Welcome ICCR’s Fall Intern

Angela Napoli from Latham is in her final semester at Hudson Valley Community College majoring in Administrative Information Management and Technology. She considers herself well organized with a talent of organizing others. We look forward to her sharing her expertise. Welcome Angela!

Recap of September’s International Programs and Visitors

Parks and Protected Area Management in the U.S. Multi Regional (9 countries) September 6 – 9, 2015

Multi-Regional Delegation visiting the

Friday, October 16th, 10 AM
The Energy Landscape: a Global Perspective with Guest Speaker the Hon. James Clad
Massry Business Center
Standish Room
School of Business
University of Albany

Through our affiliation with the World Affairs Councils of America in Washington, D.C., the International Center in collaboration with School of Business at the University at Albany will be hosting a morning dialogue at the School of Business with the Hon. James Clad. James Clad is a senior adviser at the Center for Naval Analyses (CNA) in Arlington, and also advises IHS Jane’s and Cambridge Energy Research Associates (CERA). During 2002-10, he was US deputy assistant secretary of defense for Asia, senior counselor & director for Middle Eastern affairs at the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and a senior counselor for the US Agency for International Development. From 1995-2002 he was a faculty professor of Asian Studies at Georgetown University and concurrently Director/Asia-Pacific Energy at CERA. He trained originally as a New Zealand lawyer, his career shifted in the 1980s to commercial and security affairs in Asia, broadening after 2002 to include the Middle East. In the 1980-90s, he wrote for the Far Eastern Economic Review, and won fellowships from St. Antony’s College, Oxford, and from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and Harvard’s Center for International Affairs. He also served in the New Zealand diplomatic service. His first book, Business, Money & Power in Southeast Asia (1991) critiqued Asia’s crony capitalism; his next volume, After the Crusade (1996), dealt with American foreign policy. He received the Secretary of Defense Exceptional Public Service Award in 2009 and a royal honour from HM the Queen in 2011. The event is free and open to the public. (Note: there may be a small fee for parking at the University at Albany)

Please Join Us......
Mark Your Calendars...

Upcoming ICCR Activities
Guided International Grocery Store Bus Tour
Saturday, October 24, 2015

On Saturday, October 24th, 2015 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM, ICCR, in collaboration with the Central Business Improvement District and “foodies” Daniel Berman, will be sponsoring a fabulous guided bus tour of area international markets including: Rolf’s Pork Store, Breakthrough West African Market, Tay Vietnamese Market, Chester’s Smokehouse, and Parivar Spices and Food.

Get an in-depth insiders look at what’s available in some of these very unique grocery stores while sampling and meeting their owners along the way. For more details or to make a reservation, call ICCR at (518) 766-7086.

October 17th, 2015, 10:00 – 4:00 PM

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Visitor presents Assemblyman McDonald with beautiful Chinese fan

The Digital Communication Network
Azerbaijan, Lithuania and Ukraine
September 10 – 23, 2015

Sergejus Tichomirovas from Lithuania with NYS Assembly Sergeant of Arms Wayne Jackson

Upon their arrival at Albany International Airport

(518) 708-7608 for more details or to make a reservation.

COST is $25 for ICCR Members and $30 for Non-Members

Thursday, November 12th, 6 – 8 PM
ICCR’s 3rd Annual Adult WorldQuest: International Trivia Competition for Adults
venue: Zaloga Post, 4 Everett Road Ext., Albany

Think Globally, Quiz Locally!
Start recruiting your brainiest and best-informed friends and co-workers now!
Why not join the fun? Come test your knowledge of worldliness and the world around you! The event will provide a great, exciting, high-voltage evening of competition for adult teams of up to eight participants competing for trophies and other prizes (including bragging rights) against other area teams. Categories will include: flags and capitals, geography, people in the news, politics, current events, international food and international music. All proceeds from the competition will go towards the International Center’s K-12 educational initiatives.
Cost: $25 per person (current college student, $10)
OR
$250 per team of ten.
Call (518) 708-7608 to make reservation.

Thursday, December 3rd, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, ICCR End-of-the-Year Volunteer/Community Resource Appreciation Reception
venue: Staybridge Suites, Capital Room, 39 Wolf Road (behind Trader Joe’s in Macy’s parking lot), Albany

Heartfelt Thanks from the International Center of the Capital Region
The key to our success rests in people like you, who embody the spirit of citizen diplomacy through your willingness to share your time and talents. Your support and involvement in our professional programming creates opportunities for our entire region on a global scale. Over the past year, we have welcomed international visitors from over 90+ countries into upstate New York.
We could not have done this without you! Please join us so that we can properly thank you...

Saturday, December 5th, 10:00 – 12:00 Noon
Holiday Pastries with Chef Joan Dembinski
Hands-on participatory cooking class with one of the areas’ top pastry chefs.
Celtic Hall, 430 New Karner Rd, Albany
Cost: $2 for members and $25 for not-yet members

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Three visitors welcomed at their Staybridge Suite hotel

U.S. Political System: Background for Journalists
Multi Regional (20 countries)
September 20 – 23, 2015

Van Zilla from South Africa with Matt Whalen (left) from HVCC

Mr. Aside from Nigeria with Dr. Jay Deitchman from HVCC

Celebrating an evening of home hospitality

Meeting with NYS Senator Neil Breslin

Tom Porter on Native Spirituality and Environmental Justice
October 7, 2015
7:00 PM
Campus Center 375

American Italian Heritage Museum
1227 Central Avenue
Albany, NY 12205
http://www.americanitalianmuseum.org

Upcoming activities:

Columbus Day Open House at our Museum
on Monday, October 12th, beginning at 11:00am.
The day will begin with a short program to honor Columbus, followed by coffee and dessert.
Please bring dessert for the social hour. From 12 noon to 2:00pm there will be a book signing by Michael A. Esposito of his book “Little Italy Revisited”. There is no admission. You will have an opportunity to see the Italian Heritage Month Exhibit in the Special Exhibit Room, visit the whole Museum and our unique gift shop. We hope you will make every effort to honor Christopher Columbus, the Discover of America, at our Museum.

Former U.S. Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell to Speak at Albany Law School on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 1:30 PM
Former U.S. Senator and Senate Majority Leader
Thank you, thank you, thank you for all your assistance this past month. We most certainly could not have done it without you.

Albany County Courthouse, Sherriff Craig D. Apple Sr., Prof. Rosemary Armao, Paul "Rocci" Aquirre, Richard Ball, Senator Neil Breslin, Katie Britton, Dr. Caitlin Brown, St. Rose, Alan Chartock, City of Albany Police Department, Jane LaCivita Clemente, Cobleskill College, Committee on Open Government, Communications Services, Chief Brendan Cox, APD, Jolene Dirolf, Ralph Douty, Assemblymember Pat Fahy, Robert Freeman, Jim Gade, Gade’s Farm, Tom Gallagher, Golden Arrow Lakeside Resort, Paul and Mary Grondahl, Indian Ladder Farm, Daniel Keating, Brendan Kennedy, Heidi Krester, Jen Kretser, Joe LaCivita, Louis LaCivita, Paul Larrabee, Julia Lilkendey, Brendan LyonsAssemblymember John McDonald, IL, Keith McKeever Brett McLeod, Steve McNaughton, Menands Market/Capital District Cooperative, Inc., Mike and Brenda Mugits, Libby Post, NYS Department Agriculture and Markets, NYS Senate Media Department, Sal Palmieri, Patroon Land Farm, Paul Smith’s College, Ian Pickus, Tom Poitynski, Libby Post, Stephanie RatcliffeGregg Sagor, John Sheehan, Rex Smith, Zoe Smith, Mike Spain, Greg Stapleton, Peter Ten Eyck, Leslie Thiele, Times Union, The Wild Center, WAMC, Mark Weinheim, Wanda Willingham, Assemblymember Carrie Woerner.

Leader George Mitchell will visit Albany Law School on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 to discuss his new book, The Negotiator: A Memoir, and his experience in brokering the historic 1998 Good Friday Agreement to address the conflict in Northern Ireland. In addition to his long and storied career in the U.S. Senate, he has also taken on the task of working to bring peace to the conflict in the Middle East and led the investigation into the use of performance enhancing drugs in baseball that culminated in the release of what has come to be known as the Mitchell Report. The program is presented by Albany Law School’s Government Law Center and the Rockefeller Institute of Government at the State University of New York. Senator Mitchell will be introduced by James T. Towne Jr. ‘75, of Towne, Ryan & Partners, P.C.

Registration is free, but required. To register, email Amy Gunnells at agunn@albanylaw.edu.

Irish American Heritage Museum
370 Broadway
Albany, NY 12207
(518) 427-1916
http://irish-us.org

Family Discovery Day:
Celtic Traditions of Halloween
Oct. 24, 1-3 p.m.

Did you know trick-or-treating, “Jack-o-Lantern,” carving pumpkins and other Halloween traditions can be traced to Ireland and the Celtic New Year? Kids’ Halloween Discovery Day explores the Celtic origins of many of America’s Halloween traditions. Kids’ storytelling and craft activities reveal customs handed down to generations of Americans from Ireland.

Festival of Nations, Albany NY
Sunday, October 25th, 2015
Empire State Plaza
Convention Center
(From 11:30 AM to 5:00 PM, )
The ticket price is, only for entry, $5.00 for adult, $2.00 for children from 3-12 years of age, and below 3 years is free. Food, drinks, etc. are not included.

Check out the New Russian Cultural Center
http://www.newrussiacenter.org
The New Russia Cultural Center, a non-profit organization, was formed in December 2005 exclusively for educational purpose under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The New Russia Cultural Center is striving to expand the public’s understanding and appreciation of Russian folk arts, and Russian-American history and culture in the United States. The Center stands to stimulate public interest in Russian culture through educational activities and exposure to Russian folk arts.

Christmas Show Bustrip on Sunday 11/15

Diane Welcomed in Dallas, Texas to learn Protocol procedures
Incredible architecture of Dallas, Texas

CALLING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

World Affairs Councils of America
Academic World Quest 2016

One of the greatest challenges facing our nation and our schools across the country is preparing our youth for the globally interconnected world of the 21st century. America’s ability to face the economic and security challenges of the 21st century and seize new opportunities is dependent on an educated and informed citizenry and workforce. Academic WorldQuest is a unique opportunity to expose our youth to the world outside our borders and prepare them for the challenges and the opportunities of the 21st Century. Academic WorldQuest, a flagship program of the World Affairs Councils of America that engages more students, families, and communities than any other event in the nation. It is the number one high school travel program in the United States, and it is free in every state and D.C.

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

WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING

FOR VOLUNTEERS!!!!
than 4,000 high school students annually across the U.S. to test their knowledge of global issues and foreign policy.

Local Competition: March 12, 2015 in Albany, NY

Winner of the Local Competition will be sent to Washington DC to compete in the National Competition!!

National Competition: April 23, 2016 in Washington D.C.

Topics:
Current Events
Great Decisions
NATO
Asia Matters for America
International Trade and Finance
Sultanate of Oman
Privacy in the Digital Age
The Arctic
Food Security
Organization of American States

For more information or to sign your school up, please contact Frannie at fran@iccralbany.org (518) 708-7608.

"An Evening to Remember"

On September 30th, Diane and her husband Joe were included in a small group that traveled to the Waldorf Astoria in Manhattan to attend “the UN General Assembly High Level Reception.” There were approximately 250 individuals in attendance at the event including 30+ UN representatives/members from all over the World.

The International Center of the Capital Region Needs You

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 committee 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 info@iccralbany.org.

CPA, Marketing, Public Relations, Fundraising, Event Planning, Community Relations, Grant Writing, Corporate Sponsorship, Social Media, Graphic Design, Finance & Accounting

Check out our website!

www.iccralbany.org