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Family Services Updates

Wall by wall and family by family, Habitat for Humanity of Evansville is changing lives within our local community by building strength and stability through shelter. The number of Habitat homeowners is continually growing and with the last year of our Transforming Lives, Changing Neighborhoods campaign around the corner, our goal to build 500 homes by 2018 is getting closer with each wall raised! Through Habitat, you have provided 451 families a home – quite an accomplishment! We are currently looking for 30 more families who are interested in partnering with Habitat for homeownership as well as new homeowner advocates. If you know a family or individual who would make a great candidate for our homeownership program, or who would make a wonderful family advocate, please refer them to us today!

Currently, we have 19 families working on their 300 sweat equity hours. Each future homeowner is at a different stage of the program, but every one of these individuals and families is empowering each other by working together to build one another's homes. Future homeowners, keep up the smiles, hard work and remarkable strength of will. You are the reason Habitat continues to build, and you have the support of each and every one of us who are a part of the Habitat community.

Having 19 families currently in our program isn't the only exciting news! The Family Services Department also just finished the first-ever Money Management Seminar for future homeowners and, based on the feedback, started the second series in late October. Additionally, the department just launched a Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University class series to assist families and individuals working to qualify for the Ability to Pay portion of our family selection criteria.

As we near the end of 2016, remember to share in the excitement of our new homeowners! Watch your email account for your E-Invite to come take part in the upcoming home dedications or look on our website under "Dedications" for more information. All are welcome to attend home dedications, and we love to see community support for these new homeowners.

Everyone, thank you for continuing to help us transform lives through shelter... family by family and wall by wall.



WHO WE ARE:

Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.



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Note from the Executive Director

The last several months have been very eventful at Habitat. Thanks to the hard work and contributions of our donors, volunteers, homeowners and future homeowners, there are now 451 Habitat homes in Vanderburgh and Posey Counties. There is growing potential within our community as each home has a new homeowner ready to make an impact in their neighborhoods. We are excited to have 10 houses currently under construction with another 4 homes to begin construction before the end of the year. Nineteen individuals and families are currently working on their sweat equity hours and several more are in the pipeline. We continue to build in the Jacobsville Neighborhood and to contribute to all the revitalization efforts happening in that area. Soon, we will begin building efforts in the Glenwood Neighborhood again.

Because of you, Habitat is transforming lives and changing neighborhoods. Future homeowners have been blessed by your gifts and can now focus on thriving instead of surviving. Thank you for your continued support – we truly could not do it without you! Every dollar, every volunteer hour, every contribution of time, talent and treasure counts! We look forward to more exciting times in the winter and spring with your faithful partnership as we work to reach our goal of building the 500th home by 2018.

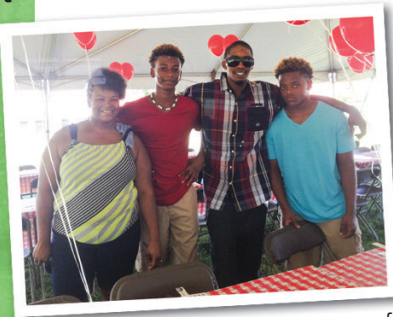


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Beth Folz
Executive Director

2016 Fall Picnic

On September 18, we hosted our first-ever Habitat Fall Picnic which brought together all of the Habitat community for a great afternoon of family fun and celebration. From board members and staff to volunteers, Core Crew and future homeowners to donors and sponsors...everyone, along with their families and friends, gathered at Garvin Park for lunch, games, crafts, awards and a new mortgage completion ceremony for our homeowners!



Filled with a true picnic spirit, the kids played games such as ring-toss, tested their craft skills and got their

faces painted. After families had time to enjoy the beautiful weather and wonderful camaraderie, the recognitions and award ceremony began. A special thank you to Shelley Kirk, the morning anchor of Eyewitness News, for speaking during the picnic's ceremonial events and for telling her fantastic personal story about why she became involved with Habitat's

cause. Our most prestigious awards, the Dee McMillen Volunteer Award and the Jim Fowler Construction Crew Award, went to Angela Clark and Jim Hineborg respectively. Angela and Jim have both willingly given their time and talents throughout 2016 and years prior. Their efforts, along with the efforts of our entire Habitat community, make what we do possible.



With another year's awards presented, the event turned into a true food-centered picnic. Lunch was catered by the Schnitzelbank Restaurant and was followed by a crowd pleasing ice-cream sundae and root beer float for dessert.

To end the picnic festivities, the Habitat family started a new tradition called the Mortgage Burning Ceremony. During the ceremony, Habitat homeowners who had satisfied their mortgage were invited to burn their mortgage in a fire pit at the annual picnic. We hope all our future homeowners will look forward to this event as it is upheld in years to come...be on the lookout for a "Save-the-Date" for our 2nd Annual Fall Picnic in 2017!

Congratulations to the Habitat homeowners who have satisfied their mortgages: Bobby and Jane B., Jackie W., Judy M., Kim S., Lisa V., Beverly O., Janet K., Thaddaus S., Carolyn M., Deborah B., Shirley C., Pam W., Esther F., Fredericka H., Valerie I., Barbara M. and Tommy B.

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Construction Corner

A note from Andrea, Volunteer Workforce Manager

As we continue our efforts towards building 500 homes by 2018, we are greatly in need of individuals to join our Core Crew. We are seeking long-term, mission-oriented individuals to join our year-round volunteer team. You do not need experience! Every hand makes a difference, and new members are paired with more experienced members while they learn Habitat's build process and techniques. From leading builds and mentoring volunteers to having a specialized skill, Core Crew members are dedicated volunteers who give their time on the construction site. These men and women volunteer on a combination of Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in partnership with future Habitat

homeowners at Habitat for Humanity of Evansville. Giving at least 80 hours a year, Core Crew volunteers are an essential element to building houses. If you are interested in joining our Core Crew, or if you know someone who would enjoy being a part of our Core Crew, please contact Andrea Ward by email at award@evansvillehabitat.org or by phone at (812) 423-5623 ext. 33. Remember, every hand makes a difference!



Habitat Build Update

Congratulations to these new homeowners!

Dianne L.

February 4, 2016

Sponsor: In Memory of John H. and Mary Ada Berg
619 Garfield Avenue

Brittnie H.

March 14, 2016

Sponsor: Alan and Sharon Braun Family Foundation
509 Garfield Avenue

Barbara L.

July 14, 2016

Sponsor: CountryMark and Mt. Vernon
Ministerial Association
1125 E. 2nd Street



Doris D.

August 27, 2016

Sponsor: Lutherans for Habitat
24 W. Delaware Street

Randy H.

October 20, 2016

Sponsor: Eyewitness News
611 Garfield Avenue

Where We Are Building

612 Baker Avenue

Jennie R.

House Sponsors: BKD, LLP; UCC/DOC Churches

22 W. Iowa Street

Jessica H.

House Sponsor: United Methodists for Habitat

1129 E. 2nd Street

Jessica B.

House Sponsors: CountryMark and Mt. Vernon
Ministerial Association

913 Harriet Street

Rhea S.

House Sponsor: Interfaith Advisory Council's
Build for Unity

34 Iowa Street

Rhonda M.

House Sponsor: CrossLight Community Church

W. Louisiana Street

Carlos U. & Leona D.

House Sponsor: Catholics for Habitat

516 Baker Avenue

Kayla W.

House Sponsor: Women Build

36 W. Michigan Street

Kara M.

House Sponsor: Old National Bank

33 W. Florida Street

Marybelle B.

House Sponsor: Deaconess Hospital

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Women Build and HabiTea



Our 2016 Women Build Committee has been hard at work volunteering and raising money for the 9th annual Women Build-sponsored Habitat home. Women volunteers had the opportunity to learn more

construction skills by putting up the siding on Doris D.'s house during National Women Build Week. Even though it was a wet day, the rain could not dampen the spirit on site. Later in the month of May, the committee hosted two construction how-to days, in partnership with Lowe's. At both Lowe's East and West, the committee sold concession stand food to raise money for the upcoming build and participated in painting, siding and roofing informational clinics.

Vicki Brasel, chair of the 2016 Women Build, and committee members also worked tirelessly on a new Women Build fundraiser event. HabiTea – a unique blend of sugar, cream, and construction – was held August 25 at the Evansville Country Club and was a huge success! The total net profit was approximately \$28,000 and will be used to fund the upcoming Women Build-sponsored house for future homeowner Kayla W. and her two sons.

Habitat Interfaith Activities

Earlier this year, the University of Evansville hosted its first-ever Festival of Faiths. The event was open to the public and provided the opportunity for people from all walks of life to learn more about the variety of faiths within our community and to celebrate our differences. The Interfaith Advisory Council (IAC) was proud to be represented at the festival and have the opportunity to announce their plan to participate in Habitat for Humanity International's Build for Unity initiative where diversity, inclusion and community are the shared values and focal points of builds. In its second year, the IAC will represent Evansville as one of the 14 participating affiliates around the country to participate in this initiative. The IAC will sponsor two Build for Unity projects: the 2016 Interfaith Build and the first-ever Millennial Build. The Millennial Build will seek to unify members of our community ages 18-36 and provide them with the opportunity to build a home alongside a future Habitat homeowner and fund an entire house. We thank Tammy Gieselman for organizing the festival and allowing the IAC to make this announcement.



Youth United Hosts Lining Up for Habitat

Now in its third year, Habitat's high school volunteering and fundraising group, Youth United, has sponsored a whole house and is looking to sponsor a second. After receiving a matching grant from State Farm, the group decided to host a family-friendly fundraiser to acquire the matching funds. On April 2, Youth United successfully hosted Lining Up for Habitat; the event got everyone on their feet and raised more than \$4,000. Families and students in the community had a great time learning and participating in a few line dances while also learning more about Habitat. A few of our local media personalities even participated in a line dancing competition, winning by dollar votes from the audience. We sincerely thank all those who came out to support Youth United and Habitat!

Hats (Boots) off to:

- Vicki Brasel, *State Farm*
- Pam Lentz, *State Farm*
- Bruce Hensley, *The Dance Hall*
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Youth United Event Committee: Sydney Maurer, Kyle Dennis, Kulsoom Tapal, Maansi Asthena, Kelsey Brown, Alexis Price, Morgan Goebel

Youth United meets once a month from 4-5 p.m. at the Habitat office. The meeting date for January will be posted on the Habitat website under "Youth United." If you, or someone you know, is interested in joining Youth United please contact Mariah Bradley at mbradley@evansvillehabitat.org.





Ensuring Homes, Communities and Hope with the Perigo-Prickett Society

Habitat Receives Estate Gift

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville recently received an unexpected and much appreciated gift of \$30,000 from the estate of Charles F. Crawford.

Mr. Crawford passed away September 14, 2014, at age 92. He was pre-deceased by his wife and only daughter and left behind no grandchildren. According to those who handled his estate, Mr. Crawford and his wife Frances lived very quiet lives, always intending that their life savings would go, for the most part, to charitable organizations doing good for others in the community.

Like the thoughtful and deliberate people they seemed to be, they made careful plans so that they would not outlive their resources. Habitat regrets that we were not able to thank Mr. Crawford during his lifetime but will honor his memory by inducting him posthumously as a member of the Perigo-Prickett

Society.

The Crawford gift will be used to help build a home during Habitat's Transforming Lives, Changing Neighborhoods campaign and reach the goal of 500 homes by 2018. We believe Mr. Crawford knows that a family's life will be changed forever because of his gift and that, on the other side of eternity, he...and God...are smiling.

In addition to Charles and Frances Crawford, the Perigo-Prickett Society also welcomes Steve and Sandy Titzer as new members.

For more information about how your membership in the Perigo-Prickett Society can help build homes, communities and hope contact Sr. Jane Michele McClure at 812-423-5623 ext. 26.



Current membership of the Perigo-Prickett Society includes

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| Tom and Marcia Ballard | Butch and Linda Feulner | Dr. Llewellyn Lieber † | Carl and Beverly † Schofield |
| Lois M. Bennett † | Jim and Emily Fowler † | Bob and Shirley Nicholson | Kenneth Silverman † |
| Lola J. Bromm † | Theresa Frielinghausen | Dan and Laura Niemeier | Steve and Wendy Thomas |
| David and Ginny Cook | John and Lucille Gooch † | Jim and Pat Perigo | Steve and Sandy Titzer |
| Charles F. and Frances Crawford † | Dan and Lou Ann Green | Jim and Janette Prickett | Fran and Vernon Vix |
| Melvin L. Dickhaut † | Ben Greiner † | Lori Reed | Maryedna Wilkie † |
| LeRoy and Pat Dilger | Eugene and Barbara Hamlow | Charlotte Richardt † | Scott and Holly Wittman |
| Greg and Joyce Donaldson | Joyce Hendrix | Aileen Roberts | Richard and Paula † Yeager |
| Marjorie E. Ewing † | Nancy Hitch | Oscar † and Dottie Schauss | Anonymous (2) |
| Gilbert and Alberta Fehrenbacher † | Elizabeth Kalb | Richard and Joann Schechter | † Deceased |

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville Travels to Guatemala

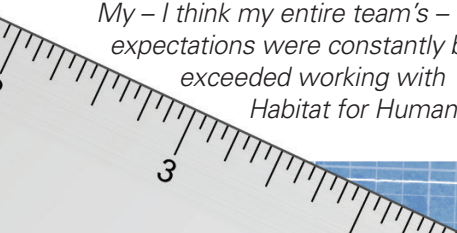
We are incredibly proud of our team of 12 who traveled to Guatemala in February to build with Habitat for Humanity of Guatemala. Just like Habitat in Evansville, the group worked alongside homeowner, William Batres, and his family building his home in Tecpan, which he will purchase with an affordable mortgage. They also built 4 smokeless stoves for Guatemalan families. Throughout the week the group visited Antigua, Xitche Mayan ruins, Lake Atitlan and even hiked Volcano Pecaya in addition to building – creating a great combination of cultural and volunteer experiences. Below is an excerpt from the Habitat for Humanity International title report, written by trip leader and former Communications Manager, Lee Jerstad:

Guatemala. In our first moments after landing, we were overwhelmed by the rich, vibrant culture and beautiful landscapes of the country. For most of our five days, our team worked with William and his three siblings at the site of his future home, twisting rebar – so much so that we could have done it in our sleep. Each night during our reflection time, I could feel our team growing – a deep friendship with each other, a connection to Guatemala, an appreciation for all we had, a better understanding of poverty, and passion for Habitat. We left Guatemala with unexplainable bonds between each other,

William and his family, the country, and a drive to empower through shelter.

Team members: Julie Cline, Clay Ellerbrook, Beth Folz, Mike Hillenbrand, Lee Jerstad, Jane and Paul Leingang, Tessa McLinden, Lacey Moss, Evan Niemeier, Dan and Laura Niemeier.

My – I think my entire team's – expectations were constantly being exceeded working with Habitat for Humanity of



Hard Hats and High Heels

Thanks to everyone who walked with us down the yellow-brick road to Habitat's second annual Hard Hats and High Heels gala on November 10 at Tropicana Evansville. This year's theme was "There's no place like home." There was dinner as well as a silent and live auction. Thank you for supporting Habitat in helping local families experience that "no place like home feeling!"

Save-the-Date for the third annual Hard Hats and High Heels on Thursday, November 9, 2017!



Why Give?

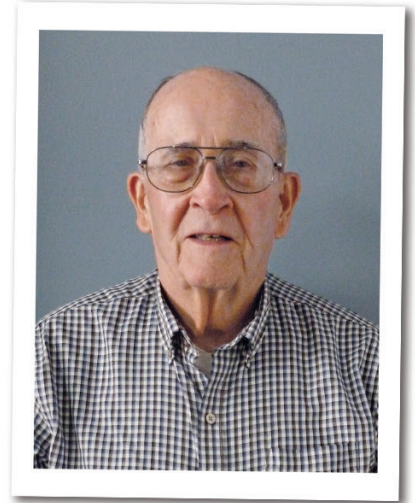
Carl Schofield heard Millard Fuller, the founder of Habitat, speak at St. Lucas United Church of Christ thirty years ago. "Millard was the kind of guy who could convince you to walk through a wall," says Carl.

In the 1992 Blitz, Carl's church – Bethlehem United Church of Christ – did a half-house sponsorship. In 2001 he invited representatives from United Church of Christ and Disciples of Christ churches to raise money and build a Habitat house. The UCC/DOC Build is now in its 15th year and has always enjoyed strong support from Bethlehem, according to Carl.

When asked why he supports Habitat financially, Carl responded, "I know there is a great need for housing and some people simply can't afford it. Habitat is one way to meet that need."

Carl recently became a member of the Perigo-Prickett Society. He and his wife

(Beverly, who passed away in 2013) decided their church was their most important cause and then each chose a charity to support through their IRA. Carl says, "I chose Habitat and have enjoyed being deeply involved with an organization doing such good work in the community."



Get Involved with Habitat!

Habitat for Humanity of Evansville offers a number of ways to get involved on the construction site and off. Our "no-hammer" volunteer opportunities include but are not limited to the following: office assistants, front desk receptionists, interns, committee members, meal and snack providers,

photography and videography artists, volunteer hosts, workshop leaders, future homeowner advocates and budget buddies. If you are interested in "no-hammer" volunteering or getting involved on the construction site, contact Andrea Ward at award@evansvillehabitat.org.

Because of This House...

Lacey and Jayden have a sense of security

Lacey describes the call she received from Habitat asking if she wanted to apply for a house as "a call from God." The switch from living in a tiny apartment on the southeast side of Evansville to owning a home near the main campus of Deaconess, was a blessing in her life.

Lacey received her house in October of 2015. "Once I got my keys, I could not believe it. I was finally a homeowner."

Along with the sense of security that comes from owning her own home, Lacey says she has also developed a sense of financial security. She is now in a position where she has other focuses rather than just finding an

affordable place to live. "I [can] do other things like save for my son's college plan as well as go back to school myself."

During this past February, Lacey had the opportunity to pay her blessings forward. She, along with several other Habitat volunteers, travelled to Guatemala to help provide the people there with the basic human needs. They built smokeless stoves and worked on a house.

"I felt like this was an opportunity to work on the other side – to not only help the team but to help another family like I was helped."

In Guatemala, Lacey learned new skills that she plans to use in Evansville as she volunteers with Habitat.

To view the full video story, visit our website at evansvillehabitat.org.



Giving the Gift of Change

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Future Homeowner Spotlight Jessica H.



Jessica H. is all about setting goals and achieving them. Jessica currently lives with her father, who is in the early stages of Parkinson's disease, but she is eager to have the opportunity to live on her own. While living at home is enjoyable, her main goal is to become more self-sufficient.

At 23 years old, Jessica knew to become more self-sufficient meant owning her home rather than renting. However, finding affordable options was a real obstacle. A co-worker told her about Habitat and after thinking it over she decided to apply. Jessica said the process was very smooth and was thankful that she was in a good spot financially, with good credit. Jessica has an associates' degree in criminal justice from Ivy Tech and works as a leased housing inspector with the Evansville Housing Authority. Jessica has aspirations to one day return to school and further her career in the criminal justice field.

Since beginning her partnership with Habitat, Jessica has become even more responsible with balancing work, sweat equity and her father's doctor appointments. Now, she pays more attention to managing her money in preparation for homeownership. Jessica says she has had a lot of fun working on her sweat equity, especially on the build site with the Core Crew. "It makes you feel whole – you really feel a part of something."

Now, Jessica is looking forward to accomplishing her goal of self-sufficiency through homeownership. She is excited for the future her home will bring and grateful she will have a stable place to start a family when the time comes. Jessica is most excited to have her own space and cannot wait to spend time on the front porch with her cat Maggie. For Jessica, homeownership means independence. "It sounds silly, but I'm excited to have grass to mow!"