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Chapter Report

By Richard Vaughn



This is the last Chairman's Report I will be writing. Our next Chairman's Report will be written by a new Bluebill.

Your new chairman is Linda Houser who is a very new Bluebill having just retired from her Boeing position on December 31, 2019, after many years of working for The Boeing Company. Before she retired Linda searched the Boeing website for opportunities where she could stay involved and contribute to the community. She found several clubs and Bluebills (we are not a club) listed there so she chose to contact the Bluebills office for information and attended our December monthly meeting becoming a member that day. She jumped right in and wanted to help. Boy, what a feeling to have someone so interested in helping us. This shows that there are people including Bluebills out there who want to volunteer and want to keep our organization alive. I hope you will support her and when asked you will step right up and say "I will help".

The following members are the 2020 Heritage Chapter leadership team:

Chairman:Linda Houser

Co-Chairmen: Doug Hoople, Don Hilt, and Richard Vaughn (you may recognize these names).

The office staff is in the process of updating our membership database and has asked every member to please contact us to verify your correct information. This includes: Name, Address, Phone Number, and e-Mail Address (if you have e-mail). Over the years people often make changes, especially to telephone #'s or e-mail addresses, and do not remember to notify Bluebills of any changes. We would appreciate your help in this effort. The office telephone # is 206-544-6286 or e-mail is bluebills@boeing.com. If you call the office and we are not available to take your call, please leave a message with your complete information.

I want to thank all of you for volunteering and your continuing support to the organization in the past years. Without you Bluebills would not exist.

THANK YOU!

Richard

*Meet your new Heritage Chapter Chairman
Linda Houser*





Busy B's

Submitted by Janice Hawes

The Busy B's are back in action and are welcoming a NEW BUSY B ! Melinda Stubbs has joined our group and is already hard at work on a lovely quilt. Welcome Melinda.

Last month Kathy Lyons gave us a big bag of baby and teen sized hats. They are beautiful - she does such a good job. Meri England is a steady producer of the cutest baby hats plus she delivers them to several places for us.

Lisa Nyreen brought in 6 quilts she made during the break! They are beautiful and we will hang some of them in the conference room for all to see.

So the year begins. We wish all of you a Happy New Year.



Speaker for February 28th Chapter Meeting

By: Jim Beasley

The speaker for Friday February 26 will be Minh Duc Executive Director of Helping Link. Her presentation will be concerning the integration of the Vietnamese into society.



January Chapter Meeting Recap

By Mary Ulibarri

Co-Chair Richard Vaughn kicked off the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were four January birthdays in attendance – Arlene Addington, Jim Clayton, Eleanor Skinner and Melinda Stubbs, but no anniversaries for the month. Two guests introduced themselves – Cindy and Pete Holm, and it was nice to see one of the Busy Bs who usually works from home, Jean Harris, in attendance. Richard then had new member Linda Houser introduce herself again (she was at the December potluck), who has agreed to help out with the chairmanship position this year. Her fresh eyes and new ideas are much welcomed.

It was then announced that two Bluebills have recently been in the hospital. Fran Parker had a high sugar issue, but was discharged January 30th. Ben Sakamoto has been transferred to a care facility and an address is being provided elsewhere in the newsletter. Our thoughts and best wishes go out to both of them.

Norma Vaughn passed out information cards for members to fill out in order to make sure the Bluebills database is up to date. Please contact the office if you think your address (street and email) and phone number need to be provided.

Jim Beasley then introduced the speaker, Lindsey Desmul, Habitat Biologist for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) specializing in communication and outreach. She works with agency staff and partners to communicate the importance of estuary restoration to nearshore ecosystem processes and Chinook salmon recovery in Snohomish County. She also works with other land users to build trust and collaboration around land use changes and natural resources protection. Before working with WDFW, Lindsey worked in water resources with the Department of Ecology. Born and raised in Bellingham, Lindsey has her bachelor's degree from the University of Washington and her master's degree from Duke University.



Lindsay's focus today was the changing role of the WDFW, its mission, changing de-

mographics with the land and sea changes. The WDFW is dedicated to preserving, protecting and perpetuating the State's fish and wildlife resources. The following are some highlights.

Hunting Education and Requirements

WDFW provides a variety of courses and clinics to help hunters conduct safe, ethical hunts in the state.

Managing game populations

WDFW is tasked with responsibly preserving, protecting, and perpetuating wildlife in the State, while maximizing hunting opportunities for all residents. Hunting is allowed on many lands throughout Washington, but it's important to know the rules and regulations in advance.

Fishing and Shell Fishing

Some of the best fishing opportunities in the nation are available in Washington. From fly-fishing for bass and trout on freshwater lakes and streams east of the Cascades to trolling for salmon along the coast to crabbing in Puget Sound, Washington offers a diverse and unique outdoors experience.

Salmon Recovery

WDFW is a national leader in providing the science that will make wild salmon recovery a reality. The many facets of WDFW's salmon recovery effort provide natural resource managers, local governments, volunteers, educators and other citizens with the information and resources they need to become effective participants in salmon recovery.

Species and Habitats

Wildlife in Washington face a wide range of threats, from disease and invasive species to declining habitat and climate change. WDFW is dedicated to conserving and protecting the State's wildlife -- including endangered and other at-risk species -- from these threats.

Licenses and Permits

Whether fishing, hunting, or just getting outside for the weekend, WDFW helps thousands make the most of this amazing State every year. They can help find the hunting and fishing license required for any adventure. And they can see what is needed to access State-managed lands and water access sites, and learn about the necessary permits for construction projects that may affect wildlife or habitats.

License plates

Personalized license plates and wildlife license plates fund conservation efforts throughout Washington.

Places to Go

There are countless ways to get outside in Washington. Whether hunting, fishing, wildlife watching, hiking, horseback riding, boating, or camping, WDFW wants to make it easy for you to do the things you love, from Puget Sound and the Pacific coast to the Columbia Basin and the rolling hills of the Palouse.

Enforcement - *To protect our natural resources and the public we serve.*

The mission of the WDFW Enforcement Program is to protect natural resources and the public that it serves. With more than 140 commissioned law enforcement personnel around the state, WDFW Police enforce laws and regulations related to human-wildlife conflict, hunting and fishing, and the protection of fish, wildlife and habitats. WDFW officers conduct law enforcement in State and Federal waters, parks, and forest lands. Their unique capabilities, assets, and jurisdiction mean the officers also respond to public safety issues, such as dangerous wildlife encounters, natural disasters, and search-and-rescue operations. On average, officers make more than 225,000 enforcement contacts annually.

Lindsey concluded her presentation with a lovely and informative film and then took a number of questions from the audience. Jim then thanked Lindsey and presented her with the Boeing history commemorative book.

Richard then concluded the meeting with the door prize drawing.

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Inside This Issue

New Form 1040-SR, alternative filing option available for seniors

WASHINGTON — The Internal Revenue Service wants seniors to know about the availability of a new tax form, Form 1040-SR, featuring larger print and a standard deduction chart with a goal of making it easier for older Americans to read and use.

The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 required the IRS to create a tax form for seniors. Taxpayers age 65 or older now have the option to use [Form 1040-SR](#), U.S. Tax Return for Seniors. Form 1040-SR, when printed, features larger font and better readability.

Taxpayers who electronically file Form 1040-SR may notice the change when they print their return. More than 90% of taxpayers now use tax software to prepare and file their tax return.

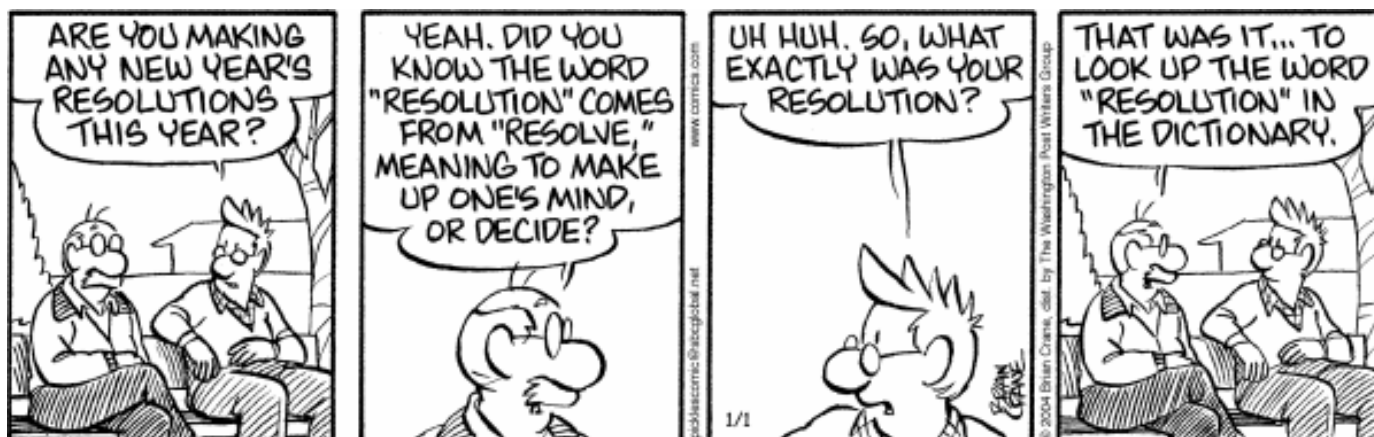
Taxpayers born before Jan. 2, 1955, have the option to file Form 1040-SR whether they are working, not working or retired. The form allows income reporting from other sources common to seniors such as investment income, Social Security and distributions from qualified retirement plans, annuities or similar deferred-payment arrangements.

Seniors can use Form 1040-SR to file their 2019 federal income tax return, which is due April 15, 2020. All lines and checkboxes on Form 1040-SR mirror the Form 1040, and both forms use all the same attached schedules and forms. The revised [2019 Instructions](#) cover both Forms 1040 and 1040-SR.

Eligible taxpayers can use Form 1040-SR whether they plan to itemize or take the standard deduction. Taxpayers who itemize deductions can file Form 1040-SR and attach Schedule A, Itemized Deductions, when filing a paper return. For those taking the standard deduction, Form 1040-SR includes a chart listing the standard deduction amounts, making it easier to calculate. It also ensures seniors are aware of the increased standard deduction for taxpayers age 65 and older.

Married people filing a joint return can use the Form 1040-SR regardless of whether one or both spouses are age 65 or older or retired.

Both the 1040 and the 1040-SR use the same “building block” approach introduced last year that can be supplemented with additional Schedules 1, 2 and 3 as needed. Many taxpayers with basic tax situations can file Form 1040 or 1040-SR with no additional schedules.





Bluebill Ben Sakamoto

By: Norma Vaughn

The Bluebills office has received word that Ben Sakamoto has been ill and after some days in Overlake Hospital is now in rehab. Ben has been a member of Bluebills since 1995 and has been a staunch supporter of the organization for the past 25 years.

We (Bluebills) can help cheer Ben up by sending Get Well/Thinking of You cards to him at the following address:

Ben Sakamoto, Room 143
Mission Health Care Center of Bellevue
2424 156th Ave. NE
Bellevue, WA 98007

Thank you Bluebills

With your help and that of Washington State Square Dancers, in collection of Aluminum Pop Tops and cans, we were able to donate \$5000.00 for 2018/2019 to the Northwest Kidney Center of Seattle, WA for Kidney Dialysis Research.

Please continue to bring those tops to our monthly meetings for collection.

Dick Beham

February 14th



February 17th



Calendar of Events 2020

Jan 9	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Jan 31	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Feb 13	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Feb 28	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Mar 12	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Mar 27	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Apr 9	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Apr 24	Chapter Monthly Meeting
May 14	Heritage Leadership Meeting
May 29	Chapter Monthly Meeting (Potluck)
Jun 11	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Jun 26	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Jul 9	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Jul 31	Chapter Picnic
Aug 13	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Aug 28	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Sep 10	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Sept 25	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Oct 15	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Oct 30	Chapter Monthly Meeting
Nov 12	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Nov 20	Chapter Monthly Meeting & Pizza Party
Dec 10	Heritage Leadership Meeting
Dec 18	Chapter Monthly Meeting (Potluck)

Food Bank Schedule For 2019

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

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

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**Don't Forget to
Report Your Hours!**

Bluebills Heritage Chapter Meeting



February 28, 2020

10:00 AM Social

10:30—12:00N Meeting



Speaker: Minh Duc Executive Director of Helping Link

Subject: Integration of the Vietnamese into society.

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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(month/year) (agency name)

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(month/year) (agency name)

Please send completed hours form to Bluebills, PO Box 3707 1K-B02, 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 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
turn right on 7th St and then
left on Burnett Ave S. Con-
tinue three blocks to VFW.

