PROGRAMME: FEVRIER, MARS, AVRIL

FEVRIER: Chandeleur Soiree des crepes le jeudi 8 fevrier 6:00 PM Chez Catherine et Jeff 7325 Pretwick Lane Portage, 49024 catherine.roue@gmail.com

Discussion of wine with Laura Puckett
English and French
le samedi 17 fevrier 11:00 AM
Antwerp Sunshine Library 24823 Front Ave. Mattawan
Check the rooms for the French group.

MARS: Martine Goddeyne will send you information on a Table Française in March.

The Gilmore Piano Festival in Grand Rapids
DeVos Performance Center Thurs. March 28 7:00 PM
Jean-Yves Thibaudet will play the works of
French composers Ravel, Debussy, and Saint-Saens
To purchase tickets, contact by phone (269) 250-6984 or thegilmore.org

AVRIL: Discussion of *Vivre vite-*the One Book/One /Federation Selection le mardi 9 avril 7:00 PM (19h00)

Chez Martine et Leo Goddeyne
2315 Crane Ave. Kalamazoo, 49001

Vin, fromage et dessert

le jeudi 25 avril Labeque Duo 7:30 PM (19h30) Tickets \$45.00 Stetson Chapel, Kalamazoo College French sisters Katia and Marielle Labeque make their highly anticipated Gilmore debut. This concert is in tribute to the Federation of AlliancesFrancaisesUSA Tickets: thegilmore.org (269) 250-6984

SAVE THE DATE:

Mai: le samedi 4 mai 3:00 PM (15h00) Chez Janina Cotugn0 Speaker: Attorney Olivia Kurajian

Subject: Quebec more information later

NOTE: EVERY WEDNESDAY 8:00 PM ON ZOOM

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high-intermediate to advanced or fluent speakers

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Credit the French for coming up with the *l'heure de l'apero* or the aperitif hour. An aperitif is an alcoholic beverage usually served before a meal to stimulate the appetite. Common choices include wine, Vermouth, Champagne, Pastis, Absinthe, Pommeau de Normandie etc. Aperitif may also refer to a snack that precedes a meal. This includes an "amuse-bouche" such as crackers, cheese, olives. Aperitif is a French word derived from the Latin verb aperire, which means "to open". Wikipedia

We hope you will be able to participate in many of our activities.

Cynthia Ruoff