



Kellogg Mayor Mac Pooler addresses the participants for the 23rd Annual Walk-A-Thon from a seated position. Once again he graced the event with his encouragement even though he had back surgery this year.

2020's 23rd Annual Walk-A-Thon

Even though smoke had darkened the skies for days making it difficult to breathe outside, 20 hardy souls came to the Walk-A-Thon, bringing over \$1350. The welcome overnight rain had moderated to mostly mist and created a happy atmosphere for those gathered.

We truly appreciate all those who participated:

Ellie Arguimbau, Judy Blalack, Verne Blalack, Lois Dahlberg, Clara Hall, Eric Hall, Amber Hawk, Patti Houchin, Darrell Lemieux, Patsy Lemieux, Layla Lister, Moniqué Lister, Laurie Lutz, Jane McShane, Wallace Meyer, Penny Michael, Danny Scott, Sam Scott, Jerry White, and Bob Whitman.

And, we truly appreciate all who sponsored those walking:

Aaron Arthur, Ellie Arguimbau, Judy Blalack, Verne Blalack, Tim Cheeseman, Linda Christiansen, Pat & Dave Cordier, Lois & Keith Dahlberg, Nancy Dahlberg, Cleve Ashcraft & Susan Dahlberg, Pam & Myles Elliston, Jen & Brian Hall, Amber Hawk, Patti Houchin, Barb Knofler, Darrell Lemieux, Levi Lemieux, Patsy Lemieux, Eric Lister, Moniqué Lister, Laurie Lutz, Lucky Friday Mine, Mona Mathis, Jane McShane, Wallace Meyer, Penny Michael, Ashley Mitchell, Jeannie Rullman, Fred & Karen Scott, LeRoy Scott, Doris Streeter, Jill Wagner, Bob Whitman, Candi White, Jerry White, Paul & Jean Young.

*If you extend your soul to the hungry,
And satisfy the afflicted soul;
Then your light shall dawn in the darkness,
And your darkness shall be as the noonday.*

Isaiah 58:10



The Greater Blessings Committee met at the Mountain View Congregational Church to discuss new building projects. Shown are Bob Whitman, Norm Holtz, Duane Little, and Ellie Arguimbau. Judy took the photo.

Proposed Greater Blessings Projects

First on the agenda was the roof repair in Osburn that was featured in last month's issue. When his father, who took care of him, died, the homeowner inherited the family home—this now has a leaking roof. We are hoping that a church or several will adopt this project. Recently information letters were mailed to 21 valley churches. If your church was missed, please call Judy at 208-682-3240 with your mailing address so you can be included.

We have witnessed wonderful fellowship when churches get together.



Another project is a roof repair in Smeltonville for a handicapped lady, Mary Nordstrom. The committee drove there to appraise what is involved. The roof is leaking in the attic and guttering needs to be fixed in the back. We are accepting roofing bids for this project. Call Judy at 208-682-3240 for information.

The Walk



Leading the walkers are Patsy Lemieux and her granddaughter Moniqué Lister while behind, Patsy's son Darrell holds his granddaughter Layla Lister's hand.



Darrel Lemieux joins Jerry White with Jerry's grandkids, Clara and Eric Hall. Eric held an umbrella a few years ago when Jerry carried him on his shoulders. That was a very rainy day. ☺



Some of the Lemieux and White families return through the Gondola parking lot on their way back from the 3 mile trek.



Verne & Judy Blalack and Ellie Arguimbau did the Walk wearing their "Virtual Ride the Wall" shirts to advertize that event. Judy has her shirt showing the logos of the supporters. You can include your company or group logo next year for \$200, which helps with expenses for the event. Registration is still open since it is "Virtual" at www.svfch.org. Cost is \$50 which includes this neat shirt and a \$10 gift card from The Snake Pit. It covers the traditional pulled pork "Ride" dinner & soft drink or \$10 toward other menu options.



Eric Hall enjoyed scooting ahead.



The Need

We have to turn away some Greater Blessings requests for lack of volunteers capable of doing some small projects such as fixing a toilet or installing a new one. These projects are generally for elderly folk who simply cannot afford to pay trade costs. If you or someone you know is a handyman or handywoman and is willing to help, please let us know. The satisfaction of seeing your work making someone smile is a huge reward.

We have relied on John Boy's help for years. But, he recently had a heart attack. His doctor has even limited his newsletter folding to only one box instead of two. Thus, we need someone(s) to fold the other box.

Prayers continue to be needed for another homeowner, Shawn White, who was injured when a huge tire fell on him. After many operations, his leg is healing well, but now he is being fitted for a body cast and may need back surgery.

This is a reminder of who and why we are and what we do. It was sent to me, as an International Board Member, with the financial statements. Judy Blalack

**THE FULLER CENTER FOR HOUSING, INC.
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2020**

Nature of Activities

The Fuller Center for Housing, Inc. was organized on March 15, 2005, under the name Building Habitat, Inc. It was amended to its current name on June 20, 2005. The Fuller Center for Housing, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization (see income tax page #9).

Mission Statement

The Fuller Center for Housing, faith driven, and Christ centered, promotes collaborative and innovative partnerships with individuals and organizations in an unrelenting quest to provide adequate shelter for all people in need worldwide.

The Fuller Center for Housing receives and distributes funds for house building from a number of sources including private donors, churches, businesses, and foundations. As a matter of policy, the Fuller Center for Housing does not have any ownership interest in the houses built by its local partner organizations.

The Fuller Center believes that beneficiary families are better served if they participate in the construction or rehabilitation of their home and if they contribute to the cost of the work. This is done through one of three means:

1. LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENTS are entered into with some benefiting families when their houses are completed, when there are issues that prevent the immediate sale of the house. These are intended to be short-term agreements as the ultimate goal is homeownership. All payments made under the agreement go to reducing the principal amount of the mortgage loan.
2. MORTGAGES are written on 15 to 20-year terms with no profit and no interest charged, making the homes affordable to families who would otherwise not have the ability to own their own home. Forgivable, balloon-payment, and second mortgages are also written to (1) prevent speculation and (2) protect buyers from predatory lenders. The principal balance of the second note diminishes over the course of the first loan and reduces to zero by the end of the first mortgage term.
3. THE GREATER BLESSING PLAN is used for rehabilitation work when the total construction costs are less than \$5,000. Based on the biblical injunction that it is more blessed to give than to receive, this program allows families to pay for the work done on their home by making voluntary monthly donations. When total costs are assessed, the benefiting family determines how much they can afford to pay on a monthly basis and are provided with the appropriate number of return envelopes. There is no loan document, but families are encouraged to seek the Greater Blessing by repaying the cost of repair so that others can receive the same opportunity.

In all cases, the proceeds remain in the community and are dedicated to the construction or rehabilitation of additional homes.

Covenant Partners

There are now Covenant Partners at work or forming in 80 US cities and 20 other countries. Covenant Partners are locally organized nonprofit corporations that share the principles of The Fuller Center and provide housing opportunities for families in need in their areas.

Additionally, The Fuller Center now has operations in 20 countries overseas with dynamic projects in Nepal, El Salvador, Bolivia, Sri Lanka, Armenia, Peru, Haiti and Nicaragua.

Purpose Statement

To witness to and implement the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the United States and around the world by working with economically disadvantaged people to help them have a decent home.

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Judy & Verne Blalack, Melody Darg

We are honored to receive these memorials.

*From Joyce Lavergne
In Memory of Jim Striker*

*From Verne and Judy Blalack
In Memory of Jim Striker*



Pastor Bill Howard of the Silver Valley Worship Center in Smelterville gives an encouraging invocation and blessing for our Walk-A-Thon.

Coming Events

Oct 13—Board & Committee Meetings, 6 PM, Mountain View Congregational Church, Kellogg

Thank you, Silver Valley Businesses, for providing the prizes for our walkers:

- Stovern Supply—Car Assistance Bag
- Wallace Inn—One night stay
- JB’s Country Garden—Candy Bouquet
- Idaho Silver—Garnet Necklace
- Silver Valley Car Wash Certificates
- Building Maintenance [Ace Hardware]—\$50 Gift Card
- Hill Street Depot—\$25 Certificate
- The Bean—\$25 Certificate
- The Pizza Factory—2 Children’s collections & mini pizzas
- Kellogg Subway—6 inch Sub Sandwich Certificate
- Back Country Café—\$25 Certificate
- The Snake Pit—\$30 Certificate
- Northern Pacific RR Museum—Images of the World Book
- Casa de Oro Restaurant—Certificate for Lunch for 2
- Kellogg Pet Medical Center—Cat & Dog Food
- Sam’s Restaurant—\$25 Certificate
- Black Board Café—Lunch for 2 Certificate
- Sadie’s Chocolate—Small Bird & Flowers Candy Basket
- Johnson’s Gems—Treasure Chest
- Eureka Sally—Chocolate Certificate



John Amonson came to help John Boy Delaney finish the eaves of his house to keep the birds from nesting there. John Boy has trouble not pitching in to work since he had a heart attack and is restricted in how much he can do.

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.
- I do not wish a receipt or thank-you.

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Please return to Silver Valley Fuller Center for Housing, Inc.P.O. Box 338, Smelterville, ID 83868 ☐786-6013



Participants for the 23rd Annual Walk-A-Thon practice social distancing and wear their masks while registering. We appreciate that the Kellogg School District allowed the use of the covered area in front of the Old Middle School for registration. Thanks to Penny and her crew, SVFCH raised \$1350+.

A Thank You Note from Walk Chair, Penny Michael

Another year in the books. Always a sense of accomplishment after the event. Couldn't have done it without Dan Michael, Patti Houchin, Danny Scott, Patsy Lemieux, and Sam Scott.



STILL WISHING

- ❖ Committee Members (especially for family selection and family partnership)
- ❖ Board Members from Wallace & Mullan
 - ❖ Newsletter Assistant with layout
- ❖ Construction Volunteers and onsite Supervisors
 - ❖ PR Chair
- ❖ Greater Blessings Chair
- ❖ Data Entry Volunteer

We have open registration now with no set cutoff date for our

Virtual Ride the Wall. Register at www.svfch.org.



Ellie rode her recumbent bike on the trail.

Judy & Verne Blalack and Ellie Arguimbau raise a cheer for completing the distance for "Ride the Wall". Since it was virtual, the Blalacks used their walkers and

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