



# EDMONDS SENIORS KIWANIS - "TIDAL TALES"

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### A Personal Note From The President:

The members have spoken and we have listened to them on changing the name of our Kiwanis Club. The ballots have mailed to every member. PLEASE mark your ballot and put it in the mail as soon as possible. The election committee will count the ballots on July 1. My goal is 100% of the members vote. This is your club.

I had a long talk with Past President Ben Snowdon who is recovering from a stroke and pneumonia at Lakeview Garden Convalescent Home. He is anxious to go home but unhappy his doctor ordered his driving license revoked. This is something all of us will have to face in the future. Remember Ben in your prayers. His son Wayne told me how happy he was getting the card signed by all the members.

My appreciation to all the new members who have agreed to serve on one of our committees. This is what Kiwanis means; working together as a team with everyone giving 100% effort. Let me know if I can help you in your committee assignments. I count it a privilege and honor to serve as your president.

President Harold  
427-771-820

### Berry Forecast:

#### July is the big month for our berry sales drive:

**July 10<sup>th</sup> is Raspberries July 31<sup>st</sup> it is Blueberries**

We need to be "selling" our berries to our friends, neighbors, and anyone who wants a really good deal on these healthy and prime quality products. When I say a good deal...just compare the price per pound to what you would pay at COSTCO...We Compete with Their Price and the product is straight from the farm.

This is our biggest fund raiser of the year. Let's make sure we strive to make this the best year ever...



### Through this door!!!

Open this door and you will find one of our long time and faithful advertising sponsors....Alan Lawrence of Edward Jones. We appreciate the generosity and continued support for our mission to help the children of OUR community and the world.

Alan's office is at 107 5<sup>th</sup> Ave North, Edmonds (670-1988)

### Weekly Kiwanis Meeting:

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

### PROGRAMS:

**Captain: John Rutter**

July 1: "Clothes for Kids" with Director Mark Smith...talking about... What does our years of support do for them, do for us?

July 8: Turkey Today. It's just not a meal... Modern travels in an ancient country with Eleanor and Dick Taylor.

July 15: "Addiction, Lack of Willpower or a Disease Process?" HBO DVD - John Rutter.

July 22: Picnic in the Park - Our Annual Event.

July 29: Our Own NW Kiwanis Governor, Rich Jensen. All the way from Tacoma, just for us!

### Inter-Clubs:

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

**To be announced at the meetings....**

### Key Club:

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

**SUMMER BREAK, Yippee!!!**

### Other Meetings:

**Board Meeting: July 15, 8:30 a.m. at the SCSC Library.**

**Division Council: July 10, 7:00 p.m. at the Edmonds Senior Center Library.**

### Greeters:

July 1: Elwin Wright  
July 8: George Bardsley  
July 15: Jim Buchanan  
July 22: Homer Cardle  
July 29: Shirley Elliot

### Next Month's Programs:

**Captain: Buck Weaver 425-774-3568**

Frank Suhara  
Al Rutledge  
Matty Martin  
Eleanor Taylor

### Birthdays /Anniversaries:

July 1: Bettina Weaver  
July 6: Don Williams  
July 7: Clayne Leitner  
July 13: Sharon and Clayne Leitner  
July 18: Shirley Elliot  
July 20: George Frankovich

### Interesting and Mind Boggling Information Needed:

If you have material that meets the above criteria, please send an email to the publisher of Tidal Tales. Also, if you have a picture you think might be a welcome addition to our newsletter, send the old boy JPEG. Help Wanted©.



## Matty's Story

Written by  
Joyce

Matthew Martin was born February 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918 in New York City. WW I raged in Europe and the great flu epidemic was taking its toll of civilians worldwide. When Matty was five years old, he and his parents moved to their new house built on the sands of the beach of the Atlantic Ocean in Brooklyn, NY. Ocean liners and freighters sailed past his beach into and out of New York harbor teasing his imagination with the lore of the sea. Summer vacations from school Matty spent on the beach swimming, canoeing into the shipping lanes, lazing in the sands, too intense to remember to come home for lunch. His mother searched him out and brought lunch to him!



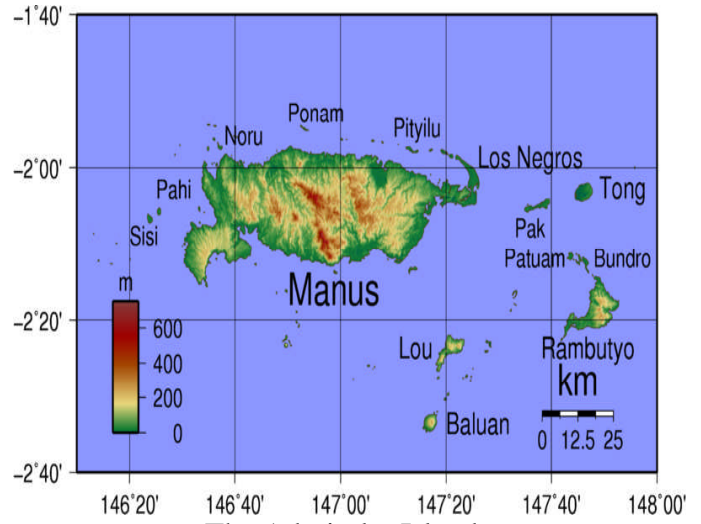
Captain's Pier, Foot of 20th Avenue, 1922

It was only natural that when WWII came along Matty enlisted in the Navy. Instead of sea duty after boot camp, he was assigned to aviation mechanics school in Jacksonville, Fl for six months followed by another six months working on airplane engines at Sand Point Naval Air Station, Seattle. While in Seattle, Matty met Joyce, a student at the University of Washington.



In March of 1944 Matty embarked on a troop ship at San Bruno, CA headed for the South Seas, landing at Los Negros Island, part of the Admiralty Islands.

Joyce had to resort to the Seattle Public Library to find a map large enough to show where Los Negros was located! There at "two degrees below the equator", he worked seven days a week readying planes for combat.



The Admiralty Islands

Part of the time he was sent to Biak, another small island, where he flew as flight mechanic in various patrol aircraft. At war's end he was in Guam.

Matty was discharged from the Navy October 31, 1945 on Long Island, NY and 18 days later he was in Minnesota where he and Joyce were married.



They returned to Brooklyn, NY via Denver and Washington, DC. After an intense job search he was employed as a power house electrician at the Brooklyn Navy Yard for almost a year.

A new program opened up at Floyd Bennett Naval Air Station, NY to continue the training of Reserve pilots, aviation mechanics, and other enlisted rates. "Station-keepers" were needed to run the program so Matty reenlisted in the Navy Reserve. He went back to flying as flight mechanic in various planes, but especially in the PBYS which he dearly loved.



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PBY "Catalina" landing near Jacksonville

In 1950 he voluntarily transferred to Sand Point NAS, Seattle where he spent ten years. He continued his flight status in various types of patrol aircraft. The last five years he was in charge of Air Crew Training. During this time Matty and Joyce built their house in Shoreline. Square dancing was their main recreation at this time.

In 1960 Matty was transferred to NAS Jacksonville, FL for his final three years where he continued in Air Crew Training. During this time he put Joyce through Jacksonville University using his Navy flight pay. She got her BA in mathematics, which led to her 20 years of teaching in secondary schools in Shoreline, WA. He says it was the best investment he ever made!

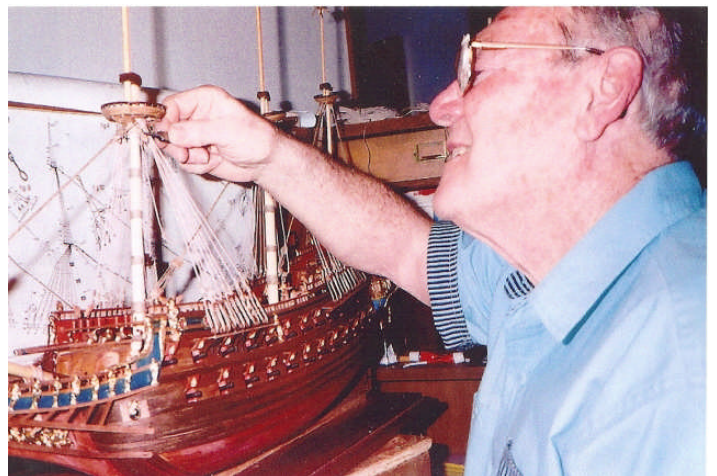
Three children were born to them—two in New York and one in Seattle. All are the adventuresome type. Son Richard joined the Marines and became a helicopter pilot and is at present a Seattle Fire Fighter. Daughter Carol became one of the first female Seattle Fire Fighters. Daughter Ruth became a skier, rock climber and presently is a white water kayaker.



After 20 years in the Navy Matty retired and went to work for the University of Washington for the next 17 years as a technician in the Genetics Department, maintaining all lab equipment. Weekends were spent building their cabin on a high bluff overlooking Port Susan Bay of Puget Sound. He even built a tramway in order to get from the cabin down to the beach and to his sailboat which he had also built.



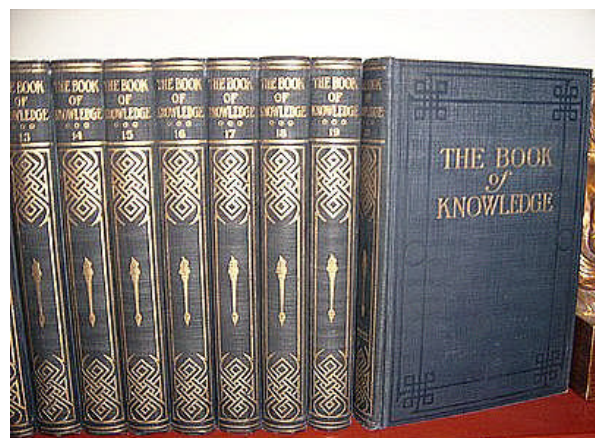
Travel highlighted the next 30 years, visiting England, Italy, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Japan, Australia, New Zealand besides Canada, Mexico and the United States. While in Sweden Matty and Joyce visited the museum which houses the "Vasa", a man-of-war, pride of the Swedish navy built during the 1600's. The "Vasa" sank on its maiden voyage and stayed submerged until 1961 when it was resurrected from its cold muddy grave. It was of particular interest as Matty had just finished a four year project of building a model of that warship. He was pleased to see that his model truly replicated every detail of the original.



Master ship-builder rigging the Swedish warship Vasa

Over the years Matty pursued many hobbies which included model railroading, model shipbuilding, model airplanes, photography complete with dark room, wine making, and most recently stained glass projects.

He has always been an avid reader of mostly non-fiction, preferring books of the sea and war stories besides technical material. At age nine his parents gave him a set of the Book of Knowledge encyclopedia in order to answer his many questions at the time. To this day when certain subjects are discussed Matty can denote which volume of the Book of Knowledge where he first read about them.



After both Matty and Joyce retired they moved to a new development called Harbour Pointe in Mukilteo. There they have put down new roots. Winters are spent in Arizona where Matty pursues his swimming, his hobbies and meeting new friends.

**Life is good.**



### Edmonds Night Out:

In addition to our Club's financial support of Edmonds Night Out, we will be represented at this family friendly event set for July 29 5-8 PM.

We will have a Kiwanis table, with our new banner, and will be handing out **Kiwanis/National Traffic Safety Administration Bookmarks**.

We will also have 350 **Matt Hasslebeck Poster**, emphasizing "Click it or Ticket", to hand out ...a freebie from the State!

Interested in helping out at Edmonds Night out??? Contact Elwin Wright...he can use the help. Plus...you can get a free hot dog and meet a lot of fun kids. (info provided by EW)

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### **You shouldn't pronounce the "e" in "not my forte."**

Some people insist that it's an error to pronounce the word "forte" in the expression "not my forte" as if French-derived "forte" were the same as the Italian musical term for "loud": "for-tay." But the original French expression is *pas mon fort*, which not only has no "e" on the end to pronounce—it has a silent "t" as well. It's too bad that when we imported this phrase we mangled it so badly, but it's too late to do anything about it now. If you go around saying what sounds like "that's not my fort," people won't understand what you mean.

However, those who use the phrase to mean "not to my taste" ("Wagnerian opera is not my forte") are definitely mistaken. Your forte is what you're good at, not just stuff you like.

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### Garden Market Ice Crème Bars

Yep , it was a muggy day. We learned a few things....about dry ice, and "marketing"...a fair crowd of lookers and wanderers were out and about.



### Our Tent, Banner, and Eleanor

We only operated from 9:00 to 2:00...another hour would have helped us. Thanks to Clayne, Shirley, Eleanor, Seamus. Henry, Richard, Dorothea, Dick, John, and Elwin. We all believe we do best when "Mother Nature" turns on the Sun! We are set to go again on the 28th. By the by....ANY MEMBER is warmly greeted at the stand so c'mon down!! Try a bar....they are SO GOOD!  
(article and photo contributed by EW)

### Old Time Campaign Rhetoric???:

You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.

You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.

You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.

You cannot lift the wage earner up by pulling the wage payer down.

You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.

You cannot build character and courage by taking away men's initiative and independence.

You cannot help men permanently by doing for them, what they could and should do for themselves.

Abraham Lincoln

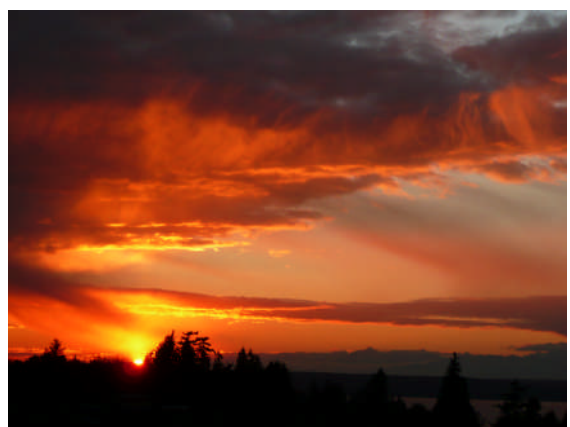
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### Waterfront Arts and Craft:

With the first Waterfront Arts/Crafts "affair" behind us, we have committed to three more sessions: the first Sunday afternoon of July (6), August(3), and September (7).

We plan to proceed with the sale of our unique toy "Ferry Boats", the **Gasoline Raffle for a \$50 gas card**, plus the sale of the "Bird Nesting" item offered up by Elaine.

Our presence does give some positive exposure for our Kiwanis Club and could be an entree for potential new members or support for our club activities through sponsorships. (article by EW)



### Edmonds Sunset

**July** is the seventh month of the year in the Gregorian Calendar and one of seven Gregorian months with the length of 31 days. It is, on average, the warmest month within most of the Northern hemisphere, and the coldest month within much of the Southern hemisphere. July was renamed for Julius Caesar, who was born in that month. Previously, it was called Quintilis in Latin, since it was the fifth month in the ancient Roman calendar, before January became the first month of the calendar year (the year when displayed as twelve months in order) during the time of the decemvirs about 450 BC. July starts on the same day of the week as April every year, and January in leap years. In case you wondered☺.



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## FOR THOSE WHO LOVE THE PHILOSOPHY OF AMBIGUITY

(contributed by Elwin)

DON'T SWEAT THE PETTY THINGS AND DON'T PET THE SWEATY THINGS.

ATHEISM IS A NON-PROPHET ORGANIZATION.

IF MAN EVOLVED FROM MONKEYS AND APES, WHY DO WE STILL HAVE MONKEYS AND APES?

I WENT TO A BOOKSTORE AND ASKED THE SALESWOMAN, 'WHERE'S THE SELF-HELP SECTION?' SHE SAID IF SHE TOLD ME, IT WOULD DEFEAT THE PURPOSE.

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO HYPOTHETICAL QUESTIONS?

IF A DEAF PERSON SWEARS, DOES HIS MOTHER WASH HIS HANDS WITH SOAP?

IF SOMEONE WITH MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES THREATENS TO KILL HIMSELF, IS IT CONSIDERED A HOSTAGE SITUATION?

IS THERE ANOTHER WORD FOR SYNONYM?

WHERE DO FOREST RANGERS GO TO "GET AWAY FROM IT ALL"?

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU SEE AN ENDANGERED ANIMAL EATING AN ENDANGERED PLANT?

IF A PARSLEY FARMER IS SUED, CAN THEY GARNISH HIS WAGES?

WOULD A FLY WITHOUT WINGS BE CALLED A WALK?

WHY DO THEY LOCK GAS STATION BATHROOMS? ARE THEY AFRAID SOMEONE WILL CLEAN THEM?

CAN VEGETARIANS EAT ANIMAL CRACKERS?

IF THE POLICE ARREST A MIME, DO THEY TELL HIM HE HAS THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT?

WHY DO THEY PUT BRAILLE ON THE DRIVE-THROUGH BANK MACHINES?

HOW DO THEY GET DEER TO CROSS THE ROAD ONLY AT THOSE YELLOW ROAD SIGNS?

WHAT WAS THE BEST THING BEFORE SLICED BREAD?

ONE NICE THING ABOUT EGOTISTS: THEY DON'T TALK ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE.

HOW IS IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE A CIVIL WAR?

IF YOU ATE BOTH PASTA AND ANTIPASTO, WOULD YOU STILL BE HUNGRY?

IF YOU TRY TO FAIL, AND SUCCEED, WHICH HAVE YOU DONE?

WHY IS IT CALLED TOURIST SEASON IF WE CAN'T SHOOT AT THEM?

WHY IS THERE AN EXPIRATION DATE ON SOUR CREAM?

CAN AN ATHEIST GET INSURANCE AGAINST ACTS OF GOD?

## Monroe Kiwanis:

**Second annual garage sale** on Friday and Saturday July 11-12 in the Ben Franklin west parking lot from 10-6.

Anyone wishing to donate items or to rent space at the Rummage Sale please contact Lin McIlrath at 360-805-6304.

All proceeds benefit the Monroe Kiwanis High School Scholarship fund

## The Kiwanis club of Snohomish Tillicum:

Famous Salmon BBQ at Hill Park on July 19 and 20th; Take 13th east to Park Ave Left to Hill Park entrance on left.

Serving from 12:00 noon to 8:00PM



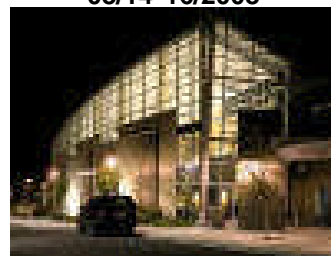
Don't miss this one.....  
contact [Jim Rahm](#) or [John Bruce](#)  
for info or tickets.

## Lynnwood Kiwanis Club:

Annual Lynnwood Golf Classic July 26<sup>th</sup>

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

**08/14-16/2008**



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"A.D." does not mean "after death," as many people suppose. "B.C." stands for the English phrase "before Christ," but "A.D." stands confusingly for a Latin phrase: *anno domini* ("in the year of the Lord"—the year Jesus was born). If the calendar actually changed with Jesus' death, then what would we do with the years during which he lived? Since Jesus was probably actually born around 6 B.C. or so, the connection of the calendar with him can be misleading.

Many Biblical scholars and historians, and archeologists prefer the less sectarian designations "before the Common Era" (B.C.E.) and "the Common Era" (C.E.).

All of these abbreviations can also be spelled without their periods.



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#### 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

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**Governor: Rich Jensen**

#### PNW Division 22

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