
Friday, 12 October
Refreshments and snacks

Dans la cuisine avec Christine Piccin

Vol aux Vents d'Automne

pour 72 canapés

1 livre de pâte feuilletée Pepperidge Farm, décongelée (2 feuilles)

un œuf, battu

1/2 livre de bacon, coupé en dés

1 gros oignon, haché

2 grosses pommes, râpées

1/2 livre de potiron "butternut," épluché et râpé

1 tasse de gruyère finement râpé

sel, poivre, noix de muscade -facultatif

Chauffez le four à 400°F.

Etendez chaque feuille de pâte au rouleau pour obtenir un carré de 12x12 pouces. Découpez en petits carrés de 2x2 pouces ou en ronds de 2 pouces. Arrangez-les dans un plat allant au four. Brossez avec un peu d'œuf et faites cuire au four pendant 12-15 minutes.

Faites cuire les dés de bacon, mais pas complètement croustillant.

Ajoutez l'oignon haché et faites cuire à feu vif 5-7 minutes, en remuant de temps en temps. Ajoutez les pommes et le potiron. Continuez à cuire encore 5 minutes; remuez souvent. Ajoutez le gruyère et mélangez bien. Assaisonner du sel, poivre, et noix de muscade moulu.

Fendez les pâtisseries cuites en deux, farcez d'une cuillère du mélange pomme-potiron tiède. Servez aussitôt.

Causeries du jeudi

French conversation

Biensûr, come and join us!

At East West Cafe

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Tuesday 2:30pm – 4:30pm
Tues, Wed, Thur. 6pm – 8 pm

**Please volunteer to keep the
Alliance open to its members!**

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Is your Membership Renewal Due?

IS YOUR MAILING ADDRESS CIRCLED IN RED? TIME TO RENEW!

If you do not renew within 2 months, we will regretfully stop sending you our newsletter and your membership benefits will expire. Call the Alliance 707.543.8151 for address changes. Please note: Bulk mail is not forwarded.

Please Check One:

New member **Renewal**

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

How did you find about the Alliance? Relative Friend School Phone Book

Other _____

I would like to volunteer: Yes No

Areas of interest Conversation Group Literary Group Classes Children's Activities

Amount of enclosed check: _____

Mail to: **Alliance Française de Santa Rosa, 613 4th Street, Suite 200, Santa Rosa, CA 95404**

I hereby authorize the Alliance Française de Santa Rosa to charge the following credit card for the amount of \$ _____

I also authorize the Alliance Française de Santa Rosa to charge the same card for the same amount every year at time of renewal.

A receipt will be sent to you in the mail as proof of your payment.

Type: Visa Mastercard American Express Other: _____

Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Annual Fee
(12 month period)
Please circle your
membership level**

HS Student	\$25
French Teacher	\$28
Individual Member	\$40
Family	\$45
Friend of AFSR	\$75
Sponsor	\$100
Life Membership	\$500

Additional Donations:

School Program \$ _____

Cultural Program \$ _____

Merci!

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