

N. Nevada groups create kindness initiative in philanthropist's name

The Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows, together with, Bishop Manogue Catholic High School, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, Our Lady of the Snows and UNR, invite the community to participate in a kindness initiative called Give Back Like Jack.

Throughout 2012, the five organizations encourage residents to help create a sense of kindness and camaraderie in the community by performing random acts of kindness in honor of longtime Reno resident and philanthropist Jack Reviglio, who passed away in 2011.

Give Back Like Jack kicked off on New Year's Eve with Boys & Girls Club members creating 2,600 day packs for local residents who visit St. Vincent's Food Pantry for assistance with meals. The initiative has continued to spread as the University of Nevada recently handed out 500 free tickets to this weekend's men's basketball game.

Give Back Like Jack is a memorial to Reviglio who was so well known for his kindness and philanthropy throughout northern Nevada. Reviglio worked often with the five nonprofit organizations that have created the initiative, whose mission is to continue spreading the kindness that was so often experienced thanks to Reviglio and his family.

Whether the activity consists of taking the neighbor's trash to the curb, visiting a friend who is struggling with illness or patiently waiting for a pedestrian to cross the street, Give Back Like Jack encourages people to engage in small daily activities that positively affect a friend, family member, co-worker or even a perfect stranger.

After completing the act, go online to tell the story. Stories will be used as examples for other people to follow throughout the rest of the year.

In addition, an event takes place on Washoe County's Jack Reviglio Day – March 17 – to celebrate the accomplishments made during the first part of 2012 and encourage residents to keep the kindness going. Details of the event will be made available in the near future.

For more information on Give Back Like Jack, go online or call (775) 331.5437.