RECAP of Activities
March 8, 2016
Capital Region International Women’s Day Celebration

Thursday, April 7th, 5:30 – 8:00 PM
3rd Annual TASTES of the World

The International Center of the Capital Region cordially invites everyone to the 3rd Annual TASTES of the World.

INTERNATIONAL FOOD TASTING FESTIVAL
Thursday, April 7, 2016
5:30 - 8:00 PM
The Prayun House, Town of Colonie’s Cultural Center
207 Old Niskayuna Road, Latham, NY 12110

Participating Restaurants, Chef & Local Produce:
The Albany Pump Station - Ryan Collier, Brewer
Baker for You - Linda Kishlun, Proprietor
Brookview Station Winners - Karen Gandy, Director of Marketing
The Century House - Chef Dominique Strick
Chef Connection - Chef Rebecca Jansen
Fire Roasted Catering - Jeremy Saindon
Normanville Country Club - Chef Ken Rand
R & G Chowmeiners - Sean O’Connor, Proprietor
Red Lion Inn - Chef Boyce Abbey
Restaurant Narama - Chef Mike Vietti
Swifty’s Restaurant and Pub - Chef Jason “AJ” Stump
Yono’s Restaurant - Chef Tony Panopoulos and Chef Zorn Dombrowski

HONORARY CHAIR:
Paul Gvozdikov, Times Union
Paul has been appointed to the board of the ICCR. The Times Union is a local newspaper that covers events and activities in the Capital Region.

VIP TASTING AWARD:
Valentyn Choy, Ambassador of Ukraine
Recap of March’s International Visitors

March 8 – 10, 2016
Women Political Leaders
Maldives, Nepal and Sri Lanka

Women Political Leaders visiting Hyde Park

Women Political Leaders visit Val-Kill National Park

March 20 – 23, 2016
Improving Law Enforcement Partnerships
Palestinian Territories
At PAL Headquarters in Albany with Exec Dir Lenny Ricchiuti (4th from right)

Visiting with Members of the Albany Police Department

NYS Trooper Mark Cepiel toured the Visitors through Troop G Headquarters in Latham

In Town of Colonie’s Communication Center

With Police Chief Frank Wiley, University at Albany (left)

March 12, 2016 Regional Academic WorldQuest Competition
April 23, 2016 National Academic WorldQuest Competition
World Affairs Councils of America Academic World Quest 2016

free press emerged and a photography revolution was born. Now, as foreign troops and media withdraw, Afghanistan is left to stand on its own, and so are its journalists. Set in a modern Afghanistan bursting with color and character, FRAME BY FRAME follows four Afghan photojournalists as they navigate an emerging and dangerous media landscape – reframing Afghanistan for the world, and for themselves. Through cinema vérité, intimate interviews, powerful photojournalism, and never-before-seen archival footage shot in secret during the Taliban regime, the film connects audiences with four humans in the pursuit of the truth.

Following the screening, one of the film’s Directors/Producers, Alexandria Bombach, will be present for questions and discussion.

Alexandria Bombach

This public event is made possible with the generous support from:

Long Island International Agricultural Outing Saturday – Sunday, April 30 – May 1, 2016

Diane will once again be escorting a small group to Long Island for a two-day bus outing to understand the agricultural side of Long Island that very few have seen. The group will be visiting wineries as well as other producers and all with an international flare. We will be staying over in Greenport and meeting many locals. This is a weekend not to be missed. To get your name on the list, please call the International Center at (518) 708-7608.

(DIAGRAM)
Wednesday, May 25, 2016, 6:00 PM
Panel Discussion - Countering Violent Extremism
Venue: William K Sanford Town Library, 629 Albany Shaker Rd, Colonie
Free and Open to the Public
Violent extremism poses a threat to worldwide security, and countering it should be a priority.
The International Center of the Capital Region and The Turkish Cultural Center Albany will be organizing Panel on countering violent extremism. The keynote speaker will be Hasan ARSLAN, Professor of Criminal Justice at Pace University. He is a specialist in terrorism and extremism.

Professor Hasam Arslan
Mondays, May 9, June 13 and July 11, 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Upcoming Three-part German Cooking and Culture Class with Kurt Vincent
Venue: Celtic Hall, 430 New Karner Road, Colonie
Kurt Vincent’s German ancestor’s emigrated from central Germany to Columbia County, New York in the late 1880’s. Raised amid the tastes, smells and delights of “old fashioned” German cooking, there’s little wonder he pursued study at Schenectady County Community College in Hotel Management, worked in German and Austrian restaurants and served as chef at the New York State Governor’s Mansion in Albany. Travelling extensively throughout Germany, he has been a keen observer of German food traditions and cooking styles for over 40 years. While there’s no guarantee he’ll wear his lederhosen, he will share his love and passion for German food along with the traditions, history and local lore of this hearty, easy to prepare cuisine.
The cost for the three-part series is $60 for ICCR members and $75 for not-yet members. Spaces are limited. To reserve your spot please call the International Center at (518) 708-7608.

Wednesday, June 1st
U.S. Diplomacy Summit - Women’s Empowerment: Keys to Leadership at the SAGE Albany Campus (with lunch at Albany Law School)

ICCR Selected for New Initiative – The 2016 Young Transatlantic Innovation Leadership Initiative
June 4th – 19th, 2016
The 2016 Young Transatlantic Innovation Leadership Initiative (YTILI) is an international exchange program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau for European and Eurasian Affairs, focused on the themes of developing entrepreneurial skills and enhancing economic opportunities for young professionals in Europe. Participants from around Europe will spend three weeks in the United States working at host institutions (NGOs, private businesses, academic institutions, or local government offices) arranged by selected Community-Based Members (CBMs) or other local organizations based on the participants’ areas of expertise and professional goals. Participants will be assigned a mentor and have the opportunity to participate in the day-to-day operations of American organizations and benefit from job-shadowing and professional interaction with their American peers. ICCR will be seeking individuals in the Capital Region willing to serve as home hosts for this program.

International Groups Confirmed to Visit thus far in 2016:

Turkey
Women’s Empowerment June 2, 2016

OPEN WORLD
(U.S. Congress sponsored)

Ukraine
“Social Services: Serving Disabled Veterans” September 16 – 24, 2016

Welcome New and Renewing ICCR Members!
We so appreciate your support!

Malu Benton - household
Sonia Long - household
Elena Oliver – household

Thank you, thank you, thank you...we so appreciate your dedication and assistance during the month of March

“If the world had more people like you it would be a better place.”

Academy of Holy Names, James Acker, Albany Police Athletic League, Albany Police Department, Anzala B. Alozie, J.D., Susan Arbetter, Rosemary Armato, Jennifer Baldwin, Eric Boham,

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Please spread the word - feel free to share this newsletter with your friends and colleagues!

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