

THE FLYER

THE FLYER IS A MONTHLY NEWS MAGAZINE OF THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA BLUEBILLS.
THE BLUEBILLS ARE A BOEING-SUPPORTED RETIREE
AND FRIENDS VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.

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MYRON VOGT, CHAIR

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

THE BLUEBILLS

We call ourselves a volunteer organization but I think we are really a group of leaders. We do so many things that are originated and organized by our members. I want you to reflect on these examples:

BUILDERS: Do you know of any other group who will take on these projects? Each job requires personal contact with the client and initiative to see that the job gets done. We do over 200 of these projects each year.

WORLD VISION: We have been working with World Vision for fourteen years. During that period I figure we have delivered over 1000 pallets of goods to around 60 agencies, churches and schools in Kitsap, Clallam and Jefferson Counties. Each year we have to find \$4500 for membership fees and \$2400 for warehouse rental. It's our job to find this funding.

DOVE HOUSE SUPPORT: We proposed this program about four years ago and got a lot of support from our members. Since then we have provided about 40 truck loads of goods and sponsored three golf tournaments that provided \$32,000. This doesn't happen by itself. Michael and Mea Graham do the Golf Tournament, Betty Faulkner the necessary supplies.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: We always have a school supply program in the fall. We provide backpacks with supplies to the Chimacum School. We also provide school supplies provided by World Vision to 13 schools in Clallam, Mason, Jefferson and Kitsap county. We do this each year. Who else does that? Dick Ostlund and Bonnie Douglass are key players here.

We also do a lot of things that all worth a story on their own:

Homeless families support - Kathy Roden and Laura Paul

Food bank truck unloading - Ken Snider

Week-end feeding program for children - Barbara Berthiaume

Quarterly Socials - Kathy Roden and Laura Paul

Monthly FLYER - Cyndyann Joyner

And some programs I'm sure I've missed.

**THE POINT I WANT TO MAKE IS THAT THESE ARE ALL OUR PROGAMS
AND DEPEND
ON OUR MEMBERS FOR SUCCESS.**

So when one of us Bluebills ask if you can help, please think about lending a hand. And when we ask if you would organize an activity please consider helping before saying no.

I think if you are involved you'll find it worth-while.

If not you, who?

Thanks, Myron





OCTOBER CALENDAR

Oct 9 Leadership Team meeting,
Bay Club 3:00-4:00

Oct 14 Pick up goods for Clallam County
World Vision in Fife at 9:00

Oct 14 Unload Food Bank Truck
Chimacum 8:00-9:00

Oct 14- Central Leadership Council
Meeting - Seattle 10:00-11:00

Myron

*"The breezes taste
Of apple peel.
The air is full
Of smells to feel -
Ripe fruit, old footballs,
Burning brush,
New books, erasers,
Chalk, and such.
The bee, his hive,
Well-honeyed hum,
And Mother cuts
Chrysanthemums.
Like plates washed clean
With suds, the days
Are polished with
A morning haze."
- John Updike*

Bluebills Fall Social

October 7, 2014

5 PM – 7 PM

Port Ludlow Beach Club

RSVP to

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or

rlplep@yahoo.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

BILL ANSTISS 2 OCTOBER

ARLEEN BAUER OCTOBER 8

KATHY CIANCI OCTOBER 15

ROBERTA ENDERS OCTOBER 23

PEGGY LEE FLENTIE OCTOBER 4

JUDI HYDE OCTOBER 9

JIM KELLY OCTOBER 7

DIANE KOBZ OCTOBER 9

KENNETH ORTH OCTOBER 27

DICK OSTLUND OCTOBER 20

RAY PAUL OCTOBER 6

TIM PROPECK OCTOBER 18

MARY ROUSER OCTOBER 9

BARBARA SHAIN OCTOBER 8

KEN SNIDER OCTOBER 1

WAYNE STEVENS OCTOBER 30

FRANK VAHCIC OCTOBER 31

JONI WILLIAMS OCTOBER 26

GEORGE ZIMMERMAN OCTOBER 20

TOM BROTHERTON SEPTIEMBER 15

DAVE DITZLER SEPTEMBER 1

LARRY ELTON SEPTEMBER 13

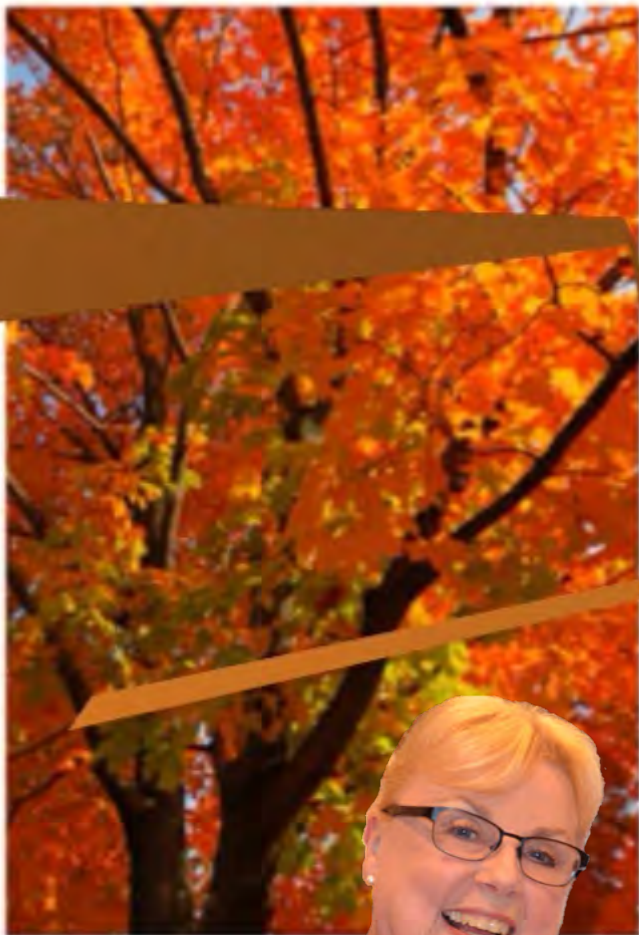
ROD HARP SEPTEMBER 13

ARTHUR SIESTACK SEPTEMBER 30

TRUMAN THOMPSON SEPTEMBER 8

PAT TRACI SEPTEMBER 26





Hi Cyndyann,

In August 52 Bluebills reported 1334 hours. That's 26% of our membership reporting hours.

Judy McCay
Volunteer Hours



A note from Marvin Segar



Many of you know Marvin from the Fall Prevention Program, which he headed up. I think in 2013 he installed something like 130 grab bars in addition to providing dozens of clients with advice on safer living.

In August Marvin moved back to California. Here is an email I recently received.

His new email is m_segar@charter.net if you want to contact him. (Note: it is m_segar).

Myron

September, 2014

I want to express my gratitude for the opportunity to participate in the Bluebills. It was a learning experience and an opportunity to give some support to our communities in Jefferson County. It was an activity that gave more back to me than I gave. You and the Leadership Committee have organized, activated and executed many programs which have provided an enormous lift to thousands of people within Jefferson, Clallam and Kitsap Counties. It was my pleasure to work with all of you and I feel like a better person for having done so.

I will treasure my Bluebill experience the rest of my life.

I respect and admire you for all your efforts and hard work on behalf of others and I will miss working with you.

Blessings,

Marvin



Chimacum

Chimacum Elementary School

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Cassandra “Sam” Rosenbloom, Principal

Dear Bluebills,

Thank you so much for your generous donation of school supplies and backpacks for our students. As you probably remember from your own school days, having brand new supplies to begin a new year of school is an important part of the back-to-school ritual for kids. When students have what they need to succeed, they feel much more capable and able to concentrate. Instead being concerned about being different from their peers and focusing on what is missing for themselves, you make it possible for students to focus on the important learning at hand.

On the first day of school for a 5th grader new to our school, the boy sheepishly shared with our office coordinator, Connie Barrows, that he had no supplies. Thanks to your generous support, Connie was able to give the student, who is currently homeless, a full set of classroom supplies. When he saw the two colorful backpacks he could choose from his eyes lit up. As he headed to his new classroom, he walked a little taller than he had when he first arrived. This is just one student for whom your organization has made a crucial difference this year. There are many others students who've been positively impacted by your support.

With caring community support from organizations such as the Bluebills, students have a greater opportunity to work toward successful lives for themselves and their families. The staff and community of Chimacum Elementary is grateful for your support.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Sam Rosenbloom, Principal
Chimacum Elementary.

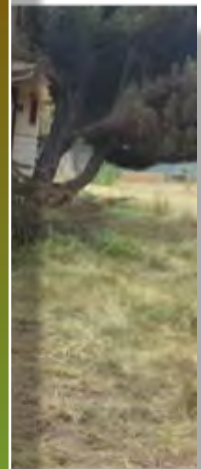
This great letter was sent
to Dick Ostlund,
Back Pack Program
Coordinator.



	Hours	Miles
<u>Crew</u>		
Rod Harp	14	72
Dale Blankenship	11	52
Ken Orth	11	72
Anita Knapp	12	48
Doug Rittenhouse	4	6
John Meyer	9	72
Gene Helmsworth	11	68
Charlie Johnson	18	180
Pete Frazier	2	
Totals	92	570

Ramp and stair replacement for the client.

Failing ramp and steps replaced for the client of Port Angeles. Clallam Co. VA assisted with finances for this one contributing \$800.00 for materials at Harnagel Lumber and \$30.00 to the Bluebills for a transition plate. Many thanks to everyone involved with making this happen from the client.



CLALLAM COUNTY BUILDERS

PORT LUDLOW AREA ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT

Bluebills has held electronic goods recycling events in the past but when it became possible to drop off items at certain points at no charge, we dropped the program. It became apparent, however, that a lot of people had electrical/electronic goods to dispose of but really had no good way to handle what were mainly large items such as TV sets, refrigerators washing machines, etc.

Steve Failla organized past drives and he agreed to take on the one this year. Because of the difficulty people would have getting large items to our drop-off site, we offered to pick these things up. Once the items were received at our drop-off site (Port Ludlow village center), EcycleNW from Sequim and took them all away.



Steve Failla,
event organizer.

Here's what was recycled:

Appliances:	1006 Lbs
Misc Electronics:	4902 lbs
Refrigerators:	862 lbs
Monitors	611 lbs
TV's	2336 lbs
Computers	482 lbs
Lap-tops	43 lbs
Total weight recycled	10,241 lbs



We asked for donations for picking up and handling. \$890 was donated and the money will go to renewing memberships at World Vision.

Our drive in Port Ludlow was so successful that we will be doing a drive in the Sequim/Port Angeles area. A report on that next month.

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Recycle Headquarters. Run by Betty Faulkner and crew. Here we recorded what was dropped off And collected any donations.



The Supervisor



Bluebills help sort and load items for Ecycle



One of our loaders/unloaders, Larry Elton and our Bluebill photographer, Peggy Lee Flentie



Betty Faulkner, who staffed the collection booth, and Steve Failla, Event Organizer

BLUEBILLS PARTICIPATE IN UGN DAY OF CARING

For the second year, Bluebills have participated in the Jefferson County UGN Day of Caring.

We had two projects:

Bluebills set up their canopy and signs at the Day of Caring site and collected Items for Dove House (Jefferson Co. DVSA Organization) and for Homeless Families. We collected about 4-5 SUV loads of goods. (see next page)

Our second project was to build a wheelchair ramp in the Port Hadlock area. (see page 31)



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Bluebills Barbara Berthiaume, Betty Faulkner, Laura Paul and Kathy Roden volunteered to make the UGN day of caring a success by collecting supplies for the Homeless & Dove House.

Thank You for Helping to Make the 4th Annual Day of Caring A Huge Success!

I am looking forward to seeing many of you next year at the 5th Annual Day of Caring on September 11, 2015! So save the date!

Thank Again!

Nikki Russell

Director of Community Engagement

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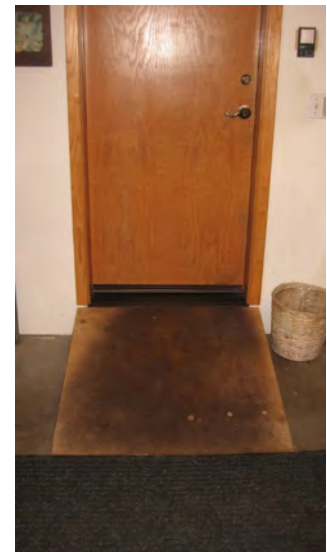
ANOTHER CASE OF FALLING

WHEN ENTERING THE HOUSE FROM THE GARAGE

We received a request from a woman for some handrails on the garage entry. Her husband is in a wheelchair. Some time ago someone had put in a small ramp so he could get into the house from the garage. Over time the ramp built up dirt, etc and got slippery when wet. The woman slipped on the ramp, hit her head on the cement floor, bled like crazy (her words), called 911 and ended up on emergency getting 16 stitches.

We put on the handrails and also painted the ramp with non-skid paint that we use on interior ramps. Installed 3 grab bars as well.

Michael Graham and Myron Vogt did the work.



This small ramp was installed to provide wheelchair access from the garage to the house. The surface is bare plywood that can get slippery.

Before

Bluebills installed handrails on both sides and painted the surface with non-skid paint. Note the method used to secure the posts at the end. Post supports were bolted to the cement floor using Wedge bolts. Bluebills have a rotary hammer that can drill holes in cement so if any of you have a need for it let us know.



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The Third Dove House Benefit Golf Tournament

was held in Port Ludlow on September 6, and raised more money than ever before.

Here are the numbers:

We had 88 players

There were over 36 tee sign sponsors paying \$100 or more each

There were 8 Major Sponsors who paid between \$500 and \$3000.

The raffle brought in \$1400.

Various other activities netted around \$1000.

In all, over \$14000 was raised.



**Michael and Mea Graham.
Tournament Organizers.**

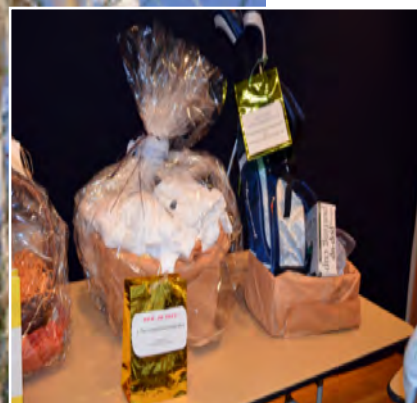
In the past three years these Bluebill Benefit tournaments have provided nearly \$32000 to Dove House to use to help the Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

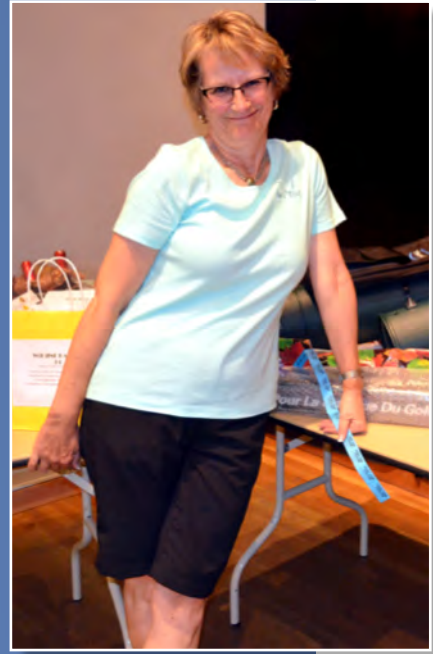
This was a large volunteer effort organized and run by Michael and Mea Graham. Our thanks to them and all the volunteers who worked on the tournament.

THANKS FOR THE GREAT PHOTOS PEGGY LEE FLENTIE.

























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Happy Halloween



SONG OF THE WITCHES
William Shakespeare -
from Macbeth

Double, double toil and trouble;
Fire burn and caldron bubble.
Fillet of a fenny snake,
In the caldron boil and bake;
Eye of newt and toe of frog,
Wool of bat and tongue of dog,
Adder's fork and bling-worms
sting,
Lizard's leg and howlet's wing,
For a charm of powerful trouble,
Like a hell-broth boil and bubble.
Double, double toil and trouble;
Fire burn and caldron bubble.
Cool it with a baboon's blood,
Then the charm is firm and
good.

