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While the Lake City Harmonizers sang in the background, a hungry crowd lined up for the BBQ dinner at the Jackass Kickin' BBQ Cook-Off.

### Our Jackass Kickin' BBQ Cook-Off

The entertainment was great. The tasters enjoyed trying the various BBQer's offerings. The local cooks were generous with their salads and desserts. The crowd was pleased with the variety and quality of food. The BBQ contestants were happy with the accommodations and preparation for the event. The local grocery stores assisted with donated items. There were plenty of activities for the kids to enjoy. The weather favored us by clouding up before it got too hot, didn't rain and didn't blow dust!

We appreciate the volunteers, Lonny Duce and Norm Dubiel, who pitched in to help with cooking the burgers and hot dogs and the many others who helped with serving: Jenny Duce, Mary Lou Dubiel, Ed Vang, Mickey & Bill Becker, Trudy & Chuck French, Norma Seaton, Laura Williamson, and especially Stephanie Reed who stayed through the cleanup. Marilyn White, Jacki Huber and Connie Stribling took tickets.

Scout Troop 326 with Scott Reed & sons, James & Ted, and Sean Curran & son Cord were great help—looking out to see what needed to be done. Also helping, before and after the event, were Mike Humphrey and CJ Leetch. R'Gean Lillibridge and Janice DeVoe were my right hand gals. Rick Gilbert worked with Kevin and Verne to have the electricity in place. Scott Reed, Ed Vang & Terri Coak were photographers; Deb Mellon helped with PR. Kellogg School Dist. Personnel, Tim Etherton, Tracie Ketchum and Cal Ketchum, were extremely accommodating. *We even had the event running in lights on the sign board.* And, the BBQ committee helped when possible.

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Norm Dubiel cooks burgers & hot dogs for lunch on Bob Otto's grill. This provided less expensive food for the kids & those too hungry to wait until dinner started at 3 PM.



Kids of all ages enjoyed their activities. At right, Adam Hutchings plays with a remote car, & in the distance, the cable with a barrel on it is stretched between 2 dump trucks for the Jackass Challenge.

***And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.***

**Ephesians 4:32**

## BBQ (Cont. from Pg. 1)

Our ceremony began with a blessing by Pastor Larry Harpel and a welcome by Kellogg Mayor, Mac Pooler, followed by the entertainment. Our entertainers were 11-year-old Anika Sundstrom with an incredible voice; the KHS Cheerleaders; the 6<sup>th</sup> Street Melodrama cast; and the Lake City Harmonizers. F&H Mine Supply provided the flatbed trailer used as a stage.

While some were eating the burgers & hot dogs, kids were playing with the games provided by the Silver Valley Assembly of God (including a cake walk), the Kellogg School District, and Bob Otto, who also brought his grill. Jamie Hendricks and Mark Kleinbeck delighted the kids with face painting & crafts. Others folks were tasting the BBQ contestants' offerings.

At 1 PM, the Jackass Challenge began with help from the Kellogg Fire Department. At one of the stages, the Challenge teams competed using the KFD hoses to push a barrel hung on a cable.

At 2 PM, April Muhs was ready to lead line dancing.

The BBQ dinner with meat cooked by contestant, Chris Patterson, began at 3 PM with the BBQ Awards Ceremony at 4:30 PM. Leftovers were auctioned off at the end.

Custodian & volunteer, Nida Dodge, did the final check at about 7 PM. Our crew returned on Monday and, with help from the Shoshone Base Camp Servants, finished the final cleanup.

Our thanks go to the Mountain View Congregational Church for the use of their tables; to St. Rita's Catholic Church for the use of their heated serving cart; to Yoke's Foods for allowing us to store the ice, cooked meat, and chips at their store until needed; to Stein's, Sunrise Dairy, Costco, Barney's, Excel, Walmart, and Frito Lay/Pepsi for their donations; GuestHouse Inn supplied lodging for the judges; and to the many cooks who provided us with lovely salads and desserts. Definitely, no one went away hungry. ☺

Special thanks, of course, go to the 10 BBQ teams who traveled here from Montana, Canada, Washington, and elsewhere in Idaho to compete and bring attention to the Silver Valley and our housing ministry. We also thank those who provided internet links for it on their websites.

I just wish it had been a financial success. Although we had a nice turnout for the event, we did not cover the \$5000 prize money we had to put up front. Cementation, Les Schwab, Lavigne Drug, Dave Smith, and US Bank and some generous individuals made contributions for the event. F&H Mine Supply earned the Bronze Sponsor status will all the advertising and equipment Forest Van Dorn provided.

At Norm Dubiel's suggestion, I asked those involved to do a critique. If we chose to hold another cook-off next year, these suggestions will definitely be used (such as handing out a map for the various activities and starting much sooner to solicit sponsors, etc.)

I guess I should put things in perspective & be glad we were not hosting the Olympics. According to July's *Economist*, "The average overspend, at 179%, is worse than any other kind of megaproject, including dams."

I am delighted that so many pitched in to help at the BBQ and people enjoyed it.



Stokin N Smokin from Hayden, Idaho were the Grand Champion winners.

Smoke Collective From Cottonwood, Idaho won the Reserve Grand Champion trophy.



Bent Spoon from Grand Forks, British Columbia was the Taster's Choice Winners. Our thanks to head judge, Angie's father, for these photos.

At his granddaughter, Akira's urging, Charles McClelland makes the winning \$20 bid for the fancy house shaped cake made by Cindy White.



Chuck Carlson, winner of the \$200 Jackass Challenge prize, poses with event organizers, Joan Block, Juli Zook and John Fuller



6th St. Melodrama players entertained us with many clever songs: Singing are Carol Roberts, Molly Roberts, Wyatt Newell, Zoe Roberts, Ryan Griffin, Alex Heston, Jon Evans, and Paul Roberts. I went to July's production—outstanding!

## How's the ReUse Store Doing?

By Verne Blalack

One of my constant observations is how people's dreams change when they meet reality. We used to take donations for our low income non-profit housing program (that we did not use in our own home construction) to the Hayden Habitat for Humanity Restore. They gave us half of the money on their sale of these materials.

We (the S. V. Fuller Center) had discussed at various time the possibility of opening a ReUse Store if we could find an adequate location. When gas prices rose so high that we couldn't afford to haul things to Hayden, I noticed that Larry's Saw Shop was for sale. The recession having made the stock market ify, and hating to see many of our donations going to the dump, I bought Larry's Saw Shop and offered its use to the Fuller Center. To my surprise, they offered me a 10 year lease with an option-to-buy, which I accepted.

Our original thoughts envisioned the ReUse Store being open a few days a month. We started cleaning the old saw shop on August 1, 2011, striving to get it ready for business. However, people surprised (invaded?) us that very day by bringing us stuff and looking for other stuff. Since then it's been a constant struggle. We have been unable to constantly clean, sort and display all the goodies that arrive in a professional manner.

We are making enough money to pay off the ten year option-to-buy but not enough to hire employees. Our expenses have been averaging around \$3000 per month and our income is around \$4000. In addition to cleaning, insulating, mudding, painting, building shelves, fencing the yard, etc., the roof still has to be repaired.

At the time of this writing, our consistent weekly volunteers have been Bev Lightner, Paulette Ross, Rick Wood, R'Gean Lillibridge, and myself. Paulette, our antique expert, is a superb cleaner with an artistic eye. Thank God for Bev. Under chaotic conditions, (and the sudden death of her husband) she somehow manages to keep the furniture and household items well displayed. Super strong and clear headed, Rick Wood and I have spent many Tuesdays picking up items throughout the valley. R'Gean comes Thursday afternoons and does her share of cleaning, including taking the clearing cloths home to wash, working behind the counter, and making bank deposits.

However, private affairs trump public affairs and we volunteers can't keep running the store by ourselves—and do justice to our loved ones. So changes will be happening in August. We will be either getting more volunteers or shortening the work week—perhaps to just Thursday through Saturday.

PS Mick Pendergast is paid by Experience Works (a non-profit retraining program) for working 20 hours a week. Kevin Hutchings is a super "getter" volunteer and is paid for specialty work at times.

Of course, when Dreams Meet Reality, unexpected things happen. So perhaps, the next year will be as surprising as the first year has been.

To paraphrase Joe Peak—See You at the ReUse Store (709 Main St., Smelerville).



When former RVer, Wally Baker, came for a visit, Verne put him to work with Thomas Smith, at left, at the ReUse Store. Wally & Verna Baker have been coming back to help since their first build with us in 1998.



Clint Kunze, at left, of Shoshone Base Camp, stops by the ReUse Store to see how his Youth Servants are doing. Here they are sawing and stacking the wood into lengths for the wood stove we will use again this winter.

## We do need help at the ReUse Store with:

- Cleaning
- Pricing
- Displaying
- Sorting
- Gleaning (collecting donations)
- Building Repairs
- Loading & Unloading Merchandise
- Assisting Customers
- Bookkeeping

**Items for sale:** building materials, appliances, furniture, books & tapes & CDs, kitchen ware & small appliances, exercise equipment (some free), etc. We have a wide selection that changes daily.

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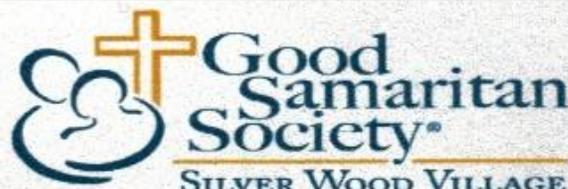
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*[If I have missed anyone, please let me know.]*

### We are honored to receive these memorials.

*From Verne & Judy Blalack  
In memory of Ron Eggart  
and of Everett Arvidson*

*From an Anonymous donor  
In memory of Gerry House*

## Coming Events

**Aug 3-5—Pinehurst Days**

Aug 14—Committee and Board meetings, 6:30 PM,  
Mountain View Congregational Church

**Sept 15—15<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk-A-Thon, 9 AM, Kellogg Jr.  
High School, Kellogg**



When an accident befell our homeowner-to-be, Jacki Huber's kids, some Shoshone Base Camp Servants helped with her share of the newsletters she folds to earn "sweat equity". They are Colby and Madi Overstreet, Cheri Mass, Randy Overstreet, James Maas and Kierra Anderson of the King of Glory Church in Cheyenne, Wyoming.



Jerry McCarver of OXARC gives a gift of checking all the BBQer's fire extinguishers is very well appreciated. All fire extinguishers must be certified before an event.

### Here's Help for SVFCH . . .

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Our mentor, Chris Patterson and son Connor of Brown Chicken Brown Cow (BC<sup>2</sup>) collect one of the 5 prize ribbons they won at the Jackass Kickin' BBQ Cook-Off. One of those was 2<sup>nd</sup> in

the Taster's Choice category. Chris & Greg Prado were very encouraging and helpful, especially behind the scenes working with the other teams and the PNWBA. I've received many complimentary emails from those involved about our efforts.

*Photo by Angie's Dad*



Marlene Martin of Shoshone County Housing assists Judy with finding the demographic census statistics needed for a

Fuller Center annual report. **The report also asked the approximate total # of Volunteers (355) & hours (10,325) from 7/1/11 to 6/30/12.**



SVFCH Board welcomed the newest member, R'Gean Lillibridge, at the July meeting. Clockwise are Barb Fisher, Marilyn White, Janice DeVoe, Norma Seaton, Bob Larson, R'Gean, Kevin Hutchings, Mike Humphrey, CJ Leetch, Kathy McPherson, Ed Vang, Haley Gosline, and Verne Blalack.

*Photo by Judy*

After many years of service, Norma tendered her resignation. She felt called to work with the Christian School. She has been a great asset to SVFCH and actually was our first president in 1993. We wish you well, Norma.



Anika Sundstrom led the entertainment with "America the Beautiful" and other songs.

Below: KHS Cheerleaders inspire the crowd with a rousing cheer.



## *Wish List*

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*Our Dena Mora Project will be featured next month.*

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