



Lila Miller helps us wish everyone a very Merry Christmas.

We pray for Blessings on All including: Our Volunteers; Our Homeowners; Our Greater Blessings recipients; Our Supporters, and Our Governing Officials and First Responders (both locally and nationwide). Please, Lord, open our hearts, ease pains, and bring peace to all.

(Five-year-old Lila is homeowner Linda Miller's granddaughter.)

Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this *will be* the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

Luke 2:10-13



Silver Valley Arts and Craft Fair

This year, Kathy McPeak took charge of having a silent auction and other drawings together with our usual raffle baskets which include donations from businesses and handmade craft items. Her efforts successfully generated about double of what we earned as a fundraiser in previous years. Thank you, Kathy!



Nettie Montes accepts her winnings of the Ladies Basket from Kathy McPeak.



In the booth next to us were members of the Silver Valley Writers: Diana Glawson, Dr. Keith Dahlberg, and Brian Lee. I could not resist purchasing some of their works. Brian has been writing interviews of our volunteers for this newsletter.



Anne Duncan receives a smaller raffle prize from SVFCH Board member, Gwyneth Faye.

Other basket winners were Alice Van Dorn and Barb Canterbury.

Our display was so crowded it was almost overwhelming. We will definitely need double booth spacing next year.



A family friend, Jaden Bruce, accepts a prize for Dana Stovern.



Ashlee Myles, Craft Fair Organizer, draws a name for one of the smaller raffle prizes from the container held by Kathy McPeak. Thanks, Ashlee, for all your work.

Valley Tour



On Friday November 22, some of the newer Board Members toured the Valley with Verne & Judy to see homes we have sold and Greater Blessings projects. Above, Verne Blalack, John Boy Delaney and Ellie Arguimbau took a moment to enjoy the view of the Mullan valley from the front of Amethyst Pelham's home.



Near Cataldo, Michael Sponsel shows the work in progress on the foundation of his and Kathleen McCabe's home. Gwyneth Faye had joined the group for this part of the tour.



The tour ended in Smelerville at the site of an open house of a home for sale sponsored by Miner's Hat. Board Members, John Boy Delaney, Verne Blalack, John Hopper, Ellie Arguimbau are shown above. Also viewing the home were Tami Atkins, Judy Blalack, and Gwyneth Faye. The Board voted to buy this home after a final estimate of the costs for renovation. Funds from the sale of the property donated by Nancy Hardy helped make the transaction possible.

We do have other buildable property in Osburn and Mullan. However, we do not have a Construction Supervisor able to spend the time to supervise a build from the ground up. WE NEED SUCH A VOLUNTEER. We can invite work crews for such a project if given time to prepare.

More from the Craft Fair



Ellie Arguimbau presents a prize to Lee Summers with her friend Cathy Pouttu watching. Lee has won our big raffle basket two years in a row. This year it was a smaller prize but she also entered her friend, Cathy Pouttu's name. Cathy won a prize later in the day. Lucky Lee had done it again. ☺



Verne gets down to actually listen to this little girl read her book to him. He does enjoy watching the youngest generation.



Judy holds the ticket jar for Sonya Siedschlag to draw a winning ticket. Sonya held a ladder for several hours when the bikers were here to help with Greater Blessings Projects.



Volunteer Linda Amonson brought her lovely granddaughter to meet us. Although there are more attractive shots we decided this was the cutest.

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Dec 10—Board and Committee Meetings, 6 PM, Mountain View Congregational Church
Dec 10—Annual Christmas Pot Luck, 7 PM, Mountain View Congregational Church, 525 W Cameron Ave, Kellogg
Dec 25—Christmas—please remember to put Christ in Christmas.

We are honored to receive this memorial.

*From Tami Atkins,
In Memory of Ardis Marmon*



For John Hattenburg's 90th birthday, well wishers were asked "in lieu of gifts please donate to your favorite charity in John's name."

We are so pleased that his neighbors, Susan Bourne and Dewey & Donna Skaggs thought of us.

Greater Blessings Fund

Andrew Dawson, Judy & Verne Blalack, Diana Burbridge, Debra Bornitz, Scherry Colhoff, Christina & Josh Mace, Kathy McPeak, Diana Oliver, Joan Zanetti,

At right, Ellie Arguimbau, brushes dirt off John Boy Delaney's clothes after he crawls under a house in Smeltonville. John Boy is showing the pictures he took under the house to our construction overseer, Shaw Truelove. Following Shawn's assessment of needed repairs, we chose to buy the home. New homeowners can put in "sweat equity" hours on the repair before buying it from us.



Here's Help for SVFCH . . .

- ❖ I'd like to join the "300 Club" and pledge at least \$10 per month for one year. Please note 300 on your check.
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These are attendees of the “Building Blocks” presentation sponsored by the EPA for the Kellogg Community.

Judy, Verne and I were able to attend a conference on future planning of the area around Kellogg. Norm attended the Monday night session, which was mainly an outline of what the sessions were going to cover. All of us had a chance to introduce ourselves, who we represented, and why we were interested in coming to these sessions.

Tuesday morning Judy and Verne were also in attendance. Judy had a chance to add to what I had indicated that we were interested in—sites for low-income housing. The team that was leading the sessions gave examples of areas and communities where they had gone in and helped revitalize those areas. There was much talk about the Kellogg and Government Gulch areas of the Valley. We came away from the meeting with the feeling that maybe there would be some benefit to the Fuller Center for Housing in the future, but not too much help for us in the short term.

Respectfully submitted by Norm Holtz, a member of the Fuller Center For Housing Board of Directors



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