

# **Bluebill FLYER**

## ***September 2017***



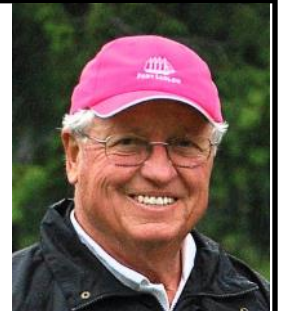
## **Olympic Peninsula Boeing Bluebill Newsletter**

### **Serving Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties**



Barbara Berthiaume

### **From the Chair**



Clint Web

By Clint Webb

After months of saying “I’ll for sure do it next month”, Barbara wasn’t buying it anymore, so I’ll give it a go. Since our last Flyer, Bluebills have done more of their amazing things. One was the Jefferson County Fair, Aug 10, 11, and 12. Myron, our creative genius, designed and led construction of a space shuttle mock-up, complete with a 50 inch screen inside, on which was displayed a thrilling, five minute video of a space shuttle launch, maneuvering in orbit, and landing. It was wildly popular with both kids and adults. We had about 250 visitors to our booth. And, as usual, our booth won the blue ribbon, for Best Interactive Booth.

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Another amazing success was our annual golf tournament, to raise money to support programs for the Dove House, which provides vital services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Under the leadership of Barbara Berthiaume and Myron Vogt, many hardworking, dedicated volunteers succeeded in providing a really fun event for 100 generous golfers and sponsors. The proceeds have been tallied in the amount of \$17,630. This is about \$3,000 more than last year!

Also, in late July, Bluebills volunteers staffed the YMCA Summer Nutrition and Literacy Program at Chemicum School for one week. This program provides breakfast and lunches for kids from food insecure families, as well as extra learning opportunities, especially reading skills.

Thanks to the many Bluebills who dedicated much time and energy to support these great causes and achieve these wonderful results. In this Flyer, you'll see more opportunities ahead. Please look for ways to jump in and help. Helping those less fortunate is always a rewarding experience. And, as usual, we encourage everyone to report their hours, for all volunteer work, for not only Bluebill projects, but other organizations as well.

Cheers, Clint



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# Another Successful Dove House Golf Tournament!

By Karen Griffith, Bluebill Roving Reporter



**\$17,630. Raised to Benefit Dove House Advocacy Services!**

....and a wonderful time was had by all. Twenty-four foursomes signed up to support the Bluebills' 6th annual golf tournament benefitting the Dove House on Friday, August 18th at the Port Ludlow Golf Course co-chaired by Barbara Berthauime and Myron Vogt. The weather couldn't have been better.



All players convened at the club house to look over the dozens of raffle prizes, sign-up for the Silent Auction and enter a chipping contest run by Bob Reasoner. I watched Ed Berthauime pop a ball to within a foot of the pin down the hill from the patio and win a sleeve of golf balls. Clint Webb coordinated the Whammy and Mulligan purchases as well as the Chipping Contest with the help of Pat Webb, Nancy Reasoner and Truman Thompson. Players bought \$105 worth of drives, \$360 in Whammies, and \$115 in Chipping. Mulligans were the most popular (go figure) and brought in \$650.

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Gail Parrish, Sandy Fry, and Barbara and Mike Burke spent the entire summer soliciting fabulous raffle prizes from area businesses. Some of the prizes included massages, pedicures, bottles of wine, kitchen baskets, quilted golf cart seat cover, golf lessons with the pros, stained-glass, wooden carving board, chocolates, throw pillows and interior decorating help. “The merchants were amazing this year,” said Barb Burke. “We just mentioned who we were supporting and they gave!”



In fact, there was so much generosity that a special category of Silent Auction gifts were set aside for people to bid and pay cash for. These included tickets to the Port Townsend Film Festival in October, tasting parties at the Pourhouse, a 2-hour sunset cruise from Captain Bry's Port Ludlow Charter, rounds of golf at Salish Cliffs Golf course and Kitsap Golf and Country Club, and a beautiful queen-size handmade quilt.



The Basket Raffle netted \$1591 and the Silent Auction contributed \$710. In fact, the total for the on-course games and the raffle/auction came to \$3656. This was **40%** higher than last year's total of \$2601!

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Teresa Shiraishi, Advocate/Therapist and Michael Grace, Legal Advocate from the Dove House were on hand at the golf course handing out information about the Dove House. “Every one of our clients has different needs,” Teresa told us. We try to empower people through our advocacy and financial help. They offer many ways to do this, for example by getting the clients

together once a month to cook a meal and share ways to shop and eat nutritiously and inexpensively. Michael said they have prevention programs aimed at the 9th graders, hoping to give them coping skills early in their lives.

A big thanks to our major sponsor: Paul Reid Financial Group, who has been a sponsor for all 6 years we’ve been doing this tournament. Other sponsors include Homer Smith Insurance, Clearwater Casino and Resort, Olympic Ridge, Inc., Snohomish Fire District 7, Hear for Life, Active Life Physical Therapy, Port Ludlow Brokers, Clydene & Bob Lloyd, Uptown Pub and Grill, Tri-Area Pharmacy, Jefferson Healthcare, Coldwell Banker, Edward Jones and Forest Pryde Landscaping. We so appreciate their support.



Sponsors of this year's tournament

The players left the clubhouse for a 12:30 Shotgun Scramble. They were armed with a nice box lunch personally prepared by Niblick’s Food and Beverage Manager, Bill Schultz. The players wound their way around the course taking advantage of Mulligans and Whammies and otherwise having a great – and competitive – time. They finished around 5 p.m. and made their way to the Bay Club,

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where an array of hors d'oeuvres were displayed on tables, prepared under the skillful guidance of Laura & Ray Paul, Kathy Roden, Annie Horner, Pat Webb, and DeeDee Spann. Kathy was able to get some delicious cannoli for dessert from Monica's Italian Bakery and Café in Silverdale. All the rest was "home-made" by this great committee.



Laura Paul and Kathy Roden

Lots of stories about tricky shots and amazing drives were exchanged as players enjoyed the goodies and a little libation. Soon Co-Chair Barbara Berthaiume brought us to attention with the raffle drawings and announcements about winners of the tournament.



Barbara Berthaiume announcing winners of the raffle

First place in the men's with a score of 56 were Todd Jacobson, Louis Uhm, Kelly Kolstad and Graham Thompson. Coming in with a 64 were the

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first place women winners: Debi Bozanich, Many Whipple, Lucinda Thompson and Peggy Selby. And the mixed couples who won with a 63 were Connie Norman, Bob Bertola, Kevin Miller and Jim Laker. All the players placing in the first, second and third place categories got a complimentary bottle of wine.



This massive effort by co-chairs Barbara Berthaiume and Myron Vogt and their great committees was prologue for our purpose for being there – to support the great work that the Dove House does. Bekka Bloom, Development and Business Assistant from the Dove House, spoke to us and said, “I am always amazed at the Bluebills’ energy and turnout and generosity. Thank you so much from the bottom of my heart.” She told us that Dove House is the only agency providing services for domestic violence and sexual assault in Jefferson County. At any one time they can shelter up to 16 people temporarily for up to 60 days. Last year they served 550 individuals over all. Besides emergency shelter, they offer legal advocacy, housing assistance, therapy, support groups, school-based intervention, and education. All of their services are free.



“Being a victim disrupts and traumatizes people greatly. They need shelter and their children need to be shielded from violence,” she told us. Last year 360 people in need of shelter had to be turned away due to lack of financial and physical resources.

“Knowing your money is going to help people who’ve walked away from a dangerous situation is so gratifying. These people need EVERYTHING,” Bloom told us.

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“More than money, our clients know that you are out there, that you have their backs.” And the point they want to make about the Bluebill money is that it is unrestricted money and can be used for things like a quick car repair, new tires, a train ticket out of the area, etc. Bluebills can again be proud of the result of their efforts.

In our six years of holding this benefit, we’ve have contributed over \$62,000 to the Dove House. Another success!! Plans are already underway for 2018’s tournament.



Photographs by Peggy Lee Flentie

Myron Vogt and Mike Burke

## To The Space Station and Back!

By Karen Griffith, Bluebill Roving Reporter



The Bluebills of the Olympic Peninsula have done it again! Second year in a row winning a Blue Ribbon for the Best Interactive Booth at the 2017 Jefferson County Fair, August 11-13! Our intrepid leader, Myron Vogt created a mini-space shuttle complete with a 4 minute video showing blast off and reentry of the shuttle.



The video of the shuttle trip to the International Space Station

The theme of space exploration is very much in line with the Bluebills support of STEM programs as well as the recent support for the notebook computers for the Chimacum Primary schools. Jefferson County Fair

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theme was “Supertastic” and did we ever deliver! Children and adults were encouraged to “ride the shuttle” and watch the video as it lifted-off and then docked with the International Space Station and returned to earth. Once they had watched the video, they could choose from several prizes: plastic water bottles, collapsible water bottles, a Captain American action figure and miniature foam shuttles to assemble and fly.



Everyone was encouraged to then fill out a ticket and be eligible for several raffle drawings throughout the three days of the fair. Those prizes included: a nice camping chair, WiiU Action games, iPad cover for girls, a Duplo set, and a Head tennis racket.

Several Bluebills stepped up to the plate and staffed the booth from 10 a.m. Friday morning the 11th through 6 p.m. Sunday evening the 13th: Bonnie and Lee Douglass, Barbara and Ed Berthiaume, Mike Burke, Michael and Mea Graham, Karen Griffith and Judy McCay, Kathy and Pat Traci, Nancy and Bob Reasoner, Robert Chanpong, Truman Thompson, Janie Riggs, Stan Sivesind, and Pat and Clint Webb.



Nancy and Bob Reasoner talking to some young fair-goers

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The raffle drawings were eagerly awaited and the booth was surrounded by young and old waiting for their names to be drawn from the box. First ticket drawn was for any of the “big” gifts on the table and the second ticket drawn was for the inflatable space shuttle. See the happy faces below.



Emma Goodwin



Janeydean O'Connor, MaryKate Napiontek and Laurie Davies

While I was doing my shift, I engaged with several men who came by the booth and ended up recruiting one for the World Vision project and three for builders! They were contacted after the fair and will soon be helping with pick-up of goods in Fife and building ramps.

There were about 250 raffle tickets collected in all which indicates about how many people stopped by the booth to learn a little more about our wonderful Bluebill organization and how it helps so many people in the tri-county area. After the Fair, the shuttle will find a good home with Felecia and Jerry Allen at Harmony Way Farm where some goats will find it a nice little home. Many, many thanks go to Myron Vogt for once again turning out a wonderful edifice in his home garage. I'm convinced that Santa Claus himself must have taken toy construction lesson from this man. Every year he raises the bar on creativity for the Fair.

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## The OlyPen Bluebills Space Heroes Booth at the 2017 Jefferson County Fair



Some fair attendees along with Karen Griffith, Judy McCay and Michael Graham

Photos by Karen Griffith and Peggy Lee Flentie



# September Calendar

**Sept 1: Deliver World Vision goods to Jefferson Co.  
Meet at warehouse at 9:00 AM**

**Sept 7: Leadership Team Meeting-Beach Club  
3:00– 4:00 PM**

**Sept 12: Pick up goods at World Vision for Kitsap Co.  
Meet at Fife warehouse at 9:00 AM**

**Sept 12: Central Leadership Council meeting  
Seattle, 10:00-11:00**

**Sept 12: Meet with Chimacum School – 4:00-5:00.**

**For your planning: Pick for Kitsap County is on Oct 3,  
delivery Oct 6.**

## September

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## It's Back to School Time

By Karen Griffith, Roving Reporter

Boeing Bluebills have been helping with school supplies in Chimacum School District for the past 15 or so years. About 6 years ago we got involved in putting backpacks of school supplies together for grades K-8.

In the past, Myron Vogt (who else??) has coordinated the project and asked Bluebills to take a list of needed school supplies and go purchase them. We would head to Wal-Mart or Target armed with lists a page long and bring back a myriad assortment of rules, scissors, folders and such. We were each left to interpret what it meant when one item on our list said "glue sticks" or "folders". Did it mean the 2-pack of glue sticks? Did it mean folders with pockets? All manner of differences in the items were purchased. This created a lack of uniformity in what was in each backpack.

This year it was decided we tackle this process differently to avoid the differences in quality of products we filled the backpacks with. Myron and Barbara Berthaiume put out the call to collect cash from Bluebills instead. We collected \$1025 in cash and were able to present a check for that amount to Elma Beary, Volunteer Coordinator for the elementary and primary schools, seen below with Myron, Barbara and Clint Webb.



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Elma starts shopping after the Fourth of July at Wal-Mart buying hundreds of items for the backpack, which are supplied by the Bluebills. She is a welcome visitor to the store as she spends about \$3500 in total for the items for the K-8 students. She figures she creates about 50 backpacks in all.

“These backpacks are so important to the students,” she told me. “They help start their school year off right.” Each backpack costs between \$15-20 each to assemble. “We love that the Bluebills are so generous,” Beary said.

World Vision is also a helpful partner with YOObI pouches, shown below with Art Clark, business manager at the school. Each YOObI pouch contains pencils, markers, crayons, scissors, erasers, glue sticks, and sharpeners.



Once again, the generous spirit of the Boeing Bluebills is on display!



## Builders Pages



### A Ramp Across the Border By Bob Keever



Wally Grenquist and Bernie Wittman loading 32' modular switchback ramp for delivery



Rusty Figley (CCS) stopped by to help



Bernie, Rusty and Bob Keever

At the request of Catholic Community Services (CCS), Kitsap builders made a rare border crossing to put in a ramp for a needy client in neighboring Pierce County. Masonic Outreach Services payed for the materials. Because of the distance (over 100 miles round trip), the ramp and platform sections were pre-built up here, then bolted together at the job site. The modular ramps can be fairly easily disassembled and reused, making them a good option when there's a temporary need, or a landlord who will want it removed. Construction plans for the modular wheelchair ramp can be found in the Olympic Peninsula Bluebills Independent Living Program Project Handbook, along with plans for the traditional site-built ramps.

## Bluebills Don't Work for Peanuts, but Cookies.....



Todd Knoblock, Joe Gagnier and Dan Nieuwsma



Joe Gagnier and Todd Knoblock



Jo Nieuwsma, Todd Knoblock, and Dan Nieuwsma

Todd, Joe, Dan and I put it in. 17 feet long and it was finished in less than 5 hours. We had to move some rather big concrete slabs (thanks Joe). Sandy soil let me dig them post holes deep. We're getting good.

Mrs. K was a delight. She had cookies and coffee for us, even insisted on sending us home with plates of cookies. -Jo Nieuwsma



## Neighbors

Took care of this job this morning. Turns out the husband was in Cardio Rehab with Dan two years ago and they live behind our next door neighbors! Small county. Repaired the installation of one towel rack, with better screws, in bathroom and two grab bars in the garage We took measurements for a chair platform and will build that next week. -Jo Nieuwsma

## Ramp for Former RV in Brinnon

The client and his wife spend 6 months in Brinnon and 6 months in Arizona. He had fallen several times on the steps coming out of the 5th Wheel. The 5th Wheel will not be moved in the future. It is their permanent home while in Brinnon. The client is a retired Boeing employee. We decided to build a small deck and stairs off the deck. The design was done so that if the client requires a ramp in the future, all we need to do is remove the steps and put in a 24 foot long ramp. We had 4 people on Thursday for an hour to install the posts and then 4 people on Friday for 4 hours to build the deck and stairs. -George Sickel



Before

After



## 2017 Builder Data



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	YTD Total
<b>Grab Bars</b>	6	23	24	26	8	11	24	24	146
<b>Ramps</b>	3	5	0	8	3	2	4	5	30
<b>Railing</b>	3	5	2	3	1	2	5	4	25
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	4	4	7	6	3	1	5	9	39
<b>Total Clients</b>	22	29	20	16	8	11	17	17	140
<b>Total Different Volunteers</b>	12	16	9	20	14	14	19	18	
<b>Open Projects</b>	50	61	n/a	n/a	n/a	69	68	71	



## Bluebills Paper Product Drive for Dove House a Success



A big THANK YOU to the Bluebills and the Port Ludlow Community for the successful July Paper Drive for Dove House and OlyCap Homeless families. I took a Yukon full of products and delivered the items to smiling faces at both drop offs. - Laura Paul

Dear Laura and Boeing Bluebills,  
Thank you so much for the wonderful donations! Many people do not realize how important hygiene products are and our need for them. Many women come to us without basic hygiene items, such as Tampons and pads. It means a great deal to us, to be able to provide them with this need. We at the Dove House, including our clients are very grateful for your contribution.

Thank you!  
Michael R. [Signature]

Thank you!  
Ceresia

Thank you,  
Dorah

Thank you,  
Rebbie H

Thank you!  
Heather

## *Summer Social Pictures*



**Golf Tourney Winners**



**Kitchen Staff, Oh, and Myron (that guy is everywhere).**



**Our Guests from World Vision**



**The many faces  
of the Boeing  
Bluebills**

**That's All Folks!**

**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  
THESE HOURS COUNT TOO!**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**BOEING SETS OUR BUDGET BASED ON  
OUR REPORTED VOLUNTEER HOURS!**

**Volunteer hours for July, 2017**

**59 Bluebills reported 1370 hours.  
That is 33% of Bluebills reporting.**

# September Birthdays

<b>Dave Ditzler</b>	<b>9/1</b>
<b>Larry Elton</b>	<b>9/13</b>
<b>Tom Brotherton</b>	<b>9/15</b>
<b>Mark McNabb</b>	<b>9/15</b>
<b>Jo Nieuwsma</b>	<b>9/19</b>
<b>Pat Traci</b>	<b>9/26</b>



Dear Bluebills,

I want to thank you so much for the beautiful floral arrangement you sent for my birthday.

Your kindness is so appreciated.

Being a member of the Bluebills has enriched my life for the past 15 years in so many ways.

Thanks again,

Valeria Vogt



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