



"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do.
So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor.
Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore, Dream, Discover."
BY Mark Twain

VICKI & DON FROM SEATTLE! HARBOR STEPS 1200 WESTERN AVENUE APARTMENT 1516 SEATTLE, WA

> Thursday, JUNE 1, 2017 through Saturday, JUNE 3, 2017

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THURSDAY 1ST
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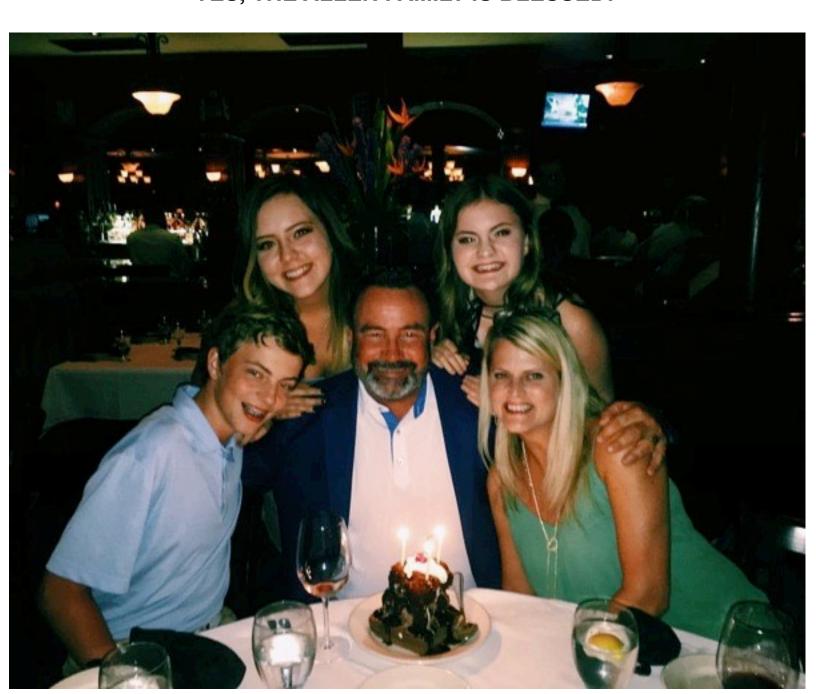
UNPACKING, WENT TO MARKET, TARGET & OTHER PLACES. WE NOW HAVE FOOD.
ALL IS WELL.
CONCERT TONIGHT.

LATE MAY AND EARLY JUNE ARE ALWAYS HEAVY BIRTHDAY TIMES FOR THE ALLEN GROUP OF ALLEN, TX.. TO WIT: MY NEPHEW, VINCE WAS BORN ON THE 31 MAY AND MY LOVING BROTHER, STEVE, THE DAD OF VINCE WAS BORN ON JUNE 5.. SO THE BIRTHDAYS ARE USUALLY SETTLED AT ABOUT THE SAME TIMES.. SOOO! 88888888

HAPPY ONE HALF CENTURY BIRTHDAY VINCE ALLEN

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THIS IS A GREAT PHOTO OF 50 YEAR OLD VINCE AND FAMILY AT THE CELEBRATION
YES, THE ALLEN FAMILY IS BLESSED!



VICK AND I WENT OUT TO THE LOCAL STORES AND WALKED AND WALKED. ABOUT 3 MILES TODAY... VICKI SPENT SOME TIME WITH VISIT TO ANN AND I WORKED ON EPISTLES.

THEN IT WAS: CONCERT TIME. WE DRESSED AND WALKED THE TWO BLOCKS TO THE BENAROYA HALL. HOW VERY BLESSED WE ARE TO BE THIS CLOSE TO CULTURE LIKE THIS.

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THE PRINCIPAL PERFORMANCE TONIGHT WILL BE:
THE MAURICE RAVEL'S MAGICAL OPERA
OF: "THE CHILD AND THE SPELLS"
THIS IS A TWO PART LYRIC FANTASY
SUNG IN FRENCH WITH SUBTITLES.

HOWEVER, THE OPENING WAS A GEORGES BIZET PETITE SUITE JEUX DE'NFANTS (THE CHILDREN'S GAMES).

TO THINK ABOUT.. I THINK THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE NIGHT WAS THE PLAYING OF W. G. MOZART'S: PIANO CONCERTO 9 IN E FLAT. OR "THE JEUNEHOMME".

THE PIANO CONCERTO NO. 9 "JENAMY" ("JEUNEHOMME") WAS WRITTEN IN SALZBURG IN 1777, WHEN MOZART WAS 21 YEARS OLD.

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THE WORK IS HIGHLY REGARDED BY CRITICS.

CRITIC 1 HAS CALLED IT

"PERHAPS THE FIRST UNEQUIVOCAL CLASSICAL STYLE

MASTERPIECE."

REMARKS BY DON ALLEN THE HAPPENING

SOMEHOW VICKI AND I HAD MISSED THE FACT THAT TONIGHT'S PERFORMANCE OF "THE MOZART PIANO 9" WAS GOING TO HAPPEN. WHAT A WONDERFUL SURPRISE!

I HAD NOT HEARD OF THE YOUNG MAN DOING THE PIANO SOLO PART. WHEN HE WAS INTRODUCED I THOUGHT, GOSH HE LOOKS, WALKS, PLAYS, JUST LIKE VAN CLIBURN. HE IS TALL, SKINNY, HAS BIG LONG FEET & BUSHY HAIR. EVERYTHING THAT VAN CLBURN HAD...
HIS NAME? YOU ASK...

JAN LISIECKI, AGE 22

JAN MIŁOSZ LISIECKI (BORN MARCH 23, 1995)
IS A CANADIAN CLASSICAL PIANIST OF POLISH DESCENT.

NOW REMEMBER THIS NAME. I DON'T CARE WHO YOU ARE, GO SEE AND HEAR THIS KID.

GOOGLE THE KID.. READ HIS WIKIPEDIA PAGE...
IT IS THE MOST EXCITING PAGE I HAVE READ.
GOODNESS, AS IN TRIPLE GOODNESS!

TONIGHT'S PERFORMANCE OF THE 9TH MAY WELL BE THE FINEST I HAVE EVER HEARD. I CONSIDER THE THIRD MOVEMENT TO BE THE FINEST OF MOZART'S WORKS.

TONIGHT'S PERFORMANCE WAS INDEED A HAPPENING OF BIG PROPORTIONS. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I HAVE EXPERIENCED A FULL HOUSE (2600 PEOPLE), GIVE A SPONTANEOUS 100% STANDING, SHOUTING OVATION WHICH LASTED FOR 10 BOWS. PEOPLE ALMOST HAD TO BE FORCED TO GO TO INTERMISSION. GOODNESS, WHAT A HAPPENING!



ACTION SHOTS OF
THIS YOUNG MAN
ATTACKING THIS
GRAND PIANO. IT IS
AND WAS A
PROFOUND
EXPERIENCE TO SEE
OR HEAR.
VICKI HAD A BLIND
PERSON SITTING
NEXT TO HER WHO
REALLY GOT
EXCITED.





I DON'T CARE WHO YOU ARE: WHEN YOU TRY TO FOLLOW A HAPPENING LIKE THIS ONE WAS, YOU REALLY HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING TO GET YOUR ATTENTION.
FRANKLY THE MAURICE RAVEL'S
MAGICAL OPERA

OF:

"THE CHILD AND THE SPELLS"
HAD A HARD TIME COMMUNICATING ITS MESSAGE.

YES, I AM VERY GLAD WE WERE ABLE TO SEE IT.
IT DID ENHANCE OUR CULTURAL EXPERIENCE.
IT WAS A BIG TIME PRODUCTION IN WHICH MANY THINGS HAD TO
HAPPEN AT THE SAME TIME.

THERE WERE VIDEO REFLECTIONS ON A CURTAIN OF TUBES AND MANY CHARACTERS HAD ON HATS THAT WOULD MAKE YOU SAY GOLLY GEE WHIZ!





BOTTOM LINE BY DON ALLEN THE TALENT AND PIANO PLAYING OF

JAN MIŁOSZ LISIECKI

WAS A HAPPENING THAT IS SEEN AND HEARD ONCE IN A LIFETIME. THAT SIMPLE.
THIS KID IS A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH BY THE WHOLE CLASSICAL MUSIC WORLD.
REMEMBER HIS NAME AND JUST KEEP YOUR EYES AND EARS OPEN. IF YOU GET A CHANCE TO SEE HIM: THEN DO NOT PASS IT UP.

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WE UP AT 07:00. ALL IS WELL. WORKED ON EPISTLES..

GREAT NEWS ABOUT OUR PARKING GARAGE:
FOR SOME REASON MY CAR WOULD NOT START &
I NEEDED TO SET UP A JUMPER. I LEARNED THE
PARKING GARAGE HAS A GUY ON CONTRACT
WHICH INCLUDES A FREE JUMPER SERVICE. YOU
JUST CALL THEM AND THEY COME OUT ASAP
WITH A JUMPER BATTERY. THE COST IS INCLUDED
IN THE PAY THAT WE MAKE TO THE GARAGE.

SO OUR \$255.00 A MONTH, FOR PARKING, IS LOOKING BETTER.

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WE GOT THE CAR RUNNING AND DROVE IT AROUND TOWN TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING WORKS. WE WILL BE LEAVING EARLY SUNDAY FOR CHURCH AND SHOPPING ON BAINBRIDGE ISLAND.

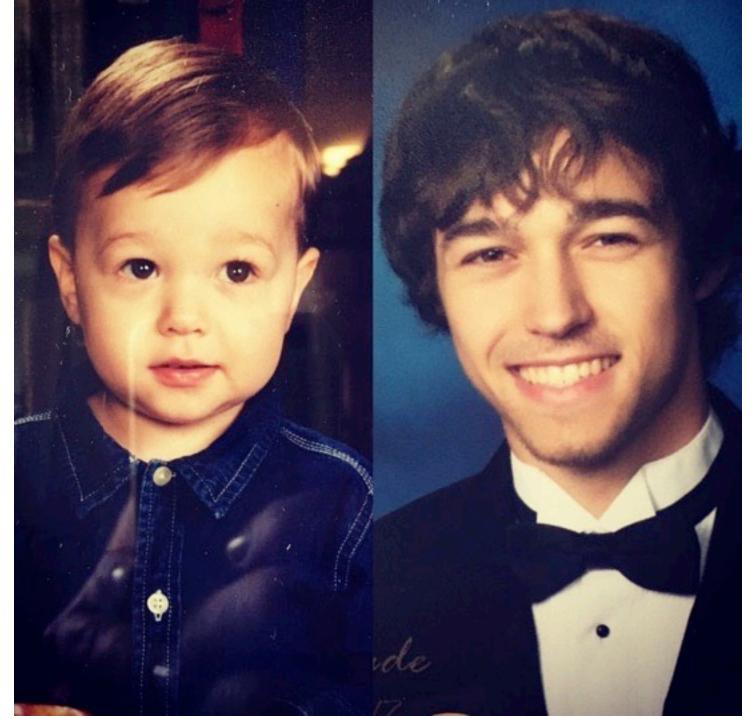
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NOW: BACK TO TODAY.

THIS WAS SUCH A VERY BUSY DAY THAT I NEVER EVEN STARTED MY COMPUTER. I WAS VERY BUSY DOING: "THANGS, YES, MANY THANGS."



THIS WAS THE GREAT DINNER I
COOKED OF FRESH FROZEN
WILD SALMON FROM ALASKA
THAT ANN AND TIM GAVE TO US.
THEY HAVE KIDS UP THERE AND
GET SALMON FROM THEM.
WOW, WAS IT EVER GOOD!
THANKS, TIM & ANN.



IT IS HARD TO FATHOM THAT THIS KID HAS MADE IT TO GRADUATION. BUT HE DID. THIS IS THE CADE RYAN MOELLER... GRADUATING FROM ALLEN HIGH SCHOOL IN ALLEN, TX. HE IS FROM BEVERLY'S SIDE OF THE MOELLER CLAN. (HER GRAND NEPHEW, I THINK) I HAVE ALWAYS LIKED CADE. ONE DAY WHEN WE WERE VISITING IN ALLEN, CADE WAS TOLD BY HIS DADDY TO GO WASH HIS TEETH. SO I TOLD CADE "HERE TAKE MINE AND WASH THEM TOO" I WAS HOLDING MY FALSE TEETH FOR HIM. IT WAS A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE FOR CADE. HE TURNED TOTALLY WHITE AND SCREAMED.

YES, IT WAS ONE OF THOSE FUN FAMILY THINGS THAT HAPPEN AND IS NEVER FORGOTTEN.

GOODNESS, HE HAS HIS MAMA'S EYEBROWS.

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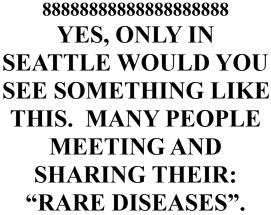
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THIS IS TO BE A VERY BUSY DAY.
ONE THAT I AM SURE WILL CREATE MEMORIES.
RARE DISEASE FAIR,

THE MONORAIL WITH TREE LEAVES. SEATTLE CENTER, IMAX, ASCE OF DREAM BIG, THE SCIENCE CENTER BUTTERFLY COMPOUND,

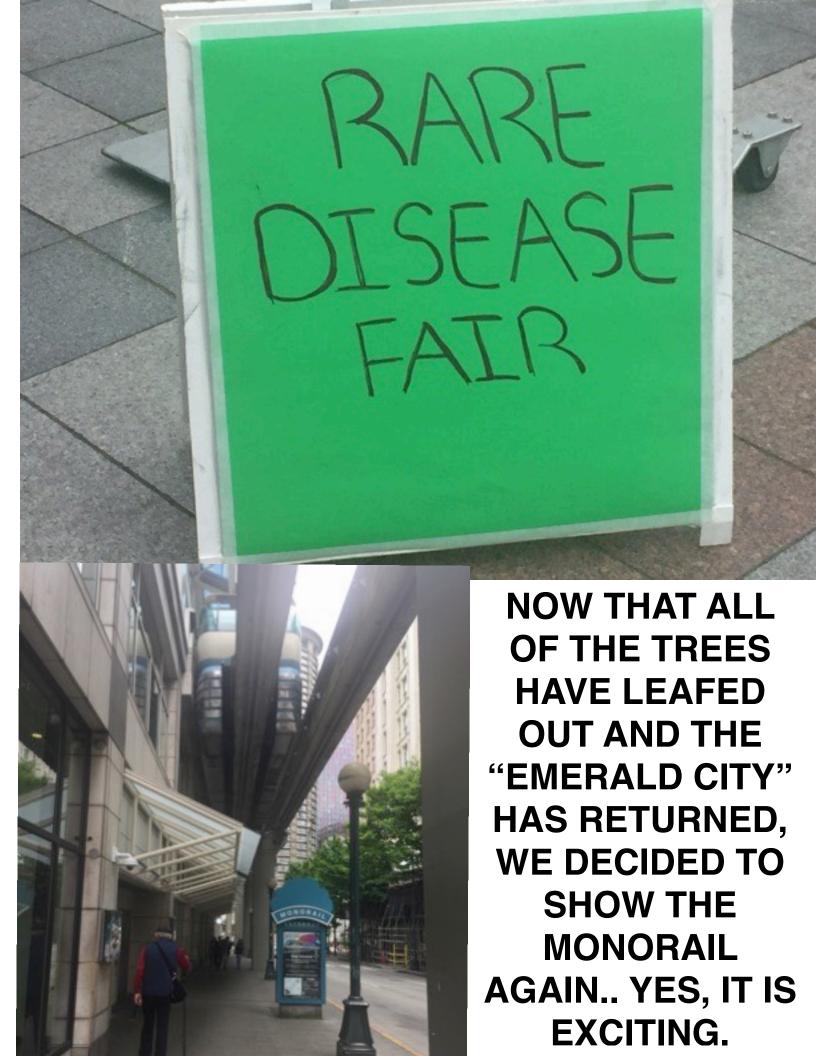


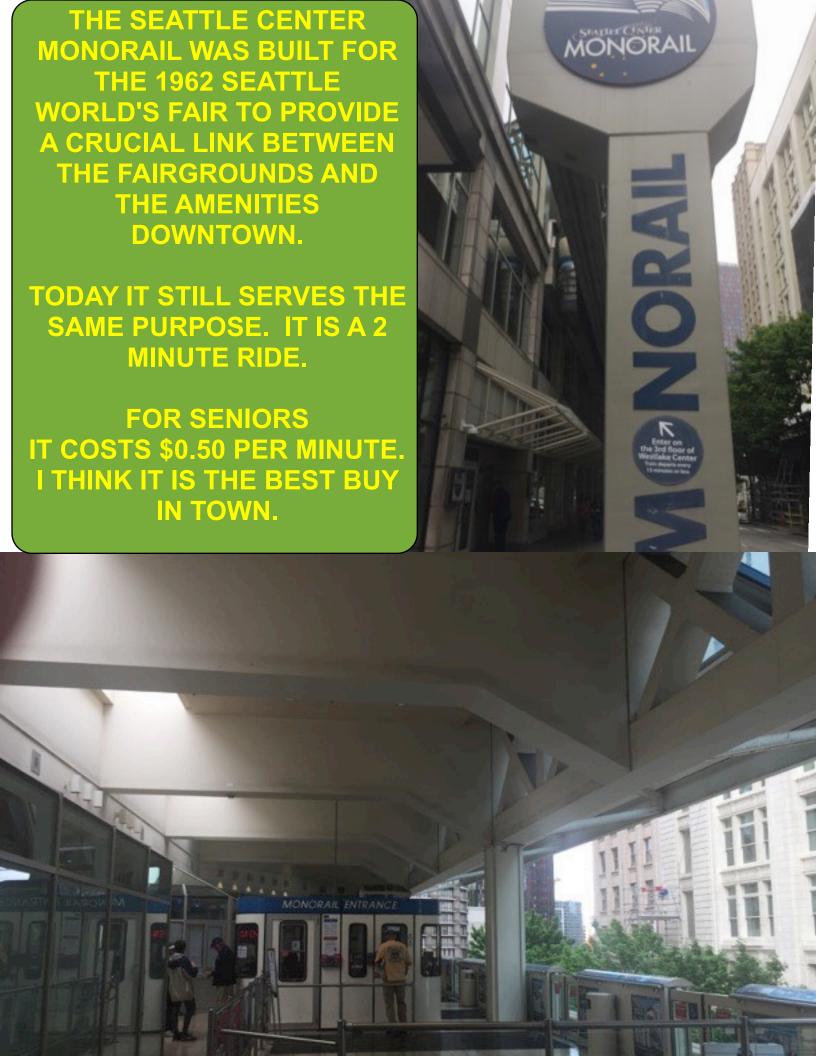


VICKI THOUGHT IT
WAS FUNNY BECAUSE
WHEN I HEAR FUNNY
SOUNDING NAMES, I
OFTEN COMMENT:
"GOSH, THAT SOUNDS
LIKE A RARE
HAWAIIAN DISEASE."

THERE WERE NO RARE HAWAIIAN DISEASES PRESENT.













AS YOU CAN TELL, WE JUST WENT THROUGH THE TUNNEL OF GREEN.
THIS IS A GREAT EXAMPLE OF WHY SEATTLE IS CALLED "THE EMERALD CITY."

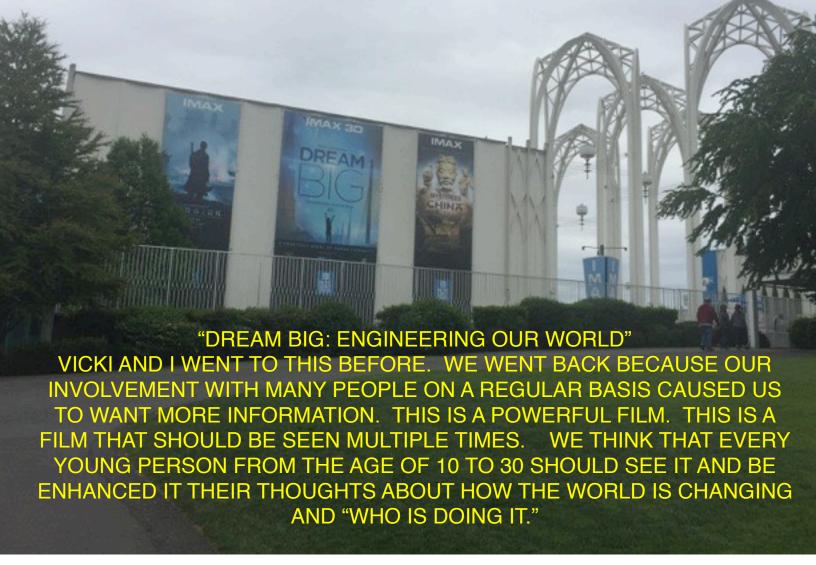












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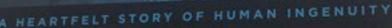
engineering marvels big and small, and reveals the heart that drives engineers to create better lives for people around the world.

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"It's the sort of majestic educational film that every adult will want their child to see."



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WE FOUND OURSELVES WITH TIME TO SPEND. WE THINK THERE IS NO BETTER PLACE THAN TO GO AND SEE

"GOD'S ANGELS" - BUTTERFLY HOUSE

WE LOVE TO WATCH GOD'S ANGELS FLUTTER









WOW! WHAT A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY GOD'S CREATIONS.
THERE IS NO DOUBT: THIS IS MY MOST FAVORITE AREA IN THE
SCIENCE CENTER.

I HUNTED FOR, BUT COULD NOT FIND MY MOST FAVORITE:

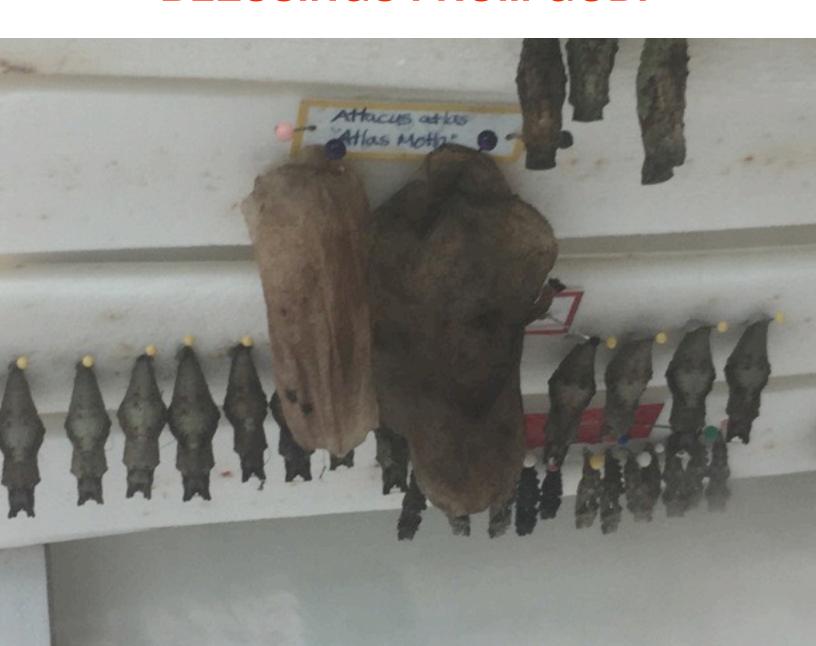
THE ATLAS MOTH...

THEY ARE MASSIVE SOME HAVE A 6 INCH WING SPAN. THEY ARE STUNNERS!

HERE ARE SOME IN THE COCOON STAGE. THEY WILL BE ACTIVE SOON.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT TAKES, IF YOU CAN'T WATCH THESE ANGELS AND CONSIDER THEM

"BLESSINGS FROM GOD."







WE ARE GOING TO THE HALL TONIGHT TO SEE AND HEAR THEIR ONE ACT BALLETS. WE WENT TO HEAR ABOUT THEM AT THE PRE



PERFORMANCE LECTURE
PRESENTED BY DOUG
FULLINGTON.
THIS IS THE FINAL REPERTORY
OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST
BALLET 2016-2017 SEASON.

WE WILL SEE TONIGHT: "PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION."

LA SOURCE

THIS IS A GEORGE BALANCHINE PRODUCTION WITH MUSIC BY LEO DELIBES.

OPUS 19 / THE DREAMER

THIS IS A JEROME ROBBINS PRODUCTION WITH MUSIC BY SERGIE PROKOFIEV

PICTURES AT AN EXHIBITION

THIS IS AN ALEXEI RATMANSKY PRODUCTION WITH MUSIC BY MODEST MUSSORGSKY (1874)
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VICKI AND I CONSIDER THE PNB WORKS AND PRODUCTIONS TO BE THE BEST LOCAL PROGRAMS IN THE SEATTLE AREA AND MAY WELL BE IN THE NORTHWEST.

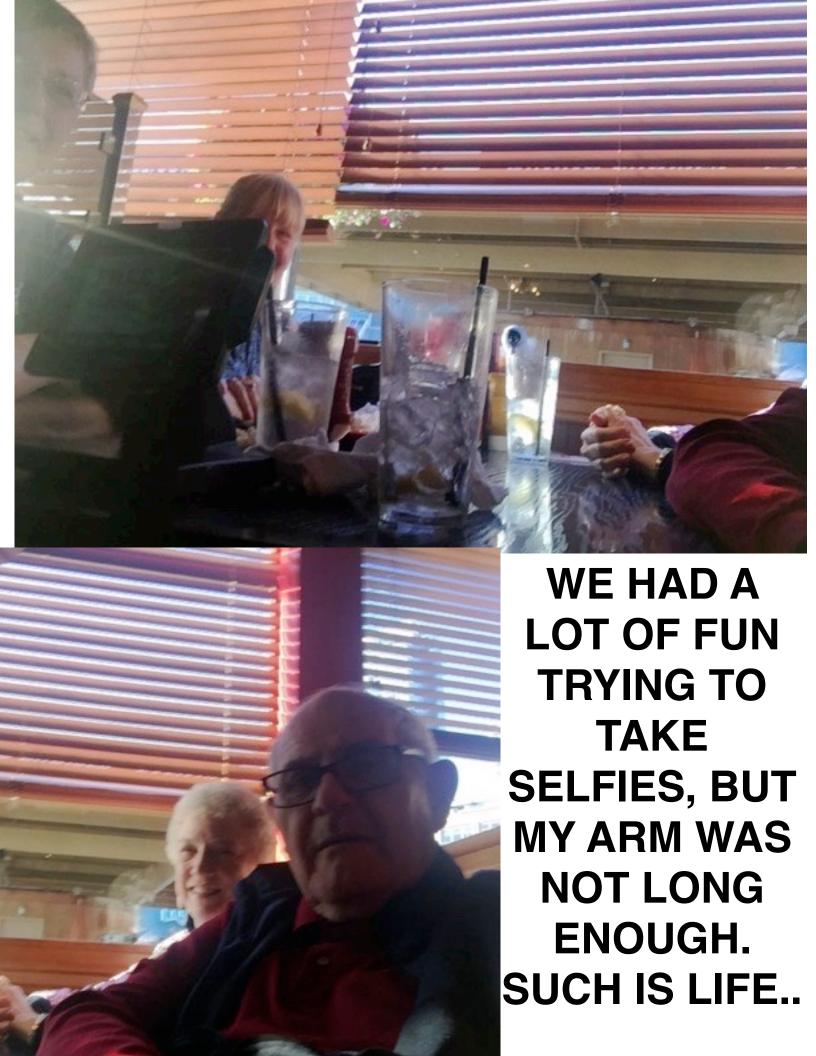
PNB IS THE SHINING LIGHT OF SEATTLE.







WE WENT TO THE WATERFRONT AND MET TIM AND ANN AS THEY WERE WATCHING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE "HONK FEST 2017." THIS WAS A COLLECTION OF LOCAL STREET BANDS AND SCHOOL BANDS PERFORMING FREE TO THE MASSES ON THE WATERFRONT. OUR TIME WAS LIMITED DUE TO THE BALLET BUT SUCH IS LIFE. WE WATCHED A COUPLE OF THE BANDS THAT WERE EXCEPTIONAL. BY THEN IT WAS AFTER 5 AND ANN & TIM HAD STILL NOT EATEN SO WE WENT TO THE RED ROBIN. WE HAD SALADS WHILE THEY HAD DINNER. WE HAD A GREAT TIME.



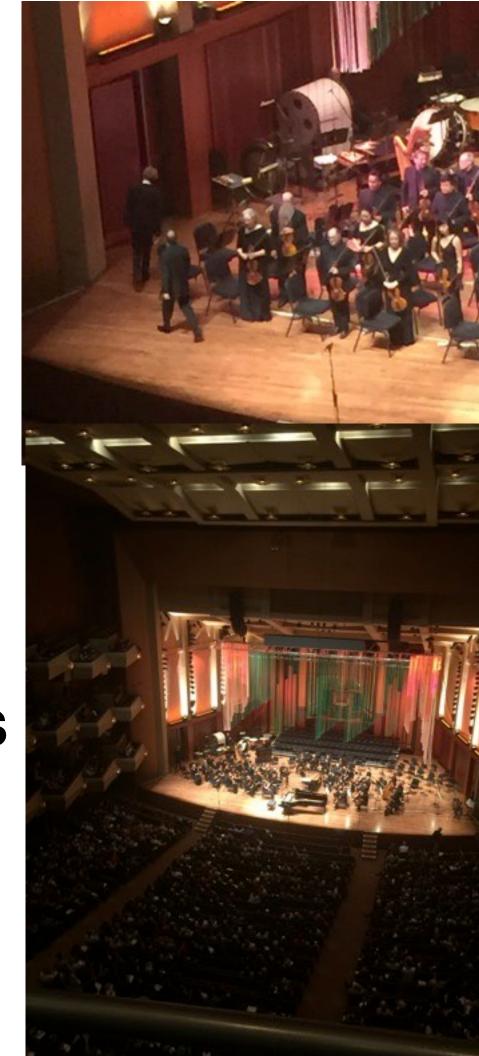
THEN VICKI AND I HAD TO LEAVE TO MAKE THE 7:30 PERFORMANCE AT THE BENAROYA HALL TO HEAR AND SEE JAN LISIECKI AGAIN. THIS TIME WE HAD DISCOUNTED HALF PRICE TICKETS TO "THE SENIOR RUSH." YES, WE GOT A CHANCE TO SEE AND

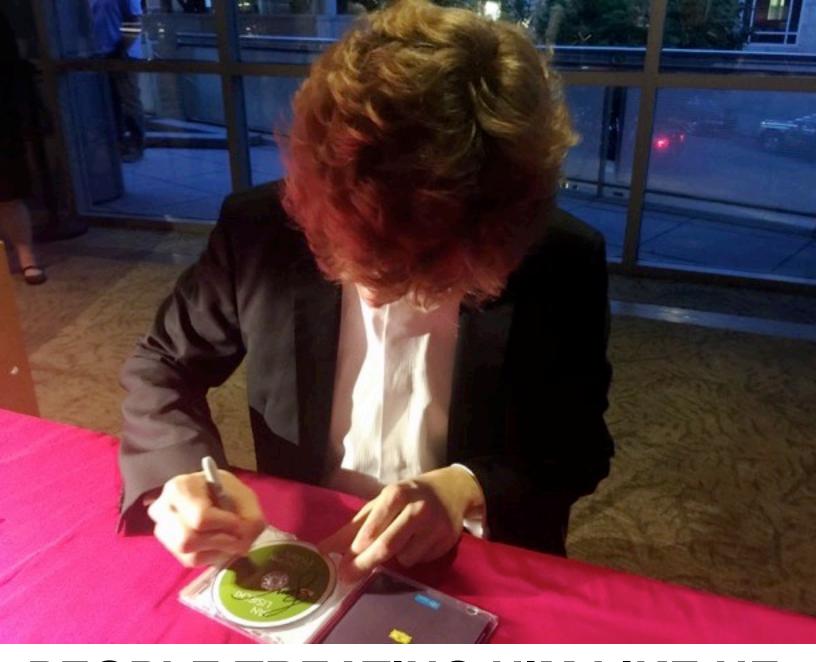


HEAR THIS
YOUNG MAN
AGAIN PLAY
THE MOZART
PIANO
CONCERT 9..
WOW! WHAT
A SHOW!

WOW! THE PEOPLE OF SEATTLE LOVE THIS GUY. ONCE AGAIN AN INSTANT STANDING OVATION...

WE ARE
ALSO VERY
HIGH ON THIS
YOUNG MAN.
YES, WE ARE
GETTING HIS
CD'S.





PEOPLE TREATING HIM LIKE HE IS A ROCK STAR... LONG LINES OF PEOPLE WANTING HIM TO SIGN THEIR PROGRAMS AND ALL THE CDS THAT WERE SOLD BY TWO SALES PEOPLE... IT WAS A SIGHT TO SEE.

YES, JUST LOOK AT HIM. HE IS 6'6" SKINNY GOOD LOOKING KID.

REALLY A TALENT. ONE THAT WE WERE BLESSED TO SEE AND HEAR TWICE.



SEATTLE IS INDEED "AN ADULT DISNEYLAND."
THIS EPISTLE IS DONE.

SO LET IT BE WRITTEN: SO LET IT BE DONE.

LIFE IS GOOD! LOVE IS BETTER!