



**Happy New Year 2016**

**May we all start the New Year with positive thoughts and actions that continue all year long. When you help others, it is good for you, too.**



***Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things . . . and the God of Peace will be with you.***

**Philippians 4:8-9**

## A Christmas Miracle

Our new Veteran to the Valley is Frank Gilliland. His name was given to me from our Veterans officer Susan Hendrixson.

Then Christmas Miracle took over. I was able to use the Christian Aid Fund to help with furniture, dishes, pots and pans. We bought a chair, TV Stand, and couch with misc. items for cooking and eating at the ReUse Store—which also threw in some mugs and silverware.

I then went to Walmart to buy some wash rags and ran into Diana Pierce from Soul Rrestoration, who offered to get some bedding and sheets for Mr. Gilliland.

Then Celia Ruff called to say she had some clothes and a comforter for him.

As the Christmas miracle kept going, one of my deputies had won a Christmas Tree at the Senior Center in Osburn and now this will be delivered to him all by Christmas.

Truly Christmas Miracles came from everyone of you who have donated to these organizations. I want to thank all of you for letting me be a part of this. It made my Christmas.

Peggy White  
Merry Christmas



Peggy decides to purchase the nice sofa at the ReUse Store for Frank. When Verne and John “Boy” delivered Penny’s selection, they found a very bare apartment with no furniture. He was able to

use the sofa as a couch as well as a bed.

Verne commented that Frank was *very* appreciative. He had been living in the woods.

Frank was also invited to the free Christmas dinner sponsored by several churches in Wallace.

*Photo by John “Boy” Delaney*



Glory Carlile is surrounded by her daughter, Terri, and husband, Fred Orth, at the Christmas Potluck at the Mountain View Congregational Church. We wish to thank the Church for allowing us to use their facilities.



John "Boy" Delaney checks the condition of the cupboards in a house we are considering buying for him. It is a true fix-it-upper but with his skills in repairing, it may be a perfect fit.



Following Elda Brown and John "Boy" Delaney at the serving table are the Mace family who arrived after attending the Christmas program at the Canyon School.



Rick Greible and Jack Rupp talk to April Muhs at our newsletter mailing workshop held at St. Rita's Parrish Hall. The men came immediately after Patti Houchin called about water leaking out onto the floor.



Everyone enjoyed the good food and camaraderie at our annual Christmas Potluck. We definitely appreciate Elda Brown's help organizing everything while the board had a brief meeting before the dinner and then staying to do cleanup afterward. She was our good angel.



Verne tries out an office chair left in the receiving area outside the ReUse Store. We thank all you anonymous donors. 😊

One of my highlights of the Christmas Season is receiving Connie Fudge's Christmas gift. It is so nice to be remembered when remembering others and to be able to pay gifts forward by helping others. Thank you, Connie. ☺

*December 11, 2015*

*Silver Valley Fuller Center for Housing*

*PO Box 338*

*Smelterville, ID 83868*

*Hello!*

*Please find enclosed a check for our 2015 Christmas donation. It is being given in honor of several friends and/or family members. Each year, in lieu of material gifts, we give to charitable organizations to honor those we love and care for.*

*This year, we are giving to honor:*

*Adrian & Jeanne McNutt - beloved family friends (Blaine, WA)*

*Ted & Colleen Pettis - beloved family friends (Spokane, WA)*

*Bill & Carolyn Lenhard - beloved family friends (Wallace, ID)*

*Jim & Vicki Larson - beloved family friends (Coeur d'Alene, ID)*

*Dan & Bethany Gleason - beloved family friends (Seattle, WA)*

*Brad & Julie Smith - Brother and sister-in-law (Columbus, OH)*

*Jon & Ellie Hicks - Nephew and niece (Columbus, OH)*

*Michael Cooper - Brother (Grand Jet, CO)*

*Jeremy & Gina Young - Children (Blanchard, ID)*

*Thank you for serving and blessing the people of the Silver Valley year after year.*

*God bless each of you and a merry, merry Christmas to you.*



**Our hearts and prayers are with  
Kathy McPeak upon the loss of her  
husband, Loran.**

**David Snell, President of The Fuller Center For Housing,** our parent company, sent an update of the organization:

“The first 10 years often decide whether a nonprofit survives or thrives. **And I'm here to tell you that we are thriving!** Our next 10 years and our next 50 years will just get better. In fact, our goal is to raise enough money and engage enough volunteers and partners to reach the 3,000-families-housed milestone in 2016.”

Our local goal is to contribute 2 homeowners of the 3,000 this year, and we can do it with your help, especially supervising and working with construction.

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## Coming Events

Jan 12—Board and Committee Meetings, 6:30 PM,  
Mountain View Congregational Church,  
Kellogg

*(Board Elections)*



We are very pleased to  
receive these in the mail.  
Thank you!

### We are honored to receive these memorials.

*From Penny & Dan Michael  
In Memory of Gene Coan & Harold Lee*

*From Verne & Judy Blalack  
In Memory of Loran McPeak*

*From Marilyn & Tom Patton  
In Memory of Marian Paetsch*

*From Carole Schart  
In Memory of Ches Schart*

Carole Schart sent a memorial honoring her  
husband, Ches. “He passed away in 2010. The  
time we spent helping you was one of the  
highlights of our lives.—God Bless You”

(The Scharts came in 1998 with the  
Care-A-Vanners)

Another Christmas Card:

“Thank you all so much for the Love, Kindness,  
and Help thru the years! I feel the love when I  
walk in the door, see the kindness & have  
appreciated the help last year! I’m so proud to  
say we have a group of people here that have a  
heart for the people!

Sending Love back at you and throughout the  
New Year!”

Beverly Kahn

And Another:

From Kay & Jim Calking with their donation:  
“Use where need is the greatest—Thank you for  
all you do.”

### Greater Blessings Fund

Verne & Judy Blalack, Josephine Davis, Bob Larson,  
Christian Aid Society, Tom & Marilyn Patton,  
Shannon Souza

### ReUse Store Operating Fund

Patricia Minar, Anonymous,  
Kathy & Lauren McPeak, Jim & Kay Calkins

### 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.
- ❖ Here is my pledge for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for one year.
- ❖ Here is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ I have a house and/or land to donate.
- ❖ I can make a no-interest loan for \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Please call about working out the details.
- ❖ I can provide construction materials either discounted or at no cost.
- ❖ I would like to help with construction and/or committee work. Please call me to help or send a volunteer form.

- I do not wish to be on your mailing list.

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Ellie Arguimbau and Joanne Monteith entertain with carols at our annual Christmas Party. *Photo by Judy*



Christmas items at the ReUse Store 75% off until Jan 9. *Photo by Judy*



Frank Gilliland accepts a recliner from Verne. It is part of Peggy's Christmas Miracle—see page 1. *Photo by John Boy*



## WISH LIST

**Grant Writer**

**Volunteers to help with construction for our new homes and Greater Blessings projects—both supervisors and other helpers.**

**Sign up now to help this year.**

***Volunteers to work at the ReUse Store—Needed now!***

**PR or Fund Raising or Greater Blessings Co-Chairs Call Judy at 682-3240**

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