



BOEING RETIREE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



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# Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers General Meeting

*Our activity this month will be—*

*Social*

**Boeing Everett Employees Activity Center**

**February 25th—4th Thursday, 1:00 PM**

**Come early and share a snack and coffee and socialize**

**Bring another Boeing retiree**

**SNO-KING BOEING RETIREE VOLUNTEERS OFFICE & MEETING ROOM**

Located in the Boeing Everett Activity Center which is 2½ miles North of the Boeing Everett Plant

From either direction (East or West) on Highway 526 (Boeing Freeway), take the Seaway Blvd turnoff. Proceed northerly for approximately 2½ miles. The Activity Center is at the top of the next hill after you drive down through the big curve in the gully.

Lots of parking in front of the building.

### Chairman's Report

Martin Luther King Day was January 15, 2018. This is a program supported by the RSVP, of which our Bluebills chapter is a member. This is a day many high school students volunteer for as a "Day of Caring." A number of volunteer opportunities were made available for the students and adult leaders, who accompany each team. Many Bluebills members find this to be a rewarding assignment.

Lee and Wanda Thomas forwarded the thought-provoking essay found elsewhere in the newsletter. I believe many of our members will relate to it.

We are continuing to seek new members and new leadership. We have lost many great people in the recent years and could definitely use some new blood. Contact anyone listed on the last page for more information.

Some things you may not know about one of our long-time members, Rose Johnson, were highlighted in the January 23, 2018 issue of the Everett Daily Herald, in Section B. [I am unable to include the article in this newsletter, due to copyright laws, but if you search Andrea Brown, you should be able to find it. It's headed, "Old-timers welcome at newcomers club." Newsletter editor]

At the January 2018 meeting, I stepped down as Chairman of the Sno-King Bluebills, due to medical issues. I have also advised Norma Vaughn at CLC that I have resigned. If you, or anyone you know, would like to step in and take over, please let me know.

*Bob Krull*

### Volunteer Hours

**H**i All,  
It is time to submit your Bluebills volunteer hours for the month of December or any previous month. If you have hours that have not been reported, you may submit those also. Thanks for your input.

*Max*

### This newsletter

This newsletter is also on our website in [living color](http://www.bluebills.org/snoking.html)

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### And Then It Is Winter

You know...Time has a way of moving quickly and catching you unaware of the passing years.

It seems just yesterday that I was young, just married and embarking on my new life. Yet in a way, it seems like eons ago, and I wonder where all the years went. I know that I lived them all. I have glimpses of how it was back then and of all my hopes and dreams. But, here it is...The winter of my life and it catches me by surprise...How did I get here so fast? Where did the years go and where did my youth go?

I remember well seeing older people through the years and thinking that those older people were years away from me and that winter was so far off that I could not fathom it or imagine fully what it would be like. But, here it is...my friends are retired and getting grey—or gone...they move slower and I see an older person now. Some are in better and some worse shape than me...but I see the great change...Not like the ones that I remember who were young and vibrant...but like me, their age is beginning to show and we are now those older folks that we used to see and never thought we'd be.

Each day now, I find that just getting a shower is a real target for the day! And taking a nap is not a treat anymore...it's mandatory! 'Cause if I don't on my own free will...I just fall asleep where I sit!

And so...now I enter into this new season of my life unprepared for all the aches and pains and the loss of strength and ability to go and do things that I wish I had done but never did!

But, at least I know, that though the winter has come, and I'm not sure how long it will last...this I know—that when it's over on this earth... it's NOT over. A new adventure will begin!

Yes, I have regrets. There are things I wish I hadn't done...things I should have done, but indeed, there are many things I'm happy to have done. It's all in a lifetime.

So, if you're not in your winter yet...let me remind you, that it will be here faster than you think. So, whatever you would like to accomplish in your life please do it quickly! Don't put things off too long!

Life goes by quickly. So, do what you can today, as you can never be sure whether this is your winter or not! You have no promise that you will see all the seasons of your life...so, live for today and say all the things that you want your loved ones to remember...

## And Then It Is Winter, continued

and hope that they appreciate and love you for all the things that you have done for them in all the years past!

“Life” is a gift to you. The way you live your life is your gift to those who come after. Make it a fantastic one.

LIVE IT WELL! ENJOY TODAY! DO SOMETHING FUN! BE HAPPY! HAVE A GREAT DAY!

REMEMBER...”It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver.”

“LIVE HAPPY IN THIS YEAR AND EVERY YEAR! LASTLY, CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: TODAY IS THE OLDEST YOU’VE EVER BEEN, YET THE YOUNGEST YOU’LL EVER BE SO— ENJOY THIS DAY WHILE IT LASTS.”

~Your kids are becoming you.....

~Going out is good...Coming home is better!

~You forget names...But it’s OK because other people forgot they even knew you!!!

~You realize you’re never going to be really good at anything.

~The things you used to care to do, you no longer care to do, but you really do care that you don’t care to do them anymore.

~You sleep better on a lounge chair with the TV blaring than in bed. It’s called “pre-sleep.”

~You miss the days when everything worked with just an “ON” and “OFF” switch.

~You tend to use more 4 letter words...”what?”...”when?”...”what?”,,,???

~Now that you can afford expensive jewelry, it’s not safe to wear it anywhere.

~You notice everything they sell in stores is “sleeveless?!!!”

~What used to be freckles are now liver spots.

~Everybody whispers.

~You have 3 sizes of clothes in your closet...2 of which you never wear.

~But Old is good in some things: Old Songs, Old Movies, and best of all, OLD FRIENDS!!

Stay well, “OLD FRIEND!”

Send this on to other “Old Friends!” and let them laugh in AGREEMENT!!!

It’s not what you gather but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived.

Thanks to

*Lee & Wanda Thomas*

## Sew N Sews

Happy New year to everyone.

Thanks to **ELLA KRULL** for 7 crocheted baby afghans received in December.

The past year was a busy one with lots of items made and delivered.

Here is the recap:

Baby afghans	51
Sweaters	6
PJ’s	12
Socks	3 pair
Scarves	3
Hats	12
Lap quilts	72
Adult quilts	8
Quilt tops only	7

Agencies served: Catholic Community Services  
Faith Lutheran Church  
St. Joseph  
Project Linus  
Pregnancy Aid  
Everett Gospel Mission

Thank you everyone for your dedication and the many hours that you put into your projects.

Sew long,

*Rose*



**DATES TO REMEMBER!!**

**Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Meeting, Thursday, February 22nd at 1:00 PM**

**This month's activity is**

**Social**

**Sno-King Boeing Retiree Volunteers Council E-mail / Phone List**

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