



THE BLUEBILL

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Happy Thanksgiving

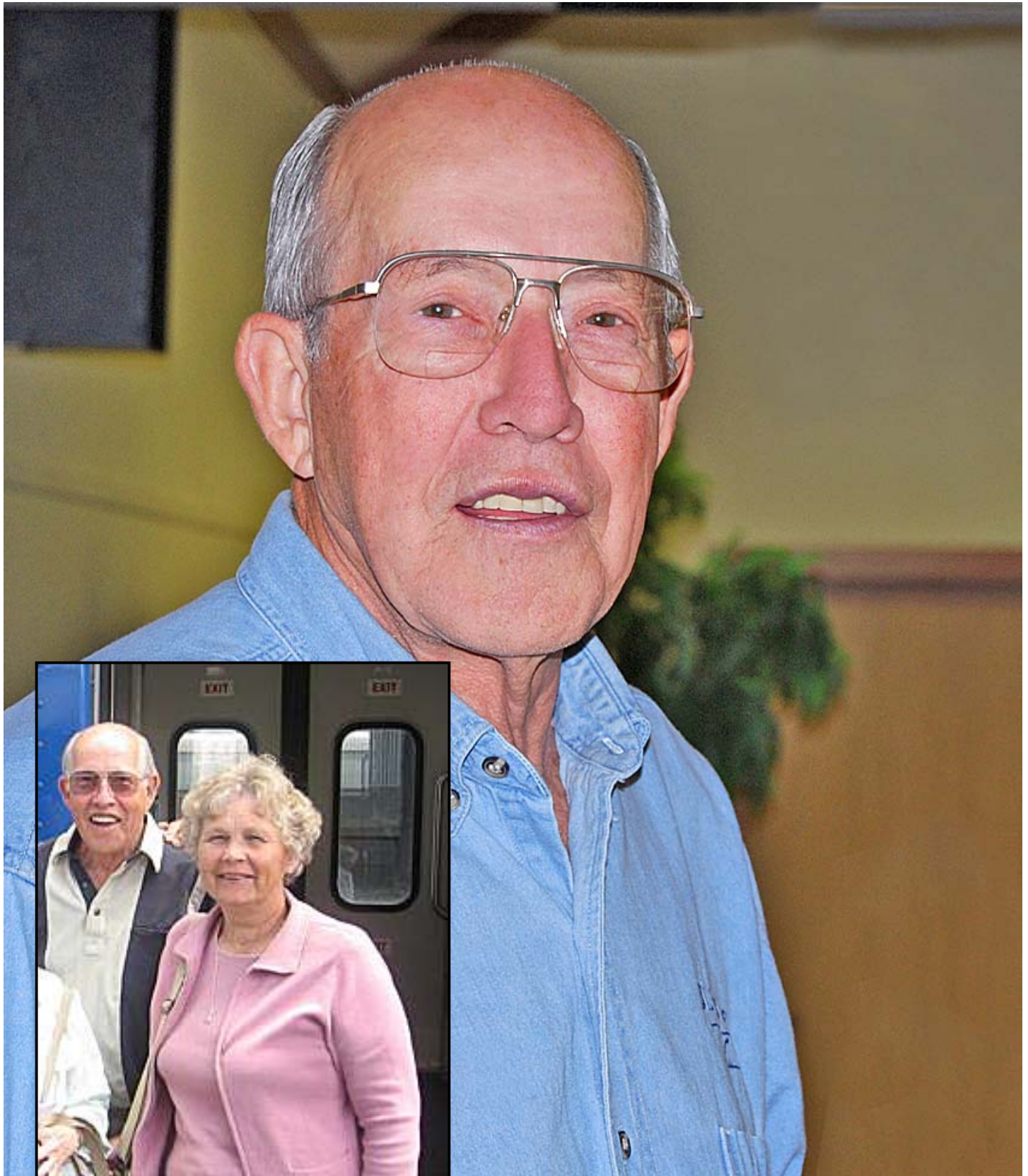


FROM ALL OF US !

FOR A GOOD CLOSEUP VIEW OF THE PICTURE GO TO 'VIEW' ON YOUR MENU BAR AND CHOOSE ZOOM 400% THEN SCROLL ACROSS THE PICTURE.

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SO LONG HOWARD AND RUTH

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Howard and Ruth Schaible recently pulled-up stakes and moved back across the water to the Seattle area. Both have been active Bluebills since we started our chapter in 1997. At that time Howard was asked to take on one of the officer positions which he turned down, saying that he didn't want to attend any more meetings,

Here is one thing we all knew about Howard. When he said he was going to do something, he did it. And he did plenty of things for Bluebills and the community.

**He just wanted to be a worker.
And what a worker he has been!**

Over the past nine years Howard has organized or been part of building literally hundreds of ramps, installing countless grab bars and working on any community project that came along.

In the past couple of years he has acted as our Social Chairman, organizing the quarterly get-togethers that we hold.

From a Bluebills viewpoint, our loss could be another chapter's gain so we hope Howard finds a chapter on the Seattle side who can use his skills.

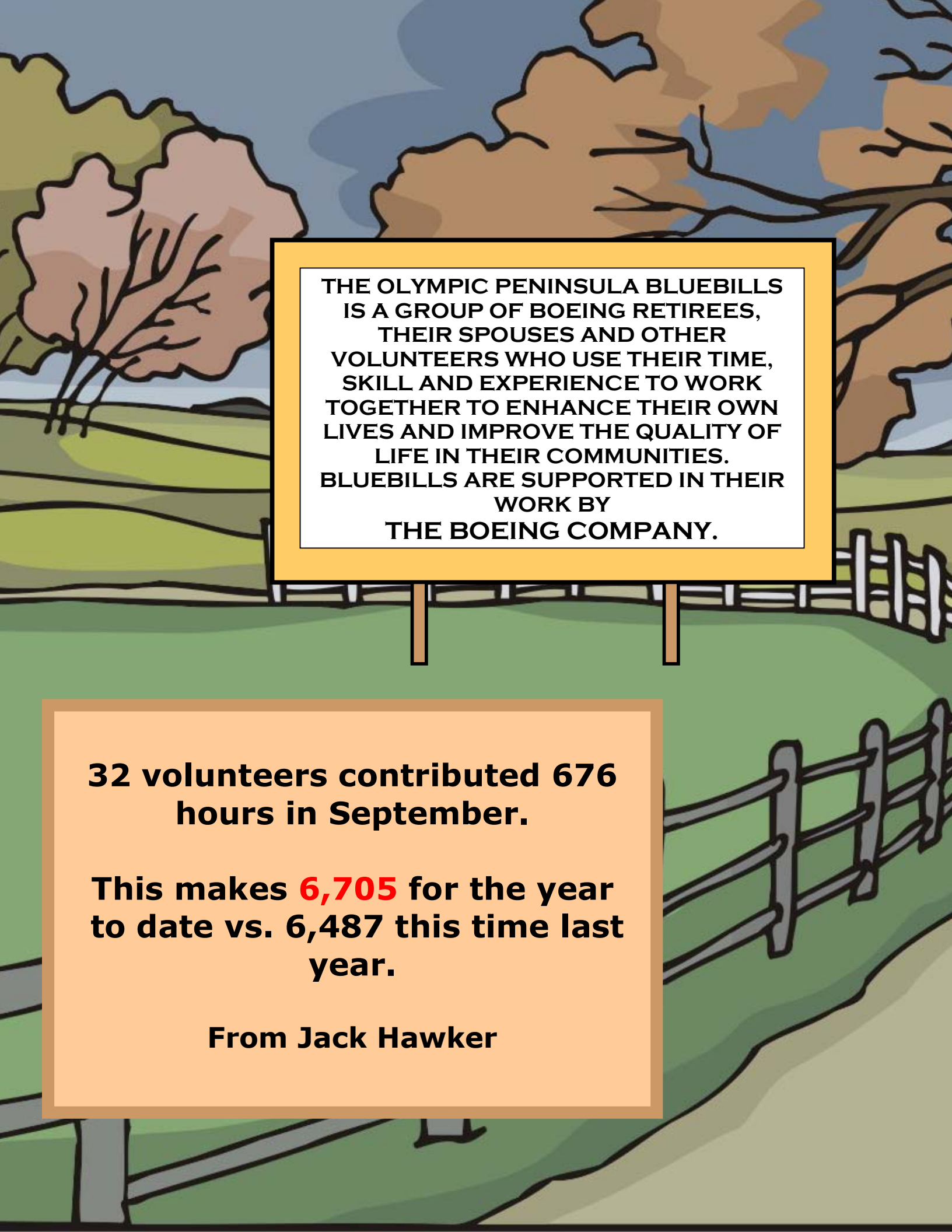
We are not saying good-bye to Howard and Ruth, only so long until we see you again and hope you return to Port Ludlow often

Thanks again to both of you
for all you have done.

from Myron for **ALL**
THE BLUEBILLS!



Bluebills are making
reindeer again. Look
for them
at the Bay Club. They
can be ordered
through Community
Enrichment Alliance

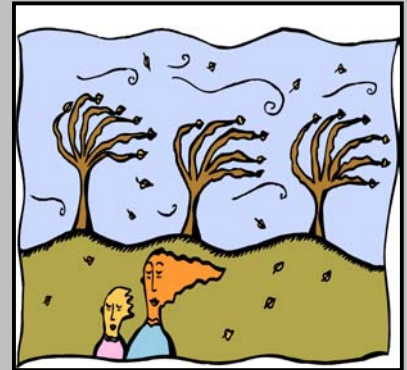


**THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA BLUEBILLS
IS A GROUP OF BOEING RETIREES,
THEIR SPOUSES AND OTHER
VOLUNTEERS WHO USE THEIR TIME,
SKILL AND EXPERIENCE TO WORK
TOGETHER TO ENHANCE THEIR OWN
LIVES AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF
LIFE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES.
BLUEBILLS ARE SUPPORTED IN THEIR
WORK BY
THE BOEING COMPANY.**

**32 volunteers contributed 676
hours in September.**

**This makes 6,705 for the year
to date vs. 6,487 this time last
year.**

From Jack Hawker

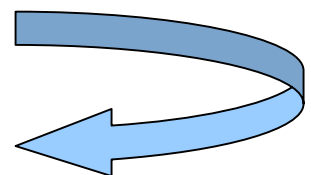


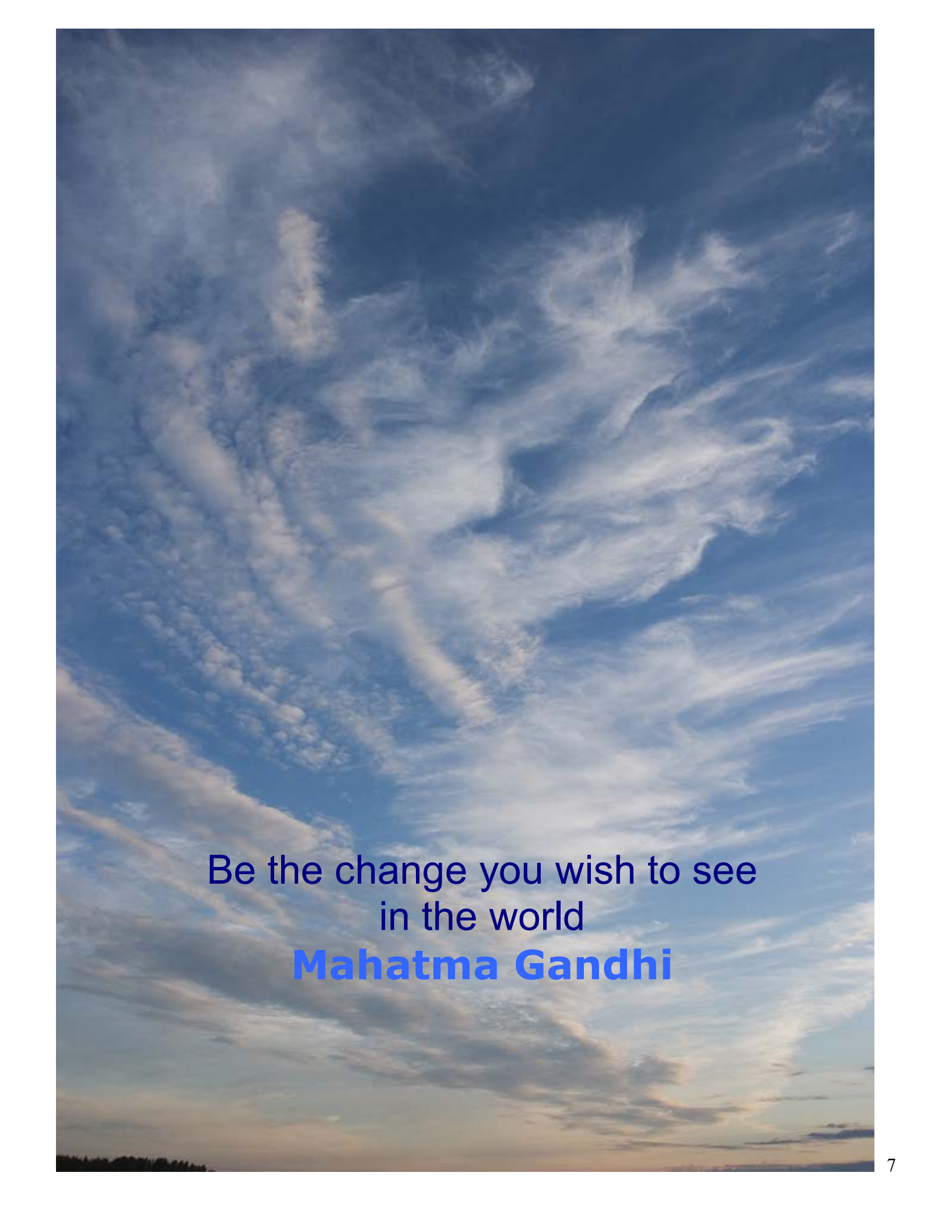
**Larry Elton
installs a new
entry light.**

Last year Bluebills did an extensive amount of remodeling to the basement of the American Legion Club in Port Townsend getting it ready to serve as a homeless shelter for December and January. This year the shelter, operated by the Churches in the area, will be open from November into February of 2008. Bluebills were again called upon to make some minor repairs and modifications to get it ready. **Chuck Shered** has been coordinator for our participation and we have built some shelves, relocated vents, cleaned the furnace, prepared sandbags in case of heavy rain, repaired the entry door and installed a new entry light.

Helping Chuck with the job were **Jack Hawker, Russ Rousseau, Larry Elton, Mel Morris, Ken Winter, Dave Ditzler and Myron Vogt.**

**Bluebills get Homeless
Shelter Ready for another Winter**



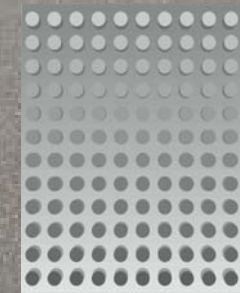


Be the change you wish to see
in the world

Mahatma Gandhi

BLUEBILLS ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

HELPS ENVIRONMENT
AND RAISES FUNDS



*CARS LINED UP TO
DISPOSE OF ITEMS*

Our second annual Electronics Recycling Day took place at the Port Ludlow Recycling Area on Sept 20. It surprised me that we actually took in more electronic equipment than we did in our 2006 collection, 4,535 pounds vs. 4,400 pounds. Where does it all come from? We would have had a couple hundred pounds more but we had to turn away three early birds who we just weren't ready for. Bob and Arlene Burns had a good idea when they initiated electronics recycling in Port Ludlow. It prevents a lot of toxic materials from potentially polluting our environment.



Ken Winter and a customer loading items into a Skookum container.

We again had some light rain this year, But not nearly as wet or cold as in 2006. Our canopy kept the cashiers and their records dry, and the coffee and Danishes supplied by some of the volunteers were most welcome. The heaviest single item was a TV at 128 lb., not nearly as impressive as last years 182 lb. TV.

Skookum received \$1,587, which at \$.35/pound, is what they pay the Seattle firm that segregates all the materials for their ultimate recycling. And as fundraisers, the Community Enrichment Alliance and the Port Ludlow Village Council each received \$145.



Mary Clear-Padilla and Heather Gilden took care of the paperwork and money.



His grandfather is teaching this young man early about recycling.

Bluebills volunteers were Lee Amundsen, Mary Clear Padilla, Elin & Steve Failla, Heather and Dick Gilden, Myron Vogt and Ken Winter. Port Ludlow residents who helped out were Walter Davies-Owens, Jack Hirschmann, Jim Laker and Tom Smith. Skookum employees Matt Hall and Kevin Johnston were also key. Myron Vogt was our photographer.

Our thanks to all!
From Steve Failla



Jim Laker handled the weighing



One of the two container-loads of recycled electronic goods that were collected.



**Roberta Burns
November 9**

**Claudia Young
November 24**

**Dorothy Winter
November 27**

**Mel Morris
November 25**

**Charlie Micallef
November 28**

**Jack Randall
November 29**

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES COMPLETED

Delivery of school supplies and items from the Gifts-In-Kind program has been completed.

It's difficult to describe the amount of goods we provided to the thirteen schools who are eligible for these goods but it would average out to about a pickup truck load for each school.

We distributed nearly 200 new backpacks among other things. The backpacks were provided by World Vision. Many of them purchased with funds donated by Boeing Employees. About 100 of these backpacks were filled with school supplies that are typically used by elementary grades. Most of the supplies were purchased by Bluebills and community members in Port Ludlow and Brinnon. Each backpack has items worth \$15-\$20.

A lot of people worked on this program. They are:

Lee Amundson	Ed Berthiaume	Ken Close
Beryl Denison	Dave Ditzler	Gary Dotson
Jane Dotson	Steve Failla	Betty Faulkner
Dick Gilden	Heather Gilden	Mike Graham
Jack Hawker	Ed Hughes	Larry Lang
Dave Matheson	John Miller	Amy Miller
Dick Ostlund	Gary Moore	Bob Peden
Jack Randall	Russ Rousseau	Shelley Rousseau
Marvin Segar	Chuck Shered	Bill Shain
George Sickle	Mary Jean Thomas	Myron Vogt
Valeria Vogt		Ken Winter

**Everyone's help was important and appreciated,
however, a special thanks to a few folks.**

Lee Amundson

Always ready to do our pick ups and deliveries.

Ed Berthiaume

Coordination, sorting and delivery

Larry Lang

Compiled all the schools requests and issued the loading sheets.

Dick Ostlund

SSD program Coordinator

Russ and Shelley Rousseau

Always there to help with sorting, pick-up and deliveries.

Special thanks to **Ron Jones,**

Lee Amundson

and **Gary Dotson**

for volunteering to make the long drive
to deliver things to the far west schools in Clallam County.

Also to

Russ Rousseau who made two
trips to the schools in Mason county.

A number of organizations and companies also involved:

Community Enrichment Alliance

Provide the money needed to rent the schools supply warehouse.

**The Beach Club, The Bay Club, Brinnon Community Center
and Quilcene Community Center**

Publicized and collected items for our backpack program.

Carl's Building Supply

Provides the truck for picking up goods at World Vision in Kent.

There was a lot of work that went into this program and I hope everyone feels it was worthwhile

Thanks again for everyone's help.

from Myron Vogt

The new 2008 officers are

Ed Berthiaume Chair

Dan Nordmark First Vice-Chair

Chuck Sherred Second Vice-Chair

WELCOME NEW BLUEBILLS

**FROM ELEANOR RODEN
MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN**

**DAVIS STEELQUIST,
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**DANIEL HOLTZ, Port Ludlow
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Interests are: Independent Living,
Hospital Equip. Repair and Bike repair.**



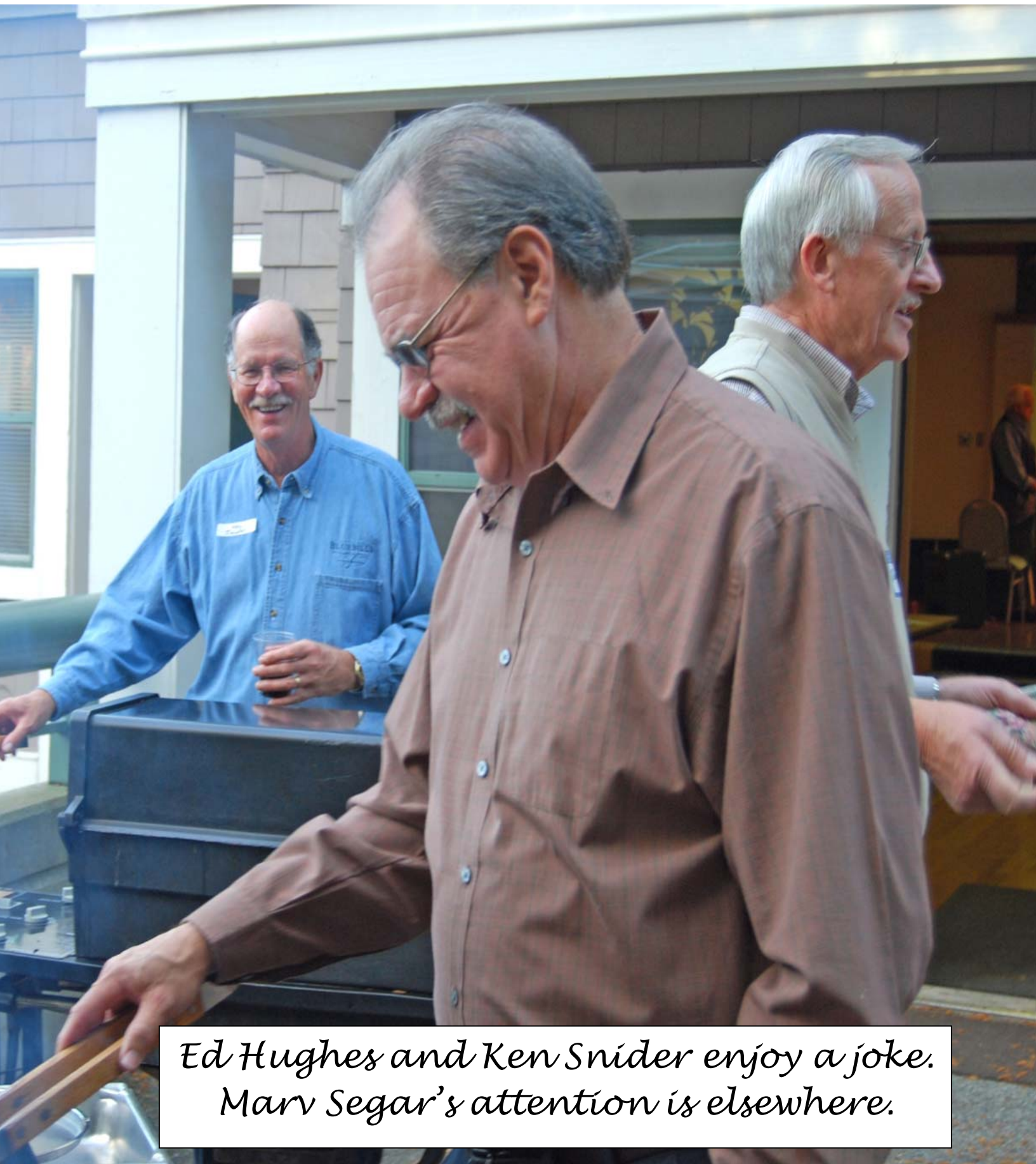
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*Running the grill.
Ken Snider and Mike Keefe.*



The source of the red cabbage. Our new 2008 chairman, Ed Berthiaume.



*Ed Hughes and Ken Snider enjoy a joke.
Marv Segar's attention is elsewhere.*

The speaker at our Octoberfest was John Braach, President of Voices for Veterans. Voices for Veterans is a non-profit dedicated to helping homeless and needy veterans on the Olympic Peninsula. Bluebills provide goods to the organization through our Gifts-In-Kind



Vince Pace provided some great polka music



Valeria and Myron Vogt




Steve and Elin Failla



Cathy Snider and Margo Elton staffed the reception desk.

THE NOVEMBER CALENDAR



Tuesday, Nov 6
GIK pick up from
World Vision

Monday, Nov 12
Leadership Team meeting
9-10am, Bay Club

Tuesday, Nov 13
Central leadership
Council Meeting
10-11am, Seattle

GIK delivery will be done Dec 9
(Jefferson County)

Well, a year has past and it's time for another of our famous Olympic Peninsula Bluebill Christmas parties.

Because domestic violence and sexual assaults cause so much pain and anguish for victims, especially during the holidays, our generous Bluebill families will once again be donating gifts to local **DV/SA agencies**.

Monetary donations will be collected at our December 4th party this year. We will buy and wrap the gifts, then deliver the packages to the DV/SA agencies in Kitsap, Jefferson, and Clallam Counties. The agencies provide lists with their client's names encoded to protect privacy and their personal security

Last year, with help from **Community Enrichment Alliance** (CEA), we bought very nice gifts for 85 people, mostly children, and gave \$20 Safeway gift certificates to each individual family.

What is more heart wrenching than a frightened child at Christmas without gifts? **Too many have been there.....**



An Early Holiday 'Heads Up'

From Chuck Sherred

**DECEMBER SOCIAL
TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 4**

**11 – 3PM AT
THE PORT LUDLOW
BAY CLUB**

**RSVP
to Mike Graham
with entrée
choice by
Nov. -----**



The Silverwater Café, Port Townsend, is serving an assortment of their most popular appetizers beginning at 11:00. Lunch will be served at noon and will consist of a mixed greens salad, the choice of either Wild Alaskan Salmon or Stuffed Loin of Beef, both served with roasted garlicmashed potatoes. The Silverwater Cafe is also preparing a pasta dish for anyone requesting vegetarian. Lunch will be followed by Chocolate Hazelnut Mousse desert.

**The Choral Belles
will provide a musical interlude during desert.**

**Cheryl Bozarth heads up Domestic Violence
and will be our featured speaker.**

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