

Raising Dollars for Diversity

November 2017: – Students in The Language Society of Alpena Community College have begun the first of many fundraising events. This past week, several members of the group coordinated a bottle drive and raised \$300.00 for the Society. The students gratefully accepted donations from ACC Faculty and Staff as well as community members who donated to the cause. The next drive will happen after the New Year. They plan opening a number of drop-off site as well as driving to pick up refundable bottles and cans. They are hoping that if anyone has returnables that he or she will contact Dr. Walchak, adviser to The Language Society, at walchakk@alpenacc.edu. The students are working toward a 2019 trip to visit central European cities that will involve a search in their ancestry. Berlin, Prague, and Posnan are three cities on the itinerary. Other upcoming fundraisers will include an evening of tales from around the world, a talent show, and bake sales. “This will be The Language Society’s second trip to Europe,” says Walchak. “The opportunity to travel is life changing. As well, we are bringing back our experiences from around the world to the people of Alpena and the surrounding communities.” As part of their membership, students will be working on foreign languages and studies of culture in addition to their travels.



From left to right:

Arianna Pertz, Mahina Abdullojonova, Mandie Silkworth, Ethan Stojisik, Crystal Green, and Megan Richter. Missing from the photo are the other members of the group: Zack Wohlford, Jordan Delong, and Brianna Decker.