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A feast of crêpes for Mardi-Gras
with Christine Piccin and Julia Fornage
on Thursday February 23 at 7pm at Vista del Lago Clubhouse, 3150 Lakeview Drive, Santa Rosa
$5 to be paid at the door

The evening will begin with a short talk by Julia Fornage on the celebration of Mardi-Gras, which in France traditionally involves making crêpes. They are fun to make, once you have learned how and flipped a few yourself. If you wish, you can try your hand at making your own crêpe, and then everyone will taste everything we make, bien sûr! Light refreshments will accompany the crêpes. This relaxed event will be presented in French and in English, making it appropriate also for guests who do not speak French. So please bring a friend!

Julia Fornage team-teaches a French conversation/cuisine class in the SRJC Community Education program. Her fascination with the French language and culture began at SRJC and led to a Master’s degree in French from UCSB. She is also a former pastry chef with restaurant experience in San Francisco and the Napa Valley. Award-winning chef Christine Piccin, who writes a recipe every month in the AFSR newsletter, is currently training student chefs in the Culinary Arts program at SRJC. She also team-teaches with Steve Rabinowitsh a travel, food and wine class entitled “Why We Love Paris” in the SRJC Community Education program.

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Additional Donations: $500

Gifts are tax deductible

Mark your calendar
Le jeudi 15 mars à 19:00 (7 p.m.) à Vista Del Lago, le Dr Anne Prah-Perochon présentera une conférence en français sur le thème Picasso et les Mauvais Garçons de Montmartre: Comment de Jeunes Artistes Trouvent leur Voie (1904-1909).

One night in Paris
at the Sebastiani Theater in Sonoma. Monday February 13th at 7:30pm.
A real trip to Paris with amazing Gypsy Jazz musicians and French singers from the band “Rue Manouches” Ticket available now at the Sebastiani theater (100% of the benefits of the bar and 50% of the entrance benefit are going to support the Sebastiani Theatre Foundation).
Coq au Vin

Our school has reached a new threshold with over eighty students enrolled this session, and we are happy to introduce two new teachers to our team: Corinne Naro who is teaching A1.7, and Maguy Palluel who is teaching A2.7. Also this session, a lot of laughter is being heard coming out of Evelyn Wittman’s class “Travel with Evelyn!”

We are introducing a new method at the beginning levels. The text book “Voyage: An Introduction to French” has been used successfully in many American colleges including the Santa Rosa Junior College. We are also considering new methods for the intermediate and advanced levels.

The Federation of Alliances Francaises USA and Middlebury College have launched, as partners, to bring E-Learning to the member chapters of the Alliance Francaises. As a result of these efforts, AFSL will soon be offering E-Learning to our members. You may find out more here: federation@afsusa.org

Lise Melin
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Class Schedule

Our classes are scheduled by reservation with the School Director. Three or more students are needed to constitute a class, with a maximum of 8 students per class. We offer the following classes, based upon sufficient enrollment, first come, first served. To reserve a seat, please contact the School Director, lisam@afsantarosa.org—tel: 707-543-8151

Schedule: January 2nd to March 2nd 2012

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Our group classes are $14.00 / hour for 2 consecutive hours per week. Materials available for purchase from instructor.

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Cercle littéraire

Voici les trois premiers romans que nous allons lire cette année:

- Le 17 janvier - Souvenir Chocolat de Catherine Velle
- Le 21 février - Au Bon Roman de Laurence Cassé
- Le 20 mars - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 17 avril - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 20 mai - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 17 juin - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 20 juillet - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 17 août - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 20 septembre - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 17 octobre - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 20 novembre - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault
- Le 17 décembre - La gourmande aux yeux gris de Gilles Perrault

Courent à Sebastopel

Lundi de 5pm à 6pm chez Berkeley Melin
Tel: 823-3794 or berkeley@abcglobal.net

Courent à Healdsburg

2e et 4e mercredi du mois
Please call 433-8734 for details