



"Shoot for the stars and land on the moon?  
I don't think so.

"Shoot for the stars, take a break at the  
moon if you have to - maybe even several  
moons - but keep going for those stars:  
you will reach them."

*Emmanuel*

Bike it Solo Presentations  
by Emmanuel Gentinetta

INSPIRATION...



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Shoot for the stars...you will reach them.



## Bike it Solo

INSPIRATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

by Emmanuel Gentinetta

On a mountain bike!  
Alaska to Argentina  
15 countries  
15,233.98 miles

Two new world records!  
261 days; fastest ever  
18 years old; youngest ever



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## Feel inspired. What others felt...

"An inspiration on wheels, Emmanuel (Manny) Gentinetta had us all spellbound at the October 19 meeting. The slide show and presentation of his solo bike trip from Alaska to the tip of South America earned a standing ovation, the first at the Rotary Club of Salida! He had us all laughing and some of us weeping with the tales of his adventures."

- Rotary Club of Salida, California  
Rotary District 5220

"You are such an inspiration to us. It tells me to set a goal and don't let anything stop me. Thanks."

- Becky, 4th grade student.

"I went to your slide show last night at the PAC at Cal Poly and was blown away. You were right about reaching for the stars, none of us should stop short of our goals. Thanks for being such an inspiration."

- Ernie Lawrence, Cal Poly University.

"It really impressed me that you are young and you achieved all that you did. It was really great to know that there are people out there with so much faith and hope like you."

- Mercedes, Patterson High School

"You visited St. Clair Middle School, and I wanted to thank you from the student body as a whole for your inspiring words. We thought that you must have had some hard times through this trip, and I was perspiring just listening to you, thinking of all the hard work it would be to climb the Andes. Great Job!"

- Danny, St. Clair Middle School, Michigan

# INSPIRATION...

## About Emmanuel and his trip...

Emmanuel Gentinetta was 18 years old when he set out to ride his mountain bike from Alaska to Argentina along the Pan American Highway - the longest road in the world.



The trip had an enormous amount of setbacks, beginning on day three when his riding partner and best friend decided to head back home.

Despite countless bike problems, dog bites, a life-threatening bus accident in Lima, and fatigue from the road, Emmanuel continued the ride alone. With his friends' and family's support, he did not only achieve his dream, but in doing so set two new world records when he completed his trip in March 2000, becoming the youngest and fastest to ever have completed the route.

Emmanuel is a graduate of Cal Poly State University in San Luis Obispo, California, where he studied English and Modern Languages. He has been an inspirational speaker since 2000. He is also a bicycle trip leader in Tuscany and Patagonia for a Bay Area based active-travel company. Currently, Emmanuel is somewhere in the world, working on his book, Bike it Solo.

"I share my story not to say 'Look at what I have done,' but more to say 'Look at what can be done,' to inspire others to go for their dreams." To book a presentation, contact Emmanuel today:

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## Cost, travel, and accommodations...

### NOTES FOR ALL CATEGORIES:

Please note that presentations to schools, service clubs and service club events have reduced costs. Multimedia slide/video presentation length is 70 minutes, but can be adjusted to any available time frame. Presentation can be given in any of Emmanuel's fluent languages: English, Spanish, or Italian.

### REGULAR:

The regular cost of a multimedia slide/video presentation is \$1200.

### SCHOOLS AND SERVICE CLUB EVENTS:

Presentations for ALL SCHOOLS, Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, and service club events have a reduced cost. The cost for presentations in this category is \$400. If you believe your group or organization falls into this category, please let me know.

### SERVICE CLUB MEETINGS:

I do not have a set charge for presentations scheduled during regular meeting times for Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions, and other service clubs. However, anything the club can do to help me with my university studies is greatly appreciated. Passing of the hat (or helmet!) is greatly appreciated and has worked well in the past.

### TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION:

I will pay for up to \$150 of travel cost for regular, school and service club event presentations. Anything over \$150 is to be picked up by the organizing group. As far as accommodations, a comfortable couch for the night is plenty! Thanks!