



## SV Fuller Center

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**Hospitality** - ?

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**Pig Roast** - Don Taylor  
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& Verne Blalack  
**Photographer** - Judy Blalack &  
others

Note the ???.)

**Jeramiah Haynes expresses  
our wishes for a  
Very Merry Christmas to all.**

**Please join us for our  
Christmas potluck  
7 PM, December 10,  
At the  
Mountain View  
Congregational Church.**



The Mace home has a new roof at the end of a long productive day with help from many hands.  
*Photo by Christina Mace*

*For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.*

Luke 2:10-14

## ACT AND CELEBRATE IN THE PRESENT

By Verne Blalack

When we first started this non-profit housing organization in the early 1990s the excitement was building. The Family Selection committee started selecting families. The Family Partnership committee started helping low income families with their budgets and personal problems. The Construction Committee was anxious to start raising walls. Etc.... Morale was high. We would certainly help eliminate poverty housing in the Silver Valley. And for twenty years we have eliminated poverty housing for eighteen Silver valley families (and probably as many in 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries through our tithe program.)

Sadly those 20 years have taken their toll on our organization. Our committees are in disarray. The Greatest Generation and those following through the Baby Boomer generation (our main supporters) are dying off and retiring. My dad used to say "time takes all." And that is certainly true. Never-the-less, for years we will have payments coming in from our home owners mortgages as well as our faithful donors and funds from our fundraisers and we have land available. So..., even though we may not be able to build a new home every year (costs have gone up) we will certainly be financially viable for many years. Yesterday is history: tomorrow is a mystery; so let's hope for the best, but act and celebrate life in the Present. I celebrate every time I think that Mace home is becoming a success story due to their and many volunteers' actions.

Our Greater Blessings program is helping homeowners that cannot help themselves either financially or physically with repairs. We have just completed helping fund the roof for the Mace family. But, we do need volunteers to assess the needs, to supervise construction of these repairs, and helpers with construction before we can start another project. We do have applications—will you help?

### So If You Want a New Home and

1. can't afford a home and
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3. have an income of approximately \$1500 per month or more and
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8. phone our ReUse store (786 6013) and ask for us to send you a home application.

## Paulette's Corner

### A gift idea.

We have put together two sets of vintage tackle boxes filled with vintage fishing supplies. They are surprise boxes. In other words, they can't be opened until Christmas! A list of supplies is included.

Hurry, they won't last!

Please remember us for holiday decorations at super low prices.

Hope to see you soon.



Peggy Morris checks out some of our Christmas items.

### Handles

We need new and/or used handles for replacing handles in hammers, axes, shovels, etc. If you have any lying around, please bring them to the Re-Use Store or call Don Ashcraft (our handy handle man) at 556-4113. Don can come pick them up.



ROTC helper, Ethan Galford, draws a winning raffle ticket from the bag that Jason Haynes holds

### Thank all of you

attending the Annual Fall Arts & Craft Fair who shopped by our Fuller Center for Housing booth to buy a raffle ticket. Linda Christensen won the Christmas basket, Peggy Doering won the \$50 Wallace True Value gift certificate and Forest Van Dorn won the elk print. ROTC helpers with set up were Austin Kahn, Garrett Kahn and Tyler Custis. Volunteers were R'Gean Lillibridge, Chris Rust, Marqueta Martinez, Jason & Jason Jr. Haynes. Marilyn White—Committee Chair



Nate Galford, Glenn White, Dave Weingart and Steve Bristow attach blocks to the trusses.



Dave Weingart uses his log loader to lift the trusses onto the roof.



Wally Sherwood, Allen Bassemier, Riley Fisher, Terry Schoonmaker move the truss in place.



Marty Fisher bolts a truss to the support post.

## The Mace Roof Project

The roof took over three weekends to finish and more to come in the spring to get on the porch and finish the side, but for now, we will be dry.

I want to thank all the guys that came and helped with the roof in snow, rain, and cold. I have tried to thank them in person, but it just does not seem like enough.

I want everyone in the Valley to know just how thankful our family is for all the work and help that we received through this process.

With the holidays close, we still want desperately to get in before Christmas so will continue to work hard.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

*Christina Mace*



The 3 older boys in the Mace family helped with the roof construction.

Above, Alex Galford lifts a purlin up to Allan Bassemier.

Below, Nate Galford holds a truss with Dave Weingart and Ethan Galford sweeps water off the roof. Wally Sherwood is shown in the background.



Terry Schoonmaker, Nate Galford, and Wally Sherwood install the purlins between the trusses.



Gene Jacobs, Dave Riley, Andy Hanan are ready to help cut and install the roofing after Steve Bristow marks the cut.



Steve Bristow and Marty Fisher step away from the center piece of roofing they installed over the front door while Riley Fisher, Evan and Alexis Mace, Nate Hanan, Dave Riley, Andy Hanan, Gene Jacobs watch from below.

*All construction photos by Christina*

We of the Silver Valley Fuller Center for Housing would also like to thank all those involved with this construction project—especially Steve Bristow and Kellogg Lumber Company.

We are honored to live in an area where there is so much community spirit. ☺

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### We are honored to receive these memorials.

*From Gail and Lou Featherstone  
in Memory of Tana Rainio*

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in Memory of Melissa Rupp Conners*

### Greater Blessings Fund

Rex Gettman, Penny & Dan Michaels, Diana Burbridge,  
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Lauren Chavez and Jr. Red Cross President, Matthew Bottman, visit the ReUse Store. Lauren is our contact for helpers from the Jr. Red Cross. She also has offered to help with some of my tasks. ☺

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

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### Coming Events

Dec 10—Board & Committee meetings 6:30 PM, Mt. View Congregational Church

**Dec 10—Annual Christmas Potluck, 7 PM, Mt. View Congregational Church**

**Dec 25—Christmas**

**Jan 1—New Years**

Jan 14—Board & Committee meeting, Mt. View Congregational Church \*\*\* Board elections

### We thank all these donors who filled our Christmas raffle prizes.

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Marilyn White delivers the Christmas Basket prize to Linda Christensen that she won at the Arts & Craft Fair. Linda is holding a set of embroidered dish towels donated by Lois White.

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Go to <http://www.fullercenter.org/shopping> to learn more.



## WISH LIST

It is with a big thank you & regret that we accept the resignation of two of our committee chairs: Marilyn White from the Family Selection Committee and Janice

DeVoe from the Family Partnership Committee. We are looking for replacements—please help.

We also need:

- gleaners—people with their own pickups willing to retrieve larger donations and make deliveries.
- Partnership Committee members
- Construction supervisors and workers for our Greater Blessings Projects

**As with Haiti, the Fuller Center will be building homes in the Philippines in the disaster areas. If you wish to contribute, we will forward your check on to this fund. Please mark on your check that it is for this purpose.**



Andy Hanan, Terry Schoonmaker, Allen Bassemier, Riley Fisher, Glenn White, Wally Sherwood lower an end truss toward Steve Bristow. This is the Greater Blessings project for the Mace family roof.

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