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## **The New AegisLiving Senior Living Community in Edmonds is Home to New Residents**

EDMONDS, Wash. – December, 2007 – AegisLiving, a national leader in retirement, assisted living and memory care communities, is pleased to announce that it has opened the doors to its newest assisted living and memory care community. Aegis of Edmonds is providing much needed senior living resources to the Edmonds area. This new residence marks the company's 11th community in the Puget Sound region.

"We are so pleased to be presenting our new community to the residents of the greater Edmonds area," said Dwayne Clark chairman and CEO of AegisLiving. "It has been a long process but one that has well been worth the wait. Aegis of Edmonds is beautiful with its stunning apartments, fabulous amenities and a staff that is second to none in the industry."

Aegis of Edmonds, located close to downtown Edmonds and Steven's Hospital at 21500 72nd Avenue West in Edmonds embodies AegisLiving's fresh and innovative approach to senior living. At the community, the latest in innovation and creativity in senior living is apparent including a private movie theater, a cozy library, computer and family room and bistro with a fireplace. A vibrant lifestyle for residents is important and at Aegis activities range from yoga, tai chi, art exhibits, musical concerts, and even community partnerships such as Grandpals, a program where elementary school children practice reading with Aegis residents.

In June 2006, AegisLiving bought the Edmonds property from the Kavatek International Corporation. The site was formerly home to Edmonds Retirement Inn, which was operated by Extendicare, a provider of long-term care and related services. In 2007 AegisLiving began a \$4 million complete remodel of the facility to bring it up to Aegis standards for living. It features expansive common areas and a variety of spacious apartment styles featuring balconies, and some include gardens as well. It has 45 assisted living apartments and 21 Life's Neighborhood™ apartments serving those living with memory care issues.

### **At Life's Neighborhood**

AegisLiving has implemented a unique program called Life's Neighborhood™ which helps seniors with dementia experience daily living free of stress. In Life's Neighborhood a smaller more intimate setting is created representing a large family home of the 1940's. This type of setting encourages an environment of socializing in a nostalgic setting. Licensed nurses on staff and activities provide cognitive and physical stimulation to help soothe and relieve the residents as well. And all employees have special training in dementia and age sensitivity, teaching them to join the conversations of residents instead of attempting to lead them into the reality of the present.

“We at Aegis make life better for the people who live and work here,” says Wendy McIlnay, Executive Director for Áegis of Edmonds. “I know senior people will feel at home here at Aegis with its natural beauty and unique amenities. But most importantly it comes down to the staff, and we have an exceptional staff trained, equipped and ready to care for all our residents.”

Áegis of Edmonds is part of the company’s collection of Senior Inns, which are typically more casual, remodeled neighborhood communities that offer lower-cost options for seniors who need assisted living services or for those who need memory care. Typical monthly fees at Áegis of Edmonds start at \$2,600. Model apartments are available for preview at the community contact Jennifer Bergstrom at 425-776-3600 to arrange a visit.

ÁegisLiving provides a diverse group of community options to meet all seniors’ living needs with its communities including:

- **Áegis Signature Living** are exclusive resort-style communities
- **Áegis Senior Living** are vibrant communities that features luxurious amenities.
- **Áegis Assisted Living** communities are specially designed for seniors who need a little help with assisted-living services.
- **Aegis Memory Care** communities are designed for those with memory loss.
- **Áegis Senior Inns** are more casual, remodeled neighborhood communities.
- **Short-term or vacation stays** are also available at all ÁegisLiving communities.

### **About ÁegisLiving**

ÁegisLiving is a national leader in retirement and assisted living, offering a progressive selection of senior residences to meet the growing needs of today’s aging population. Providing the finest in senior lifestyle and living options available, “We’re the people who make life better” emphasizing health, quality of life, well-being and community. The residences include Signature Living, independent living, assisted living, Memory Care for individuals with Alzheimer's and other forms of memory loss, as well as short term, rehabilitative and vacation stays. AegisLiving is guided by a simple philosophy: strive to treat all people with the highest possible standards. Founded in 1997 and headquartered in Redmond, Washington privately held ÁegisLiving operates 32 communities in Washington, California and Nevada. More information about ÁegisLiving is available at [www.AegisLiving.com](http://www.AegisLiving.com).

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