



Alliance Française of Greater Orlando



FEBRUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

YUMMY! YUMMY! YUMMY!

By now you should have received our invitation to our Galettes Party that will take place in AFGO's office on Saturday, February 3rd, starting at 7:00 pm. This event is open to adults and children.

As mentioned in our previous newsletter, the galettes are called "the savory buckwheat cousin to the crêpes". We prepare the batter and this year, the savory feature will be based on smoked salmon, ham and grated cheese.

ALL YOU CAN MAKE, ALL YOU CAN EAT!

Besides, this culinary feast will be accompanied with a great artistic event in the form of an exhibition of gorgeous photographs taken by our friend Robin Mantor in France and in the US.

Rush to pre-register on or before January 31, if you want to enjoy lower admission rates!

FRENCH-AMERICAN ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP

French-American economic ties date back to before the founding of the United States, when France helped the 13 colonies to fight the British mercantile economy. France contributed in monetary and military terms to the war effort against Great Britain, which led to the Declaration of Independence.

A few years later, the purchase of Louisiana by the American Government was a major milestone in expanding US territory.

In the 20th century, industrialization expanded global trade. After WWII the US Marshall Plan helped revive the French economy.

Today, the French companies in the US generate almost 600,000 jobs and France is the second largest source of foreign employment in 5 states.

The United States is the top destination of French investments abroad (12% of foreign investments in this country), and the US is the largest foreign investor in France.

Altogether, based on the 2017 France-US economic report recently published, France is the 6th largest investor in the US and its 8th largest trading partner.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Saturday, February 3: Galettes Party. See above.
- Sunday, February 11: Picnic(potluck)/pétanque, starting at 12:30 pm, at Mead Garden (Winter Park).
- Saturday, February 17: Movie night, preceded by a potluck dinner, starting at 6:00, at AFGO's office. Film: "Sans famille" ("Nobody's Boy"), second part.
- Friday, February 23: AFGO Board meeting, starting at 6:30 pm.

