



The members of SVFCH's Board gave Judy unanimous approval for her to accept the nomination to the Fuller Center For Housing International's Board of Directors. Pictured here are Duane Little, Darnell Kriedeman, Glory Carlile, Mike Humphrey, Judy, CJ Leetch, Ellie Argumbau, Ed Vang, Bob Larson, and Verne Blalack.

*Photo by John "Boy" Delaney*

## My Last Year

By Judy Blalack

With the encouragement of my family and our Board of Directors, I did say yes to being nominated to the Board of Directors for The Fuller Center For Housing, International. I expect to hear shortly whether I have been voted into office with this parent organization. It is responsible for 62 Covenant Partners in the US (like ours) and Covenant Partners in 16 foreign countries. Our group sends a 10% tithe on undesignated funds to be spent for housing materials in these 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries, -such as Haiti, -where the cost of construction is significantly lower.

Whether or not I am accepted to this position, I will be resigning most of my local responsibilities. I have tried to fill many hats **but think new ideas from other volunteers will benefit SVFCH** and am afraid that as long as I keep in the harness, no one will really assume some responsibility.

**Fund Raising** This year, I will be delighted to train and help others to be the contact for Ride the Wall. It is great that Tom Richards is now chairing this event.

Another position that needs to be filled is for chairing the annual Pig Roast. Steps for this event is all laid out but required someone to follow through to make sure the Odd Fellows Pavilion has been reserved, meat & baked bean ingredients, etc., are ordered, tables, chairs, & awnings reserved, and servers recruited. Lou Larson has been our volunteer coordinator for years contacting local home chefs about donating their salads and desserts. She and her husband, Iver, and Norm & Mary Lou Dubiel have also been responsible for signing. I'm sure they would appreciate more help.

For our fall fund raisers, Penny Michael and her crew do an excellent job in September and Linda Langer just volunteered to chair our booth at the Arts and Craft Fair in November.

**Public Relations** We need speakers willing to attend meetings to express our purpose and need; to send articles to the News Press; do interviews on KWAL; and ensure we have posters for our events printed and posted around our valley. (This year, our Ride the Wall poster, which will be posted soon, is designed by graphic designer, Paulette Ross.)

This newsletter, Facebook, and our website come under this category. I would really appreciate a volunteer who has some journalistic training to be an editor. To do a good job, it does take time and forethought. Each month, I start collecting photos, both mine and other photographers', of everything happening and then winnow them to express our commitment to serving in this housing ministry. Our newsletter is our link to the community and really is our most consistent fund raiser.

I truly appreciate Colleen Rosson as our volunteer Facebook coordinator. The website is fairly easy to update each month as is, but a knowledgeable web master could make it more exciting and better.

**Greater Blessings** Being chair of this committee is very rewarding, as well as occasionally disappointing. When we are able to help homeowners with their repairs and they truly appreciate our efforts, it is fantastic. Occasionally, we are unable to help them due various circumstances. We also have to turn away renters in substandard living conditions since they do not own the house. This committee works with the construction committee and recruits construction supervisors and helpers after the request has been shown to be feasible for our group. We also work with Clint Kunze and his Servant Adventure youth groups on these projects during the summer.

Anyway, I think it is time for me to **re-retire** after 23 years. New voices need to be heard with our message of eliminating substandard housing in our community. ***I have witnessed remarkable blossoming of families and felt the glow of approval as "our kids" have graduated from high school and college and/or found other responsible positions. It has been an honor to serve them.***



*I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.*

2 Timothy 4: 7

## Paulette's Carport

Thank you very much for all of your help. The carport and fence is complete, and I once again feel secure. It is beautiful. Please thank Craig Griffith and Norm Little for finding it at half the price that I could find it for on the net.

When I saw that it was going to be \$500 or \$600 to replace, I was heartbroken. Also thank Carl Blalack for delivering it to Verne and the volunteers who labored a day to put it up. I am blessed by you and your organization.

Always grateful, Paulette Ross



From this to—☺



David Darrow, Jeremy Darnell, and Joe Wolford work with Verne (not shown) to erect the carport.



Paulette (3rd from left) shows off her new carport to GB committee members Duane Little and Ellie Arguimbau and friend Bev McKinney.

*Photos by Paulette & Judy*

THE SILVER VALLEY

# NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER☆☆☆

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH, 2016

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We in the Silver Valley will gather at 12 noon for an hour of prayer at the following locations:

CITY:	LOCATION:
MULLAN	CITY PARK
WALLACE	SAMUEL'S PARK
OSBURN	CITY HALL
KELLOGG	TEETERS FIELD
SMELTERVILLE	CITY PARK
PINEHURST	CITY HALL
CATALDO	TRAIL HEAD OF BIKE TRAIL

## AN EVENING EVENT☆☆☆

Is scheduled at Sunnyside Elementary Gym  
6 p.m. - 7 p.m. with worship, prayer, and fellowship.

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Ed Vang and Kathy McPeak (at right) listen as Darnell Kriedeman introduces Linda Langer to the SVFCH Board. Linda has volunteered to be chair of our booth at the Silver Valley Arts and Crafts held in November.



Our next GB project will be to repair a retaining wall for Donna Marquette in Wallace. Jim Taylor will ramrod the efforts with the help of the Holy Family Catholic 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduating class from CDA. **We need some volunteers to set a couple posts before they come June 5<sup>th</sup>.** Call Judy if you can set them. (Concrete must be mixed in a wheelbarrow.)

## The Osburn House



Verne Blalack & Mike Humphrey watch Pastor Cory Berti as he signs the Quit Claim Deed for the house in Osburn we bought from the Silver Valley Worship Center/Silver Valley Ministerial Society. This house will become John “Boy” Delaney’s new home after renovation. John “Boy” has completed his “sweat equity hours” many times over working at the ReUse Store and helping with the newsletter. *Photo by Judy*



Bob Larson uses his drafting skills to draw the house plans of the Osburn house to be used in planning what renovations have to be made. *Photo by John “Boy”*



A look in the garage shows more repairs are needed before building materials can be stored there. *Photo by Judy*



Clint Kunze spent hours with Verne inspecting what needed to be repaired such as old windows and peeling paint. Verne wants to try using a paint removing machine that was donated to the ReUse Store. Kurt Copeland suggested with this kind of siding, a power washer may work well. *Photo by Judy*



The attic revealed some unusual supports for the rafters on an addition. *Photo by Judy*



The laundry room needs major repair including removing sheetrock with black mold. *Photo by Judy*

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This is where we expect there will be plenty for the 2 large groups of Fuller Center Bicycle Adventurers to do while here in June. They will be arriving on Friday, working on Saturday, and wish to attend church services on Sunday. Please invite some of them to your church on Sunday, June 19 and June 26. We really appreciate all who are helping feed these cyclists—40 in the first group and 35 in the second.

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Diana Burbridge, Deb Bornitz, Paulette Ross, Bob Larson, Nancy Elliott, Judy & Verne Blalack, Silver Valley Assembly of God, Bob & Dana Stovern



Seventeen fantastic volunteers came to help with the April newsletter mailing workshop. The newsletter is printed at ABC Business Equipment (thanks Ron for your help) and then folded ready for mailing by volunteers at Angel's Wings Day Care Center and by John "Boy" Delaney and Kay Baker—prospective homeowners who earn "sweat equity hours." Join us at 9 AM at St. Rita's Parish hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday (usually) to help with mailing. Call Judy for information, 682-3240. *Photo by Judy*

**Coming Events**

- May 5—National Day of Prayer
- May 10—Board and Committee Meetings, 6:30 PM  
Mountain View Congregational Church,
- June 5—Holy Family School 8<sup>th</sup> graders work crew
- June 17 – 19—First Fuller Center Bicycle Adventures  
come to help with SVFCH projects
- June 21—19<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride the Wall, registration 4-6 PM,  
Event starts at 6 PM, Snake Pit, Enaville
- June 24-26—Second Fuller Center Bicycle Adventures  
come to help with SVFCH projects
- June 25—24<sup>th</sup> Annual Pig Roast, 4-7 PM, Kellogg City  
Park

**We are honored to receive these memorials.**

*From Ron and Gayle Hagman*

*In Memory of Jackie Pierce*

We are very blessed by Dee Sverdsten's request to list the Fuller Center as her memorial of choice. The following memorials are all made in her name.

- Artiss and Susan Blalack*
- From Verne and Judy Blalack*
- From Nancie and Craig Burkhardt*
- From Ann and Larry Curry*
- From Robert Fisher*
- From Carol and Grayson Gerard*
- From Ron and Gayle Hagman*
- From Sally and Gordon Hall*
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- From Scott and Carleen Peterson*
- From Michael Pierce*
- From Lois and L. Jerald Sheffels*
- From Robert and Dana Stovern*
- From JJ and Peggy Williams*

**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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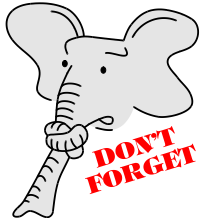
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Paulette Ross smiles as Ellie Arguimbau witnesses her signature on the moral pledge to repay our expenses for this Greater Blessings project. *Photo by Judy*



Clint Kunze and Verne survey the flat roof that is leaking in the laundry room. Verne is planning to get a building permit to extend the gable roof this direction so Clint's large crew with a supervisor can install it. *Photo by Judy*



## The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride the Wall (Family Bike Event)

On the Evening of the Longest  
Day of the Year, June 21.

Registration begins at 4 PM, Ride Starts at 6 PM. Participants can ride the whole loop including the CCC logging road and the paved Trails of the Coeur d'Alene or travel part of the Trail and return (much easier). Early registration is \$35 until June 6 & \$40 thereafter. Registration includes event shirt and BBQ. Registrations and payments can be made online. Follow the link at [www.svfch.org](http://www.svfch.org).



## WISH LIST

**Volunteer Coordinator**

**Volunteer Grant Writer**

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

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

**PR or Fund Raising or Greater Blessings  
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