

Doug Dewar

Doug founded the CPA firm Dewar Meeks + Ekrem in September, 1984 after having spent eleven years in public accounting (including five years with Arthur Andersen) and four years in private industry (primarily as a chief financial officer). He retired from the firm in 2005 to manage his real estate and other investments. His real estate investment experience began in 1976 when he began buying rental houses with his wife and buying apartments with some fraternity brothers. Today he oversees the management of seven apartment buildings as well as condominium conversions and a restaurant.

Upon moving his CPA practice to Edmonds, Doug became very active in community activities because he is a strong believer in "giving back." He was involved with the SnoKing Youth Club as a basketball and baseball coach (1985-1991), and the Public Education Foundation of the Edmonds School District as a trustee and treasurer (1989-1992). He has been active in the Edmonds Chamber of Commerce since 1985 as a director, treasurer, president and Taste of Edmonds chairman (1993-1996). He was a founder of the Edmonds Visitors Bureau in 1990 and continued to be active in its successor organization the Edmonds Alliance for Economic Development. He was treasurer and chairman of both organizations. From 1995 to 2002 he was a Director of The Boys & Girls Clubs of Snohomish County. He was its treasurer from 1998 to 2000 and was President in 2001-2002. From 1996 to 2009 he was the alumni financial advisor for Delta Chi Fraternity. He is now serving on the Board of the Rental Housing Association of Puget Sound. He has also been a member of Edmonds Rotary since 1988. In 2000 he was awarded the John M. Fluke, Sr. Community Service Award by the South Snohomish County Chamber of Commerce.

After graduating from the University of Washington in 1969 and marrying his wife Jan, they moved to Edmonds in 1972. They have two sons who are graduates of Western Washington University and the University of Washington. Jan was a teacher and a librarian in the Shoreline and Edmonds School Districts until her retirement in 2001. His dog Millie, a basenji, can often be seen taking her master on long walks throughout Woodway and Edmonds. For the past few years, Doug spends most of the winter in Scottsdale, Arizona playing golf and monitoring his investments with his computer and telephone.