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Angela Becker Homeowner at Last

Walking into Angela Becker's new Habitat home is like walking into a magazine spread. She calls one room her "antique" room where she has her grandmother's ice chest and a bargain-priced iron bed she found at a garage sale. In another room, her childhood doll collection sits staggered on the steps of her grandfather's ladder.

"I wanted to incorporate momentos from my family to remind me of the support they've given me over the past two years," she said. "They've been so supportive throughout this entire process, from the beginning when I was first approved to get a Habitat home to the day I moved in."

In the winter of 2008, Becker was stranded in Utah with no money and no



Angela Becker moved into her new Habitat home in February.

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CountryMark Matching Up to \$55,000

Indiana-based CountryMark announced today that it will contribute up to \$55,000 in matching funds to Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. With those funds, Habitat will have the financial resources necessary to build two homes this year in Posey County, bringing the total number of Habitat homes built in that county to seven.

"We're excited about the challenge presented by CountryMark to Habitat and our community," said Jim Bartlett, who leads the Habitat builds in Posey County through the Mt. Vernon Ministerial Association. "We are especially eager to meet this challenge because we already have identified two families. We'd really like to make home ownership a reality for these deserving applicants and their children."

The two families are currently working on the 300 hours of sweat equity that all families are required to contribute. In addition to sweat equity, families must also attend homeownership classes, where they learn about home maintenance, budgeting and many other topics to prepare them for homeownership.

"CountryMark is going to get a big 'thank you' from me," said Jennifer Trout, who has already put in 124 hours of sweat equity. "I'm just flabbergasted. I couldn't ask for a better community."

Shawnte Bates, the other family working to build a home in Mt. Vernon, was equally excited to learn about CountryMark's pledge of support.

"It makes my heart dance with joy to know that CountryMark is donating to help build my house," she said. "I know that I am really blessed, and I am really glad that

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Looking Ahead at What's Next for Glenwood

Letter from the Executive Director



Dear Habitat Family,

For three years, Habitat and its partners have been concentrating efforts to revitalize the Glenwood area, and through the Glenwood Community Development Initiative, Evansville has demonstrated its ability to collaborate -- unified, strategic and focused investment from the non-profit, private and public sectors, resulting in significant revitalization in this area. Habitat's Shadewood Place, a mixed-income housing development, is a cornerstone to this effort.

We'll spend the bulk of this year wrapping up Shadewood Place and preparing our next steps, which include improving housing conditions on Morton Avenue. Habitat owns a concentration of vacant lots and houses suitable for rehab on the east side of Morton Avenue, between Riverside Drive and Sweetser Avenue.

Though much different than Shadewood Place, an all-new construction development, the Morton Avenue development will mix new construction, rehab, possibly some repair work, and weatherization along one city block—resulting in a big visual impact and a step closer to eradicating poverty housing. Concentrating building efforts increases Habitat's ability to stabilize community and revitalize neighborhoods, as determined in the 2008 Habitat Impact Study conducted by the University of Southern Indiana.

We will kick off this work with the IMAGINE Design competition. Habitat invited architects and engineers from the region to design a Morton Avenue streetscape and a full house plan for one new home. We'll use the winning design to help raise public support and capital and to engage neighbors in revitalizing Morton Avenue. Old National Bank will underwrite the competition and will host an awards reception on May 20.

As always, thank you for your continued support of this important work!

In Christian Partnership,



Lori Reed
Executive Director
Habitat for Humanity of Evansville

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I will be able to raise my son in the small town that I was raised in, where family is still at the core of the community."

CountryMark shares Habitat's enthusiasm for the fundraising campaign and plans for construction later this year.

"We are very honored to partner with Habitat for Humanity of Evansville on this project," said CountryMark President and CEO Charlie Smith. "The homes built by Habitat benefit not only individual families, but entire communities."

An anonymous donor kicked off the drive with a \$5,000 donation.

"We are committed to the mission of Habitat, that all families deserve to live in simple, decent homes," the donor said. "We'd like to encourage everyone in Posey County to consider contributing to this worthy cause. CountryMark will double contributions up to \$55,000. If you have been thinking about donating, this is the time to do it. With everyone pitching in, we can build for two families this year!"

In addition to matching donations, CountryMark also plans to help in the build process, said Bret Moye, pipeline operations manager.

"A number of CountryMark employees have volunteered in past years to build Habitat homes," he said. "Volunteers give generously of their time, and in return they walk away with a great sense of pride in knowing they have helped a neighbor, spent quality time with a co-worker, and helped to make their community a better place."

For more information on donating or volunteering, please call Bartlett at (812) 838-2597 or the Habitat office at (812) 423-5623. You may also donate online. Choose Mt. Vernon Ministerial Association in the drop-down menu.

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place to go. She had just lost her job, her marriage was crumbling and an ice storm prevented her from returning to Evansville where her mother lived. Despite the challenges, she made it to Evansville, moved in with family and applied for a Habitat home.

"I'm single and with no kids, so I didn't think Habitat would work for me," the 37-year-old said.

Becker grew up near Mt. Vernon and spent her summers working in the concession stands that her parents operated at Burdette Park. She was only 10 when she started helping out, but she learned quickly the value of hard work.

She graduated from North Posey High School and has taken several business courses at Ivy Tech. Today she works in an optometrist's office. While she's grateful for the help her mother provided while she struggled to become self-sufficient, Becker enjoys being independent.

"I had to work very hard getting in my sweat equity while working full time at the same time, but I'm glad I did it," she said. "I am truly blessed."

IMAGINE Design Competition Invites Architects and Engineers To Redesign Morton Avenue, a City Block in Glenwood

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is embarking on a new venture that will challenge local architects and engineers to redesign the face of an entire city block. It's called the IMAGINE Design Competition, and Habitat invited these professionals to design a streetscape of the east side of Morton Avenue, between Riverside Drive and Sweetser Avenue, where abandoned homes and vacant lots now sit among a few homeowner-occupied homes that may need repair.

"This is an opportunity for us to further our mission of providing simple, decent housing and to expand our housing solutions to include rehabbing," said Lori Reed, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. "This block-by-block model is a pilot project that we would like to replicate, if funding is available, throughout the neighborhood."

Habitat owns several properties along the east side of Morton Avenue, including two vacant lots and three empty homes. It will demolish one of the homes, rehab the other two and then build new Habitat homes on the vacant lots.

Habitat invited architects and engineers to IMAGINE what this street might look like if it were newly developed, incorporating updated facades for the existing homeowner-occupied homes and a sustainable Habitat design that parallels its mission of being simple, decent and affordable while still integrating creative design.

The competition, which began March 16, is open to any regional architect, engineer or student studying these disciplines. Final submissions were submitted in early May and were judged by an independent panel of judges soon after. Winning entries will be announced during a reception from 4 to 6 p.m. May 20 at Old National Bank, the sponsor of the competition. First place will receive \$2,000, and second will receive \$1,000.

This block-wide pilot follows recommendations from a 2008 study from the University of Southern Indiana Center for Applied Research which found that cluster building carries a greater visual impact than scattered site building. Seeing this kind of dramatic change ignites passion in volunteers and in giving. Habitat found the same to be true when it built New Haven, a 55-home subdivision it developed in response to a tornado that hit Evansville in 2005. The community responded significantly through monetary donations and labor for that endeavor.

After New Haven, Habitat looked to replicate the cluster-build design with Shadewood Place, corner of Shadewood and Sweetser avenues. When finished later this year, there will be 19 Habitat homes and up to four market-rate homes built by Bussing Construction, creating a strong visual impact where abandoned commercial properties once stood.

Both Shadewood Place and the Morton Avenue development are part of Habitat's overall efforts to revitalize the Glenwood neighborhood, bordered by Veterans Memorial Parkway, Riverside Drive and Kentucky Avenue. For three years, Habitat has been working with its partners, including the Glenwood Neighborhood Association and the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation, to create a neighborhood valued for its improvement and spirit of community. Partners have held five community discussions and several focus groups and have conducted numerous assessments to determine the needs and wants of the residents. From this data, six priority areas were created – Housing and Infrastructure, Education, Health and Wellness, Safety, Business and Commerce and Clean and Green.

Much has been accomplished during the past three years, including major renovations of the Glenwood Leadership Academy, a community garden and Shadewood Place. Habitat has also recently launched a pilot weatherization project through a partnership with the Glenwood Neighborhood Association, Crossroads Christian Church and Vectren. Through this program, up to 100 homeowner-occupied homes in Glenwood will be weatherized, helping us achieve our goal of eliminating poverty housing.

This IMAGINE Design Competition will be Habitat's next major visual impact and will allow it to reach more families through rehabbing. These collaborative partnerships and substantial visual impressions build momentum and support in renewing center city neighborhoods and in strengthening the community.



This is a portion of what the east side of Morton Avenue looks like today. Habitat for Humanity of Evansville invited architects and engineers to design a streetscape of what it might look like after rehabbing and updating existing homes. Habitat owns these three homes. The first and middle will be rehabbed, and the last one will be demolished. Habitat also owns vacant lots and another home slated for demolition on this street.

Habitat and Partners Weatherizing Homes in Glenwood



Andy Fraizer, director of the Indiana Association for Community Economic Development, presented leadership training to Glenwood residents on Jan. 29. All residents whose homes were weatherized participated in the trainings as part of their sweat equity.



Volunteers from Vectren, Crossroads Christian Church and the Glenwood neighborhood began weatherizing homes on Feb. 15. Volunteers helped homeowners install energy efficient light bulbs in all the homes.



Most all the homes weatherized needed additional insulation in their attics. Pictured are two volunteers feeding insulation into the blower.

In the fall of 2010, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville and its partners – Vectren, Crossroads Christian Church and the Glenwood Neighborhood Association – received a \$100,000 grant from the Indiana Office of Energy Development and \$25,000 from the Vectren Foundation to weatherize up to 100 homes in the Glenwood neighborhood, bordered by Veterans Memorial Parkway, Riverside Drive and Kentucky Avenue. More than half of all the housing in this area was built before 1939, according to the City of Evansville’s Consolidated 2010-2014 Plan, so many of the homes needed additional insulation and other minor improvements to help homeowners reduce energy use, save on their energy bills and improve housing conditions.

“We’re exploring how rehab and weatherization work can help us achieve our mission of eradicating poverty housing by working with existing homeowners,” said Lori Reed, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville executive director.

Of the approximately 600 parcels of property in this geographic area, about a third of them are homeowner-occupied, a third are rental units and the rest are abandoned homes or vacant lots.

To qualify, applicants had to provide proof of homeowner’s insurance, they had to be current on their property taxes, and were required to attend community engagement training sessions as their sweat equity requirement. These trainings, presented by the Indiana Association for Community Economic Development, took place on Jan. 29 and Feb. 12. Funding for the training was made possible through a portion of a \$20,000 grant that Habitat received from the Vanderburgh Community Foundation.

The partners began weatherizing the homes in February and are expected to complete them all by June 1. Various improvements are being made to the homes, including insulation in attics, weatherstripping, caulking and installing water-heater wraps, low-flow shower heads, kitchen and bath faucet aerators and CFL lights.

Almost all the weatherization activities are being done by volunteers, unless the type of work requires a licensed contractor. As of the end of April, nearly 200 volunteers had helped.

Habitat is taking part in this weatherization project as part of its overall efforts to strengthen the Glenwood neighborhood.

Habitat Awarded Non-Profit of the Year Award

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville was awarded the 2011 Non-Profit of the Year Award by the Chamber of Commerce of Southwest Indiana’s Small Business Awards program for its work in revitalizing the Glenwood community.

The Chamber Small Business Awards celebrate small businesses and the contributions they make to our communities and economy. There were more than 100 nominations this year and a committee of independent judges narrowed the field to five nominees per category.

The award was presented during a ceremony on March 10 at The Centre in Evansville.

Habitat and its partners have been working for three years in the Glenwood community to make it a place of destination, a neighborhood modeled for its improvements and spirit of community.

The efforts are consistent with Habitat International’s call to serve more families through a national Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative that calls for an expansion of product lines. Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is meeting that challenge by offering weatherization and rehabbed properties in Glenwood.

Cars For Homes Racing Ahead!

The Cars for Homes program moves families into the fast lane towards home-ownership. Steve and Wendy Thomas, Charles Wilson, and Chris Myers are the latest to convert their unwanted vehicles into cash to build Habitat homes.

If you have any vehicle – a car, truck, RV, boat, plane, farm or construction equipment – that you no longer need or want, call toll-free (877) 277-4344 or visit carsforhomes.org to help build a home for a family in need.

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 processed. HFHE receives 80 percent of the net cost of the sale of the vehicle.

Call Michael Erwin, development officer, at (812) 423-5623, ext. 36, to find out how to donate your vehicle to this program.

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Diehl Study Indicates Progress, Needs of Glenwood

Results from an initial evaluation of the Glenwood Community Development Initiative indicate that some progress has been made, but more is needed. In 2009, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville contracted with Diehl Evaluation and Consulting to track progress we and our partners have made in the efforts to revitalize the Glenwood neighborhood. We wanted to measure the extent to which the initiative is impacting quality of life indicators, such as the condition of sidewalks and homes, and residents' perceptions of issues such as safety, health and the social environment.

Results from the initial evaluation phase, which will be used for future planning, consider the priority areas' objectives, set early in the process after much gathering of resident input, and residents' perceptions. The report then considers strengths and room for improvement and then addresses whether the activities taking place are tackling those issues.

For example, 62 percent of residents said homes in their neighborhood are affordable, and slightly more than half indicated homes in the area were decent. Habitat is building 19 homes in the neighborhood, all with a mortgage of about \$275 a month, and is weatherizing, along with its partners, 85 existing homes.

The Glenwood Community Development Corporation, created to continue the work of the initiative, may conduct additional assessments to measure change that has resulted from the neighborhood initiative and to help shape future activities.

To gather baseline data related to residents' perceptions, all neighborhood residents were invited to participate in a neighborhood survey last summer. A series of focus groups were also conducted with 60 neighborhood residents in January. In addition, the evaluation incorporates secondary data sources and data from a 2008 needs assessment of the area conducted by the University of Southern Indiana. This combination of multiple data sources ensures that neighborhood conditions and resident perceptions are accurately communicated.

Purdue Alums, Traylor Brothers, Frontier-Kemper To Sponsor Habitat Homes

The 2011 Build Schedule is filling up fast! Purdue University Boilermakers, led by loyal alums Dan and Ellen Grimm, are heading up a build and have already raised more than half the needed \$55,000. The Purdue Build will start in June.

Traylor Brothers and Frontier-Kemper Constructors will join forces to build a Habitat house this year. And several long-time Habitat house sponsors are also building. Mike and Hope Staubitz, through the Staubitz Charitable Trust, will build their sixth house. Industrial Contractors, another long time Habitat partner with four houses built, are moving closer to completing their house in partnership with the Henry and Denita Miles family.

The City of Evansville committed to five houses last year and three of those are being completed now. We will soon start on the eighth home built by Lutherans for Habitat in partnership with Thrivent Builds, the twenty-first home built by Lutherans for Habitat.

Many churches are fundraising for builds as well, including Bethel United Church of Christ, several other United Church of Christ and Disciples of Christ churches building their sixth house, as well as the local United Methodist Churches and the Catholics for Habitat group.

The Mt. Vernon Ministerial Association is raising funds, matched by CountryMark to build two homes in Mt. Vernon later this year. Two families have already been identified and are currently working on their sweat equity for these homes.

Many more families are waiting to be paired up with a sponsor. For more information on sponsoring a home, please call Sr. Jane Michele McClure, Habitat's development director, at (812)423-5623 or jmclclure@evansvillehabitat.org.

Honor/Memorial Gifts

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Kathryn Perdue

As a Birthday Gift for:

Butch Feulner
Mike Mitchell

As a Wedding Gift for:

Guy and Mala Green
Thomas and Sondra McNamara

Glenwood Gardening

Big plans are in store for this year's community garden in the Glenwood neighborhood, where Habitat for Humanity of Evansville and its partners have been working for three years in an effort to revitalize the community.

Residents have begun planting early crops, and they are planning to install an irrigation system this year.

Karen Reynolds, who purchased a Habitat home last year, is taking over leadership of the garden under the guidance of Mike Shoulders, Habitat board member.

Residents and other volunteers met in early March to discuss the types of crops they intend to plant, including broccoli, brussel sprouts, tomatoes and lettuce, and to learn more about the irrigation system.

Funding for the system, estimated at \$3,170, is being provided through a grant to the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation from the Alcoa Foundation. It will be buried at least 18 inches deep to allow for tilling, and the school corporation will pay for the water used.

In addition to the irrigation system, a local Boy Scout plans to build a pergola equipped with bench seating in the northwest corner of the garden. Peter Sadler, with Troop 322, brought a photo of the structure to the March meeting. He's going to build it as an Eagle Scout project. Funding will come from the Alcoa grant and from Crossroads Christian Church, where he attends.

Pete Venstra, a community resident, has been surveying residents to determine the types of crops they would like to grow. Anyone interested in gardening is welcome to volunteer.



Glenwood residents are gearing up for another year of planting. All residents are welcome!

Perigo-Prickett Society Adds Two Couples

In 2007 Mrs. Margaret Lucille Gooch purchased a charitable gift annuity from the United Methodist Foundation of South

Indiana to benefit her church, Central United Methodist, and a number of other favored charities. After she passed away last December, at the age of 90, a percentage of the remainder interest of her annuity

was sent to Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. Her last wishes were as follows. . .

To Habitat for Humanity of Evansville for the purpose of funding construction of a Habitat House in Evansville, Indiana as a gift from John Horace and Margaret Lucille Gooch.

Margaret's desires will be carried out and the John Horace and Margaret Lucille Gooch House will be built in August.

For their contribution, Margaret and John have been named members of the Perigo-Prickett Society, named after two men who played significant roles with Habitat. The society honors individuals who develop an estate plan or other deferred gift to benefit Habitat.

LeRoy and Pat Dilger have also recently joined the Perigo-Prickett Society through naming Habitat for Humanity of Evansville as a beneficiary in their estate plans. The couple is particularly interested in helping those whose life experiences have not been as positive as their own.

Individuals or couples become a member of the Perigo-Prickett Society when they remember Habitat for Humanity of Evansville in their estate plans or make a contribution to the Habitat for Humanity of Evansville Endowment Fund with the Vanderburgh Community Foundation. To find out more, call Sr. Jane Michele McClure, development director, at (812) 423-5623, or email her at jmclclure@evansvillehabitat.org.

Perigo-Prickett Society members as of April 11, 2011

Lois M. Bennett	John Horace and Margaret Lucille Gooch
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Ben Greiner	Steve and Wendy Thomas
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Sixth Benefactors Build Home Starting Soon!

The next Benefactors Build home will begin soon for future homeowner Terriseta Harris. She currently lives in a small apartment with her four daughters and works at a childcare center.



Terriseta Harris

"Thank you to everyone who has donated to this fund," Harris said. "It means a lot to me, and I look forward to meeting everyone on the job site when construction begins." Habitat has been "a great experience, because I'm learning skills that I can use later in life."

The Benefactors Build is an annual program that pools contributions to build houses for Habitat partner families. This will be the sixth home built through this fund, which began in 2007.

Donors who contribute to a Benefactors Build have the opportunity to meet the family they are helping. They can build alongside them, meet their children and develop a close relationship that often lasts a lifetime.

"We encourage anyone who wants to help a family become a homeowner to donate to this very worthwhile fund," said Fran Vix, who is chairing the Benefactors Build this year along with her husband, Vernon. "Everyone pulling their gifts together can help a family realize their dream of having a home."

To learn more about becoming involved with the Benefactors Build, please contact Michael Erwin, Habitat's development officer, at (812) 423-5623 or merwin@evansvillehabitat.org.

John Peninger Joins Habitat for Humanity of Evansville



John Peninger

John Peninger joined the staff at Habitat for Humanity of Evansville in January as construction manager overseeing the Vectren weatherization pilot program and rehabbing.

Peninger has been involved in the home building industry for more than 34 years and has received three of the highest professional trade designations from the Home Builder Institute, Certified Graduate Builder, Graduate Master Builder and Certified Aging in Place Specialist. He has a bachelor's degree in pre-seminary from the University of Evansville and has been involved in leadership positions with the Home Builders Association.

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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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