

News from the LFHS China Independent Study Program!

The China Independent Study program has been on the move learning about Chinese art and religion! In November the class visited a private Chinese art museum in Mettawa, IL. Students were introduced to Buddhist and Daoist art, as well as, basic elements of the history of Buddhist imagery in China. This month the class hosted Dr. Cathy Benton, Eastern Religion professor at Lake Forest College, to discuss the fundamental ideals of Buddhism and Daoism. Dr. Benton also shared insight of both religions in context to Anthony Yu's *Journey to the West*, one of the most popular Chinese classics and a required novel for the independent study course.

LFHS students will be going to China from March 28 thru April 10, 2010.



Dr. Richard Pegg sharing a relief structure from the Ming Dynasty.



A lesson about Buddha's footprint



Dr. Cathy Benton with LFHS students.