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PSO Bluebill Newsletter

Serving Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties



Chair Notes

By Vice Chair Robert Chanpong



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> We are starting a brand-new year with a health challenge called Omicron. In our community we saw the COVID infection rates fall in the latter part of 2021 but now another spike in infections is taking place. Despite this, we continue to serve safely those in need in our community. As the Builders coordinator, requests for ramps, grab bars and minor repairs come frequently and without warning. Stories of hardship and infirmity accompany many of the requests and it is a challenge to fill the requests in a timely manner with the volunteers we currently have. Calls for volunteers to join the builder's group has seen only one confirmed response. I hope we will add a more volunteers this year. I'm grateful to all Bluebills for their hard work and for their contribution to the community in 2021. Happy New Year and my wish is that all Bluebills volunteers and their families remain safe and in good health the entire year.



Donations to the PSO Bluebills can be sent to:

PSO Bluebills

82 Timber Heights Drive

Port Ludlow, WA 98365



Peninsula Support Organization (PSO) Bluebills



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Christmas Giving Program

Congratulations! Our community has raised \$3,475.00 in donations, exceeding our goal and ensuring a brighter Christmas for 28 homeless children.

A big "Thank You!" to all who donated their money and to those who gave their time to shop and wrap presents.

From OlyCap:

Please extend my gratitude and thanks to all the donors for their donations to our residents.

Thanks

Pam

Pamela Kozora Agency-Wide Property Manager OlyCap



Fifteen Bags of gifts were collected for twenty eight children.



PENINSULA SUPPORT ORGANIZATION (PSO) Operating as Bluebills TREASURER'S REPORT 4th Quarter 2021

This report is for the period September thru December 2021. We have \$37,785.17 in cash, net of uncashed checks. That is a decrease of -\$1,169.53.

Here is the breakdown by Fund:

	9/30/2021	12/31/2021	quarterly change
Unrestricted fund	\$12,738.15		-\$1,081.04
Stem fund	\$9,999.26	\$9,999.26	\$0.00
Builders fund	\$11,041.31		-\$852.56
Kitsap Builders Fund	\$5,175.98	\$5,940.05	\$764.07
Total Cash	\$38,954.70		-\$1,169.53

Unrestricted Fund

The decrease is due to paying for the annual cost of the warehouse which is about \$3500. We did have donations to offset this much of the cost. We had a lot of activity in this fund to support the Christmas giving. We collected and disbursed \$2400. In addition, we collected \$475 that came in after the deadline and which will be held in this account for Christmas 2022.

STEM Fund

No activity

Builders Fund

The decrease is for builders' supplies bought in the quarter, about \$1000, and the cost of the builders' warehouse, \$390 for the Quarter. These expenses exceeded donations received.

Kitsap Builders Fund

The increase is due to the Kitsap Builders program receiving \$2350 in donations from private donors during the quarter. Their donations exceeded expenses for material of \$1745.

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I will do a complete 2021 Financial Report for the February 2022 Flyer

Donation Recognition for Tax and Gift Matching Purposes

With the expansion of PSO to include Builder Activity and Christmas Giving Donations there are 89 individual donors in 2021 to PSO/ Bluebills, as opposed to only 26 with PSO in 2020. Your generosity is appreciated but this is a lot of recognition letters to do and I will get to them on a top down basis.

It is far easier for me to provide the "Thank You" via email than using the USPS. If you want a Tax receipt please send me your e-mail address to <u>mikebarb1975@centurylink.net</u>

Also let me know if you do not need a receipt as you no longer itemize. Thanks

Mike Burke PSO Treasurer





January Calendar

- Jan 11 WV Pickup for Jefferson County: Fife- 9:00 AM
- Jan 18 WV Pick for Jefferson County: Chimacum– 9:30 Food Bank Deliveries after Pick
- Jan 21 WV Delivery for Jefferson County: Chimacum-9:30 AM

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OlyCap: These Items are Always Welcome

OlyCap in Port Townsend helps homeless families get a new start, and I have been helping them with supplies. These items are always in need as families take them with them when they move on. They need twin sheets, pillows and blankets, bath towels, kitchen pots and pans, bowls, dishes, silverware, kitchen utensils, and glassware but *no wine glasses*.

If you have such items you want to donate, please call Laura Paul, 360-344-2494.



For more information about Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCap), click on their logo above.



Kitsap Builders

If I Don't Do It, Who Will?

"I believe there are angels among us, sent down to us from somewhere up above. They come to you and me in our darkest hours... but ain't it kind of funny at the dark end of the road, that someone lights the way with just a single ray of hope." (musical group, Alabama)

We're just Bluebills, retiree volunteers, reaching out to others, and working to make our communities better places to live. Yet we're sometimes described by the clients whom we've helped as "angels sent from above."

Our Independent Living/Fall Prevention program offers ramps, grab bars, railings, transfer poles, and minor repairs related to safety and ease of living. Sometimes we extend the reach on this latter part of our services.

On one occasion Bluebills received a referral from the Department of Social and Health Services about a client who "feels that she's stuck without options. Client has heath issues and is elderly with an extraordinarily low income. She's lived in her home over 50 years. I know it's a big request, and I thank you for at least responding one way or another. Housing Kitsap has run out of funding assistance for such things. Thank you for at least entertaining my request."

Bluebills responded, and afterwards the client felt like she was living on easy street, although all we did was raise her from a level of extreme poverty, back up to ordinary poverty. "They were truly a God send. In addition to the repairs, I'd run out of bread to make sandwiches, so had only had potatoes for days. On their lunch break they got me bread, cottage cheese, and fruit. They wouldn't even let me pay for the food. Thank you, thank you for sending me two angles."

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Bluebill Michael Crovitz is often one who goes the extra mile. He recently responded to a request for help from a low income, live-alone handicapped woman in Suquamish. The "leak" in her bathroom sink turned out to be a rusted out bowl, and the underlying vanity was falling apart. Michael installed a completely new sink and vanity, purchased through our Bluebills Builders fund. Now, she is thrilled at having such an elegant vanity after having been without the use of her bathroom sink for over 18 months.



Bottom of bathroom sink



New Vanity



MIchael Crovitz on a previous job





HAVE YOU REPORTED YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS?



REMEMBER: YOU CAN REPORT ANY VOLUNTEER HOURS! NOT JUST THE HOURS YOU WORK FOR BLUEBILLS. CHURCH, SCHOOL, COMMUNITY~ ALL OF

THESE HOURS COUNT TOO!

EMAIL YOUR HOURS TO Judy McCay: jmmccay@cablespeed.com

Volunteer hours for November, 2021

31 volunteers reported 711 hours. That is 16% of the Bluebill membership reporting hours for November.



January Birthdays

VICKI TALLERICO	01/04
DAVID GRELLIER	01/07
KATHY TRACI	01/13
KEN AVICOLA	01/14
LEONARD STADTMILLER	01/18
JOE GUERRERO	01/19
LARRY LANG	01/26
MARILYN CHADWELL	01/27
GREG DEVAULT	01/28
MEA GRAHAM	01/28
RALPH ARCHUNG	01/30



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