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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - A meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m.

July 22 for area residents interested in the American Friend

Family Program (AFFP), which offers hospitality to international students participating in the Youngstown State University Foreign and Exchange Student programs. It will be held in the Women's Resource Center, Spring Street, on campus.

AFFP, affiliated with the University's Office of International Student Services, has selected, oriented and matched area families with students for hospitality since 1984. They only visit the hosts.

The AFFP Steering Committee recently announced a drive to increase the number of volunteer families who host students just after they arrive in the area approximately once a month during their first terms of study at YSU. Hospitality is extended in the homes and through various community activities of interest.

International students from more than 50 countries around the world attend YSU, sponsored by their country's governments and the University as well as their own familites.

For further information, contact the YSU Office of International Student Services at 742-3006.

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