



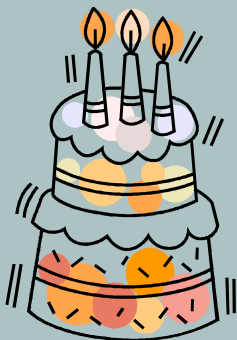
Edmund Rice - Networking WA

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Special points of Interest:

- **Moorditj Koolangka Indigenous Children's Program—Edmund Rice Centre Mirrabooka WA**
Donella Brown
- **Edmund Rice Community 2010—Information Flyer .**
- **ERISJ -What's on in October 2009**
- **Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA Annual Ball Nov 14th 2009**
Ash Little.
- **Creation Spirituality Retreat Nov. 2009 Sr. Shelly Barlow RNDM.**
- **Victorian ERN Gathering Oct 16th-17th 2009**
Danny Moore.
- **Br Pat O'Doherty & Br Bruno Doyle RIP.**



Congratulations!
Oceania Province of the
Christian Brothers celebrated
its 2nd Anniversary
on October 1st 2009.

INDIGENOUS CHILDREN'S OUTREACH PROGRAM



The **Moorditj Koolangka** program of after-school activities is provided at **Edmund Rice Centre Mirrabooka WA** for Indigenous children between the ages of 7 and 10 years. The aims of this program, which is conducted by Indigenous Adults with the support of volunteers, are to foster positive social interaction and to promote the Indigenous culture through story, dance, music and art.

"**Moorditj**" means strong, and "**Koolangka**" means children

Sessions are held each Wednesday from 3.30 pm – 6.30pm.

Special Moorditj Koolangka Programs are held during the school holidays and these holidays Br Phil O'Loughlen coordinated a couple of activities for the young people who attend Moorditj Koolangka after school program on Wednesdays.

The first activity was a visit to SciTech.

On the first Wednesday of the holidays, at



9.30am, we met at SciTech and after all the arrangements were made we watched a short movie called Cosmic Collisions.

This movie is about how the earth, the moon the stars and other planets were

After that our group went into the main part of SciTech and enjoyed

wandering around and playing with all the exhibits. With the early start to the day people were getting a bit hungry so the group went off to Lake Monger to enjoy a lovely BBQ and more playing in the outdoors.

In the second week of the holidays Steve Bowman ran a program called "Kids in the Kitchen".



Young people were again invited to come to the activity and to bring along an adult.

On this day we were able to meet with older sisters, mums

or nanas. Thank you to the families that



came along. The most important part was that everyone was involved in making yummy healthy homemade meat patties, fresh salad and fruit kebabs and then finished off with lovely cake. The weather was great so we enjoyed eating in the outside patio area of the Edmund Rice Centre.

EDMUND RICE INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE



WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER?

The Politics of Food: October 15th, 6:30 pm to 8 pm.

The Bluestocking Institute for Global Peace and Justice

The Edmund Rice Institute for Social Justice'

The 'Politics of Food' is a dinner and discussion that will provide a space to explore some of the ethical and political questions surrounding what we eat, how we eat, and how we produce food. These include:

- * What is the role of food in bringing together communities, or holding them apart?
- * How can we produce food ethically and sustainably?
- * Can movements promoting slow food and organic farming meet the needs of those on a low income?
- * Can urban food production and community gardens help to feed the world?

We encourage people from all walks of life to join us for dinner and discussion. Whether you're involved in academia, activism, or just have a personal interest in the politics of food, you're welcome to join us. We encourage you to bring a plate to share, and to begin the discussion: are you vegetarian? Vegan? Do you try to eat local? Do you have food that is important to your community? Are you too busy to cook? Eating together has always been an important part of building communities: please help us to build a vibrant dialogue around the politics of what we eat.

Visit us online to begin the discussion or to find out about guest speakers:

Website: www.bluestockinginstitute.org **Blog:** bluestockinginstitute.blogspot.com

Where: The Edmund Rice Institute for Social Justice **Cost:** Gold coin donation

RSVPs/contacts: Email us at bluestocking@bluestockinginstitute.org or call Sky on 0411 595 834

Celebrate WA Oct 23 2009 - 9:00 am

WA Week: Together we make a difference: Celebrating Youth Leadership in Social Justice

The ERISJ was recently awarded funding under the WA Week 2009 Small Grants Scheme to run a school "unity and diversity" day with students from Christian Brothers College in Fremantle. The event will bring together youth from diverse social, economic and cultural communities comprising refugees and migrants, indigenous and non indigenous Australians to celebrate their learning and achievement in social justice for a strong and diverse WA.

Activities will highlight student's involvement in promoting unity and a sense of belongingness in WA and mentoring from social justice champions and will include art/story telling; traditional dances, singing, dressing and food.

Prizes will be presented for outstanding unity and diversity symbols.

Exemplary Social Justice Action: What Works and Why? - 3 Case Studies

ERISJ One-Day Intensive Saturday, 24 October 2009: 10.00 am - 5:00 pm

If social justice and human rights are among the leading challenges before humanity, there is nothing more important than the skills to get us there. This Intensive is delivered by eminent leaders of three highly effective social justice campaigns **Dr Noel Nannup, Professor Linda Briskman & John Waddingham**

At the conclusion of this Intensive, participants will understand:

- three of the most important social justice campaigns in living memory:
Aboriginal-led self-advancement, the defence of asylum-seekers and refugees who arrive in Australia, and UN-supervised self-determination for East Timor.
- the challenges encountered and strategies deployed;
- what worked and why, and what in retrospect could have been done better;
- some predictors of effective social justice action that these campaigns suggest;
- how to deal with problems that confront all important campaigns;
- the effectiveness of campaigns when they combine thinking, action, creativity and ethical decency; and
- that personal resilience requires the nurturing of energy, passion, inspiration, joy and 'a life' during sustained campaigns.



Utopia's Shadow: Just Societies, New Possibilities, Old Pathologies

ERISJ One-Day Intensive Saturday, 31 October 2009: 10.00 am - 5:00 pm

Everybody knows that there is poverty, suffering, inequality and indignity. Everybody knows that the world would be better without them. Yet they persist. Why is this?

Several ERISJ Intensives examine the role of power and wealth in perpetuating these problems. This Intensive asserts a second set of causes, emanating from the social justice side of the fence.

Session Outline (more detail on arrival):

- Why Social Justice Matters
- Utopia and Dystopia
- Searching for Ways Forward (an interactive afternoon)

Presenters: Peter Beilharz and David Freeman

For further information contact: admin@erisj.org



A Night in Venice **CARNEVALE.**

Join us for a night to remember...
CARNEVALE.

*A night of glamour, elegance and class.
You will enjoy fabulous foods, wonderful wines
and exciting entertainment.*

*Saturday 14th November
7:00pm - 12:00pm*

*Duxton Hotel
St Georges Tce, Perth*

*Dress : Formal
Tickets \$150 each*

CORPORATE PACKAGE

This package is \$2,500 and your organisation can enjoy the following benefits by sponsoring this event:

- *One table of ten guests (inclusive of all food and beverages)*
- *A bottle of Moët & Chandon Champagne on the table*
- *Organisation's logo shown throughout the evening on the screens located around the venue*
- *Organisation's logo printed in the event program*
- *Organisation's promotional material included in guests pack*

Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA is a non-profit charity committed to supporting kids and families at risk or experiencing disadvantage in our community. Edmund Rice Camps for Kids WA provides services to over 250 West Australian families each year.



For more information or to purchase tickets please contact: (08) 9365 2811 or amlittle@edmundrice.org www.edmundricecampswa.com.au

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Kate Wilson events

Welcome to the Creation Spirituality Retreat



St John of God Retreat Centre
47 Gloucester Crescent
Shoalwater, WA, 6169

*You are invited to
 deepen your awareness of the
 mysterious beauty of the cosmos
 and the sacredness of the environment.*

Weekend: 6-8 November - \$200

Fri 5 pm to Sun 4 pm

Week: 6-12 November - \$500

Fri 5 pm to Thurs 9 am

Presenters:

Shelley Barlow RNDM (08) 9271 3873
And

Michael Godfrey CFC



CONGRATULATIONS

*To Cathy Tesoriero and
 her husband Ray Kosovich
 on the birth of their first
 baby*

*A special welcome to
 Luke Anthony from the
 Westcourt family.*

*We wish you great joy and
 every blessing as you begin
 this next stage of your lives.*

*Edmund Rice Network
 Community WA*

2009 ERN GATHERING IN VICTORIA (Southern Region)

Walking Together in Places of the Heart

This year we will retreat to **Amberley**, the spiritual centre of our Victorian Edmund Rice region. Aware that our prophetic action will only be sustained by our attentiveness to the Spirit, we hope to gather those people in our Network who are committed to life's spiritual journey and open to sharing their particular insights; those who will offer spiritual leadership to our Network; and those who will carry the charism of Edmund into its new and evolving expression for our world.

Our gathering will begin with a meal on the evening of **Friday October 16** and conclude with dinner on **Saturday October 17**.

Participants are encouraged to stay for the duration of the gathering with the option of residing at Amberley. The all inclusive registration fee is **\$60 per person**.



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RIP

We give thanks for the lives of

***Br Pat O'Doherty
 and
 Br Bruno Doyle***

*Our sincere
 condolences and love to all their families,
 the Christian Brothers
 and their friends.*

*May Perpetual Light shine upon them
 May they Rest in Peace.*

Edmund Rice Network Community



***Once again, thank
 you to everyone
 who sent
 information in for
 this issue.
 Please send in any
 news about your
 Ministry for
 inclusion in the
 next issue.***

***Blessings,
 Jill***

The position of Edmund Rice (ERN) Co-ordinator is to aid the Oceania Networking and Development team in maintaining contact with individuals associated with the Christian Brothers and the Edmund Rice Network in Western Australia; to keep them informed and to encourage participation in future endeavours of the Christian Brothers Oceania and associated entities. I can be contacted on mobile phone **0414 629 218** or as below.

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