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Placid Janet Lake

By Ron Boothe

The Following is an article by Ron Boothe from the April, 1995, issue of The Silver Bulletin.

Whenever I think of this Lake, I think of Lake Placid. Her quiet, calm demeanor is a trademark of her long-standing community service.

One of the foundation blocks of Habitat for Humanity in the Silver Valley, Janet Lake has been on the Board from its beginning, serving on the Family Selection Committee.



Janet Lake

Janet called Father King at St. Rita's Church in connection with her work with Shoshone County Head Start, to ask about available shelter for homeless folks, and he told her about Habitat and she became interested. She worked along with Pastor Kate Lepard in getting organized, and she became chair of the Family Selection Committee almost from the beginning.

Janet was born and reared in Kellogg, graduating from KHS and attending Kelsey-Baird Secretarial School in Spokane. She and her husband, Marvin, have been active with their three boys in the scouting program from the time she was a Den Leader for six years; Marvin was scoutmaster of Troop 355 for many years, and served on the district level in many capacities. Janet also has served on the Shoshone County Youth Accountability Board, helping troubled youth.

Twenty-three years ago she began working with Shoshone Head Start as a teacher-aide, and soon became a teacher, a teacher consultant, a family services coordinator, and is currently the principal for the program.

Habitat for Humanity and the entire community is very fortunate to have a person of Janet's caliber who has demonstrated so much service for so many years. Janet's placid persistence and cool wisdom have enriched the lives of many in our valley.

2025 follow up- from Judy Blalack

Since that time (30 years ago), Janet has stayed involved in our organization. Some time ago, she volunteered to proofread the newsletter before it went to print. When arthritis in her hands became a problem, she had to give up helping folding newsletters. However, for many years, she has picked up the returned newsletters from the



Janet folding newsletters

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"Remember, O Lord, Your tender mercies and Your loving kindnesses..." -Psalm 25:6

Placid Janet Lake, continued

Smelterville Post Office and sent the address corrections via email to me, Judy, so I could update our mailing file. Recently, she notified us that she could no longer do this since she has decided to give up driving, and Ray and Linda Guthmiller have stepped forward to perform this service. We are charged a full first-class fee for every newsletter returned, so please keep us informed if you do change your address.

My last message from her is "Judy, if I can still be of any help with proofreading, I'd be happy to. I don't need a car for that." This is dedication!

Appreciation Certificates



Sharon Hayes, manager of Valley Violets, holds her certificate. They continue the tradition to donate a prize suitable for either a child or adult for our Walk-A-Thon.



Heidi Russo of Spunstrand holds their certificate. We appreciate their contribution each year.



Robin Frick at Mae's Miss Muttly Makeover accepted a certificate of appreciation for her grooming certificate we used in a raffle basket fundraiser.



Jessica Holpa accepts Kellogg Subway's thank-you for their donations of several certificates we used in our raffle baskets.



Ryan Murray received Coeur d'Alene Bicycle Company's thank you certificate for their raffle prize donations.



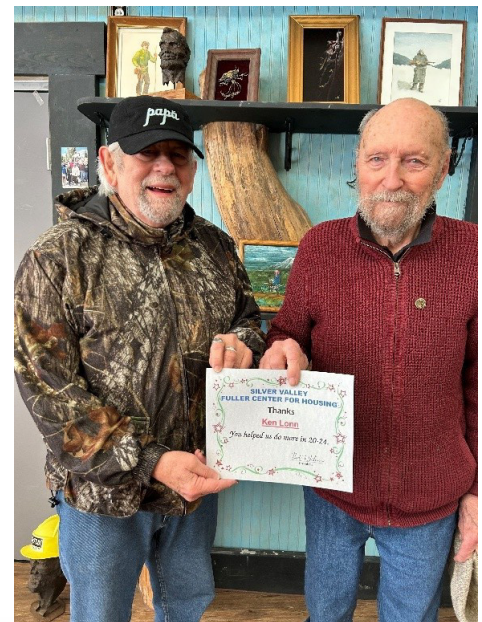
Kassi Solberg, of Sun Mountain 4 Seasons Farmers Market, accepts a certificate from Judy for their contribution in 2024.



A bit of fun was had at Yoke's when we delivered their certificates. Carlee accepted the one for the Pharmacy and Everett has the one for Yoke's Foods. The Pharmacy has a monthly ad in the newsletter and Everett approves donations such as the case of bananas for the Bicycle Adventurers when they stayed here to help.



Bob Whitman presents a certificate to Nick and Elizabeth Andersen, owners of Furniture Exchange. They support the newsletter with ads and donated a prize for our raffle.



Sculptor & artist, Ken Lonn, receives a certificate from Bob Whitman. He donated some handmade Christmas ornaments for a raffle after he opened a display store on Main Street in Kellogg last year.



Jodi Sawyer accepts a certificate for Shoshone Glass' prizes used in our raffle baskets.



Hunter Jones holds her certificate and a customer at Puppy Love Grooming in Kellogg. We thank her for her gifts we used in our raffles.



Allysen Hei & Will Yergler accept Hoffman Boot's certificate for supporting our newsletter.

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From Janet Lake
In Memory of Helen Mitchell

From Judy Blalack
In Memory of Mike Culhno

Greater Blessings Fund

Judy Blalack, Josephine Davis, Christina & Josh
Mace, Lois White

Help Needed: We are still looking for a
volunteer to adapt our website for easier
access - please contact Tahnee at 208-512-9869
if you can assist!

*February's newsletter mailing: Barbara and Brian
Canterbury, Norm Holtz, Ray Guthmiller, Bob Whitman, and
Tahnee Winters.*

Thank You, January Donors

You warmed our hearts with your gifts.

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March 11th — Board and Committee meetings,
5:30 PM, Pinehurst Lions Hall, Pinehurst

March 17th — St. Patrick's Day

April 1st — Newsletter mailing workshop at St.
Rita's in Kellogg 9:00 AM.

Note: *Annual board retreat and committee meetings
dates to be determined at the March meeting.*

Wish List

Specific Needs:

- Construction Supervisors – need not do the labor.
- Construction volunteers to work with the Supervisor.
- PR Chair
- Ad payment bookkeeper
- And others –

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