## UCA Community Language School BEAR CAMPS 2015

These fun, action-packed day camps (8:30am-3pm) for children entering 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> grades (approximate ages 5-12) teach the kids foreign languages & give them hands-on cultural experiences! International visitors from many countries share their lives with the children through photos, games, music, crafts & recipes. What a wonderful journey to take this summer! Please join us on the UCA campus on the 2nd floor of Irby Hall as the classrooms are transformed into colorful & exotic destinations from afar!

## New "Ambassador" Leadership Training Program this summer!

Community Language

NEW!!!! Many of our campers come to camp year after year & we watch them grow up. In the blink of an eye, they become "too old" for the regular activities. This year, we've hit on the perfect solution: a special "Leadership Training" class for the older kids (approx. ages 11-13). In addition to their own more advanced language & cultural activities, they will mentor the younger campers in certain guided activities. To this end, we put together a fun team-building, people-managing & communication skills mini-course....in addition to the games, crafts, music, food & culture/language activities! WIN-WIN for all!

Go to: <a href="www.uca.edu">www.uca.edu</a>, in the A-Z Index, click on "C" for "Community Language School" to print a registration form, or call "Mama Bear" Ruth Clayton in the Department of Languages, Linguistics, Literatures & Cultures (852-2064) for more information. You can also e-mail the camp director, Sera Streiff-Vena, at <a href="mailto:serav@uca.edu">serav@uca.edu</a>

## <u>July 20-24, 2015</u>: Panda Bear Camp\*: Discovering the Language, Arts, Traditions & Culture of China

The rich language, art, music, food & culture of China will be our theme for this exciting week of camp. Young children can learn the tones of Mandarin Chinese easily & will dazzle their families with melodious greetings & phrases. They will sing songs, do Tai-Chi, play popular games, sample foods & learn traditional crafts as well as brush & ink calligraphy. Also, they will be introduced to the shy panda bear & will learn what steps China has taken to preserve its national animal. [Registration deadline: July 17<sup>th</sup>] Cost: \$175.00/week/child

July 27-31, 2015: Cruising the Caribbean\*: Exploring the Islands' Languages, Traditions, Cultures & Pirate Past. Children are fascinated by pirates & the pristine beaches of "desert islands" with tropical fish & squawking parrots, the crystal waters of the blue lagoons where their ships anchored...In this week of camp, the kids will explore the customs & cultures of the various islands in the Caribbean Sea where the infamous buccaneers visited on their search for "pieces of eight." Using interactive games & hands-on activities, they will learn to tie nautical knots, prepare foods of the region, speak the languages of the island people (Spanish & French), sing 'sea chanties', play games of the local kids', make crafts, dance & celebrate festivals unique to this area. [Registration deadline: July 24<sup>th</sup>] Cost: \$175.00/week/child

\*Families send a lunch & drink with their child, but the camp provides morning & afternoon snacks.