

# WELCOME THE WORLD HOME HOST A YFU EXCHANGE STUDENT!

Youth for Understanding USA is offering families of this meetup.com group, and their friends, the opportunity to share their home with a teenager from another country for the 2007-2008 school year. We are looking for families to host for 12 weeks, one semester or the whole school year.

Hosting is an enjoyable and wonderful learning experience for the whole family! Other than going abroad yourself, hosting an exchange student is one of the best ways to experience another culture. Since many families create lifelong relationships with the students they host, the experience is incredibly rewarding. The students all have their own spending money and health insurance. All families need to provide is a loving home.

For more information about the YFU hosting program, please call Monette at 866-493-8872 or [Anderson@yfu.org](mailto:Anderson@yfu.org)



A straight "A" and "A+" student, Giulia is very open to and excited about the opportunities and challenges that will come from a year abroad. Giulia is described by her teachers as mature and considerate and she says that she has a good relationship with her family. When she isn't playing badminton or tennis, she can be found swimming, reading crime novels, or going to movies with friends. Giulia says she is fascinated by biology and wants to study communications in college. About her exchange experience, Giulia says, "I will get to know new people, a new culture, and I also think that I will learn something new about myself."



Valentin is looking for a nice, friendly host family to offer him a second home for the school year. He is interested in and open to trying new activities. Valentin enjoys playing soccer because he enjoys the motion and team spirit while the piano provides a good counterbalance. When he and friends get together they often play billiards or go to the movies. His current high school is considered an advanced school and he enjoys math, science and history, in addition to physical education. Once he completes his year in the US and obtains his German diploma he would like to study science at the university, spending at least one semester in another country. He lays the table at home, loads/unloads the dishwasher, tidies his room and cuts the grass. He should be able to fit into your household and is sure that together "we will have an awesome time."



Lisa is one who sees a need and steps up to meet the challenge she sees therein, whether it be organizing aid for others or involving others in activities when they are left out by the group. One of her favorite activities involves the creation of web pages on the computer, something she would like to continue. After finishing school she plans to take a trip to another country and help people, e.g. Africa. To earn pocket money Lisa often babysits. She loves small children and would play with yours and help take care of them. Of course this fits in well with her plans to go into pediatric medicine. In addition to computer web page design Lisa enjoys playing the piano and guitar, listening to music and going to concerts. At home she helps with the household chores, so it is natural that she will do the same in her new family.