

# The

# WAVE



Rotary Club of Edmonds

May, 2024

## A note from your editor:

This month, you can really feel the transition start to take place. As we prepare for the new Rotary Year (July 1), those of us who are leaving our chairs have been training the incoming board. The Kick off dinner has been planned; we 'll get to hear from our incoming President Suzanne about her plans and hear feedback from the survey. This is a great opportunity to start the year off right and I hope you all can make it on June 5th at 5:00 - Anthony's Beach Cafe.



**Enjoy your Wave - Maggie**

# April Speakers

The Bridge to Success  
“Inauguration” team  
updated the club  
following their  
amazing trip to  
Gambia to dedicate  
the two science  
labs.



Maggie, Suzanne and Lamin



Paige Sjoblom, Adult  
and Teen librarian,  
updated the club on  
what’s new at the  
library following the  
major remodel.

# Student of the Month:



March Student of the Month  
Grace Shawiki

Grace is Editor of Key Club, an executive for the school yearbook and an organizer of Unmasked Magazine.



April Student of the Month  
Josslyn De La Torre

Josslyn has a passion for social justice, protecting the environment and improving the lives of others (she sounds like a future Rotarian),



# In the club:



**Nancy Hertl gives her Classification talk. These talks are an important part of our club member's path to earning their blue badge. They allow us to get to know members on a more personal and professional level.**

**Thanks Nancy!**

A hand-drawn illustration of a wooden signpost with a white sign that says 'SOLD' in bold, black, capital letters.

# Another fantastic tiny house build



Our club did a bang up job again, pun intended 😊... this month at Sound Foundations NW! Our team of 10 individuals including 8 club members, Eng's husband Bill and Brad's friend Paul got to work in the construction of a new and fabulous Tiny Home.



April 27, 2024

Midway through our shift, we stopped to break for lunch and presented Barb Olivier, Director of Operations for Sound Foundations NW, a check for \$4500.00 from our Club!. This is the cost to build ONE Tiny Home. This donation will be matched by the foundation's "Give Big" matching campaign running through May 6th.



We named our Tiny Home "Kingston". It was the first time for Bill, Eng and Karen to build a Tiny Home, but you wouldn't know by the way they all jumped to use the power tools and equipment!



**Sound Foundations NW works in collaboration with the Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI), to provide Tiny Home villages throughout the greater Puget Sound area. The villages not only provide a warm, dry, safe and secure home, the villages provide wrap-around services to create a supportive community to the folks living in the villages. Currently 63% of the residents living in the villages transition to permanent housing, compared to 15% of individuals staying in shelters.**



**Comments courtesy of Suzanne James**

# Rotarians making a difference



Building on a successful Lithium Battery recycling event in 2023, a District 5030-wide recycling event was held on April 20th. Rotary members promoted, set-up, and collected lithium and alkaline batteries at eleven sites across King County.

Rob Linder, Paul Mathew, and Pat Shields volunteered their time at the Lake Forest Village Center. It was successful but with greater promotion can be even more impactful in 2025.

Comments courtesy of Rob Linder





# **Building Leadership Skills - one reason why our club is so great!**



Alison, Theresa, Shelly, Lamin and Adrienne

**Several of our club members attended the 2024 District Learning Symposium on Saturday, April 27 at the Mercer Island Community and Event Center. This was an opportunity for Rotarians and club leaders to develop leadership skills and refine strategies on building an impactful and vibrant club.**

Comments courtesy of Alison Pence