



La Trompette

Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe

February 2017



PRESIDENTS NOTE

Bonjour tout le monde,

The month of “février” holds holidays and some fun things to do. February 2nd is known in France as “Crêpe Day” or La Fête de la Chandeleur. It’s celebrated all over France and in other French-speaking countries. You can celebrate too! Here’s a link for some ideas: <http://www.frenchtraveler.com/la-handeleur>. Also, Valentine’s Day is on the 14th. Did you know that in France, the only people who send Valentines are those that are in love? Here’s a fun link to tell you more: <http://www.frenchtoday.com/blog/joyeuse-saint-valentin>.



In Grosse Pointe Park on Monday, February 6, at 7:00 p.m., we are presenting a lecture on Mary Cassatt at the Ewald Library. Our speaker is Karen Imarisio who holds a Master of Library Science from the University of Michigan - Ann Arbor, and a Bachelor of Music with a Minor in Art History from the University of Michigan – Dearborn. From 1983-2013, she was a reference librarian at the Bloomfield Township Public Library. While there, she served on the Art Committee and was also the art liaison for the library. Additionally, she initiated a new program at the Detroit Institute of Arts called “Art & Authors.” She is a former Board member of the Public Arts Board in Birmingham MI, and is currently lecturing at the West Bloomfield Public Library and Baldwin Public Library in Birmingham. Space is limited so please arrive early!



The final Marianne Midwest Series webcast from the Alliance Française de Chicago will be held at Wayne State on February 13th beginning at 7:30 p.m. Dany Laferrière will present “D’Haïti à l’Académie Française: un écrivain américain.” Please see the flyer for more information. The lecture will be in French with no English translation.

Our French wine tasting will be held on February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at The Ark at St. Ambrose Church in Grosse Pointe Park. Cost Plus Wines presents Robert Dassett, our French wine expert, who will guide us through the nuances of French wines and champagne plus French cheeses, fruit and baguettes! Bring your family and friends! Tickets are \$50 per person. Make your reservation by February 18th. See flyer for details.

A one-woman show entitled “Pardon My French: Les Aventures d’Une Francophone aux États Unis” will be performed on March 4 at 8:00 p.m. at Wayne State University in Detroit. Renée-Claude Thériault is a French-Canadian who teaches Theater at the Alliance Française de Chicago. She has performed stand-up comedy there and also at the Alliance Française de Milwaukee and is very entertaining. This event is provided by the Alliance Française de Détroit and French Institute of Michigan.

Lastly, have you seen our new website? Check it out at afgrossepointe.org.

À bientôt!

Pat Stewart and Marc Robert

Upcoming Events

Lecture: The Remarkable Life of Mary Cassatt

February 6, 2017 | 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Grosse Pointe Public Library – Ewald Branch

Marianne Midwest Series Webcast

February 13 | 7:30 p.m.
Wayne State

French Wine Tasting

February 23, 2017 | 7:00 p.m.
The Ark at St. Ambrose

Pardon My French

March 4, 2017 | 8:00 p.m.
Wayne State

Marche du Nain Rouge

March 26, 2017 | Midtown Detroit

Cercle Littéraire

March 11

Title: Les Croisades vues par les Arabes

Author: Amin Maalouf

April 29

Title: L’homme de l’art:

D. -H. Kahnweiler, 1884-1979

Author: Pierre Assouline

Galette des Rois

January 7

