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Donors Recognized During Annual Dinner

Donors, house sponsors and major inkind contributors who have supported Habitat for Humanity of Evansville this year were honored during the annual Donor Recognition Dinner Oct. 13 at St. Mary's Manor Auditorium. Plaques were given to recognize their contributions, and several families received certificates for their continued commitment to Habitat after moving into their homes.

Mike and Hope Staubitz were presented with the Community Builder Award for Exceptional Civic Partnership for their support given through the Staubitz Charitable Trust, a trust created by Mike Staubitz' grandfather and significantly enhanced by his father, Arthur F. Staubitz, who recently passed away. Seven Habitat homes, five in Evansville



Mike and Hope Staubitz, at right, received the Community Builder Award for Exceptional Civic Partnership during the 12th annual Donor Recognition Dinner on Oct. 13. At left is Habitat board member Rick Jillson.

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Last Home in New Haven Begins

Volunteers and Habitat homeowners kicked off the last home to be built in the New Haven subdivision during a special lunch Aug. 1 in the neighborhood's Billy T. Nicholson Park. The many volunteers who helped build the neighborhood are sponsoring the home.

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville built New Haven in response to a tornado that struck Evansville in November 2005. About 40 of the 55 homes were built for tornado survivors. The rest are occupied by traditional Habitat families.

An anonymous donor helped Habitat secure and develop 13 acres of land on Evansville's southeast side to build the neighborhood, and additional support came from the City of Evansville.

Construction in New Haven will end with the dedication of the Crew Build in December.

Glenwood Plans Unveiled

Members of the Glenwood Community Development Initiative unveiled plans to stabilize the neighborhood during the third community discussion on Aug. 15. If all plans come to fruition, the Glenwood neighborhood will have a grocery store, a larger community garden, enhanced educational opportunities and new mixed-income housing near the Glenwood School.

"We're really looking to identify needs and make things happen," said Steve Moore, who chairs the Business and Commerce Priority Team.

Created in early 2008, the Glenwood Community Development Initiative is a collaboration among several community partners working to stabilize the Glenwood neighborhood, bordered by

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Reflecting Back, Looking Forward

Letter from the Executive Director



Dear Friends,

We are wrapping up another exciting and busy year here at Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. It has been my pleasure to work with you in good faith and stewardship as we strive to help all God's people in need.

With your help, we closed on 24 homes this year, several in the New Haven subdivision just off South Green River Road. We soon will be dedicating the last two homes in this area and will be moving into the Glenwood neighborhood, where we have been working very hard with many

other organizations. You will read more about this initiative in this newsletter.

We also celebrated our 25th Anniversary this year. What a joyous occasion to reflect on the many families who have benefitted from the generosity of so many faithful supporters in our area! To show their appreciation, our partner families have joined forces to initiate and promote a Pay It Forward Build.

In our first 25 years, we have helped more than 360 families locally and more than 270 abroad through our tithing program. For each home we build locally, we tithe a portion to build in either Botswana or Jordan.

In the years to come, we hope to broaden our focus even more to improve the lives of our partner families as well as the communities in which they live. We still plan to build 20 or more houses each year, but we want to be a catalyst for holistic community building. This will require reaching out to many partners in our community who also are interested in making the Evansville area one of the best places to live.

We hope you will join us in these endeavors.

In Christian Partnership,

Lori Reed Executive Director

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and two in Colorado, have been built with funds from this trust, the latest being the first Habitat home to be built in New Harmony.

"We truly have cause to give thanks to God and to all of you as we celebrate what all of us, by working together, have been able to accomplish," said Steve Thomas, chairman of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville's board of directors.

About 150 people attended the event. Habitat for Humanity is a unique partnership that brings families in need together with donors and house sponsors seeking to make a difference. When donors give to Habitat for Humanity of Evansville, they give on the premise that families living in substandard housing need a hand up, not a hand out, and they are fully aware that Habitat for Humanity is not a giveaway program.

In fact, families not only purchase their homes on a 25-year, no interest loan, but they also are required to contribute 300 hours of sweat equity towards the building of their homes and the homes of others. In addition, they must attend a series of homeownership classes that cover a variety of topics. When families move into their homes, they are prepared to meet challenges that come with being a homeowner.

Next year, we hope to build at least 22 homes. To sponsor one of these homes, please contact Sr. Jane Michele McClure, development director, at (812) 423-5623.

Habitat Makes Dream of Homeownership Come True for Couple

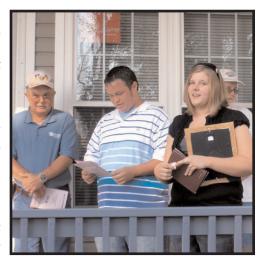
Not long ago, Kevin Storey and his fiancee Candace Payne lived in a small one-bedroom apartment that needed repair and offered very little room for their rambunctious toddler to play. They knew it wasn't the best environment to raise their son in, particularly with a broken window and a gap between the front door and frame so wide that sunlight shone through. But it was all they could afford at the time on their limited income.

Despite the obstacles, the couple continued to work toward a brighter future. Candace received scholarships and grants to attend college. She hopes to eventually earn a bachelor's degree in criminal justice so that she can make a difference in the lives of others. Kevin wants to earn his commercial driver's license.

With their careers on the right track, they then turned to their housing situation. When they first learned of Habitat for Humanity, they didn't think they would qualify. But in September 2009, they moved into their new three-bedroom home.

"There's no way that we would have been able to own our own home for years if not for Habitat," Candace said. "We're really thankful for the program. It still seems like it's too good to be true."

Their 2-year-old is especially proud of his new room. Candace said every time someone visits, he shouts, "Come see my new room!"



Candace Payne thanks sponsors who helped build her family's home. In the middle is Kevin Storey. At left is Habitat volunteer Kevin Long.

Habitat Breaks Ground in New Harmony

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville broke ground in September on its first build in New Harmony. The home is being built for Lori Espenlaub, confined to a wheelchair for eight years after suffering a debilitating accident. Espenlaub,



Partner family Lori Espenlaub, seated, helps to break ground on her new home in New Harmony. The home will be the first Habitat home built in that community. Jane Blaffer Owen, who donated the lot, is pictured at right. Mike Staubitz, house sponsor, is pictured to the left of her.

originally from New Harmony, had to move to Evansville for care, but she is eager to return to her hometown.

"I'm ecstatic," she said moments before lifting the first shovel filled with dirt. "Let's get digging."

Jane Blaffer Owen, a well-known philanthropist influential in the restoration of New Harmony, donated the lot and covered costs for the infrastructure. The house is being sponsored by the Staubitz Charitable Trust.

"Watching her smile, it just makes me choke up," Blaffer Owen said at the groundbreaking. "I don't have words for it."

The home will be fully ADA compliant with accessible cabinets and countertops and a front-loading washer and dryer. Construction is expected to be complete sometime in the fall.

Blaffer Owen said that the community will continue to rally around Espenlaub during the construction of her home.

New Harmony "is a unique place, and we all work together," she said. "This cause was just and right."

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Riverside Drive, Veterans Memorial Parkway and U.S. 41.

The idea for the Glenwood Community Development Initiative was born in late 2007 as Habitat for Humanity of Evansville was nearing completion of a major disaster recovery effort, the New Haven subdivision built in response to the 2005 tornado. This project demonstrated that philanthropic giving increases in response to major disasters. Businesses, industries, individual donors and the faith community all saw the devastating effects of the tornado and sprang to action.

Neighborhoods in decline may experience the same level of blight gradually, although it may not be as noticeable as when a disaster strikes. As such, community disinvestment over time has left many parts of the Glenwood neighborhood with dilapidated structures and very few retail options. The Glenwood Community Development Initiative will stabilize this decline and bring vitality back to the area.

The Planning Team broke into six priority teams early in the planning process so that each could focus on specific areas of need — business and commerce, clean and green, education, health and wellbeing, housing and infrastructure and safety. These teams have been developing goals that will guide their activities.

The Business and Commerce Team is working to expand retail near the corner of Riverside and Governor streets. Team members want to include a market, a bank, a dry cleaning business and restaurants.

"That's our greatest need right now," he said during the community discussion. "We feel if we can get this as an anchor, we can really grow."

The Clean and Green Team planted a community garden at the northwest corner of the Glenwood School and recently received a \$15,000 grant from the Alcoa Foundation to expand it next year. Part of the funding will go to Glenwood science teachers who will develop curriculum that will engage students in the research and development of the garden.

Mike Shoulders, an architect with VPS Architecture and chair of the Clean and Green Team, said the expanded garden will include an irrigation system that will catch rain water and distribute it throughout the garden.

The Education Team has been developing plans to increase the graduation rate and GED attainment and to cultivate leadership and life skills. The team received a \$14,000 grant and is training teachers to incorporate service learning into their curriculum. Several mini-grants will be available for teachers to achieve their goals.



Neighbors in the Glenwood area gather to hear plans for revitalizing their neighborhood.

The Health and Wellness Team hopes to increase health resources by linking residents with existing services and providers and by creating new opportunities. They hosted a health fair Oct. 17 during the first annual Glenwood Community Festival. More than 100 adults attended and participated in numerous screenings.

As part of the Housing and Infrastructure plans, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is planning a mixed-income development on Shadewood Ave., adjacent to the Glenwood School. Habitat will partner with a private developer to build homes on the 23 lots it owns in that area. Construction is expected to begin in 2010. Habitat is also piloting a rehab program for existing Habitat homeowners. And the team wants to see improvements to sidewalks and streets in the area.

Priority team members will continue developing their plans and will provide additional input at the next community discussion on Nov. 14. For more information call Lori Reed, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville, at (812) 423-5623.

Time Capsule Buried at New Haven

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville buried a time capsule filled with mementoes from several 2005 tornado survivors during the dedication of the Billy T. Nicholson Park in May at the New Haven subdivision, corner of Green River and Fickas roads. The time capsule, expected to be unearthed in 50 years, contains newspaper clippings



Rosie Waterson places a flower on the site where a time capsule was buried. The capsule was filled with mementoes from victims of a tornado that struck in 2005. It was buried at the Billy T. Nicholson Park in New Haven.

"Looking at this park today, we are refreshed in the renewal of our faith and in the generosity of mankind," said Evansville Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel. "The many donors who contributed to this neighborhood have shown us what can happen when good people come together to tackle a problem. The volunteers who built these homes worked countless hours to help families become homeowners. And the families, many of whom still carry the pain from that November, worked diligently to

and a VHS video of coverage of the

tornado, toys, shoes, pictures and

other items from the families. After

it was buried, families placed car-

nations on the site.

put in their sweat equity."

Habitat built the New Haven neighborhood in response to the tornado and will have completed all 55 homes this year. About 40 of the families who live there were affected by the tornado. The rest are traditional Habitat families.

In addition to burying the time capsule, several people who have contributed to Habitat for Humanity of Evansville were honored during the event. Billy T. Nicholson, for whom the park is named, owned a surveying company and surveyed free of charge every Habitat for Humanity house built in this community. At the time of his death, he was heavily engaged in the design and surveying work for the New Haven property. Habitat also dedicated a tree in his honor.

Another tree was dedicated in memory of Jerry Melchiors, a devoted member of the concrete crew who poured the foundations of many Habitat homes. Tom Emge, a member of Habitat's regular core group of volunteers, was honored as well. He designed and constructed the pergola in the New Haven park.

"As we honor those who diligently worked to serve those in need, let us commit ourselves to continue our journey of building God's kingdom while instilling hope in others," said Bishop Gerald Gettelfinger. With participants' hands raised toward the park, Gettelfinger blessed the park.

"Almighty and everlasting God, grant to this park the grace of your presence, that you may be known to all who gather here. Keep safe those who seek your comfort. And guide us as we continue on our personal spiritual journeys. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen."

Save the Date!

The 2009 Volunteer Recognition Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. Nov. 10 at Crossroads Christian Church, 10800 Lincoln Ave. Jim Prickett, who was instrumental in establishing Habitat for Humanity International, will speak and show pictures from some of the first Habitat builds in Africa.

Check the Habitat web site (www.evansvillehabitat.org) after the event to see pictures and read about the dinner.

Cans for Habitat Gets New Partners

Four Evansville businesses and organizations have become new partners in recycling aluminum cans and using the proceeds to help build simple, decent homes with Habitat for Humanity of Evansville.

Red Spot, Hughes Hall at the University of Evansville, HealthSouth Deaconess Rehabilitation Hospital, and Ferguson Enterprises have all picked up boxes, lids and bags — all supplies donated by the Aluminum Association of America — and have enlisted volunteers in taking the cans to one of Habitat's convenient drop off sites at Don's & Claytons Fine Dry Cleaning establishments (St. Joe and Delaware, First Avenue, and Bellemeade locations), Eykamp Scout Center (Lloyd Expressway) or Golden Corral Restaurant (Pearl Drive).

Allied Waste picks up the cans and transports them to Tri-State Resource Recovery, which processes the cans and sends a check to Habitat. Since the program's inception in 1999, \$99,273.94 has been raised to build homes — proof positive that every can counts!

For more information on our recycling program, call Sr. Jane Michele McClure at (812) 423-5623, ext. 26.

Bob Nicholson To Chair Benefactors Build

Bob Nicholson, member of Habitat's Development Committee, and his wife Shirley will chair the 2010 Benefactors Build campaign.

The Benefactors Build is a program where contributions not restricted to any other build are pooled and used to build simple, decent and affordable homes for families in need. Since the program began in 2007, the homes of partner families Shunda Durham, April Jackson and Kelly Robinson have been made possible through the Benefactors Build.

In the coming months, all Habitat supporters will receive information about how to participate. Contact Sr. Jane Michele McClure at (812) 423-5623, ext. 26, for more information.

Perigo-Prickett Society Charter Members To Be Named In January

In January 2010, charter members of the Perigo-Prickett Society will be named with a special ceremony for all members to be held at a house dedication later in the year.



Recognizing those who have established an estate gift to benefit Habitat for Humanity of Evansville

The Perigo-Prickett Society was founded in 2000 to recognize donors who have remembered Habitat in their estate plans or made a contribution to the Habitat for Humanity Endowment Fund with the Vanderburgh Community Foundation.

The Society is named after Jim Perigo and Jim Prickett. Perigo helped to establish Habitat for

Humanity of Evansville, and Prickett played a significant role in the founding of Habitat for Humanity International in Americus, Ga., in 1976.

An individual or couple becomes a member of the Perigo-Prickett Society when they inform the Habitat office that they have made a planned gift to support the ministry.

Since Habitat's Board of Directors endorsed the creation of a comprehensive planned giving program in 2008, membership in the Perigo-Prickett Society has grown to 24 members. To find out how you can join, call Sr. Jane Michele McClure at (812) 423-5623, ext. 26.

Habitat Announces Annuity Program

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville has established a charitable gift annuity program in partnership with the Vanderburgh Community Foundation, the Posey County Community Foundation and the Community Foundation Alliance.

In these difficult economic times, many Habitat supporters have seen their retirement nest egg decline in value. These same supporters are looking for alternatives that don't depend on the volatility of the stock market or low CD rates.

For these donors and for others who might be looking for secure retirement income that they or a loved one cannot outlive, this charitable gift annuity is an option.

The first step is for a donor to contribute a minimum of \$25,000 to the Community Foundation Alliance. The donor then names one or two "annuitants" — those who'll receive the annual, semi-annual, or quarterly payments — usually the donor and his or her spouse.

In return, the Community Foundation Alliance promises to pay you and/or the other individual you have named a guaranteed amount each and every year for the rest of your life. This amount depends on the annuity gift rate, the value of the contribution, the number of annuitants, and the age of the annuitants.

At the time of your contribution, you will receive a charitable deduction, and a substantial amount of the distribution you receive during your life will be tax-free.

Income payments may begin immediately if you are 60 years or older, or payments may be deferred to begin when you reach 60 years.

At the time of death, any remaining assets will be held by either the Vanderburgh Community Foundation or the Posey County Foundation as an endowment that will make annual distributions to Habitat for Humanity of Evansville.

Donors who establish a charitable gift annuity will become members of the Perigo-Prickett Society and have the satisfaction of supporting in perpetuity the mission and ministry of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. Contact Sr. Jane Michele McClure at (812) 423-5623, ext. 26, for more information.

Volunteer Needs

- Volunteers needed to help Habitat recycle aluminum cans. Volunteers will be asked to pick up cans at various sites and then transport them in their own vehicles to a recycling center. If interested, please call Sr. Jane Michele McClure, development director, (812) 423-5623, ext. 26.
- Are you interested in joining our core group of construction volunteers? No experience is necessary, just a willingness to help our families become homeowners. Our regular volunteers do most everything that is required to build a home, from raising walls to roofing. Please call Alaina Bartley, volunteer coordinator, at (812) 423-5623, ext. 33, to learn how you can become involved.
- Are you a community mobilizer? If you are and would like to get involved in transforming a neighborhood, call Lori Reed, Habitat executive director, at (812) 423-5623, ext. 24.

Cars For Homes Running Smoothly

Dick and Naomi Cook, longtime Habitat supporters, recently became Habitat's third Cars for Homes donor. They had a vehicle they no longer needed, and now the money from the sale of that vehicle through the Cars for Homes program will help build houses in Evansville.

Here's how it works. If you have any type of vehicle - a car, truck, RV, boat, plane, farm or construction equipment (running or not) — that you no longer need or want, call toll-free 877-277-4344 or visit www.carsforhomes.org.

Habitat for Humanity International will assist you in the donation process and make sure that Habitat for Humanity of Evansville receives the net proceeds after the transaction is completed.

Call Sr. Jane Michele McClure at (812) 423-5623, ext. 26, to find out how to donate your vehicle to this program.



Donate your vehicle to help build homes





Honor/Memorial Gifts: April 20, 2008 — Oct. 25, 2009

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Sr. Jane Michele McClure

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VPS Architecture

Funds Secured for More Green Builds

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is one of 123 affiliates in 45 states selected to participate in a Partners in Sustainable Building program sponsored by the Home Depot Foundation. The \$30 million green building program will provide funds and resources over a five-year period to help



Dedication of Habitat's first Green Build on Cumberland Avenue

Habitat affiliates build 5,000 homes that meet Energy Star guidelines or a nationally recognized green building standard.

These features incorporate the use of energy-efficient equipment and water-conserving fixtures and help ensure good indoor air quality. Evansville will receive up to \$5,000 per home for a maximum of 15 homes next year, all of which will be certified as green by the National Association of Home Builders.

"The generosity of the Home Depot Foundation will help our affiliate expand its green building practices," said Lori Reed, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville.

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville recently completed its first Green Build that incorporates many new green building techniques, such as additional insulation in the walls and extended overhangs. The home was sponsored by Alcoa Warrick Operations, Integra Bank, Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Indiana, Vectren and VPS Architecture.

Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve. - Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Longtime Volunteer Ben Greiner Passes Away



Ben Greiner

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville lost a dear volunteer recently. Ben Greiner enjoyed a long career with the telephone company and afterwards dedicated his life to volunteering, with Habitat being a prime beneficiary of his service. He passed away on Sept. 23 after a brief illness.

Greiner and his wife Hilda, who died in 2001, began the recycling program at Wesselman Park Nature Center, and he assisted with recycling efforts at the Habitat office, devoting countless hours to recycling aluminum cans to help build houses. He was also a member of the concrete crew, and he represented St. Lucas United Church of Christ on the United Church of Christ and Disciples of Christ Builds for many years.

He will be sadly missed by the Habitat staff and regular volunteers, who will never forget all he contributed to this housing ministry.

"Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." -2 Corinthians 4:16-15:8

Three New Staff at Habitat for Humanity of Evansville



Alaina Bartley



Tina Nuffer



Barbara Lincoln

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville has added three people to its staff. Alaina Bartley joined the staff as volunteer coordinator in August. She previously worked with at-risk youth and families as a case manager/wraparound facilitator for the Samaritan Center in Vincennes. She holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Evansville and a master's degree in leadership for higher education from Capella University.

Tina Nuffer joined the staff as construction manager in June. She previously was office manager for Sterchi Homes Corporation and attended Vincennes University and the University of Southern Indiana.

Barbara Lincoln joined the staff as executive assistant in October. She previously was office manager in the custom sales division of Anchor Industries for 20 years and attended the University of Southern Indiana and the USI Signature School for Business Management.

Sponsors Provide Homes for Families in Need

Two more families will live in simple, decent homes thanks to the generosity of sponsors who presented checks recently to Habitat for Humanity of Evansville.

The Evansville Area Association of Realtors presented a check for \$55,000 in September during a press conference at the site where the home is being built, 915 N. Third Ave. Jake Mauntel, president of the association's board of directors, also announced a partnership with Habitat to provide information on our program to families who may not qualify for homeownership through traditional means.

The association has 800 members and covers 10 counties in Southwestern Indiana - Daviess, Dubois, Gibson, Martin, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh and Warrick counties. Established in 1914, the Evansville Area Association of Realtors provides resources and training to ensure the highest quality of standards.

St. John's United Church of Christ Downtown presented a \$55,000 check during a Sunday service in September as well. St. John's received a bequest from one of its members and decided to share this gift by building a Habitat house.

"We care about our community," said Rev. John Branam, St. John's Downtown pastor.

The Mt. Vernon Ministerial Association also is sponsoring a home this year. This is the third house they have sponsored.

See who else is sponsoring homes on Habitat's web site at www.evansvillehabitat.org.

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Who We Are

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is a non-profit Christian ministry whose mission is to build and sell simple, decent houses to hardworking families in partnership with individuals, churches, businesses, and civic organizations who share our vision.

What We Do

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville works with families whose income is less than 60 per cent of the area's median household income. To qualify for homeownership, a family must demonstrate a need for housing; have the ability to repay a 25-year, zero-interest mortgage; contribute 300 hours of sweat equity to build their own home and help other families build theirs, and attend homeownership classes to learn skills in home maintenance and financial management. No-profit loans and houses built principally by volunteer labor make mortgage payments affordable for low-income families.

Where We Work

Founded in 1984, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville currently serves families in Vanderburgh and Posey Counties. A tithing program enables Habitat for Humanity of Evansville to contribute to homebuilding in Jordan and Botswana (in southern Africa).

How It Works

Charitable contributions from individuals, churches, businesses and civic organizations provide the upfront cost of building homes. These contributions — combined with homeowner mortgage payments — create a revenue stream that enables Habitat to build more houses and serve more families.

For more information about Habitat For Humanity of Evansville go to www.evansvillehabitat.org or call (812) 423-5623.

If your household receives multiple copies of this newsletter, or if you would like to be removed from the mailing list, please contact the Habitat for Humanity of Evansville office at (812) 423-5623. Thank you!

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