

The Shorewood News

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President's Message

Dear Neighbors;

Hope this finds you in good stead preparing your families for the holidays, cold weather, dim economy and better times to come if that is desired.

Our club year officially ended with the Annual Membership Meeting on November 20 and while not heavily attended the group well represented our neighborhood. We added a new Board member, David Snavelly, and changed officers. The new group should serve the club well. Yours truly can now more fully concentrate on golf and honey-do's. President Gary Gibson will now be taking your calls.

Several SOTSCC beach projects are half done having been interrupted by weather and flagging interest but not flagging vision. Should you possess skills in retaining wall building or beach log anchoring Ted Daley or Gary Gibson would love to hear from you.

The Shorewood Park restoration project is progressing very well as Jean's report will attest. Your involvement in that project would not only reap personal rewards but immensely help with a very valiant effort to restore nature.

Sometime within the next couple weeks the new look website your Board voted for will be on line with many new easier features that will also include some interactive functions that can be internally administered without an MBA in web design. Should allow us to communicate better, more often, and with better tools. Check it out a bit later at Shorewoodonthesound.org. Some of the communications features are a work in progress and we welcome your input and suggestions; changes can be acted out rather inexpensively and quickly with our new provider, "Skye's The Limit Design." Check out their website at: <http://thelimit.us/about.php>.

Have a great holiday season and let's hear from you on those occasions when we should.

- *Your Prez: Pat Haugen (Soon to be Past-Pres)*

Stamp out naked bottoms—Support the WBDD!

Babbs and O'Neills - Shorewood families - are local sponsors of the Westside Baby Diaper Drive. Their children attend Our Lady of Guadalupe and they have decided, in the spirit of the holidays, to help other children whose families are in need of bum covers. Westside Baby is in dire need of disposable baby diapers of all sizes. So if you feel the holiday spirit grab hold, donate!

You can drop off diapers at either residence. Addresses: Babb—12684 Shorewood Dr SW and O'Neill—2530 SW 119th Pl. Bins for clean, unused, disposable diapers are located outside. Tax receipts available upon request. Call Mindy at 243-2026 if you have questions, and Happy Holidays to all!

BEDS NEEDED! Last March the St. Bernadette Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society began a bed donation program. Since that time they have distributed some 40 bed sets to local families who just can't afford beds of their own - all because of help from folks like you.

Although obviously successful, they now face a critical situation—their bed inventory is nearly depleted. Would you happen to have a twin, full, or queen bed set or even just a mattress, box spring, or frame you would like donate to this worthy cause? Do you care enough to make a positive difference to another family's wellbeing? If so, please call the St. Bernadette parish office (242-7370) and they will contact you to schedule a mutually convenient time to stop by and pick up your donation. Thank you, and Merry Christmas.

Shorewood Park and Beach Maintenance

Every third Saturday signs lure neighborhood volunteers to spend a few hours together pulling out the invasive English Ivy and Holly that have invaded the Shorewood Park forest. In October eighty native plants were placed in ground where once there had just been the invader Ivy. As you walk, see if you can spot the newly resident Evergreen Huckleberry, Sword Fern, Oregon Grape, and Salal plants.

Others have participated in securing protective logs at the Community Beach bulkhead, and building a block retaining wall along the path leading down to the picnic area.

If you haven't had the joy of participating in one of these wonderful work parties you have more opportunities. Keep an eye open for posted signs, and plan on attending between 10 and noon on the third Saturday of every month.

- *Ted Daley and Jean Spohn*

Upcoming Event Notice



SHOREWOOD HOME DECORATING CONTEST

This year we will be observing our 12th holiday home lighting contest. For twelve years running we have been semi-consistent in bringing to your attention the best and least tasteful displays of illuminating holiday cheer in our neighborhood. Categories this year are: Grand Prize, Runner Up, Most Original, and Highest Wattage. Electrical engineers please take note: Highest Wattage being measured by whether or not the judges need to squint to see your display, not by how much you brown down your neighborhood.

If you want to be eligible for winning one or more of these categories you need not apply, but you must have your decorations lit by the night of Dec 21st. Winners will find a sign temporarily placed in front of their home designating their superiority over the rest of us. They will also receive a glorious prize of some kind, commemorating the event for future generations of Shorewoodians. And, of course, we will make you famous in the *Shorewood News*. Now isn't that special.

Another Upcoming Event Notice



Seahurst Bonfire

The Environmental Science Center (ESC), People for Puget Sound, and the folks at Burien Parks and Recreation invite you to join them for starlight beach walks and Bonfires at Seahurst Beach in the coming months. To get the most out of this experience be sure to dress warm, wear boots or waterproof shoes, hat and gloves, and better bring along a flashlight. These are free events. Check the events calendar for dates and times. If you have more questions you can call the ESC at 988-3712.

Yet Another Upcoming Event Notice



"Christmas is for Children"

ChoralSound Northwest's holiday concerts are just around the corner, and sure to fill you with child-like wonder and joy! From the opening peal of a handbell choir to the closing notes of *White Christmas*, conductor Tim Root pulls out all the stops to create an unforgettable musical experience for your entire family.

Concerts are held December 14 - 16 at the Highline Performing Arts center - 401 S 152nd St, Burien. Tickets run \$15 to \$25, with kids under 17 getting in free with a paid adult. You can order tickets by calling the box office at 246-6040, or by ordering on-line at www.nwassociatedarts.org.

Events Calendar: November—January

ChoralSound Northwest: 12/14 @ 8pm, 12/15 & 16 @ 2pm
Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: December 15, 10am til noon
Shorewood Home Decorating Contest: Light 'em up by Dec. 21
Seahurst Park Bonfire: December 22, 7:30pm to 9:30pm
Shorewood Park Ivy Pull: January 19, 10am til noon
Seahurst Park Bonfire - 2: January 19, 7:00pm to 9:00pm

R. Lee Raines, Jr.

Lee Raines of Shorewood Dr, previous club treasurer and 32 year Shorewood resident, passed away peacefully at home on August 11th after his year long fight against cancer.

Lee was born in Everett, WA on June 12th, 1947 as the first of 5 children born to Ray and Eleanor. They moved to Bellevue, WA, where he grew up and helped raise his siblings while acquiring a great love of the natural beauty of the Northwest.

Lee met Elaine, his wife of 37 years, at Whitman College, where he majored in Economics, was a member of TKE fraternity, and made many life-long friends. He graduated in 1969, was married to Elaine in 1970, and enlisted as an officer in the Navy, which brought him to San Diego. The newlyweds remained in California for a few years, during which he received his MBA from UC-Berkeley.

They returned to Seattle in 1975 to a beautiful spot on Puget Sound, that remains the family home to this day. Lee estab-

lished his CPA practice in Seattle, garnering many devoted clients over the years. His son, Alexander, was born in 1981, and Lee dedicated countless hours to his development, including coaching sports teams, attending performances, and chauffeuring. He also continued to serve as a board member and financial consultant for The Northwest Choirs long after Alex had finished his 10 year involvement in the group.



Lee loved sailing, hiking, skiing, gardening (of plants and rocks alike) and, most of all, being with people he loved. In August 2006 he was diagnosed with carcinoid cancer, which he fought with all his might while maintaining his trademark positive attitude. Described by many as "the nicest person I've ever known," his positive attitude, love of people, and infectious humor will be missed by all who knew him.

Advertising supplement due out in January

Our biyearly supplement containing additional classified advertising will be coming out soon, so If you would like to advertise in the *Shorewood News* contact Kevin DeLashmutt as soon as possible to reserve ad space. You can reach Kevin

by Email, snail-mail, or call him directly with your ads, announcement, and invitations: Kevinde@msn.com, or mail to P.O.Box 46755 at 98146, or call him at 932-3200. Cost is \$20/issue, or \$40/year for the supplement. These ads move to the back page of the *Shorewood News* as space becomes available. Call Kevin if you have questions.

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