

THE FLYER



ELEANOR RODEN IN HER HOT WHEELS 2008
HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELEANOR !

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OF THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA BLUEBILLS. THE BLUEBILLS ARE
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Chairmans Report



World Vision has not been getting as many donations so there is less for us to pickup. Myron is contacting those that participate in pickup and deliveries and provides the new schedules in this issue.

Cyndyann will be trying to include a new item in the Flyer that will be a photo, and short

note on one new job a month from Clallam County.

We hope this will introduce what goes on at the work site of all of our Builders, and maybe more of you can volunteer. We need more members to help the builders.

Chairman Ken Winter

Thursday, April 4
Leadership Team Meeting
Beach Club 3:00 – 4:00

Tuesday, April 9
Pick up goods at
World Vision in Fife

Tuesday, April 9
Unload Food Bank Truck
Chimacum, 8:00-9:00

Tuesday, April 9
Central Leadership Council
Meeting-Seattle 10:00-11:00

Friday, April 19
Bluebill Social, Sunland
Golf Course,
Sequim. 11:00-3:00
See article for details

Each Saturday of the month:
Staff the Fall Prevention Table at
the Port Townsend Food Bank
12:00-2:00

**THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA
BLUEBILLS CHAPTER IS 15
YEARS OLD NOW!**

APRIL



*33 VOLUNTEERS
WORKED 487
HOURS IN FEBRUARY*

*FROM JACK
HAWKER*



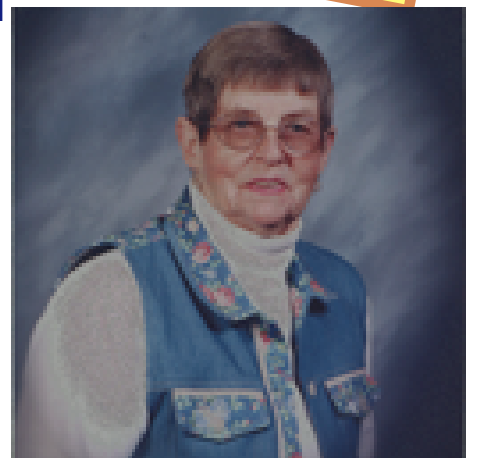
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Interests:

**Gifts in Kind and
School Supply
Distribution
(local only)**

**from Eleanor
Roden,
Membership
Program
Chair**

**WE HAVE A
NEW MEMBER!**





Appreciation Award for the Rousseaus

BLUEBILL FRIENDS OF RUSS AND SHELLEY ROUSSEAU GATHERED AT LUNCH TO PRESENT THEM WITH AN APPRECIATION AWARD FOR ALL THE PROGRAMS THEY HAVE PARTICIPATED IN WITH BLUEBILLS.

MYRON VOGT MADE THE AWARD AND NOTED THAT RUSS AND SHELLEY WERE STAUNCH CONTRIBUTORS TO PICKING UP AND DELIVERING WORLD VISION GOODS. HE ESTIMATED THE THEY HAD DRIVEN OVER 15000 MILES FOR THIS PROGRAM. BECAUSE RUSS AND SHELLEY GO SOUTH EACH WINTER THEY HAVE NEVER BEENPRESENT AT ONE OF OUR YEAR-END AWARD MEETINGS SO THIS SPECIAL OCCASION WAS SET UP.

MYRON

SEE THE
FOLLOWING
PAGE FOR
THE
CERTIFICATE
GIVEN TO
RUSS AND
SHELLEY.

Olympic Peninsula Bluebills
Appreciation Award

Presented to

Russ and Shelley Rousseau

This award is presented to Russ and Shelley in recognition of their dedication to the Bluebill goal of helping the less fortunate in our community. Russ and Shelley could always be counted on to support in any way they could: delivering World Vision goods and school supplies, staffing our booths at events and helping with all the many projects we have going.

This award is long overdue and well deserved. Thanks to you both for all your contributions and friendship.

Ken Winter
Chairman

Barbara Berthiaume
First Vice-Chair

Jack Randall
Second Vice-Chair



**RUSS AND
SHELLEY
ROUSSEAU.
MYRON VOGT
PRESENTED
THE AWARD.**



**Please help me.
I'm falling!**

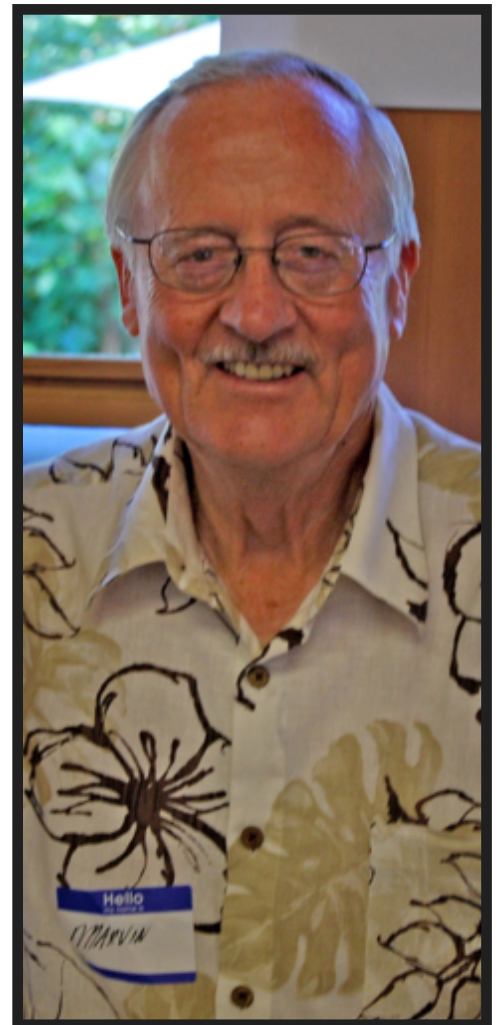
Seniors and disabled experience the majority of the Falls in the Pacific Northwest, it is the second leading cause of death.

We receive calls for grab bars, railings, etc. on a weekly basis. I installed 20 grab bars in 12 homes during January.

If anyone is interested in assisting and/or learning the process of installing these types of safety features, please call me (360) 437-9514. Some tools are required.

You will be glad you did!

Marvin Segar





That's MARV SEGAR, Fall Prevention Coordinator, AND MIKE GRAHAM explaining the installation of a grab bar to a client during the Wellness Fair at Fort Worden in Port Townsend.



You are such a great group. My re-made ramp is beautiful.

Hope I don't use it up very soon!

God bless you.

Dear Bluebills:

Thank you from my whole family for taking care of my mom! We can all breathe easier knowing her porch is safe again.

What a wonderful, selfless organization Bluebills is.

I am grateful for all you do.

Myron:

We are so very grateful for the wonderful ramp. It was such a challenge on our part. The Bluebills, and your personal effort, were truly amazing. Your understanding and patience was really appreciated.

Thank you.

I would like to thank you for my wonderful ramp. I couldn't go home without it.

You did a great job. Also thank you for unloading the truck at the Food Bank. You are doing so much for us and don't think people don't realize it.

Again, thank you.

Thank you Boeing Bluebills!

Your help and aid is a blessing and we appreciate all you have done for us.

Last Tuesday, Ron Harp installed an 18" grab bar in my shower. It is just great and I want to thank you all for this wonderful service for seniors.

Ron was so nice and helpful.

Thanks to all of you at Boeing Bluebills. The ramp you built for me is greatly appreciated. My 2 older dogs like it too. Ha Ha

Special thanks. You all did a beautiful job and I will appreciate your kindness and generosity for a lifetime.

God bless you all.

Thank you, to all of the Bluebills, volunteers, and everyone who worked so hard at the Shelter, for the Dove House.

We are very grateful and appreciative for all you do for our agency and clients.

Dove House Staff

Thanks to all Olympic Peninsula Bluebills group who teamed up to build our two handicap ramps and install grab bars in the house. You have indeed made our home more accessible and safe. In particular, we want to thank Rod and Bryan from Sequim who spent many hours on this project from start to finish. Rod was such a kind and effective leader of this group, and deserves high praise. The community is lucky to have him!

Thank you so much.

WORLD VISION DELIVERY SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR CLALLAM COUNTY AND RESPONSES FROM AGENCIES

Hello All,

There will be a change in the delivery schedule for goods that you receive from the Bluebills/World Vision.

The Bluebills that make the pickups from World Vision in Fife have found over the past year that the quantity and variety of goods has decreased significantly due to the widespread economic difficulties. We are not able to get even half as much on each pickup as in the past. The decision has been made that pickups at World Vision will be made on two consecutive months before the inventory is sent out. This is being done to fill our warehouse in Chimacum before sending the inventory to you. In that way you should expect to have a wider variety to select from, and receive a greater quantity of goods when it is actually delivered. However, instead of the usual three or four deliveries per year, we anticipate making only two to Clallam County agencies in 2013.

In April, a pickup from World Vision will be made and the goods combined with what was picked up earlier this week. As soon as I get the inventory from the warehouse, I will send it out to you. We don't have a date that it will be delivered to you at this time, but it



will likely be in late April or early May. Further, we anticipate a second delivery to you about October.

I hope this does not cause any problems for you. We anticipate that you will be receiving the same amount of goods in total for the year--there will just be two deliveries with more goods each time, rather than three or four smaller deliveries. In part, it is anticipated that the new procedure will reduce both the time that you spend making selections and dealing with deliveries, as well as cut down on paperwork and miles driven on our end.

Please let me know if this new procedure will cause any problems for you and we will address your concerns.

All the best,

Larry Lang
Bluebills Clallam County Coordinator
(360) 452-4348

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**Hi Larry,
Thank you for the update. We
are very thankful for you and
your organization's good work.
Regards,
Priscilla**

**Priscilla Schaefer
Fiscal Manager
First Step Family Support Center**



**Dear Larry,
The change of schedule is
appropriate under the
circumstances. We very much
appreciate whatever the
Bluebills deliver. Thank you for
continuing this service.**

Best regards,

**Martha Ireland
Serenity House**

**We appreciate what you bring,
and are happy whenever you
bring it. It is interesting that
what WV has available has
changed that much. Many
helping agencies have
experienced something similar.
Thank you for all that you do
for us.**

**Iris Stober
Adventist Community Services**

The BLUEBILL SPRING SOCIAL

**FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 11-3P
SUNLAND GOLF AND COUNTRY
CLUB IN SEQUIM
AT 109 HILLTOP DRIVE**

All Bluebills and spouses, associate members and retired Boeing folk are cordially invited. We also extend a warm and friendly invitation to anyone interested in volunteering their time, energy, skills, knowledge and experience to improve the quality of life in their respective communities, and thereby enhance their own lives.

This social is being held in Sequim to recognize the efforts of the Clallam County Bluebills and show our appreciation of all they have accomplished in the greater Port Angeles and Sequim area.

Sunland is catering the luncheon. The menu includes a pasta bar with a choice of sauces, garlic bread, Caesar salad and cookies for desert. Coffee and tea are provided. Sunland does allow us to provide beverages so the bar is no-host.

Since this social is being catered, RSVP's are very important. The cost of the social is based on the headcount provided to Sunland on Friday,

We look forward to seeing you at this social. It will show the Clallam County Crew that we really appreciate their effort.

**PLEASE SEND RSVP'S TO
pljmikey@gmail.com**

**The RSVP deadline is
Friday, April 12**



EACH RAMP IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT

Bluebills build about 50 ramps every year. Each is pretty much the same, yet they all differ because they are all at different locations and depend on what the client needs and can afford.

In this case the client had to get over a 7 inch rise at the sliding glass door to the patio. Complicating the problem was the limited and irregular-shaped space available for the landing needed to get the wheelchair level with the threshold and large enough to make the turn through the door. Also, there needs to be a ramp to get on the new landing. This was to be a ramp currently installed at a neighbors house.

Michael Graham and Jim Knight removed the ramp and re-worked it to fit the current need. While they were doing that Myron Vogt build the frame-work and cut the plywood for the new landing. All went together well and. Incidentally, we also put in a grab bar in the bathroom.



Top Photo: Framing for the small, irregularly-shaped space where the landing has to go.

Jim Knight and Michael Graham rebuild the old ramp for the new location.



ELEANOR RODEN - APRIL 4

LIESEKE KENDELL - APRIL 27

DALE GLIDEWELL - APRIL 11

DAVE MATHIESON - APRIL 20

LARRY CROSS - APRIL 30

BILL SHAIN - APRIL 6

JACK MCKAY - APRIL 23

GLENN YOUNG - APRIL 20

Happy Birthday



Revision to World Vision Delivery Schedule

For over six years Bluebills have made a monthly trip to the World Vision warehouse in Fife where we picked up enough goods to fill out own warehouse in Chimacum. We distributed these goods each month to clients in one of the three counties we serve.

For the past couple of years we have not been getting as many goods from W/V (recession effect) and our warehouse is only about half full after a monthly pickup. As a result there are a limited number and variety of goods for our county coordinators to offer their clients.

Therefore we are changing the delivery schedule from monthly to bi-monthly. We will still pick up each month at World Vision in Fife. County Coordinators may want to tell their clients of the new schedule and assure them they will still be getting the same amount of goods each year.

If we start picking up too many goods for our warehouse to handle we will go back to monthly deliveries.

All our pickups are the second Tuesday of the month at 9:00 at Fife.

Thanks to all of you who help when you can. It makes the program possible.

Our Hood Canal Bluebill W/V branch, which covers Quilcene and clients further south, will continue to distribute monthly.

Myron

Schedule for 2013:

CLALLAM CO:

P/U in March
P/U In April
Deliver in April (Date
TBD after this P/U.)

JEFFERSON CO:

P/U in May
P/U in June
Deliver in June

KITSAP CO:

P/U in July
P/U in Aug
Deliver in Aug

CLALLAM CO:

P/U in Sep
P/U in Oct
Deliver in Oct

JEFFERSON CO:

P/U in Nov
No P/U in Dec
(W/V Closed)
P/U in Jan 2014
Delivery in Jan



MYRON VOGT,
MANAGER
GIFTS IN KIND

A few months ago the Port Townsend Food Bank decided to open on Saturdays for those 65 and older. These are just the demographics we want to reach with our Fall Prevention Program. Normally the client or an agency has to pay for the material we use. We thought that that this could be an obstacle for people on low income. Therefore we decide to try and offer the program at no charge to these clients. We were fortunate in getting full support from Shirley Moss, who runs the PT food bank and has been a friend of Bluebills for years.

We approached Real Estate Professionals for Affordable Housing (REPAH) for their help and they agreed to provide the kick-off funds. Hadlock Building and Supply then contributed to the cost of the material so we were able to start the program.

Bluebills plan to have a table at the food bank each Saturday for at least a month. We are offering fall prevention surveys and free installation of grab bars, railings and other improvements to make homes safer for the elderly.

On our first Saturday (March 23) we contacted and talked to about 70



Myron Vogt and Donna Jones staffed the first Saturday Staffing of the Bluebill table at the Port Townsend Food Bank.

seniors using the food bank. Donna Jones of Catholic Community Services and Myron Vogt staffed the Bluebill table. Three clients signed up for our services and there were others who took information about what we have to offer.

Bluebill couples will be staffing the table for at least the next three Saturdays. If any of you are interested in working at the food bank on a Saturday, contact Myron.

Our next step is to start a similar program at the Quilcene Food Bank. We are currently awaiting funding support for the material we need for this program.

BLUEBILLS FIND ANOTHER WAY TO HELP SENIORS

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If of thy mortal goods
thou art bereft,
And from thy slender store
two loaves alone
to thee are left,
Sell one, and with the dole
Buy Hyacinths to feed thy soul.