



BOEING RETIREE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

SNO-KING BLUEBILLS

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Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers General Meeting

Our speaker this month will be—

Pat Colyer, Dealing with the Loss of a Loved One

**Boeing Everett Employees Activity Center
May 26th—4th Thursday, 1:00 PM**

Come early and share a snack and coffee and socialize

Bring another Boeing retiree—Bring dry food staples for the Food Bank

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

Some exciting news from the Activity Center manager, Ron: he has suggested that our organization make presentations at the union meetings being held at a facility just beyond the Activity Center, for union members approaching retirement. Although we have our new brochure to hand out, I am also working with Stan Shipley to develop a Power Point presentation that will show our various members volunteering at many locations throughout the county. Stan also advised me that our Oly Pen chapter has developed a generic Power Point of Bluebills involved in a number of projects to support the needy, such as building wheelchair ramps and installing handrails, for example.

Our chapter refurbishes science and STEM kits for all of the students within the Everett School District. We are also currently emphasizing projects in support of the 100-year anniversary celebration of the Boeing Company, so retired employees should be prepared to share Boeing stories with the local media and with people at the Museum of Flight, located at the south end of Boeing Field. I encourage you to also involve your grandchildren in this celebration.

An endorsement of the Bluebills was recently sent to several SPEEA members and to Norma Vaughn by Bob Keever, Oly Pen, in which he describes the SPEEA retirement seminar he attended prior to his departure from the workforce. It was helpful in all ways except for suggestions describing what to do with all the spare time he had. He ended up connecting with the Bluebills and has enjoyed the experience so much that he was requesting that he and another Bluebill member be allowed to set up in the lobby prior to the next retirement seminar in order to hand out materials promoting Bluebills. He was hoping this would be a continuing activity occurring at future seminars. I hope to learn if this was effective in encouraging other retirees to consider membership in the Bluebills, thus increasing our numbers.

Bob Krull

This newsletter

This newsletter is also on our website in [living color](http://www.bluebills.org/snoking.html)

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CLC Report

CLC has been trying to find ways to interact with Boeing near-retirees. We learned of SPEEA box dinners that take place at both Tukwila and Everett where those nearing retirement can learn of Boeing benefits. These events occur monthly at both locations and are quite popular. Typical attendance is 70-80. Through the leadership of Bob Keever (Oly Pen), Bluebills contacted SPEEA and we were encouraged to present the Bluebills story. A trial event has already occurred at Tukwila in March, where Doug Hoople, Heritage chairman, made a short (3-slide) presentation. It was well-received. Bluebills also left copies of our latest brochure at each place setting.

Sno-King member, Jim Gillan, is involved in another retiree organization, ERS, which has made presentations at SPEEA retiree events. We should try to determine if there are 'retirement events' in other organizations at Boeing, where we could pitch the Bluebills story.

Stan Shipley



Volunteer Hours

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

Max

Sew N Sews

This news column will make up for March and April. I didn't get any complaints for not doing April column so am assuming there wasn't any problem.

Many thanks to:

WANDA THOMAS for bringing in some beautiful knitted items – especially the baby sweater, and then a cocoon and 4 hats

ELLA KRULL for bringing in a total of 12 baby afghans (this is for March and April combined.) They are all such beautiful colors and variety of yarns. When they are delivered, there are always many compliments.

Deliveries were made to St. Joseph and Catholic Community Services.

Also a delivery of fabrics was delivered to Barbara Bell as she continues on with sewing quilts. She is currently donating those to a church in S Everett on Casino Road.

Four boxes of yarn were delivered to Project Linus and three boxes delivered to retirement places. The quantity of boxes of yarn has gone way down -- probably 20 boxes left. They will go fast as the senior center in Everett needs some and also The Binky Patrol. I should have them delivered during this week.

Just recently, an article about St. Joseph House was published in The Herald. I hope you had chance to read it and see the photo of Lenora Bruce. Lenora is retired Boeing and started St. Joseph as a way of paying back to the community. They can always use some help there.

I have a feeling that this group needs to be renamed, as it isn't just sewing as it was when created. If you have an idea let me know.

See you,

Rose

From Phyllis Diller

- ◆ We spend the first twelve months of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk, and the next twelve years telling them to sit down and shut up.
- ◆ Tranquilizers work only if you follow the advice on the bottle—keep away from children.
- ◆ The reason the golf pro tells you to keep your head down is so you can't see him laughing.
- ◆ I asked the waiter, "Is this milk fresh?" He said, "Lady, three hours ago it was grass."

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

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. A person can either sew a complete quilt or do partial project, for example – cutting blocks, assembling blocks for a quilt, sewing just the blocks, quilt tying, etc. You can do your part at home or in a group setting.

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.

Other volunteer opportunities available –

SHARING WHEELS 2531 Broadway, Everett, 425-252-6952 holds work parties throughout the year to prepare used bikes for kids. All the tools are available plus assistance and there are lots of bikes to be fixed up. (Here you can use your mechanical skills).

THERE ARE a variety of volunteer opportunities that are available. Contact RSVP John McAlpine at johnm@ccsww.org or call 425-374-6374.

SERVING MEALS FOR HOMELESS AND LOW INCOME in EVERETT – each day of the week either a church or other non-profit agency provides a free meal – either lunch or dinner. Helpers are always needed for table preparation, serving food, clean up, etc.

******NEWSLETTER** – helpers are needed once a month for making copies, folding the newsletter, attaching the mailing label and other miscellaneous duties at the **SNO-KING BLUEBILLS** office. Contact Stan Shipley at 425-487-2533 or James Bailey 425-387-4165.

Volunteer Opportunities

Each week the Everett Herald has volunteer opportunities that are available. Many are a one time 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.

The Volunteers of America food bank needs a driver to help with the Home Delivery program. They are looking for someone on Wednesdays to drop off the food boxes to Seniors and Disabled folks who can't make it into the food bank. The truck usually leaves the building around 9:00 AM and gets back around noon. The first Wednesday of the month is the folks in North Everett, which usually takes about 2.5 hours; the second Wednesday goes to central Everett, about 3 hours; and the third Wednesday goes to South Everett, about 3.5 hours. VOA would be able to provide a Ride-Along volunteer to do the lifting. Please give Paulette Jacobson a call if you can help: 425-374-6311.



Gone but not forgotten

Betty Marleau passed away April 16th. She was an active member for many years and participated in many volunteer activities. Also, she was very active in our sewing group and helped make many Christmas stockings plus all the baby quilts that she made.

Submitted by,
Rose Johnson

Sew N Sews Photos



Contributions from Wanda Thomas (top photo) and Ella Krull (middle photo)

April Meeting Photos



DATES TO REMEMBER!!

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