

# French Christmas Tea and Business Meeting

## Saturday, December 3, 2016

### 7:30 - Arrival and Pre-Tea Preparations

8:00 - Prepare punch and water stations, coffee, tea, hot water, hot towels, cream & sugar, butter & jam, set up computer, start music, heat ovens, plug in roasters, warm quiches, bake baguettes

Prepare dessert trays – macaroons, petit fours, sables korova, crème brulee,

8:45 - Brief Executive Board meeting

9:00 - Arlane's French café music plays

9:00 - Registration starts, background music provided by CD, members enter, mingle, serve punch

9:25 - Ring bell to be seated

9:30 - **Welcome** – *Kate Pearson*

- **MN Tau State Officers:** President Sally Nyhus, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Ann Vanvick, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Michelle Dahlby, Parliamentarian Lorraine Traut and her daughter Teresa Elavsky
- **Mu Chapter Members**
- **Chi Chapter Sisters:** Jane Brueske & Kim Moen
- **Invited Guests**
- **Keynote Speaker:** Alyson Kriz from the French Camp of the Concordia Language Villages
- **Musicians:** Dr. Cory Renbarger, BSU students, and their accompanist - Mr. Eric Gustafson

### Thanks to Hostesses

- **The Executive Board:** Libby Underhill, Julie Paulson, Kathy VanWert, Linda Frost, Delphine Jacobsen, Deb Rossman, and Michelle Dahlby
- **The Networking Board:** Jackie Barclay, Angie Dahlberg, Kathleen Ferrin, Marilyn Gandrud, Sharon Hoverson, Michelle Luby, Kerry Nelson, Jay Sargent, Kathleen Sloan, Terri Strandlien
- **Member Volunteers:** Judy Dvorak, Sharon Hokuf, Kim Kusler, Durayne Mitby, Arlane Mullranin, Pam Murray, and Joyce Siegert

### Thanks for Door Prize Contributions \*\* Le Pere Noel

Jackie Barclay, Judy Dvorak, Marilyn Gandrud, Durayne Mitby, Arlane Mullranin, Julie Paulson, Kate Pearson, Jay Sargent, Joyce Siegert

### Meeting – Call to Order – President's Report

- **"New Teacher" supply bags** - We delivered 70 – Thank you notes received from 2: Jane Nord FACS and Tamra Ragan Clearbrook-Gonvick music department.
- **Today's scholarship collection** total \$369
- **Scholarships Given:**
  - Hazel Shimmin Scholarship (2 given @ \$400 each) - McKenzie Leslie for 2015-2016, Miranda Carlson (2016 - 2017), BSU account balance is \$12,752.41
  - Myrtie Hunt (1 given @ ?)
- **Memorial Grant-in-Aid:** One applicant, to be awarded in January (See Janine Wahl)

- **Presidents' Recruitment Grant:** Nominations taken after January 1<sup>st</sup>, (See Janine Wahl)
- **Sanford Concession Fundraiser Update:** Since we started on October 8<sup>th</sup>, we've earned approximately \$1003.00 in wages and \$203 in tips for a total of \$1206.00
- **Red Bag of Fun Fundraiser:** Earnings to date \$191 – to split between Myrtie Hunt Programming Fund and Brune-Parker Legacy Fund for Special Projects

#### NEW SLIDE

- **Due Yesterday:** Nominations for Woman of Achievement and the Outstanding Service Award – To be awarded January 21<sup>st</sup>, See Joyce Siegert - Committee Chair
- **Due January 16:** New Member Recommendations – Initiation held in April - See Sharon Hokuf – Committee Chair *Please consider submitting the names of potential new members.*
- **Joys & Concerns** - Michelle Dahlby's husband recently underwent bypass surgery, the spring convention will be at the Holiday Inn in St. Cloud April 21-23, Theme: "Building on a Strong Foundation", Request to use our Founders' Display and our 4 banners and stands.
- **Next Meeting:** January 21, First Lutheran Church in Bemidji, A continental breakfast will be served.

#### NEW SLIDE

- **French - BIG 3** – LIBERTY, EQUALITY, FRATERNITY

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- **Music:** "The DKG Song" – *Recorded music/Words on screen*
- **Adjourn**

### French Tea Begins

#### SLIDE

- 9:40 Pour Sparkling Pear Juice (*don't drink yet*)
- 9:45 Le Creche
- 9:46 "Il Est Ne Le Divin Enfant" – *Sung by Lexi Walker (He is Born the Divine Christ Child)*
- 9:50 A French Blessing and dinner grace – *Julie Paulson*
- 9:52 Eiffel Tower party favors – *Durayne & Kerry*  
Blue chiffon bags with French Madelines – *Kate Pearson*  
Tri-fold information towers – *Sharon Hoverson*
- 9:55 Thank you to Chef Daniel Eastman, Concordia Language Village – *Kate Pearson*  
Introduction of the menu – *Kate and Alyson*  
Background history of Mariage Freres French Breakfast Tea – *Kate Pearson*
- 10:00 Drink sparkling pear juice and give a toast – ???
- 10:05 Play CD of French music provided by Dr. Cory Renbarger, show Joyce's slides of France
- 10:05 Committee begins plating hot food
- 10:05 Servers distribute hot towels
- 10:15 Serve luncheon
- 10:30 Door prize drawing (half)
- 10:55 Restroom Break

11:00 Program: **“La Vie en Rose”** The Customs and Culture of France

Introduce Presenter: Alyson Kriz, The French camp at the Concordia Language Villages – *Kate Pearson*

11:30 Door prize drawing (remaining)

11:40 French music – Presented by the Bemidji State University Studio of Dr. Cory Renbarger, accompanied by Mr. Eric Gustafson, Representing the Bemidji Opera Theater at BSU

12:00 - Thank All – Close