

Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center

Monthly Newsletter



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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE BY KENT WOOD



Here at the Humanitarian Center we deal in scraps. Scraps of fabric. Scraps of wood. Scraps of yarn. Scrapes donated by generous people or companies. They are then sorted, cut, assembled, sewn, glued and generally transformed into many items beautiful and useful.

In the wood toy department this past year, it has been our objective to reduce QUANTITY and increase QUALTY. To do that we changed many of our designs and processes to

achieve better looking toys. We have concentrated on building products for specific customers.

Examples: Horses for Champs Heart, First Responder toys for The Chaplin's of Idaho and Educational Puzzles and Alphabet Blocks for the Preschools and Kindergarten classes.

Pictures on page 2 are some of the toys we have constructed (Using scraps of wood) for these agencies.

1. 4 first responder vehicles. 2. Champs Heart Horses. 3. Blocks and Puzzle.

One final example is a large table, constructed entirely from donated hardwoods, that will be given to Beehive Credit Union as a way of saying thank you for their generous financial support to the Center.

Note: Many local cabinet shops generously donate their wood scraps for us to use.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Sami Rucks has been here at the Humanitarian Center since November of 2021. Before that she was a service missionary and worked here, but she loved being here so much that she came back as a volunteer.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

1 JUL—12 JUL	CENTER CLOSED FOR CLEANING
4 JUL	INDEPENDENCE DAY
17 JUL	IFAHC BOARD MEETING
7 AUG— 9 AUG	ROARING YOUTH JAM

GUEST SPEAKER



On June 17 we heard from Jackie Christiansen. She is from friends for Learning or FFL which is an educational venture for people age 50 and over. It is supported by ISU's Department of Continuing Education and

Workforce Training. FFL is for those who wish to stimulate their thinking, expand their knowledge, meet new people an continue to be active. The registration fee is \$20 per semester and allows a participant to take an unlimited number of classes.

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Volunteer spotlight continued

She has lived in Rigby Idaho for 13 years now. She has also lived in Oklahoma, Maine, Kansas and now Idaho.

She has a large family. She has 19 Nieces and Nephew's and 1 on the way.

She has worked at a thrift store in Rigby called Finder Keepers for 3 years.

Her travel adventures include a cruise to Ensenada Mexico, Kansas, Missouri, Hawaii and Disneyland in California

She has told us that she is a lot of fun to be around and has a very fun personality.

Guet Speaker continued

Some classes or activities do require an additional fee for supplies or admittance to a venue. Registration for the fall of 2025 semester will begin on August 11th. They offer over 61 classes from which to choose.













LAST MONTH'S IMPACT

Individual center workers	307
First-time volunteers	11
Onsite service hours	3872
Offsite service hour	9592
Total center items produced	2117

WAYS TO DONATE

ifareahumanitariancenter.org/donate

In person or by mail 1415 Northgate Mile Idaho Falls, ID 83401







FOR YOUR INFORMATION



Rigby Holbrooke Stake Primary from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints donated over 550 Hygiene kits and also brought in some extra supplies.

We also had a Shelley ward primary from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints bring in 90 Hygiene kits









EVENING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Groups—1st and 3rd Tuesdays 6:30-8:30

Adults Only—2nd Thursday of each month

Reservation Required—Contact Randy 208-589-4974

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DONATIONS NEEDED

ALL PURPOSE CLEANER

SHAVE CREAM

DEODORANT

BLEACH

BABY WIPES

TOILET PAPER

YARN 4 PLY, COTTON

HYGIENE KIT SUPPLIES