



THE FLYER

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

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PORT LUDLOW BY PEGGY FLENTIE

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I thought it was time to let every Bluebell Volunteer to learn what has taken place last month. There are 37 active jobs for the builders. In going over the list of jobs at our monthly meeting we found that some of the jobs have been completed. Those who are in charge of the jobs need to let Myron know when the job is complete, who helped and the total hours required on the job. It is great to see so much completed by the builders.

A new program that is on the books is our participating in the Port Angeles Home Show on Feb 23 and 24. This home show is sponsored by radio station KONP and they will let us have ten 30 second commercials. This will help us get our message out. We will also have a table at the show and it will be manned by volunteers.

Another new program will be manning a table at the Port Townsend Food Bank on Saturdays. They have started a Saturday opening for seniors only to give this group more time in the food bank without a big mob. We will be able to show these people what we can do to help them in their homes.

These are just a couple of new programs that we are starting and could use volunteers.

Chairman, Ken Winter

JUDGES NEEDED FOR WASHINGTON STATE SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR

The Washington State Science & Engineering Fair (WSSEF), April 5-6, 2013, is a weekend event held in Bremerton every year since 1957. Open to all Washington State students grades 1-12, last year it drew 550 participants. About \$1M in scholarships & prizes are awarded every year. The website is www.wssef.org

The fair is an entirely volunteer effort receiving no state funds, and would not be possible without volunteers.

We expect 600 students this year and at least two hundred judges will be required. If the number of judges is insufficient, students must wait alone for long periods between judging and this is disheartening to students who have worked hard for months on their effort. Many students say that the opportunity to explain and discuss their work with professionals is the high point of the whole process. And many judges report that interviewing enthusiastic future scientists and engineers is a richly rewarding personal experience. Science fairs encourage students to explore on their own initiative and develop a passion for science; some of them go on to high achievement and national recognition. Last year's WSSEF student registration increased 40% over the previous year.

To help us continue this trend, please consider volunteering to judge. The 2012 judging brochure with volunteer details can be downloaded here:

<http://www.wssef.org/2013%20WSSEF%20Judges%20Brochure.pdf>



HELLO EVERYONE:

I JUST RECEIVED THIS COMPLETE INFORMATION ON THE WASHINGTON STATE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR TO BE HELD IN BREMERTON ON APRIL 5-6, 2013. DUE TO THE SHORT TIME BEFORE THE FAIR WE MAY BE TOO LATE BUT IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, LET'S SEE IF WE CAN HELP THEM.

THANK YOU.

NORMA VAUGHN,
CHAIR, CENTRAL
LEADERSHIP Council

This year's WSSEF will also feature a science film festival, a 2 day screening of science and aerospace themed films designed to showcase scientific achievements of interest to students. The public is invited and admission is free.

Contact Mike Huey at
headjudge@wssef.org to register.
More questions? Contact:

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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**





Olympic Community Action Programs OlyCAP Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of **Geoff Crump** to the position of Executive Director effective January 1, 2013.

Mr. Crump comes to OlyCAP with extensive executive management experience in the non-profit sector having worked directly with Community Action Agencies since 1998 and has established, successful and proven relationships with all the major partners of OlyCAP.

Please feel free to contact Geoff at OlyCAP's Port Townsend office, 803 W. Park Avenue, Port Townsend, WA 98368 or 360-385-2571 or gcrump@olycap.org.

Geoff will be a Speaker at our April Bluebill Social in Sequim.

*if I can stop one heart from breaking;
I shall not live in vain.
If I can ease one life the aching,
or cool one pain,
or help one fainting robin onto his nest
again;
I shall not live in vain.*

-Emily Dickinson



Bluebills at the Home Show



Marvin Segar, Rod Harp and Dennis Walters. The focus of our booth was Fall Prevention and the upcoming Healthy Families Benefit Golf Tournament. Dennis Walters is on the board of Healthy Families and working with Bluebills on the

In 2012 Barbara Berthiaume arranged for Bluebills to be interviewed on radio stations in Port Townsend, Sequim and Port Angeles. This was part of our plan to recruit new members and expand our services further in Clallam county. Station KONP in Port Angeles mentioned that they host a Home Show and invited us to participate.

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It was estimated that about 275 people stopped by the booth and asked questions or had comments. All of our brochures and literature were taken. One new member was signed up. Bluebills also had ten 30-second radio spots that covered our interests and activities.

**Bluebills
Doug Ritenhouse
and
Dennis Walters,
Clallam County
Bluebills
provided most of
the staffing for
the booth**

**A couple of
visitors ask
Robert Brown
and Michael
Graham about
the Bluebills.**





Folks,

We attend so many events that I thought it time to make a more professional-looking sign.

Attached is a picture of a 3-1/2 x 5 foot lighted sign that is meant to go at the back of any booth we have. It also fits on a table.

We used it at the Home Show in Port Angeles.

Myron

The Quilcene Revitalization Initiative is a
Habitat for Humanity program.

Late in 2012 Bluebills proposed joining their effort by expanding the scope to include safety and fall prevention. Working together we can do more for the community.

Habitat will continue to focus on significant external problems that affect comfort and livability:

- Leaking roofs
- Drafty windows
- Heating
- Minor structural items

Bluebills will address conditions affecting safety and fall prevention:

- Entry steps and railings
- Need for grab bars
- Ramp requirements
- Interior stair handrails
- Lifelines

Although Bluebills charge only for the material, even this cost might be enough to stop a person from asking for help. Therefore, Bluebills want to offer some of these low-cost fixes at no charge to the client. Right now we are working with Habitat for Humanity to determine if there is a way to fund that program.

Myron

BLUEBILLS AND THE PORT TOWNSEND FOOD BANK

Bluebills have been working with the [Port Townsend Food Bank](#) for years. In the early 2000's we helped unload the food bank truck each month, we have been delivering items from World Vision to them for almost 10 years and generally give them a hand when they need it. Now we have another opportunity. In January the Food Bank announced that because the Wednesday crowds were getting so large they were going to open the Food Bank on Saturday for those 65 and over. These are the same people that we like to contact about our Fall Prevention program. We suggested to [Shirley Moss \(PT Food Bank Director\)](#) that Bluebills set up and staff a table each Saturday to discuss and provide literature about fall prevention. Shirley was agreeable to the idea.

Because potential cost may keep some people from asking about what they might need, we want to provide some basic fixes like grab bars and short railings at no charge, however, someone has to provide the material we need. Fortunately, our good friends at [Real Estate Professionals for Affordable Housing \(REPAH\)](#) agreed to fund enough items to get started and [Hadlock Building](#) gave us a good discount on the goods so one obstacle has been taken care of.

We are planning to ask a couple to staff the FB table each Saturday. A couple may be more approachable. So we are looking for volunteers here. There will be a training session at the FB in Port Townsend for all volunteers before we start. Probably sometime in March. These volunteers will not be expected to do the actual work. Once a potential client is identified, the name will go into our normal system of handling these things.

If you are interested in volunteering as a couple for a Saturday, let me know. - Myron

IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!



WHISTLE A
HAPPY TUNE!

MICHAEL EASTMAN - MARCH 15

TODD KNOBLOCH - MARCH 3

ANNE RICKER - MARCH 12

HOWARD SCHAIBLE - MARCH 19

CHUCK SHERRED - MARCH 30

ROSE YIM - MARCH 15

THOMAS CONLEY - MARCH 2

CYNTHIA DURHAM - MARCH 23

MYRON VOGT - MARCH 10

JIM KNIGHT - MARCH 14


**hAPPY
BIRTHDAY
EVERYBODY!**



**CLALLAM
COUNTY
LANDING AND
STEPS
COMPLETED**



WITH ASSISTANCE FROM
OLYCAR,
HOME DEPOT CONTRIBUTIONS,
VCS CLALLAM COUNTY,
WE WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE CLIENT WITH
A MUCH NEEDED LANDING AND STEPS AT
HER HOME.

THE JOB WAS COMPLETED

2/02/2013 .

THANKS TO ALL

FOR YOUR SUPPORT !

**ROD HARP, CLALLAM COUNTY
BUILDERS PROGRAM CHAIR**



Thursday, March 7 -
Leadership Team Meeting
Bay Club, 3:00-4:00

Monday, March 11 -
Deliver World Vision
Goods to Kitsap Co.
Meet at warehouse
at 9:00

Tuesday, March 12 -
Pick up goods at
World Vision.
Meet at Fife at 9:30
(not new time this month)
This pick up is for
Clallam Co.

Tuesday, March 12 -
Unload Food Bank truck at
Tri-Area Community Center.
8:00-9:00

Tuesday, March 12 -
Central Leadership Council
Meeting
Seattle 10:00-11:00

SUNDAY, MARCH 17,
ST. PATRICKS DAY



45
VOLUNTEERS
REPORTED
1,067 HOURS

FROM JACK
HAWKER

MARCH CALENDAR

WE HAVE THREE NEW MEMBERS !

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*May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind always be at your back.
May sun shine warm upon your face,
the rain fall soft upon your fields,
and until we meet again
may God hold you
in the hollow of His hand.*

- an irish blessing