

# An American Tale

*Is it all that it's cracked up to be?*

Imagine being two seas and a continent away from home. Imagine friends, family, and all the comforts of home; now imagine them gone. Imagine being in a new country with new customs, a new language, and an entirely new way of life. This may sound like something that would take a lot of adjustment, and it is.

Luiz Rebello was a foreign exchange student from Brazil. After he lived in Walterboro for three months, Luiz still felt uneasy about being so far away from home. Luiz, greatly surprised by the many adjustments that he had to make, agreed the United States and Bra-

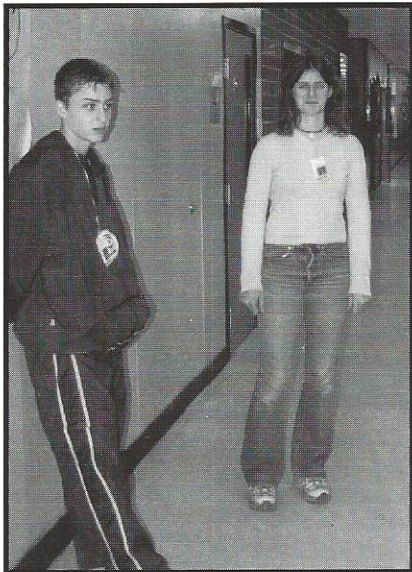
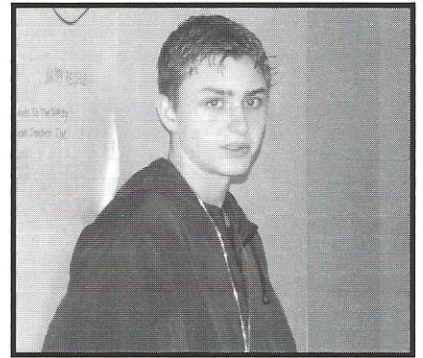
zil had many similarities. The change seemed to be a great one even though he had a hard time making friends.

"What I miss most about home is my friends and going out to night clubs with them," Luiz informed the journalism staff.

He found the football games to be his best memories of the United States. Football games generated a lot of Luiz's classmates, so he found them to be one of the most interesting things in Walterboro.

Luiz chose to stay in the United States for the duration of his ten month visit. He realized that maybe he could try harder to make friends.

-Shantel Middleton



**Make a Funny Face** Foreign exchange student Elena Kaschubal makes a funny face. Those who knew Elena knew that she was quite the class clown. She went out of her way to make classmates smile. She was known around school for her personality.

**"Elena is very nice. She draws pictures for her friends that show the world through her eyes. She tells us about her culture. Best of all she is down to earth just like me. We are from two way different places, but we have so much in common."**

-Rebekah Webber



**"Elena is a very outstanding student. She adds a different aspect of the culture of the United States. She is not only learning about the United States, she is becoming part of the United States with every moment she spends here."**

-Alicia Faulk

