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NEXT MEETING - 16th JANUARY

John Hinrichs and Daniel Bogdanov
The Walks of Life – John and Daniel's amazing adventures



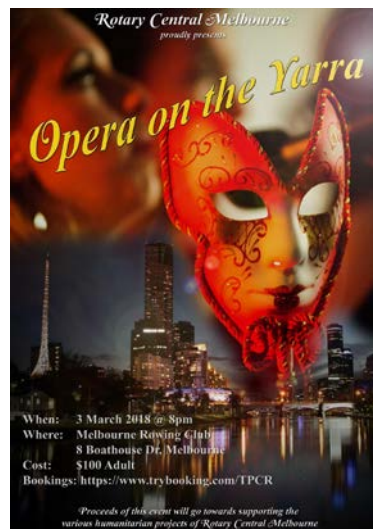
The Walk of Life – John's expeditions to several National Parks in America and others.

Daniel is also a young man from Bacchus Marsh who went for a walk in USA in 2016, all 4,265 km from the Mexican Border to the Canadian Border along a trail called the Pacific Crest Trail. Daniel will speak of the challenges and the triumph of completing this walk in about 5 months. From the Desert in Death Valley, the snow in the High Sierras, through Yosemite National Park then Oregon State and Washington State and all the way to Canada, Daniel has done what 7 Billion People haven't.

Both presenters are avid walkers who have covered extreme distances, each with their own unique motivations. They promise to provide an entertaining insight to their own "Forrest Gump" moments.



OPERA ON THE YARRA



MEMBER NEWS

Posted by Tony THOMAS

"Getting There is Half The Fun" Dr Cecily Neil - member RCM.

Cecily's career has been in aid projects including years on AusAid and the Asian Development Bank projects. Her main health and sanitation jobs included projects in Kiribati, Timor Leste, China, Vietnam and Philippines.

Getting a primary school toilet built in the remote Kalinga Province of northern Luzon is one thing; arriving on the spot is another.

The toilet block consisting of three-cubicle toilets with hand-washing stations is at Pantikian Elementary School in mountainous Kalinga Province. At a total budget of A\$ 4,600, this sanitation project was funded by the Rotary Club of Hawthorn.

Finished in December, the job was organized by Dr Cecily Neil through RAWCS D9800 and implemented on the ground by Sinangpad Association, a local Kalingan NGO. Cecily is from the Central Melbourne Rotary Club.

The trip, which she did twice last year (2017) involved two bone-shaking trips by bus and car from Manila Airport.

"I'm a short person with a bung knee and couldn't even get up the bus steps for the 11-hour trip. People lugged me on like a sack of potatoes," she says.

"We had the opening ceremony but the toilet was not finished till the next week because of massive rain. My trip back to the airport got us stuck behind rice lorries going over the mountains and masses of tricycles in the towns. I was sure I'd miss my flight."

Meeting Responsibilities

Chair
BENJAMIN, Des

Greeter
ZHANG, Yanpu

Reporter
CALLANDER, Tom

Photographer
THORNTON, Roger

Door
JOHN, Neville

Project Report - Vocational Service
SEALE, Alan

Bulletin Editor
SOROS, Rob

Upcoming Events

[Peninsula Family BBQ](#)
Jan 21, 2018
12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

[Camp Getaway Working Bee](#)
Feb 16, 2018 6:30 PM –
Feb 18, 2018 1:00 PM

[KPMG Vocational Visit](#)
KPMG
Feb 20, 2018
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

[Board Meeting](#)
RACV CLUB
Feb 21, 2018
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Speakers

Jan 16, 2018
[John Hinrichs and Daniel Bogdanov](#)

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RENATA BRANDAO - PAST EXCHANGE STUDENT

Renata has written: "We will be around Melbourne during 15th January and leave in the 29! If I have a chance it would be lovely to catch up with some of you that received me in 2005.

We are not aware of Renata's plans while in Melbourne, whether she intends to make direct contact with any members or attend a club meeting. If any readers would like to meet up with Renata it is probably best to let Marjorie know and the matter be coordinated owing to the short time Renata is in the city.

Renata's letter covers her recent graduation and is copied in full below;

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UPCOMING EVENTS

What	When	Where	RSVP	Contact
Peninsula Family BBQ	12 noon, 21st January	15 Watson Road, Mt Martha.	By 11/1/18	Roger Thornton
Camp Getaway Working Bee	16th - 18th February	Axedale, Vic	Details to come	Peter Duras
Vocational Visit - KPMG	9.30 - 11.30am 20th February 2018	727 Collins Street.	Register online	Sarah Overton
Opera on the Yarra	8pm, 3rd March 2018	Melbourne Rowing Club	Register on line	Michael Lapina/Herb Greenwood
District Conference	16-18 March 2018	Warrnambool	rotaryconference.org.au	Sarah Overton

GALLERY

A pictorial report of our Christmas meeting:



