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Marian, a young man from Belfort who has completed a civic service at the Alliance Française of Bethlehem, has offered his services to us from August 1st for 3 months. We welcome him to the association and take advantage of his abilities!

He updated, completed, and rejuvenated the website <https://solidarityhebron.org/en/> and also took over the PowerPoint presentation of the city and the association.

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Au sein de la vieille ville, la dimension socioculturelle est au cœur de notre action

Notre jeu de société, le Topoly

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Que serait l'association sans sa partie touristique ?

NOUS TROIS OU RIEN

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Beneficiaries

ALL PUBLIC

* French Courses / DELF

Of the 4 students who took DELF tests at the end of June, the following students passed: A. JAWAAD A B2 level, R. HOSHIA A2 level, and S. JUDIEA A1 level. We warmly congratulate them!

Marian has set up a beginners' course for four hours a week and gives a two-hour weekly course to the animators in the old town.

Conversation sessions also take place, two hours per week for each student of all levels and ages, for a total of twenty hours of French per week.

* Club Francophone

On August the 28th the Club met for an afternoon of games around Topoly and French card games, with crêpes.



A nature trip was also offered on September the 24th to the Wadi al-Quff nature reserve. Participants were able to witness the preparation of *dibs* (a grape syrup that is mixed with sesame paste and eaten in winter) and visit the Tur al-Safa cave.



* Cultural activities

Two exhibitions were presented in our premises: one at the beginning of July, of the works of Khuzaima Hamed, from Nazareth (paintings)



And a second one at the beginning of August, of stained-glass windows and paintings on glass, made by the Jerusalemite artist Hazzam Abu Saoud



CHILDREN

* **Library:** 236 users were counted over this 3-month period. Discussions were held after the reading of stories on various themes (heritage, astronauts, etc.)

The Tamer Institute provided 12 books to the association and a Jordanian poet provided 44 copies of his collection of texts.

* **The annual summer camp** was held from July the 23rd to August the 4th in cooperation with the National Summer Camp Committee, with 164 children on the theme: "Our Jerusalem, make your voice heard!". Each day 15 different activities were offered to the participants in small groups: manual activities, physical activities, reading, drawing, planting with the Palestinian Environmental Engineering Society and games to reduce psychological suffering.



* **Other manual activities** were organised outside the holiday camp period (making necklaces and bracelets, wood drawing, painting, embroidery etc.).

* **Project with e-Hikaye:** 10 children from 10 to 14 years old participated in the drawing and writing workshops set up 5 mornings in August by ML Mangin and her association e-Hikaye, in collaboration with the AECHF, on the theme of the city. The product, "Young shoots in the city", a booklet of 85 pages, gathers texts and drawings of the Hebronite participants and a group of children from the Aida camp animated by Abdelfattah Abu Srour. It is available from the association and from e-hikaye: ml.mangin16@gmail.com



* **Theatre workshops:** 75 children took part at the end of September in workshops led by Yes Theatre and in particular Raed Shoukhy. Raed Shoukhy conducted 5 rounds of interviews with 25 children to provide them with a means of relieving stress.



WOMEN

A dozen women continued to attend a crochet training course run by the Federation of Women's Committees, Hebron branch.

About 15 others received a presentation from the Women Psychological Counselling Centre on the marriage contract and from the Ministry of Health on obesity and overweight and on breast cancer.



During the period, the social worker received 10 women for social problems, 18 for economic problems, 6 for health problems and 8 for psychological problems.

In addition, shoes and clothes were distributed to needy families.

PATRIMONY AND TOURISM

In total, about 50 travellers visited Hebron with our local guides. Tourism is slowly picking up but unfortunately not to the level of 2019...

SOUTIEN A SOLIDARITE HEBRON (SASH)

SASH was present on the stand entitled "Solidarity Hebron" at the Fête de l'Humanité between September the 9th and September the 11th, in the *Village du Monde*, hosted by Salam Glass & Pottery. It was an opportunity to sell Topoly, to see people who have been to Hebron and to meet new people.



As part of the distribution of Topoly, SASH met with Secours Catholique – Middle Eastern branch, CEMEA, Ritimo and the AFPS groups of the Val de Marne. SASH is also in contact with Artisans du Monde.

ENCOUNTERS

In August, the association was associated with the visit to Hebron of the delegation of *Sites et Cités remarquables* and the delegate for the external action of local authorities, J.P. Guihaumé.

We also had the pleasure of receiving a delegation from the municipality of Belfort in July, led by Mayor Damien Meslot, Marie-Thérèse Robert, Councillor for International Relations, the elected representatives for youth, tourism and the executive responsible for green spaces. We were also involved in the exchanges between the delegation and Hebron municipality.

In October, we should be received in Belfort to continue the exchanges already well initiated.

TO BE SEEN

The first two episodes of the programme "Destination Francophonie" on TV5 Monde, mentioned in our previous newsletter, can be seen on

<https://www.tv5monde.com/emissions/episode/destination-francophonie-destination-jerusalem->

and on YouTube : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p3npnHY0l0c>

Two more episodes will be broadcast from January, including one in which you will see Hebron and the Association.