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BLUEBILLS BUILD COTS



Bluebills have been asked to build twelve cots to be use in the Northwest Kiwanis Camp. The camp is on Lake Beausite in Chimacum. It is run by the Port Townsend Kiwanis Club and serves campers that range from six to sixty with various physical and/or developmental handicaps.

So far we have built six of the twelve cots and will complete the remainder later this month. Because the completed cots are large and bulky, once they are finished the Kiwanis take them to the camp.

Construction is pretty straight-forward the only unique feature being the fold-down side that eases getting into the cot and can be put up to prevent rolling out.



These completed cots are headed for the Kiwanis Camp.



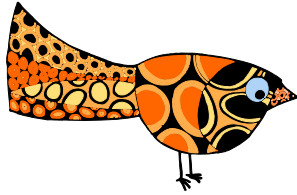
Clean-up is always important. Here Bob Chelini does the honors.



Jack Hawker squares up an end before attaching.



Mel Morris and Larry Elton do some assembly work.



CALENDAR

June 3
Gifts-In-Kind pickup-World Vision, Kent

June 9
Leadership Team Meeting 9:00-10:00 Bay Club

June 10
Central Leadership Council Meeting-Seattle

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Unload food bank truck-Tri-Area Community Center 8:00-9:00

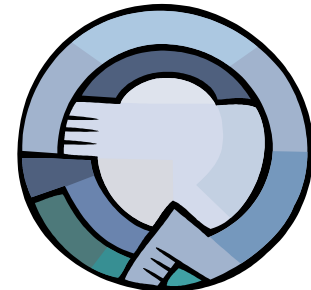
June 13
Central Leadership Council Workshop – Seattle

June 21
Chuck Shered and Larry Elton Radio Show guests
OAAA Port Angeles 8:00am - 11:00

June 24
Gifts-In-Kind Delivery-Jefferson Co.

Volunteer Hours

*For april we had 30 Volunteers
contribute 648 hours
which gives us **2,873** hours year to
date.*



-- from Jack Hawker

MOVING THE TACOMA FOOD BANK

How did we get involved in helping to move the Tacoma Food Bank? I'm not sure but seven Oly-Pen members took the trip there last month, met Merv Shetler from Bluebills Central and with some local volunteers completed the job in six hours.

The Tacoma Food bank had build a new, larger addition to the existing one and needed to move all the food and shelves in addition to completing some electrical wiring and cleaning. The main job was to remove all the food from the current shelves, break down the shelves to re-adjust the heights and reinstall them in the new facility and put the food back in the new location. The team worked with their usual efficiency and we were glad to out an agency that does so much for their community.



From left to right: Myron Vogt, Russ Rousseau, Mike Graham, Shelley Rousseau, Ken Winter, Jack Hawker, Merv Shetler, Dick Ostlund



Shelley Rousseau works on shelf assembly.



Mike Graham adjusts one of the shelf supports.



One of the 17 shelving units that were moved, taken apart, and the shelf heights readjusted.



BLUEBILL MIKE KEEFE

Mike Keefe passed away on
May 11 after a two year bout with cancer and infection.

Mike helped in many ways. Here he is organizing distribution of the Christmas gifts for families in the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs.



Mike was a member of our Bluebill Leadership Team, organizing the food truck unloading every month.

As a team member he is remembered for trying to keep our meetings on schedule so that, maybe, we could squeeze in nine holes of golf after. I'm sorry to say that in his absence we have gone back to our old ways.

Mike participated in practically every one of our programs; building ramps, cooking at our socials, helping to distribute school supplies and working on the Christmas Giving program. I think he enjoyed working with other Bluebills and I know we enjoyed having him work with us. His assistance and good humor made any task go faster.

Both Bluebills and the community he helped so often will miss him. He put up a good fight.



Bob Peden June 2

Margo Elton June 6

Phillip Greene June 6

Daniel Hoiltz June 14

Mary Clear Padilla June 15

Barbara Berthiaume June 16

John Hollister June 16

Darryl Humphrey June 16

Kathy Snider June 21

Jack Hawker June 24

Glenn Andrews June 30

HAPPY HAPPY BIRTHDAYS !

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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 how to get more 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@olyphen.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.*



[Bluebills to be on Port Angeles radio talk show](#)

Mark Harvey, Regional Director for Information & Assistance/Care Management under Olympic Area Agency on Aging (OAAA), has invited the Bluebills to participate on his Saturday talk show at

Radio Station KONP 1450 AM, Port Angeles, WA

<http://www.ontheradio.net/radiostations/konpam.aspx>

Larry Elton and Chuck Sherrd will be his Olympic Peninsula Bluebill guests **Saturday, June 21 from 8:00AM to 11:00AM.**

This show will provide us with a great opportunity to inform people in the Clallam County community about our organization and their chances to participate.

During the broadcast we will invite people to a special Bluebill's recruitment social in Clallam County. This gathering will allow us to meet face to face and answer any and all questions about the Bluebills.

The time and place for this social event has not yet been determined.

Stay tuned..

If anyone has any suggestions on what we should cover in our radio conversation, please contact Larry or Chuck with your ideas.





THANKS REPAH!

We received a request to repair a stair for an elderly couple in Port Hadlock. The “before” picture shows the condition. The landing had rotted through and most of the treads were in the same shape. The railings were coming loose and not suitable to support a person.

The cost to rebuild the stair was more then the couple could afford and they were not covered by any program. In this case we went to our old, reliable last source of funding, **REPAH**. (Real Estate Professionals for Affordable Housing). **REPAH** is an organization of Jefferson County real estate agencies and agents who contribute money from every sale. They usually consider the work we do to help the elderly and disabled a worthy cause to fund.

The “after” picture shows the rebuilt stair and the client. New steps and landing and the railings secured.



Before



After.

Bluebill Jack Hawker is in the background.

BE LIKE THE TURTLE --
AT EASE IN YOUR OWN SHELL.

-- BILL COPELAND



Dear OPB FLYER readers,

Our Woman of the Month for June 2008 is Cyndyann Joyner. All of our Bluebills know Cyndyann for the great work she does as editor of our monthly newsletter, The FLYER. The hard work and dedication she puts into the FLYER is evident from the many compliments we receive from Bluebills across the Puget Sound, and the agencies we work with throughout the year.

This month I have the privilege to interview Cyndyann so that we all might get to know her better.

I hope you enjoy the interview.

Wanda Sherred

Hi Cyndyann!

How long have you been a Bluebill Member?

Hi Wanda! Since March 1999

Favorite Bluebill memory?

Myron asking me to do a newsletter back in '99.

Where were you born? Grew up?

California, land of golden hills, Oak trees, and Big Sur. Grew up in San Francisco, went to Lincoln High.

Where have you lived?

California, Arizona, Canada, Oregon, Washington

What did you enjoy most about living through the 60s?

All of the amazing, incredible, political and cultural drama.

I worked at Caltech, in Public Relations, got to know Richard Feynman, Nobelist, Charles Richter, Seismologist, and other important thinkers and scientists that were there during those years. I finished the decade by going to work for United Airlines and began my lifelong love of travel and airplanes.

Your favorite holiday?

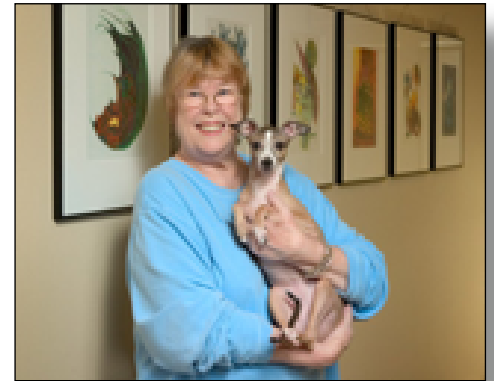
Thanksgiving

Any children?

No. I have an amazing neice and nephew that I love dearly -- Heather Joyner Balliet and Matt Joyner.

Favorite thing to do for fun?

Lunch al fresco in a shady place under a golden sun and blue sky. Sharing great food with good friends, and we all have plenty of time.



This is a 5 yr. old photo. Rosebud still looks the same. I look a lot worse. Not fair!

Favorite Music?

Chris Botti "ITALIA" album

Take Five - Dave Brubeck

Una Furtiva Lagrima - Nicolai Gedda

Ride the River - J. J. Cale and Eric Clapton

La Camisa Negra - Juanes

La Fille Du Regiment - Ah Mes Amis - Pour Mon

Ame - Pavarotti

Tango Para Abel - Incendio

Pueblo Andino - Inca Son

Check these tracks out FREE in iTunes!



Favorite Movies?

SMOKE

MOONSTRUCK

PULP FICTION

PRIDE & PREJUDICE - Colin Firth IS Mr. Darcy!

Most handsome guy you ever laid eyes on?

Jack Kennedy - got to shake hands with him. Those BLUE eyes! That tan! That aftershave! AND MY BROTHER MONTY!

What Movie Star would you like to go on a date with and why?

HANDS DOWN HARVEY KEITEL! So intelligent, so cool, so sensitive, so FUN! who wouldn't?

Tell us about Rosebud.

She's my family - she is an Italian Greyhound, looks like a skinny chihuahua on long legs with Flying Nun ears. She amazingly got dumped in Fairbanks, Alaska at age 5. The Seattle Purebred Rescue folks flew her down to Seattle where I adopted her. There is no way to explain how wonderful it is to have Rosebud in my life. She loves me too.

What world events had the most impact on you growing up?

I was 9 years old, it was December 7, 1941. My Aunt Cate and I were visiting my Uncle's grave in the Presidio in San Francisco.. A man came running by yelling that Pearl Harbor was being attacked. We sat there trying to figure out what this meant. I spent the rest of WWII playing jacks on the floor while listening to the big old Radio on legs in the living room. President Roosevelt told us that we were at WAR. There were endless news reports of squadrons of airplanes, bombs, foreign countries etc. I listened to all those great old songs: Since You Went Away, I'll Be Seeing You, White Cliffs of Dover, As Time Goes By. I tried so hard to understand it all.

If you could go back in history who would you want to talk to?

Jesus Christ

What is your favorite Presidential quote?

YES WE CAN!

What is the most valuable thing you learned from your parents?

To love all creatures.

To try to love others as much as they loved each other.

Hobbies?

Cooking, creating the **FLYER**, pen and ink art.

What inspires you and motivates you?

The true goodness of others - such as my fellow Bluebills.

What are your favorite journeys?

Macchu Pichu

Great Barrier Reef

Kotzebue, Artic Circle

Mt. Cook, New Zealand

Zug Spitz, Austria



What was your career before retirement?

Aviation Safety Analyst, Boeing (BCAG) Renton

Our group analyzed accidents and incidents of the Boeing fleet. I maintained database of Accident/ Incidents to jet fleet worldwide, Boeing and Non-Boeing. Big Project: Whether English as a second language of the cockpit crew had any correlation to accidents or incidents. Big Kick: Learned to fly the Boeing 737/400.

Favorite Authors?

Jane Austen

Pablo Neruda

Rumi

Tolle

Who are your heroes in real life?

The Dalai Lama

Mother Theresa

Mahatma Gandhi

Colin Powell

Jimmy Carter

What is the most daring thing you have ever done?

Wore white shoes after Labor Day.

What do you consider your greatest achievement?

Living for 76 years. Finally figured out how to be really happy.

What is your motto?

LOOK UNTIL YOU REALLY SEE.

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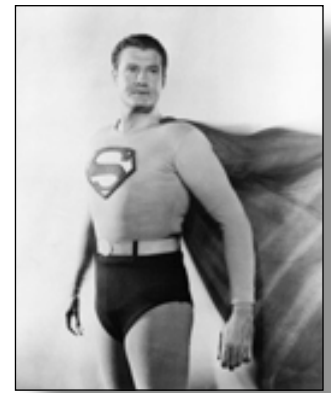
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