

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Habitat's Mission *Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with God and people everywhere from all walks of life, to develop communities with people in need by building and renovating houses in decent communities in which every person can experience God's love and can live and grow into all that God intends.*

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Please recognize and support the Fond du Lac area businesses advertised in our newsletter.

The Schmitz Family House

Habitat for Humanity of Fond du Lac County will begin their 17th house in April with the Tara Schmitz Family. This will be a "typical" house build of 18 to 20 weeks with the build beginning in June and completed in late September. The house, located at 35 W. Bank Street in Fond du Lac, will be a great addition to this well established neighborhood noted Jim Wamser, Building Committee Co-Chair, who along with Ben Menaker, bring their expertise and experience to this committee. They would like to thank their committee members for their donation of time and talents for this home to become a reality for a very appreciative partner family.

2009 House Build

Schmitz Family to partner with Habitat



Looking over the blueprints for this year's build at 35 W. Bank Street are Tara Schmitz (Partner Family), Mike Sippel, Ben Menaker, and Jim Wamser, of the building committee.

Groundbreaking will be held on Saturday, April 18 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon. Please attend to show your support to our new family and welcome them to the neighborhood.

From the Desk of the Executive Director — Kathy Strong-Twohig

Windows of Opportunity is a new fundraiser that will be held on April 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. at The Windhover Center For The Arts. The windows are an original work of art created by over 15 area artists for this one of a kind event. Join us on April 24 for the artist reception, live auction of the one of a kind windows and also a silent auction of original artwork and jewelry. The exhibit opens for viewing on April 7 in the Café Gallery at The Windhover Center For The Arts on 51 Sheboygan Street, FDL.

How can I help to make a difference in my community and become involved with Habitat for Humanity? This is the most frequently asked question that we hear — Please check out the Sponsorship Levels of support listed on page 5 or Buy A Square Foot on page 3. Only \$10 can buy a box of nails for the house build, all donations are greatly appreciated and do make a difference.

ReStore News, Page 6. Meet Trista, our new Supervisor.

Heart to Hearth Annual Dinner—Thank you to Carol Smith, Kay Mullins, Mike Peterson, Chef Dave and the crew at First Presbyterian Church for the incredible gourmet meal served at the fundraising dinner held on Sunday, Feb. 15th. A four course dinner was served to 170 lucky ticket holders of this sold out event which raised \$3150.

We can do things the way we have always done them, or we can look at the alternatives available and try something new, different and potentially more rewarding. When we become conscious of other possibilities we can begin to fashion our lives in ways which included more of what will lead us to our deepest desires and ultimate purpose.

Recognize and act on those gifts and opportunities with which you were blessed and I urge you to contact the Habitat office to volunteer for a house build, to cook and feed our hard working crews on build days, or to volunteer in the ReStore. It is so fulfilling, rewarding and a great way

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to meet others with the same passions here in our community. Check out our website to see the many available skills needed to assist with the running of our organization. Experience is not necessary at all, just a positive attitude.

How do we remember Millard? We raise our hammers a little higher; we bring them down a little harder and a little faster – we build more houses. And we do what Millard always called us to do. We raise our voices on behalf of the poor...”

- Clive Rainey, director of community relations at Habitat for Humanity International, was the first volunteer for the ministry.

Please keep the Family of Millard Fuller in your prayers. Millard passed away on Feb. 3 and will be truly missed. He was the founder of Habitat for Humanity and an inspiration to thousands world wide. I had the pleasure of meeting him in 2005 in West Bend and he will always hold a special place in my heart along with his wife Linda.

Build louder —Kathy



Every 24 minutes a Habitat house is completed.

ReStore = Re-Use, Reduce, Recycle, Re-Purpose



Calendar of Events

February 28	Application meeting for interested homeowners at 10 a.m. at Omni Staffing, 39 S. Main Street, FDL.
March 2	Application meeting for interested homeowners at 6:00 p. m. at Omni Staffing, 39 S. Main Street, FDL
March 24	Board of Directors meeting at 6 p.m. Call ahead if would like to attend or be on the agenda.
March 30	Pancake/Waffle Mix Fundraiser orders due.
April 7	Windows of Opportunity exhibit begins at Windhover Center For The Arts, 51 Sheboygan St., FDL.
April 18 11—Noon	Groundbreaking for the Schmitz Family at: 35 W Bank Street. Call now to get on the volunteer build list for Tuesday and / or Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
April 24th	Windows of Opportunity Fundraiser at Windhover Center for the Arts. Artist reception, live and silent auction from 6 to 8:00 p.m. Public Welcome.
April 28	Board of Directors meeting at 6 p.m.
October 1	6th Annual Italian Night Dinner Fundraiser— Mark your calendars!!

Board of Directors

Marcia Snyder President	Jim Wamser Vice-President
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Your business can advertise here for just \$50 per newsletter. Habitat distributes approximately 2,500 newsletters every quarter and publishes the newsletter on its website: www.habitatfdl.org. This means your business could be seen by thousands of perspective customers! Please call (920) 921-6623 for more information.

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Square Foot Campaign



If you would like to purchase a square foot of an upcoming house build, or purchase particular items for a house, please fill out the form below and submit it.

By Fax: 920-921-2893

By Mail: Habitat for Humanity of Fond du Lac County, Inc
150 South Brooke Street
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

“Purchase a Square Foot” Donation Form 2009

Donations are tax-deductible, a form will be sent

- ◇ I want to purchase _____ square feet/foot of a house at \$86.55 each for a total of \$_____.
- ◇ I would like to purchase:
 - ◇ \$10 for a box of nails ◇ \$35 for shingles
 - ◇ \$75 for a window ◇ \$100 for a kitchen sink
 - ◇ \$150 for a front door ◇ \$500 for exterior siding
 - ◇ \$1,000 for wallboard ◇ \$2,500 for flooring
- ◇ I would like to make a cash donation in the amount of \$_____.

Please make checks payable to **Habitat for Humanity**. For a credit card purchase, please fill out the account information and sign the below form, or call our office at (920) 921-6623.

◇ Visa ◇ Mastercard Account Number: _____

Cardholder Name: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Purchase/Donation Amount \$_____ Authorized Signature _____

Type of gift (please circle):

Graduation	Birthday	Housewarming	New Baby
Retirement	Wedding	Anniversary	Holiday

In Memory or Honor of: _____

A card will be sent in recognition of the gift.

MANY THANKS to the following for donating to the Square Foot Campaign:
Baker Cheese

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Build Louder!

You can help make a difference! Sign up online today to be an advocate for Habitat for Humanity basic, healthy and affordable housing www.AdvocateWithHabitat.org

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Delicious Waffle & Pancake Mix Fundraiser!



Help Habitat for Humanity *AND* benefit yourself and your family with delicious pancake and waffle mix! Habitat for Humanity receives a whopping 50% of all sales to assist us in raising money for our next build at 35 West Bank Street in Fond du Lac. Enclosed you will find information and an order form. The pancake and waffle mix is the same that is used in hotels and bed and breakfasts across the country! Please place your order and enclose a check to **'Habitat for Humanity'** by Friday, March 20th, and we will notify you when your order comes in the week of April 13th. You can help by asking family, friends, officemates, neighbors, and the like if they also would be interested in helping to raise money for Habitat for Humanity through this fundraiser! *Thank you in advance for your generosity.* More information can be found on our website: www.habitatfdl.org.

Board Volunteer of the Quarter—Jim Wamser

My name is Jim Wamser and I have lived in Fond du Lac for the past fourteen years. I grew up in Cedarburg, WI and moved here in 1995 when I was hired by the City of Fond du Lac Fire Department. I spent the first ten years of my career as a Firefighter and Paramedic and now serve as a Fire Lieutenant. I have a wonderful wife named Debbie and am blessed with two stepchildren, Billy and Megan. Since moving here I have always enjoyed being involved in my community and volunteering my time with different local organizations. I first worked with Habitat for Humanity three years ago on one of the house builds. A large group of us from the Fire Department spent a day setting the trusses and shingling the roof. We all worked very hard, but had a great time and I knew right away I found something that I would really enjoy being a part of. In the past I was a cabinetmaker and I have experience in roofing, rough carpentry, and concrete work, so Habitat for Humanity seemed to be a natural fit for me. I was invited to be on the Board of Directors about a year and a half ago and I accepted the position right away. I enjoy serving on the board and helping not only with the building, but with the planning, fundraising, and other aspects of the organization. I have found this Board of Directors to be a truly hands-on, hard-working and dedicated group of people. We are an energetic group with varied backgrounds and many different talents who really know how to work together towards common goals. My favorite part of Habitat for Humanity is still working on the house builds. I really enjoy working side by side with the future homeowner and the many volunteers that help throughout the build. I have met many wonderful volunteers during this time from the people who help build, to the groups and individuals that supply lunch to the volunteers in the office and ReStore. We have already begun the planning for the house we will build during 2009 and I look forward to seeing some familiar faces and meeting new volunteers at the build site. I encourage anyone who has a little time and energy to volunteer with us—I'm sure you will find it a rewarding and fun experience.



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Sponsorship Levels—Help to build our house in 2009!

Hammer A House Sponsorship Levels —

A huge thank you to **C.D. Smith Construction** for leading the way to sponsor a Habitat House build at the **Bronze Hammer Level**. Their sponsorship donation of \$5000 covered the costs for the Interior and Exterior Finishing on the **Elmhdati House at 154 E 21st Street, FDL**. It also included shutters, mail-box, house numbers, porch railings, paint and stain.

Platinum Hammer (\$20,000 +)

This sponsorship covers the purchase of building materials including but not limited to: 2x4's, roof sheeting, nails, insulation, vapor barrier, trusses, floor beams, etc.

PR includes primary sponsor build site signage, all media coverage mentions (radio, newspaper, website, and newsletter), recognition at the ground breaking and House dedication ceremony, tickets to the Italian Dinner Night and a sponsor plaque.

Gold Hammer (\$15,000-\$19,999)

This sponsorship covers the foundation on which the house is built; excavation and foundation.

PR includes sponsor build site signage, all media coverage mentions (radio, newspaper, website, and newsletter), recognition at the ground breaking and House dedication ceremony, and a sponsor plaque.

Silver Hammer (\$10,000-\$14,999)

This sponsorship covers the drywall and plumbing/electrical.

PR includes co-sponsor build site signage, all media coverage mentions (radio, newspaper, website, and newsletter), recognition at the ground breaking and House dedication ceremony and a sponsor plaque.

Bronze Hammer (\$5,000-\$9,999)

This sponsorship covers the Interior and Exterior Finishing. This includes but is not limited to: shutters, mailbox, house numbers, porch railings, painting and staining, etc.

PR includes mention in all media (radio, newspaper, website, and newsletter) and a sponsor plaque.

Hard Hat Club Premium (\$3,000-\$4,999)

This sponsorship covers the insulation, foaming, flooring, furnace and supplies.

PR includes mention in all media (radio, newspaper, website, and newsletter) and a Habitat for Humanity hardhat.

Hard Hat Club (\$1,000-\$2,999)

This sponsorship covers the add-ons: windows, doors, driveway paving.

PR includes mention on website and newsletter and a Habitat for Humanity hardhat.

Square Foot Donor (\$999—\$1) See page 3. Call the office for more information on how you can become a sponsor for our upcoming house build for the Schmitz Family.

Habitat began construction of it's 300,000th house in Naples, Florida, and it's 300,001st house in Zacapa, Guatemala —and we're building strong!

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Habitat for Humanity ReStore -

What does an organ, oil paintings, cans of paint, caulk, appliances, furniture, sinks and cabinets have in common? You will find these items and so much more at the Habitat ReStore! The home improvement resale ReStore is open to the public and the hours are Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Drop off of donations are accepted during store hours or by appointment if called in ahead.

Habitat ReStores all offer quality building products, appliances and furniture all at bargain prices. At the same time, we are recycling items, keeping thousands of pounds of reusable "good stuff" out of the landfills and giving them a second chance.

Please know that your donated items will be used for the Habitat house builds if it meets the house specifications. And also know that all proceeds from the ReStore benefit the house builds in the Fond du Lac community.



ReStore phone number: 920.921.2893

ReStore address: 150 South Brooke Street, FDL

Open: Thursday & Friday 10—5; Saturday 9—3

We, who have so much, must do more to help those in need. Most of all, we must live simply, so that others may simply live. — Ed Begley, Jr.

Meet our new ReStore Supervisor—Trista Holz

Hi! I was raised in Eldorado and now reside in Fond du Lac with my two children. I graduated from UW Oshkosh in 1993 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts. I definitely value being a part of the Fond du Lac community, and believe in being involved wherever I can make a positive difference. I am a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, and I am also a member of Women In Management, and served as WIM Program Chairperson 2007-2008, and Assistant Chairperson 2006-2007. I have served on the FDL Fondue Festival Committee to help recruit and organize artisan vendors. I am also involved with Windhover Center for the Arts, teaching classes and art exhibitions.



I am a Fused Glass Artist and create unique artwork for gallery exhibits throughout Wisconsin. I developed my own line of jewelry and manufacture customized glass for fundraiser items. I have taught at UW Fond du Lac Continuing Education for the past 6 years. Classes include Glass Fusing, Fused Jewelry, Beaded Jewelry for adults, Beading for L.E.A.P.S., and College For Kids programs. I have served on various committees to help organize events and programs for continuing education.

My Interests and hobbies include art, jewelry making, and golf.

Why Habitat? HFH is a strong organization with a great mission. Working with FDL HFH previously on a customized glass fundraiser was a way for me to see how HFH is improving our community and it's people. The startup of the FDL ReStore provided a great opportunity for me to contribute to the cause. I look forward to meeting with you and assisting in your own building and remodeling needs.

*It takes many hands to build a home—please consider a donation of \$10 for a box of nails.
You can make a difference in the lives of others.*

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Thank you for assistance in continuing the Habitat Mission along with your sustained support and donations!

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Habitat also wishes to thank the following local community businesses and organizations for their grant support:



A donation was made from Barbara Kuter and Paul Koser **In Memory of David M. Kuter**

Alliant Energy Foundation to:
“ **HELP BUILD IT**”

A donation was made from Mary Zehren **In HONOR of Mr. Rick Gregory, Principal at Roberts Elementary School**

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A donation was made from Beth Myers Landbo **In HONOR of Richard and Clara Myers**

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ReStore

Some of the many items in our 5000 SF of space:

- Building Materials/Tools
- Window Treatments
- Household Items
- Appliances
- Furniture
- Bathroom Fixtures

**Thurs. & Fri. 10-5;
Sat. 9-3
(Donations by appt.)**

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ReStore now has a new phone number—you can reach us directly during store hours at: 920-921-2893. Check out our huge selection of: sofas, cabinets, doors, door knobs, windows, window shades, appliances, ceramic tile, grouts, light fixtures, dressers, end tables, entertainment centers, dining room tables, office desks and chairs, household items and much more. Did you know that we will pick up your donations?

Call us to schedule an appointment today!!