Interesting Fact!
There are two hydroelectric plants in the Niagara River that are capable of producing 2.5 million kilowatts of energy. That is enough to power all of New York State and Ontario, Canada!

Community Events:

American Italian Heritage Association Events

Our February Monthly Meeting & Cultural Presentation will take place on Thursday, February 14th at 7:00pm. You are invited to share stories and heirlooms of your family memories. Members and friends are invited to share stories, heirlooms and collections representing their memories of the past. Bring in photos, recipes, ornaments and other items. Members sharing memories are lots of fun and give a chance for us to reminisce. Please bring dessert for our Valentine party following the program. The meeting and program are free and open to the public. In case of bad weather, the event will be held on Thursday, February 21st at 7:00pm.

Pizza & Movie Night will take place on Friday, February 22nd at 6:30pm. The movie will be announced at the January Pizza & Movie Night. Reservations suggested. The cost is $10 for pizza & beverage. Please make your reservation three days before the event (call: 518-435-1979). Phil Maiello is the Chair of Pizza & Movie night.

Our 39th Annual St. Joseph Celebration will take place on Tuesday, March 19th. The business meeting will start at 7:00pm, followed by the St. Joseph presentation with slides by Prof/Cay. Philip J. DiNovo and a short interesting film. You are invited to bring bread, fruit, candles and dessert on Monday, March 18 to decorate our traditional St. Joseph Table. This year we will serve delicious Sicilian style Zeppole (with ricotta) from. Bella Napoli Bakery. The cost is $5 for a Zeppole, coffee, etc. To make a reservation, please send your check by March 15th. Wear, the color red and
The Global Ties U.S. National Meeting is the premier gathering of organizations, U.S. government agencies, advocates, and leaders in the international exchange field. Held each year in Washington, DC, the National Meeting brings together nearly 1,000 participants over three days to gain high-level insights on trends affecting the international exchange field.

Pictured above the International Center of the Capital Region teamed together with the International Institute of Buffalo, and Rochester Global Connections to help highlight everything New York has to offer international delegations!

**Upcoming ICCR Events!**

- **Police Professionalization Exchange Program, Community Policing & Ethics**
  Mexico February 10th-13th

- **Transparency and Accountability in Government**
  Multi-Regional Project
  March 2nd- 7th *Postponed Sorry!

- **World Affairs Councils of America’s Student Academic WorldQuest!**
  Saturday March 16th 9:00am- 1:00pm
  Location TBA

- **Open World: Anti-Corruption**
  Serbia May 17th-25th

- **Open World:**
  Members of Parliament
  Armenia
  November 15th-21st

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The International Center of the Capital Region Annual Student WorldQuest

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Looking for Interns!
On Saturday, March 16, 2019 from 9:00AM – 1:00PM, the International Center of the Capital Region will once again be sponsoring a local Academic WorldQuest competition with the anticipation of sending the winning four-member team and faculty coach down to Washington DC to represent our region in the National Academic WorldQuest competition taking place on Saturday, April 28th, 2019. There is no cost to participate. Additionally, ICCR will cover the costs of overnight accommodations and flights for the winning team plus faculty coach to attend the national competition.

Academic WorldQuest 2018-2019 Categories
The categories for this year's AWQ National Competition have been updated by the World Affairs Councils of America, with input from member World Affairs Councils across the country, to reflect several of the most critical global and U.S. foreign policy issues:

1. Country in Focus: Qatar
2. How to Deal with North Korea
3. Global Refugee and Migration Crisis
4. #WeAreNATO – The Alliance at 70
5. Great Decisions
6. Japan-U.S. Relations
7. Space Policy
8. World Trade Organization (WTO)
9. Bridging Divides to Build Peace
10. Current Events

Schools can enter up to three (3) four-member student teams plus alternates in the Local Competition.

ICCR staff and volunteers are available to help get you organized and on your way to prepare for the local competition in March. We will come to you!

For further information or to register your school please e-mail ryan@iccralbany.org or (518) 708-7608.

Contact Ryan Moll at (518) 708-7608 or at ryan@iccralbany.org

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Are you interested in being a part of a movement for global citizen diplomacy, cultural and diversity education? Become a volunteer with International Center of the Capital Region and help us make a difference in our community. We work to promote international and cultural understanding and to increase global awareness of the region's assets. We are looking for members, interns & volunteers. If you have any of the skills listed and are interested in welcoming the World to the Capital Region, please contact us at ryan@iccrbany.org

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