



THE BLUEBILL *FLYER*

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A NICER BUNCH OF GUYS THERE NEVER WAS!

Larry Elton, Mel Morris, Myron Vogt, Dan Holtz and Jack Hawker are in front of the trailer loaded with the final six bunks for the Kiwanis Club Camp. See story on the next page.

SEE PHOTO ON COVER PAGE
KIWANIS CLUB BUNKS COMPLETED

The final six (of twelve) bunks for the Kiwanis Club Camp in Chimacum were completed in early June. Thanks to all the Bluebills who helped with this project. You should know that Bluebills got a standing ovation at the last Kiwanis Club meeting for our work on the bunk project. The Camp opens on July 14 and runs through August. It serves physically and mentally disadvantaged people of all ages.
-- Myron



BLUEBILL WEB SITE



I hope you all know that Bluebills have an excellent web site. The credit for our chapter goes to Ted Muralt who is only limited by what we give him to display.

Recently the question was raised about how many hits we got on the Bluebills web site. The answer is that there are 110 to 140 visits per day, about 400 unique visitors per week.

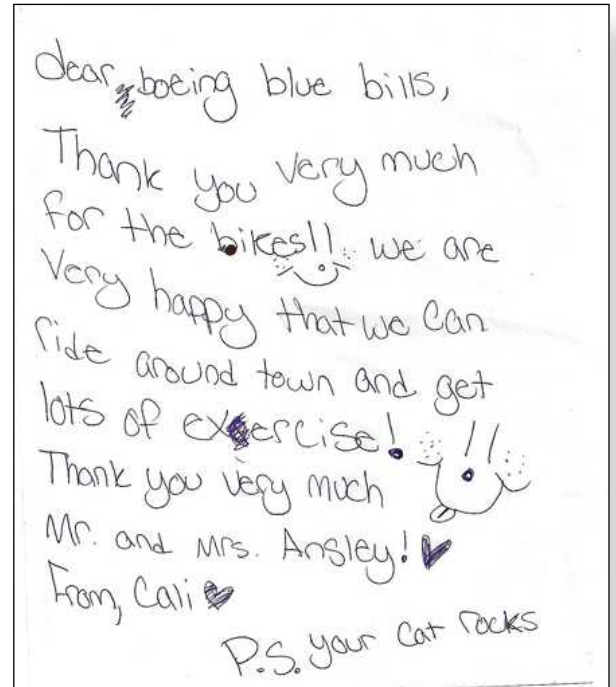
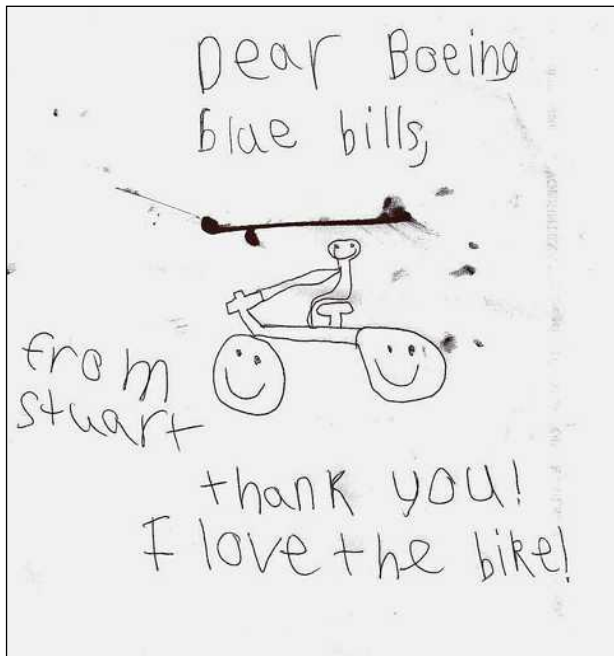
You should take a look at our site: bluebills.org. If you have any suggestions for improving the Olympic Peninsula Chapter's site I'm sure Ted would like to hear about it. You'll find his email address on the site. Or you can contact me -- Myron Vogt.



**BIKE
THANK YOU NOTES**



**FROM
GEORGE ANSLEY**



Certificate of Appreciation

This certificate is awarded to

OLYMPIC PENINSULA BOEING BLUEBILLS

Presented In recognition and grateful appreciation
for volunteer service to
Catholic Community Services/Volunteer Chore Services




Patrick Downie, Program Coordinator June 03, 2008

Teri Wanders, Office Assistant June 03, 2008

Bluebills were among the volunteers receiving a certificate of appreciation from Catholic Community Services at their June 3 appreciation luncheon. Bluebills build ramps, install grab bars and provide a variety of tasks for the agency in Clallam County.



In appreciation for Bluebills support for their programs,
OLYMPIC COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS

hosted an ice cream social and presented Bluebills with a Community Service Award. Myron Vogt represented Bluebills in accepting the "Linda Haskell Award". Linda was a former OlyCap employee who had an outstanding record for community service and worked very closely with Bluebills.



Ginger Bischel
Tim's Admin. Assistant
OlyCap



Myron Vogt accepts the
Community Service Award



Tim Hockett
Director
OlyCap

Val Vogt





Olympic Community Action Programs

Community Service Award

Presented to

Myron Vogt

*In recognition and appreciation of your legacy of
Serving and Giving
exemplifying the truest spirit of Community Action*

Presented at Port Townsend, Washington, this 29th day of May, 2008



J. Morris
Judith Morris, Chair

T. Hockett
Timothy L. Hockett, Executive Director

*This award given in honor of Ms. Linda Haskell, former OlyCAP employee and
outstanding community servant. Linda embodies community action.*

*"You make a living by what you earn, but you make a life by what you give."
—Sir Winston Churchill*

LINDA HASKELL OLYCAP AWARD PRESENTED TO MYRON VOGT

CALENDAR



Olympic Peninsula Bluebills Mark Tenth Anniversary

FELLOW BLUEBILLS AND SPOUSES, AGENCY PARTNERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEER WORK ARE INVITED TO JOIN BLUEBILLS IN CELEBRATION OF THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA BLUEBILLS TEN YEARS OF OPERATION ON THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA.

DATE: TUESDAY, JULY 22
PLACE: THE BAY CLUB, PORT LUDLOW
TIME: 5:00 TO 7:00 p.m.

REFRESHMENTS AND HORS D'OEUVRES WILL BE SERVED. THERE WILL BE A SHORT PROGRAM ABOUT HOW BLUEBILLS' BEGAN AND THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS.

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND PLEASE RSVP BY JULY 15 TO:
MICHAEL GRAHAM
Michael@cablespeed.com
360-316-1126

Volunteer Hours

For May we had 35 volunteers who worked 667 hours a total year to date of 3,614 hours.
From Jack Hawker

HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS

BOB COMMANDER
JULY 30

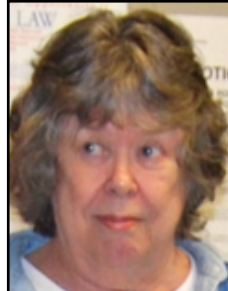
MARVIN SEGAR
JULY 16

AGGIE GAGE
JULY 31



BLUEBILL/AGENCY LINKING LEADERS

Several members of the Bluebill Leadership Team also hold important positions with agencies that we work closely with:



JACK RANDALL

is on the board of Ecumenical Christian Helping Hands Organization (**ECHHO**).

We work closely with ECHHO on hospital equipment repair and Independent Living program projects.

CYNDYANN JOYNER

Is on the board of Olympic Community Action Programs (**OlyCAP**).

We partner with OlyCAP on community projects, food bank work and aid to the elderly.

CHUCK SHERRED

is on the board of the Olympic Area Agency on Aging (**OAAA**).

OAAA funds many of the ramps and grab bar installations we do.

SHARON COMMANDER

is Treasurer with Community Enrichment Alliance (**CEA**). CEA provides most of the funds for our Christmas Giving Program as well as helping fund our School Supply Distribution effort.

CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF THE ABOVE FOR BEING CHOSEN FOR A POSITION THAT CAN REALLY AFFECT THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT BLUEBILLS ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING.

Following is a brief summary of each organization and the leadership duties.

ECHHO (By Jack Randall)

Ed Presnal, Chairman of ECHHO, suggested that they have a Bluebill board member. I was selected and have been on the board since 2007. As a board member I have updated their bylaws, become the fundraiser and am their representative at the Rotary of East Jefferson County.

ECHHO is a non-profit founded by Jeannette and Bruce Travis eleven years ago. We are currently operating on a budget of \$55,000 financed by a UGN, OAAA, Jefferson General Hospital, churches, service organizations and individuals. ECHHO provides transportation, chores, social support and loan of hospital medical equipment.

Transportation services are provided to medical appointments, shopping, running errands and making deliveries. Chores include meal preparation, light housekeeping, yard work, and helping with paperwork. The social support includes visiting, teaching computer skills and taking people for a drive. Medical equipment of most kind is available for loan. Bluebills maintain and repair the medical equipment.

These services are provided FREE to the elderly, temporarily disabled and others in need. ECHHO compliments the Bluebills in that they provide services that Bluebills don't.

For further information visit. <http://www.echho.org>

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BLUEBILL/AGENCY LINKING LEADERS - Continued

OlyCAP (By Cyndyann Joyner)

In May of 2008 I was appointed by the OlyCAP board of directors to serve a two-year term as a Member. OlyCAP directors serve without compensation. The board is representative of the community and by law must consist of public officials and citizen advocates who represent both the low-income community and the private sector of Jefferson and Clallam Counties on the Olympic Peninsula.

The Board advises on programs, reviews and approves budgets and policies, and hires the Executive director. Recently the Board was involved in a strategic planning process to guide OlyCAP's direction for years to come -- addressing affordable housing, affordable transportation, early childhood needs, employment, healthcare access (including both oral and mental), food distribution and the needs of low income seniors.

OlyCAP'S Mission is to strengthen the community by providing services that help people help themselves. My Mission is to help them do that.

For further information visit <http://www.olycap.org>

OAAA (By Chuck Sherred)

In June 2008 I was appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to serve a three year term on the OAAA Advisory Council as a Jefferson County Representative. The 21 member council includes four representatives from each of four counties; Clallam, Grays Harbor, Jefferson and Pacific, plus five others representing the positions of elected officials and minority/ethnic populations and a regional State Council Representative appointed by the governor.

The OAAA Advisory Council's duties and responsibilities are as follows.

The council shall advise the agency relative to:

1. Developing and administering the area plan.
2. Conducting public hearings
3. Representing the interests of older people.
4. Reviewing and commenting on all community policies, programs and actions that affect older people with the intent of assuring maximum coordination and responsiveness to older persons.

For further information visit <http://www.03a.org/>

CEA (By Sharon Commander)

Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is an all-volunteer organization that strives to bring interesting and enriching programs and activities to the residents of Port Ludlow and the surrounding area. CEA became a 501(c)3 non-profit organization in 2004. One of the goals of CEA is to raise funds for other organizations, particularly educational institutions. In fact, CEA has its own scholarship for Chimacum High School. In addition to education, CEA partnerships with the Boeing Bluebills in their annual support to make a festive holiday for the Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse and their children at Christmas.

A RAMP PROJECT FROM GEORGE SICKEL IN BRINNON

The majority of the materials were provided from leftovers of other ramps built in the community. Bob Rosen filmed the project with interviews of the client and volunteers.



WORLD VISION PERSONNEL VISIT

I think most of you know that World Vision is the source of all our Gift-In-Kind products and School Supplies. Last month Jim Peterson and Richard Baker of World Vision visited the Olympic Peninsula to meet with our sponsoring agencies (Catholic Community Services and Olympic Community Action Program), visit our warehouse and discuss our operation. I'm glad to say that the sponsoring agencies were very complimentary of our program and urged World Vision to continue their support. World Vision was particularly pleased with our distribution method of delivering to each member those items they have requested. They also were impressed with our warehouse organization and inventory control.

In passing, they mentioned that the Olympic Peninsula Bluebills probably pick up more product than any other single agency they serve. (They serve about 130 agencies, churches and schools in the Seattle area.) Bluebills pick up eight to ten pallets of goods each month and distribute practically everything received the same month.

In short, I think we can count on World Vision to continue to support our GIK and school supply distribution programs.

It goes without saying that World Vision's favorable impression is a result of the effort that each and everyone of you contribute to these programs.

THANKS VERY MUCH!

from Myron

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). 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.



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