



## Alliance Française of Lynchburg Newsletter – September 2010

### **Hike to Crabtree Falls**

**Saturday, September 18, 8:30 am**

**Meet at Florence Elston Inn and Conference Center**

Hike to Crabtree Falls, Nelson County, on Saturday, September 18. Discover the area that has been called "the most beautiful set of waterfalls in Virginia.... the tallest waterfalls east of the Mississippi, [and] a must-see for anyone who lives in the mid-Atlantic region"!!!

Meet at 8:30 am in the parking lot of the Florence Elston Inn and Conference Center, on the Sweet Briar College campus (first building on the right). Please bring a light lunch and plenty of water. Expected duration of hike: about 3 hours, excluding travel time. Difficulty level: moderate.



Please RSVP at [pcoopamah@sbc.edu](mailto:pcoopamah@sbc.edu)

Randonnée à Crabtree Falls, comté de Nelson, le samedi 18 septembre. Découvrez la région qui a été décrite comme «le plus bel ensemble de cascades en Virginie .... la plus haute des chutes à l'est du Mississippi, [et] un must pour toute personne qui vit dans la région du Mid-Atlantic" !

Veillez apporter un repas léger et beaucoup d'eau. Durée prévue de la randonnée : environ 3 heures, sans compter le trajet. Degré de difficulté: modéré.

Veillez confirmer votre participation à [pcoopamah@sbc.edu](mailto:pcoopamah@sbc.edu)

### **Le Dîner Français**

**Mardi, le 21 septembre, 6h30 pm**

**Main Street Eatery, 907 Main Street**

Tous les mois, on va organiser une « soirée française » et se retrouve dans un restaurant différent pour dîner ensemble et parler seulement français. Cette fois, on va dîner chez « Main Street Eatery ». **Si vous voulez y assister, envoyer un e-mail à Leila Lou Baldwin avant le 18 septembre. Son adresse électronique est [loulou0626@yahoo.com](mailto:loulou0626@yahoo.com).** Bon appétit.

**Les prochains dîners seront mardi, le 19 octobre, et mardi, le 16 novembre. Les lieux vont être déterminés.**

### **Welcome Back Party**

**Sunday, September 26, 4:30 - 7:00 pm**

**At the home of Steve and Leila Lou Baldwin  
1030 VES Road**





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Start the 2010 - 2011 year with a party at the Baldwins'. All beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be provided by the Alliance. The event is free to members. \$5 fee for guests. (Max \$20 per family.)

**Directions:** Take Boonsboro Road to VES Road; take a right onto Bon Air; the Baldwins' home is on the left on the corner of VES and Bon Air. Parking on Bon Air.

### Conversations With Solange

**Note new location: Magnolia Foods, 2476 Rivermont Avenue**

**Sep. 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28; Nov. 4, 11, 18; Dec. 2, 9;**

**4:30 – 5:30 pm**

*Conversations With Solange* provide an informal opportunity to speak French while discussing a wide range of topics. The sessions are free to AF members, but please remember to make a purchase to support our use of the space.

### Visitors From Rueil-Malmaison, October 22 – 26

Visitors from Lynchburg's first Sister City, Rueil-Malmaison (just outside of Paris) will be in Lynchburg October 22 - 26. Sister City Of Lynchburg-Plus is seeking host families who can provide lodging and breakfast for guests. If interested, contact Françoise Watts at [fwatts@randolphcollege.edu](mailto:fwatts@randolphcollege.edu) or Frank Britt at [frank@brittmarketing.com](mailto:frank@brittmarketing.com).



### Cookout For Visitors from Rueil-Malmaison

**Sunday, October 24, 5:00 – 8:00 pm**

**Glenbrooke Clubhouse, 4663 Hawkins Mill Road, 386-2280**

Join Alliance Française and Sister City members in hosting an American-style cookout for visitors from Rueil Malmaison. Hot dogs, hamburgers, BBQ and beverages provided. Members are asked to bring a picnic hors d'oeuvre, side dish or desert. Free to Alliance Française members and the Rueil Malmaison visitors. \$5 fee for non-Alliance members and guests. (Max \$20 per family.)

**Directions:** From the Lynchburg Expressway take Wiggington Road until it ends, then turn left and immediately left again into Glenbrooke Estates.

### Le Beaujolais Nouveau Sera Arrivé

**Thursday, November 18, 6:00 – 8:30 pm**

**Glenbrooke Clubhouse**





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The arrival of the Beaujolais Nouveau is always a much anticipated event around the world. On the third Thursday of November, wine connoisseurs around the world taste the new wine of the season and share their opinion of this vintage. With the wine, we will enjoy oysters on the half shell, expertly opened on the spot by Urs Gabathuler and volunteers. New England clam chowder will also be provided. Alliance members are encouraged to bring light hors d'oeuvres, cheeses, breads, etc. to share. Members of the Dante Alighieri Society and Sister City of Lynchburg PLUS are also invited. The event is free to members of the Alliance Française. Non-Alliance members, guests and friends are asked to pay a fee of \$15.00. During the event, all three organizations will have an opportunity to introduce their programs.

### **Book Club**

**RSVP by September 15**

The book club will read two books per semester. Selections for this year are as follows:

- La Reveuse d'Ostende par Eric-Emmanuel Schmitt
- La Touche d'Etoile par Benoitte Groutl
- Chaque Jour est un Adieu par Alain Remond
- La Fabrique de Souvenirs par Philippe Pollet-Villard.



The group will meet in October, January, March and June. Dates and times TBD. If interested, please contact Michelle Gabathuler at [mmgabathuler@comcast.net](mailto:mmgabathuler@comcast.net) before September 15, so your book(s) can be ordered.

### **French Class For Advanced Beginners**

This semester we will offer an 11-week French class for Advanced Beginners.

**Location:** Lynchburg Public Library, 2315 Memorial Avenue, small meeting room

**Tuition:** \$200, includes Alliance Française membership

**Hours:** 5:00 – 6:30 pm

**Dates:**

Tuesday, Sept 21

Tuesday, Sept 28

Wednesday, Oct 6

Wednesday, Oct 13

Tuesday, Oct 19

Tuesday, Oct 26

Wednesday, Nov 3

Wednesday, Nov 10

Tuesday, Nov 23

Wednesday, Dec 1

Wednesday, Dec 8



To enroll, send an email to Julie Mayhew at [mayhewlhs@hotmail.com](mailto:mayhewlhs@hotmail.com). For any questions contact Michelle Gabathuler at [mmgabathuler@comcast.net](mailto:mmgabathuler@comcast.net).

**Areva:** The Alliance will also offer Beginning French classes at Areva, for Areva employees.

### **And Watch Future Newsletters For ...**



## **Alliance Française of Lynchburg Newsletter – September 2010**

- La Fête de Noël - December 19
- French Films
- Alliance Française 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration
- Mardi Gras / Carnevale