



BOEING RETIREE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



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Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers General Meeting

*Our speaker this month will be—
Paulette Day—Topic is Senior Preparedness*

**Boeing Everett Employees Activity Center
June 22nd—4th Thursday, 1:00 PM**

Come early and share a snack and coffee and socialize

Bring another Boeing retiree

SNO-KING BOEING RETIREE VOLUNTEERS OFFICE & MEETING ROOM

Located in the Boeing Everett Activity Center which is 2½ miles North of the Boeing Everett Plant

From either direction (East or West) on Highway 526 (Boeing Freeway), take the Seaway Blvd turnoff. Proceed northerly for approximately 2½ miles. The Activity Center is at the top of the next hill after you drive down through the big curve in the gully.

Lots of parking in front of the building.

Chairman's Report

A warm welcome to our new members, John Tam in March and Lynn Weber in April. Both have already helped out: John, by inputting the various lists of members, friends and associated volunteer organizations into Excel so the newsletter can be distributed both via regular and email; and Lynn, by volunteering to train members in using those lists to distribute the newsletters. This is needed because our long-time member, Alan Gale, who normally would handle those duties, is facing serious surgery, and he will be busy recovering from that.

John, a long-time Boeing employee is now busy volunteering at the City of Lake Stevens Food Bank. He heard about our organization from John McAlpine, of the RSVP. John sent me the email included elsewhere in this newsletter. Our deepest sympathy regarding the loss of your daughter. Thank you for sharing the story of this horrific accident.

Lynn described his history with Boeing and also told us his volunteering activities. He also is eager to join us in the various upcoming events.

Attendance at our meeting has been steadily declining over the years, for a variety of reasons, even with efforts to recruit new members. I recently received a call from Merv Shetler, a retired VP and long-time chairman of the Central Leadership Committee. He asked me to set up a meeting with the three active Bluebills chapters: the Olympic, Sno-King and Heritage, and the Central Leadership Committee at the Boeing Activity Center in Snohomish County to discuss what actions can be taken to recruit new members. This meeting is scheduled to take place in May.

At our April meeting, we talked about how to use a defibrillator (and where to find one if needed). I'm hoping to find someone experienced in its operation to do some training. (Yes, I am motivated by a recent personal experience.)

At our May meeting, we discussed the news of two of our long-time members: Weston Nielsen and Alan Gale. Weston fell and was taken to the hospital where it was discovered he had a severe incident of bleeding in his brain. It was determined there was nothing to be done, so he was sent home to die, according to his wife, Jean. Alan is facing extensive surgery because his cancer has recurred. We are sending our hopes and prayers to both men.

Bob Krull

Volunteer Opportunities

Ongoing opportunities -

SCIENCE RESOURCE CENTER – at Hawthorne School in North Everett. (North on Broadway, right turn on 12th, left at first stop sign and follow the road to the smaller parking lot at back of school.) Helpers are needed Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM and can be mostly a sit down activity. Contact Lee Thomas robtlee@frontier.com. (Now closed for the summer.)

ST. JOSEPH'S HOUSE – 1925 4th St., Marysville, WA. Low income/homeless clients shop here for free clothing, personal items and housewares. Helpers are needed any day of the week.
www.saintjosephshouse.org.

PROJECT LINUS – Quilts are made and donated to a variety of agencies mainly for children up to age 18. No sewing skills are needed. You can work at home or come to a group session where you can learn many new skills. There are several locations in the area including Carl Gipson Senior Center in Everett which meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12:30 PM.

SEW 'N SEWS -- part of Sno-King Bluebills. This is open to those who like to sew, knit or crochet. Quilts and other items such as hats, scarves and afghans are all donated to a variety of agencies in the local area for the low income and homeless. FYI, items for boys/men are needed. Try to use darker colors, and sport themes are popular. Too many girl items are being donated and the agencies are overstocked.

UPCOMING ACTIVITY as soon as it gets a little warmer -- clean up the flower gardens near the old Everett train station. Wear garden clothes, bring gloves and small equipment. A lot is done on Sunday afternoons. Stay as long as you can.

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From Newsletter Editor

I apologize for not having delivered the newsletters for April and May. I am still trying to get used to the new routine. I will get the kinks worked out and get back into the routine.

Diane Sellinger

Sew N Sews

April 2017

Many thanks to those who brought in items to be donated to non-profit agencies.

BEVERLY HENNING 2 knitted scarves, 11 knitted hats, 1 neck warmer and 5 quilt tops for Project Linus

ELLA KRULL 6 baby afghans

BARBARA BELL 1 lap size quilt

ROSE JOHNSON 2 quilt tops

PAT COLYER For continuously knitting and sewing at home

Note -- last month, I miscounted Ella's number of afghans. In the newsletter, I typed 5 but the actual number is 6.

DELIVERIES were made to Faith Lutheran Church, Pregnancy Resource Center, St. Joseph and Project Linus

If I missed anyone, please let me know. I have notes at home but somehow they disappeared. Hopefully Spring is really on its way.

May 2017

Thank you to:

ELLA KRULL --- 6 crocheted baby afghans

WANDA THOMAS --- 1 knitted baby/small child sweater & 1 hat

BARBARA BELL --- 6 childrens quilts

PAT COLYER --- Always making something

Delivery was made to Catholic Community Services. Yarn also delivered to Goodwill and Snohomish Senior Center.

June 2017

Thanks to:

BARBARA BELL 15 children's quilts

ELLA KRULL 8 baby afghans

Sew long,

Rose



Top, left and center: Photos of the donations from the April meeting. Top—Ella's afghans; left—Wanda's hat and sweater; center—detail of the buttons on the sweater.

Right: Photo of the afghans donated by Ella at the May meeting.

Volunteer Opportunities, continued

Other volunteer opportunities available –
Contact RSVP John McAlpine at johnm@ccsww.org or call 425-374-6374.

FYI, the Focus newspaper published by Homage is now an insert in the Herald. It also features volunteer opportunities.

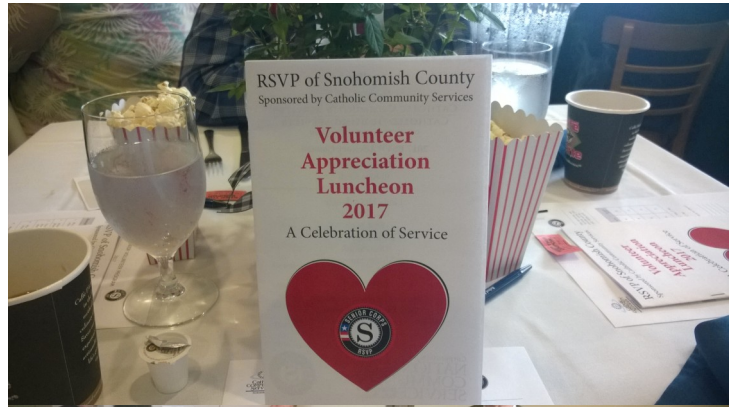
RSVP sends out emails to those who are members advising them of opportunities.

Each week the Herald lists volunteer opportunities that are available. Many are a onetime only event. They are worthwhile checking into as there are new ones listed each week. For more info re: any of the above, contact Rose Johnson 425-259-4309

RSVP Recognition Luncheon

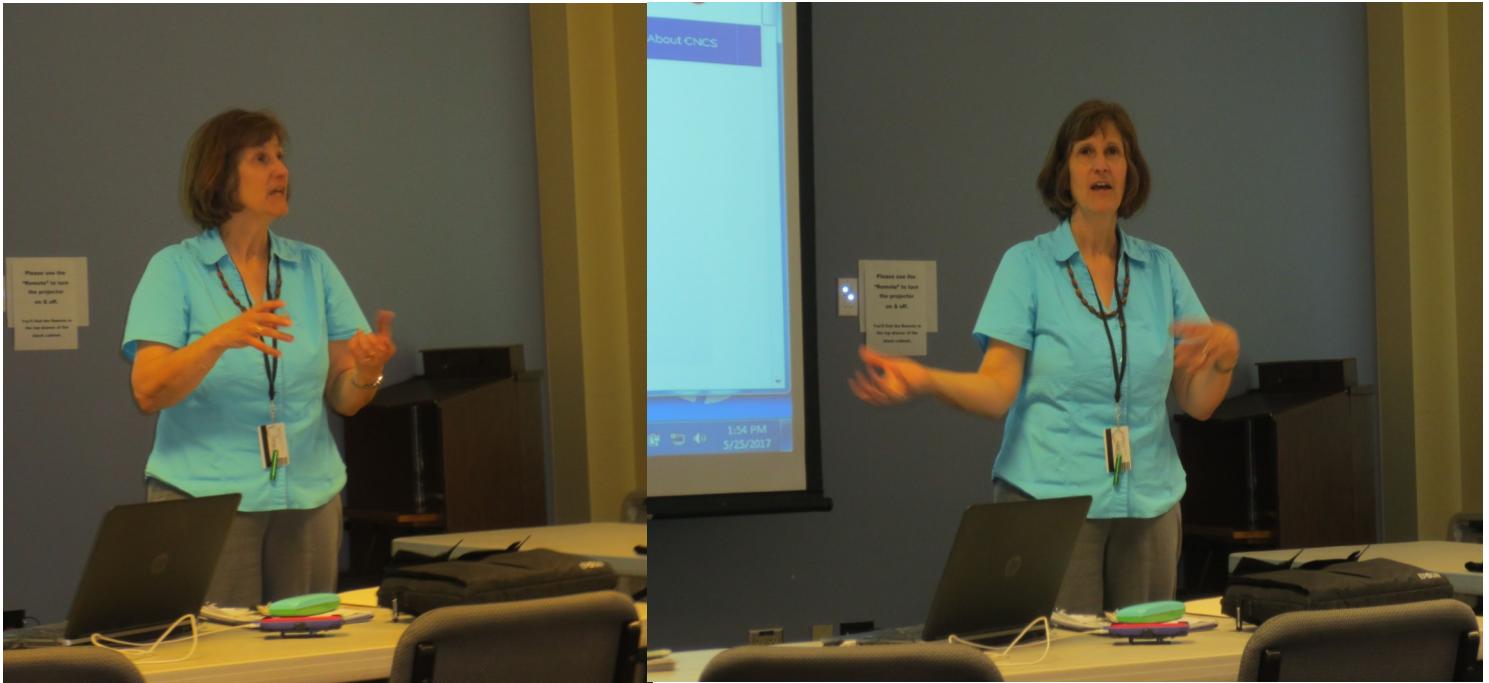
On Thursday, May 18, the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program had their 45th Annual Volunteer Recognition Event. During that event, four members of the community, including our own Barbara Bell, were recognized with Lifetime Achievement Awards signed by President Barack Obama.

Several of the Sno-King Bluebills were in attendance at the event. Below and to the right are photos taken during the event.



May Meeting Photos

Our program for the May meeting was presented by Mary Ann Higgins of Homage, formerly known as the Senior Services of Snohomish County. She is the Senior Companion Program Coordinator. This program provides light housekeeping, companionship, and transportation services to seniors who want to remain in their homes but need these services to allow them to do so. She was seeking volunteers for her program, but several members asked about obtaining assistance. There is a waiting list for these services.



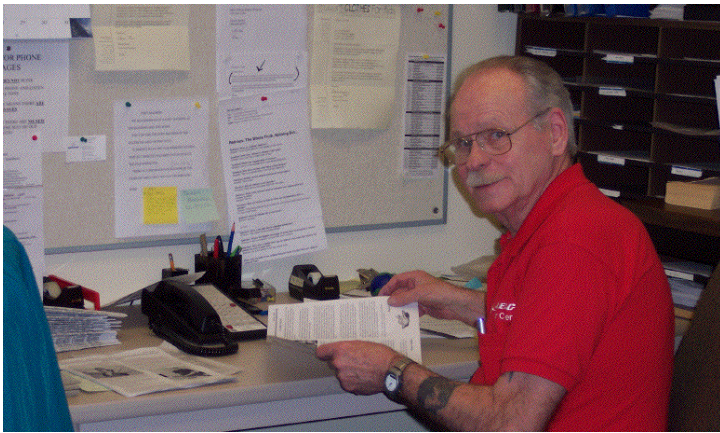
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<p>ONE-BOEING APPROACH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diversity to share knowledge and perspectives ▪ Drive Cost down ▪ Single avenue to provide messages ▪ Increases membership ▪ Additional opportunities / engagement for retirees 	<p>RETIREE COLLATERAL</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>WEBSITE (RETIRES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refresh for new 'one Boeing' look ▪ Technology improvements to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On-line membership signup ▪ On-line volunteer hours reporting ▪ Link to Boeing advocacy webpages ▪ Boeing to provide as in-kind service to develop ▪ Boeing can link new website to internal pages </td> <td style="width: 50%; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>BROCHURE (FUTURE RETIREES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Professional Look ▪ Generic to include purpose and how a future retiree can get involved ▪ Put at ESC's inside Boeing </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>POSTCARD (NEW RETIREES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Simple message of how retirees can stay connected and get involved ▪ HR to send out (PII) to 50k+ retirees in WA </td> </tr> </table>	<p>WEBSITE (RETIRES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refresh for new 'one Boeing' look ▪ Technology improvements to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On-line membership signup ▪ On-line volunteer hours reporting ▪ Link to Boeing advocacy webpages ▪ Boeing to provide as in-kind service to develop ▪ Boeing can link new website to internal pages 	<p>BROCHURE (FUTURE RETIREES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Professional Look ▪ Generic to include purpose and how a future retiree can get involved ▪ Put at ESC's inside Boeing 	<p>POSTCARD (NEW RETIREES)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Simple message of how retirees can stay connected and get involved ▪ HR to send out (PII) to 50k+ retirees in WA 	
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Three proposals have been prepared by Boeing regarding their future plans for employee/retiree volunteering and the support the company will provide. The proposal to the left is the one which will directly impact our group. Dr. Teri Hochstein sent the presentations to Bob Krull and Stan Shipley. Stan sent them to me. He is unsure what impact will be felt by the various Bluebills chapters. Guess we'll all learn together.

Diane

Miscellaneous Photos



Alan Gale in the Office



Newsletter Mailing Team before Ending the Mailing



Diane with the prepared news-letter master



RSVP Luncheon Entertainment



SRC staff presented Easter baskets to the volunteers who donate their time and energy

Volunteer Hours

Hi All,
It is time to submit your Bluebills volunteer hours for the month of May or any previous month. If you have hours that have not been reported, you may submit those also. Thanks for your input.

Max

This newsletter

This newsletter is also on our website in living color

<http://www.bluebills.org/snoking.html>

Miscellaneous Notes to Members

Alan Gale would appreciate transportation to/from the U-Dub Medical Center for his cancer treatments. Give him a call if you can help out.

Suggestions for the entertainment at our Recognition Luncheon are requested.

We are to bring our own beverages to the meetings and the picnic. The last few meetings, only a few members have availed themselves of the coffee or hot water. There is a microwave in the meeting room.

Suggestions for our picnic: A-H—Salads; I-P—Desserts/Snacks; Q-Z—Casseroles. Main Entrée will be provided.

DATES TO REMEMBER!!

Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Meeting, Thursday, June 22nd at 1:00 PM

This month’s speaker will be Paulette Day, discussing senior preparedness

Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Meeting, Thursday, July 27th at 1:00 PM

Speaker/Topic to be announced

Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Picnic, Thursday, August 24th at Noon

Kasch Park, 8811 Airport Rd, Everett

Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Meeting, Thursday, September 28th at 1:00 PM

Speaker/Topic to be announced

Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Recognition Luncheon, Thursday, October 26th at Noon

Shawn O’Donnell’s American Grill & Irish Pub, 122 128th St SE, Everett

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