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Habitat Celebrates 25th Anniversary!

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is celebrating 25 years of building houses, building hope, and we would like to thank all our families, sponsors, donors and volunteers who have partnered with us over these years.

We have many activities planned this year to celebrate this milestone, including a partner family reunion and a Pay It Forward Build that families are contributing to. We kicked off all these celebrations on April 3 with a visit from Thomas Stocker, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Jordan, one of our tithe partners. Since we began tithing to that affiliate in 2001, we have given more than \$190,000. Each time we build a house locally, we contribute \$2,700 to a build in either Jordan or



Partner family Charline Bridgeman presents a ceremonial check to City Council President B.J. Watts in the amount of property taxes Habitat families have paid over 25 years. The check was for \$639,534.

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Thrivent Builds/ Lutherans for Habitat Build Two Homes

Two partner families — Karnesha March and Mykesha Lowry — will have simple decent homes thanks to Lutherans for Habitat and the Thrivent Builds program.

Both homes will be dedicated in June. One will be a special tribute to Rev. Richard Miller, former pastor of Emanuel Lutheran Church, and long-time chair of the Lutherans for Habitat group.

The Thrivent Builds program, now in its fourth year of operation, is the result of a \$125 million partnership of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and Habitat for Humanity International. Since 1991, Thrivent Financial and its members have worked to build more than 500 homes

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Glenwood Community Development Project Update

The priority teams for the Glenwood Community Development Project are in place and ready to proceed towards making the Glenwood neighborhood a place of choice and opportunity for all its residents. During the second community discussion, held in March, 77 residents and representatives from service organizations adopted six priority areas and laid strategic groundwork that will lead to action steps for each team.

The priority areas are business and commerce, clean and green, education, health and well-being, housing and infrastructure and safety.

“The community’s vision is that Glenwood will be a model neighborhood valued for its improvement and spirit of

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Giving Thanks for 25 Years

Letter from the Executive Director



Dear Friends,

This year, we are celebrating 25 years of building hope by building homes. And it is with my sincerest pleasure that I say thank you to all the wonderful volunteers, donors, sponsors and partner families who have made Habitat for Humanity of Evansville what it is today. This ministry is amazing, and the people who make it all happen are no less than saints among us! No expressions of thanks, really, would ever be enough to show our gratitude.

As we celebrate our 25th Anniversary we also face one of the most significant economic downturns since our inception. On any given day, we can open a newspaper or turn to our local television news stations and hear about the housing crisis. Despite all this, and through the grace of God, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville continues to thrive.

Our strength is due in part to our Family Selection Committee that works hard to determine the eligibility of our families. The process is lengthy, but it's our goal to have families fully prepared to meet the rigorous demands of homeownership. Our Home4Good program also helps families who are not quite ready for Habitat to overcome barriers so that they can qualify. This program also helps existing families struggling to make their mortgage payments.

We are diligent in our efforts to ensure families will be successful, and we believe it is paying off. In our 25 years of existence, we have dedicated 351 homes. This year, we plan to add another 20 to that number!

I am awestruck that this community and beyond continues to give to our mission despite the economy. It is due only to the legendary leaders, committed volunteers and sacrificial donors that we can face these difficult times in stride.

It is a privilege to work with such a fine organization! Happy Anniversary, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville, and may God continue to bless this ministry.

In Partnership,

Lori Reed
Executive Director
Habitat for Humanity of Evansville



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throughout the country and contributed more than 1.4 million volunteer hours.

Lutherans for Habitat have already built 17 homes in our community and will bring their total to 19 this year.

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Catholics, UCC/DOC Builds Scheduled

Two church coalitions will be building again this year. The United Church of Christ/Disciples of Christ Build will start in July, and Catholics for Habitat will build in September.

Many individual churches and groups of churches of these three denominations have built houses over the years, but as a coalition, this is the fifth year in a row the UCC/DOC churches have sponsored a house and the sixth year Catholics for Habitat have built.

That's a total of 11 families who've had simple, decent shelter thanks to believers putting their faith in action.

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Botswana in southern Africa and have contributed nearly \$746,000 since we began our tithing program in 1985.

On April 6, Lori Reed, executive director for Habitat for Humanity of Evansville, and partner family Charline Bridgeman presented a ceremonial check to the Evansville City Council in the amount of property taxes that families have paid over the past 25 years — \$639,534.

We have other events planned throughout the year, including the dedication of the park at New Haven, the neighborhood that we started in response to the tornado that struck Evansville in 2005. During the dedication, we plan to bury a capsule containing mementoes from families displaced by the tornado. We also will be finishing the building at New Haven.

Since Habitat for Humanity of Evansville began in 1984, we have served more than 350 hardworking families in Vanderburgh and Posey counties. To qualify, our partner families must contribute 300 hours of sweat equity towards the building of their homes and the homes of others; they must have a need for housing; and they must have the ability to pay a 25-year, no-interest mortgage.

Charitable contributions from individuals, churches, businesses and civic organizations provide the upfront costs of building our families' homes. These contributions, combined with homeowner mortgage payments, create a revenue stream to build more houses and serve more families. And since we're a volunteer-driven organization, our costs are low and our houses remain affordable.

These past 25 years have reflected the generosity of this community, and for that we are deeply grateful. We look forward to maintaining and strengthening these partnerships as we continue to provide simple, decent homes for hardworking families.

Partner Families To Pay It Forward!

The partnership with Habitat families doesn't end when they receive their keys. In fact, to celebrate Habitat for Humanity of Evansville's 25th Anniversary, the Partner Family Council has invited all partner families to participate in a special Pay It Forward Build, expected to begin in the fall of 2009.



Partner family Amy Kost announces the Pay it Forward Build during the kickoff of the 25th Anniversary celebrations in April.

Partner families will make contributions within their means, pick up hammers, bake cookies for special events or attend the dedication of the home when completed, all gestures of their continued commitment to Habitat and their willingness to help another family become a homeowner.

The Pay It Forward idea was born after an anonymous donor who sponsored a home in 2008 sent word to the homeowner to pay it forward when she had the chance. This build will give that family and others the opportunity. The Partner Family Council held a screening of the movie "Pay It Forward" in March and announced the build during the kickoff of the 25th Anniversary celebrations on April 3.

"Today, several families are here before you to proclaim our dedication to this build," said partner family Amy Kost, who moved into her home in early 2005. "We will follow this build until the keys are placed into the hands of the homeowner."

The same anonymous donor has agreed to sponsor this build as well.

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community," said Lori Reed, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville.

The Glenwood Community Development Project Planning Team was formed in early 2008 to facilitate collaboration and conversation among community residents, service providers and community investors. Habitat currently has 20 lots in the Glenwood neighborhood, and at that time it wanted to reach out to key stakeholders to create a holistic neighborhood plan. The goal was to focus resources together in one place and at one time to provide the greatest impact possible.

Other members of the planning team include Aurora, Catholic Charities, community residents, Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation, the Glenwood Neighborhood Association, Ivy Tech, Keep Evansville Beautiful, the University of Southern Indiana, VPS Architecture, the Welborn Foundation and others.

Since the planning team formed, a community block party was held in September, several residents attended NeighborWorks America training, and two community discussions were held to gather input from residents on their vision for the neighborhood. The University of Southern Indiana also has conducted several surveys and focus groups to determine the needs and concerns of residents in the area.

From these assessments, the planning team found that residents feel generally good about their neighborhood. They feel the housing is affordable, they like their neighbors, and they feel safe in their homes. They also felt the bus system was easy to navigate.

Some residents, however, expressed concerns over the safety in some public spaces. There was also concern over abandoned homes and empty lots, which they felt impairs the appearance of the neighborhood. They would like to work to attract more retail in the area and a community center that would offer activities for residents of all ages.

Results from these assessments guided the Planning Team and community discussions in creating the six priority areas. Members of each team gathered together during the March community discussion event and began devising action steps. For example, the housing team, of which Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is a member, will begin to take inventory of housing stock and existing infrastructure in the Glenwood neighborhood.

The initial Planning Team will continue to meet quarterly to assess progress of each team and to promote cohesion of the whole group. The Community Mobilization, Faith Relations and Research and Evaluation teams will support the efforts of the priority area teams.

Cars For Homes Keeps On Truckin'

Many thanks to our second Cars for Homes donor! Brent and Molly Gourley had a car they no longer needed and visited www.carsforhomes.org. They report great results and are happy that their donation will help build homes for hardworking families in Evansville.

A Habitat for Humanity International program, Cars for Homes distributed nearly \$2 million to participating Habitat affiliates throughout the country last year. Your no-longer-needed or no-longer-running vehicle can help Habitat. Call Sr. Jane Michele McClure, development director at Habitat for Humanity of Evansville, at 812-423-5623, ext. 26, for more details.

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Save the Date!

The 2009 Ministerial Breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m. June 18 at Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located in the Glenwood Neighborhood. Mizell Stewart, editor of the *Evansville Courier & Press*, will be the keynote speaker. For more information, call Sr. Jane Michele McClure at 812-423-5623, ext. 26.

Green Family Continues to Give

Dan Green first started volunteering with Habitat for Humanity of Evansville as a way to network and learn about his new community. It was 2004, and he and his wife, Lou Ann, had just moved to Evansville from Wisconsin to be near their daughter. For many volunteers, the story would end there, a brief but generous gift to a Christian ministry that serves people in need. For the Greens, however, the story was just unfolding.



Dan and Lou Ann Green

After their move to Evansville, Dan and Lou Ann Green settled in a mobile home park that was devastated by a tornado in 2005. Several people perished, and many more sustained bodily and property damage. Dan remembers that night well. He was asleep in an easy chair while Lou Ann slept next to their two granddaughters in the couple's bed. When they heard the ominous freight-train roar, Lou Ann scampered to get the girls to safety in the bathroom. Dan

remained in the chair and only awoke after a neighbor's deck landed in his kitchen.

A few days after the tornado, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville launched Operation Home Again, a project to provide housing to families displaced by the tornado. The Greens met that definition, and in early 2008 they moved into their new home. From the time they were accepted as a partner family to the time they received keys to their home, they had logged more than 900 sweat equity hours, far beyond the 300 required from partner families.

Being a volunteer and a partner family is certainly a unique expression of devotion to Habitat. But the Greens' involvement continued even after moving into their home. In 2008, they became charter members of the Perigo-Prickett Society, a recognition society that honors individuals who develop an estate plan or other deferred gift arrangement that will ultimately benefit Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. The Greens have remembered Habitat in their will.

"It's just another way to show our gratitude for all that Habitat has done for us," Dan Green said. "I feel I've been blessed beyond all reason. You're supposed to give back, so this is what we're doing to give back."

Dan continues to volunteer at the Habitat office each Friday afternoon. And Lou Ann, who works two jobs, helped organize a partner family Pay It Forward event in March to recognize Habitat for Humanity of Evansville's 25th Anniversary.

"Habitat gave us the opportunity to get a real house, at a price we can afford, without requiring an exorbitant down payment," Lou Ann said. "For the first time in our 30+ years of marriage, we have a solid foundation under our feet and a good roof over our heads, and that came from Habitat, and all of its volunteers and sponsors. We both wish we could do more now, and although our finances are looking up, things are still tight. Remembering Habitat in our wills is just a small way that we can repay Habitat for everything that's been done for us, and those funds will give someone else the same opportunity we've been blessed with. Besides, it's the right thing to do."

Habitat Thanks New Perigo-Prickett Society Members

Four new members have been named to the Perigo-Prickett Society, which recognizes those who have made a planned gift to further the work of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville:

Dan and Lou Ann Green
Eugene and Barbara Hamlow
Bob and Shirley Nicholson
Maryedna Wilkie †

Maryedna was an active member of Salem United Methodist Church and was its contact person for Habitat's 2000 Blitz. She passed away January 31, 2009. The Habitat family of supporters extends sincere sympathy to all who mourn her loss.

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.

To find out how you can become a member of the Perigo-Prickett Society, please contact Sr. Jane Michele McClure, development director, at 423-5623, ext. 26.

Building Tomorrow Today

The Perigo-Prickett
Society



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

USI Campus Chapter Partners with State Farm

The University of Southern Indiana's Habitat for Humanity Campus Chapter sponsored "The Home Run," a 4K race April 25 at the USI campus. State Farm Insurance sponsored the race via a \$2,000 grant awarded to the Campus Chapter earlier this year. All proceeds from the race will be used to help the USI students build their first Habitat house. State Farm Insurance is the principal sponsor of all Youth Programs of Habitat for Humanity International. Local agents Bob Davis and Jerry Smith were on hand to represent State Farm at USI's event.

Habitat Announces First Green Build

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville and members of its Green Team announced in March a special Green Build that will include energy efficient components not seen in Habitat homes before. This Green Build will be the first step in Habitat for Humanity of Evansville's quest for its homes to become more environmentally friendly and economically efficient for homeowners.



The Habitat Green Team announces the first ever Green Build, a home that will have enhanced energy-efficient designs such as additional insulation and programmable thermostats.

many more energy-efficient features, such as programmable thermostats, energy star appliances and additional insulation in the walls. Habitat is also preparing a homeowner education manual that will provide homeowners instructions on how to get the most out of these Green components, including how to program their thermostats and how to maintain their furnaces.

Habitat will compare the costs of these Green components with homeowner savings to determine whether more Green Builds will be built in the future. The Habitat mission is to provide simple, decent and affordable housing to low-income families. Continued Green Builds will depend on sustainable streams of funding.

"Simple, decent homes are inherently green," said Lori Reed, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. "We want to find out what more we can incorporate into our building program."

The Green Team partners are Alcoa Warrick Operations, Integra Bank, Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Indiana, Vectren and VPS Architecture.

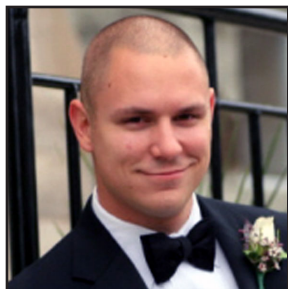
Habitat for Humanity of Evansville already does many things to help families save energy, such as installing natural gas furnaces that are 92 percent energy efficient and fully insulating walls and ceilings to standards. And Habitat homes are on average 1,200 square feet, making heating and cooling them cost a lot less.

This Green Build, however, will have

Welcome New Board Members!

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville welcomed two new board members in recent months. Rick Jillson is corporate communications manager at Old National Bank, where he manages all communications to employees.

J.P. Engelbrecht is CEO of South Central Communications, a communications company that has been in his family for three generations. SCC operates six radio stations in Evansville and several more in Tennessee.



J.P. Engelbrecht



Rick Jillson

Unity Build Features Partnerships, Dialogue

Rev. Dennis Davenport and Rev. Randy Lander are co-chairing the 2009 Unity Build. Davenport is a member of Habitat's Board of Directors and is a pastor of Eastminster Presbyterian. Lander pastors two churches — Dove Chapel and Eastview Baptist.

The Unity Build expands on the successful 2006 Apostle Build, where 12 churches came together to sponsor a Habitat house. It invites all faith communities to partner with each other by sponsoring pot-luck dinners, exchanging pastors, and generally encouraging each other to get outside their comfort zones to build understanding and an appreciation of our diverse communities — all with the purpose of helping a family in need have a decent and affordable place to live.

These churches already have committed to the 2009 Unity Build: Christian Fellowship Church, the Korean Church of Evansville, Eastminster Presbyterian, First Presbyterian, and Salem Church, Darmstadt.

Habitat Staying 'On The Level'

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville recently launched a one-page monthly e-news called "On The Level" that provides timely information on the latest builds, events and other activities at Habitat.

We've also reduced the number of mailed newsletters from four a year to two, one in the spring and one in the fall. These changes were implemented to keep you informed in a more timely way and to reduce printing costs.

Your support is vital to our mission of providing simple, decent homes to hard-working families in Vanderburgh and Posey counties. Please sign up today to receive your e-news.

Just go to www.evansvillehabitat.org and click on the bottom of the page where it says "Subscribe to our email list." Your information will never be shared with anyone else, and you can unsubscribe at any time.

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Kris Kinsey a Homeowner Thanks to Planned Gift

Kris Kinsey works as a dietary clerk for a hospital in Henderson, Ky. Although she suffers from rheumatoid arthritis, she quickly accumulated her needed sweat equity hours and is eagerly awaiting the completion of her new Habitat home.

Habitat was able to fund her home through the generosity of Melvin Dickhaut, a gentleman who remembered Habitat for Humanity of Evansville in his will and passed away in 2006.

"I wish Mr. Dickhaut was alive so I could thank him in person," Kris said. "But I have a feeling he knows that I'm grateful. Maybe someday I can 'pay forward' his gift."



Chris Kinsey stands among the floor joists of her new home, sponsored with funds from the Melvin Dickhaut estate.

U.S. Soldier in Iraq Raising Funds for Deployed for Habitat Build

For the past year, Maj. Jason Burley has been thousands of miles away, battling the intense heat and enemy combatants on the arid plains of Iraq. His main mission is to ensure that soldiers get the air transport they need to keep them safe. His other mission is to raise funds for a homeless veteran through a Deployed for Habitat Build that Habitat for Humanity of Evansville launched earlier this year.



Maj. Jason Burley

“It was troubling to me that we had young people that were involved with probably the greatest endeavor of their lifetime and were coming home to nothing,” Burley wrote in an email he sent to Habitat from his base in Balad, Iraq. “It is a big issue, and if I could somehow meld a veteran’s homelessness and Habitat... what a great way to serve.”

Burley, 38, serves as the Chief of Current Operations for the 34th Combat Aviation Brigade in Balad. He and his team of 26 other soldiers and airmen provide aviation support to help move personnel and equipment throughout Iraq.

A native of Minnesota, Burley is employed by Cargill, Inc. and worked in Evansville as regional sales manager for the Southern Indiana Business sector. He has been in the military in some capacity for 18 years and is married to the “greatest woman on the planet,” Jan.

Burley first became involved with Habitat for Humanity of Evansville in 2005 after attending a dinner recognizing donors. He attended as a guest, but he was immediately bitten by the “Habitat bug,” as he describes it. His employer sponsored a house in 2008. Now he wants his fellow comrades and the global community to support his call from Iraq.

“I want a veteran who was willing to sacrifice the whole of him or herself to have the opportunity to become a homeowner and continue to be an active and productive member of our community,” Burley said in his email. “Homeownership is the basis, the cornerstone, of community, personal, spiritual and economic development. It is where we find security to accomplish the things we want. It is the place in which families establish themselves, values are instilled and children are raised.”

Anyone wishing to donate to the Deployed for Habitat Build may do so by visiting our web site at www.evansvillehabitat.org and clicking on Donate and then Donate Online. Simply follow directions on the form that appears and select Deployed for Habitat in the drop-down menu.

Habitat will be posting on its web site regular updates from Burley on his experiences in Iraq and abroad until his return to the states sometime in 2009.

Volunteer Needs

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville seeks volunteers for the following duties.

- Person with strong receptionist skills needed to help in the office on various days and during various hours. If interested, please call Jennifer Wuchner, Habitat office manager, at 423-5623, ext. 22.
- Volunteers needed to help write short biographies of our partner families. Strong writing skills are required. This would be a wonderful opportunity for a student majoring in journalism to gain real-world experience in interviewing, writing and editing. You can view samples of these biographies on our web site at www.evansvillehabitat.org. Click on “Partner Families” in the left column then “Current Families.” Please call Lydia Johnson, community relations director, at 423-5623, ext. 21, for more information.
- 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, whose average age is 75, do most everything that is required to build a home, from raising walls to roofing. Please call Lydia Johnson, community relations director, at 423-5623, ext. 21, for more information.

Virginia Students Help Habitat

Nine students from the University of Virginia spent their spring break vacation helping Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. The students are members of Alternative Spring Break, a student-run organization that conducts service projects during the fall, winter, spring and summer breaks for University of Virginia students. The group works on projects across the United States and abroad.



They painted and roofed yard barns at Habitat’s warehouse and helped on the construction site at the New Haven subdivision. When not working, they were treated to some of the delicacies of Evansville — Grippos and brain sandwiches — which, in a note of thanks they said they “sort of” liked.

Student Hanna McCollester is the site leader who chose Habitat as one of three places the students would visit during that week. She chose Habitat of Evansville because of the response she received from the affiliate, she said.

“I’m from Indiana, so I knew I wanted to make a stop here,” McCollester said.

The students stayed at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church on East Michigan Ave. while in Evansville.

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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