

Program of activities at the American Library 2011/2012

September

No Library activities this month. Our librarian is recovering from an accident and the Library will be open only two days a week until the 3rd of October.

October

October 9: our annual Book Sale will take place in the context of the fifth *Vide-greniers* on the Place de la Carrière in Nancy from 10 AM to 6 PM (10:00-18:00). Come and browse! We'll be in front of the Palais du Gouverneur.

October 13: in the context of the Nancy jazz festival, there will be a lecture at 4:30 PM (16:30) entitled "Jazz: from its origins to the 1920s" by P. Reboud. Check your e-mail for the building and room number.

November

November 4: Book Club, 3 PM (15:00). The book under discussion will be *My Antonia* (Willa Cather). Since the Library is currently closed on Fridays because of difficulties replacing personnel on sick leave, another venue will be chosen and those who signed up for the Book Club will be informed by e-mail.

November 24: the P.M. (15:00) in members only paid-up member



Thanksgiving celebration will take place from 12 noon to 3 the PRES building next to the Library. This program is for (one guest allowed) and by invitation only this year. If you are a and did not receive your invitation, please contact the ABAN.

December

December 1st:

Mme Mangin will give an informal talk in English on her adventures in the Second World War interpreting for General Patton. At the Library at 4:30 PM (16:30).

December 14: our traditional Christmas caroling is back! At 4:30 P.M. (16:30) at the Library, you can sing along with Paula Kaenel and her guitar.

January 2012

January 6: Book Club, 3 PM (15:00) at the Library (unless staffing problems force a Friday closing). Two works will be discussed: *The Lovers*, a play by Harold Pinter, and *A Few Green Leaves*, a novel by Barbara Pym. A few copies are available at the desk for members of the Club.

January 16: Wilbert de Roo, a maker of stringed instruments (*luthier*) from South Africa will talk to us about the making of a cello (with video) at 4:30 P.M. (16:30) at the Library. 🎵

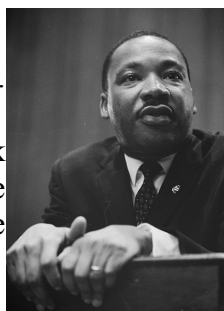
January 27: our annual General Assembly will take place at 3:30 P.M. (15:30) in the Amphitheatre of the Université de Lorraine (34 Cours Léopold). Only paid-up members may vote. Please reply to the convocation and send in your signed proxy if you do not plan to attend.

February

March

March 2: Book Club, 3 PM (15:00) at the Library. will be Margaret Atwood's *The Handmaid's Tale*.

March 8: Sarah Sands will commemorate Black History Month by a talk entitled "Lessons From Martin Luther King for the 21st Century." Time: 4:30 P.M. (16:30) in the PRES Amphitheatre (in the Library).




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9-10 March: the Library is one of the sponsors of an international conference, "Positioning Inter-



disciplinarity," organized by the IDEA research team at the Université de Lorraine (Nancy 2) in Building G, rooms G02 and G04. The various performances on the program will illustrate the relationship between dance, music, the visual arts and literature (French, British and American). The complete program and registration form can be found at <http://idea-udl.org/programme-positioning-interdisciplinarite-enjeux-et-positionnements-de-linterdisciplinarite/>.

19 March: the Springtime for Poets (*Printemps des poètes*) program will be held at the Library at 4:30 PM (16:30). The theme this year is the American poet Emily Dickinson. Your chosen poems must be submitted to Rose Meneses before Friday March 9. Your chosen poems (please submit a minimum of two) should be handed in at the Library desk. The program will be completed by a concert of folk-rock settings of Dickinson's poetry to music (see 29 March).

23-24 March: **Word For Word Theatre Company** will perform at the Amphithéâtre Deléage on the Campus Lettres  (boulevard Albert Ier, Nancy). The play is based on T.C. Boyle's hilarious short story about the world of restaurant critics: "Sorry Fugu." Texts are now available at the Library desk. The performance starts at 8:30 PM (20:30) both nights and is not to be missed. Entrance is free with optional contribution towards expenses.

29 March: at 8:30 PM (20:30) at the MJC Lillebonne (14 rue du Cheval blanc, Nancy) the Friends of the Library present the folk-rock group "**La Berlue**" in a program of Emily Dickinson poems set to music. This concert is free.

April

May

May 4: Book Club, 3 PM (15:00) at the Library.

June

June 7, 4:30 PM (16:30): Governments, institutions and organizations have, since the beginning of time, been confronted with the necessity to make decisions. The information necessary to make those decisions was generally slow to arrive and often faulty, turning decision-making into an activity with dangerous and often fatal consequences. Today, the concept of Economic Intelligence (Competitive Intelligence) is increasingly being applied to decision-making to decrease the risk of error. Amos David, Professor at the Université de Lorraine and editor of a book on the subject, will give a talk on "Competitive Intelligence and Decision Problems" (*Intelligence économique et problèmes décisionnels*). The implementation of the process by governments and enterprises will be illustrated by concrete examples, as well as the impact of information and communication technologies. At 4:30 PM (16:30) in the Library.

July

July 6: Book Club, 3 PM (15:00) at the Library