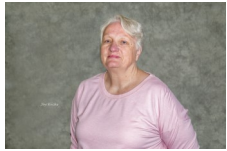




ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



My name is Joy and I have the great opportunity to help serve at the Humanitarian Center. I get to work with some lovely people cutting the backs for the tops of the quilts. We have some very talented people who put the tops together by sorting the colors and sewing them together.

Pictured: Joy Rucks I really want to thank everyone for donating the fabric you have because that is how we are able to make the backs. We have the tops come in and then we choose a fabric that goes well with the colors. Sometimes, we have to choose two or three pieces of fabric to make a back. We are in the back a little because we have to use a lot of math to figure the right size.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to work at the center. I have met a lot of wonderful people and made some new friends. I also have learned how to choose fabric, and I have more confidence in my projects that I like to do.

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Van Sargent started volunteering at the Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center in 2016. He shares, "I was looking for something worthwhile to do to pass the time." He lives in Ucon and has lived in Finland, Iona, Salt Lake and at BYU Provo. He has been married to a local girl for 54 years. He had the opportunity to take his whole family on a cruise for his 50th wedding anniversary.

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GUEST SPEAKER



We had the opportunity to hear from Alyce Jeppesen from the Chaplain's of Idaho. The Chaplain's of Idaho work with law enforcement and fire departments all over Idaho. They help respond and comfort those in need when there is a suicide, car accident, or any type of tragedy or hardship. They help all people including law enforcement officers.

Alyce talked about an incident where there was a suicide that happened one cold night. The family was near the river waiting for the divers to bring back news when she took out one of the quilts from the Humanitarian Center and wrapped the family in it.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 1 APR..... EASTER MONDAY
- 2 APR..... 6:30 PM IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR YOUTH
- 10 APR..... 8 AM IFAHC EXECUTIVE MEETING
- 11 APR..... IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR ADULTS ONLY
- 15 APR..... TAX DAY
- 16 APR..... 6:30 PM IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR YOUTH
- 18 APR..... 5 PM IFAHC BOARD MEETING



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(Assistant Director’s Message continued)

If you have some free time or need something to do, please come and join us because it is a fun time in your life and you are blessing a lot of people and also yourself.

Again, we do appreciate all the things everyone does for the center, their time and products.

(Guest Speaker continued)

The quilt helped the family feel loved, warm and comforted. The quilt was then left with the family so they could remember they are loved.

Alyce shared the Chaplain’s of Idaho help people feel safe, seen, heard, and understood. The Chaplain’s have the people’s best interest in mind and will help comfort where they are needed. Alyce said the Humanitarian Center helps support the Chaplain’s because we are able to provide toys and quilts for when people need them the most. Everything that we do at the Humanitarian Center matters, even if we do not see it.

We are so grateful for the chance to have Alyce come speak with us!

“You control your destiny - you don’t need magic to do it. There are no magical shortcuts to solving your problems.”



Merida, Brave

LAST MONTH’S IMPACT

Individual center workers.....	742
First-time volunteers	11
Onsite service hours	5,151
Offsite service hour.....	3,454
Total center items produced	3,116



WAYS TO DONATE

In person or by mail:

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PayPal; Venmo;

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This is the beginning of a
new day.

God has Given me this day
To use as I will.

I can waste it or use it for
good.

What I do today is im-
portant,

Because I'm exchanging
A day of my life for it.

When tomorrow comes,
This day will be gone for-
ever,

Leaving in its place
Something that I have
traded

For it.

I want it to be gain, not
loss;

Good, not evil;

Success, not failure;

In order that I shall not
regret

The price I paid for it.

~Beth (Hope of God) 2024



"It was only a sunny
smile, and little it
cost in the giving,
but like morning
light it scattered
the night and made
the day worth
living."

~F. Scott Fitzgerald



(Volunteer Spotlight continued)

They have five children, who are all married and live within five miles of his home. They also have 15 grandchildren, 3 of which are on LDS missions. He says they all come home every other Sunday for dinner.

Van is a man of many talents. He worked at Bonneville High School as an English and debate teacher. He also has experience in RV and mobile home sales and delivering flowers. He also worked at the Bishop's Storehouse for 5 years. He worked as a Radiologist Health Instructor at NRF for 29 years. As a hobby, he likes to do upholstery.

He enjoys traveling to Mexico, Hawaii, Scandinavia, Paris and Finland. He also enjoys recording and writing friends and family's biographies. He shares he "feels like a private person, but it's enjoyable listening to all of the conversations going on around him".

We are grateful to have Van with us!



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My mother once said: "Hate has 4 letters but so does love. Enemies has 7 letters but so does friends. Lying has 5 letters but so does truth. Cry has 3 letters but so does joy. Negativity has 10 letters but so does positivity." Life is 2 sided, choose the better side of it.
~Unknown

Thank you for all of the generous donations! We appreciate the generosity of all, whether they are named or unnamed!



The Rigby South Stake Relief Society generously donated toilet paper, paper towels, diapers, and tissues.

The Community Food Basket generously donated 2,500 pounds of rice.



The Transportation Department came and volunteered. We appreciate all of their help.

We have been blessed to have two good people join our woodworking team: Kent Wood and Mike Peterson.

We are still in need of people in the jump rope area and in folder games.

DONATIONS NEEDED

- ALL PURPOSE CLEANER
- DEODORANT
- CLOROZ WIPES
- TOOTH PASTE
- YARN 2,3, 4 PLY
- HYGIENE KIT SUPPLIES

EVENING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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Adults Only—2nd Thursday of each month

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