



***Bonjour !***

***Alliance Française de Las Vegas (AFLV)***

***Newsletter October 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.**

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## **President's Preface**

Dear Members and Friends,

Ordinarily I write about us:

- Our members, students, and teachers
- Our programs
- Our classes
- Our events and activities.

During the past months, three devastating hurricanes, Harvey, Irma and Maria, **ruined people's homes and communities in Texas and the Southeast, in Florida and the Caribbean (including French and Francophone Islands).** Indeed these **storms ruined people's lives. Worst of all, they even claimed lives.**

This time, I address others who are in need.

It is likely that all of you know someone who was, and is still, affected by these historic storms; family members, friends, and colleagues. I hope your loved ones are safe and that they are soon able to rebuild their lives.

Although the affected areas are thousands of miles away, these people are still our neighbors, and they need our help.

There are a number of organizations which are aiding in the relief efforts. If you have not done so already, we commend for your consideration, donating to the charity of your choice to directly help those most affected.

Also, as we were writing this bulletin, another terrible tragedy occurred on the Las Vegas Strip. Our thoughts and best wishes are with the victims of the vicious shootings and their loved ones.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Marc Zeman

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**5th Annual Beaujolais Nouveau &**

**Beyond Celebration**

**Thursday, November 16, 2017**

6:30 - 9:30 PM



## Le French Café

[6090 South Rainbow Blvd](#)

Las Vegas, Nevada 89118

Phone: [702-998-4121](tel:702-998-4121)

Join us for a stunning social event featuring Beaujolais Nouveau Wine and other drinks, French hors d'oeuvres, music and a raffle. Tickets include the hors d'oeuvres and two drinks of your choice. Buy your tickets now as this event sells out fast!

\$26 for Members \$36 for Non Members

Become a Member [HERE](#)

Buy your tickets [HERE](#)

This year again, the Beaujolais Nouveau wine is sponsored by [Georges Duboeuf](#).

Merci !



GEORGES  
DUBŒUF

## Fundraising Campaign for a Sign for the Alliance Française de Las Vegas Front Desk

**We need your help!**



These pictures were taken at the Alliance Française de Los Angeles. The value of this sign is \$500. We need your help! Your contribution is welcome in any amount. Make a donation [NOW](#). The AFLV is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Your donation is tax-deductible. Merci beaucoup ! We will take pictures of our donators with the sign that could be published on our website and next Newsletter if they wish so.



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**COMING IN OCTOBER**

## PETIT DEJEUNER



### PETIT DEJEUNER FRANÇAIS

**Saturday October 7 and 21, 2017 at  
9:30 AM** "[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.**

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### FRENCH FRIDAY

**Friday October 13, 2017 at 6:00 PM**

[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%  
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## 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, October 20, 2017 at 6:30 PM**

**La loi de la jungle** (2016)

Comedy by Antonin Peretjatko with Vincent Macaigne, Vimala Pons et Pascal Légitimus.

**Synopsis:** Marc Châtaigne, intern at the Department of Standards, is sent to French Guiana to implement European standards in the GuianaSnow construction site: the first indoor ski slope in the Amazon aimed at boosting tourism in French Guiana. His misadventures lead to the appointment of a teammate. Of course, she's no pin-up. Worse: she's no pushover.

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

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

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## OUR FRENCH CLASSES

*To have another language is to possess a second soul."*

*Charlemagne*

## NEW

### [ONLINE PLACEMENT TEST](#)

The key to mastering a new language and having a wonderful learning experience is starting with a class that is right for you! If you have studied French in the past (no matter how long ago it may have been) or lived in a French-speaking community, please complete a placement test prior to registration in an AFLV class.

Take the Written Test [HERE](#)

- Select the **Alliance Française de Las Vegas**

- The Alliance Française staff will contact you for a conversational interview.

This short conversation in French will help our teacher assess your speaking skills and place you in the right level. The chat can take place over the phone or in person. After the evaluation is completed, the teacher will recommend a class and help you navigate your options. We are looking forward to receiving your test!





## CLASSES FOR ADULTS

### *Fall for French!*

Our Fall Session of classes starts the week of **October 16** and will end on **December 16, 2017** with a break the week of Thanksgiving. Our classes are suited for **everyone**, each member of your family will be able to find a program appropriate for his or her **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 Sign Up for our **Fall session!** Not sure of your level? Pas

de problème ! Take our free placement test [HERE](#).

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## **CLASSES FOR CHILDREN**

From clubs to classes, join us this month and throughout the year for these fun, immersive opportunities for children and youth.

We have classes for all ages and levels. Please visit our website for our programs. [Here](#).

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### **Did you know?\***

- French is spoken around the world by 274 million native speakers .

- French is considered one of the most **useful languages** in **international business** and is one of the **official languages** of the **United Nations** and many other international organizations, including the **Olympic Games**.
- French is the **third language on Amazon**.
- French is the **fifth language on Wikipedia**.
- French is the **fourth**-most-widely used language on the **internet**.
- French is predicted to **become the most widely spoken mother tongue** in **Europe by 2025** and the most widely spoken mother tongue in the **world by 2050**.
- French was the **global language** in history in the **18th century**.
- French is **studied by 125 million people** around the world.
- France is the **most popular destination for international visitors** in the world.
- France is the **third-most-popular destination for international students**.

\*Source: <https://www.languagemagazine.com/2017/08/future-french-europe-beyond/>

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## PETANQUE

**Every Sunday at 5:00PM**

**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!



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## 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 [Facebook!](#)

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Merci et à bientôt !

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*This schedule is tentative and may be subject to change if circumstances require it.*

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