



# EDMONDS SENIORS KIWANIS - "TIDAL TALES"

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JUNE, 2008

### A Personal Note From The President:

At our board meeting held on May 20<sup>th</sup>, the decision was made to announce at two regular meetings the names the committee is recommending for our club. After this is done there will be a mail secret ballot to all paid members. I hope every member will mark their ballot as to your choice. Instructions on returning your ballot will be enclosed..

The board is also considering several fund raisers this year besides the Taste of Edmonds and our berry sales. Each fund raiser will only be a success if every member gives 100% effort. Success is achieved when we work as a team. I appreciate the support the members have given to your officers and board members.

Our prayers are with Ben Snowdon who had a stroke. He is at the Lake View Garden Convalescent Home located at 10101 N.E. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Kirkland, WA 98034. The phone number is 425-823-2323 and Ben's room number is 62A. Call Ben or better yet, stop by and say hello. He would love to hear from you.

In closing, I would encourage you to contact someone in need and help them. You never know when it might be you that needs help.

*President, Harold Huston*

### Annual Berry Sales Fund Raiser

Once again, it is that time ...."Clayne Berries" are ripening in the Skagit Valley and being readied for sale. This is our largest fund raiser for the year. These berries are farm fresh from the La Conner area and oh so delicious and good for you, too.

The delivery/pick up dates are:

- Strawberries:** June 26<sup>th</sup>
- Raspberries:** July 10<sup>th</sup>
- Blueberries:** July 31<sup>st</sup>

Please make an effort to get friends and family to purchase some of our berries. Monies raised go to our projects. *More money means more projects to help the children of our community.*

(For more information contact Clayne at (206)-542-6351 or at [clayneleitner@hotmail.com](mailto:clayneleitner@hotmail.com))

### NAME OUR CLUB:

As noted above, we will be voting on the name for the club later this month via secret mail in ballots.

The names that will be on the ballot, for your consideration are:

The Kiwanis Club of Edmonds

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Edmonds

The Kiwanis Club of Edmonds Seniors

It is important that you participate in this process. We want to be sure that all voices are heard via the ballot, so be sure to complete and return within 30 days.

Note that the club's history will remain intact and come with the club no matter what name is selected.

### Weekly Kiwanis Meeting:

South County Senior Center  
220 Railroad Ave. Edmonds  
Tuesday at 10 a.m.

### PROGRAMS:

June 3<sup>rd</sup>: Darlene McClellan  
Topic: "Fifty years of art in Edmonds"

June 10<sup>th</sup>: Brian McIntosh  
Topic: "Edmonds Newest Park"

June 17<sup>th</sup>: Lisa Evans  
Topic: "Richmond Beach Rehab Center"

June 24<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Stephen Swedeberg  
Topic: "I, Aye, Eye Doc"

### Inter-Clubs:

**Contact: John Rutter 425-778-6502**

To be announced at the meetings....

### Key Club:

**Contact: Elwin Wright 425-776-2892**

The Meadowdale Key Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 7:15 a.m. in room C-104.

The Meadowdale High Key Club met May 22<sup>nd</sup> and an election was held for officers for next year. They are: President, Amanda, V.P., Sara, Secretary, Tina, Treasurer, Teresa, and Publicity, Tiffany. This year the club has approximately 25 paid up members. Today's attendance numbered about 12. We need to help rejuvenate club...Ideas???

### Other Meetings:

**Board Meeting: June 17, 8:30 a.m. at the SCSC Library.**

### Greeters:

- June 3<sup>rd</sup>: Eleanor Taylor
- June 10<sup>th</sup>: Sue Tomlinson
- June 17<sup>th</sup>: Buck Weaver
- June 24<sup>th</sup>: Bob Withey

### Next Month's Programs:

**Captain: John Rutter**

- Shirley Elliot
- Billy Joe Roberts
- Mary Lou Kantor

### Birthdays /Anniversaries:

- 3<sup>rd</sup>: Yoko and Jim Buchanan
- 8<sup>th</sup>: Joan and Ben Snowdon
- 9<sup>th</sup>: Collette and John Beall
- 22<sup>nd</sup>: Ann and John Rutter



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Mr. Meant - To

Mr. Meant - To has a comrade,  
And his name is Didn't - Do;  
Have you ever chanced to meet them?  
Did they ever call on you?

These two fellows live together  
In the house of Never -Win,  
And I'm told that is haunted  
By the ghost of Might - Have - Been.

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Having an Axe to Grind:

Meaning: Having a hidden agenda.

Background: The expression comes from a story told by Benjamin Franklin. A man once praised Franklin's father's grindstone and asked young Benjamin to demonstrate how the grindstone worked. As Franklin complied, the stranger placed his own ax upon the grindstone, praising the boy for his cleverness and vigor. When the axe was sharpened, the man laughed at Franklin and walked away, giving the boy a valuable lesson about people with "an axe to grind."

From "Honest Abe":

"The best way to destroy your enemy is to make him your friend."



## The Helmet Project for 2008



Work party to sort sizes and place Kiwanis stickers on helmets; George, Harold, Billy Joe, Jim, Bob, Shirley, Mary Lou, and "Mr Helmet" himself, John Rutter. Can you pick out the supervisors?

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Chase Lake Elementary helmet distribution with Kiwanas Jim, Sue, Elwin, Shirley and John. Also pictured are Principal Karen Nilsen and Volunteer Coordinator Vonya King-Norton.



College Park Elementary helmet distribution with Kiwanians Elwin, Mary Lou, Shirley and John with Principal Shelley Habenicht.

A total of 100 helmets were given out this year. A job well done...thanks to John for coordinating and all those willing workers that enable Kiwanis that strive to make our community safer.

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*"There are two ways of spreading light:  
To be a candle or the mirror  
That reflects it."*

*Edith Wharton*

## The Sin of Omission

It isn't the thing you do, dear,  
It's the thing you leave undone  
That give you a bit of heartache  
At the setting sun.

The tender word forgotten,  
The letter you did not write,  
The flowers you did not send, dear,  
Are your haunting ghosts at night.

The stone you might have lifted  
Out of your brother's way:  
The bit of heart-some counsel  
You were hurried too much to say;  
The loving touch of the hand, dear,  
The gentle, winning tone  
Which you had no time nor thought for  
With troubles enough of your own.

Those little acts of kindness  
So easily out of mind,  
Those chances to be angels  
Which we poor mortals find --  
They come in night and silence,  
Each sad, reproachful wraith,  
When hope is faint and flagging,  
And a chill has fallen on faith.

Life is all too short, dear,  
And sorrow is all too great,  
To suffer our slow compassion  
That tarries until too late;  
And it isn't the thing you do, dear,  
It's the thing you leave undone  
Which gives you a bit of heartache  
At the setting of the sun.

Margaret E. Sangster

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**Election of Board Members for Next Term:**

Welcome to our newest board member for the next term Sue Tomlinson.

Also Elwin and Dexter will be helping out again on the board next term.

Homer Cardle was elected to Vice President by a "landslide." Thanks for "volunteering".

We appreciate the willingness of each of you to serve our club and community in this way.

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**GARDEN MARKET FUND RAISER:**

Note that John is organizing a fund raiser at the Edmonds Garden Market, **Selling ICE CREAM.**

**The dates are June 21 and 28 (Sat).**

The Ice Cream Team is comprised of John, Shirely, Jim, Bob, and Elwin. They will be needing help on the above dates.



## "The Story of My Life....Well, some of it." ("The bare naked truth, I swear!")



I was born at Wing Point on Bainbridge Island on November 25, 1928. Our home was new and had one bathroom, 2 bedrooms, a living room, dining room, kitchen, etc. We had a little ferry boat that took us from Wing Point to Seattle. It was named the "Winslow".

My dad was a fisherman; one of the well known Croatian fishermen in Puget Sound. He fished for salmon in the Sound, the San Francisco Bay area for mackerel, Mexico for tuna, and the Gulf of Alaska for herring.



My dad (fedora, on boat) prepping nets with crew

He was only home for three months of the year, but I have many fond memories of him taking me salmon fishing as a youngster.

Mom was busy in another way, raising a family. I was the second of seven siblings and the only one born on Bainbridge: I was born in our home as mom didn't have time to "commute" to the hospital in Seattle. This was back when doctors actually made house calls, even for births...No E.M.T.'s in those days. Our doctor would come for house visits in his big 1926 Buick.

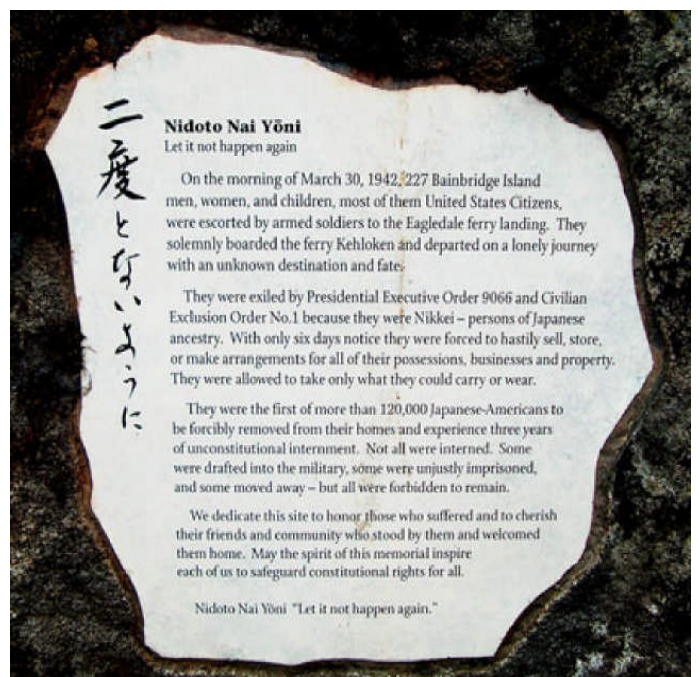
I went to school on the island up to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. One day, when in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, four of us chose to skip school and see our Japanese friends being sent to relocation camps. We walked to Winslow dock and "borrowed" a boat. We rowed to the Eagledale dock where a special ferry boat took them away at a moments notice.



Bainbridge Island High School pupils cut classes to bid farewell to their Japanese American classmates, March 1942

Courtesy Schmid, *Social Trends in Seattle*

We waved goodbye never to see them again. Many of my friends had to leave during this sad time.



The above is a monument at the Eagledale dock in memory of this unfortunate passage in our history.

We rowed back to the docks to be greeted by the sheriff and the boat owner. The boat we used was a skiff that was towed behind a tug, called the "DuPont", that was used to transport dynamite from Seattle to Winslow. Back then, dynamite was used by the farmers to clear out the stumps....but that is another story for later. After we told them what we did the sheriff told us to get back to school right away or else.

We marched back to school, about 3 miles up the road, with stick rifles on our shoulders. School had started and it was around 1 P.M. We marched up and down the football field, trying to be patriotic in honor of our Japanese friends. To our surprise the principal came out and took us in for discipline...two weeks of staying after school for two hours...it was only a 5 mile walk home!!! Two of us would sneak out the window, on occasion, and walk home early. Those were the days...my friends.

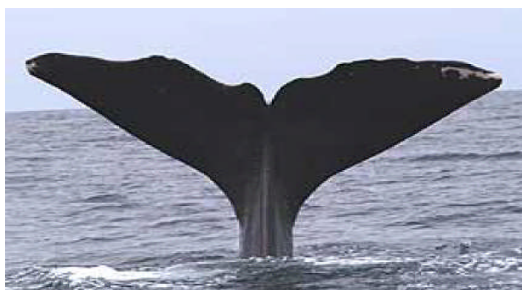


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In the fall of my freshman year I attended Seattle Prep Boy's School where I spent the next four years. I commuted to Seattle everyday on the ferry . Upon graduation I spent the summer herring fishing in Alaska with my dad. This is where I had a close encounter with a very large mammal, a sperm whale. I was tending one end of the net when my skiff raised up on one side almost tipping me over...and then back into the water. And there, right in front of me, it surfaced and slapped its tail on the water as if to say, "that was fun for me, how about you"?



Sperm Whale Flukes

The next year, 1947, I joined the United States Marine Corps but due to the end of world war 2 and the decommissioning of forces, they delayed my active duty until 1949. Following basic training at the San Diego Marine Corps Recruit Depot and rifle training at Camp Matthews, I left for Camp Pendleton and basic infantry training.



I was then assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Signal Operating Company ...and later promoted to sergeant and ran the message center. I had a great time there. During my stint in the Corps, I flew home on a long weekend liberty to get married to my lovely wife Gene. The wedding was on a Friday evening and it was a very beautiful ceremony.

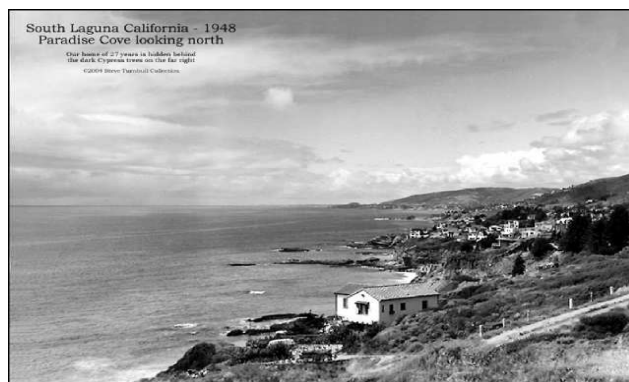


I had to be back at the base by 0700 Monday morning for roll call so we left Saturday morning, right after the ceremony...We drove a 1941 Olds to Laguna Beach where we had a cute cabin.



1941 Oldsmobile 2 Door Sedan

Laguna Beach was a beautiful place to live, just up from the beach. We used to go down to the beach and swim and enjoy the ocean breezes.



South Laguna California - 1948.

I drove to the base every day. My wife worked on the base, at headquarters, so we traveled together. In 1952 I was discharged as a buck sergeant and glad to be getting "home" in the northwest.

Our first home was in Broadview and then to Capital Hill, where we had a beautiful view, and finally to Edmonds where we have lived for the last 22 years.

We spent 40 years in the sporting goods business with "All-Sports Supply Company" where my territory stretched from Bellingham to Seattle to Chehalis and from Bremerton to Port Angeles. I retired after the company was purchased by Avis...as the fun went away.

Gene and I raised four children; Lynn, Mike, Ken and Pat. We have 5 grandchildren and have been married 58 years. It has been a good life.

**Mike Medalia  
Semper Fi**

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**Gracie Allenism:**

"There's so much good in the worst of us, and so many of the worst of us get the best of us, that the rest of us aren't worth even talking about.:"



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## What is a Kiwanian?

"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time."

The name "Kiwanis" means "we trade" or "we share our talents." It was coined from an American Indian expression, Nunc Kee-wanis.

Kiwanians are volunteers changing the world through service to children and communities. Kiwanis members help shelter the homeless, feed the hungry, mentor the disadvantaged, and care for the sick. They develop youth as leaders, build playgrounds, raise funds for pediatric research, and much more. No problem is too big or too small. Why? Because working together, members achieve what one person cannot accomplish alone. When you give a child a chance to learn, experience, dream, and succeed, great things happen! As Kiwanis clubs and members, we see it everyday!

### Membership

- About 8,000 clubs in 96 countries
- More than 260,000 adult members
- Approximately 320,000 youth

### Mission

To serve children of the world.

### Service

Each year, clubs:

- Sponsor nearly 150,000 service projects.
- Raise more than \$107 million.

### Global Results

Members and clubs have contributed more than \$80 million toward the global elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (IDD), the leading preventable cause of mental retardation.

## OUR PROJECTS:

### Young Children: "Priority One" Projects

Little Red School House Activity Supplies,  
 Meadowdale Pre-School  
 Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies  
 Community Services Projects

### Youth Services Projects

Key Club, Meadowdale High School  
 Children's Hospital  
 Elementary School Mentoring  
 Clothes for Kids  
 Bicycle Safety Helmets  
 Student Dictionary Project

### Community Service Projects

Edmonds Food Bank  
 South County Senior Center

### Edmonds Kiwanis Officers:

*President: Harold Huston (425)-771-8201*  
*President Elect: Paul Jacobson (425)-771-8949*  
*V.Pres.: Mary Lou Kantor (425)-712-8085*  
*Secretary: Shirley Elliot (425)-778-0756*  
*Treasurer: Billy Joe Roberts (425)-778-1843*  
*Past Pres.: Ben Snowdon (206)-546-9208*

### Edmonds Kiwanis Board:

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*Mike Medalia (425)-774-5467*  
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*Clayne Leitner (206)-542-6351*  
*Dick Lunstrum (425)-771-4680*  
*Jim Buchanan (425)-778-3033*

### Kiwanis International

**International President: Dave Curry**  
**International Past President: Nelson Tucker**

### Pacific Northwest District

**Governor: Rich Jensen**

### PNW Division 22

**Lt. Governor: Wally Walsh**

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## **Snohomish County Kiwanis Events**

[www.snohomishkiwanis.org/](http://www.snohomishkiwanis.org/)

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### City Of Edmonds Website

<http://www.ci.edmonds.wa.us/>

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### Other activities of Interest for June:

#### **Everett Golden K: June 4, 5, 6**

#### **Rest Stop I-5 North of Smokey Point!**

Coffee and Pastry's **around the clock** (June 4, 5, & 6 from 8am the 4th to 2pm the 6<sup>th</sup>).

#### **Everett Golden K: June 18 and 19**

**Kiwanis Yard Sale** weather permitting at 8708 69th DR NE Marysville, if it is raining we will wait till the next weekend.

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### **PNW District Zone Conference Tri-Cities, WA**



**August 14-16, 2008**