

A Wall called gratitude

When a person faces hard times recalling all the reasons they have for gratitude can be a powerful help. Our town of Friend has been through a tough couple of years, but now there seems to be hope of moving on and healing. This seems like a great opportunity to remember and share all the things about Friend for which we're thankful.

During the first 10 days of Advent we are going to have a way to recall and share what we're grateful for in our town. The Friend Ministerial Fellowship will be putting up a wall on the former site of the bowling alley, The Friend Gratitude Wall. Everyone in our community is invited to come to the wall and use the supplies provided to write down the things about our town that make us thankful and then to post them on the wall.

We'll even provide little plastic bags to protect them from the weather! Post as often as you have something for which you are thankful that you want to share. Come and read what others have posted every chance you get. You need not sign your postings. You may do so if you wish.

The Friend Gratitude Wall will be up on Sunday, December 2nd, the first Sunday of Advent. We hope that some of the thanks people leave at the wall can be shared at the Community Christmas Festival on December 12th. Perhaps some might be published as well.

Our goal is simple—to remember the things we care about in Friend and to publicly give thanks for them. We are blessed to live in a great community. Our hope is that the Gratitude Wall will remind all of us just how blessed we are.