

Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center (IFAHC) Newsletter



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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Rhea Jones

I love the quote, "we make a living by what we get, but we build a life by what we give." During this time of celebrating our country and the freedoms we enjoy, it's good to refocus our thoughts on what we can give to our communities and not what we get from any given situation. I know that most people of our country love the freedoms we enjoy and are proud of what we have and how we are free to enjoy those freedoms in our individual lives. I'm so grateful that we have the opportunity here at the Humanitarian Center to affect our community so noticeably by giving of our time and efforts to make this a better area for many of our neighbors and ourselves as well. Our doing that is one of the best ways to show our patriotism and our love for our country. Mother Teresa said, "Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you." Even though we do talk about total num-

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EICAP COMMUNITY PARTNER AWARD

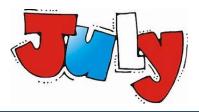


We were pleased to receive EICAP's 2022 Community Partner award this year. This year we were presented with a gift basket in lieu of a plaque like the one in our trophy case. Representing IFAHC to receive the award at this year's annual EICAP dinner were Cindy and Gary Branson and Lori and Dudley

Moser, pictured below. It is a pleasure to work with our community partners throughout eastern Idaho.



L-R Gary & Cindy Branson, Lori & Dudley Moore



HUMANITARIAN OUTREACH

*Chukkars—Thanks to Fred Meyer for sponsoring our booth at the June 16 game and to Idaho Steel for providing 20 tickets! **Camp Magical Moments—Cancer Camp for Kids, Inc. puts on this camp sponsored by the Children's Oncology Camping Association. We will donate comfort kits for 30-40 children who have cancer as they enjoy being a "regular kid" for a week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 5-19	IFAHC CLOSED
July 9	1-4 pm, IFAHC Summer Picnic
July 11-15	Annual Building Cleaning
July 12	Camp Magical Moments**
July 21	IFAHC Board Meeting
July 26	IFAHC Reopens

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bers at the Center, that is just for inventory purposes. We need to remember that each hygiene kit, each wooden toy, each crocheted item, each burrito baby, each jump rope, each newborn kit, each weighted blanket, each folder game, each quilt, etc., is not mass produced and takes a fair amount of time to complete. That time we spend on each item is devoted to one individual. We don't know who that individual is, but that one person is receiving of our talents, our time, and our love. Hopefully our efforts will be used to spur that "one person" on to reach out to the person nearest him or her so that the ripple effect of kindness is ever widening.

AMERICA HEALTH FEEDBACK

An America Health representative recently visited the center. He stopped by Jill Crook's desk and told her how much our quilts were appreciated by his clients. He tries to learn their favorite color and provide them with a quilt in that color. He told Jill that one client told him that, while he would never admit it, her teenage son's most prized possession was the quilt he had received



from the Center. The mother said she had never had anything that was handmade before she received a quilt from the Center, and she truly loved it.

Thank you for all the care, dedication, and love you put into each item produced at the Center. You truly make a difference.

DL EVANS BANK DONATION



L-R Don Williams, Randy Hurley, IFAHC Board Chair

Don Williams of DL Evans Bank presented the Center with a donation. Don nominated the Center after learning about our mission and community contributions. He first learned about us when he worked at Fairwinds and heard residents there talk about our products they had received.

DL Evans, the second largest bank in northern Utah and Idaho, donates \$25K quarterly to organizations nominated by their 1500 employees. The bank's execu-

tive committee reviews the nominations and designates an amount to be awarded. Thank you to Don and DL Evans Bank for nominating the Center and for the service you



COMMUNITY ROOM NEEDS

LAUNDRY SOAP, PAPER **TOWELS, CLEANING SUPPLIES,** SHAVING CREAM



LAST MONTH'S IMPACT

Individual center workers	297
First-time volunteers	42
Onsite service hours	3,989
Offsite service hours	7,228
Total center items produced	2,335
Total at-home items checked in	4,649

WAYS TO DONATE



In person or by mail: 1415 Northgate Mile, Idaho Falls, ID 83401, PayPal, or for Venmo, scan the QR code here or go to our website at Idahofallsareahumanitariancenter.org



THE LAST WORD

"You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4th, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism." — Erma Bombeck