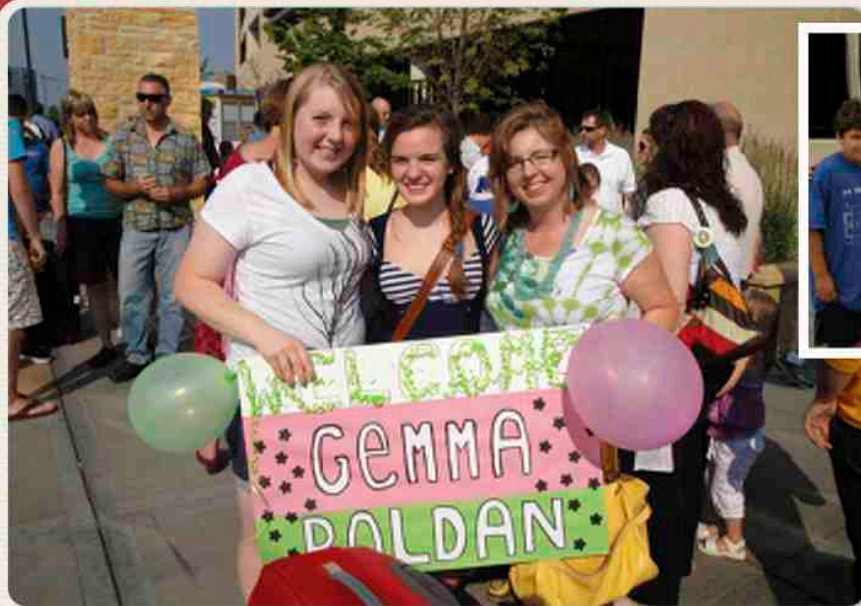


LANGUAGE & FRIENDSHIP HOSTING HIGHLIGHTS 2010

THE EXPERIENCE LASTS A FEW WEEKS...



We were surprised that hosting was more about just being yourself and taking them along on your journey for a short time! Our family benefited by seeing our life from another's eyes. We realized that we rush and pack our days pretty full.

Kenealy Family, Waverly IA
(left with Gemma from Spain)



*We learned **inclusion**, despite communication barriers. Funniest memory was singing to the radio in the car - she did know American music!*

Rydland Family, Chaska MN



My daughter really learned a lot by hosting and even helped out more! We are planning to visit Claire next year!

Noyes Family, Eagan MN

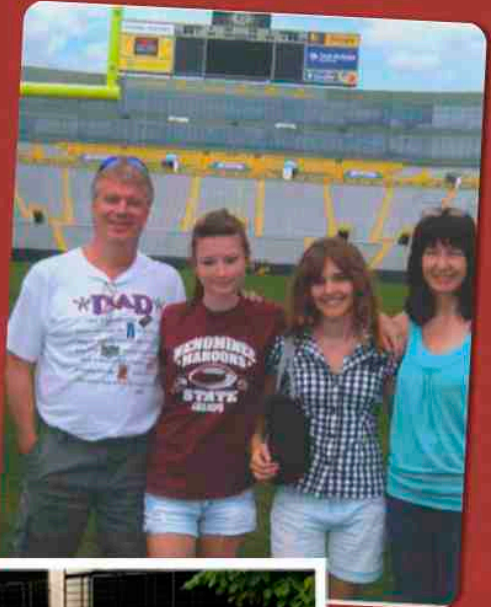


Bianca couldn't get enough of cheeseburgers and American chips! She fit in so well with our family that we have invited her back again next summer! We can't wait to welcome her again in August!

Homan Family, Edina MN

...THE FRIENDSHIPS LAST A LIFETIME!

HOSTING HIGHLIGHTS



It's the little things...

Funniest experience: Watching the Pink Panther with Océane and then her copying Steve Martin's dialogue with a French accent!
Gosh/Louks Family, Thornton CO

Hardest part - having another kid in the house. Funniest part: having another kid in the house! It was nice to remind our 3 children what they were probably like when they went to France for their own family stays. They have all gained experience in giving back and an appreciation for their own host families.
Gates Family, Edina MN

Funniest memory: Our daughter said the French word for "cute" when referring to a friend and Victoria thought she called him an onion!
Snow Family, Lake Elmo MN

We learned more about what our kids are capable of and what greater expectations we can have of them. Funniest memory: Paul would say, "I 'ave just one question," when in fact, he had many many questions!

Welch/Eschenbacher Family, Minneapolis MN



SIGNS READY? LET'S WELCOME!



Fond memories...

It is fun to see how similar we are to someone who lives on the other side of the world. It was great for our kids to be hosts to someone for an extended period.

Larson Family, Eagan MN

We were able to see our beautiful home town through the eyes of someone else. It made us really appreciate our area.

Caley Family, Menominee MI

Funniest memory: My son trying to explain the expression "Holy Cow!" to Paul.

Jaeger Family, Plymouth MN

It was an incredible experience! Marine has brought a wonderful cultural experience into our lives and our hearts.

Sage Family, West Allis WI

Alex was thrilled with the little scrapbook we made for him and kept saying, "This was so much work!" We thought we would be just showing him our culture but we learned so much from him about his culture and region of Spain!

Borton Family, Stevens Point WI

We met a wonderful young man who will be part of our family forever!

Speers Family, Thornton CO

Cécile gave us a fresh perspective on our lives and the USA through her comments and reactions to her experiences.

Loud/Humphrey/Rostec Family, Great Falls MT

It was much better than I could have imagined! We had so much quality family time by doing all kinds of fun things together.

Brandon Family, Fort Collins CO



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FAMILY CONNECTIONS

We are grateful that we heard about your program 5 years ago. Thanking you is not even enough for what we have gotten out of having a student stay with us. After hosting Marie 4 years ago and now her brother Paul, we have a bond with the Trouvin family that will last a life time. We were so lucky to be able to visit them in France this past fall - it was out of this world! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

*Paffel Family, Spooner WI
 (pictured top left with Paul in June 2010)*