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Expo Center will again host one of nation's largest dog shows

By **KEVIN HANSON**
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Man's best friend – make that thousands of furry, four-legged best friends – will overtake the Enumclaw Expo Center for an extended show featuring all things canine.

This year's Olympic Kennel Club show brings back a bit of normalcy after a pandemic-altered 2020. A year ago, the OKC show was an abbreviated affair with everything staged outdoors and no visitors allowed. This year won't quite be business as usual, however, as the OKC has partnered with the Sammamish Dog Club and will be bringing a joint show to town.

The two groups will fill the center's exhibition halls and take over the grassy grounds. The event stretches over nine days and will see more than 6,000 dogs, representing more than 200 breeds, making their way to Enumclaw.

The show agenda kicks off Saturday, Aug. 14, with agility trials on the Expo Center football field as well as Junior Showmanship, where youngsters are introduced to the world of dog shows. The week includes seminars, specialty shows and obedience trials, is capped by "Best in Show" judging and wraps up Sunday, the 22nd.

The public is invited to attend; admission is free but there's a \$7 fee to park on Expo Center property.

ABOUT THE OKC SHOW

The Olympic Kennel Club show, now in its 77th year, is the largest "single club" dog show in the Pacific Northwest and is the fifth-largest dog show in the nation.

Here's some OKC history, taken from the club's website:

"The Olympic Kennel Club was formed in 1944 (after World War II). The early members were Weimaraner fanciers and the early shows were held in conjunction with other clubs, such as the Metropolitan Kennel Club, later renamed the Seattle Kennel Club."

"Several dog clubs held their shows at the downtown Seattle Armory, now known as the Seattle Center. The dog shows in the former days were bench shows, where the dogs were on display so the general public had an opportunity to see what each breed of dog was like and had a chance to ask

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PHOTOS BY ALEX BRUELL

Mount Rainier rises behind The Moving Wall as it sits in a grassy field near Sunrise Elementary the afternoon of Thursday, Aug. 5.

Stories, healing, and reflection at The Moving Wall

By **KEVIN HANSON**
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AND **ALEX BRUELL**
Reporter

No matter where you looked last weekend at The Moving Wall memorial in Enumclaw, you'd find someone with a story.

Daniel and his wife Marie Hertlein looked for the names of those who died in Daniel Hertlein's units during the war: The 129th and 192nd assault helicopter companies.

One of those names was of a senior officer, killed in a crash, who was "probably one of the most popular guys in our unit," Hertlein said.

"His death caused a lot of emotion in our unit," Hertlein said. "We were really depressed because of that."

Hertlein, 73, lives in Bonney



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Bob Valentine points to a name on The Moving Wall in Enumclaw on Thursday.



Bob Valentine holds a rubbing of the names of two people he knew who died in the Vietnam War.



Daniel and Marie Hertlein look for a name on The Moving Wall.

Fire crews Thursday extinguish brush fire northwest of Enumclaw

By **ALEX BRUELL**
Reporter

Firefighters on Thursday extinguished a brush fire ignited that morning by downed power lines near the intersection of southeast 416th Street and 236th Ave. southeast, just outside of Enumclaw.

Crews were called out around 9:05 a.m. Aug. 5 and arrived to find multiple fires burning, the largest of which had grown to 300 by 300 feet.

Power was knocked out to citizens north of the area, but the power line, which was laying along a ditch, was still hot, the department said, so crews had to wait initially for Puget Sound Energy (PSE) to de-energize the line.

"Normally, we can't get close to lines when they're down on the ground and still energized," Enumclaw Fire Chief Randy Fehr said Thursday.



PHOTO COURTESY ENUMCLAW FIRE CHIEF RANDY FEHR.

Volunteer firefighter Tristan Wisont works at putting out flames from the brush fires caused by downed power lines near Enumclaw Thursday, Aug. 5.

A downed but active power line is always looking for a ground, "and we don't want one of our firefighters to be that

ground," Fehr added. Fire crews had the fire under

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WSDOT closing northbound SR 167 between Sumner, Pacific for construction

Busy highway will be closed northbound from Aug. 20 through 23

By **ALEX BRUELL**
Reporter

Start planning now: WSDOT is warning of 10 mile backups and 1.5 hour delays over the weekend of Aug. 20 as crews close all lanes of northbound SR 167 from Sumner to Pacific.

Starting 8:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, WSDOT contractors will close four miles of northbound SR 167 as they work on infrastructure to support a future HOV lane. The

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Don't hesitate: just take a small step and the rewards will follow

"But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

Jeremiah 17:7-8

At least from my perspective, the news can be overwhelming. Take your pick of difficult news: gun violence, extremes of weather, the spread of COVID and its variants, political disagreements, poverty and dealing with

pollution to mention a few. For the most part people try to rise to the occasion to be responsible and help one another and the world in which we live. At times, I feel discouraged because the problems outweigh the actions I can take. But an incident that occurred to me recently has given me encouragement. I call it my special God moment. Here is what happened.

On my way to work, I turn onto Battersby Avenue to travel along until I get to Cole Street. There are fairly deep ditches on both sides of the road. The other day, my eyes were treated to a sight that cheered me up.

A profusion of wild sweet peas are now in bloom in the ditch and along the bank. Suddenly, the phrase "bloom where you are planted" popped into my mind. It was like a message from God saying, "you can't do it all, but you can take on things that are within your control." I felt so encouraged. Each generous or charitable action we take in response to God's prompting is like a bloom that would not have been there otherwise.

In an article about the



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origins and meaning of this phrase there are some suggestions for what it can mean to each of us. The article was written by a Christian writer, Danielle Bernock.

- To be fruitful, blossom, become all you were created to be.
- Make the best of what you have

when life throws lemons at you.

- Do what's right, even when it's hard.

What I take from this is that we have choices on how to live and how to face challenges. It is the

response that makes the difference. The Holy Spirit is a trusted guide and, at least in my mind, my best friend. In my experience, when I respond to the repeated promptings of the Spirit, it has been "fruitful." In other words, growth has come just like the roots responded to the proper environment that produced the volume of lovely wild sweet peas. What is interesting is that one would not normally expect such a profusion of flowers to come out of an ordinary ditch by the side of the road. But that is part of the point: we all have some capacity to grow into positive actions whenever we find ourselves.

No need to let doubt or a "I can't do anything" attitude keep us from flourishing.

One of the blessings that has resulted has been a deep sense of well-being and peace, knowing that I have taken some positive actions to be of benefit to others or to situations. It may not be the significant change on a large scale that I would imagine for myself. But, one seed after another, done by lots of persons, can make the difference. My "gardening" advice may not be like Cisco's, but do not hesitate. Take the first step. You may be rewarded beyond what you thought was possible.

Don't toss that water! Use it in the garden for healthier plants

The second week of August is when the idea of using "gray water" to help keep container gardens, hanging baskets and other plants alive is like a cool drink on a hot day. Consider these water recycling tips to keep your plants hydrated and your water bills low.

Q. What is gray water?
A. When you recycle water from cooking, cleaning or drinking and use it to water plants, this is often referred to as using gray water. This does not mean that the water is always gray or dirty. One of the easiest ways to stop wasting water is to use those half-filled water bottles (if you still use plastic water bottles) to give a drink to a potted

plant. Taking the recycled water path a step further, you can save the water used from rinsing veggies by catching it in a sink basin. If you boil water for cooking and make a point of not adding salt to the water you can recycle cooking water to the plants once it cools. Often the cooking water turns green from the nutrients leaked from boiling vegetables. This green water is actually filled with nutrients and good for your plants. Remember no salt, no fat and no seasonings if you reuse cool cooking water on plants.



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Q. Here is a tip I learned from my grandmother. If you boil an egg, cool the water, do not add salt and use this on tomato plants to prevent the cracking of the skin and rot. Just thought I would share her tip.
L.M., Enumclaw

A. Great tip. Boiling an egg releases calcium from the shell and tomatoes with too little calcium will suffer from blossom end rot which is when dark spots appear on the blossom end of ripening tomatoes. Tomatoes need constant moisture for the uptake of calcium so if you allow

tomatoes to dry out between watering they may also develop blossom end rot even if there is enough calcium in the soil. Using compost made with crushed egg cells, adding lime and using a calcium spray on the foliage are other ways to add calcium to the soil.

Q. We added some new trees and shrubs that are supposed to be drought resistant. The nursery did say we must water them until they are established before we allow them to survive on rainfall alone. My question is how do you know when a plant is "established" and no longer needs extra water?
G.Y., Olympia

A. No easy answer to this question. The type of soil, exposure and

usual amount needed for lawns and shrubs in Western Washington. ...
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Wall

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Lake. He spent one year in Vietnam as a member of the Army, and first saw the wall at the main Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. in 1978.

"I had no emotion to it until we got (to) approaching the wall, and it was like there was a barrier there I couldn't cross," Hertlein said of that visit. "The emotions just came out, and I didn't know where it came from. I hadn't felt like that since I left."

Even visiting the wall Thursday, he said he still gets emotional and choked up.

"To see the memorial, with all these names on it, all these people who were wasted," Hertlein said. "That was one of the terms used in Vietnam, when somebody died; they were 'wasted.' I think our Black brothers came up with that term."

Hertlein's story is one of thousands of those who visited The Moving Wall, a half-size replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, over its four-day tenure in Enumclaw. It stood in a grassy field between Sunrise and Southwood elementary schools, Mt. Rainier sweeping behind the names of 58,228 Americans who died during the Vietnam War.

Keith Mathews, a member of Enumclaw's Post 1949 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, has spent the better part of the last decade making the wall's visit to Enumclaw happen.

On Monday, Mathews said he felt "amazing, emotional" about the four-day event, which brought many veterans to the wall for the first time.

"The emotion met a lot of people," Mathews said. "The volunteers out here, the people of Enumclaw, I can't say enough about that. It was absolutely amazing."

Mathews estimated that "a little over 38,000" people came out to the wall over the four days. The Moving Wall was packed up and back on the road Monday morning,

heading next to Massachusetts, Mathews said.

A presentation Saturday honored the Enumclaw men who were killed in Vietnam: Donnie Biarum, Gerald Steven Hansen, Larry Joe Malatesta, Jefery Allan Schweikl, William Fred Soule, Michael Allen Hawk, Thomas Richard Okerlund, Harry Allen Petersen and Donald Freeman Baysinger. Members of their families were in attendance, too.

"They call it the healing wall for a purpose," Mathews said. "It's not just for the veterans. It's for the family, too."

Clint Bostwick grew up in Enumclaw and was drafted during the Vietnam War, joining the Army. He entered the country in December 1969 and came home 15 months later.

His dad was a commander at the VFW when he was growing up, so Bostwick got to know many of veterans of the two World Wars. It impressed on him how many people in the area had served.

"This community was made up of people like that," Bostwick said. "Lots of people who were VFW members. It's something to be proud of, and I am proud of."

On Thursday, Bostwick was happy to see people other than veterans teaching, talking and learning about The Moving Wall and the names on it. He pointed out one woman talking to some of the children who were there.

"She took the time to come," Bostwick said. "That's important to me."

Bringing the wall to Enumclaw was no easy task. Originally set to arrive in 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic delayed its arrival a year. This weekend, a small army of volunteers helped ferry visitors, coordinate parking and handle other tasks during the wall's visit.

For Alan Klein, who was one of those volunteers, the best part was the people he got to meet. As he shuttled visitors to the wall, Klein asked them to consider signing his journal — a keepsake to remember the day.

Klein, who lives in Enumclaw, served in the Air Force from 1966 through 1970. He was sent to Korea instead of Vietnam just after the U.S.S. Pueblo was captured by North Korean forces.

Klein has seen the memorial in Washington D.C., and said Thursday that he was waiting to walk over and see The Moving Wall for himself for the end of his shift.

"It's going to be an emotional reaction, there's no doubt about that," Klein said. "I don't know that anybody that I knew is on the wall, and thank goodness for that, because I'm sure it would be a lot more emotional. But I'm sure that somewhere across the line, I've run across somebody in my school days, whose name is on the wall."

Nearby at the wall, checking his hand-written notes, Bob Valentine looked for the names of two older brothers of close friends he went to school with. He took a rubbing of the names on a piece of paper, a permanent token of their sacrifice.

Valentine wasn't best friends with them at the time, but he didn't need to be in order to care about their memory now.

"It gets emotional," Valentine said. "I'll take some pictures, and it'll be another good memory."

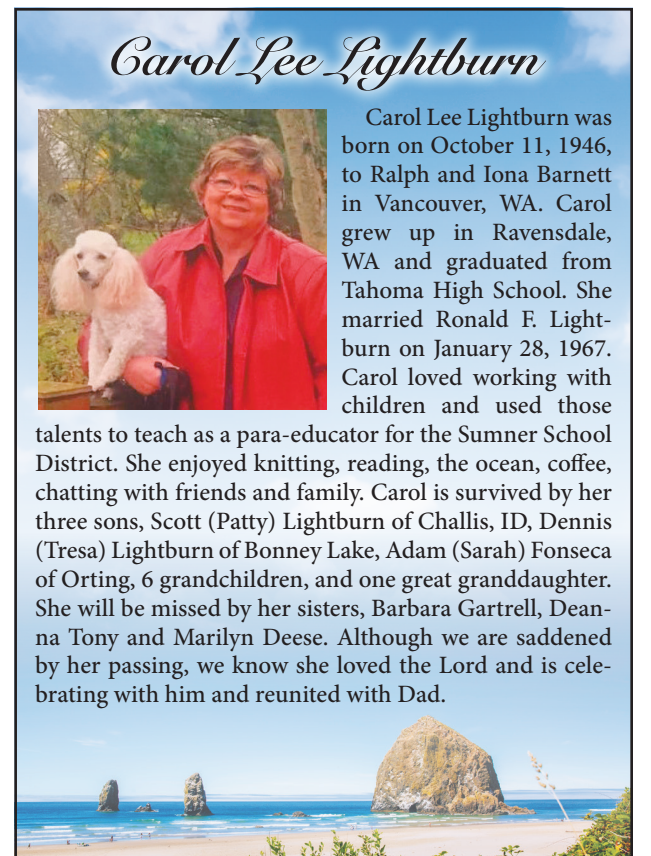
Originally from Connecticut, Valentine, now 68, moved out to Enumclaw in 1997 and is retired.

Valentine was drafted straight out of high school and served from 1971 through 1975 in the Navy. He served overseas in the Yom Kippur War, and has been part of a military honor guard which once presented a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Seeing the full wall in D.C. was an emotional experience, but even the scale of the half-sized moving wall still prompts reflection and awe.

"Look at how many names there are one just one panel," Valentine said.

Then, after a moment, he added: "Unbelievable."



Carol Lee Lightburn

Carol Lee Lightburn was born on October 11, 1946, to Ralph and Iona Barnett in Vancouver, WA. Carol grew up in Ravensdale, WA and graduated from Tahoma High School. She married Ronald F. Lightburn on January 28, 1967. Carol loved working with children and used those talents to teach as a para-educator for the Sumner School District. She enjoyed knitting, reading, the ocean, coffee, chatting with friends and family. Carol is survived by her three sons, Scott (Patty) Lightburn of Challis, ID, Dennis (Tresa) Lightburn of Bonney Lake, Adam (Sarah) Fonseca of Orting, 6 grandchildren, and one great granddaughter. She will be missed by her sisters, Barbara Gartrell, Deanna Tony and Marilyn Deese. Although we are saddened by her passing, we know she loved the Lord and is celebrating with him and reunited with Dad.

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Margaret Krevda Rector

Margaret Krevda Rector was born November 13, 1928 a bundle of energy in Que Creek, PA. That energy continued thru out her 90 years until the good Lord called her home September 17, 2019 in Enumclaw, WA.

She live and attended school in Somerset, PA. In 1950, she traveled to Oxnard, CA to visit her sister. There she met Arvel C. Rector, the love of her life. They married, settled in Canoga Park, CA and together raised two wonderful children.

Margaret found great joy in entertaining, PEO sisterhood, traveling, golfing, her Catholic faith, gardening and dancing.

In 1978, Arvel and Margaret moved to Enumclaw, WA. As Arvel was preparing to retire, Margaret wasn't. At 50 years young she started Margaret's Fine Jewelry with her son Tim and Arvel as co-partners. For the next 25 years that little store on Cole St. was a hub bub of entertainment and excitement.

Because Margaret knew no stranger, she became the driving force behind the Community Challenge to raise funds for the new Enumclaw Hospital Emergency Dept. When that was accomplished she continued raising money thru the yearly Duck Races and Holiday Fantasy.

Margaret's goal was for the surrounding areas of Enumclaw to have a modern hospital close to their homes; which has become St. Elizabeth's.

Margaret is preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, Arvel, Jan. 30, 2019 and her "forever" son-in-law, Charles A. Russell, M.D. Aug. 3, 2019.

She is survived by her daughter Barbara Rector Russell; son Tim A. Rector, his loving wife Kim, who brought joy to Margaret everyday; granddaughter Chelsea and great granddaughter Chloe. Nieces and nephews galore; she loved and was proud of each and every one.

A very special thank you to Tina Patterson; Karen, Shondra and YaYa at Cascade Caregivers and all the others who helped with Margaret's care.

A private interment was held Sept. 1, 2020 at Tahoma National Cemetery.

A memorial bench will be placed in her honor Aug. 12, 2021 at 2 pm at St. Elizabeth's Healing Garden; face masks are required.

Donations may be made to Rainier Foothills Wellness Foundation, P.O. Box 905 Enumclaw, WA 98022