



The Heritage

Heritage Chapter Bluebills
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Chairman's Comments- June 2022

By Richard Vaughn

It is June already and as you know we usually have a picnic in August each year. We are in need of someone who will host the 2022 picnic and who has a place available. As you are aware the chapter has no budget from Boeing.

Boeing will be looking for volunteers for the Boeing Classic Golf Tournament that will take place in August if you would like to join in the event.

Our office staff is working with only three people and we need backup volunteers who will learn these jobs and who will fill in when needed. A major task we need to undertake and complete is to personally call each member of the chapter to say hello, bring them up to date on chapter status and verify their phone numbers and e-mail addresses.

Have you read the list of chapter leadership in the newsletter? Do you see all of the open positions? One very urgent need is for a computer tech to help us with our computer problems. As you can see we need help. This chapter cannot continue to operate without a destination ahead. Please think about this and make your decision to support your organization.

We are all getting older and health issues keep popping up. Sometimes you never expect them and you need to be prepared for it. We do not want to let the Bluebills down who need our help. Think about it. It might be you as no one knows who is next.



[Presentation for June 24, 2022](#)

By Jim Beasley

Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience. A live interactive experience that immerses you in the museum spaces virtually in real time with a team to answer questions and also active in chat sharing resources. While the guide who is onsite at the museum transitions from various spaces in the museum.

[This is one, very unique presentation you will not want to miss!](#)

May Meeting Summery



By Mary Ulibarri

Don Hilt opened the meeting at 10:30 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were two birthday ladies in attendance – Carla Becker and Sharon Hagen. Here are additional birthdays I have on my list – Peggy Adams, Lois Barnes, Earlene Beham, James Ewing, Sibyl Fletcher and Lonnie Stevenson. There were no May anniversaries to celebrate.

Richard asked for volunteers to contact Bluebill members to encourage them to attend the monthly meetings. It would be great to have more attendees again like the good old days. Think about it.

Reminder: please submit volunteer time to Mary at marybarri20@gmail.com or Dick Beham at bbbeditor@live.com.

Jim Beasley then introduced the speaker from the Salvation Army, Major Jason Koenig. Jason's wife, Major Angelina Koenig, was scheduled to speak as well, but was called away at the last minute.

Majors Jason and Angelina are Corps Officers/Directors/Pastors for the Renton Salvation Army. They have been officers for 22 years. They are both from Southern California. Jason is from the Los Angeles area and Angelina is from the Riverside area. They met at Biola University, where Angelina introduced Jason to The Salvation Army. They have been married for 24 years and have two children. Their daughter is a sophomore at Portland State University and their son is a junior at Hazen High School. Jason has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and a Masters Degree in Business Administration. Angelina has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Intercultural Studies and a Masters Degree in Biblical Studies and Theology.

The Salvation Army has appointed them to various locations during the past 22 years. Some of those locations were: Tri-Cities (Kennewick), WA; Casa Grande, AZ; Chandler, AZ; Tucson, AZ; Sun Cities, AZ; Mexico City, Mexico; Medford, OR; and now Renton, WA.



DOING THE MOST GOOD

The Salvation Army was founded in London's East End in 1865 by William and Kathrine Booth and provides services to people worldwide in 115 countries. They reached out to the East Enders hopeless and forgotten souls wandering the streets with a holistic ministry concentrated on restoring physical as well as spiritual well-being.

The Salvation Army first came to the United States in 1878, and to Renton in 1963. The vision of The Salvation Army Renton Rotary Food Bank and Social Service Program is to partner with the community in meeting the needs of citizens by providing households with nutritious

food options and social services with compassion, dignity and respect.

The Salvation Army provides emergency assistance with food, clothing vouchers, utility shut off notices, and eviction prevention when funding is available. They are a multi service organization which meets the needs of those in the community.



Jason's philosophy could be stated as such: I enjoy being a part of change and improvement that positively impacts others. I had a professor that shared "people see the significance in the insignificant." No matter how insignificant we may think our actions are there is someone watching or experiencing the true impact and impression that action has for them. We each have the ability to influence, encourage, and empower others. That is a significant and life changing responsibility.

Jason concluded the presentation by taking a number of questions from the members. Jim then presented a Boeing centennial book to Jason and the meeting was closed with the door prize drawing.

Boeing Classic - PGA Chapions Tour **Monday August 8th - Sunday August 14th**

Volunteer Opportunity

Register Today!



How many volunteer opportunities provide you the chance to keep score for a golf legend, drive a Major Champion to the airport, or walk 18 holes inside the ropes with the likes of Fred Couples, Bernhard Langer and Mark O'Meara?

Volunteer for the Boeing Classic and take be a part of one of the most unique experiences in sports. You'll play an integral role in staging the region's premier golf event, experience the camaraderie of working alongside a terrific team, and showcase the passion and generosity of this community.

The Boeing Classic has become a week that the TOUR players look forward to each year and it would be impossible to sustain and improve upon such high expectations without the hard work and 'can do' attitude exhibited by our volunteer base.

The Early Community at Northup

Drivers negotiating the SR520/I-405 interchange can be forgiven for not realizing that they are passing right over the site of the little district of Northup, which developed in 1890s. Virtually all of it has been erased from today's landscape.

In 1884 or '85 James Northup recorded his land claim at the head of what is now called Yarrow Bay. He and his wife Almira built a cabin on property. They were joined by their son Benson, who in 1889 built a larger house very close to where today's Burgermaster Drive-In restaurant stands. At some point the Northup Dairy and Cherry Farm existed on the property.



Florella and Benson Northup, 1912. (L85.2)

When the Northup's arrived, King County's population was exploding: it grew from 6,910 in 1880 to 63,989 in 1890, an increase of 826%! Just to the north, beginning in 1888, Peter Kirk and Leigh S.J. Hunt planned to industrialize the area with a huge iron and steel mill, a project that soon collapsed. But Northup's neighborhood was still deep woods and scattered families. There was never a town, really, more a collection of essential community services that sprang up over the early years. The dock on the bay became known as Northup Landing. A Methodist Episcopal church was founded in 1888. A post office opened in July 1892 and lasted until 1897. Local resident Mrs. Ann Dunn was postmaster. Apparently at some point there was also a store.

Perhaps as early as 1879 a group of local settlers had filed a petition with the King County Commissioners of Washington Territory for a public road to run east and intersect with the only north-south road then existing that connected the area with the mines at Newcastle (now 140th Ave. N.E.). At first the road apparently ran due east from the bay. In 1886 its route was altered to run southeast so as to avoid the steep section over "Fagerburg Hill." Originally called Road 85, it became known as Northup Way.

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Northup got its school around 1890, located on what is today's 116th Ave. N.E. north of Northup Way. In the 1960s an early resident, Hattie Goff Norman, recalled that "it was a very fine building with a belfry and large bell, cloak room, and ink wells in the desks." The first teacher, Margaret Yarno, commuted across the lake to Northup Landing from Seattle. In 1893 the school reportedly had 24 boys and 26 girls, although only about 16 children usually attended. In the early years teachers and their pupils put on evening programs—short plays, tableaux, recitations—for parents and the community.

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Pupils of the Northup School with their teacher, Margaret Yarno, probably ca. 1893. (L82.050.025)

At one point the hills above Northup were being logged. A wooden chute, greased with axel grease, was built to shoot the logs downhill to the lake, and a gap was left at the point where the wagon road crossed it. A guard was stationed at the gap to insure that passersby wouldn't be hit by a log hurtling down the chute, jumping the road, and diving into the water.

In 1905 the railroad finally came through Northup when the Northern Pacific finally completed its line between the Black River (southwest of Renton) and Woodinville. One of two "stations" in the Bellevue area—the other was Wilburton—Northup had a depot in an old boxcar and a siding that could accommodate 50 railcars. The line was primarily for freight and had originally been envisioned as a bypass around the congested railyards in Seattle.

Perhaps the railroad's printed schedule of September 1905 was partly responsible for the confusion that developed over the area's name—was it Northrup or Northup? The schedule listed the station as Northrup. In the 1930s road engineers furthered the error by installing road signs on "Northrup Road." Only in 1970 was the great-great-granddaughter of James Northup able to convince the Bellevue City Council of the correct family name, and the signs were finally rectified.



Heart of Northup in 1913, looking north up 116th Avenue NE. Northup School with its belfry is visible on the upper right of the photo. Note the Northern Pacific's boxcar "station" just beyond the railroad tracks. Courtesy Matt McCauley.

Today Northup is very much a lost landscape. Benson Northup's home still stood in 2007 when a cultural resources assessment was compiled in connection with the expansion of the South Kirkland Park & Ride. But today commercial and residential buildings occupy the site. Further to the east, the Northup School building became a private home in 1940, was eventually purchased by The Little School, and was demolished in 2019. But the rail corridor—without its tracks—survives as a section of Eastrail, which will eventually link Snohomish with Renton in a continuous biking and walking trail. And Northup Way survives as well, continuing to wind around the hill to link the Houghton and Overlake districts.

Part of our Award Winning Eastside Stories Series

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Busy B's

By Melinda Stubbs



The Busy B's are trying to live up to their groups' name by being very busy.

There are 13 quilts finished since we began gathering again in Jan 2022 after a holiday break the end of 2021.

There are two more that will join the stack shortly.

Janice & Sybil create the most stunning, beautiful quilts out of the donated fabric in our cabinets. If it wasn't too heavy & awkward to bring them to a meeting it's too bad other members do not get to admire their creations. I've finished two geared more towards children.

Janice & I have also made military bags from patriotic print fabric to give to Tom Moberg to hand to the family burying a family member at the Tahoma National Military Cemetery to hold the casings after a 21 gun salute. In March Janice had created 25 & I had made 20.



Securing today
and tomorrow

*Jeffrey Buckner, Associate Commissioner
Office of Strategic and Digital Communications*

Internet access is now necessary for work, school, healthcare, and more. However, for many households, it remains unaffordable. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) wants everyone, including your clients, to access reasonably priced internet services. The FCC recently launched the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) to reduce the cost of getting online.

The ACP provides a discount of up to:

- \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households.
- \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.

Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 toward purchasing a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers. To qualify for this one-time discount, households must contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

Any household with an individual who receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is eligible to receive discounted internet service through the ACP. Social Security doesn't count ACP assistance as income or a resource for SSI purposes. Receipt of this assistance will not affect a person's SSI payment.

Please read our [blog article](#) for additional information.

I encourage you to share this information with your clients, families, friends, members, colleagues, affiliates, and other interested parties .

Reminiscing

24th Annual Chapter Picnic 2012



Just look at the food and happy ...

Picnickers



Hungry Bluebills



Games of skill...



Sampling Chili



Enjoying the

Chicken



and Awards for luck!



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News Release

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Board of Trustees today released its annual report on the financial status of the Social Security Trust Funds. The combined asset reserves of the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Disability Insurance (OASI and DI) Trust Funds are projected to become depleted in 2035, one year later than projected last year, with 80 percent of benefits payable at that time.

The OASI Trust Fund is projected to become depleted in 2034, one year later than last year's estimate, with 77 percent of benefits payable at that time. The DI Trust Fund asset reserves are not projected to become depleted during the 75-year projection period.

In the 2022 Annual Report to Congress, the Trustees announced:

- The asset reserves of the combined OASI and DI Trust Funds declined by \$56 billion in 2021 to a total of \$2.852 trillion.
- The total annual cost of the program is projected to exceed total annual income in 2022 and remain higher throughout the 75-year projection period. Total cost began to be higher than total income in 2021. Social Security's cost has exceeded its non-interest income since 2010.
- The year when the combined trust fund reserves are projected to become depleted, if Congress does not act before then, is 2035 – one year later than last year's projection. At that time, there would be sufficient income coming in to pay 80 percent of scheduled benefits.

“It is important to strengthen Social Security for future generations. The Trustees recommend that lawmakers address the projected trust fund shortfalls in a timely way in order to phase in necessary changes gradually,” said Kilolo Kijakazi, Acting Commissioner of Social Security. “Social Security will continue to be a vital part of the lives of 66 million beneficiaries and 182 million workers and their families during 2022.”

Other highlights of the Trustees Report include:

- Total income, including interest, to the combined OASI and DI Trust Funds amounted to \$1.088 trillion in 2021. (\$980.6 billion from net payroll tax contributions, \$37.6 billion from taxation of benefits, and \$70.1 billion in interest)
- Total expenditures from the combined OASI and DI Trust Funds amounted to nearly \$1.145 trillion in 2021.
- Social Security paid benefits of \$1.133 trillion in calendar year 2021. There were about 65 million beneficiaries at the end of the calendar year.
- The projected actuarial deficit over the 75-year long-range period is 3.42 percent of taxable payroll – lower than the 3.54 percent projected in last year's report.
- During 2021, an estimated 179 million people had earnings covered by Social Security

and paid payroll taxes.

- The cost of \$6.5 billion to administer the Social Security program in 2021 was a very low 0.6 percent of total expenditures.
- The combined Trust Fund asset reserves earned interest at an effective annual rate of 2.5 percent in 2021.

The Board of Trustees usually comprises six members. Four serve by virtue of their positions with the federal government: Janet Yellen, Secretary of the Treasury and Managing Trustee; Ki-lolo Kijakazi, Acting Commissioner of Social Security; Xavier Becerra, Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Martin J. Walsh, Secretary of Labor. The two public trustee positions are currently vacant.

View the 2022 Trustees Report at www.socialsecurity.gov/OACT/TR/2022/.

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Bits & Pieces



You're a plugger if the iron in your blood has turned to lead in your rear.



"TEACH A MAN TO FISH AND HE'LL THINK HE'S SELF-TAUGHT."

Calendar of Events 2022

In Person Meetings

<i>Jan 28</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Feb 25</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Mar 25</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Apr 29</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>May 27</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Jun 24</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Jul 29</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Aug 26</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Sept 30</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Oct 28</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Nov 18</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>
<i>Dec 16</i>	<i>Chapter Monthly Meeting</i>

Food Bank Schedule For 2022

Cash donations collected at each monthly meeting to be given to a different food bank each month.

<i>January</i>	<i>Highline</i>	<i>Heinz Gehlhaar</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>Bellevue</i>	<i>Doug Hoople</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>Federal Way</i>	<i>Lonnie Stevenson</i>
<i>April</i>	<i>Maple Valley</i>	<i>Vaughn's</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>Kent</i>	<i>Melinda Stubbs</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>Auburn</i>	<i>Martha Battles</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>West Seattle</i>	<i>Heinz Gehlhaar</i>
<i>August</i>	<i>Tacoma</i>	<i>(open)</i>
<i>September</i>	<i>Renton</i>	<i>Eleanor Skinner</i>
<i>October</i>	<i>White Center</i>	<i>Heinz Gehlhaar</i>
<i>November</i>	<i>Des Moines</i>	<i>Lonnie Stevenson</i>
<i>December</i>	<i>Issaquah</i>	<i>Eleanor Skinner</i>

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**Don't Forget to
Report Your Hours!**

Bluebills Heritage Chapter Meeting

June 24, 2022 10:00AM

Social 10:00AM, Meeting 10:30 - 11:30AM



Special Presentation: "Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience"

Subject: Virtual real time tour of the Wing Luke Museum

Coffee and Cookies (donated by Lake Shore Retirement Community)

Bring a non-perishable food item to monthly meetings to be given to a different food bank each month.

The Bluebills monthly meetings are held at the VFW Post 1263, 416 Burnett Ave South, Renton, WA. Parking is available in the lot immediately across the street from the VFW.

Bluebills Monthly Volunteer Hours

Volunteer Name _____

Phone Number _____

Hours worked _____

(month/year)

For _____

(agency name)

Hours worked _____

(month/year)

For _____

(agency name)

Hours worked _____

(month/year)

For _____

(agency name)

Please send completed hours form to Bluebills, PO Box 3707 1K-B02, Seattle, WA 98124

Email to bluebills@boeing.com or bring to Bluebills monthly meeting