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NC Goes International

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Ever wonder what it is like in another country besides America? The NC International Club is a program in which students get together and record their culture and exchange the information with other countries.

The club got started last spring by Edie Leitner, a Spanish teacher at North County. "Students seem to really enjoy seeing what other cultures are like," said Leitner.

Students send photo albums of their everyday life to groups of students in Costa Rica. All pictures are taken and developed by the students. "The students are very excited about sending the photos," said Leitner.

The club is sponsored by Pedal for the Planet, an organization which sponsors groups like NC International Club.

The club consists of around 10 to 15 students. Most members of the club are former students of Leitner. One of the original members, Robert Barry said "It is both fun and exciting."

The club has picked themes for its albums. The themes so far have been Unity, Dreams, and Happiness. The group has done many other things besides just sending pictures to students in Costa Rica.

Students, along with Leitner organized a food drive for the hurricane victims of Nicaragua. Food was successfully gathered and sent to the victims.

Leitner is interested in getting in contact with AFS in hopes of obtaining more places to exchange albums. Albums have also been exchanged with Hawaii and France.

The NC International Club meets every Friday's flex tutorial in Leitner's room, 86. The club has even expanded to the web, if you would like to see their site, point your browser to <http://members.tripod.com/~NCInternational>.