



Le Foyer Newsletter

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From the Board

The Le Foyer Board met on Jan 20, 2009

Highlights

Memberships The Board voted to keep the membership dues the same for the current year (2009-2010). The membership dues are: \$20/year for REGULAR memberships \$25/year for a FAMILY membership and \$250 for a Life membership. Membership renewals are due in January of each year. All Regular and Family memberships renewals are due in January for the current year. Membership renewals can be sent to : Le Foyer – Box 2029 – Pawtucket, RI 02861 New Membership Applications can be obtained by calling 401-728-8328, by downloading from our website at www.lefoyer.org or by inquiry at the Le Foyer Club, 151 Fountain St. Pawtucket, RI.

Benefits of Membership Paid Members are entitled to discounted admissions to Le Foyer sponsored events. Paid members in good standing can elect to run for Executive Office, be considered for a position as Trustee to the Education Loan Trust and can be placed on the Board of Directors . All paid members in good standing may cast a vote in the yearly election of Executive Officers.

Newsletter The Publication of the Le Foyer Newsletter will be suspended until a funding source is obtained to cover the expenses of printing and mailing. However, we are continuing efforts to develop the Le Foyer website. The home page now has a link labeled 'current updates' . Through this link there is access to the Le Foyer Mail (email news/letters from friends, members and organizations that have contacted us through email. There is also access to an 'Announcements' web page which features all updated news on local and regional events that may miss inclusion in the email newsletter. The updated web pages also include a listing of our supporters, advertisers and our online Gift Store which features items for sale from members and friends with links and contact info for purchasing. Visit our website at <http://WWW.LEFOYER.ORG> and take a look around.

Events

Coming to :
St Anne's Art & Cultural Center
84 Cumberland Street
Woonsocket, RI 02895

Cinderella

Show Dates: Jan 31, Feb 1, 6,7,8
Tickets Call
508-876-9797
401-356-0713

Mardi Gras at Le Foyer Club

Rhode Island's famous Magnolia Cajun Band is coming to Le Foyer on February 7th, 2009. Dance starts at 7:30.

Mardi Gras Party with 'most of Magnolia'!!!
Alan on accordion, Michelle on fiddle, Martin on guitar, Jack on drums
and our guests,
Rose Sinclair- on steel,
Darren Wallace on twin fiddles with Michelle,
and Mark Sampson on Bass.



Mask making at 7:00 with Pauline Bonin.

Come in costumes! ! This is a Mardi Gras!

Cost - \$14 - Cash Bar

**Le Foyer Club
151 Fountain St
Pawtucket, RI 02860**

Read the latest updates at [Le Foyer Announcements](#)

Announcing

ORICK'S MARIONETTE THEATER PRESENTS new children shows season 2009:



"THE JOKE"

Queen Germaine never laughs and King Gideon is very saddened. The good King decides to have a contest: The one who tells the funniest joke will win 10 golden coins! Our friends Chiffonette, Frisonet, Pompom and the Monkey Brothers all participate in the contest. In the end the joke that makes Queen Germaine laugh is not a joke! After the show, children get a chance to tell their joke to the audience and enjoy their own very moments of fame!

For young audiences 3 to 10. Show lasts 40 minutes not including interactive time after the show.

'The Adventures of Pinocchio'

Carlo Collodi's Pinocchio is adapted here into a gentle and simplified tale for children 3 to 99 years old.

The story of Pinocchio is recounted by his maker, Gepetto. The old man does not understand why Pinocchio never listens to good advice.

As he ventures in the world, he encounters different characters and is always saved from trouble by the Blue Fairy who tries to teach him that good children always listen to their parents.

After saving Pinocchio from the belly of the whale, Blue Fairy figures out that the reason why Pinocchio does not listen, is that Gepetto forgot to carve his ears!

All is well in the end as Pinocchio and all the cast of characters take part in a joyous farandole.

Adaptation: Agnes Novak Marionettes: Dusan Petran



Our puppet-making workshops for kids 4 to 14 provide a wonderful opportunity for a fun filled family activity. You don't have to prepare anything we bring it all!

We hope to bring our unique marionettes to your community some time soon, until then, We wish you well!

Yorick's Marionettes

Inquires about booking rates, workshops, performance fees for libraries including travel and materials can be made by contacting:

www.voricksproductions.com
puppetry@earthlink.net

Some performances available in French and bilingual French.

[In the mailbox](#)

In the mailbox is updated daily. News, notes, messages, invitations, announcements, submitted by our readers can be found at [In The Mailbox](#) ! In this issue: Learn French-AATF, Digital Workshop-Camera Werks, Centre des Francophones des Amériques, Missing Son, BRT, [Young Tradition Weekend of Events](#) and more.

"VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION"

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FRIENDS OF EXCELLENCE FOR ARTS EDUCATION/JMW "VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION"

The Friends of Excellence for Arts Education, the fund raising arm of the Jacqueline M. Walsh School for the Performing and Visual Arts, will host a "Valentine's Celebration" on Thursday, February 5, 2009 at the Visitor's Center, Main Street, Pawtucket. There will be a silent auction of sports memorabilia, student art work, and other items. John Haidemenos, Jr., Principal, will be at the piano. Hot and cold appetizers and other refreshments will be served. The event will take place from 5:30-8:00 pm. Tickets are available at the school for \$ 20.00 each or \$ 30.00 for two. COME AND SUPPORT RHODE ISLAND'S ONLY PUBLIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL RIGHT HERE IN PAWTUCKET!! Please call 721-2148 for tickets or more information.

Lisa Desjardins Michaud
Franco-American Centre Franco-Américain - University of Maine writes to
inform us of a project at U of Maine:

The Oral History Collection

[Franco American Archives](#)

[French Island Project](#) (What is my Heritage?)

Bonjour,

The Franco-American Centre has launched and is currently digitizing oral history collections. Once the digitizing (audio & video) is complete the oral histories are placed on our website to be viewed, listened to by all who have access to the internet. Our site: Voices of the Past and Present for Our Future, address: francoamericanarchives.org

It is one thing to preserve our voices by digitizing these collections, but if they are put on the shelf or into storage they are once again being silenced.

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[French Canadian Fiddle Jams](#)

Connecticut - *Jam Français*

Bonjour & Bonnes Fêtes!

Come hang out and play, learn, and listen!!

Led by Daniel Boucher

Contact: flr2lys@yahoo.com call: 860-287-4931

**Jam Français - Preserving French Canadian Culture in Connecticut
French Folk Music Jam
All acoustic instruments & All skill levels welcome
Marinelli's Supper Club Lounge
175 Monce Road, Burlington, Ct 06013
www.marinellissupperclub.com
Must be Over 21
Questions Contact: Daniel Boucher fr2lys@yahoo.com 860.287.4931**

**1st & 3rd Thursday's from 7-10pm
Free**

Connecticut, like most of New England, has become home for many French Canadians and their descendants. They brought with them many of their traditions from Canada and through many hardships of assimilation have continued to keep those traditions alive. Come experience the music of French Canadians from great local musicians and singers in a casual environment.

**Jam français :“Qu'est-ce que c'est?” “What is it?”
“Come and experience the French Canadian culture in Connecticut!”
A place for experienced musicians to share their talent!
A place for unexperienced musicians to learn the style and technique!
A place for singers to share and learn french songs!
A place to continue the tradition!
A fun & relaxing bilingual evening for everyone!!**

Daniel Boucher

In the works

In March ... Closing event of Francophone Week at Le Foyer

In April Les Cabin au Sucre with AFGS

In May Pierre Chartrand dance teacher extraordinaire - from Montreal

More to come

In The Neighborhood

Local Community Resources

Did you know the WCDC offers FREE adult programming in Health Education, Job Search Assistance, Family Resource Referrals and Guidance and Computer Classes?



This month, every Wednesday evening beginning January 14, from 5:30 - 9:30 the Center will offer FREE assistance in filling out Income Tax returns through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. For more information on this community assistance or any of the programs at WCDC, visit or call at 210 West Ave. Pawtucket, RI 02860 - Telephone - 401-475-7632.



BY CHOICE HOTELS

**Use Rate Code
LEFOY**

2 George Street, Pawtucket, RI 02860
TEL 401.723.6700 FAX 401.726.6380
Email: Sales @comfortinnri.com
WWW.COMFORTINN.COM/HOTEL/RI010

Exit 27 off I-95 North or Southbound

-Guest Rooms & Suites
-Queens & Double Queens
-Complimentary Daily Breakfast
-Indoor heated Pool
-Non-Smoking Floors
-Fitness Room
-Business Center
-Free Wireless Internet Access
-Cable TV
-Free Guest & Tour Bus Parking
-The Ground Round Grill & Bar

