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From the Chair

WHAT'S AHEAD

By Myron Vogt



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Here is a short look ahead at what is planned for 2019.

BUILDERS

There is always a high demand for these services. Our hope is to build up our volunteers through recruitment, training and maybe some improvements in processes and communications. In February we held a Builders session in Jefferson County. A similar session will be held in Clallam and Kitsap Counties.

WORLD VISION PROGRAMS

An article in this issue reviews our program to increase the amount of goods delivered to our three counties. As noted, the increased activity will mean an increased workload for us. I hope some new volunteers will step up and lend a hand. Note the nice Thank you letter to our Bluebills in Quilcene and Brinnon.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HOMELESS

There is always a demand for specific goods. You can expect a drive to collect these items sometime this year.

DOVE HOUSE GOLF TOURNAMENT

This is our eighth year, and we have a pretty good process in place to handle this event. Our emphasis this year is getting a couple of more major sponsors (\$500 or more) and finding more players (looking for 120). If asked to lend a hand here please consider pitching in.

EDUCATION

In 2018, working with PSO and the Museum of Flight, we were able to hold about 10 training sessions or programs that reached 1,492 students in Jefferson Co. Plans for 2019 are more of the same. Helping PSO with fund raising will be our main activity.

FEEDING PROGRAM

Bluebills have committed to participate in the Tri-Area feeding program in Chimacum. Volunteers will be needed so look for details in upcoming Flyers.

We always have lots of things planned and we can only do this because we can count on our members pitching in.

Thanks, especially from all the people you are helping.

Myron

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WORLD VISION ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES PROGRAM

Our partnership with World Vision is one of our biggest and longest running programs. We have been picking up school supplies and products at the W/V warehouse in Seattle for over 15 years. Currently we pick up various products once a month and school supplies once or twice a year. We offer these goods to around 100 schools, churches, agencies and non-profits over a three county area.

It has become obvious that the people we serve in our three counties, Kitsap, Jefferson and Clallam, use all the product we pick up and even more than we are providing. Our goal is to respond to that need by providing more goods more frequently. Figuring how to do this presents a couple of problems:

- Warehouse space and cost.
- Growing our volunteer base to support the expansion.
- Finding the money to purchase more W/V memberships.

One idea that comes to mind is increasing our product turn-around time from 4 weeks to 3 weeks and using our existing warehouse and volunteers more efficiently plus expanding that group. We would also keep our Essential Supply Memberships the same (10) as that is about the max we can handle in our warehouse.

World Vision has agreed to support a 21 day pick-up cycle at their Fife warehouse. Currently, we will deliver to Kitsap Co. on March 8. The last regular pickup will be on March 12 for Clallam Co. The pick for Clallam will be on March 29, delivery to Clallam on April 1. We then start our 21 day cycle with a pick up at World Vision on April 2 for Jefferson Co. The schedule is shown on the following page.

World Vision 21 Day Pick Up Cycle

Below is the schedule for a 21 day pick up cycle. Wed and Thurs are Port Ludlow golf days so are not used. There is a cushion on all dates except the pick up date at World Vision. The pick is always scheduled for a Friday so could go into the weekend if needed. Delivery is always scheduled on the Monday before the next pickup at World Vision. Delivery could be done on the morning of the W/V pickup, if needed. I have tried to maximize the time for the County Coordinators to work with their groups and build the pick sheets.

P/U at W/V (Tuesday)	Inventory Done	Pick (Friday)	Delivery (Monday)
Apr 2 Jefferson	Apr 3	Apr 19	Apr 22
Apr 23 Kitsap	Apr 24	May 10	May 13
May 14 Clallam	May 15	May 31	Jun 3
Jun 4 Jefferson	Jun 5	Jun 21	Jun 24
Jun 25 Kitsap	Jun 26	Jul 12	Jul 15
Jul 16 Clallam	Jul 17	Aug 2	Aug 5
Aug 6 Jefferson	Aug 7	Aug 23	Aug 26
Aug 27 Kitsap	Aug 28	Sep 13	Sep 16
Sep 17 Clallam	Sep 18	Oct 4	Oct 7
Oct 8 Jefferson	Oct 9	Oct 25	Oct 28
Oct 29 Kitsap	Oct 30	Nov 15	Nov 18
Nov 19 Clallam	Nov 21	Dec 6	Dec 9

This schedule gives us:

- 12 pick ups vs our normal 8 for the above period.
- A 50% increase in the goods we provide at no additional cost for another warehouse or increasing our membership number.
- On a yearly basis we pick up 16 times vs 11.

We will be needing some extra help to make this work.

- Picking up at World Vision in Fife. If you have a pickup, mini-van, or SUV, think about driving once or twice a year. We usually need 3-4 vehicles for pickup.
- Helping at the Chimacum Warehouse: unloading, doing inventory, and helping put together the delivery loads (“the pick”). You will be working with 4 or 5 others.
- Computer work putting together the delivery loads. This is the job of the County Coordinators but occasionally they are not available and someone has to fill in. Do this from your home. If interested, we will train you.
- Delivering the goods to agencies. Each month items are delivered to 10-15 agencies in the county. Help can be used here.

If you are interested in helping with any of the above let me know and I’ll see you are notified of the next opportunity.

Thanks, Myron
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Meet Your Fellow Bluebills

By Karen Griffith



Jim Kowalczyk and his wife, Mary, have been involved in the World Vision deliveries in his hometown of Brinnon for the last 4 years, ever since Bill and Candy Antiss asked for their help. Their challenge in Brinnon has been finding a place to store the pallets of goods they picked up in Fife. Originally a family in Quilcene allowed the Brinnon Bluebills to utilize their outbuilding. This family suddenly needed the use of this outbuilding, so another person in Quilcene let them use part of a shed. Finally they found

space in a section of an old county building. So once a month he and three other Bluebills head to Fife for the pick-up, and then the following week, an additional 4-5 Bluebills meet to organize and deliver the goods.

Not long after he and Mary moved to the Brinnon area, they saw an email announcement that the local food bank needed a driver. Since then they've been making runs to Silverdale and Port Hadlock to pick up donated food. He told me that supporters of the Brinnon food bank drive more miles every year than any other food bank in the state.

Jim grew up in Allyn, attending elementary school in a two-room schoolhouse. After graduating from N. Mason high school, he went to WSU and received his degree in Police Science. He was a police officer for 30 years, working for several agencies during that time. He retired in 2008. Most of that time they lived in the Snohomish area. Prior to retirement, he and Mary started looking for property in the Puget Sound area and found some property at the top of a mountain in Brinnon 20 years ago.

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They slowly started to develop it, camping on it at first until they were able to build their home.

Mary's father worked as a test pilot for Boeing for many years. She now helps out at the Windemere Real Estate office in Brinnon. She is a "prolific gardener," according to Jim. They both really get a great deal of satisfaction in their volunteer efforts while putting lots of miles on their vehicles! We are glad they are part of our organization.

Thank You

New Boeing Bluebills

By Karen Griffith



Jim McGonigle and his son, Kevin, joined the Boeing Bluebills about a year ago. They had both been active in helping at Catholic Community Services and one day, Bob Kever came to one of their meetings and made his pitch about the great work that our chapter is doing. Jim realized that this was something he could get involved with along with his son. “I had some carpentry skills from working around the house,” he told me. “I figured I could be helpful.”

He joined the Kitsap County building crew and was soon helping create and erect ramps and railings. I asked him what was his most memorable experience doing this and he told me, “The time I nailed a lady’s gate closed!” But it was only a single deck screw – easily reversed. He knows that the people he and Kevin are helping are super appreciative of their efforts. “Some of those widows have real spunk!” he told me. “So self-sufficient.”

Jim grew up in Butte, Montana. He attended the University of Montana in Missoula and graduated with an English major. After he married Louise, his wife of 44 years, he went back to school at the Montana College of Mining Science and Technology and got another degree in Engineering. Then he was recruited to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton where he worked for 30 years. He retired in 2006 but soon found himself needing something to do, so he became a contractor with Booz Allen and returned to work at the Shipyard for another several years. He retired “for good” in 2015.



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That's when he started volunteering in earnest, first with Catholic Community Services giving people rides to doctor appointments, etc. He loves to read non-fiction and does a little gardening. Kevin helps around the house and takes classes at Olympic Community College. He especially likes yoga. He and Louise have two other children, another son and a daughter.








"Bob and Greg (DeVault) are great to work with! They've taught us a lot. In fact, I'll probably fix my own deck one of these days, Jim said. Welcome to Jim and Kevin.

Welcome

March Calendar

- Mar 5** **WV Pick for Kitsap Co. meet at Chimacum warehouse at 9:00 AM**
- Mar 7** **Leadership Team Meeting-Bridge Deck (Beach Club) 3:00-4:00**
- Mar 8** **WV Deliver goods to Kitsap Co. Meet at warehouse at 9:00 AM**
- Mar 10** **Daylight Savings Time Begins**
- Mar 12** **Central Leadership Council Meeting-Seattle 10:00-12:00**
- Mar 12** **WV Pick up goods for Clallam Co. Meet in Fife at 9:00 AM**
- Mar 17** **St. Patrick's Day**
- Mar 29** **WV Pick for Clallam Co. Meet at Chimacum warehouse at 9:00 AM**

March 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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## Kitsap Builders Pages

# A Ramp in the Snow

By Bob Keever

February was a tough month for Builders to do outside work, but a week after the last of the big snowstorms, bare ground was again visible. It looked like the snow was gone, and so we kept to the date we had scheduled with one of the Kitsap clients.

It was a Bremerton address, but the property was located on the flank of Gold Mountain, and there was still a foot of snow on the ground. The client had shoveled most of it out of the way of the construction site, and so we gave it a go.

It took some effort, especially digging the post holes, but we got the job done before darkness set in. The client's daughter was especially grateful that they would no longer have to carry her wheelchair-bound mother down the steps anymore. She said it makes the difference of her being able to go back to work, as one of the other family members can now get her mother out of the house for frequent medical appointments, without the need for a second person to assist.



Arrival On-Site



Richard Knapp Nailing Down  
the Mineral Roll Flooring



Richard Knapp & Bob Keever  
with the Finished Product

## Builder Data



The snow and cold weather almost brought things to a stand-still in February. The jobs don't go away so we can expect a surge when it clears up.

Myron

|                                   | Jan | Feb | YTD Total | 2018 TTL |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------|----------|
| <b>Grab bars</b>                  | 16  | 8   | 24        | 262      |
| <b>Ramps</b>                      | 2   | 3   | 5         | 69       |
| <b>Railing</b>                    | 5   | 1   | 6         | 56       |
| <b>Miscellaneous</b>              | 12  | 2   | 14        | 97       |
|                                   |     |     |           |          |
| <b>Total Clients</b>              | 23  | 11  | 34        | 290      |
| <b>Total Different Volunteers</b> | 20  | 8   |           |          |
|                                   |     |     |           |          |
| <b>Open Projects</b>              | 44  | 42  |           |          |





January 31, 2019

Doug and Kay Peterson  
P.O. Box 216  
Brinnon, WA 98320

Dear Doug and Kay,

I am writing this thank you letter for you two, the Blue Bills and World Vision.

This past Christmas, so many children and families were blessed with World Vision toys and other gifts from the Brinnon warehouse. One family who benefitted from the gifts you gave to Bob and me wrote a thank you note. As it pertains to the gifts given to them, this is what they said, "Your gifts made our Christmas joy even greater this year." This was from grandparents who are raising their great grand children.

A second family who received some of the World Vision gifts were very happy to be thought of in such a kind way! This family has been living with the trials and uncertainty of childhood leukemia for the past two years. The son has had many ups and downs with this disease. At the present time, he is doing well, however. Unfortunately, the mom of two children has been unable to work during this time and will probably not rejoin the work force until October, 2019, when her son's course of treatment is finally over.

A third family who received the World Vision gifts were also delighted to receive them! To my knowledge, the two unemployed parents of three children under the age of five, were not going to have a very special Christmas. The gifts were a Godsend to them!

Parents of five children received a gift for each of them. Since the father has been sidelined by an injury, the World Vision gifts provided quality presents under the Christmas tree for their children!

In addition, other children in the Champions' After School Program, were recipients of the gifts you so freely let Bob and I pick out for them!

Thank you so much for allowing Bob and me, on behalf of the Blue Bills and World Vision, to visit the Brinnon warehouse and secure GREAT gifts for so many families and children! In addition, each of the Champions' children and teens will receive a Frisbee compliments of World Vision on our last session, for the year, in May. Finally, a family with seven children will be the recipients this summer of some very cool Cyclone Water Blasters from World Vision, too!

God bless you, the Blue Bills and World Vision for making this Christmas season and beyond such a special one for so many Champions' families and also for the Champions' children and teens.

With thanks beyond measure!



Donna Steinbrugge  
Coordinator, Champions' After School Program  
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# HAVE YOU REPORTED YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS?

| Boeing Bluebills Volunteer Hours Report |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |       |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 2018                                    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |       |
| JAN                                     | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOTAL |
|                                         | 6   | 10  | 15  |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 31    |
| 16                                      | 18  | 18  | 21  | 20  | 16  | 16  | 41  | 22  | 18  | 23  |     | 229   |
| 16                                      | 18  |     | 21  |     | 15  | 17  | 22  | 22  | 17  | 23  |     | 171   |
|                                         |     |     | 3   |     |     |     |     | 0   |     |     |     | 3     |
|                                         |     |     |     |     |     | 5   |     | 3   |     | 3   |     | 11    |
| 24                                      | 4   |     | 10  | 11  |     | 7   | 5   | 16  |     | 7   |     | 84    |
| 5                                       | 4   | 3   | 0   |     | 4   |     |     |     |     |     |     | 16    |
|                                         |     |     |     |     |     | 16  |     |     |     |     |     | 16    |
| 63                                      | 30  | 67  | 45  | 93  | 60  | 64  | 70  | 66  | 65  | 70  |     | 693   |
| 80                                      | 10  | 0   | 45  | 30  | 13  | 65  | 26  | 42  | 85  | 14  |     | 410   |
| 4                                       | 26  | 30  | 28  |     |     | 8   | 12  |     |     |     | 6   | 114   |
| 5                                       | 5   | 5   | 5   |     |     |     |     |     | 4   | 4   |     | 28    |
| 11                                      | 25  | 74  | 29  | 36  | 52  | 37  | 6   | 32  | 20  | 18  | 23  | 362   |
| 15                                      | 19  | 18  | 29  | 23  | 40  | 21  | 19  | 34  | 11  | 19  | 19  | 267   |
|                                         |     |     |     |     |     | 10  |     | 12  | 6   | 10  |     | 38    |
| 12                                      | 4   | 12  | 10  | 16  | 12  | 12  | 25  | 18  | 40  | 25  | 15  | 201   |

**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?**

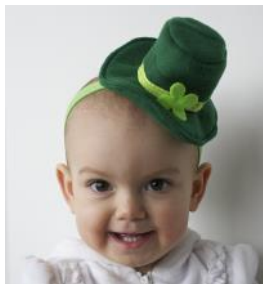
**EMAIL YOUR HOURS TO Judy McCay:**  
[jimmccay@cablespeed.com](mailto:jimmccay@cablespeed.com)

**55 volunteers reported 1148 hours. That is 29% of the Bluebill membership reporting hours for January.**



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| THOMAS CONLEY   | 3/2  |
| TODD KNOBLOCK   | 3/3  |
| CHARLIE JOHNSON | 3/9  |
| MYRON VOGT      | 3/10 |
| ANNE RICKER     | 3/12 |
| JIM KNIGHT      | 3/14 |
| MICHAEL EASTMAN | 3/15 |
| ROSE YIM        | 3/15 |
| HOWARD SCHAIBLE | 3/19 |
| CYNTHIA DURHAM  | 3/23 |
| WES DUNHAM      | 3/30 |



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

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