

MY NEW YEAR 2011 RESOLUTION



A FEW THINGS I WANT TO ACCOMPLISH IN 2011 DURING MY NEXT SIX MONTHS

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I can't believe that 2010 has gone by so quickly. It's been the best year of my life. While I am on my second AU Pair year my time is moving to the end and it would be a shame to not do all the things I dreamed about at the beginning of the AU pair life. I've

been thinking of a few things I want to accomplish in 2011, and here is a list of some of them I plan on focusing during my next six months of being an AU Pair. So many ideas, so little time!

First of all get into shape... zumba - here we come!!!

Next two months I am planning to go back to school again to keep learning Spanish (the second level) and learn the basics of business management. Besides I will practice in Adobe Photoshop and improve my skills in making videos.



SKIING IN POCONOS, PA



ADOBE PHOTOSHOP



STUDYING AT THE COLLEGE

ACHIEVE THE GOALS



My mind is just abuzz with all the ideas. By the way thanks to the year 2010 because one of my cherished dreams came alive - I bought MAC computer and now can realize all of those creative ideas.

I will learn more thai words with my thai friend Natnicha and will teach her some Russian too because she enjoys me speaking my native language and we love to share our languages together.

Experience the things left I've never done before and enjoy my time with the hostfamily and friends!

OF COURSE ONE OF MY GOALS IS MY PARTICIPATING IN A VERY BIG "IAPA AU PAIR 2011" AWARD AND GETTING THIS TITLE AS THE BEST AU PAIR OF THE YEAR! I WOULD LOVE TO THANK MY HOST FAMILY FOR GIVING ME THAT GREAT CHANCE TO TRY TO ACHIEVE AN UNACHIEVABLE.

I will keep attending the meetings of the international club "ENGLISH PARTNER" of the ELI at the University of Delaware with my colombian friend Liliana, we will learn how to speak different languages with the students from around the world and share our cultures. Almost every

PARTICIPATING IN THE VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS AND THE INTERNATIONAL CLUBS

month we do different activities at the club together.

In April-May I will try to pass the TOEFL exam to get to know my level of English.

And the next step is ... VOLUNTEERIZM ... I've recently decided that year 2011 is a good time to develop more and more community organizing skills. So, now I am involved in Food Bank of Delaware volunteering program helping the low-income families and children to get some necessary meals. In January-February I will be a volunteer at Hagley Museum and Library in Wilmington, Delaware at the following events: The invention convention day and Victorine's Valentine's Day... Besides I am having negotiations about the volunteering opportunities with the Delaware Art museum to help them with the children's art activities, Saints Peter and

THE MOENS



MAX



ETHAN



JAMES



ME & THE BOYS



Travelling and opening new horizons

Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church helping with the kids during liturgy time or at the youth education classes, and camps, Christiana Hospital in Newark, DE helping their russian patients, who doesn't speak english very well to translate into english.

My other goal is to make an international food and firewall party with all my friends before we'll all leave back to our countries.

Last year I've started finally to learn how to play a guitar so, I will keep doing the same in 2011 year too. I will help Maxwell (one of my host children) in his piano studies and I want to start playing the piano again and learn how

**VARIUS NATOQUE TURPIS
ELEMENTUM EST. DUIS
MONTES, TELLUS LOBORTIS
LACUS AMET ARCU ET.**

to play some of my favorite russian songs before the firewall party there I can perform.

I need to buy an electronic translator i was dreaming about since i was in Russia but still didn't get a chance to use it in the USA because for me the greatest way to learn language is trying to explain everything in your own words.

Dear 2011, I hope you will make me happy and 2011 memorable for me, my hostfamily and tons of friends!

I am planning to make a photo album to remember our time together for the whole rest of our lives and for both sides create movies about our experience being AU Pairs, spending time together at home, museums, gardens, schools, during trips, learning languages and sharing cultures. Pictures will hold our memories forever.

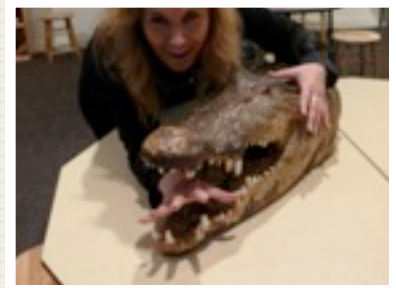
FRIENDS



PLAYING THE PIANO



BABA YAGA PUPPET



DISCOVERING NEWPLACES



NEW ADVENTURES



Things to do:

The rest of my AU Pair year i am planning to master English, do a camping trip to one of Delaware parks in June, a skiing trip to Poconos mountains in February, do an ice skating at the ice arena of Newark, DE, to go second time to Six Flags in Jackson, NJ, to attend the Russian orthodox Church once in one-two months, save money for my trips and coming back to Russia.

I really want to see one of the famous Broadway shows in New York like Chicago or Mamma Mia and other show of Cirque Du Soleil with my friends during one of our weekends off and will do the best to make that dream to come alive.

In coming 2011 year I want to meet 99 new people from around the world.

In spring time I will finish my paintings and will go to New York to visit one of the world's greatest art collections - Metropolitan Museum and one of the world's preeminent science and research institutions, illuminating millions of years of the earth's evolution - American Museum of Natural History.

With my little friends we will keep learning russian language, exploring our world, nature, space, go to the museums, gardens etc. , paint and draw, do new crafts like making a Baba Yaga puppet. We plan to volunteer as a family for the clean up day and work in the state park cleaning up - the boys and me are really into environment and keeping our earth clean.

We will make a little performance "Teremok" in Russian for the whole our family to see what did we learn during our studies and just have fun.

Since now I will try to work on my resolution throughout the year.

May be you would like to team up to achieve my goals together with me!



GET RID OF FEAR

LAST YEAR I'VE CHANGED MYSELF ALOT... I TOUCHED A SNAKE THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE, HAD A RIDE ON THE TALLEST STEEL ROLLERCOASTER IN THE WORLD - KINGDA KA, SIX FLAGS, NJ...

THIS YEAR I WANT TO GET RID OF FEAR LIKE A SKY SURFER PARAPLANE IN OCEAN CITY...



Places to visit:

- 1) Florida in May or July- Universal studios and Seaworld Florida, Orlando and Miami beach
- 2) Chicago, Illinois in April - Navy Pier, Chicago Riverwalk, Millenium Park, Skydeck Chicago's The Ledge,



THE END

With love, Irina Kopylova.