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# Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers General Meeting

Our speakers this month will be—

Wes & Jean Nelsen, News About Genealogy Database Updates

# Boeing Everett Employees Activity Center June 28th—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.

# The Sno-King **Boeing Bluebills Newsletter**June 2012 — 2 — Volume 17 Issue 6

#### **Chairman's Report**

Congratulations are in order for one of our own very active members. On May 23rd, at a special event sponsored by Catholic Community Services, sponsoring agency of the federally-funded RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Program). Twelve members of the community received a Presidential Award for their thousands of hours of service to their community. Rose Johnson, one of the founding memb3ers of the Sno-King Bluebill organization, was one of those to receive this award, presented by Snohomish County Council Member John Koster. Thank you, Rose, for making our community a better place in which to live.

On May 25th, 2012, at the Hilton Garden Inn, across the street from the Future of Flight Museum at Paine Field, in Everett, nine members of the Boeing Sno-King Bluebills represented the Boeing Company at this prestigious event. Captain Michael Coury, Comander, Naval Station Everett, gave a sterling speech about "The African-American men and women who, during World War II, proved their courage, patriotism, and capability, despite the personal sacrifices they were asked to make." A Naval Commander I met a few years ago, who was stationed aboard on of our great battleships during World War II, spoke about the total discrimination of these dedicated volunteers serving our country: they were forced to use separate bunking, eating, and toileting facilities.

Who are the Tuskegee Airmen? I have excerpted the following from the program we attended: "As the nation became aware of how blacks were being mistreated, criticism of the government and its policies grew. When First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt became aware of the problem, she urged her husband, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, to intervene. The result was the authorization of an experiment to see if blacks could perform as aviators. Tuskegee, Alabama, was chosen as the location for training." As history has

#### **Volunteer Hours**

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.

# Chairman's Report, continued

obviously shown, this "experiment" was an outstanding success. These "Red Tails,Z" a nickname chosen based on the color painted on the tails of their airplanes, exceeded all expectations. A true victory was won in 1948, when President Harry S. Truman signed Executive Order 9981, which "desegregated the Armed Forces." The movie describing the exploits of the "Red Tails" is available on DVD.

Edmonds School District News! I recently received a call from a woman in charge of the Edmonds School District science projects. She had heard of our volunteer efforts in support of the Everett School District science programs. If you live in or near the Edmonds School District, and might be interested in helping them out, pleas contact Lee Thomas at 425-334-7645.

Bob Krull

#### **Sew N Sews**

A rarity! According to Rose Johnson, there is no article for this month's newsletter.

#### From Newsletter Editor



Think picnic!!

#### This newsletter

This newsletter is also on our website in living color

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

Max

#### **CLC Meeting**

- 1 On August 11th Millard Battles is holding his Annual Picnic again at his home and he has invited all.
- 2 Boeing Global Day of Volunteering is July 14th 2012.
- 3 For the June Quarterly Letter please send your project and pictures the first week of June2012 to Teri @
- 4 Teri is still working on setting up CPR classes for us, will have more information later.
- 5 Boeing has a Table set up @ the National day of Honor Celebration, It's a Special tribute to the Tuskegee Airmen. May 25th 2012 @ 6:00 to 8:00 PM @ The Hilton Garden Hotel @ Paine Field across from the Museum of Flight. Bluebills are welcome and Teri hopes to see some of us there.
- 6 August 24th 2012 is the Heritage Chapter Picnic @ Riverside Park, just east of Renton, WA and all are welcome.
- 7 There is a Cleaning of Boeing Binders Work party this Saturday for the schools.
- 8 Dale Grunnoe of East Side Chapter is in the ICU
- @ Overlake Hospital. Best Get Well Wishes to him.
- 9 Ken Porter of the Olympic Chapter passed away
- 10 On May 26, 2012 @ Boeing Field there will be a B-17 named Overcast and the Cascade War Birds also. All are invited.
- 11 July 9, 2012 is the Olympic Chapter Picnic and all are welcome.
- 12 Next CLC meeting is June 12th 2012.

Submitted by,

Everett Trwin

#### **Annual Picnic**

This is just a reminder that our annual picnic is scheduled for Thursday, August 23rd at Kasch Park. The menu and activities are still in the planning stage, but good weather has been promised this year by our renowned chef, Dave Skinner. This is a fun activity, suitable for all members of the family, so mark your calendars and stay tuned for further announcements!

# **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### **Summer Volunteer and Safety Events Everett Office of Emergency Management**

June 13—Everett Housing Authority Safety Fair— Need two volunteers to set up and staff a preparedness booth from about 10 AM to 2 PM. (Details still in the Works)

June 30—Naval Station Everett Freedom Festival—Emergency Preparedness Booth from 10 AM to 5 PM (set-up from 8 AM to 10 AM). A fun event for your family to come tour ships, play games and have a great time. We will be looking for volunteers to staff the booth in 2 to 4 hour shifts. We will need about 10 volunteers to make this a success.

**July 4—Parade**—We are still looking for volunteers to help with the parade.

July 4—Police Open House Preparedness Booth— If you can't help at the parade but would like to staff a Preparedness Booth at the Everett Police Department Open House, let me know. We have the opportunity to reach hundreds of people with preparedness information. Need at least 4 volunteers.

July 19—Emergency Shelter Drill—Come participate or observe the setup and use of the City of Everett Emergency Shelter. Both people and animal shelters will be set up.

August 6—Volunteer Appreciation Night Everett— Aquasox Baseball Game—Free tickets for you and your family just to come watch the game. Contact Mary for more info

August 10—Everett Aquasox Baseball Game— Firefighter Night—We will staff an Emergency Preparedness booth including games for kids and a visit by our mascot, Rex the Ready Cougar. Need at least 4 volunteers. Game starts at 7:05. Doors open about 5:30 for our booth. It will be Firefighters Appreciation Night, so should be lots of fun!

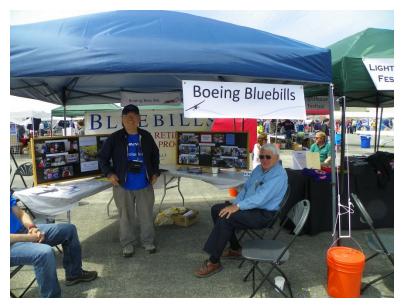
August 23 through September 3—Evergreen State Fair—We will take at least one day or more at the Fair to promote CERT and emergency preparedness. Not certain which dates will be ours yet, but let me know if you are interested. Great way to enjoy the fair and make a difference.

Please RSVP to Mary at mschoenfeldt@ci.everett.wa.us and put in the subject line the event or events you would like to attend. That will help me keep the details organized. My phone number is 425-257-7965.

### Volunteer Opportunities, continued

Family Matters Vision Council at United Way of Snohomish County is seeking new members for their council. They deal with issues surrounding basic needs, such as housing, food and employment resources. The volunteers attend monthly meetings about a variety of topics with decision-making as well. If you are interested, please contact Svea Stromme at 425-374-5543.

### **Aviation Day Photos**



Bill Witzke & Stan Shipley manning the booth



Bob Krull & Flight Attendant friends

#### **And More Photos**



At the Tuskegee Airmen Gala



Also at the Gala



The Bluebills Display in our booth at the show

# **Photo Montage**

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Rose receiving Presidential award



Bluebills attending the Tuskegee Airmen event

Speakers Al Shelton & Tom Pierce at the May meeting, discussing their involvement at the Passe Catabois hospital.





Everett & Rose at the Award Breakfast



Elly feeding the fish at Lively Center. She goes every Wednesday with her grandma, Linda Berquist, & knows exactly how to open the pen, feed the fish, clean out the debris & dead fish. Hardest jobreclosing the padlocks.



Wes Nielsen holding Tillman at the April meeting

# **General Aviation Day Photos**





Bill Witzke with a B-25

Alan Gale discussing a warbird with a visitor

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