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YEO EUROTOUR 2010

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TO: ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENTS IN FINLAND

Dear Exchange Student, I wish you welcome to EUROTOUR 2010, June 6 – June 24. Eurotour is a great opportunity to travel through Central and Southern Europe and visit interesting cities and places – in the best possible company. You will visit 9 countries in 19 days. You'll have nice buses and good hotels. The price includes transportation by buses and ferries, double rooms in hotels, breakfast and lunch or dinner, and entrance fees to Tivoli and Versailles etc. Our preliminary route and schedule (with reservation for sight changes) follows. There will be two Rotarians and four tutors to help you on the tour.

- June 6th FINLAND (Eurotour begins this Sunday)**
We will meet in Turku, the check in time is 13-16. The Viking Line ferry will take us to Sweden. The departure time of the ferry is at 21.00. Dinner buffet. The first night we'll spend in cosy cabins on the ferry.
- June 7th SWEDEN, DENMARK**
The journey starts from Stockholm early in the morning – at 7.00 local time. We'll drive through Sweden by bus and in the evening we'll be in Copenhagen in Denmark. This evening we'll also visit the famous Tivoli.
- June 8th DENMARK, GERMANY**
In the morning we'll have a sightseeing tour on our buses with local guides. In the afternoon we'll drive south to Germany and overnight in Bremen, Germany.
- June 9th GERMANY, NETHERLANDS**
From Bremen we'll drive west to Netherlands. On our way to Amsterdam we'll visit a clog and cheese factory in the famous Edam area (Volendam). In the evening we'll have a guided waterbus tour the main canals and we'll see Anne Frank museum. The night will be spend in a hotel near Amsterdam.
- June 10th NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM, FRANCE**
We'll drive through Belgium and stop for a few hours in Brussels, where the European Parliament is located. In the evening we'll come to Paris, France.
- June 11th Paris/FRANCE**
In the morning we'll visit Versailles. After that a sightseeing tour in Paris. You will also have time to visit Eiffel tower.
- June 12th Paris/FRANCE**
This day is for you to spend on your own in Paris. It's up to you whether you want to visit Louvre and/or d'Orsay art museums, the Montmartre area or even the Euro Disneyworld. You get lunch money.



- June 13th Southern FRANCE (Sunday)**
It is time to leave Paris and drive south. The landscape changes to forests and hills. Our next stop is in Grenoble, a small town in the French Alps, famous for the Winter Olympics in 1968. Visit the liqueur factory Chartreuse.
- June 14th Southern FRANCE**
We'll start again early in the morning and head for Cannes. We'll drive over Maritime Alps and on our tour we'll stop in a couple of medieval towns. Just before arriving in Cannes, we'll have a short stop in the town Grasse, to visit a perfume factory. Cannes is situated on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea.
- June 15th MONACO**
We will make a trip to Monte Carlo in the Principality of Monaco. Unfortunately you can't play roulette or baccarat. Before returning to Cannes, we'll stop at Nice. Guided tour in Monaco
- June 16th ITALY**
Now we'll be saying goodbye to Cannes, but not to the Mediterranean Sea. We'll start heading for Venice, Italy. We will drive through Northern Italy and have a few hours stop in Verona. Our destination is Lido di Jesolo, which is a small holiday town (Lido=beach, that tells everything you need to know about the town).
- June 17th Lido Di Jesolo+Venice/ITALY**
We'll visit the old city of Venice. Bus tour to Punta Sabbiano, waterbus to Venice. We'll have a tour in a glass factory and take a gondola ride.
- June 18th Lido di Jesolo/ITALY**
Holiday on the beach. There will be a lot of time for you to spend in the sunny beach.
- June 19th ITALY**
This is our turning point, because we'll now head back to the north. We'll drive to the Dolomites (Alps in Italy). Our hotel is in Bellamonte. This afternoon we'll have a guided hike in the Alps.
- June 20th ITALY/AUSTRIA/GERMANY**
We will drive towards Innsbruck, where we'll have a break and get to know the city. From Innsbruck we'll continue to Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany. It is a small village in the Bavarian Alps. There we'll have a dinner in Bavarian style with local music and dancing. We'll spend the night in Nürnberg, Germany.
- June 21st** Early in the morning breakfast, Visit the "Dokumentationszentrum Reichsparteigelände". Heading Berlin.
- June 22th Berlin/Travemünde/GERMANY**
Guided tour in Berlin, free time in Berlin, maybe shopping, in the evening to Travemünde where checking to the ferry. Dinner and night on the ferry.
- June 23th Departure to Helsinki/FINLAND (Wednesday)**
The departure time is 3.00 o'clock in the night and we'll spend the day on the sea. Lunch and a farewell.
- June 24th** Arriving in Helsinki 6.45 o'clock. You will travel home to your host family. There is also the possibility to stay on the bus until Turku and travel home from there.

IMPORTANT AFFAIRS AND DATES

First of all, talk to your own parents and your host club. Get a **written permission from your own parents as well as from your host rotary club.**

The price of the Eurotour will be **1950 Euros**. You also need money for your own shopping and fast food if needed. You may have to pay entrance fee to some museums, too. **Alcoholic beverages are forbidden.**



Please confirm your attendance on the Eurotour 2010 by sending **the information form** and paying **the first payment (950 Euros) before March 5th**. Send the information form and permission from your parents to Anneli Mustakallio (address above). **The second payment (1000 Euros)** should be paid **before April 29th**. Before that you have received more information about Eurotour 2010 **(Note: NO cheque payments or money in letters. You can transfer the money from Finland or from abroad. See the enclosed payment instruction. Note that it costs a bit more to pay from non-euro countries.**

All this information will be also in our web pages www.rvefinland.com . If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask. Don't miss this opportunity, this is a trip you will surely remember when rocking your chair in retirement home!

I hope to see you in Eurotour 2010
Sincerely, yours

Anneli Mustakallio