

# THE OLYMPIC PENINSULA

## BLUEBILLS

November 2006

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Your sensational Newsletter caught my eye and peaked my interest. You folks are doing wonderful work for your community. Thanks to you all.

Cheers, Bob Lambertt

- Bob Lambert is one of the
- founders of the original
- Bluebills and sort of the
- **Godfather** of the whole
- organization. He is retired
- from Boeing.

You folks are doing a great job with the newsletter. It really shows the member involvement and great coverage. Keep up the good work! Thanks, Merv Shetler



**Cover Photo: Mount Olympus, as seen from the Hoh River Trail heading to Glacier Meadows. – Many thanks for use of the photo to photographer Steven J. Barry, of the Port Townsend Leader.**

The Newsletter Editor is **Cyndyann Joyner.**

All submissions, suggestions, gripes, comments, feedback, whining, notices, etc., should be addressed to Cyndyann at **starwave@olypen.com.** The deadline for input to the newsletter is the 22nd of each month.

Wow! What a great newsletter! This was really awesome. Wonderful job done.

Donna Jones  
Volunteer Program  
Coordinator  
Catholic Community  
Services

Re:October Newsletter  
Thank you - it is a great product .

Bob Peden  
United Good Neighbors

RE: OCTOBER  
OPB NEWSLETTER

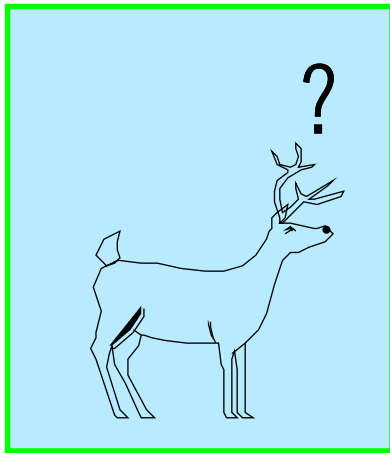
...Please extend my enthusiastic admiration to the team that is doing the job. It is the best example of web pubs that I have seen -- and I've had 45 years experience producing prize-winning newspapers and magazines (not via the internet of course). Please pass my compliments on to the people responsible and give them encouragement. A monthly publication is a hard baby to maintain unless you are working on it full time. And unless you have a team of helpers to step in when you want a breather. When you produce excellence, you have created a demanding master. Best wishes,

Nancy Wright  
Bluebills Central  
Leadership Council  
Public Relations Committee

**WE NEED A NAME**



FOR OUR NEWSLETTER, i.e., **THE VOLUNTEER.** PLEASE PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAPS AND SUBMIT YOUR IDEAS TO CYNDYANN AT **starwave@olypen.com**



## REINDEER TO THE RESCUE!



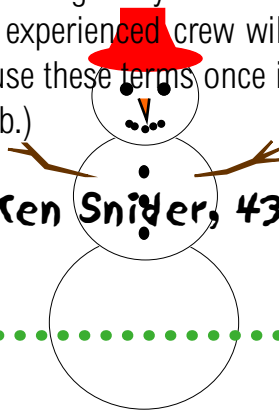
Bluebills make reindeer like these out of logs and branches. This one still has to be decorated by CEA. They will be available for purchase in early December.

Each year Bluebills provide gifts for all the family members of people in the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault programs in Kitsap, Jefferson and Clallam Counties. Last year this was about 65 mothers and children, We purchased about 150 gifts. The money for the gifts comes from two sources, contributions at our year-end luncheon and from Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA), a group of Port Ludlow women who take on various projects to improve the life of people in our communities. One of these projects is to raise money to help Bluebills purchase the gifts needed at year end.

So where do the reindeer come in? Bluebills make the reindeer and CEA decorate and sell them.

Last year the project brought in around \$900. To spread out the fund raising effort this year, we have already made Birdhouses for CEA to sell this summer and will take on the reindeer project this fall. Ken Snider is the Bluebill who is again organizing this year's manufacturing effort. After going through the 2005 learning curve we hope an experienced crew will knock these out with better quality and improved efficiency. (It is good to use these terms once in a while so the **old** retirees get motivated and feel more familiar with the job.)

If you are interested in helping, **contact Ken Snider, 437-9165.** Work is done at the Port Ludlow Bay Club.





# Donna

is one of our most attentive and helpful agency coordinators. She works closely with us and is a pleasure to work with.

Donna brought us two new Bluebills (John and Cindy Hollister) to the Oktoberfest.



DONNA JONES  
CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES  
VOLUNTEER CHORE SERVICES



The young fellow that played the guitar is my grandson, Eli Dayley. Eli is a senior at North Kitsap High School. Regards, Chuck Sherred



**Tim Hockett,**  
**Director of**  
**OLYCAP**

# Oktoberfest

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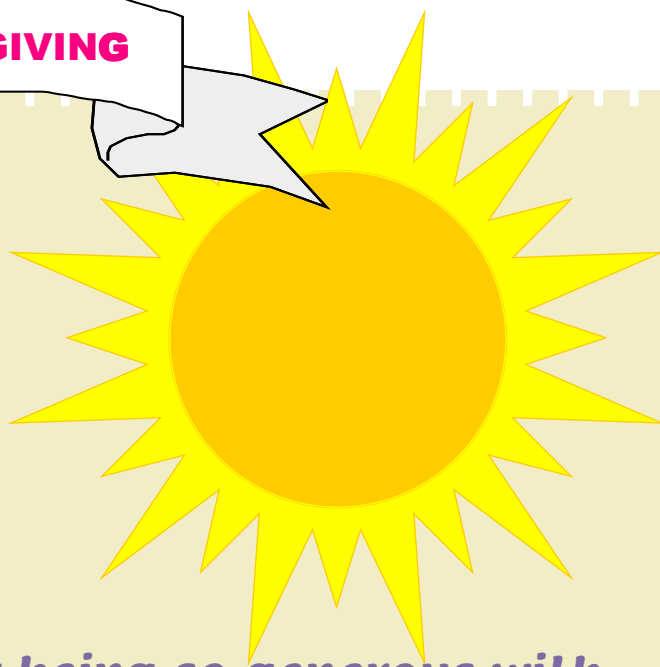
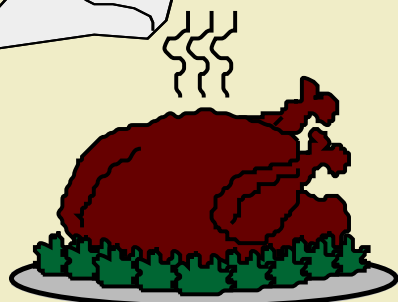




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**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**



*Dear Bluebills*

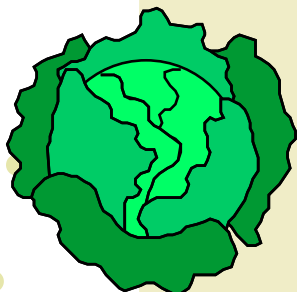
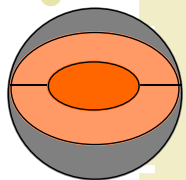
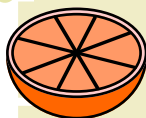
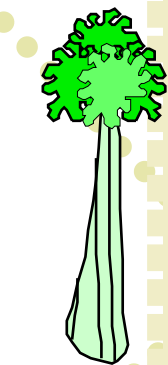
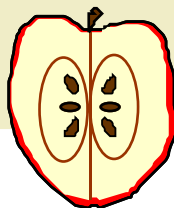
*Thank you for being so generous with your time and talents. Thank you for the wood you provided. Thank you for the bar in my bathroom so I could use my tub again. Thank you for putting the electronic chip in my organ so it can be played..*

*I just want you to know how much you all are appreciated. Instead of having fun sailing a little boat or doing your own thing all the time you do things for people like me that need your help.*

*May God Bless you all for the kindness and all the help you give.*

*Thank You!*

*Name Withheld*





## Gifts-In-Kind

On September 19th the Gifts-In-Kind program was able to deliver goods to:

Quilcene School  
First Presbyterian Church of Quilcene  
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Chimacum  
San Juan Baptist Church, Port Townsend  
ECHHO, Port Townsend  
Jefferson County Mental Health Services, Port Townsend  
OlyCAP, Port Townsend  
Brinnon Community Center

We picked up a large load from World Vision this month which included lots of office products, school supplies, personal products and some women's clothing. The agencies, school, churches and community center were delighted to receive the goods and as always, were very grateful to the Boeing Bluebills and World Vision.

Many of the agencies we deal with are operating on minimal budgets due to drastic cuts by the government. Our program has become an important resource to them and their clients. I think I can speak for all the Bluebills involved in this program in saying that it is a delight to be able to pass these products on to the people who really need them.

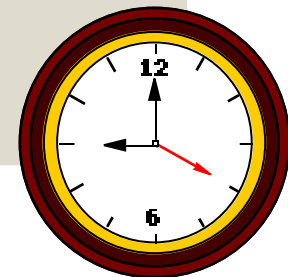
Last year Brinnon School was about to cut their art program because of lack of funding. We were able to provide enough art supplies to them to continue their program for the entire year. And that is what this program is all about.

If anyone reading this article would be interested in finding out what it feels like to be Santa Claus, this is the program for you. Seeing such gratitude and feeling like you are helping the county you live in is a very positive experience.

If you are interested please call Myron Vogt at 360 437-4055 or email him at [vogt@cablespeed.com](mailto:vogt@cablespeed.com).

Your involvement would only be once every three months.

Valeria Vogt





## Boeing Bluebills Hospital Equipment Repair Program

**Ed Berthiaume**  
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**George Ansley**  
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**Jack Potter**  
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**Diana Kobz**  
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**Larry Elton**  
437 0758

**Art Carpenter**  
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**Gary Morre**  
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Happy Volunteers Ed Berthiaume and Gary Morre

**CALL US IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP**

*Hi Val!*

*November  
Bluebill  
Woman*

What do you do as a OPB volunteer?

Work in the Gifts-In-Kind program. Make brochures and booklets.

What would you like to do?  
I refuse to answer on the grounds that it may incriminate me.

How long have you lived on the Olympic Peninsula?  
Almost 10 years.

Where did you live as a child?

Miami Springs, Florida

Where did you live as an adult?

Iquitos, Yungay and

Mollendo, Peru

Edmonton, Alberta,

Canada

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Dublin, Ireland

Montreal, Quebec

Sebring, Florida

Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Copenhagen, Denmark

Bellevue, WA

Tokyo, Japan

Tacoma, WA

Minneapolis, MN

Port Ludlow, WA

Married?

Yes

Children?

Yes - 3

Interests?

Spirituality

and eating popcorn



Your favorite painters?

I'm not that smart.

Your favorite composers or musicians?

Schumann

Which qualities do you most value in a man?

Kindness, GENEROSITY and intelligence

Which qualities do you most value in a woman?

Strength and intelligence

Your favorite virtue?

Integrity

Your favorite occupation?

I'm still trying to figure that one out.

Who would you have liked to be?

Well, just me, I guess.

Your most marked characteristic?

Too talkative

What do you most value in your friends?

Just their friendliness.

What do you regard as the lowest depth of misery?

Never having popcorn again as long as I live!

Where would you like to live?

Right where I live now.,

What is your idea of earthly happiness?

Nice husband and happy children.

To which faults do you feel most indulgent?

Eating popcorn.

Who is/are your favorite hero/heroes of fiction?

Atticus Finch in To Kill A Mockingbird

Who are your favorite characters in history?

Susan B. Anthony



Who are your favorite heroines in real life?

My grandmother, **Eugenie Young**

What is your principle defect?

I guess you'd have to ask Myron. I'm sure he could come up with something.

What is your favorite color?

Teal

What is your favorite flower?

Gardenia

What is your favorite bird?

I don't think I have one.

What are your favorite names?

Don't think I have favorites.

What is it you most dislike?

A closed mind.


What natural gift would you most like to possess?

A nice singing voice.

What is your present state of mind?

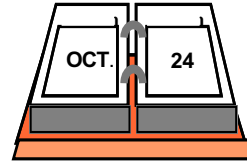
Confusion about these questions.

What is your motto?

**Bloom** where you are planted 

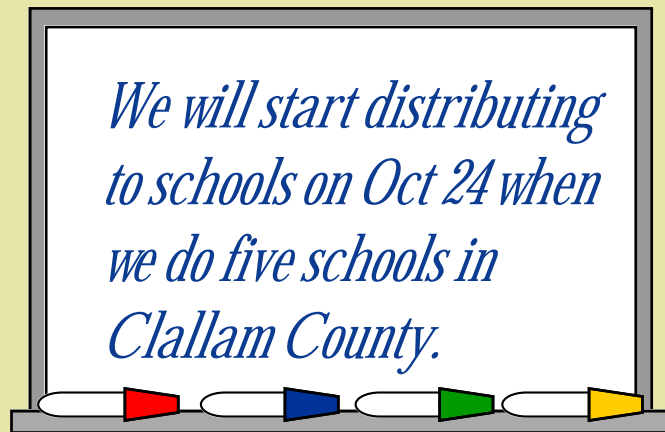


# BACKPACKS FOR KIDS



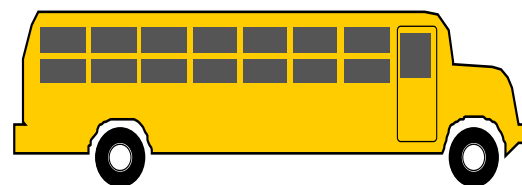
In the last Newsletter we reported having 116 new backpacks and setting up a program with various groups to see if we could fill them. Here is where we are at.

From the Beach Club and Bay Club we have received 38 filled backpacks. From Brinnon Community Center we have received 33 filled backpacks. There are still some packs in peoples hands that they will be filling and turning in.

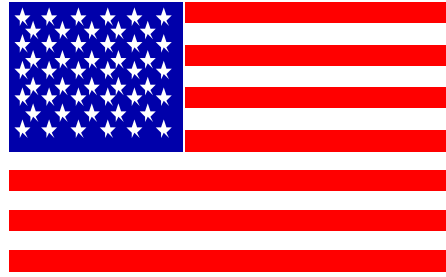


An article will appear in the November Voice introducing the program and telling people that backpacks are available at the Beach and Bay Club for filling. We have extended the program as we will now be distributing county-by-county along with the Gifts-In-Kind schedule.

There are about 16 empty backpacks still to be filled. If anyone wants one contact Myron Vogt at 437-4055.



# INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM



## HOW ARE WE DOING?

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This data is through October:

	2005	2006
Projects Completed	68	135
Different Members Working	26	31
Total Hours Worked	1088	

➔ **2018**

Nice Going Bluebill Builders!

Myron

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Welcome  
new members

**Marvin Segar**

Interests:  
unload Food Bank Truck  
Independent Living

**DAVE MATHIES**

Interests:  
unload Food Bank,  
Independent Living  
Kids-in-Need



**John and Cindy Hollister**

Interests: Independent Living

## SOMETIMES THERE IS A LITTLE RED TAPE



This month Bluebills built a deck and steps for a client so she could clear up an outstanding building department discrepancy with the home she was in. When the manufacture home was put on the lot the exit from the sliding glass doors ended up about 36 inches off the ground. The code requires a safe means of exit which means steps are required. The client had received a notice that unless the condition was fixed the problem would be turned over to the authorities for resolution. (Whatever that means.)

She asked Habitat for Humanity to help but they referred her to Donna Jones, from Catholic Community Services (CCS), who in turn call Bluebills. Checking with the building department, it was conformed that this was the last item to be cleared so she could get a certification of occupancy. They were very helpful.

Since the client couldn't afford to pay for the material for the ramp (about \$600), REPAH (Real Estate Professionals for Affordable Housing) was asked to help and they agreed. Because Bluebills are not a registered non-profit (501-3c) REPAH give the money to Donna Jones and we were able to charge the material to Catholic Community Services and send them the receipts for processing.

Once payment for the material is lined up we scheduled the job. Jack Hawker, Marvin Segar, Mike Graham, Ken Winters and Myron Vogt did the job in about six hours.

Now we needed to get the inspection passed. After a little confusion the job was **OKAYED** and the Inspection signed off. A big sigh of relief from the client.

All-in-all, the easiest part of the job was doing the actual construction.

Special thanks to those who made it possible to help the client:

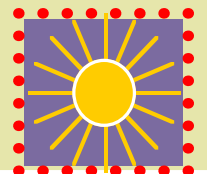
**Donna Jones (as usual) from CCS**, who referred the job to us, provided insurance coverage and handled the funding.

**Ari Stepp, REPAH coordinator**. She handled the request for funding and made sure everything went okay with payment.

**Lisa Keller of the Jefferson County building Department**. She helped with the permit and inspection.

**And finally the Bluebills who did the work in their usual efficient fashion.**

Myron




# VOLUNTEER HOURS

NAME	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	TOTAL
Amundson, Lee					8			5		13
Ansley, George	3			6	15			6		30
Ansley, Jane	12			4	8			8		32
Asher, Gifford		5	10	5	17	6	4	4		49
Bland, Joy			3	3						6
Berthiaume, Ed	16	4	12	20	4		9	15	7	86
Caughron, Lucille				8	8	8		12		36
Colasurdo, Linda	3	3	2							8
Denison, Beryl				12				3		15
Dotson, Gary					13	20	8	12	21	74
Douglass, Bonnie								35		35
Douglass, Lee								25		25
Elton, Larry	21	8		12	33	28	41	8	8	159
Failla, Steve										0
Faulkner, Betty								6		6
Gage, Aggie	4									4
Gage, Keith	13	8	8	15	6	17				66
Graham, Mike	29	34	35	45	35	38	42	28		286
Hawker, Jack	20	33	38	54	69	90	37	45	27	413
Hughes, Ed	8	12	14	13	12	32	32	38	11	172
Joŕner, Cyndyann							25	29	42	96
Jones, Ron	15		16							31
Jones, Sandy	15		16							31
Kelly, Joe	4		12	2	2					20
Kohn, Walt	7	4	3	4	4	5				27
Mellott, Ken				6	13	27	14	13		73
Milovac, Ken		7		12						19
Miller, Amy		12								12
Miller, John		14		25	13				8	60
Miller, Mel	23									23
Moore, Gary								4		4
Morris, Mel	32	32	38	37	55	62	75	62	53	446
Nordmark, Dan	129	129	84	93	144	105	75	123	74	954
Padilla, Dick	7	12	4	7	4	2			1	37
Peden, Bob	2						2	2		6
Pouge, Mary		12			8				19	39
Potter, Jack					4	12	10	16	22	64
Randall, Edith	4	22	3	4						33
Randall, Z Jack	20	9	12	8	2	7	1		15	74
Rousseau, Russ	6	17				20	6		7	56
Roden, Eleanor	4			3	5	2	6	10	6	36
Schaible, Howard	35	26	20	24	35	8		20	24	192
Schaible, Ruth	6		5	19				5		35
Schindler, Bud	1									1
Shain, Barb	6				3		3			12
Shain, Bill	8	6	29		26	44	12	18	9	152
Sherrred, Chuck	30	29	19	20	40	20	11	41	35	245
Sherrred, Wanda	5	10	8	15	14	9	12	16	20	109
Sickel, George			12		7	5		8	10	42
Sickel, Karen						3				3
Simon, Bev	30	31		102	100		129	94		486
Snider, Ken		14		11	12		16	27	15	95
Swenson, Dick	45	45	45	48	46	30		45	25	329
Thomas, Bates	5	54								59
Vogt, Myron	43	56	63	61	64	74	64	74	72	571
Vogt, Val	4	13	32	18	13	13	11	7	16	127
Voss, Herman				15						15
Westall, Ron						26			40	66
Winter, Ken	21	33	30		4	39		15		142
<b>Monthly Total Hrs</b>	635	691	571	730	845	751	645	879	587	6332
<b>2006 Cum Hours</b>	635	1326	1897	2627	3471	4222	4866	5745	6332	
<b>No. of Volunteers</b>	36	28	27	30	35	28	23	32	25	264
<b>Cum Volunteers</b>	36	64	91	121	156	184	207	239	264	
<b>2005 Monthly Hours</b>	460	371	613	767	807	597	876	618	798	
<b>2005 Cum Hours</b>	460	831	1444	2211	3018	3615	4491	5109	5907	6853

## KNOW SOMEONE **WHO IS INTERESTED** IN **BLUEBILLS?**



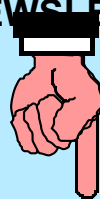
Many of our members learn about Bluebills from someone who is already a Bluebill. They may ask how to join or how to get more information. Here is the answer. 

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. Send this information to Eleanor via email ( [rodenem@olyphen.com](mailto:rodenem@olyphen.com) )**. Eleanor will send the person a packet of information. It will include a “Welcome to Bluebills” Letter, a brochure outlining our programs and an application for the potential member. **If the member is interested in joining they fill out the form and mail it back to Eleanor.** When Eleanor gets the 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.



**WE DO NOT ADD THE NAME TO THE MEMBERSHIP LIST UNTIL THE FORM IS RECEIVED. THE MEMBERSHIP LIST IS THE MASTER DISTRIBUTION LIST FOR THE NEWSLETTER AND ALL OTHER MEMBER-WIDE INFORMATION.**

So here is the point.



**FOLLOW THE ABOVE PROCEDURE TO ENSURE A POTENTIAL MEMBER GETS THE RIGHT INFORMATION, GETS ON OUR DISTRIBUTION LIST AND GETS **CALLED UPON TO HELP.****

From someone who is tired of having potential members say they told (someone) they were interested in Bluebills but had never heard anything since.

# *In Memoriam*



***Paul Arthur Larson***

*March 30, 1942 - September 23, 2006*

*Paul always showed up to help, with his son and his big truck.  
He will be remembered and missed by his fellow Bluebills.*



**Roberta Burns  
November 9**

**Claudia Young  
November 24**

**Mel Morris  
November 25**



**Jack Randall  
November 29**

**HAPPY HAPPY  
BIRTHDAYS!**

**Answers to October's Puzzle**

**Had a famous racehorse named  
"Spark Plug."  
Barney Google**

**Knobby Walsh was this boxer's  
friend and Manager.  
Joe Palooka**

**Carried a big club and had a  
dinosaur for a pet.  
Alley Oop**

**A fireman whose car had only two  
wheels and a fire house  
dragging behind  
Smokey Stover**

**Lothar was this suave magician's  
sidekick and bodyguard.  
Mandrake**

**Press her wrist, and she'd vanish  
before your eyes. Invisible  
Scarlet O'Neill**

**Woman reporter always looking for  
Basil, her mystery man.  
Brenda Starr**

**Punjab would never let anyone  
hurt this girl.  
Little Orphan Annie**

**His Hawaiian sidekick was so big,  
he was always popping a shirt  
button, and a chicken was  
always there to grab it.**

**Smilin' Jack**

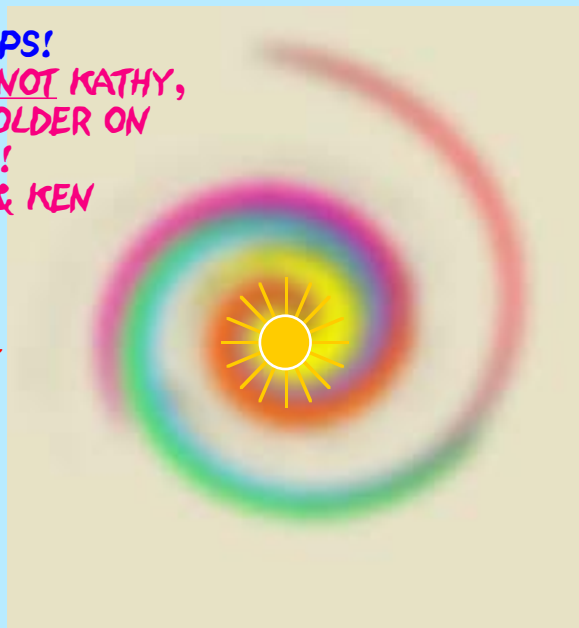
**Great outdoorsman whose strip  
always had a lesson to it.  
Mark Trail**

**No Winners - not even any guessers!**

**Birthday OOPS!  
IT WAS KEN SNIDER, NOT KATHY,  
THAT WAS A YEAR OLDER ON  
OCTOBER 1!  
SORRY, KATHY & KEN**

**Re the Christmas program, it  
is no secret.  
It will be on Wednesday,  
Dec 6 at the Bay Club.**

**Time 11:00 to 3:00.**



# BLUEBILLS

## Boeing Retiree Volunteer Program

### LEADERSHIP

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Jack Hawker - Second Vice-Chair 360-437-5046  
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Jack Randall – Chairman Emeritus 360-437-2539  
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November meeting  
at Port Ludlow Bay Club,  
Monday, November 13

### COORDINATORS

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#### Gifts-In-Kind

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#### Bicycle Recycling

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#### Hospital Equipment Repair

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#### Food Bank Unloading

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**CENTRAL LEADERSHIP MEETING, SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, SEATTLE**