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Swede Little, Adam Hutchings and Kevin Hutchings note the skiff of snow hampering their efforts to finish installing a new insulated roof over the bathroom area of the Pelham rehab in Mullan.

Volunteers

By Bob Larson

It is getting that time of the year again. We have cleared the lot for another Fuller home. Excavation for the foundation is now our number one priority closely followed by the floor and wall framing. This we need in the coming weeks so we can get the roof on and the doors and windows in. Volunteer help is the only way we can get this done before the fall weather sets in. If we can do this, we can have the house done and ready to live in by next spring. That will make two people I know very happy.

Call me at 786-9741 to volunteer. We have projects going all days.



Help defray the cost of the **Ride the Wall** shirts by placing your logo on the shirt backs. The logos will be ironed on at Sunnyside Drug. Costs depend on colors:

\$200 or more = 3×4 inch logo \$ $100 = 2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ inch logo

\$50 = Business name only printed along bottom of shirt. For \$1000 they would do a nice big logo.

We will need to receive your check by June 10th to get them ready for printing. Since we keep the money generated for this joint fund-raiser with Rose Lake Quick Response Unit in a separate account in a separate bank from our Fuller Center working accounts, *please send a note that this is for the Bike shirt logo*. Checks can be made out to SVFCH and mailed to PO Box 874, Kellogg, ID 83837.

Questions? Call Judy at 682-3240.

Construction Activities

By Verne Blalack

The Mullan Site

Amethyst Pelham's rehab site in Mullan is our 17th build and our first build in Mullan. The original structure had been added onto three times. The rehabbing, of course, is challenging and educational—requiring modifications to the foundation, floors, walls, roof, heating, plumbing, and electrical. Thank goodness for Kevin Hutchings' and "Swede" Little's experience! Kevin & Swede work on the project several days a week with Amethyst, Adam Hutchings, and myself often putting in a day or so every week. The site is on a ridge and faces east. You look from the living room through the glass doors across the city of Mullan to Mullan Pass. *This is one of the "very best" views in the county!*

The New Sunny Slopes Site

Darnell Kriedeman's future homesite will be at 510 Lower Rio Vista on Sunny Slopes. The water and hookup fees and other building cost increases have made building there so expensive that at this may be the last home we can afford to build on rural land.

Frankly, it's hard to project your costs ahead of time because of the Shoshone Co. building inspector. He makes up new rules that aren't in the code book! For example, on Teresa Wenzel's home he insisted that we needed 8 inch thick footings when the code book called for 6 inch! We spent money and time making the new forms only to have him reverse the order a few months later saying it was OK to follow the code book! On 14 previous homes we used the gas furnaces to supply the heat needed when mudding and painting. On the last two homes, he hasn't allowed us to use the gas furnaces until the mudding & painting was finished. As a result, we spent several hundred dollars extra heating with new electric heaters until finished. I wouldn't mind doing this if he would show me that rule in the code book. His common reply, if you attempt to disagree with him, is to cut you off and say, "Get an engineer."

Anyway, we may have to start rehabbing in the cities where they have a different inspector and where we don't have to pay for sewer and water hookup fees costing over \$10,000.

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Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of you righteousness.

2 Corinthians 9:10



Kevin Hutchings shows Verne how the new bathroom fan will be installed in the Mullan home. *Photo by Judy*

Construction Activities

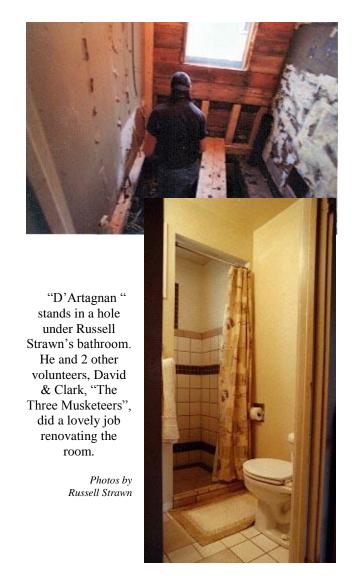
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Greater Blessings Projects

One of our Greater Blessings projects has been with Russell Strawn. His much needed bathroom repairs were done very well by some volunteers. The materials cost us less than \$200 which he will repay as he can. Russell is very pleased with the work done and the cost involved.

We devote 5% of our donations to the Greater Blessings Projects. April's 5% is going the repair a lady's leaking faucet and running toilet. As we, hopefully, get repayments from previous recipients, we should have more money to continue these local projects. Donations are, of course, welcome—be sure to specify the funds are for "Greater Blessings."

Recently we've received help from locals who have community service hours to fulfill. This service has been especially helpful to us as our two main volunteers, Mike Humphrey and Christopher Leetch, have been sidelined with injuries. (Chris cut his finger at home & Mike has a shoulder that is giving him trouble.) These two volunteers have been Bob Larson's main crew. We can't afford to pay site supervisors like Bob & Kevin if they don't have any workers to supervise. Thus, when we have no volunteers our construction stops. So "hooray" for you community service folks who choose to spend your time with us.



Remember, we will hold the raffle for the "Little Shop" after 400 tickets are sold at \$10 each or 6 for \$50. They are for sale throughout the Valley: Kingston Kwick Stop, Real Life Ministries Café, Espresso Barn, Furniture Exchange, Bitterroot Mercantile, Josie's Full of Beans, Farmers Insurance, Osburn Gas-Mart, Indelible Tidbits, 1313 Club, Polla's Mart, and all the

US Banks & AmericanWest Banks in the Valley



Working behind the scenes: Each month the partner families, their sponsors, members of the Partnership, Construction, PR and Fundraising Committees meet. Clockwise from left: Amethyst Pelham, Joan Blackburn, Barb Fisher, Darnell Kriedeman, Bob Larson, Janice DeVoe, Tina Grundhauser, Marilyn White, Penny Michael, and Mike Humphrey

Photo by Judy

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Haiti Donations

Susan & Paul Mitchell



Judy Blalack would like to honor her husband, Verne her life partner for almost 49 years.

Building in Haiti

Here in our Valley we have received enough to build more than 1½ Fuller Center homes in Haiti at \$3000 each.

A team from the Fuller Center will build their first home in April with a long-term goal to build 5,000 homes in Haiti by 2015. Enough money has been raised to build the first 100 houses so far. Fuller Center President David Snell says The Fuller Center has the capacity to build even more than 5,000 if funding is available.

Read more about the Haiti mission at the Fuller Center's website www.fullercenter.org/news/volunteers-head-to-haiti-to-build-first-house.

We are still accepting donations for this cause. Please note Haiti on your check. Your money will go directly to building expenses in Haiti.

Coming Events

- May 18—Committee meetings, 6 PM, Mountain. View Congregational Church, Kellogg
- May 18—Board, 7 PM, Mountain. View Congregational Church, Kellogg
- June 21—13th Annual *Ride the Wall*, Registration 4-6 PM, Enaville Resort
- June 26—18th Annual Pig Roast, 4-7 PM, West Shoshone Park, Pinehurst
- July 21-27—Dena Mora Rest Stop Fund Raiser



Verne & Charles McCelland load the storm doors donated by Whispering Pines.

Photos by Judy



Laverne Huston shows Verne the items she wished to donate from her garage which will be torn down.

(Note the coupon in the Casa de Oro ad.)

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Amethyst Pelham, Verne Blalack, & Kevin Hutchings sort the trim to be used in Amethyst's home in Mullan.

Photo by Judy



Joan Blackburn, Marilyn White, and Mike Humphrey represent Silver Valley Fuller Center for Housing at EXPO 2010. They wish to thank the KHS ROTC for helping with setting up, taking down, and taking this photo. ©





Volunteers:

- Construction helpers
- Construction Supervisors (needed when we have larger groups on site—such as Shoshone Base Camp Youth)
- ➤ Assistant Newsletter Editor for layouts
- ➤ Gleaner—must have own pickup
- ➤ PR & Fundraising Co-Chair
- ➤ Help with mailing this newsletter 1st Tues/mo

We will be hosting RV Builders again this year. Our thanks go to Jim Thorpe of Blue Anchor RV Park for welcoming them. Joyce Pellissier has been contacting churches to provide pastors and lunches for the builders. Our thanks also go to her and to these churches.

We do need someone to act as Host to welcome them. Please call Judy at 682-3240 to volunteer.



You can also download it from www.svfch.org

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