



Jim surveys Nancy Elliot's stairs in April, noting that it would be a good Greater Blessings Project for us.



He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end.

I know that nothing is better for them than to rejoice, and to do good in their lives, and also that every man should eat and drink and enjoy the good of all his labor—it is the gift of God.

Ecclesiastes 3:11-1

Greater Blessings

With the high cost of materials since COVID hit, we cannot afford to build a new home and have it in the range that a low income family can afford. So this year, we have focused on doing Greater Blessings Projects.

We have 3 projects—2 in process: Prince's roof and Elliott's stairs; and one completed: Marquette's roof.



This photo is of the broken corner of Donna Marquette's roof last March. It had been damaged for two years.



Here is our first view of Luke & Caroline Prince's roof in August after the January windstorm. The tarp had rotted away.

Marquette's Roof Repair



Contractor, Alan Cannaday with Cataldo Construction Co., and SVFCH president, Bob Whitman, watch Donna Marquette as she signs her pledge to repay the Greater Blessings repair of her roof. Fortunately for Donna and us, Big Al agreed to fix this roof within Donna's available price range. Over the last 2 years, the damage had extended under further than was visible from below.



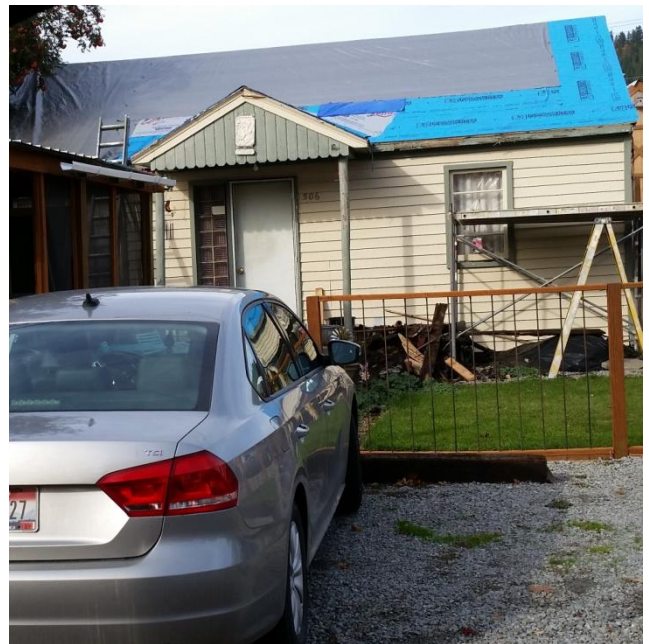
When I asked Al to send me some photos of the repair, I expected to get some action shots of him dangling in a harness off the edge. Instead, he sent what truly mattered to him, a job finished, well done. His work is on the left side. (Judy)

“The Bible could not be clearer that we are supposed to let our light shine! We are supposed to let our light shine so others can see it and they glorify our Father who is in Heaven. But if we only let that light shine in the church, all that light just blinds people. Light is needed in dark places. This is God's work. We are letting a light shine out there, and others are seeing it!”

Prince's Roof Repair



Caroline untangles her dog as I (Judy) take in-progress photos. New sheathing boards had to be added to the Prince's repair project since water had been pouring in since the January windstorm.



Here is the last photos we have of Luke & Caroline's roof taken by Bob Whitman Oct 22. Caroline says that the metal roofing is supposed to arrive on the 26th and hopefully the crew will install it after this storm passes on Saturday, the 30th. They had been trying to be ready for repair since January but discovered later this year that roofers were booked up into November. Fortunately, they have a relative in the Coeur d'Alene area willing to come over the pass, when possible, to help them. She also said that as soon as possible they will be re-opening their POCO LOCO Taco Stand beside their home at 506 Washington St. in Smelternville.

Millard Fuller—Founder of The Fuller Center For Housing

Elliott's Stairs

Before leaving for Mexico, Rick Gilbert drew plans for Nancy Elliott's stairs, which were approved by retiring Building inspector, Mark Magnus. Jim Taylor modified them to incorporate a landing. The modifications were also approved. Since this is really a repair job, the City of Wallace approved the project and did not require the payment of a building permit. Thank you everyone!



When we received the work that Jim Taylor, of Taylor Made Construction, was going ahead with the stairs, Bob Whitman and Judy stopped to let Nancy know. She is a valued employee at McDonalds. *Photo by Judy*



Gerry Wivoda gets the concrete ready to push up the hill to set the posts.



This newsletter is part of the glue that keeps SVFCH going. About 90% of the donations arrive in the return envelopes we include. If you go back through the old issues, you can trace our history from 1993 when we were affiliated with Habitat for Humanity. Back issues are online starting in 2009 at our website, www.svfch.org.



Jim Taylor supervises the work of clearing out the old stairs and setting posts for the new ones. With him are Jeremy Darnell and Gerry Wivoda. *Photos by Linda Amonson*



Jim Taylor aligns the post in the green concrete so it will set straight while his helpers Jeremy and Gerry help.

With the nice breaks in this stormy weather, we hope the stairs will be finished soon.



WISH LIST

Volunteers are still needed for the Fuller Center. We recognize the need to pay for skilled contractors who cannot afford to donate a lot of time, but there are various jobs where someone with free time can truly make a difference in our valley. Come help and maybe learn a new skill you can then apply in a different job.

Working with non-profits like ours really looks good on your job applications.

I would like a volunteer to help with layout for this newsletter. I would be happy to train you. You would need adequate internet service so we can exchange files, computer knowledge with Microsoft Word (the newsletter uses Word templates), and adequate knowledge of the English language. A helper will be especially valuable if I am ill or on a trip.


Also needed are retired construction supervisors to serve as board members who can offer advice about various projects.

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We are honored to receive these memorials.

*From Verne & Judy Blalack
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And of Hap Butler*

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Of June Chapman,
And of Margie Lewis*

*From Aleta & Doug Pottenger
In memory of Jack Robertson
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And of James Franklin Stoddard III*

*From Robert & Dana Stovern
In memory of JD Scribner*

Coming Events

Nov 9—Board and Committee Meeting. 5:30, Mountain View Congregational Church, Kellogg

Nov 25 **Thanksgiving**



We have been blessed to receive a gift from the family and well wishers of Lois White on her 90th birthday. There was a celebration lasting several days in various locations planned but Lois cancelled it saying she did not want to take the chance that someone

might catch COVID because of her.

Those contributing to this gift are:

Gino and Sam White

Candi and Jerry White

George Randolph

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Katie Semko and Jeremy Mullan

Dan White and Sons

Judy & Verne Blalack

We have also been blessed with a gift from Aleta and Doug Pottenger honoring:

The birth of Grandson, Pierce Douglas Jenkins,

And Congratulations go to Allie and Ben on their engagement

Greater Blessings Fund

Judy & Verne Blalack, Diana Burbridge, Josephine Davis, and Christina and Josh Mace



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Donna Marquette hands a payment to Alan Cannaday of Cataldo Construction Co. We are so pleased to have this Greater Blessings roof project completed and within Donna's ability to repay.

Appreciation

Linda Amonson is one of our loyal volunteers, who with Kathy McPeak and Bob Whitman, ask for help from businesses in the Valley and even in CDA. The donations collected are used as prizes in our fund raisers such as Ride the Wall, the Walk-A-Thon, and the Christmas Raffle. Kathy had baskets and prizes ready for the Craft Fair at Murray but sadly everyone had COVID and the event was cancelled. We will use the last of these donations for our Christmas Raffle, which may be online like last year.



Here are two of the last photos Linda sent.



Jeff McCloud of Harvest Foods in Wallace shows the certificate he donated.



Hillary Rush of Cogs Gastro Pub holds her certificate.

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