



EDMONDS SENIORS KIWANIS - "TIDAL TALES"

"Changing the world one child and one community at a time"

February, 2008

A personal note from the President's pen :

First, let me express my personal thanks to all the members who have filled out the Edmonds Kiwanis first annual performance review survey. My goal is to have the best and most friendly club in our district. This can only be accomplished if each member gives 100%. Your constructive criticism is most welcome.

Second, I hope everyone signs up to attend our Founders Day Luncheon to be held on February 26th. This gives all of us an opportunity to take our best outfit out of mothballs for one day. I know the men will have a bigger problem then the ladies with this challenge.

Third, at our January 15th meeting we had a lot of members who were absent. When I got home from the meeting I called each member who was absent to get a first hand report of the circumstance. In my opinion this is a very important part of our club...follow up. We must let every member know they are missed and are needed at each meeting. Also, to find out if we can help them.

Last, I want to thank Paul, Mary Lou, and Shirley for attending the Division Council Meeting with me on January 10th at Snohomish. We were in a terrific rain storm, but Paul did a great job of driving. The meeting was well attended and a lot of special projects were discussed by each club.

I want to wish every member and your family a very Happy New Year for 2008. I'm looking forward to the many challenges we will be facing.

President Harold Huston

New Supporter Welcomed !

Barbara Mercer, of "Edmonds Frame Design & Atelier", has joined in supporting our club by becoming one of our valued advertisers.

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Welcome Barbara.....and thanks for your support of Kiwanis and our mission.

2008 AARP "Defensive Driving" Classes

Classes are held at the South County Senior Center, 220 Railroad Ave. in Edmonds and taught by Elaine Hinze.

Classes are Wednesday and Thursday, 1-5 PM. You must attend both classes to receive credit.

Class Dates:

Jan. 16, 17	Feb. 20, 21	Mar. 19, 20
April 16, 17	May 21, 22	June 18, 19
July (No class)	Aug. 20, 21	Sept. 17, 18
Oct. 17,18	Nov. 19, 20	Dec. (No class)

Cost is \$10.00. Questions, call Elaine at (425-778-8128)

"You live more fully once you realize that any time spent being unhappy is wasteful."

Ruth E. Renkl

Weekly Kiwanis Meeting:

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

Programs:

Captain: Buck Weaver (425-774-3568)

Feb. 5th : Dr. George "Strangelove" Bardsley

Topic: Nuclear Energy

Feb. 12th : Ed Bremer

Topic: KSER FM Programs

Feb. 19th : Gary Nelson

Topic: Snohomish County Progress

Feb. 26th: **NO MEETING, Founder's Lunch**

Inter-Clubs:

Contact: John Rutter(425-778-6502)

Feb. 7th: North Central at 12, Marie Callendar's, 9538 1st Ave NE, Northgate.

Feb. 12th: Northgate at 12, Berkshire Grill, 2132 N. Northgate Way.

Feb. 22nd: Everett Evergreen, 7:00am, Evergreen Bowling, 5111 Claremont Way

Key Club:

Contact: Elwin Wright (425-776-2892)

Other Meetings:

Board Meeting: Feb. 19th, 8:30 a.m. at the SCSC Library.

Greeters:

Feb. 5th : Elaine Hinze

Feb. 12th : Richard Kosola

Feb. 19th : Clayne Leitner

Feb. 26th : Dottie Lund

Next Month's Programs:

Captain: Dexter Miller (425- 744-2346)

Ray Roe 206-542-2913

Dorothea Forrest 425-776-2892

Ben Snowden 206-546-9208

Mike Medalia 425-774-5467

Henry Odell 425-778-5238

Birthdays /Anniversaries:

3rd : George Bardsley

5th : Sue Tomlinson

7th : Mattie Martin

7th : Diane and Frank Suhara (A)

10th: Mary Lou

14th: Ben Snowden

16th: Carole Jacobson

17th: Sharon Leitner

19th: Loretta and Harold Huston (A)

22nd: Gene and Mike Medalia (A)

25th: Homer Cardle

27th: Billy Joe Roberts

27th: Ruth and Billy Joe Roberts (A)

28th: Dick Lunstrum

Lucy Claussen, wife of past President Ken Claussen, passed away late December at 96.



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President Elect: Paul Jacobson (425-771-8949)

V.Pres.: Mary Lou Kantor (425-712-8085)

Secretary: Shirley Elliot (425-778-0756)

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Past Pres.: Ben Snowdon (206-546-9208)

Edmonds Kiwanis Board:

Dorothy Lund (425-673-1144)

Dexter Miller (425-744-2346)

Mike Medalia (425-774-5467)

John Rutter (425-778-6502)

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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community at a time.**

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

City Of Edmonds Website

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

**"Blessed is he who has learned to laugh at
himself, for he shall never cease to be
entertained." John Bowell**

Snohomish County Kiwanis Events....

www.snohomishkiwanis.org/



A Mini-Bio: Dexter Miller

Mother and dad were raised on farms in southern Illinois but moved to Wisconsin after their marriage. We then to Menominee, Michigan where I grew up. We were a family of ten children; 6 girls and 4 boys.

High school graduation for me was in 1938. Dad was a day laborer, working in the paper mills. Depressions years, I ended up in the C.C.C. for 18 months. A little later I moved to Milwaukee and worked for the Heil Co. when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. I enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served 5 years, going from apprentice seam to Chief Electricians Mate.



Young and Serious Man in Uniform

I was discharged in December, 1946 and enrolled in Bible college and met a beautiful young lady, Ruth, from Cleveland. We were married in 1949 and graduated from Greenville College in Illinois in 1951. Three years later I got my Master of Divinity from Drew Theological School in Madison, N.J.

We worked together in Methodist Churches for 34 years, serving the Lord in Pennsylvania, New York, and in Minnesota (1956-1985). After retiring in 1985 we had 12 years on a part time basis as Pastor of Visitation.

There were about 4 years in Kiwanis at Chisholm, Mn., the home of the "Iron Man", then a gap of 11 years.





Where I retired in '85 and moved to Fairmont, Mn., I again joined Kiwanis and have been active since then. I also joined the V.F.W. after retirement and have transferred membership to both since moving to Edmonds in 2005.

It is a privilege and a pleasure to be here. We also volunteer at the Edmonds Food Bank about 5 to 6 times a week.

Ruth and I have been married for 58 years. We have been blessed with 6 children, 15 grandchildren, and 6 great grandchildren. We have sung in school and church choirs for years. We love to read and walk and really appreciate this beautiful area, plus being near 4 of our 6 children and their families.



Happy Man and Happy Wife!

Through the years we have found the Lord to be faithful, helpful, and meeting our needs. There have been many beautiful Christian friends in communities small and large. WE have been blessed with trips to Europe, Israel, and Egypt, as well as seeing many parts of our great land. We thank the Lord for His mercies and blessings each and every day.

Reflections on Golf:

Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle, followed by a good bottle of beer.

An interesting thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play; it is always possible to get worse.

The best wood in most amateurs' bags is the pencil.

If you find you do not mind playing golf in the rain, the snow, even during a hurricane, here's a valuable tip: your life is in trouble.

Golf's a hard game to figure. One day you'll go out and slice it and shank it, hit into all the traps and miss every green. The next day you go out and for no reason at all you really stink.

Golf is the only sport where the most feared opponent is you.
