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APPLES Fall 2017 Newsletter

Message from the president

Greetings! I hope everyone is settled back into their classrooms and the academic year is well underway!

A collaborative, by definition, is a group of individuals with a common interest who work together with a common goal. The map below shows the locations of our current APPLES membership - though we are bounded less by physical geography than we might have been in the past. Western PA has long played a significant role in language education in Pennsylvania (and beyond), with a strong presence from Pittsburgh to Altoona, including several nationally recognized scholars and experienced educators. But as these dedicated and experienced teachers and professors move into the next exciting chapters of their lives, it is up to us to inspire and attract the next generation of language scholars and language educators.

Our common goals include encouraging our students to pursue more advanced levels of study, become global scholars, and perhaps become language educators themselves. Language education is currently facing a major teacher shortage, which is expected to grow in future years. Teacher education programs nationwide are experiencing dwindling enrollments, and it is essential that we work together to support our students in considering future careers in languages and language teaching.

In this newsletter you will find a number of opportunities to connect with your fellow language educators in our region. We hope to see you at any or all of these events! And of course, we welcome you on our Facebook group, or you can contact any APPLES Member!

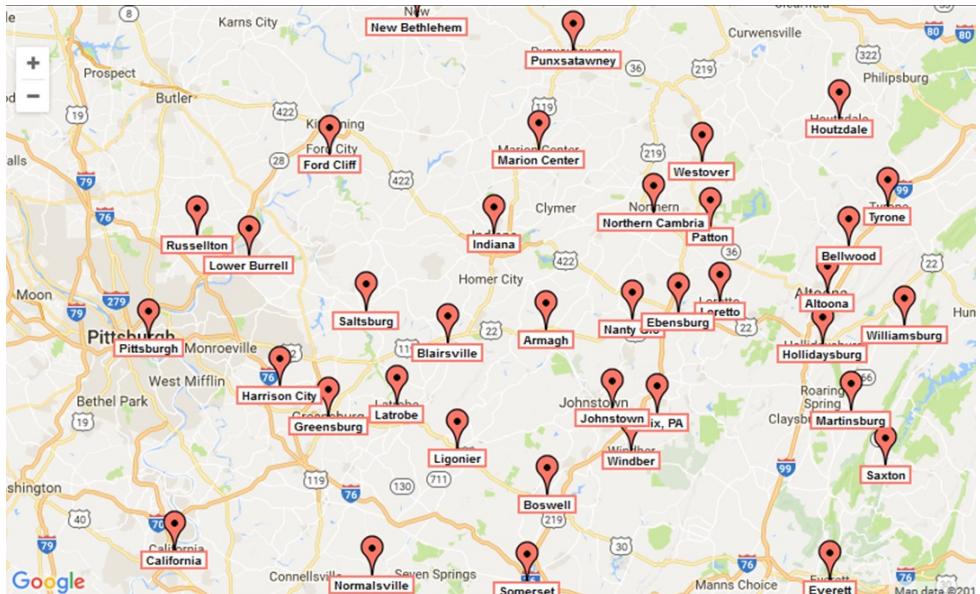
Sincerely,

Christina Huhn

Important dates/deadlines	
Fall Meeting registration deadline	Tue, Oct. 10
APPLES Fall Meeting	Sat, Oct. 21
Executive Board Meeting	Wed, Jan. 10, 2018
Language Festival	March 24, 2018
IUP Methodology Conference	Fri, April 20, 2018



APPLES:
Appalachian Professional
Language Educators' Society
ACADEMIC ALLIANCES
In foreign languages and
literatures
School/College Collaborative



APPLES FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us on Saturday, October 21, 2017!

Make It-Take It: Create Activities to Use Monday Morning

Unleash your creativity by designing engaging, manipulative, fun games & activities!

The fall APPLES general membership meeting will be held this year on **Saturday, October 21** from **8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**. Lunch will be included. All events will occur **on the IUP campus**. Directions to IUP can be found in the newsletter.

Workshop summary

This year's workshop, ***Make It-Take It: Create Activities to Use Monday Morning*** will provide participants an opportunity to create manipulative and fun games and activities that can easily be used in class. All materials will be provided – just bring your creativity and language skills!

Membership

If you are not currently a member of APPLES or have not paid your current dues, you **must** include that money, and you may also include any donation you wish to make to the Yvonne Torzok Scholarship Fund as well. (Each year we offer a \$500.00 scholarship to a graduating student of an APPLES member who plans to pursue languages in post-secondary education, ***so please donate and encourage your students to apply for the scholarship!***) Please note that all membership dues (\$15.00/teacher) are for the calendar year, so, if you pay now, you will have paid dues from now through the end of the upcoming calendar year.

***Directions to Indiana University of Pennsylvania—see map, [page 5](#).**



APPLES Fall General Membership Meeting



Saturday, October 21, 2017
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

APPLES

(Appalachian Professional Language Educators' Society)

Presents:



Fall Meeting and Professional Development Event Saturday, October 21, 2017

IUP Campus

Humanities and Social Science Building, Rooms 111 and 112

Cost: See Registration form.

8:00-8:30 Registration and light breakfast

8:30-9:00 Opening remarks

9:00-12:00 Make It-Take It: Create Activities to Use Monday Morning

Unleash your creativity by designing engaging, manipulative, fun games & activities!

Come prepared to engage in your target language!

ACT 48 Credit Available (PSMLA members only)

12:00-1:00 Evaluation, lunch, and APPLES Fall General Membership Meeting

(all new and current members welcome)



Please complete and return this form, and mail it along with your payment, so that it will be received by **October 10, 2017**.

Name:	School:
Home Address:	School Address:
Home Phone:	School Phone:
Email Address(es):	Language(s)/Level(s) Taught:

Payment:	✓ if applicable	\$	Notes
Registration/ Breakfast/ Lunch		\$25.00	This must be paid in order to attend.
APPLES Dues - Teacher		\$15.00*	(This includes four months in 2017 and all of 2018 .)
APPLES Dues - Student		\$7.50	(This includes four months in 2017 and all of 2018 .)
Torzok Scholarship		\$	Please consider a donation.
TOTAL		\$	Make checks payable to APPLES .

Teachers: Please check if applicable. _____ Yes, I wish to earn **Act 48** credit for attending. **If yes, please be sure to fill out the separate ACT 48 form, and sign in and out at the event.**

* *APPLES membership provides your students the opportunity to apply for scholarships and to participate in the annual Foreign Language Festival. Please note that you must be a member of APPLES or PSMLA or both in order to attend this meeting.*

Send check and completed registration form to:

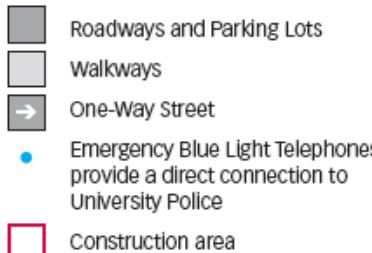
Kevin Buynack
Central High School
718 Central High Road
Martinsburg, PA 16662

kbuyrnack@springcovesd.org

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Year _____ Check Number _____ Amount \$ _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____

INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA **CAMPUS MAP**



Humanities and Social
Sciences Building





Name:	School:
Home Address:	School Address:
Home Phone:	School Phone:
Email Address(es):	Language(s)/Level(s) Taught:
	Act 48 professional ID # (If you wish to earn Act 48 credit.):

APPLES
FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
REQUEST FOR ACT 48 CREDIT

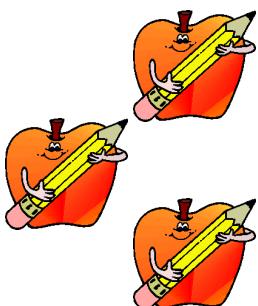
Note: you must be a current member of PSMLA in order to receive ACT 48 credit. Membership can be purchased on the PSMLA website: <http://www.psmla.org>.

This form can be returned with registration form or brought to Dr. Christina Huhn on October 21, 2017.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Signed in _____ Signed out _____ PSMLA member verified _____

The IUP Spring Methodology Conference will take place on Friday, April 20, 2018 at the Kovalchick Conference Center on the IUP campus. The keynote speaker will be ACTFL 2014 Teacher of the year Linda Egnatz. For more information please click here: <http://www.chss.iup.edu/spanish/methodsconf/index.html>.



2018 APPLES Foreign Language Festival

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Indiana, PA

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Each year the Appalachian Professional Language Educators' Society sponsors a language festival in which schools from across the area compete against each other in various competitions. This year's festival will once again be at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Consider bringing your students to a fun day of language competition! More details will be available soon.



**Volunteers are needed for the
APPLES LANGUAGE FESTIVAL
Contact:
Jason Killam - jkillam@iup.edu**



APPLES Winter Executive Board Meeting

The APPLES Executive board will meet on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 (snow make-up date: Wed. Jan. 17) at Spaghetti Benders on Philadelphia St. in Indiana, PA. All APPLES members are welcome to attend. For more information regarding the meeting or to RSVP, please contact APPLES president Christina Huhn via e-mail. Her address is: huhn@iup.edu.



Millersville University's World Language Camps

APPLES will award one fully-paid scholarship to each of Millersville University's World Language camps in French, German and Spanish. French and Spanish camp participants must have had two years of the language and be at least 15 years old. German camp participants, between the ages of 14 - 18, must have some basic knowledge of the German language.

Participants attend classes in language and culture in the mornings, where they learn grammar, have the opportunity to practice conversation and see films and videos. The afternoon activities include: games, sports, computer training with foreign language software, songs, theater skits, poetry readings, cooking ethnic foods and excursions to places of historical interest or ethnic restaurants in Lancaster County and the surrounding area. In the evenings, there are activities, e.g. dancing, singing, more skits and, at the end of the week, a talent show, costume party, or DJ'ed Dance. To apply for the scholarship, please fill out the form on page 5 of this newsletter. Interested students should also apply to the language camp itself. Additionally, students can attend the camp on their own if they do not receive the scholarship but choose to pay for the program themselves.

To learn more about these camps (description and requirements), see:

<https://www.millersville.edu/forlang/hscamps.php>.



MILLERSVILLE

Alyssa Reed Wins Millersville Language Camp Scholarship



On April 25, 2017, Alyssa Reed, a Spanish II student in the class of *la señorita* Louise Wilson at Central High School, won the Millersville Language Camp Scholarship.

This scholarship is awarded annually by APPLES, the Appalachian Professional Language Educators' Society, a group of local foreign language teachers with which Miss Wilson actively participates. In order for a student to apply for the scholarships offered through APPLES, the student's foreign language teacher must be a member of APPLES. Miss Wilson sent Alyssa's application in recently and was very pleased that Alyssa was able to win it.

APPLES also sponsors the annual Foreign Language Festival, which was most recently held at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania on March 25. Alyssa attended the festival as well, and she won third place in Spanish II Composition.

This summer, Alyssa attended the camp at Millersville University from July 30 through August 5. Alyssa is the first Central High School student ever to win this award.

When asked about her reaction to winning this scholarship, which covers all expenses for the weeklong camp, Alyssa said she was "extremely excited!"

¡Felicidades (congratulations) to Alyssa Reed for her continued hard work and dedication to the study of Spanish!

In Alyssa's Own Words

This summer I had the opportunity to attend a Spanish Immersion camp at Millersville University. My instructor had us begin right away by speaking only in Spanish during move-in. After moving in and saying goodbye to my family, I met everyone outside where we broke into two groups for a competitive scavenger hunt around the campus. Throughout the week, we had classes where we learned new concepts, conjugations, cultural facts and practiced speaking Spanish through games, films, lessons and even making our own animated short film with a partner.

During the week, we also went on two trips. Our first trip was to Refreshing Mountain, which is an outdoor activity center where we practiced orienteering, teamwork and physical fitness. Through orienteering, we learned to use maps and a compass to find different locations around the center while speaking only in Spanish. During teamwork, we worked with the German camp to build identical bridges while speaking only in our target languages. Finally, we challenged our physical fitness by working to complete as many items as we could on a list in one hour. Some of the tasks were throwing a frisbee a certain distance and making a human pyramid. Our other trip was to the city of Lancaster. While in Lancaster, we volunteered to spend time with people at a senior-citizens center for people whose primary language was Spanish. After that, we ate a traditional Spanish meal at a restaurant in the city. Finally, we all sang together as my friend played a piano we found at the bus stop.

My time at Millersville University was amazing and I am so grateful that APPLES awarded me a scholarship so that I could have this opportunity. I learned so much from the camp that will help me throughout the rest of my studies. I also have a group of amazing new friends and memories that will last a lifetime.



APPLICATION FOR APPLES SUMMER STUDY SCHOLARSHIP

Applicants must be 15-18 years of age and must have completed at least two years of a single world language. German may be an exception to this rule; please contact Dr. Yolanda Broad (724-463-9827). The application, essay (see below), teacher recommendation, and parent/guardian statement/signature (see below) must be submitted in the same envelope and postmarked no later than **April 15, 2018**. Send to **Dr. Yolanda Broad, 215 N. 4th St., Indiana, PA 15701**. Contact the camp director at Millersville University, Millersville, PA 17551 for information and brochure about and application to the camp itself. Phone: 717-872-3526. Website: <http://www.millersville.edu/forlang/hscamps.php>

Name (last, first, middle)	Home address	Overall grade point average / Language grade point average
		/
Home telephone () -	Name of high school	Where and when did you study your language(s)?
Student's home email address	High school address	Current grade (year) in school
Date of birth / Age as of July 31, 2018 / / / ____ years old	Language(s) studied (circle) / Current language level (circle) French / I II III IV V VI+ German / I II III IV V VI+ Spanish / I II III IV V VI+	Millersville program desired summer 2018 (circle) French German Spanish
Gender (circle) M F	Are you a native speaker of this/these language(s) (circle)? Yes No	Recommended by...Language teacher/current APPLES member's name/signature
Have you ever visited a non-English-speaking country (circle)? (*If yes, describe your experience below.) Yes No	Scholarship(s)/award(s) received and year(s) received	High school telephone (of APPLES member teacher) () -

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On a separate sheet, in your chosen target language, state your reasons for applying for this scholarship (maximum of 250 words typed). This must be entirely the applicant's work with no assistance from any teacher or other person. If chosen as a recipient of the APPLES Summer Scholarship, you must decide within ten days of notification whether or not to accept the scholarship. Your acceptance implies that you will use the award as stipulated in the award description and that you will comply with all program regulations. Additionally, a written report of your experience is required at the end of the scholarship period. APPLES also requests that you attend a meeting during the following year and give a short talk on your experience. I have read and accept the conditions of application. **PLEDGE:** I shall abide by the rules to speak no language other than the target language during all camp activities, including meals. I understand that this is an important part of my language immersion experience. I will participate in all activities planned during the camp.

CONSENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK BY PARENT/GUARDIAN: I, as parent or guardian of the above-named student/participant, give my permission for him/her to participate in the **2018** Language High School Camp at Millersville University. I also give my son/daughter permission to go on any supervised excursion trip(s) as part of the Language Camp. I realize injuries can be a consequence of recreational activities, and no amount of reasonable supervision or use of the facility will prevent injury. I accept this risk and allow my child to participate in a language program that may include recreational sports activities.

Signature of student (applicant)	Date	Signature of parent/guardian	Date
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