

# NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER



## November Days of Importance

November 10<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day  
November 23<sup>rd</sup> Thanksgiving Day

Our last International delegation was from October 28<sup>th</sup>- November 1<sup>st</sup> where we welcomed Ms. Musa the Information Commissioner for the Croatian Parliament. This was one of our smallest groups ever, but also one of the busiest as our visitor only had 2 short days to learn about the Freedom of Information Laws in the United States federally and here in the state of New York.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### International Visitor Groups:

Freedom of Information Laws, Croatia  
A Single Visitor  
October 28<sup>th</sup> – November 1<sup>st</sup>

As 2017 comes close to an end for our visitors through the International Visitors Leadership Program we just want to thank everyone that contributed and played a part in welcoming over 140 visitors this year from 80 countries around the world. Whether you met visitors at the airport, welcomed them in your home for dinner, had visitors stay at your place for a week, or even just reached out to us for suggestions for our group we appreciate everything you do!

In 2017 you may have noticed our organization went through a transition period as we welcomed Ryan Moll, Lilly Miaw from the Chinese Community Center, Mark Weintraub from the Jewish Community Center, and Cullen Breen from Dutch Assets. We apologize as this affected our usual events calendar for 2017, and with the start of 2018 we are looking to get back on track with our Adult WorldQuest event, Sacred Spaces Tour, Student WorldQuest, Tastes of

***While we had a quick break between meetings our visitor received a guided tour of our beautiful New York State Capital Building.***



***Thank you to the Harrison family for a wonderful Halloween dinner on our visitors last night in the United States!***



***Ms. Musa's meeting with [Gerald Campbell](#), Albany City Clerk who handles the Freedom of Information requests in the city of Albany (on the left) and Albany City Councilman Mike O'Brien (on the right).***

the World, and new events such as a *Pride of the Hudson* boat tour, a tour of the United Nations building in New York City, cooking class and more! Stay tuned for more details and our event calendar release come January.

**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](mailto:ryan@iccralbany.org)

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**WE NEED YOU!**

**Would you be interested in opening your home and learning more about the culture of another country?**

If interested in hosting the group, please contact Ryan Moll at (518) 708-7608 or [ryan@iccralbany.org](mailto:ryan@iccralbany.org).



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Twelfth Annual  
**TASTE OF RUSSIA**

Saturday, November 18  
10:30AM - 3PM

Russian Orthodox Community Center  
617 Sand Creek Road • Albany, NY

Singing & Dancing 11AM-12PM  
Ethnic Food • Crafts  
Bake Sale • Tours of the Church  
Great Day of Family Fun!

FOR INFORMATION, CALL  
In advance: 518-371-7758  
Day of Event: 518-869-3932

**FREE ADMISSION!**

**American Italian Heritage Association Events**

Italian Genealogy – Next Steps  
11/30/2017 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

As follow-up to last month’s presentation, “Jumpstart Your Italian Genealogy,” retired educator John Capano will provide a more in-depth exploration of research resources such as Ancestry.com to assist you in finding “lost” ancestors and new, living relatives you never knew existed. Bring your own laptop or



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If you have any of the skills listed and are interested in welcoming the World to the Capital Region, please contact us at [ryan@iccralbany.org](mailto:ryan@iccralbany.org)

**A Quote Worth Noting...  
Monthly Leader  
Quote**

**“Happiness does not fall out of the blue and dreams will not come true by themselves. We need to be down-to-earth and work hard. We should uphold the idea that working hard is the most honorable, noblest, greatest and most beautiful virtue”**

*Xi Jinping, President of China*

tablet device. A donation of \$5 is requested as are reservations by 11/28.

Italian Christmas Market  
12/1 and 2/2017, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
12/3/2017, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Share and celebrate in the old Italian tradition of the “Christmas Market.” Marvel at the exquisite, room-sized annual Italian Nativity featuring live mosses and life-like figurines. The Museum’s exhibit rooms are transformed into mini-market places filled with something for almost everyone on your Christmas shopping list -- including yourself! Some of the unique Italian merchandise offered includes: Italian language greeting cards, “Made-in-Italy” items, wooden Ceppo, Befana figures, themed ornaments, plaques, novelties, delicious homemade Italian baked goods, etc. as well as hand-crafted items by talented vendors. Our Market Café will offer food, beverage and fellowship. So join us in celebrating Italian culture at this most beautiful time of year. Buon Natale! Free.

Italian Christmas Cooking Class  
12/5/2017 11:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Instructor Dolores Scalise will make an Italian Christmas stew and almond paste cookies. Tasting after the class! Cost is \$10 for ingredients. Payment and reservation by 12/1 please.



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