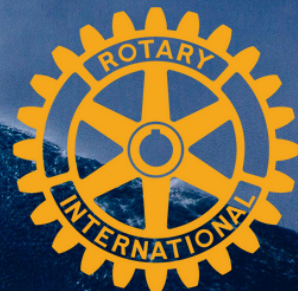


The

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Rotary Club of Edmonds

November, 2024



Hope everyone had a FUN AND SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN!

We are off to a great 2nd. Quarter of the 2024/2025 Rotary Year! Our Service Committee was busy in October compiling ten Welcome Gift Baskets full of over \$1200.00 worth of household supplies to be donated to residents of the soon to be reopened Trinity Place Apartments. Last weekend, seven club members plus four family members joined us in building another Tiny Home @ Sound Foundations NW. Our efforts will help provide warm, safe transitional housing to the unhoused in the greater Puget Sound area.

We also have the Harvest Against Hunger Campaign, led this year by Dom Farmer and Pat Shields, the campaign is in full swing and runs through November 11, 2024. If you are able, we hope you will contribute to the campaign. Fifty percent of the money raised will go to our own Edmonds Community Food Bank. As of the writing of this newsletter on 10/31, we have raised \$700.00 towards our goal of \$1,000.00.

At our upcoming Club Assembly meeting on Tuesday, 11/5/2024, please don't forget to bring Hygiene Supplies for the Kids in Transition Hygiene Drive that runs through 11/18/2024.

Lastly, I'd like to close with one of my favorite quotes...

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." — Margaret Mead

Yours in service,
Suzanne James
Club President

Member Pride



Joan Sheetz gives her Classification talk - she will receive her Blue Badge on November 5th



Chris Aplwegg received his Red Badge (sort-of). Pictured with his mentor, Pat Shields.

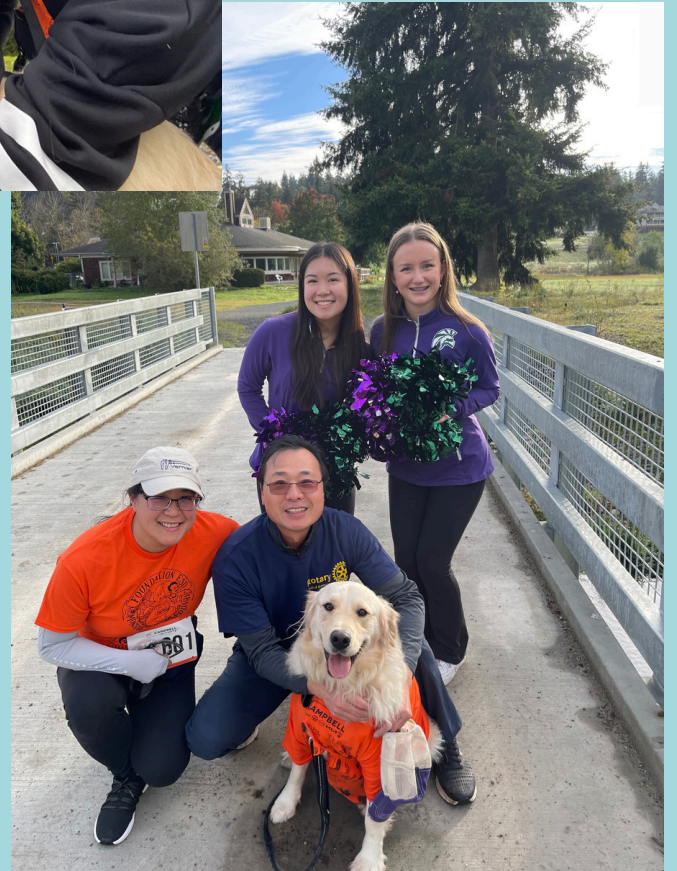




Arrrggghhhh



16th Annual Monster
Mad Dash 5K to benefit
the Foundation for
Edmonds School
District on Saturday,
Oct 5



Will & Lisa Chen (& Sammy) - Joan Scheetz - Kathy Prewitt participated representing the Rotary Club of Edmonds team. The weather was good and the mood was festive with activity booths, music and many dressed in Halloween apparel. We raised over \$250 and hope that we can do it again next year with many more members on the team!

**Out and
about in
town**



**Suzanne
and Maggie
had a twofer
while
enjoying
lunch at
Rusty
Pelican last
month.**



**Be sure to get me your Out and About photos
when you run into your fellow Rotarians in
town.**

Club members support Edmonds Waterfront Center!





Don't we just wonder what (or who) she's pointing to?



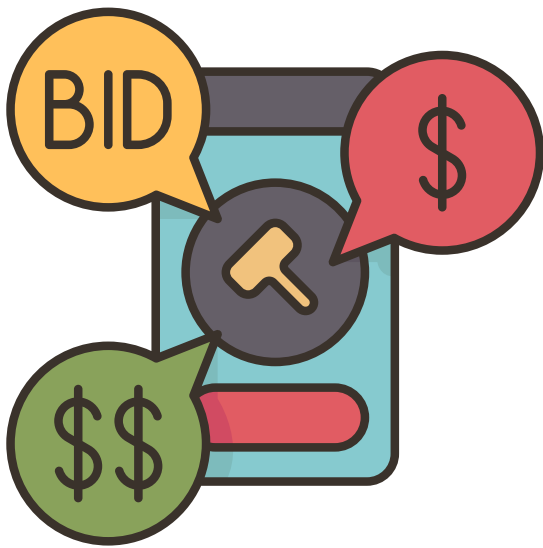
Can you spot the three people who just won a bid for a trip to Bali!





Senator Maria Cantwell





And just how adorable is the MC of the night, our own Karen Barnes?

DURING OUR REGULAR SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING, SUZANNE, LIBBY, ENG, ROBERT & I MADE 10 "WELCOMING BASKETS" FOR THE NEW TENANTS WHO WILL BE MOVING INTO TRINITY PLACE NEXT MONTH.

INSIDE THE LAUNDRY BASKETS WERE BROOM AND DUSTPAN, SWIFFER MOP, CAN OPENER, DISH TOWELS, OVEN MIT, SANDWICH BAGS, ALUMINUM FOIL, SPRAY CLEANER, SPONGE, AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. FUNDS FROM THE 2021 OKTOBERFEST TIPS PAID FOR THE ITEMS. BIG THANKS TO SUZANNE JAMES FOR ALLOWING US TO DO THIS IN HER HOME AND A BIG THANK YOU TO THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO HELPED PUT THESE TOGETHER!



By Alison Pence



There are going to be some really happy people when they move in to their new home and receive this gift!



Will Chen



Robert Ha



Traditionally celebrated in April, Arbor Day came late to Edmonds this year, as volunteer crews organized by Sound Salmon Solutions and the City of Edmonds pitched in at Pine Ridge and Hutt parks, planting native trees and shrubs to restore habitat and thereby benefit the community and wildlife.

**Sally shared this photo from SW Virginia
(Bland, to be exact), where she is currently
deployed with FEMA...**



**And where
she spent
her
birthday.
Happy
Birthday
from your
Rotary
Family
Sally!!**



**HAPPY
Birthday**



Interested potential member Mariama joined us



Another great social at Vie and Vin. Thanks admin committee for organizing these opportunities for us to connect.







Tiny Homes!!

**Another Fantastic
Build - this club rocks!!
October 26, 2024**



Joe and Ed Timmes (Amy's family)





Erica attended the Polio Plus event at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

One of the most rewarding aspects of being a Rotarian is watching newer Rotarians start to realize how amazing this organization that they've joined truly is. Erica was out for a bike ride and ran across this wonderful Rotary display and wanted to share it with us.





"Moose Meadow"

**Artist:
Abigail Ward
2019**

**A joint project of
Soldotna Rotary Club
and Kenai River Rotary Club
in conjunction with
Kenai Peninsula College**



Community Development Through Public Art

Rotary Club of Soldotna brings high quality community art to the Central Kenai Peninsula. We focus upon identifying and assisting our next generation of emerging artists and students and upon community beautification, local economic development, and cultural and art-based community enrichment. The operational program is highly efficient, low-cost, and easily sustainable because it is a highly integrated program in which each activity meshes with, and supports, all other aspects. Although relatively new, our program was recently recognized as innovative when the University of Alaska Anchorage invited us to publicly present current programs at UAA's Relate North multi-national conference on community art in the North. Displays are located in highly visible public locations and are always open and free to the public. Participation is open to any Alaskan artist without fee or commission.



SOLDOTNA ART PARK: A permanent outdoor art exhibit facility at a highly visible, high-traffic on the banks of the Kenai River at centrally-located Soldotna Creek Park. The Art Park consists of four permanent outdoor display cases, each 4 feet high by 8 feet wide, and suitable for several simultaneous exhibits during warmer months. Given its low continuing cost and high public visibility, it's particularly appropriate for the display of current student art. Soldotna Rotarian Kelly Keating and his construction crew designed and built the Art Park.



ART DISPLAY DRAWERS: These high-quality art display "drawers" will soon be moved to Kenai Peninsula College. They provide zero-cost long exhibit and access for up to 10 curated 2D bodies of work. By focusing upon consistent bodies of work by multiple artists, this facility provides a low-cost opportunity for artists to display their work in greater depth, and for a longer period of time, than traditional wall-mounted exhibits. Members of the public may study several artists simultaneously.



MURALS AROUND TOWN: These murals are professionally created 4'x8' photographically reproduced upon 4' x 8' sheets of thin aluminum and are suitable for long-term unattended outdoor display, with a low acquisition cost. Eight murals were completed in 2015, with additional murals completed here in Soldotna Creek Park in 2019. Three additional murals are in process in cooperation with Kenai River Rotary Club, Soldotna, and Kenai Peninsula College. The Anchorage Daily News ran a statewide article about this Rotary community art project. It is also being implemented elsewhere.



ART PORTFOLIO COPYING AND ART REPRODUCTION CENTER: Rotary Club of Soldotna established a much-needed cooperative art work space where artists can photograph or scan their portfolios and other artwork without charge and make high-quality large-format reproductions using the latest digital printing technology. This includes an appropriate space to hang and photograph large artworks, with color-balanced lighting, a Pentax digital SLR camera, a sturdy tripod, and color balance references as well as a scanning and print production facility consisting of a flat-bed scanner with a RAID disk array, professional grade Dell 27" color monitor (Adobe RGB-calibrated), Adobe Lightroom CC and Photoshop CC, a large-format 17.5" printer, and a color-managed Epson 7900 17.5" inkjet professional-quality color printer. Free training in photographing artwork and in high-quality printing is provided.



MAJOR PUBLIC ART COLLECTION: Soldotna Rotary Club acquired and donated to the Alaska State Museum, to Kenai Peninsula College, and to the Anchorage museum three major collections of original color photography prints by prominent Alaska artist Jim Enos, a Malheur art professor who became an area horticulturalist, ornamental Cook River commercial fish fishermen, and high school art teacher and basketball coach. The club sponsored a 2017 exhibit of donated works at Kenai Peninsula College.



"Blue Bear"

**Artist:
Amanda Ritchie
2019**

**A joint project of
Soldotna Rotary Club
and Kenai River Rotary Club
in conjunction with
Kenai Peninsula College**





WOW!!!

When I asked for Halloween photos - you all did not disappoint!! Enjoy these fun photos from our members: Some of them may be unrecognizable, so here's the reveal (from top left down)

Dom and Gill getting their time warp on
Kadeena and Brian doing justice to Beetlejuice
Suzanne and Maggie participating in Daybreakers
Wingo!

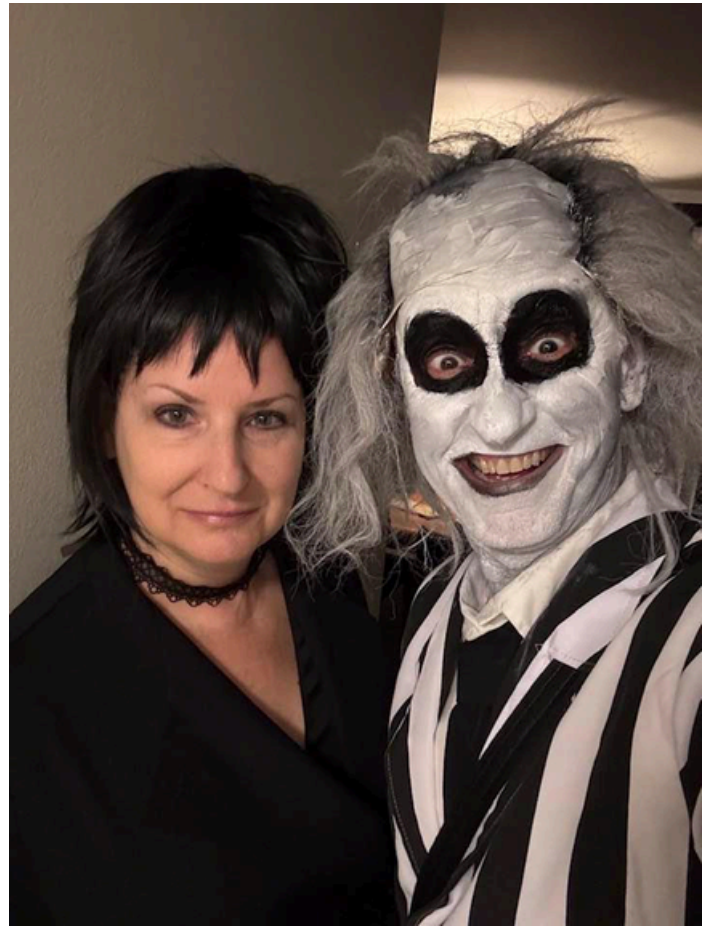
Doug getting ready to take Matthew out trick or treating

Page two:

Libby, just before the rain hit
Joan enjoying the fun downtown
Shelly going all in on her Medusa

Dom (yep, two costumes) handing out candy in Edmonds

Thanks all for sending those in.





October SPEAKERS



Scriber Lake students read some of their moving and emotional stories, which are published in a book each year. With Mentor Marjie Bowker.



Tom Holder and Ciela from Edmonds College talk about the impact of the Second Chance Scholarship. Our club is proud to be a part of it.



I hate to end this newsletter on a sad note, but our club has lost another long time member. Many of you won't remember Mike as he hasn't been active for a while but those who knew him will remember him fondly. I met Mike while serving on the board of ECA and Rock and I were lucky to call him our friend. Here he is photobombing Rock on his birthday on a trip to Mexico in 2022 - this captures his playful nature perfectly.



I met Meeks about 25 years ago and enjoyed him at both the Rotary events and at the meetings where he was always a foil for our bad jokes. Mike and I went to high school together but we met after that. In fact, Mike was the reason I joined Rotary. Though Dave Earling was my sponsor, Mike encouraged me to look into the Rotary Club. He was a great guy and a lot of fun and will be sorely missed. - Pat Shields

I knew Mike as our club Treasurer and he did our club taxes pro bono for a number of years. He supported every fund raiser we ever had. I remember him always bringing happiness into the room. I'll remember Mike as being a strong behind the scenes support and a cheerful, smiling face especially when things were hard. - Pat Thorpe



Edmonds loses a bigger-than-life community force: Mike Meeks, 1946-2024

With the passing of Mike Meeks, the Edmonds community mourns the loss of one of its pillars, w...

 My Edmonds News / Oct 30

SAVE THE DATE

The Edmonds Rotary Club is excited to share an update on our Hunger Strike fundraising campaign to help fight hunger in our community and beyond! Thanks to the generosity of our members and supporters, we've raised \$700 so far. We're so close to reaching our \$1000 goal. Just a little more to go!



The funds we raise will be split equally between No Kid Hungry on a national level and our local Edmonds Food Bank. These contributions will go directly toward feeding children and families in need, making a meaningful impact right where it's needed most.

If you'd like to help us cross the finish line, please consider a donation to Edmonds Rotary Hunger Strike. Every donation, no matter the size, brings us one step closer to providing food security for more families. Let's rally together and make a lasting difference!

For more information or to contribute, contact Pat Shields or Dom Farmer.



Holiday Party - December 17
Scott's Bar and Grill
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

HUNGER STRIKE

BENEFITTING YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY AND



4th Annual Spaghetti/Bingo
Fundraiser - \$50.00
Maggie's House
November 16 - 5:00 pm
RSVE to -
Mag2Teach@comcast.net