## **Congrès RIFLA Automne 2011**

### *Opportunités et Idées pour Promouvoir Votre Programme de Français*

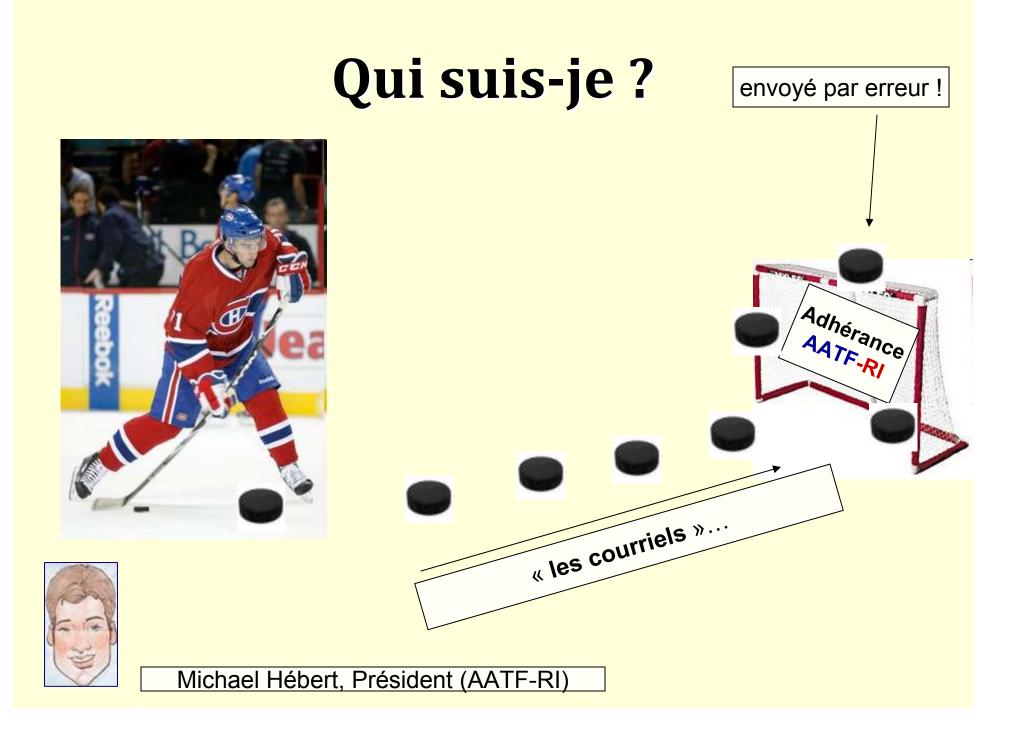


Michael Hébert, Président AATF-Rhode Island

## Qu'est-ce que l'AATF ?

The American Association of Teachers of French of Rhode Island is part of a national association of teachers of French whose aim is to represent the French language in North America and to encourage the dissemination, both in the schools and in the general public, of knowledge concerning all aspects of the culture and civilization of the French-speaking world.





## Qui sommes-nous ?

### **Officers 2011-2012**

### PRESIDENT

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### **SECRETARY**



Sandra Auclair-Shaw

**EDUCATION & SOCIAL COORDINATOR** 

Cynthia Teixeira

## **Que fait-elle l'AATF ?**

Le Grand Concours & Ceremony

National French Week (promotional assistance in schools)

Francophone event (concert) for RI students of French

Le Bulletin

**Advocacy** 



## **Que fait-elle l'AATF ?**

Networking within the Francophone community in RI (Francophonie RI & Southeastern Mass)

**Teacher and Student scholarships – study abroad** 

Société honoraire de français

**Annual Convention** 



## **Le Grand Concours**



### -National French Contest (major chapter operation) -On-line registration (see chapter site)

### -Regularly 100,000 students in the USA participate

-On the list of approved tests published by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP)

-RI participation : regularly 1,000 students since new in school administration in 2009 (national award in 2009)



## **Le Grand Concours**



# -Awards Ceremony for students of French in collaboration with RI's francophone partners (May)

- -Certificates, glass trophies, monetary prizes.
- -Francophone multimedia presentation
- -Reception follows ceremony (free)
- -«BEST» way to promote your program to students, parents, administrators, and the community



## **National French Week**

8-14 November 2011

# -Rhode Island: nationally supported activities in individual schools

-See national website for ideas, materials, and support.



## **Francophone Events for Students**

### **15 February 2012**

# -Chapter books musical concert with an act from the francophone world

-Recent Past acts: France, Québec, Mali, Togo, Haiti, etc.

-School is chosen to host the event

-\$5 / student

-Interested in hosting a future event?



## LE BULLETIN

-Chapter publishes an electronic quarterly newsletter *en français* to show the francophone reality in Rhode Island and in schools

-Archives for the past 5 years

### -Member submissions are welcome !

http://www.aatfri.com/Le%20Bulletin%20Archives/default.html



## **Francophone Network**

-Collaboration with our partners in the promotion of the French language in schools and in the public.

-La Semaine de la Francophonie (March)

-Raising of the Flag of the Francophonie at the Capitol in Providence -dignitaries from French-speaking countries and RI participate. -Student participation (one RI school and the French-American School of RI) **Events** 

-Franco-fête

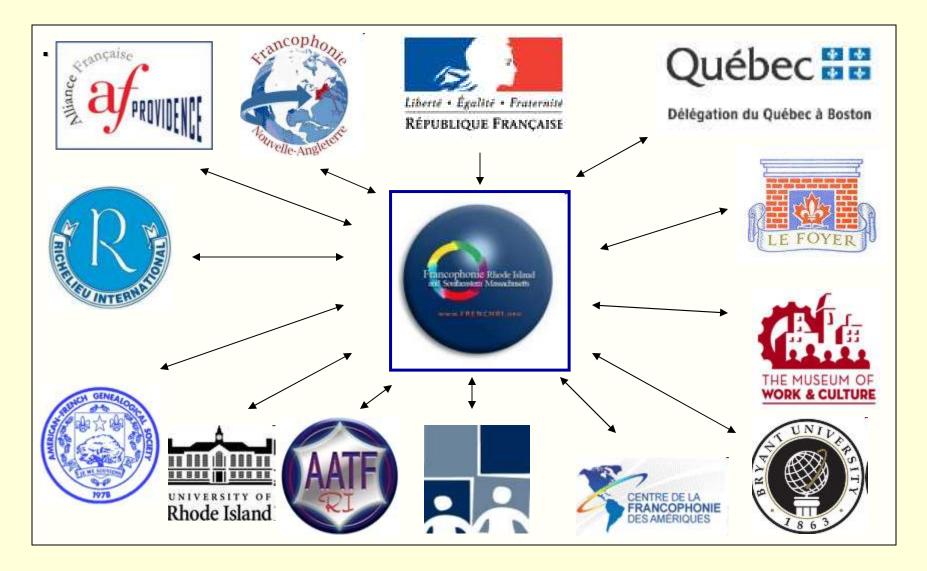






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## **Francophone Network**



### **Teacher and Student scholarships**

-Various scholarships available on the National AATF website for studying abroad and the sharpen 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills in teaching French and la Francophonie:

**AATF SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS** 

AATF Dorothy S. Ludwig Excellence in Teaching Awards

THE WALTER JENSEN SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDY ABROAD

ISE "LANGUAGE MATTERS" AWARD

**AATF Student Contests** (video, poster, essay, LGC Alliance Française Study in France)

OUTSTANDING SENIOR IN FRENCH AWARD

Société honoraire de français

### **Annual Convention**

#### AATF Annual Convention is held in a major city (USA, Canada, Europe) each July.



Montréal 2011



Providence in 2013 or 2014 ?!?!

### ADVOCACY, ADVOCACY...

### -Major activity of the chapter

-«Advocacy Page» on Chapter Site (Teacher Resources) -INITIATIVES towards guidance counselors, principals, superintendents, etc.

-Chapter Website and Youtube Channel -Discussion...



http://www.aatfri.com/advocacy%20resources/default.html

Nous sommes là pour vous ! Contactez-nous !





### **Discussion**...

RI Chapter Website: **www.aatfri.com** National Website : **www.frenchteachers.org**