



# THE BLUEBILL FLYER

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MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE  
OLYMPIC PENINSULA BLUEBILLS

## 2008 BLUEBILL GIFT GIVING TO PENINSULA DV/SA AGENCIES

*Many Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Agency clients from Kitsap, Jefferson, and Callam Countys will be able to celebrate Christmas with nice gifts this year. Our Annual Christmas Social was another great success.*

*Monetary donations were received from guests at the Social and from Community Enrichment Alliance. Much of the money collected (\$5,000) was from Community Enrichment*

*Alliance. Members of CEA have worked for months so that they could contribute to our Christmas Gift Giving Program. CEA contributed \$5,000 and other Bluebill guests contributed \$1,087, to make a total of \$6,087 to purchase gifts.*

*The money was shared to buy gifts for 73 DV/SA clients and to buy Safeway Gift Cards for each of the 31 families. Folks who volunteered to shop received \$70 for each individual client*

*and a \$30 Safeway Gift Card for each recipient family.*

*In addition to gifts purchased from commercial outlets, World Vision donated many boxes of ladies and teenagers clothing to be added to our program.*

*Many thanks to CEA, our individual contributors and all of you folks that worked so diligently to make our Christmas Giving Program a big success again this year.*





*Santa's Workshop*

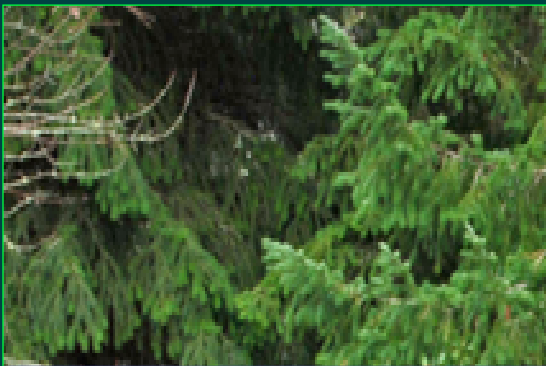


MARY STUART, MIKE GRAHAM. AND ELINE LYBARGER



*THE CEA SILENT AUCTION*

# THE BLUEBILL SOCIAL



CLOCKWISE: SHERYL BOZARTH (DVISA), THE CHORALBELLES, ED BERTHUME AND LEE AMUNDSON, CHUCK SHERRARD AND SHARON COMMANDER (CEA), PEGGY FLENTIE AND VINCE PACE

## BLUEBILLS YEAR-END AWARD GOES TO LEE AMUNDSON



Lee Amundson received our year-end award for his Gifts-In-Kind volunteer work.

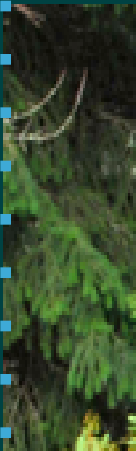
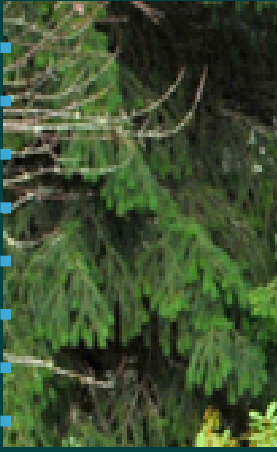
Lee was the person responsible for suggesting we try to get a company to provide a truck for us to use for picking up goods at World Vision in Seattle. One truck could replace the 4 or 5 pickup trucks that we were sending there each month.

Lee contacted Carl's Building Supply in Chimacum and they graciously offered one of their trucks as well as the fuel. For the past two years Lee has driven their truck to World Vision each month.

This year Lee as decided to slow down on the driving and other volunteers are taking the wheel.

Lee's initiative and contribution to our GIK program is a key to making it a success. We all owe Lee a lot of thanks.  
Myron





# THE GATHERING and DELIVERING OF THE GIFTS





## QUILCENE COMMUNITY PROJECT ON SCHEDULE

The title to this may be somewhat misleading. As we have no real schedule, I guess we are doing okay. We started work on this in July after about year of planning by Bob Rosen, various agencies and people.

Six months later we have almost completed the posts and beams that make up the major change to the building's appearance. Revisions to the exterior walls are underway. Changes include window removal, shingles, new windows and doors and later a large deck.

We work every Tuesday and Friday. If you are interested in helping let me know. - Myron



The overhead work on the beams is nearly done. Here the three small windows in the front are being removed and the holes boarded up. The large window on the right is newly installed. The entire front will be shingled. A little rainy on the day this was taken.



Here is an overview of the project. The crew is in the process of removing the windows.



All the walls will be shingled. The wall by the entry has been partly completed. A nice job by **Ken Winter and Jack Hawker.**





Jan 6: GIK Pick up in Fife

Jan 12: Leadership Team Meeting:  
9:00 Bay Club

## calendar

Jan 13: Central Leadership Council Meeting:  
Seattle, 10:00

Jan 13: Unload Food Bank Truck:  
Tri-Area Community Center: 8:00

Jan 27: GIK Distribution-  
Clallam County



### KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN BLUEBILLS?

Many of our members learn about Bluebills from someone who is already a Bluebill. They may ask how to join or get information. We have a Membership Coordinator, Eleanor Roden, who does a wonderful job. If someone is interested in joining Bluebills or wants more information, get the persons name and address, then send this information to Eleanor via email: [rodenem@olympen.com](mailto:rodenem@olympen.com) Eleanor will send the person a packet of information. When Eleanor gets the included form back she adds the member to the membership list and sends an email to the coordinators of the programs the new member is interested in working on.

## HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAYS !



BILL EMERSON	December 1
JANE ANSLEY	December 2
ELIZABETH MULENSKY	December 12
JOAN ZIMMERMAN	December 17
DICK PADILLA	December 20



## SEQUIM RAMP REQUIRES A BIG BLUEBILL TEAM

We recently built a replacement ramp for a couple in Sequim. The job was complicated by the fact that the door was 46 inches about the ground.

Our specification calls for one foot of ramp for each inch above the ground, i.e. a 46 foot ramp. A further problem was that there was limited space to install a 46 foot ramp. Plus there was already an old ramp that was too steep and had to be removed.

Larry Elton coordinates a lot of the jobs in Sequim and Port Angeles and he came up with a plan. The job was referred to us by Catholic Community Services and they provided us with insurance coverage.

Because we had to remove the old ramp and do a lot of rework to the existing porch this job took us a couple of days and about 100 man-hours.

Helping were Ken Winter, Bill Shain, Mike Mallett, Ed Hughes, Gifford Asher, Marv Segar, Mike Graham, Myron Vogt, Dan Holtz, Larry Elton and Jack Hawker.

Ken Mellott (bad back-couldn't work) showed up and took the pictures.



Bill Shain and Jack Hawker attach the final section of ramp. A concrete transition pad will be added at the end. Ken Winter and Giff Asher check it out.

Ken Winter and Bill Shain work in installing hand rails, one of the final steps in construction.



Mike Mallett and Marv Segar install support posts.



Marv and Mike attaching ramp joists to the support posts.



The existing ramp was too steep for the user to get up and difficult to get down. The slope on this is about 4/1 (four inches of "run" for every inch of "rise"). The building code and Bluebill specification call for a minimum of 12/1. The old ramp was removed during the rebuild.

# *GIFTS-IN-KIND*

## *CHRISTMAS*

## *DELIVERY*



**T**his year we did something different. We usually do not make a GIK delivery in December because we do the Christmas Giving for families in the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs. However, World Vision was moving in December and happened to have available a large number of Hanna Montana clothes for young girls, toys and school supplies and a number of other items that seemed appropriate to distribute to our GIK members.

We picked up enough goods to distribute:  
Sixty Shopping bags full of toys and school supplies  
About 2000 articles of Hanna Montana clothing  
Over 1080 women's tee shirts  
180 plaid jumpers for girls  
60 boxes of women's clothes from Dress Barn

We also distributed about 15 bikes that were received from the Port Townsend Police department and reconditioned by George Ansley

There were so many people involved in making this program work it is hard to recall them all but here are some that I remember:

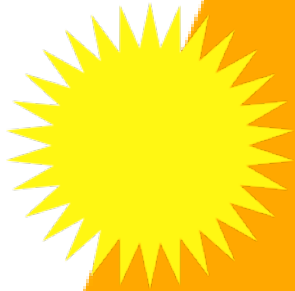
*George Ansley*  
*Herb Bains*  
*Dorothy Bains*  
*Ed Berthiaume*  
*Beryl Dennison*  
*Betty Faulkner*  
*Peggy Lee Flentie*  
*Jack Hawker*  
*Dan Holtz*  
*Jamie Holtz*  
*Ed Hughes*  
*Thelma Keefe*  
*Larry Lang*  
*John Miller*  
*Amy Miller*  
*Doug Peterson*  
*Russ Rousseau*  
*Shelly Rousseau*  
*Bill Shain*  
*Barbara Shain*  
*Ken Snider*  
*Mary Jean Thomas*  
*Myron Vogt*  
*Valeria Vogt*

**Thanks to all of you and to anyone that I have forgotten to mention.**

I want to relate a little experience about this. John and Amy Miller delivered the Christmas package to the schools in Shelton on Dec 8. A couple of hours later I was following their delivery with some bikes. I went into the school to give them the bikes and there was a little girl (6 or 7 years old) running down the hallway with one of the plaid jumpers that I knew John and Amy had delivered. I mentioned to the teacher that I knew where she had gotten that jumper and the teacher told me that when they looked at what the Miller's had delivered this little girl just had to have the jumper and when she got it she went to the rest room and changed right into it.

I guess the point is that although we deliver a lot of goods, each thing has a special meaning to someone and we need to keep that in mind.

Thanks to all of you who helped with this. - Myron



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“To Jack Hawker and the other Bluebills (Ken Winter, Michael Graham and Bill Shain.):

I wanted to write you a note to say thank you for the ramp you built on the front of our house. It has given my husband a sense freedom which is greatly appreciated.

We also feel it is aesthetically pleasing and we are very happy about that. Thank you a lot!

You men are doing an exceptionally wonderful job for the people in need or your services.

Sincerely (A Port Ludlow client)



**CORRECTION to November  
New Member information**

**Janie Cain,  
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Her interests are:  
Education,  
Independent Living and  
Gifts-in-Kind**

***Peggy Lee Flentie took all the photos of the CEA Silent Auction, The Bluebills Social, and the gift gathering and distribution. The Quilcene project and the Sequim Ramp Project photos are by Myron Vogt.***

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