



**EDMONDS KIWANIS**

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August 2009

## Picnic in the Park

Our annual picnic in the park was once again a special time of good food, good fellowship, and even a few laughs. Many of our Kiwanians made it along with their spouses. It was good to see the Sharons, Joy, Ann, Dianne, Ruth, Bill, and Richard. Special guests included Wendy Priest (E-W Key Club Advisor), Kaori Maeda (Key Club Kiwanis scholarship recipient), and Amy Hickey, another old Juneau high school friend of Elwin’s.



**Dianne, Wendy, Dick, Kaori,  
Sharon and Frank**

As always, the Set-Up Committee, lead by the intrepid Ray Roe, did an outstanding job of organizing and executing the event. Helping Ray to ease the picnic stress syndrome were Mattie, Clayne, and Dick. This years chicken recipe was outstanding, the strawberry shortcake was scrumptious, and the coffee...well, we need a Norski to make it a wee bit stronger. Oh yes, all those wonderful plates of food, salads, etc. our members brought, they were absolutely fabulous. **Thanks again to Ray, Dick, Mattie and Clayne.**



**Buck, Ray, and Clayne;  
Ready to dismantle the banner**

## Weekly Kiwanis Meeting:

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

**VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME.**

## AUGUST PROGRAMS:

**Aug 4:** Carolyn LaFave, “Taste of Edmonds”

Festival overview and gate training.

**Aug 11:** Nick Stack, “Common auto accidents and how to handle”

**Aug 18:** Jonalyn Woolf-Ivry, “Sno-Isle Regional Library System”

**Aug 25:** Mike Suhara, “Aerospace Technology; protecting equipment”

**Sept. Captain: Dexter Miller**

(425-744-2346)

**Roe, Cardle, Henry, Kosola**

## Greeters:

4th: Dick Cassutt

11th: Seamus Dooley

18th: George Frankovich

25th: Susan Henry

“WEAR A SMILE”

## Celebrations:

5<sup>th</sup> Loretta Huston

6<sup>th</sup> Eleanor Taylor

8<sup>th</sup> Paul Jacobson

11<sup>th</sup> Dianne Suhara

17<sup>th</sup> Buck Weaver



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## Annual Berry Drive Update



**Shirley, Clayne and Elwin with a happy customer**

According to “Mr. Berry Drive”, Clayne Leitner, this years berry sales have been good in spite of the economy, thanks to our many loyal customers and some new ones. In fact, Clayne reports that we have 19 new participants, due largely in part to the article that Sharon submitted to the local newspapers.

The status to date is:

Strawberries: 98 - 15# pails  
Raspberries: 50 - 14# pails  
Blueberries: 183 - 10# boxes (projected)

**Remember: This Thursday is Blueberry pickup time!!!**

## TASTE OF EDMONDS:

**August 14, 15, 16th:**

Shirley and Mary Lou are the co-leaders for our involvement in the “Taste” this year. Please see them regarding the jobs that you are able to perform and times you are available to help with this club fund raiser. Sign up sheets for the various days is available. **Training session August 4<sup>th</sup>**

## New Club Jackets



Our first jacket order, for our new club jackets, has been released. If you are interested in obtaining a jacket, see Marylou or Clayne regarding the various styles, cost, and ordering information.

## Welcome Main Street Insurance



Welcome “**MAIN STREET INSURANCE**” and Mike McGinness, Edmonds Allstate agent, as our newest Kiwanis sponsor. Allstate provides a wide variety of products to cover any of your insurance needs. Mike and his friendly, knowledgeable team specialize in home and auto insurance and believe their costs are the most competitive in the area.

We appreciate Mike’s support for the Kiwanis mission through his generous donation. It is this kind of support that enables us to get our message out and continue to grow our club so Kiwanis can keep changing the world one child and one community at a time.

THANKS MIKE!!!

**Note: Main Street Insurance is conveniently located at 214 Main Street, just across from the post office. Stop in and say hello. “You’re in good hands”.**



**Do you know this man???**

Sure you do!!! Remember these old classics that he still sings???

“I left my heart in Mukilteo”, “Catch a pickled herring”, “Lena got run over by a reindeer”, “Walking in my winter underwear”, “Oh, Lutefisk”, “The ballad of Ole Swenson”, “Just don’t look good naked anymore”, and that thought provoker... “If it wasn’t for your father would your mother be your mother”. He’s the King of Scandinavian Humor and still going strong at almost 85.



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**THE LIFE AND TIMES  
OF SCOTT PHARISS**  
(The condensed version)

Scott Tyler Phariss was born November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1960 at Healdsburg General Hospital, Healdsburg, California. Born into of family eventually totaling 3 children. Mother of German, English and Norwegian descent, and a father of Cherokee Native American descent. I graduated in 1978 from Healdsburg Senior High School, after enjoying a five year Football Program, as a starting Fullback for the “Greyhounds”.



I entered the United States Coast Guard in 1979, and served in the areas of Search and Rescue on the West Coast, and Law Enforcement and Drug Interdiction in the Gulf of Mexico.



I earned a Degree in Religious Doctrine through the Berean Bible College in 1983, while in the Military.



Upon receiving an Honorable Discharge, served as the Administrator for the opening of a new private Christian School in Key West, Florida, the Tabernacle Christian Academy in 1983 through 1984, which I also helped to build.

After working for nearly four years in the Ministry, I moved with my wife and two children to California from Key West.

I worked in retail management while in California, and in 1992, moved to Orlando, Florida where I entered the Construction Management field full-time. I worked in the construction industry for several years, and became a Certified, Licensed General Contractor in Florida, a license I still hold. After constructing over 400 homes, town homes and commercial units, I moved to the Seattle area in September of 2000.

Having remarried in 1992, I now have a family with 4 children, two boys and two girls. My wife is a three time Emmy Award winning Documentary Film Maker, my oldest son recently graduated from the University of California, Davis, my oldest daughter is attending Nursing School at the Shoreline Community College, my youngest daughter will be attending Bishop Blanchet High School in the Fall, and my youngest son will be starting fourth grade at Saint Luke School in Shoreline.

I have been networking and consulting in Construction in the Shoreline area since we moved here in 2000. I attended business school in 2003, and completed a Business Management Program in 2006.

I have been using my construction background as a platform to develop a Real Estate Business, and have moved to the Windermere Real Estate Brokerage in Shoreline since 2008.



My hobbies include running, hiking, auto tinkering, motorcycle customizing /riding, weight lifting, reading novels and classics, scuba diving, mountain climbing, and actively participating in my children’s education and lives.



Scott on Mt. Rice

North of Juneau

Seattle to Portland  
200 mile ride

My major life influences have been my time in the ministry, working with my General Contractor Grandfather, Ben Case, who lived and worked in the Waterville, Wenatchee area, my many adventures in the U.S. Coast Guard, and the rewards I have enjoyed working in community service throughout the years.

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We are pleased that Scott decided to channel his energy and heart for service with our Kiwanis Club. He is a welcomed addition and has already been active on service projects and fund raisers. He also recruited Susan Henry. **Welcome Scott!!!**

### **Beware of bankrupt retailers bearing discounts**

You may have seen this recently: A retail store goes out of business and suddenly becomes the most popular place in town. With huge advertised savings (“Entire store up to 70% off!”), it’s Black Friday Part Two. Here’s the question: If you buy there, are you really getting a bargain?

#### **Deals may be only skin deep**

Those deep discounts may be purely cosmetic. Bankrupt stores will often significantly raise prices before the fire sale begins. Bargain hunters can end up paying more than they would have before the liquidation.

Here’s a recent example. A bankrupt store was selling a specific model of TV for \$2,520 when it was available at other retailers for \$1,975. The store took their advertised discount (10%) off of the manufacturer’s suggested retail price of \$2,800, rather than their own pre-sale price.

#### **Beware the liquidator**

The liquidating store may not be the store you knew. A liquidation company usually takes over for the bankruptcy sale. They’re experts at extracting value from a dying retailer to repay creditors.

By advertising big discounts, liquidators create a “beat the rush” mentality early in the sale. This allows them to maximize profit from customers who let enthusiasm trump caution.

#### **What you can do: Shop defensively**

Fortunately, there are some simple steps you can follow to make sure you get your money’s worth:

- **Compare prices online.** The Internet makes it easy to check out a supposed bargain. Just search for your potential purchase on a competitor’s website. Or you can use a price search engine like [Google Product Search\\*](#) or [PriceGrabber\\*](#).
- **Pay attention to model numbers.** Is the store selling last year’s products at this year’s prices?
- **Inspect the product.** The bankrupt store won’t take returns. If something comes out of the packaging broken, your only recourse is the manufacturer’s warranty. That can be highly inconvenient if you’re required, for instance, to ship a big-screen TV back to the factory.
- **Avoid products you can’t find elsewhere.** “Everything must go” applies to inventory that’s been in the back for years. If you see a huge stack of a product, there’s probably a reason the store still has it when no one else does.
- **Keep your cool.** Avoid the impulse buying the liquidator is counting on. If you didn’t need a product when the store was in business, you probably don’t need it now.
- **Stick to basics.** Simple products are more likely to be bargains. You don’t need the Internet to tell if you’re getting a deal on some towels or a desk calendar. Big-ticket items are usually the biggest risk.

Remember, the store probably didn’t go under by selling superior products at great prices. You’re dealing with professionals trying to squeeze the last bit of value from a failed business. Shop defensively, and you can easily avoid overpaying for something no one wanted. (extracted from Vanguard)



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## KEY CLUB NEWS:



No Key Club activities to report until school restarts this fall. However, there is some news that will impact this element of our Kiwanis Club...the scholarship committee.

### Scholarship Committee:

Elwin Wright is chairing our scholarship committee for the coming year. The committee is charged with putting together a reasonable and practical process for awarding scholarships to deserving students.

Joining Elwin on this new committee are Dick Cassutt, John Rutter, Jim Buchanan and Susan Henry.

### “BrainFit For Life”

The South County Senior Center is honored to host Dr. Simon J. Evans, PhD., who shares his studies on brain “fitness” and proven principles to keep your mind keen. He will help you discover how the right nutrients, physical activity, mental activities and rest can increase your odds of staying mentally sharp.

**Presentation will be Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup> from 1 P.M. to 2 P.M. at the SCSC.**

The cost for this special event is FREE for SCSC members and \$4 for nonmembers. Register for this interesting and important presentation at the Front Desk.

### BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:

At our July board meeting, adjustments were made to our “giving” for the fiscal 2008-09 year.

We upped our contributions as follows:

- Dale Turner YMCA: \$500 for a total of \$1000.
- Delta Foundation: \$500 “ “ “ “ \$1000.
- Louis Braille School: \$250 “ “ “ “ \$500.

These added contributions were made possible by the extra monies made available by the Crab Feed project. Just another example of how we can make “good things” happen to improve life for children in our community.

**THANKS for your hard work!!!**

## Edmonds Kiwanis Officers:

- President: Paul Jacobson* (425)-771-8949
- Pres. Elect: Mary Lou Kantor* (425)-712-8085
- V.Pres.: Homer Cardle* (425)-776-9772
- Secretary: Shirley Elliot* (425)-778-0756
- Treasurer: Billy Joe Roberts* (425)-778-1843
- Past Pres.: Harold Huston* (425)-771-8201

## Edmonds Kiwanis Board:

- Seamus Dooley* (425)-640-0640
- Dexter Miller* (425)-744-2346
- Elwin Wright* (425)-776-2892
- John Rutter* (425)-778-6502
- Clayne Leitner* (206)-542-6351
- Jim Buchanan* (425)-778-3033

## PNW Division 22:

- Lt. Governor: Larry Merwin** (425)-478-0270

## Calendar of Events :

### Taste of Edmonds Kiwanis Yellow Gate

August 14-16

**Aug 13-16: PNW District Convention**  
Medford, Oregon

**Aug 18: Board Meeting, SCSC, 8:30**

“Do more than belong: participate.  
 Do more than care: help.  
 Do more than believe: practice.  
 Do more than be fair: be kind.  
 Do more than forgive: forget.  
 Do more than dream: work”.

William Arthur Ward

## Trivial but Interesting?

More Americans have died in auto accidents than have died in all the wars ever fought by the United States.

There are more then 1000 chemical compounds in a cup of coffee.



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These are the local businesses that help support the Kiwanis' mission in Edmonds.

*Remember to patronize our loyal supporters!!!*

### **ARISTA Wine Cellars**

320 5<sup>th</sup> Ave South,  
Edmonds  
772-7008

*“Great Finds with Vintage Service”*

Wine Tasting every Sat. 1 - 4:30

### **Beck's Funeral Home**

405 5<sup>th</sup> Ave South,  
Edmonds 771-1234

*“Restlawn Memorial Park”*

### **Edmonds Frame Design & Atelier**

514 C Fifth Ave South,  
Edmonds 771-6520

*“All your framing needs will be  
attended to with care and  
professionalism.”*

### **Las Brisas**

*“Mexican & American Style and Flavor”*

120 West Dayton,  
Edmonds 672-5050

### **WALNUT STREET COFFEE**

410 Walnut St.,  
Edmonds 774-5962

*“Your neighborhood coffee shop”*

### **ARNIE's Restaurant**

300 Admiral Way,  
Edmonds 771-5688

*“Pacific Northwest Favorites”*

**Early Bird Specials**

4-6 p.m.

Saturday-Friday

### **Dayton Dental**

**Dr. Brian Cave**  
555 Dayton St.,  
Edmonds  
672-7272

### **Reliable Floor Covering**

542 Main St.,  
Edmonds  
778-1121

### **The UPS Store**

23632 Highway 99,  
Edmonds  
775-2211  
Store #1476

Contact **Buck Weaver** for details  
on placing an ad in this newsletter.  
(425-774-3568)

### **Allstate Insurance**

Mike McGinness  
Main Street Insurance  
214 Main Street  
Edmonds  
774-4488

*“You're in good hands”*

### **Edward Jones Investment**

Alan E. Lawrence  
107 5<sup>th</sup> Ave North,  
Edmonds  
670-1988

*“Making Sense of Investing”*

### **Shepherd & Shepherd Attorneys**

112 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave South,  
Edmonds  
776-1155

### **Richmond Beach Rehab.**

*An AVAMERE community*  
19235 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW  
Shoreline  
206-546-2666

*“To Enhance the life  
of every person we serve.”*

### **The Bank of Washington**

202 5<sup>th</sup> Ave South,  
Edmonds 776-2265

*“Quality Local Banking”*

## **OUR SERVICE, OUR COMMITMENT, OUR PROJECTS**

### **Young Children: “Priority One”**

“Little Red School House”

Activity Supplies, Meadowdale Pre-School

“WithinReach” (aka, healthy moms, healthy babies)

“The Smile Train”

### **Youth Services**

Edmonds-Woodway High School Key Club

Meadowdale High School Key Club

“Children's Hospital”

Elementary School Mentoring

“Clothes for Kids”

Bicycle Safety Helmets

Student Dictionary Project

“Dale Turner” YMCA

### **Community Service**

Edmonds Food Bank

South County Senior Center

