

MACE FAMILY OPEN HOUSE

By Marilyn White

June, 2013 the Mace family made application to The Fuller Center for housing to help move and renovate their mobile home units to their Kingston property.

The application was reviewed and the family interviewed addressing their plan for their home a simple, decent place to live. The Fuller Center Committee determined the project was eligible through the Fuller Center's Greater Blessings Partners program.

A major part of the project was the construction and placement of the roof over the renovated units, which was accomplished last November. Work continued with plumbing, heating, and electrical installation with help from the Fuller Center when possible. The Fuller Center members and Mace family collaborated to have the OPEN HOUSE on May 31st.

Names of the Mace family: Christina and Joshua Mace; Nathanael Galford age 20, Alex Galford age 18, Julie Mace age 16, Ethan Galford age 15, Avery Mace age 15, Makayla Mace 14, Bethany Galford age 12, Evan Mace 12, Alexis Mace age 10 and Parker Mace age 6.



The Mace children gather for a photo at their open house

Fuller Center Board Members attending the Open House were Verne and Judy Blalack, Ellie Arguimbau, R'Gean Lillibridge, Marilyn White and Mike Humphrey. Ken Mace, Frances Wood and Frances Holm, grandparents, came to help celebrate the occasion.

Rick Gilbert and Rick Wood supervised youth with some interior



Pauline Norris presented the family with a laundry basket that Judy holds full of cleaning supplies and also a broom from the Osburn Community Baptist Church.

carpentry, Dr. Philip Orban helped paint, Jim Taylor was overseer of terracing, and Steve Bristow, Andy Hanson and Dave Weingart, roofers are a few of the many volunteers helping with the Mace family home project.

Many Youth Groups took part in various tasks needed to renovate the units. Ed and Mary Kopf and Gene Jacobs and other members from the Real Life Ministries in Pinehurst supported the Mace family with their project. Christina gave thanks to all who helped to make their dream home a reality.

Pastor Phil Squire opened the celebration with prayer and a blessing for the home.

Pauline Norris, representing the Osburn Community Baptist Church brought a basket of cleaning supplies.

Judy Blalack brought miscellaneous items, some donated from the Fuller Center Re-U Store.

Real Life Minister, Gene Jacobs with the help of Evan Mace offered the benediction and Alex Galford lead the group in singing Amazing Grace.

Guests were invited to a final tour of the home with renovated rooms for each family member and partake in the refreshments.



While Christina holds the music, Alex accompanied the group as they sang Amazing Grace. That afternoon, Alex graduated from Kellogg High School as a member of the Honor Society. Photos by Mike Humphrey & Nathanael Galford

*Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness,
And for His wonderful works to the children of men!*

Psalms 108:31

The Holy Spirit hard at work!

By Cami Carlson, HFCS Parent

Literally! The Holy Spirit was hard at work on Sunday, June 8, near Cataldo when 18 Holy Family Catholic School (HFCS) 8th grade graduates and their parents joined forces with the Fuller Center for Housing's Greater Blessings committee to complete a service project at the home of Joshua & Christina Mace. More than 30 people spent four hours hauling railroad ties, shoveling dirt, moving rocks, spreading soil, planting trees and flowers, sawing, hammering, digging, and loving. Much was accomplished with such an amazing work crew! An eroding hillside was secured with new vegetation, terraced planter boxes were designed and built to stop the erosion on another hill, and trees were



Volunteers move the railroad ties in place to make a terraced hillside in front of the home.

planted to stabilize yet another site on the property.

The HFCS students, along with their teachers and families, joyfully worked in the hot sun, truly loving the opportunity to be God's hands for the Mace family.

Prior to their service project, the HFCS 8th graders spent their graduation weekend in the Silver Valley riding the Hiawatha Trail, swimming in the Mullan Pool, mining garnets near Fernwood, exploring Moon Pass, and playing at Silver Rapids. St. Alphonsus parish in Wallace



Under careful supervision, boys learn to use a chainsaw to cut the timbers used in the terraced area.



Boys ran the wheelbarrows full of soil and waiting shovelers tossed it up the slope. Others planted donated flowers such as iris and strawberries to hold the hillside in place.

graciously hosted the group with overnight accommodations and kitchen access for meal provisions. "We had fun all weekend," said HFCS student, Faith Carlson, "but the highlight was definitely the service project. Working together in the sun and the dirt to show God's love, that's just what Holy Family is all about!"

Lucky for us, that's what the Fuller Center is all about as well! Together with the Spirit, HFCS and the Fuller Center made beautiful progress in a short amount of time. We hope that our work was a blessing to the Mace family, and we KNOW that the opportunity to work together in service with the Fuller Center was an incredible blessing to our kids and our HFCS community! Thank you!



Here is a partial view of the worksite. Photos by Cami Carlson

What a Blessing for Us

For several years the 8th graders from the Holy Family Catholic School in Cd'A have spent time at the end of their school year helping with our projects from excavating under a house and working at the ReUse Store and now doing landscaping.

It is amazing how much can be accomplished with 30+ willing volunteers in 3 hours.

Our thanks go to Jim Taylor for laying out the project and to Susan Mitchell, Judy Blalack, Kim Short, April Muhs, and KMS for donating plants. Sorry we were unable to dig all those offered.

Our thanks also go to Chipmasters, Inc. of Rathdrum where we bought their best soil mix at a discount and to Carl Blalack for discounting his costs for hauling it.



Ride the Wall

Photos by Garrett Thyr



Assisting those signing up are Ellie Arguimbau and Audrey Azure, a Junior Red Cross volunteer. Keirra Johnson was another Jr. Red Cross helper.



Rose Lake Quick Response Unit volunteers made sure all were safe.



Bikers line up for the start signal.



Riders came in many sizes and ages.



After crossing the bridge, the bikers travel on the CCC Road along the Coeur d'Alene River.

Kathy McPherson, Chair of the Ride the Wall, noted: "...pretty slim on numbers, long on fun! What a great group! Everything went along smoothly and we had good coverage as far as volunteers. Lots of folks from the QRU!" Dave Leeds was MC. Other volunteers were Jacob Dorsett, Mike White, Bob Grigg, Jeff Passer, Jim and Vikkilee Reynoldson

There were fifty registrants with only 12 of them from the valley. With Gyro Days, another bike event in Sandpoint and something else in St. Maries, some of our traditional riders were otherwise involved. Hope to see them back next year. The proceeds from this event benefit both the Fuller Center for Housing programs and the Rose Lake Quick Response Unit.

We do have extra shirts available. Call Judy if you would like to buy some. 682-3240



Dave Smith's sign makers, John Davis and Lacy Cogswell made a new Roast banner for us.



Norm and Mary Lou Dubiel make new standing signs and refurbish others from last year's Pig Roast



Deb Holms is a very welcome new volunteer at the ReUse Store.

Photos by Judy.

We thank these businesses for supporting our newsletter.



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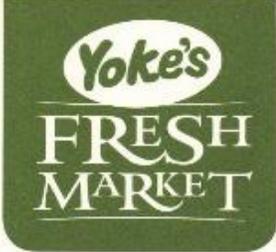
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Coming Events

July 8—Committee and board meetings, 6:30 PM, Mountain View Congregational Church
July 29-31—Fuller Center Bike Adventures stay
Aug 4-8—Dena Mora Rest Stop fund raiser.



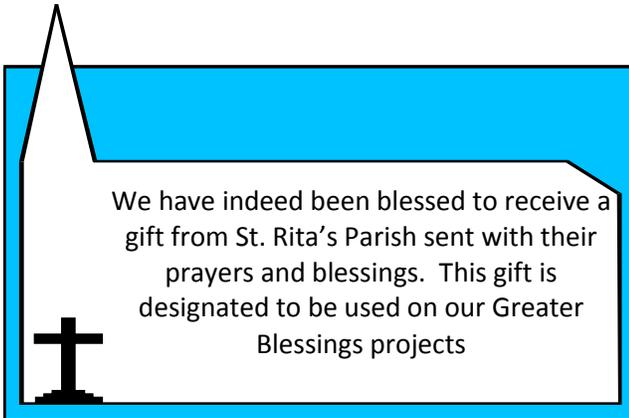
Eric Fink of the Shoshone News Press, right, met with Dr. Norm and Mary Lou Dubiel and Judy Blalack to discuss the upcoming Pig Roast. The Dubiels are in charge of the signing for the event. We were delighted with the coverage Eric gave us for the Pig Roast and the Ride the Wall event.

We are honored to receive this memorial.

*From Ken and Carolyn Kimpton
In memory of Kurt Bentsen*

Greater Blessings Fund

Rex Gettman, Diana Burbridge, Verne & Judy Blalack, Shannan Souza, St. Rita's Parish



We have indeed been blessed to receive a gift from St. Rita's Parish sent with their prayers and blessings. This gift is designated to be used on our Greater Blessings projects



Clint Kunze, from Shoshone Mountain Retreat, discusses with Verne the best ways to collaborate using our resources of materials and funds for Greater Blessings projects with the youth groups who come to his camp each summer.

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Want to help with food and transportation when the 40 bicyclists from the Fuller Center stay here and work July 29-31?

Call R'Gean Lillibridge, 682-3682.

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Bikers gather at the Mission Inn before the start of the Ride the Wall family bike event. *Photo by Mike Humphrey*



Christina Mace controls the electricity going to the old table saw that Jim Taylor used to cut stakes. The stakes were pressed into the slope to protect the flowers and strawberries planted below them. *Photo by Judy*



Pastor Gene Jacobs with the help of Evan Mace offered the benediction at the Mace family's Open House. *Photo by Nathanael Galford*

If you can help with any in the list to the right, give Judy a call at 682-3240.



Wish List

Construction Supervisors to help with our Greater Blessings projects—those which projects you feel comfortable with.

Gleaner—someone with a pickup willing to bring donated items to the ReUse Store and to make deliveries. We can help some with gas. (At this time, Verne is working 5 days a week at the store and frequently doing the gleaning after work or on Sundays & Mondays plus bookkeeping at home.) Even volunteering a day or half a day per month on a regular schedule would help.

Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteers: Grant Writer; committee helpers; and store helpers.

Dena Mora Rest Stop Coordinator

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