**July Days of Importance**

**July 4 Independence Day**

This past month, the ICCR welcomed a group from Vietnam in a project titled "The American Judicial System". Four men involved with the Vietnamese Judicial System came to take part in the project, whose occupations ranged from Supreme Court Justice to executives in the Ministry of Justice.

In Albany, the group met with two Albany-area judges that represented different levels of the American Judicial System. Town of Colonie Justice Andrew C. Sommers and Albany County Judge William Carter discussed their role in the judicial system, and what cases they typically handle. The group also had interesting meetings with various key Albany figures, including Public Defender Stephen Herrick, Albany Police Chief Robert Sears, and Attorney Mike McDermott.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Hydroelectric Power
Pakistan July 10th- 28th

Parks and Protected Area Management
Multi-Regional Group
August 21st- September 8th

Our Planet: Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation
Multi-Regional Group
September 11th-29th

Stay posted for future International Center events that are currently being planned!

As soon as details are finalized, we will be sure to make them public.

More groups coming soon!

The International Center of the Capital Region is always looking for new and exciting events, and places to visit around the Northeast. If you or your family have ideas for events contact Ryan Moll at 518-708-7608 or ryan@iccralbany.org
However, the meeting the group found the most exciting was their visit to Coxsackie Maximum Security Correctional Facility. The group received an in-depth tour of the facility led by corrections officers and Coxsackie Superintendent Martuscello, where they were able to view prison cells, eat prison food, and see the cafeteria. What impressed the group the most was the programs Coxsackie Correctional Facility offers to inmates. Coxsackie correctional facility offers vocational training in computers, building and custodial maintenance, culinary arts, electrical, masonry, plumbing and heating, welding, printing, and painting. Additionally, this facility participates in the Correctional Industries and is responsible for running a garment shop that employs select inmates.

What better way to interact with international visitors than through a meal? Home hospitality allows you to make deeper connections by hosting an international delegation at your home for dinner.

Between July 16th and July 18th, the International Center will be hosting a delegation from Pakistan and we are currently looking for home stay volunteers, as well as dinner hosting opportunities.

To learn about upcoming opportunities to be a dinner or cultural host, please contact Ryan at (518) 708-7608.

**A Quote Worth Noting...**

**Monthly Leader Quote**

“It always seems impossible until it's done.”

*Nelson Mandela*
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