

CLASSIFICATION PRESENTATION

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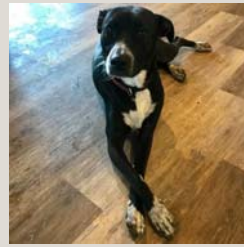
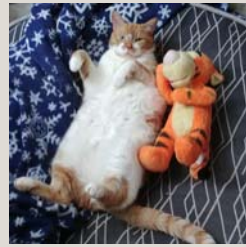
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WHERE IT ALL BEGAN



I was born in Kitchener in 1967 and moved to Niagara later that same year. My family of 7 spent 5 months in the hotel by Niagara Square until our house was finished. My dad was an OPP corporal and a firearms instructor at the police college in Aylmer. He died in 1977 and while I was young when that happened, I am blessed to be a lot like him. He was heavily involved in charity work and helping. I believe he is how I landed in my career.

MY THREE KIDS



I come by rescuing naturally. As kids we had hamsters, gerbils, rabbits, guinea pigs and birds. My dad even brought home 100 chinchillas from a traffic fatality. In those days FACS was not what it is today and we also had other people's children in our home many times too.

FAMILY IS MORE THAN BLOOD



2009



2019

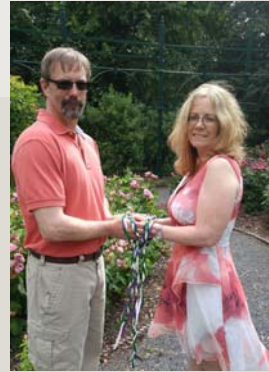
At 41, I tried on-line dating specifically stating no children and no baggage for my perfect partner. Here's what I ended up with. We have been through a number of adventures both locally and abroad that I would never change for the world.

AROUND THE WORLD IN 10 YEARS



I love to travel and our goal is to visit every State on a road trip. My dream trip is to scuba dive on the Great Barrier Reef.

TRACING OUR ROOTS



One adventures just two years ago took us to Ireland to get married with an old-fashioned hand fasting ceremony. This is where the expression “tying the knot” comes from. Despite being from the North and the South of Ireland, we make it work.

I LOVE ...

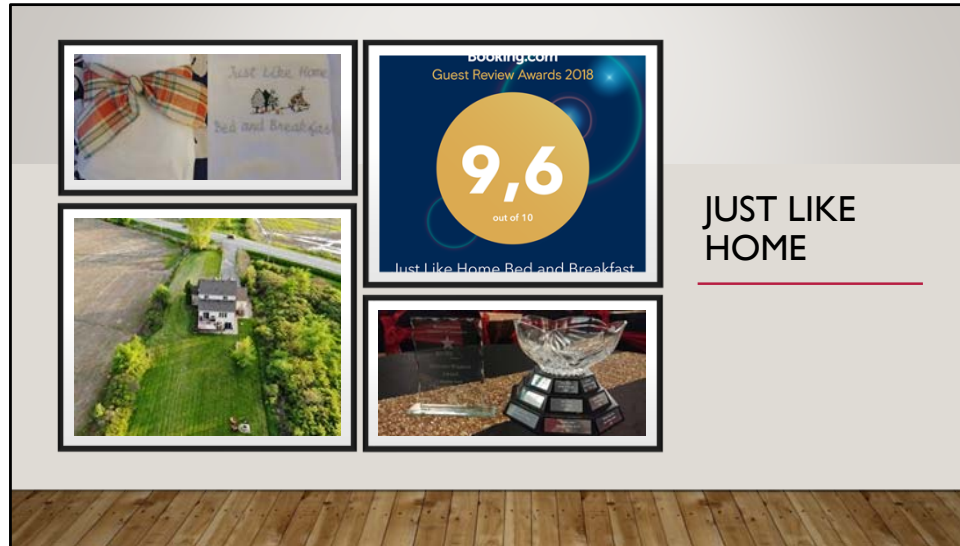


Country music and Stephen King. Brad Paisley slapped my hand when I tried to take his guitar pick.

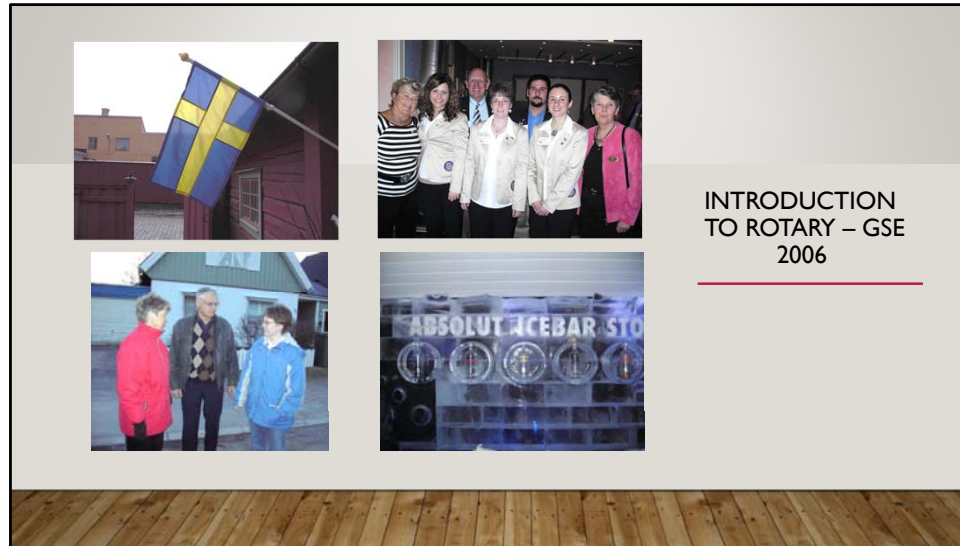
AND THE
BOSTON
RED SOX







When I purchased my home in 2004, it was with the intentions of opening a B&B. After 15 years of 'fighting City Hall' about zoning, I was able to do so with the support of Glen. We opened in 2018 and have welcomed guests from around the world. We won a Chamber award in 2019 and now have a 9.7 rating on Booking.com



INTRODUCTION
TO ROTARY – GSE
2006

I had never heard of Rotary until my former boss, Lyn Russo, a Welland Rotarian invited me to apply for Group Study Exchange

MY CAREER IN SWEDEN



No one knew what I did for a living so the 'career' days I had were quite interesting but unrelated. A vet clinic because I had dogs, a hospital because I worked in one but they didn't have to raise money for equipment. Finally the last placement was with a social service agency. The Hospital received all equipment it needed within 7 days of placing an order, funded by the Government. Staff had a gym, tanning beds and on-site day care that cost \$2/day, including a specialized sick child daycare section. Their lost time from work was next to nil.



Upon returning from GSE, I joined the Welland Club and self-funded a trip to the Katrina disaster with two other Rotarians. It was an amazing experience of service above self.



MY CAREER

I was a legal secretary for a few years then suffered a medical issue and was advised to find a less stressful occupation. I went into fundraising, not realizing what it was all about, but have no regrets. Have worked in fundraising for 25 years and have held my CFRE designation since 2003.

AND MY JOB
IS DEEPLY
PERSONAL



My job is deeply personal. In 2012 while scuba diving in Mexico, I blacked out at 80'. Glen brought me up from that depth unconscious. We both ended up in the hyperbaric chamber due to the bends. I have no recollection of the dive at all. I was diagnosed with a brain tumour (unrelated to the dive) and have just celebrated 5 years cancer free this past June.



Excited to be back in Rotary and as part of the Fonthill Club. You are now family too.