

# **Bluebill *FLYER* December 2017**

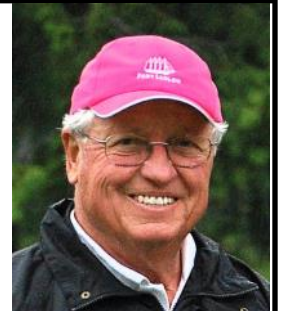


## **Olympic Peninsula Boeing Bluebill Newsletter Serving Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties**



Barbara Berthiaume

### **From the Chair By Barbara Berthiaume**



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2017 has been another incredibly busy year for the Bluebills. Judy McCay reports that through October, 107 Bluebills reported 13,562 volunteer hours in various programs serving the community. These volunteer hours were filled with the monthly rotation of the World Vision Programs in Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties, and the adoption of the first grade class at Chimacum Elementary by volunteers in the classrooms.

2017, Bluebill accomplishments include:

- Raised money to buy 32 Chrome Books for Chimacum Elementary.
- Worked with the YMCA Summer Nutrition and Literacy Program.
- Ran the 6th Annual Dove House Tournament raising \$17,630.
- Entered the Jefferson County Fair where the Bluebill booth again captured 1st Place.
- The ongoing installation of ramps and grab bars all contributed to our care of the community.

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- A new Education Program has evolved with the Bluebills partnering with the Museum of Flight and the Peninsula Support Organization (PSO) to bring STEM programs to the Peninsula.
- The Bluebills have helped bring 2 days of STEM programs to Chimacum and a third day is planned for the spring.
- And last but not least, a fitting tribute was made to Jack Randall, receiving the Peninsula Daily News Heart of Service Award in May.

It is an honor and privilege to be part of an amazing organization with such a giving heart!

Happy Holidays!

Barbara Berthiaume



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## **Bluebills Christmas Social**

Be sure to mark your calendars for the annual Boeing Bluebills Christmas Social which will be held on Tuesday, December 5 from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Bay Club. This year, we are working with OlyCap to buy Christmas gifts for families in shelter in Port Townsend. You can select a family to buy Christmas gifts for at the Social. The lunch will be catered by God Bless Food (GBS) who catered the event last year to rave reviews.



## **Bluebills, PSO and the Museum of Flight are partners in improving STEM education on the Olympic Peninsula**

Jay Gilmour arranged a meeting with Matt Hayes, the new CEO of the Museum of Flight and invited Rick Thompson, Chimacum Public Schools Superintendent, and Barbara Berthiaume, Secretary of the PSO, to join him. The Museum has agreed to partner with the Peninsula Support Organization (PSO) and the Bluebills to bring STEM programs to the Peninsula.



Rick Thompson, Barbara Berthiaume, and Jay Gilmour at the Museum of Flight



## **Boeing matches contributions to the Peninsula Support Organization**

If you are considering making a tax deductible contribution to the PSO to help fund the STEM education initiative or World Vision programs, you can get that donation matched fifty cents on the dollar by the Boeing Gift Matching Program.

You can send a donation to the PSO to:

PSO

120 Spinnaker Pl.

Port Ludlow, WA, 98365-9540

To apply for a gift match, log on to the Boeing Total Access site and click on “Life and Community” then “Community Giving– GIVE”, and enter the “Boeing Community Engagement Portal”.


Under Boeing Gift Matching Program you can either enter Peninsula Support under the organization name or the tax ID# 822040628. Select the Peninsula Support Organization and fill out the gift match form.

Be sure and check to see if any of the other organizations that you contribute to are also listed with Boeing and make your contribution dollar go further!



## New Glasses for Chimacum First Grader


Jenny Vervynck, the new Behavioral Specialist at the Chimacum Primary School, recently wrote a letter to the Bluebills to see if we could help one of the first graders who needed a special pair of glasses to help with his vision and his ability to focus on his work. His family has 4 children and struggles every day to barely make ends meet. The student broke his glasses again and the family cannot afford to replace them. In the past, they purchased glasses from WalMart but they were not "child friendly" and broke easily. He needed sturdy glasses to be able to succeed both academically and socially. In response to this request, Bluebill members stepped up and donated \$385 to purchase the new pair of glasses. Judy McKay, the Bluebill Primary School point person, delivered the check to Jenny a few weeks ago.



Dear Barb and The Boeing  
Bluebills,

Many, many thanks to you  
all for your amazing generosity.  
The gift of new, child friendly  
glasses gives little London  
a new view of his life and  
school everyday. Being able  
to see so much more clearly!  
He is more successful every  
day because of his new glasses.  
I look forward to meeting  
you on December 5.

Jenny Vervynck  
Behavior Interventionist  
Chimacum Creek Primary  
School



# December Calendar



- Dec 4 WV Pick for Jefferson County. Chimacum 9:00**
- Dec 5 Christmas Giving Social at the Bay Club. 1:00-4:00**
- Dec 7 Bluebills Leadership meeting 3:00-4:00 Bay Club**
- Dec 8 WV Deliver Jefferson County.**
- Dec 25 CHRISTMAS**

## December

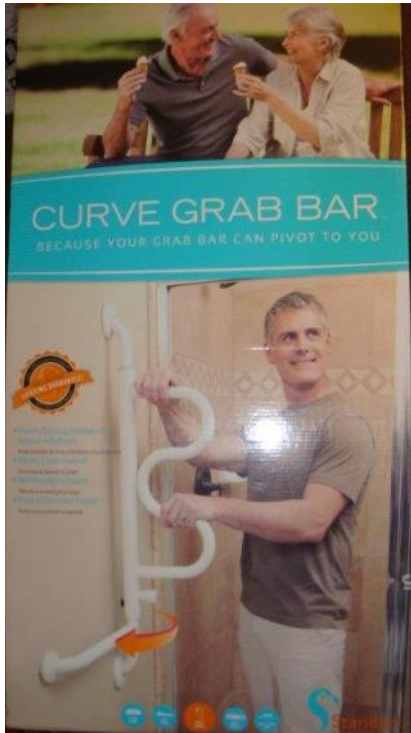


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## New Style of Grab Bar for Brinnon



Recently Bluebill George Sickel installed a new kind of grab bar for a couple in Brinnon. The “Curve” grab bar can swing in 180 degrees and lock in 45 degree increments. The client will use it to transfer from his wheel chair to his lift chair and back. We had not seen this type of grab bar before, it looks very useful. Nice work George!

## Big Job in Cape George

After an initial rain delay, it took two dry days @36 degrees (with a few light snow flurries; 1st of the year!), a loooong length to meet the slope specs (happily, the ground came up to meet us a bit), a high platform and a LOT of balusters (>180). Todd & Jo & Dan surveyed, planned, ruminated on the design and Jo gathered the Bluebills Builder book, drawings, photos, and plans to get approval from the Cape George community Building Committee in one day. Kudos to CG too. We had JUST enough 2x2s and six 2.5" screws left out of a bucket of 450. Total people hours 158.

It came out really nice and the client (who currently drives a lot for ECCHO) should be able to stay in her home and bring her groceries and friends in safely. Many thanks to Todd Knoblock, Dan and Jo Nieuwsma, Michael Graham, Robert Chanpong, Joe Gagnier, Myron Vogt, and Dave Parrish for hanging in there in the cold and creating a really nice ramp.



Todd Knoblock, Jo Gagnier, Dan Nieuwsma, Michael Graham, Jo Nieuwsma

## Ramp in Port Hadlock Plus Schultz!

We built this ramp for an 88 year-old woman and her 89 year-old husband. Both had fallen a couple of times using the existing steps (No handrail). The husband uses a walker if he can. This ramp will allow them to get to the ground level safely. The job took 4 of us 4-1/2 hours.

Myron Vogt

The client sent a very nice thank you card which is shown on the next page.



Before



After

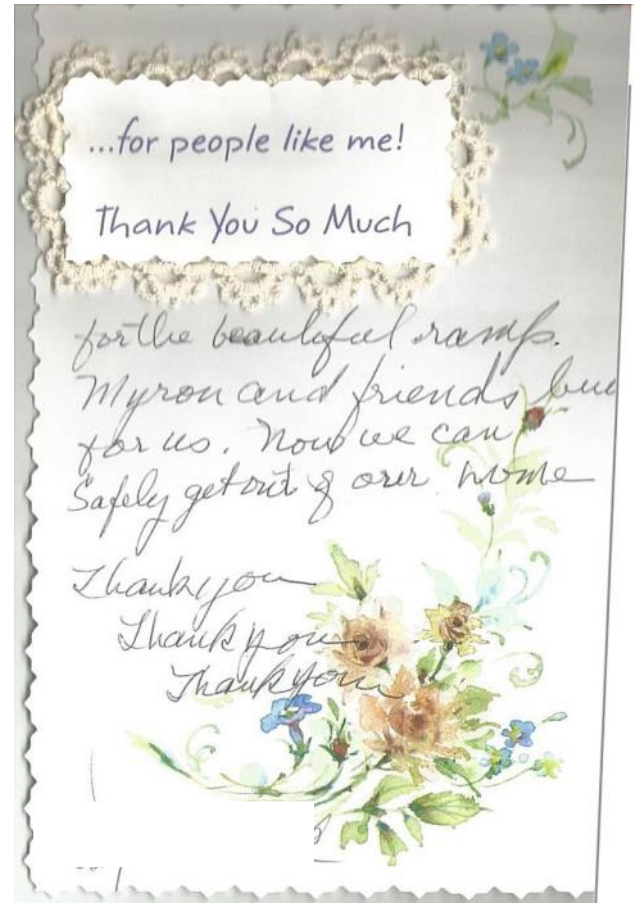
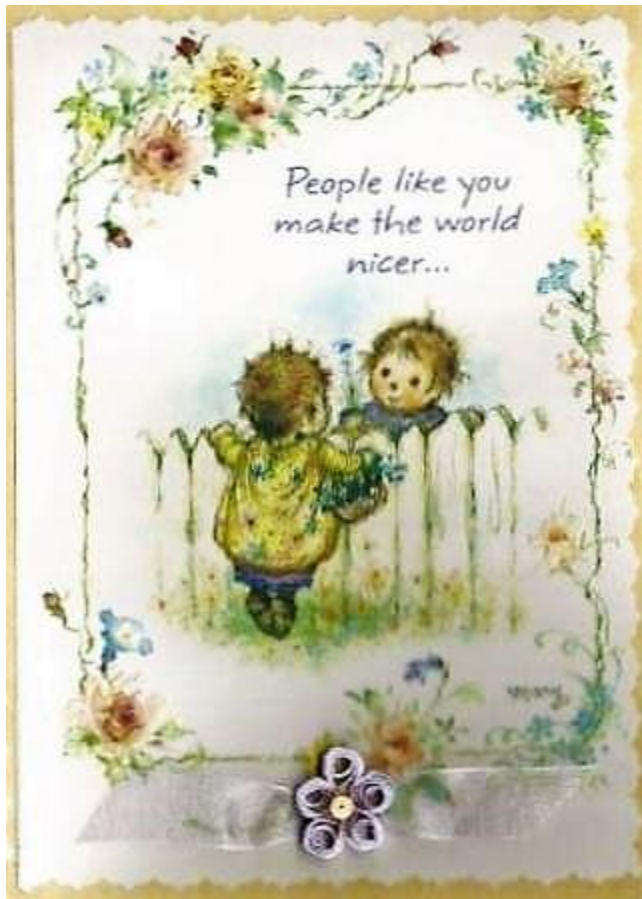


Can you find Schultz?



Myron Vogt, Michael Graham, Jack Hawker, and Schultz





Thank you note from ramp job in Port Hadlock

March 3, 2017

Dear Myron - the new handrails are gorgeous! I can now go down those stairs without fear of falling.

Thank you for the many ways you & Jo & Dan have helped me make our home safer. The handholds & handrails have made a huge difference. I feel so much safer now.

Thank you!

Warmly,

Dear Bluebirds,

I want to thank you for the work you did in putting up three grab bars in our bathroom. My husband Harold was in the hospital at the time and very sadly, he did not come home. He passed away Feb 10th.

I appreciate what you do and I will be able to use the bars.

These Thank You notes were also received in 2017

## 2017 Builder Data



In November all the Project Leaders took a good look at the Open Projects and we found that a number had been done and several we so old that we just closed them out. The result is a drop in our open projects and a big increase in the Nov work done as we captured projects from the past and included it in the Nov data. We are pretty much on our way to match or exceed the 2016 work we did, especially in the number of Grab bars installed. Thanks to all of you Builders.

Myron

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	YTD Total	2016 TTL
Grab bars	6	23	24	26	8	11	24	24	14	17	37	214	150
Ramps	3	5	0	8	3	2	4	5	4	5	10	49	55
Railing	3	5	2	3	1	2	5	4	1	1	6	33	55
Miscellaneous	4	4	7	6	3	1	5	9	2	5	7	53	59
Total Clients	22	29	20	16	8	11	17	17	15	13	41	209	195
Total Different Volunteers	12	16	9	20	14	14	19	18	15	12	19	n/a	
Open Projects	50	61	n/a	n/a	n/a	69	68	71	74	71	49	n/a	







# Party Planning

**The Bluebills are looking for a “Social Coordinator” (Party Animal).**

**Please call or email Barbara Berthiaume  
for details;**

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# HAVE YOU REPORTED YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS?



REMEMBER: YOU CAN REPORT ANY  
VOLUNTEER HOURS! NOT JUST THE  
HOURS YOU WORK FOR BLUEBILLS.  
CHURCH, SCHOOL, COMMUNITY~ ALL OF  
THESE HOURS COUNT TOO!

DID YOU KNOW?

BOEING SETS OUR BUDGET BASED ON  
OUR REPORTED VOLUNTEER HOURS?

EMAIL YOUR HOURS TO Judy McCay:

[jimmccay@cablespeed.com](mailto:jimmccay@cablespeed.com)

Volunteer hours for October, 2017

56 Bluebills reported 1516 hours.  
That is 31 % of Bluebills reporting.

# DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

<b>Stephen Sklar</b>	<b>12/1</b>
<b>Jane Thompson</b>	<b>12/1</b>
<b>Jane Ansley</b>	<b>12/2</b>
<b>John S Boyce</b>	<b>12/3</b>
<b>Kim Kever</b>	<b>12/5</b>
<b>Terry Ellingson</b>	<b>12/9</b>
<b>Sherry S Johnson</b>	<b>12/13</b>
<b>Scott Erickson</b>	<b>12/13</b>
<b>Pete Tallerico</b>	<b>12/17</b>
<b>Joan Zimmerman</b>	<b>12/17</b>
<b>Joe Gagnier</b>	<b>12/18</b>
<b>Pat Webb</b>	<b>12/22</b>
<b>Rod Krebs</b>	<b>12/30</b>



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