

MISSISSIPPI FOREIGN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION

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2007 MFLA Membership Application (November 1, 2007 – October 31, 2008)
2007 MFLA Conference Registration Form, November 2-3, Eola Hotel, Natchez, MS

MAILING INFORMATION Is this a change of address? YES NO
Title (Check one) ___ Dr. ___ Mr. ___ Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ Other _____
PERSONAL PROFESSIONAL
Name _____ School _____
Address _____ School Address _____
City, State, Zip _____ City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____ Phone _____
Fax _____ Fax _____
E-mail _____ E-mail _____

Preferred Mailing Address: ___ School ___ Home
Address to include in Membership Directory: ___ School ___ Home ___ Do not include
What languages do you teach? _____
What is your current assignment? ___ teacher ___ administrator ___ methods instructor ___ student
At what level do you teach/administer?
___ elementary ___ middle/junior high ___ high school ___ community college ___ undergraduate ___ graduate

MFLA BASIC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE (Select one)

___ Regular	\$ 20
___ First-year teacher	\$ 5
___ Graduate student	\$ 5
___ Institution	\$ 50
___ Sponsor	\$ 100

Basic Annual Membership Fee = \$ _____

MFLA ANNUAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Select one)

___ Regular Pre-Registration (Must be postmarked before October 31, 2007)	\$ 20
___ On-site Registration	\$ 25
___ First-year teacher conference registration	\$ 5
___ Graduate student conference registration	\$ 5
___ Non-member (Attends meetings but does not join MFLA)	\$ 40

Annual Conference Registration = \$ _____

Total (Basic Annual Membership Fee + Conference Registration) \$ _____

Graduate students must include a letter certifying student status from Director of Graduate Studies. First-year teachers must submit a letter from their principal certifying new teacher status.
Make checks payable to MFLA.
Return to: Vernon LaCour, P. O. Box 7507, Gulfport, MS 39506-7507

Mississippi Foreign Language Association - Conference Proposal Form

November 2nd -3rd, 2007

Friday 9:00 a.m. - Saturday 12:00 p.m.

Please type or print legibly.

Session Title _____

Name of Presenter or Chair _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

Street Address _____

School _____ Department _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Type of Session ___ Paper ___ Roundtable ___ Workshop _____ Other

Time Needed ___ 20 minutes ___ one hour ___ 1 1/2 hours _____ Other

Description of session content: (Include another page if you need more room.)

Language Focus:
___ All languages ___ French ___ German ___ Latin ___ ESL ___ Spanish _____ Other

Level Focus: ___ Elementary ___ Middle ___ Secondary ___ College/University _____ Other

Audio-Visual Equipment Needed: _____

We can provide only overhead projector/screen, TV/VCR, cassette recorder or CD player. If you need other equipment, we cannot promise we will be able to supply it. You may bring the equipment yourself, or contact the hotel and make arrangements. You will be charged the additional cost. Please inquire early, because arrangements will not be possible at the last minute.

Please return before September 30 to:

Virginia Gale Jolly
Gautier High School
4307 Gautier- Vancleave Road
Gautier, MS 39553
vjolly@psd.k12.ms.us

Phone: (601) 824-7528

Fax : (601) 992-1347

E-mail: khoward-reeves@rcsd.ms

The Natchez Eola Hotel
110 Pearl Street
Natchez, MS 39120
Phone 1.601.445.6000 Fax 1.601.446.5310
Toll Free 1.866.445.EOLA

Mississippi Foreign Language Association Annual Conference
NOVEMBER 2-3, 2007

Room Reservations at The Natchez Eola Hotel

Please mail form to the hotel or contact the hotel by telephone to reserve a room. All rooms will be released 1 October 2007. MFLA is not responsible for lodging. Prices do not include applicable taxes.

*** please check one***

Rates:	_____ Single/Double	\$ 98.00
	_____ Triple	\$ 104.00
	_____ Quad	\$ 114.00
	_____ King	\$ 150.00
	_____ Jr. Suite	\$ 150.00

Name _____

Phone number _____

Address _____

Credit Card _____

Expiration Date _____

Roommate (s) _____

Be sure to list roommate(s)

Check in time is 3:00 p.m. and check out is 11:00 a.m. Anyone arriving prior to that time will be roomed as soon as possible, but a short wait may be necessary. When making reservations, a certain motel room may be requested, but the Eola cannot promise any specific room. (Non-smoking rooms available.)

**NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR MFLA 2007
AWARD OF DISTINCTION**

In 1995, Teresa Arrington received the first Award of Distinction from MFLA for outstanding service and dedication. Subsequent recipients are: 1996 – Elizabeth Anglin, University of Southern Mississippi; Dr. Giovanni Fontecchio, University of Southern Mississippi; Solange Frappier – Gulfport High School; Dr. Hans Gayken, University of Mississippi; Josefina Rayburn, Tupelo High School; 1997 – Dr. Sarah Banks, Jackson State University; Dr. Ben Blaney, Mississippi State University; Dr. Jack Brown, University of Mississippi; Dr. Charles Martin, Mississippi College; Jeanne Wells Cook, Foreign Language Consultant, Mississippi Department of Education; 1998 – Dr. Elaine Coney, Southwest Mississippi Community College; 1999 – Gail Buzhardt, Millsaps College; Dr. Barbara Dease, Tougaloo College; Dr. Richard Klein, University of Mississippi; Louis Rowles, Nettleton Schools; Helen Sharp, Mississippi State University; 2000 – Brenda Batey, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College; Lauren Bearden, Columbus High School; 2004 – Dr. George Everett, University of Mississippi, Dr. Robert Kahn, Millsaps College; 2005 Dr. Robert Quinn, Jackson State University; 2006 Dr Donald Dyer, University of Mississippi and Dr. Felice Coles, University of Mississippi.

Considering the number of loyal MFLA members who have retired and are approaching retirement, the Board will again recognize up to five distinguished members. The awards will be presented at the 2007 MFLA Annual Meeting. All MFLA members in good standing may submit nominees who exhibit the following qualities:

- Excellence in foreign language teaching
- Active participation in MFLA (member, registrant, presenter, officer, committee member, officer, etc.)
- Evidence of leadership and promotion of foreign language teaching and learning
- Professional involvement in one or more foreign language organization other than MFLA.

An individual may not submit a nomination on behalf of himself or herself.

To nominate a member, please send the following:

1. a letter of nomination that includes the nominee's name and address, present position, role in the foreign language profession and MFLA, capacity in which the nominator has known the candidate, and detailed evidence of the ways in which the candidate meets the criteria for the award (not to exceed one page),
2. evidence of the nominee's acceptance of the nomination,
3. a biographical profile which may include education, employment, professional memberships/activities, honors (not to exceed three pages),
4. one letter of recommendation (may submit up to three letters) by someone other than the nominating individual (each letter not to exceed one page).

All above documentation must be typed and should be submitted in a sealed envelope by September 30, 2007 to:

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Mississippi Foreign Language Association
P. O. Box 7507
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2007 Helen T. Sharp Memorial Fellowship

The Helen T. Sharp Memorial Fellowship was established by the Mississippi Foreign Language Association in 2001 to help us remember Helen and her exemplary life and to encourage new teachers in their professional development. The Fellowship will pay membership dues and the annual conference registration fees for two first-year teachers and for two graduate students each year. Selection of the recipients will be based on 1) completion of the application form, 2) a letter of recommendation from a colleague, principal, or department head, and 3) a one-page statement written by the applicant about his/her philosophy of teaching a second language. Send the completed application, letter of recommendation, and statement of philosophy on or before September 30 to:

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Name of applicant _____

School _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Are you: a first-year teacher? _____ a graduate student? _____

Name and contact information of person making recommendation: _____

Date recommendation was requested: _____

Note: It is the obligation of the applicant to ask for the recommendation. This information is requested for our records.

**MISSISSIPPI FOREIGN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION
2007 STUDENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP**

AMOUNT OF AWARD:

There are one-time awards of \$300.00 for up to three students for the 2007 – 2008 academic year.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

To be eligible, an applicant must:

1. Attend a Mississippi institution of higher learning during the fall term, 2007,
2. Have an A average in foreign language courses,
3. Have studied the same foreign language at least two years in high school, and
4. Be recommended by a teacher who is currently a member of MFLA.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

The application packet must be postmarked on or before May 30, 2007. The recipient(s) will be announced at the Business Meeting at the Annual Conference of MFLA and published in MFLA's *Mississippi Language Crusader*.

PROCEDURE:

An applicant must:

1. Complete and return the 2007 Student Scholarship Application Student Data Form,
2. Submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher who is currently a member of MFLA,
3. Submit a copy of his/her high school transcript (and community college transcript, if applicable), and
4. Submit a 200-word essay in English. The topic is included on the student data form.

NOTE: FAILURE TO INCLUDE ANY OF THE ABOVE WILL DISQUALIFY THE APPLICATION.

RETURN THE REQUESTED MATERIALS TO:

Courtney Stanback, Vice-President - Memberships
Columbus High School
405 Hemlock
Columbus, MS 39702
stanback@columbus.k12.ms.us

MISSISSIPPI FOREIGN LANGUAGE ASSOCIATION
2007 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Student Data Form

NAME _____ S.S.# _____ - _____ - _____

E-MAIL _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

NAME OF CURRENT SCHOOL _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS _____

MISSISSIPPI INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING YOU WILL ATTEND IN THE FALL TERM, 2007

FOREIGN LANGUAGE COURSES TAKEN

FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACTIVITIES (Such as, but not limited to Foreign Language Honorary Societies or Clubs, National Foreign Language Examination)

OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (Additional sheets may be included.)

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE SHEET FOR YOUR ESSAY.

TOPIC: What has been the significance of foreign language study in your education and what role do you believe it will play in your future?