



# Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center

October 2019 Newsletter

## A Message From Our Directors

As we approach the holiday season, we need to think of those in our community who are in need. We have so much and so many have so little. Please think of coming and serving at the Center to help us get ready for this special time of year while you experience the true joy of service.



Don & Mozelle Neville  
Directors, IFAHC

## And special thanks goes to . . .

Before reading more, if you're able, go to <https://ifareahumanitariancenter.org>. That website is due to the *donated* time of Jarom Manwaring, nephew of our own Rebecca Manwaring (who will unfortunately be leaving us the end of December). Check in there often. You'll find a calendar of upcoming events, news, archives of this newsletter, etc.

And while you're at it, every time you check in or out, check a project in or out, and when countless reports are produced that most of us aren't even aware of, they are due to the efforts of Jacob Page (son of our own Jill and Sherwin Crooks), who designed the database that runs this place.

Thanks, Jarom and Jacob! We owe you, bigtime!

## Volunteer Highlight

You'll recognize Margaret Taylor by her wide smile and an impish gleam in her eye as she peers from behind her "fort" of quilt tops. Born and raised in Southern California, she grew up just 4 blocks from the route of the Rose Bowl Parade. She says, "It was always a contest to see who of the four children were going to *have to* go to the Rose Bowl game, knowing they would miss the parade."



Margaret Taylor

Raised near the ocean, Margaret and her Dad loved to go sailing, creating a bond and memories she still cherishes.

Margaret and her husband, Dean (who was an engineer at The Site) have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. She obtained a degree in Home Economics, which has helped in her work at the Center, but she made her living as an administrative assistant for a seismic exploration firm.

She was part of the original team that started the Center and has been with it ever since. She says she walked in, immediately saw needs she could fill and knew this is how she would use her Home Ec. degree.

The Center keeps her going because she simply won't allow herself to be sick, regardless of pain from arthritis or the depression from which she suffers. *What a blessing she is to the Center and all of us!*

## Product Highlight

Chances are very good that most of the folks who visit or even work at the Center aren't aware of the scope of all the products we produce. Here are some relatively obscure items that aren't exactly "famous", but which are much appreciated by and even *crucial* for some of the recipients. Here are some of them.



Specialty Items

- Adult and Children Aprons
- Soft PICC line covers
- Medical dolls (used to demonstrate to children what the doctors will be doing)
- Neck pillows
- Physical therapy "carrots" (for stretching finger muscles)
- Shirt Protectors (to protect the clothing of disabled folks while they eat)
- Shoulder Capes
- Fleece Balls
- Seat belt cushions

### Hours we're open

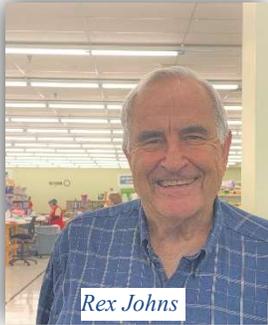
10 am – 3 pm, Tues. & Wed.; 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm; 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month for adults only 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Call Shane Ackerschott 208-206-2834 to schedule evenings.

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## Volunteer Highlight, Part 2



Rex W. Johns was born in Silver City, New Mexico. After living there and in the Mesa-Chandler, Arizona area, his family settled in Emmett, Idaho. He graduated from BYU in Provo, in 1964, he served a 2-year mission for his church in the North Central States Mission.

Rex taught junior high school in Emmett and Fruitland, Idaho then became a principal and school counselor. He was employed for 30 years for LDS Family Services as a social worker, serving in the Indian Student Placement Program and with birth and adoptive parents, counseling both individuals and families.

When not working at the Center, Rex enjoys fishing (trout, steelhead and salmon in the Idaho mountain lakes and streams) and watching grandchildren participate in sports, music and other activities. He and his wife of 57 years, Carolyn, have 8 (7 living) children, 34 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Rex has provided a great service for the Center by drumming up willingness in the minds of those who shop at Amazon, Smiths & Fred Meyers to register for their non-profit donation services. Because of his efforts, since he started promoting this, these businesses have made donations to the Center. We've received \$8,812.58 from Amazon alone.

Rex, you're amazing! Or is that "Amazoning"?

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Speaking of Amazon, Smith's and Fred Meyers, Rex wants to thank you for referring your family and friends to this program.

They already know what this Center means to you. This is a way they can help you with your passion! See Rex for the instructions. ***It translates into \$\$ for the Center!***

### Quiz: September Production

*On each question, whoever guesses the exact number or is closest to it gets a candy bar!*

*(Those with "Access" to this data are disqualified.)*

1. Guess the number of **Pre-K Folder Games delivered** in September.
2. Guess the total number of **deliveries made** in September.
3. Guess the number of **items donated** in September.
4. Guess the total number **hours donated away from the Center** in September.
5. Guess the **number of youth volunteering** (Tues. evenings) in September.

## Thanks for liking pizza!

Thanks to all of you who bought pizza from Papa Murphey's on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Because of the 20% give-back, Papa Murphey's donated \$220 to the Center.

## Welcome, Basic American Foods!

On Wednesday, October 2, 14 HR employees from Basic American Foods visited the Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center for a tour and to serve. They came from several states where Basic American Foods have plants. They are in the area for meetings and decided to take some time to serve in our area. These Human Resource specialists said they had found us on the internet on our webpage at [ifareahumanitariancenter.org](http://ifareahumanitariancenter.org).

They tied quilts, braided jump ropes, painted toys and colored folder games and reported to have loved their time serving here. They were impressed with the IFAHC and wondered why there wasn't one in every town because it is such a great program.



## Quote of the Month

*"You have two hands. One to help yourself, the second to help others."* — Audrey Hepburn



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