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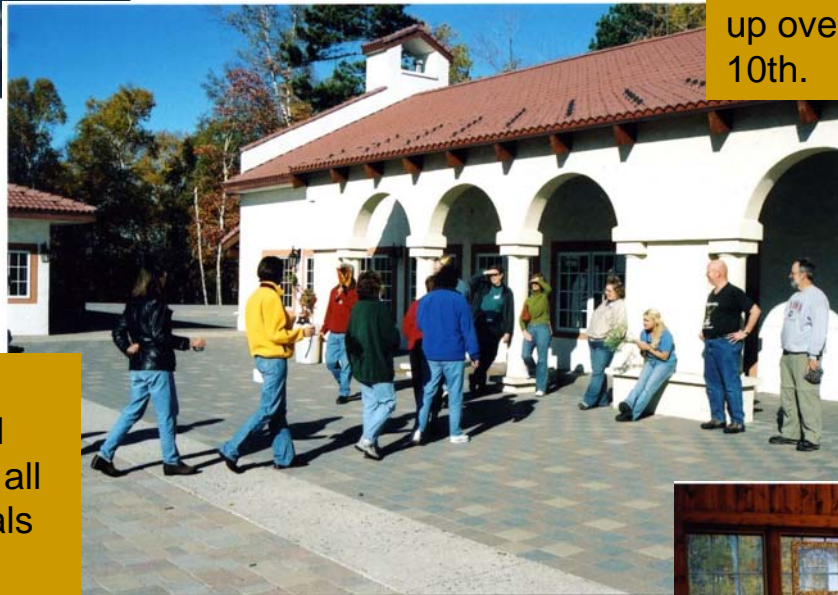
Bienvenue aux Lac du Bois!

Benvenuti a Lago del Bosco!

- In October 2004, a group of teachers joined MAGE on a virtual journey down the Paseo di Roma (the road to Rome) at the Concordia Language Villages near Bemidji, Minnesota.
  - The group spent the weekend in a Mediterranean villa exploring Mediterranean geography, with a focus on Provence and Tuscany. They compared and contrasted the climate, vegetation, and fine cuisine of southern France and northern Italy. They explored Renaissance mapmaking techniques, and studied the similarities and differences between French and Italian folk music and folk culture. They even tried hands-on activities from the new National Geographic teacher website with activities and lessons for exploring World Cultures.
  - It was a wonderful weekend expedition led by MAGE Steering Committee Member, Dr. Janet Rith-Najarian!
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Workshop participants arrived by noon on Saturday the October 9th; and programming wrapped-up over breakfast on Sunday the 10th.



There was no cost to attend this professional development program; all meals, lodging, materials and activities was subsidized by the Minnesota Alliance for Geographic Education, with funding from the Education Foundation of the National Geographic Society.

