

Mars 2008

The Alliance would like to extend an enormous THANK YOU to Patrick Bourrel for hosting the annual Chandeleur event. The crowd was very large and the crêpes were delicious. We also thank Patrick for his contributions to the Alliance for the sale of Galettes and Françoise Kinsel for organizing this event. All proceeds go to our scholarship fund. The Tombola was also held; lucky winners are listed below.

Grand Prize: Two free tickets to Paris: Annette Perez

2 tickets Grand Opera Production: Larry Roselle

Alliance Française French Course Tuition: Lynda O'Bayley

2 tickets Fresno Philharmonic concert: Pat Sorensen

Dinner for two Café Rousseau: Sharon Hughes; Joe and Sandie Farkas

2 season tickets Keyboard Concerts: Polly Bispo

5 tickets Fresno Film Works: Mike Barba

Campos Brothers Farms Gift Basket: Richard Heimforth

Sephora French Beauty Products Gift Basket: Adua Butticci

Wine from WineStyles: Richard Jennings

Trader Joe's Gift Basket: Florence Cassel

French Champagne from Costco: Mary Ann McDonald

Framed Archival Montmartre Photo Print by Rebecca Caraveo: Hye Kim

Spa Treatment, Tatiana's The Spa: Dennis Boone; Susan Schlievert



February 20, 7:00 PM: *Le Sénégal: The Path of Two Adventurers*

A lecture in French and English by Adama Gueye & Terry Allen

Woodward Park Library, 944 E. Perrin, near Champlain (433-3135)

There is no charge for the lecture. The public is invited to attend. A reception will follow.

Adam(a) was born in Thies, a city an hour's drive from Dakar. He received his BA in 1994 from Cheik Anta Diop University, his Masters in 1996, and his first post-graduate diploma in 1997, the first step of his doctoral studies. In 1998, he entered the National Teacher Training School and obtained a high school teaching credential. In 2007, he earned a Fulbright exchange position for a year at Bullard High. Adam(a) is currently working on his doctoral project on "Gender Issues" and looks forward to meeting scholars who can help in that field.

Terry was born and raised in the Fresno area attending Bullard High School, CSU Fresno for his BA and MA, and the University of La Verne for his doctorate in educational leadership. After receiving his BA, he served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Senegal. In 1965, he returned to finish his teaching credential and begin his 35-year tenure at Clovis Unified as teacher, learning director and elementary school principal. He retired in 2000 and presently teaches 11 units per year at CSU Fresno and serves as an arts education consultant to the Fresno Art Museum's ArtSmart program.



March 4, 7:00 PM: *The Titanic, The French Connection*

Lecture in English by Lydia Kuhn

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There is no charge for the lecture. The public is invited to attend. A reception will follow. Prior to her retirement in 2003, Lydia Kuhn was Adult Services Manager at Fresno County Public Library. She became interested in the Titanic disaster after reading Walter Lord's *A Night to Remember* and seeing the film *Titanic* starring Barbara Stanwyck and Clifton Webb. She is a member of both the Titanic Historical Society (THS) and the Titanic International Society (TIS). She has attended 8 THS conventions (Denver, London, Halifax and Massachusetts) and one TIS convention in Halifax. While attending the London convention, she met Millvina Dean, the last known remaining Titanic survivor. She has also toured six Titanic exhibits. She received a BA in Political Science from Whittier College and a MLS from LSU.

French Classes: For information on French classes call Odette Cohen at 435-3285 for adult classes or Micheline Curnyn for children's classes at 435-5532.



Cafés de l'Alliance, Jeudi, 13 mars, 10 avril de 16:30h à 18h à la Boulangerie. Votre rendez-vous mensuel avec vos amis francophones. (Occurs 2nd Thursday of each month).

Congratulations!!! 35 Pétanque Pistes at Cary Park! Wow!

At a recent news conference, the Fresno Parks Department announced the construction plans for a pétanque terrain. Cary Park, located just south of Fashion Fair in Fresno, will contain 35 pistes and will be the largest pétanque terrain in the United States, large enough to host national pétanque tournaments. The Alliance Française would like to congratulate the Fresno Pétanque Club for helping to popularize this French tradition. Bravo!



Alliance members may be interested in a presentation by Dr. Rose Marie Kuhn on French Guiana on Feb. 19 at the International Coffee Hour. The Coffee Hour is held each Tuesday from 2-3 p.m. in the University Student Union, rooms 312-314 on the campus of CSU, Fresno.

Are you interested in visiting Paris? Two excellent opportunities are listed below.

Paris for Art Lovers, November 10-17, 2008

With over 120 museums, the decisions can be so overwhelming! Museum visits include the d'Orsay, Moyen Age, l'Orangerie, and Musée Rodin. For information contact:

La Belle France: 229-4866, info@labellefrancetours.com, www.labellefrancetours.com

French Language Study for Students, July 2008

State Center Community College District is offering language study in Paris. Classes are taught by French nationals. Four units credit can be transferred to community colleges or universities. Any college or university student over 18 can enroll. Application deadline is April 11. Contact Cynthia Elliott for information: cynthia.elliott@sccd.edu or 325-5270.



2008 Schedule

February 20	Adama Gueye, Terry Allen: <i>Le Sénégal, Path of 2 Adventurers</i>
March 4	Lydia Kuhn: <i>The Titanic, The French Connection</i>
April 20	Thirza Vallois: <i>The Paris of Artists and Writers</i>
April 21	Thirza Vallois: <i>Aveyron: A bridge to French Arcadia</i>
May	Christopher Thompson: <i>Le Tour de France</i>
July	25 th Anniversary Celebration and Bastille Celebration