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Bienvenue

"Souvent, le dimanche après la Grande Messe, on allait chez ma tante pour dîner. Tout le monde écoutait 'L'oeuil et son auteur' à la radio et ensuite on mangeait un immense repas. Il y avait toujours beaucoup de parents; la maison était pleine. On parlait en bien de ceux qui y étaient et on parlait en mal de ceux qui n'y étaient pas..."

Traditions

In order to make this event a memorable one, certain rituals of Franco-American culture have been incorporated into today's program.

After our national anthem, a processional will bring elements of our meal before the priest for his blessing. The traditional toast will be given in unison, with everyone raising their glass to the honored guest and wishing her "Santé".

We will take the time to pay a musical tribute to our roots in France, Acadia and Québec and, following a tradition established in Lewiston over a hundred years ago, our guest will be honored with a "Sérénade".

Not unlike the spiritual bouquets of our parochial school days, a bouquet of roses will be presented to our guest of honor by the speakers who have come from far and near to be with us today. Finally, after all the honors have been properly bestowed on our honoree and friend, we will conclude with another prayer to illustrate our deep faith and our awe before a power greater than our own.

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