

# Bonjour!

Alliance Française de Las Vegas (AFLV)

## Newsletter September 2017

The AFLV plays a vital role in the diversity of our community, promoting the French language and French-speaking cultures in the Las Vegas area.

## President's Preface

Dear Members and Friends,

We hope that you all had a wonderful summer and were able to enjoy some relaxing time off. Our summer French Camp was a success this year again, we

had a lot of fun! But now, it's --- BACK TO SCHOOL!

Our autumn session begins this week, and you can register on our website: HERE.

Many parents have discussed with us the fact that language classes are not provided in their children's Las Vegas elementary and middle schools. Our afternoon (after school) French classes can fill this void. In addition to learning in a fun environment, the following websites link to two articles regarding the benefits of children learning a foreign language at early ages. We cannot opine on the scientific validity of these article, but we encourage you to undertake your own research into the subject.

http://news.cornell.edu/stories/2009/05/learning-second-language-good-childhood-mind-medicine

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/educationopinion/11151726/Childrenshould-start-learning-languages-at-age-three.html

We hope all our young people and their families have a rewarding, safe, and enjoyable school year.

Marc Zeman

President

## Back to school!

Holidays are over... Children are back to school and some of us back to work... Classes are also back in session at the Alliance Française de Las Vegas, this week for adults and next week for kids and teens.

Our monthly social gatherings are continuing and our next big event will be the inauguration of Alliance Française in October (Date to be confirmed) for Members

only. Our Beaujolais Nouveau celebration will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2017. Mark your calendars!



## COMING IN SEPTEMBER

## PETIT DEJEUNER



### **PETIT DEJEUNER FRANÇAIS**

Saturday September 2 and 16, 2017 at 9:30am "Délices Gourmands"
3620 W Sahara Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89102
(702-331-2526).
Join us to practice your French over an excellent breakfast!

Members of the AFLV get a 10% discount on their purchase.



#### FRENCH FRIDAY

Friday September 8, 2017 at 6:00PM

La Maison de Maggie

3455 S Durango Dr, Suite 112, Las Vegas, NV 89117

Join us to practice your French and enjoy delicious crêpes and galettes!

Members of the AFLV get a 10% discount on their purchase.

## FRENCH MOVIE NIGHT

Please join us for a free French Movie every third Friday of the month. All movies are shown in French with English subtitles.

Thank you to our partners: Institut Français de Paris, French Consulate in Los Angeles and the French Club of UNLV.



#### Friday, September 15, 2017

L'effet aquatique (The Together Project) 2016.

Comedy by Sólveig Anspach and Jean-Luc Gaget with Samir Guesmi, Florence Loiret Caille.

**Synopsis**: Samir falls in love with Agathe, a swimming-instructor. To seduce her he pretends he doesn't know how to swim so she can teach him.

**Venue:** UNLV, Frank and Estella Beam Hall (BEH) - Room 104. <a href="https://www.unlv.edu/maps/campus/BEH">https://www.unlv.edu/maps/campus/BEH</a> In French with English subtitles.

Free admission. Please join us after the movie for a drink or dinner.

#### CLASSES FOR ADULTS

#### Fall for French!

Just because summer is over doesn't mean you can't start a **new adventure**! Our early fall Session of classes starts this week and will end on October 14, 2017. Our classes are suited for **everyone**, each member of your family will be able to find a program appropriate for their level of learning. You'll be able to share the fun with **friends and family**, and create new lasting friendship with other attendees. It's never too late to learn French, so take the leap and <u>Sign Up</u> for our **Early Fall session!** Not sure of your level? Pas de problème! <u>Contact us</u> to take our free placement test.





# CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

Our after School programs are back! Our Early fall Session will run from September 5 to October 28, 2017.

Visit our website for details or to register.

Here!

## **PETANQUE**

Every Sunday at 6:00PM

Gardens Park

(10410 Garden Park Dr, LV

89135)

Played in a leisurely or competitively way, pétanque naturally brings people together and one tends to make new friends & acquaintances in the process. The rules are simple and there are no special skills required. If you are new to the game or a little rusty, feel free to join us. We have extra boules for you!



# Membership

Not a member of the Alliance Française de Las Vegas yet? It is never too late ... Become a member and participate in a range of educational, cultural and social activities. You can support a non-profit that promotes cross-cultural understanding, while taking advantage of special member benefits. As a duly registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, all donations made to AFLV are tax deductible. We are very grateful to all our generous contributors! Join now!

Don't forget to LIKE us on <u>Facebook!</u>
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Merci et à bientôt!

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