



'EXCHANGING' INFORMATION: Brazilian exchange student Ana Sylvestre shows Grade 6 students Tyler Erdelac, Angel Bridges and Jessica Lowrie her home country's flag during a recent visit to Rockwood Centennial School.

## Rotary exchange student 'fit right in' in Acton

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It's hard to say who benefited most from the six months that Rotary International exchange student Ana Sylvestre spent in Acton with two local Rotarian host families.

Sylvestre, from Itajai, Brazil, "fit right in" with her host families and completed Grade 12 at Acton High. She will be missed by the Acton Rotarians who she met during her stay.

"Ana is a wonderful ambassador for her country and for Rotary International and she worked very hard while she was here, giving speeches, attending Rotary meetings and going to school," Rotarian Rob Charette said recently.

Ana's first host was the Schmuki family and they

didn't want to see her leave.

Peter Schmuki, who joined the Acton Rotary Club a year ago, said that through Ana, his family learned all about the differences between Brazil and Canada, and the similarities.

"Underneath it all, we are all basically the same," Schmuki said recently.

"Ana put in a fair amount of work while she was here. She was always polite, eager and genuinely interested in learning all she could about Canada."

Sylvestre, whose father is a Rotarian and whose brother was a Rotary Interchange student in Australia, said she applied to the program because she wanted to see the world and meet new people.

"I spent the first three months in Oakville and then

came to Acton and I have made a lot of friends who I want to stay in touch with," Sylvestre said last week.

After oral and written exams testing her on world events, Rotary International and English, Sylvestre was chosen to come to Canada to represent Brazil for a year.

Rotary pays exchange students' costs while in Canada and gives the students an allowance. Students are expected to pay their own travel costs to and from their host countries.

Sylvestre said a highlight of her stay in Acton was building her first snowman and the only downside was some homesickness at Christmas and on her family's birthdays.

Sylvestre said she was most surprised by how friendly North Americans are.

"I had the impression before I came here that Canadians would not be warm people, but I was wrong because everyone I met made me feel at home."

Sylvestre, who wraps up her year with a trip to Vancouver with other Rotary exchange students, heads home in August.

## Parents offered relief for summer

### ASSIC ALERT

Are you looking for a place to go this summer with your young children? The Acton Parent-Child Resource Centre provides a drop-in program, a toy lending library, a book resource library and caregiver theme kits.

The Centre is located at the Band Hall at 85 Wallace St. The drop-in program offers an informal and relaxed setting where you and your child can enjoy crafts, singing, story time and lots of play experiences.

Summer hours for the Centre are Monday and Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 am and 1 to 3 pm. On Wednesdays you can drop in from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. The Centre will be open during the summer ex-

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cept for the weeks of July 1 to 5 and Aug. 5 to 9.

For more information please call the Centre at 853-2574 or ASSIC at 853-3310.

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(Wally Mogg)

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## ACTON MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION 1996-1997 REGISTRATION

In order to facilitate the registration process, the AMHA is this year providing the opportunity to register by mail.

In order to register your child, simply fill out the form below and return by mail along with the registration fees to:

**AMHA REGISTRATION, P.O. Box 46, Acton, Ontario, L7J 2M2**

Registration fees must consist of four cheques dated as follows:

1. \$25.00 POST DATED 01/08/96
2. \$150.00 POST DATED 09/16/96
3. CHILDREN BORN ON OR BEFORE 31/12/82:  
\$125.00 POST DATED 10/15/96  
CHILDREN BORN 01/01/83 OR LATER:  
\$100.00 POST DATED 10/15/96
4. \$40.00 POST DATED 10/15/96\*\*



### AMHA 1996/97 REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

PLAYERS NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH D/M/Y \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/TOWN \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS/GUARDIAN NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

HEALTH INSURANCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL COMMENTS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Alternatively, the completed form, along with the registration fees, may be presented in person at the Acton Arena August 17, 1996 or August 31, 1996 between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

#### IMPORTANT NOTES:

- a) \*\*THIS YEAR WE ARE CHARGING \$40.00 PER FAMILY IN LIEU OF GATE FEES. IF YOUR FAMILY HAS MORE THAN ONE CHILD REGISTERING, YOU NEED ONLY SEND ONE CHEQUE FOR \$40.00.
- b) CHEQUES FOR REGISTRATION FEES MUST BE PROVIDED AS SPECIFIED ABOVE; **CASH PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- c) IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED REGISTERED, ALL THE INFORMATION REQUESTED ON THE REGISTRATION FORM MUST BE PROVIDED IN FULL; MEDICAL COMMENTS COULD BE USEFUL TO THE TRAINING STAFF IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, SUCH AS ALLERGIES, ETC.
- d) CHILDREN WHO WISH TO TRY OUT FOR AMHA REP HOCKEY TEAMS MUST BE REGISTERED BEFORE THEY CAN BE ALLOWED ONTO THE ICE FOR TRYOUTS IN SEPTEMBER. CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT REGISTERED EITHER DUE TO INCOMPLETE INFORMATION OR NON PAYMENT OF FEES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE ICE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THEY HAVE COMPLETED THE REGISTRATION PROCESS.
- e) ANY CHILD WHO DOES NOT MAKE A REP TEAM OR DECIDES TO RETURN TO HOUSE LEAGUE, WILL HAVE THE REGISTRATION FEES AND/OR POST DATED CHEQUES RETURNED IN FULL.

The AMHA sincerely hopes that these new measures will simplify the process, and make registration more convenient for the parents and guardians of our players.