



## November Newsletter 2013

Dear members,

We have had a great start to the 2013-2014 year. Thank you to all who have renewed their membership or joined this year. Your membership fees help fund our activities and allow us to complete our mission to encourage and develop knowledge of the French language and French and Francophone cultures by giving grants and scholarships.

Penny Roth has kindly accepted the position of secretary. We welcome her to the board and look forward to working with her.

Please check out our website to see photos of our recent events – the dinner cruise and concert in partnership with Sister Cities and our Halloween party where 20 French exchange students, chaperoned by the president of the Nantes-Jacksonville –Seattle Association, Mariette Cassouret, enthusiastically took part in traditional Halloween games such as bobbing for apples and a dress-up relay.

November is a busy month, kicking off with the pétanque tournament in Fernandina Beach and closing with the arrival of this year's Beaujolais nouveau.

I look forward to seeing you at our events,  
Sheila

### Upcoming events

**November 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>** - Open Pétanque Tournament. Come and see world champions play, play yourself, learn more about pétanque or just soak in the atmosphere. Lots to do and see.

**Where:** On beautiful [Amelia Island](#), Florida - at the downtown marina in [Fernandina Beach](#).

**Who:** Open to anyone, teams of two players ('doubles').

Beginners, amateurs, advanced players and champions all play together in one tournament.

**When:** Sat 9 & Sun 10 November 2013. Training, clinics and welcome party on Fri Nov 8.

**\$\$\$:** Total prize purse: \$8,000 - spread over at least 32 teams.

**November 13th** - The monthly French luncheon will be at JJ's Paris Bistro, 7643 Gate Parkway, Jacksonville. All levels of French are welcome. Please meet at the restaurant at 12.00.noon.  
RSVP to JJ's at 904-996-7557.

**November 21<sup>st</sup>** – Beaujolais Nouveau at CoRK. This year's Beaujolais nouveau arrives straight from France on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Come and help us celebrate this French tradition: we will try the new wine, have some cheese and sausage and listen to some music. Our friend and member Jenn Chase has kindly offered use of space at CoRK and has agreed to perform for us. CoRK is an art district with a collection of artists' studios, a really unique space in Jacksonville.

Where: 2698 Rosselle St, 32204.

When: 6-8pm.

Cost: \$5 for members

RSVP to [afjax@aol.com](mailto:afjax@aol.com)