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Great job, part l

Just letting you know that I enjoy your articles about Boeing employees. The best job at Boeing article in your December 2006/January 2007 issue (Page 14) is my favorite so far. What made it special is that employees from all walks of Boeing were featured. I enjoyed reading about the folks who have worked on phenomenal inventions. But it was also fun to read about the people working at the "floor level." They may not have invented space-age products, but they seem very satisfied in their jobs.

Boeing Frontiers is an excellent vehicle for the "floor" person to be heard. I regret not submitting an entry: I have the coolest job (I'm an embedded software engineer), and I wanted my boss and everyone—especially my kids—to see my picture in an official Boeing magazine.

> —Lucy Bernhardt St. Louis

Great job, part II

I loved the article regarding the people who believe they have the best jobs at Boeing. However, I have everyone beat hands down.

As a flight attendant for Boeing Executive Flight Operations, every day is an adventure filled with new places and new faces. Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine having such an exciting job.

The best part is not only the people we fly, who are the best passengers any aviation department could wish for, but the people who make up the organization. There's never a dull moment, and that's what makes it great.

> –Darla VanNoy Gary, Indiana

"There's never a dull moment [at my job], and that's what makes it great."

-Darla VanNoy, Gary, Ind.



Bluebills fill a need

A fter I retired from Boeing in March 2006, I looked for an easy way to stay in touch with my Boeing friends and continue to support my local community with some of those friends. I found the perfect solution: The Boeing Bluebills. This is a group of retired Boeing employees/spouses in the Puget Sound area of Washington state. The members socialize and volunteer as individuals and teams in their community.

In 2006 the Bluebills provided more than 85,000 hours of volunteer service. Some of the projects supported our own Boeing retirees who either had a physical or emotional need; other projects supported critical community needs.

If you're a Boeing retiree in the Puget Sound region and would like to be a member of this great group—or if you have questions—please contact one of the following chapters:

• Eastside Chapter (Eastside): 425-822-4884 • Heritage Chapter

(Seattle): 206-544-5772 • Sno-King Chapter (Everett): 425-717-3755

• Olympic Chapter (Olympic Peninsula): 360-437-5052

You also can learn more by visiting our Web site at www.bluebills.org.

And if you're a retiree who's not in the Puget Sound area, here are two other Boeing retiree groups:

• St. Louis: SAGES. Call 636-928-1679.

• Mesa, Ariz.: Desert Sages. Call Don McGettigan, 480-964-9236.

> —Penny Kahn Kirkland, Wash.

Corrections

An article on Nippon Cargo Airlines (December 2006/ January 2007, Page 38) misstated the amount of freight carried and cities served by NCA in 2005. It also misstated the rankings of NCA and other airlines in industry surveys of annual cargo carried. In 2005, NCA carried 371,490 tons of freight to 19 cities. NCA is ranked 16th in the world on a freight-tonne kilometer basis, according to the International Air Transport Association. Also, according to Air Cargo World magazine, NCA ranked 21st, Japan Airlines 11th and All Nippon Airways 28th for 2005.

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