



The Heritage

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Chairman's Corner

By Jim Orchekowsky



I'll be in Wisconsin from August 2nd to 16th for my High School Reunion.

We have included information about our Bluebills "Flying High" Summer Picnic on August 25th, Friday in this newsletter. What Fun! Share your potluck dish and prize-winning desert. It will be judged!

There is time available, in the Heritage Booth, to sign up to share Heritage with others at the State Fair September 1st-4th. Contact Micki Brown at mickibrown@yahoo.com.

Report your Volunteer hours monthly as it supports our visibility to Boeing.

Heritage does receive Requests for Volunteers and we need a coordinator to contact and inform members about the request. See Norma Vaughn or call our office at 425-432-7139. The phone is attended Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am to 12 noon.

If you have items you would like to part with, Heritage will take them for future Door Prizes. This will help you downsize. Please!

Remember the more we share, the more we have.

Keep November 1st open for our Chapter Honors Mid-Day Luncheon.

Now for a few Quotes:

- Before borrowing money from a friend,
Decide which you need most.
- Don't ask yourself what the world needs,
ask yourself what makes you come alive, then do it!
- People are afraid to say what they want.
That's why they don't get what they want!
- If 'Con' is the opposite of 'Pro',
then isn't Congress the opposite of Progress?
- What are they planting to grow the 'Seedless Watermelon'?
- What should you do when you see an Endangered animal eating an Endangered plant?
- Ensure every day is a good day by making it
impossible to get up on the wrong side of the bed!



July Chapter Meeting Recap

By Mary Ulibarri

Jim Orchekowsky started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Next, Millard Battles introduced a guest, Ole Brandal, who may become a member. There were three July birthdays – Elfriede Noble, Stu Vessey and Mary Ulibarri, and two anniversaries – Micki Brown (with a unique date of 7/7/77) and Jim Bunt.

Oscar Olague gave an update on the latest efforts of the Busy Bs that he delivered to the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance – 20 medical dolls, six flannel blankets and eight knitted baby hats. He also mentioned that Zip Zuther has transferred from the hospital to assisted living and shared his address: Covenant Shores, Room 219, Bldg. #6, 9115 Fortuna Drive, Mercer Island, WA 98040, (206) 557-4733.

Heinz Gehlhaar announced the Bluebills will be involved with the **Salvation Army** again this year in support of the **Back to School Shopping** spree with the young students. The event is at JC Penney at Southcenter on **Thursday, August 29, starting at 7:30 AM.**

The Salvation Army always needs volunteers for this event, and would love any help you can provide to guide a child through the school clothing shopping experience. Here is the schedule:

- 7:30am Volunteers arrive at JC Penney (southeast corner)
- 7:30 – 8:00am Feed children and pair up with volunteers outside of JC Penney
- 8:00 – 10:30am Children shop with volunteers
- 10:30am Kids begin loading buses, and volunteers are released with thanks.

Please let Heinz know ASAP at soarboy@comcast.net if you can participate in this wonderful experience for the children and volunteers alike. All you need to do is watch and guide the selections, and keep track of the total cost so that you maximize the child's benefit.

As in the past, your name will be forwarded to the Salvation Army as soon as it is received. Heinz will send a reminder on the day before the event.

Fran Parker reminded folks she is still taking donations to buy school supplies, and sent a donation jar around the room. She mentioned that if Fred Meyer has the supply packet like last year, those are more than welcome as well.

Micki Brown reminded the members that there are still available shifts for the Bluebills booth at the **Washington State Fair in Puyallup**. See *separate article for details*.

Jim then introduced his **Barbershop four-part singing harmony group, the Mid-Day Melody Men**, who proceeded to entertain the audience with great style and harmony on many old-time favorite songs. They had folks singing along and clapping loudly for their wonderful renditions, plus howling and groaning over the corny jokes. Oh my, what fun! Thank you, Jim, for arranging a very special treat. [See photos on page 4]

The meeting concluded with the door prize drawing, while the Mid-Day Melody Men mingled with the audience.



Busy B's

by Janice Hawes

I made a quilt recently using a donated panel of the Solar System and we hung it on the wall in the busy B quilting room (otherwise known as the conference room), and Doug Hoople really liked it, so I gave it to him, acknowledging all the time he puts in doing volunteer work and the fact



that he Really likes astronomy.

In the picture he is assisted by Lonnie Stevenson in holding the quilt for his "photo shoot."

When we hold a quilt raffle, Doug has spent countless dollars on tickets, (never winning) and now he has his quilt. Our thanks to him for his continuous support.

Speaking of our quilt raffles, the money we receive for doing these raffles goes to buy more materials for making more quilts. The cost of a roll of batting, our largest expense, is around \$100 and we go through at least 3 a year, depending on the quilt sizes. The Seahawk quilt we raffled last December brought in \$194 which gave us a good start for 2017. Although much of our fabric is donated, we buy fabric and stuffing for the medical dolls we make for Children's Hospital. Our thanks to everyone for supporting our raffles. We'll be doing another one toward the end of the year. Yikes, it's the end of July and the end of the year is fast approaching.

One of our Busy B's, Lisa Nyreen is home recovering from hip replacement surgery. We sure miss her and can't wait for her to join us again. Jean Derheim is still working at home, putting together quilt tops and making baby hats. Linda Stevens makes all of our medical dolls at home in between all of her other volunteer jobs. Our thanks to these dedicated women.

Washington STATE FAIR

Do you "Do The Puyallup"?

Thanks to all Bluebills who signed up for supporting our booth at The Puyallup Fair (aka, The Washington State Fair).

We have over 50% of the slots already filled, so wanted to get the word out in this *Heritage Newsletter* of spaces available. Hurry, they're going fast – here they are:

Friday, Sept. 1: One slot available from 5:00 to 8:00 PM, and Two slots from 8:00 to 10:00 PM.

Saturday, Sept. 2: One slot available from 8:00 to 10:00 PM.

Sunday, Sept. 3: One slot available from 4:00 to 7:00 PM

Monday, Sept. 4:00: One slot available from 1:00 to 4:00 PM, Two slots available from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, and lastly Two slots available from 7:00 to 9:00 PM

The *Heritage Chapter of Bluebills* will host a booth the first four days of the fair. This year those days are Friday, September 1, through Monday, September 4, 2017. By *volunteering* for as many shifts as you'd like, you're given a free entry ticket and parking! I have done this for the past four years and it's easy and fun!

The duties for hosting the booth are simple: Man the booth and greet visitors for one of the 3-4 hour shifts (again, as many shifts as you'd like!). You'll hand out our *Bluebills Heritage Chapter* pamphlets, questionnaires and a newsletter. We also have paper airplanes for visitors to practice their folding skills – for the young and old alike! We wear our *Bluebills* shirts and/or hats and will have several on hand if you need them. That's all there is to it! Then you get to experience *The Puyallup* for the rest of the day – or night – for *FREE!*

If you're interested and want more information, please send an email to Micki_brown@yahoo.com with your name, phone number and email address. I'll contact you for your date and time preferences. We'll be sending you your tickets to the Fair!

P.S. Here's a link to The Fair: <http://www.thefair.com/>



Thanks a bunch!
– Micki Brown,
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Bluebills' "Flying High" Summer Picnic

Date: August 25, 2017 (Friday)

Time: 10:00 a.m. to ?
(Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m.)

Place: Gene Coulon Park, Renton, WA
(See map on the back of this flyer.)

Bring your favorite potluck dish to share with others.

Suggested categories are: Hot dishes (electricity is available to keep them warm), salads, desserts, side dishes, fresh fruits & veggies
Table service and soft drinks will be furnished.

Best "Desserts" Contest"

Bring enough of your best competition dessert for judging by attendees.
(Note: This food item should be in addition to your dish for lunch.)

We are in Picnic Shelter #2 this year (see map). It is covered and has some tables and benches but you could also bring lawn chairs for extra seating!

Activities/Games

- ◆ Snake Game
- ◆ Washer Toss

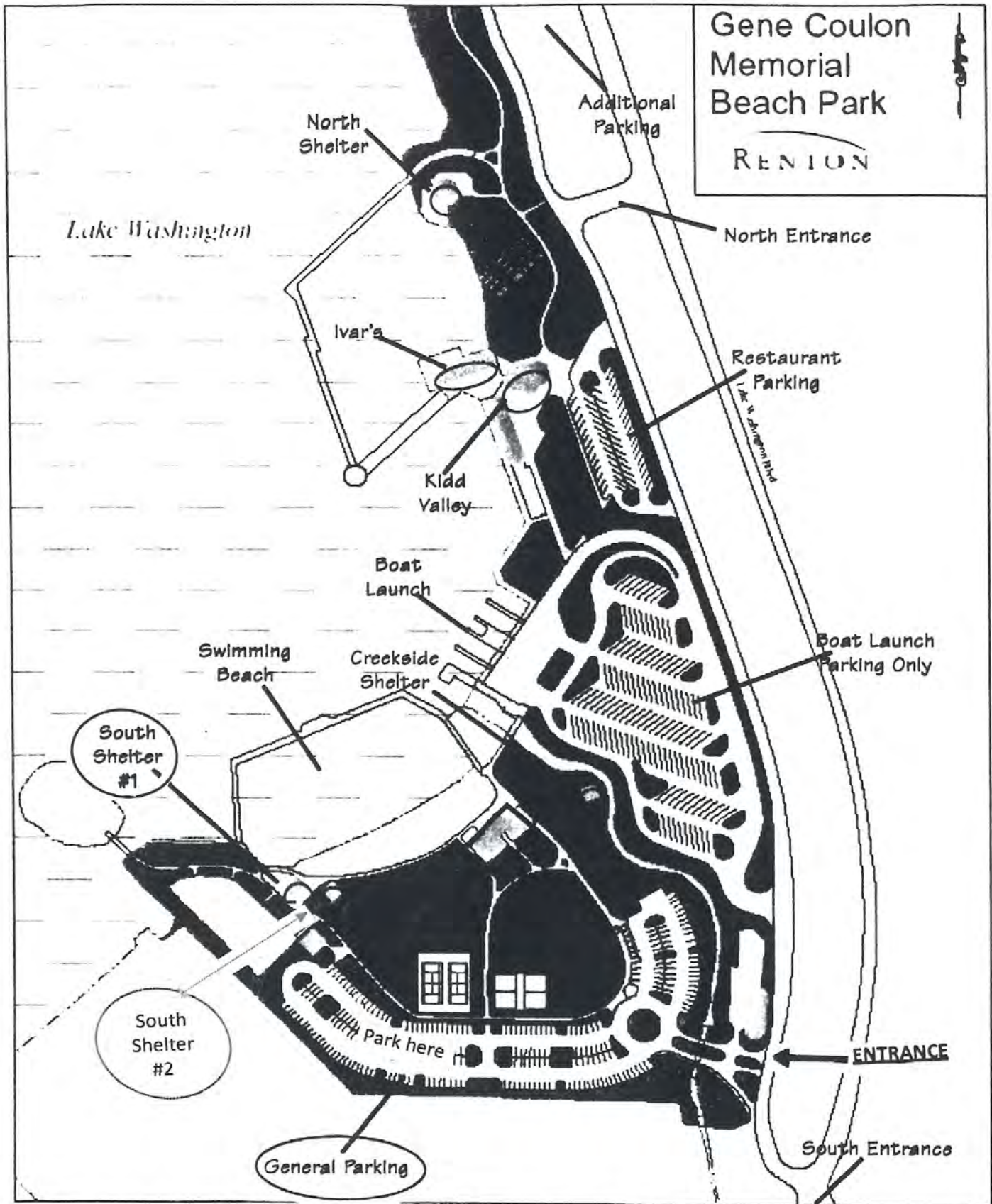
(Prizes will be awarded to the 1st place winners)

Please join us for this once a year social event.
We are expecting this to be a wonderful, sunny day that will give us an Opportunity to visit with fellow Bluebills and have a great time.



We look forward to seeing you there!





Directions: From I-405 in Renton (northbound or southbound), take Exit 5. At the end of the exit ramp, head West down the hill on N.E. Park Drive toward The Landing and the Boeing Renton Plant. Just before the traffic light, turn right onto Lake Washington Boulevard North. Turn left at the Entrance to

USONW Orientation

By: Lonnie Stevenson

On Saturday July 15, the USONW was having an orientation for those of us who had never been to the USONW Shali Center on McChord AFB.

Following that, we drove over to Ft Lewis for a Gary Sinise and his Lt. Dan Band concert for all the troops. They loved it !!!



Totally awesome concert, the performance went on for 2 hours, no break. Sinise is our "Bob Hope" of this century.

He goes all over the country and the world to entertain the troops

God Bless our troops who protect America.

The Gift of Time - The last wishes of Alexander the Great

On his death bed, Alexander summoned his army generals and told them his three ultimate wishes:

1. The best doctors should carry his coffin;
2. The wealth he has accumulated (money, gold, precious stones) should be scattered along the procession to the cemetery, and
3. His hands should be let loose, so they hang outside the coffin for all to see.

One of his generals who was surprised by these unusual requests asked Alexander to explain.

Here is what Alexander the Great had to say:

1. "I want the best doctors to carry my coffin to demonstrate that
in the face of death, even the best doctors in the world have no power to heal ..."
2. "I want the road to be covered with my

treasure so that everybody sees that material wealth acquired on earth, will stay on earth ..."

3. "I want my hands to swing in the wind, so that people understand that we come to this world empty handed and we leave this world empty handed after the most precious treasure of all is exhausted, and that is TIME."

We do not take to our grave any material wealth. TIME is our most precious treasure because it is LIMITED. We can produce more wealth, but we cannot produce more time.

When we give someone our time, we actually give a portion of our life that we will never take back . Our time is our life!

The best present that you can give to your family and friends is your TIME.

May God grant you plenty of TIME, to share with all.

Reminder

Report your Volunteer Hours

By

Email: Bluebills@boeing.com

Or

Phone: 206-544-6286

Or

Mail: To Address on Form

Or

**Bring Completed Reporting Form
to the Monthly Meeting**

You can View your Monthly Newsletter in Color and Connect to the linked articles and programs on the Web at

**[http://www.bluebills.org/
heritagenewsletters.html](http://www.bluebills.org/heritagenewsletters.html)**

Calendar of Events 2017

Jan 12	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Jan 27	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Feb 16	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Feb 24	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Mar 16	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Mar 31	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Apr 13	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Apr 28	Chapter Monthly Meeting (Potluck)
May 11	Heritage Leadership Meeting
May 26	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Jun 15	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Jun 30	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Jul 13	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Jul 28	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Aug 10	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Aug 25	Heritage Chapter Picnic
Sep 14	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Sep 29	Chapter Monthly Meeting (Craft Fair)
Oct 12	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Oct 27	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Nov 1	Chapter Honors Luncheon
Nov 16	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Nov 17	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Dec 14	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Dec 15	Chapter Monthly Meeting

Food Bank Schedule For 2017

Cash donations collected at each monthly meeting to be given to a different food bank each month.

January	Highline	Marian Herrin
February	Bellevue	Doug Hoople
March	Federal Way	Jim & Bambi Lee
April	Maple Valley	Vaughn's
May	Kent	Bob Stubbs
June	Auburn	Martha Battles
July	West Seattle	Marian Herrin
August	Tacoma	Ted & Judy Leyden
September	Renton	Eleanor Skinner
October	White Center	Heinz Gehlhaar
November	Issaquah	Eleanor Skinner
December	Des Moines	Jim Orcekowsky

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Bluebills Heritage Chapter Meeting

August 25, 2017

Heritage Chapter Picnic

10:00 AM (Lunch 11:30AM)

Picnic Shelter South #2

Gene Coulon Park

Renton, WA

(See Newsletter -Flyer and Map)



Bring a non-perishable food item to monthly meetings to be given to a different food bank each month

Please Note:

The Bluebills monthly meetings are held at the VFW Post 1263, 416 Burnett Ave South, Renton, WA. Parking is available in the lot immediately across the street from the VFW.

Bluebills Monthly Volunteer Hours

Volunteer Name _____

Phone Number _____

_____ **Hours worked** _____ **For** _____
(month/year) (agency name)

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Please send completed hours form to Bluebills, PO Box 3707 2T-04, Seattle, WA 98124
Email to bluebills@boeing.com or bring to Bluebills monthly meeting

Bluebills Heritage Chapter Meeting Directions

From the north take 405 S Bronson Way. Keep right and continue on S 2nd St. to Williams Ave S. Turn left onto Williams Ave S and turn right onto 5th St. Go one block and turn right onto Burnett Ave S to VFW.

From the south go north on Highway 405 to Exit 2 Hwy 167 Rainier Ave S. Go north to S Grady Way. Turn right on S Grady Way to Talbot Rd (3rd light) turn left on Talbot Rd. One block left on Talbot Rd. Then turn right on 7th St and then left on Burnett Ave S. Continue three blocks to VFW.

