



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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Celebrating 15 Years of Engaging & Empowering

This year marks the 15th anniversary of Habitat for Humanity of Fond du Lac County building homes with low-income families. The homes are being built at the corner of Lake and Montana Streets, FDL. Building two homes doubles the need for donation support, in-kind materials and the community volunteers in which we rely on to complete each house. It is only with this generous business support and incredible donors that we can continue our mission to provide safe, basic and affordable houses to low-income families in need of a home of their own.

Women Build Day had such a huge response from volunteers that another day was scheduled in June. Women from all walks of life came together to help build houses and change lives in the process—often, their own. Read about volunteer experiences on page 4 and plan to join us for this event in 2012.

Please join us for a Donor & Volunteer Appreciation Cookout immediately following the Dedication Ceremony on September 17th from 11:00 a.m. until Noon at 541 Lake St. & 525 Montana St. in FDL for the Lee & Hagen Partner Families. We have a lot to celebrate as we complete our 20th and 21st houses!




National Women Build Week. Sponsored by Lowe's and The Women's Fund of FDL on May 7th. Local Girl Scout Troop #8568 were mentored and provided the lunch.

Help Build It!—\$20.21 Donation Campaign


The \$20.21 Campaign for Habitat for Humanity is underway! Habitat of Fond du Lac is celebrating a milestone -- the building of their 20th and 21st houses in Fond du Lac County. It only takes 4,500 caring community members to each donate \$20.21 to cover the entire cost of a Habitat for Humanity home. Please consider donating to help make a difference in the lives of others with your \$20.21 donation. Donations can be sent to the Habitat for Humanity of FDL Co. office or online at our website: www.habitatfdl.org. Check to see if you have a Workplace Giving program and double your donation.

Increase your chances to win and donate monthly to be eligible for a special giveaway drawing. The July drawing will feature a Habitat tool set. Each month through December will feature a unique drawing

Help Build It! Take Part in the Habitat for Humanity \$20.21 Campaign



The Hagen Family




It only takes 4,500 donations of \$20.21 to build a brand new Habitat for Humanity Home

In celebration of the building of our 20th and 21st homes in Fond du Lac County, we ask for your support to "Help Build It!"

Donate \$20.21 today by calling (920)921-6623 or visit us on the web at www.habitatfdl.org.

These two communities are being built thanks to the help of our friends.

Habitat for Humanity of Fond du Lac County • 189 N. Brooke Street • Fond du Lac, WI 54905



The Lee Family

COMING SOON...8TH ANNUAL ITALIAN NIGHT DINNER FUNDRAISER

Our 8th Annual Italian Night Dinner Fundraiser is fast approaching. Thursday, September 29th, we will be hosting our largest and most important fundraising event at the Holiday Inn of Fond du Lac. Don't miss out on great food, a chance to meet the proud new homeowners of our 20 & 21st houses, recognize volunteers and mingle with Habitat community supporters.

We are accepting table and event sponsors for the event and sponsors levels will include special recognition opportunities on posters distributed throughout the community, table cards, programs, and media coverage related to the event. Check with your co-workers and friends to fill a table for eight and join us for this fun evening. Donations for Silent and Live Auctions are now being collected. If you have anything to offer — gift cards, services, gift baskets, products — now is the time to showcase your business and generosity and help change a life for years to come.

A \$40.00 ticket will include dinner, live entertainment, and opportunities to bid on exceptional live and silent auction items. Event will start at 5:30 p.m. with a cash bar social hour. Dinner and program will begin at 6:30 p.m. Call 921-6623 for more information, to reserve a seat, or donate items to this fundraiser. Auction items include: Disney World Passes, 2012 Country USA Tickets, 2012 Rock USA Tickets, Casino Hotel & GC's Package, Golf Packages, Pampering Packages, Dining Around Packages and much more.



Michelle Hagen and daughter Taryn stand in front of their future Habitat Home

Calendar of Events

Sept. 17th 11 to Noon	Dedication for Lee & Hagen Homes at 541 Lake St. / 525 Montana St. FDL
Sept. 17th Noon	Volunteer / Donor Celebration Cookout
Sept. 29th 5:30—9:30	8th Annual Italian Night Dinner fundraiser to be held at the Holiday Inn, FDL

** Check out our website for more details **

Our biggest need to continue serving families is monetary donations and sponsorships. Please consider helping... you can truly make a difference!

Cost of Materials and Donor Levels

\$10	Box of Nail	\$2000	Wallboard
\$25	Lumber	\$2500	Flooring
\$35	Roof Shingles	\$1000-2,999	Hard Hat Club
\$50	Low-Flow Toilet	\$3000-4,999	Hard Hat Club - Premium
\$75	Window	\$5000-9,999	Bronze Hammer
\$100	Kitchen Sink	\$10,000-14,999	Silver Hammer
\$150	Front Door	\$15,000-19,999	Gold Hammer
\$500	Siding (partial)	\$20,000 ++	Platinum Hammer

Call to discuss the many PR opportunities and details included with these Corporate Donor Levels.

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These individuals work hard behind the scenes and each one is greatly appreciated

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A Donation was made in Memory of John & Jane Lofte by Richard and Julie Tennie

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"It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference." - Tom Brokaw

"Purchase a Square Foot" Donation Form 2011

Donations are tax-deductible, a receipt 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
 - ◇ \$75 Energy-tight window
 - ◇ \$350 Metered water softener
 - ◇ \$500 for exterior siding / framing lumber (partial)
 - ◇ \$1,200 Energy-efficient furnace
 - ◇ \$25 Roll of wall insulation
 - ◇ \$100 for a kitchen sink / (1) roof trusses
 - ◇ \$2,500 flooring for entire house



- ◇ I would like to make a cash donation in the amount of \$ _____.
- ◇ I would like to make a gift. 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.

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.

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By Mail: Habitat for Humanity of Fond du Lac County, Inc

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Volunteers Share Experiences

- "I had a great time helping build with the Lee & Hagen Families and other volunteers. I enjoyed working with everyone and it felt good to put some of my skills to work." - Michael Barnes (volunteer)
- "We all had a great time. Thanks for the great opportunity!" - Katie Hornung & The Classic Cut Crew (volunteers)
- "Watching Mai (Xiong) Lee sweep out her future Habitat for Humanity home after a long day of building. Those are the moments that you know you are truly helping someone. You can tell she is looking forward to the opportunity of owning her own home." - Jim Wamser (HFH Board Member)
- "Even though my parents had been involved with Habitat for many years, I never knew the partner families receiving the homes had to pay for them, or that they had to contribute so many hours of sweat equity. Both families have been great to work with, and even though I feared that I would not fit in, everyone involved has been wonderful. The patience and knowledge of the leaders has impressed me and I look forward to the completion date feeling like these are 'my families' moving into the homes as I share their excitement and joy at the prospect of becoming homeowners with an investment in their community. Thanks for the opportunity to be involved." - Mark Kelderman (volunteer)
- "On May 31st, 2011 team members from the Fond du Lac Police Department had the opportunity to again participate in another house build day for the houses at Lake and Montana Streets. To say the least every team member was humbled by the experience and truly enjoyed giving back to the community we protect and serve on a daily basis. Working on these homes turned out to be more than physical labor and sweat. Our officers strengthened relationships as we accomplished something much bigger than the team. We were able to learn more about ourselves as we worked effectively together to complete the day's tasks." - L.T. Aaron Goldstein (HFH Board Member)

NOW MORE THAN EVER....HELP BUILD IT Habitat volunteers from all walks of life work to bridge the gap between families and homeownership. How can you get more involved?

For volunteer and donor opportunities, check out our website at: www.habitatfdl.org.

Application Meeting for 2012 Future Partner Families—

Habitat is now accepting applications for our 2012 house builds. If you know of anyone who may qualify, please pass along this information and call our office for an application appointment.

Prequalification's include: Must have lived or worked in FDL County for one year, held a steady source of income for two years and not claimed bankruptcy in the last two years.

Our website lists the monetary HUD guidelines and has more information at www.habitatfdl.org.

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Wish List

- House Sponsors— Help Build It!
- Italian Night Dinner Fundraiser—
- Silent / Live Auction Items needed
- Cars for Homes Program Donations—
(Running or Not)
- Aluminum Cans
- Ink Jet / Toners

Youth Volunteer of the Quarter: Madeson Walgenbach

I started my journey with Habitat for Humanity of FDL Co. when I attended an Operation Purple military camp in the Pisgah Mountains in the summer of 2010. We were asked to create, plan, and complete a service project that would benefit our community to follow-up the camp. After having difficulties deciding what I exactly wanted to do, I began to look up local organizations in the area. I came across Habitat of FDL Co. shortly after. I called them and set up a meeting to discuss my plans for a ReStore Donation Drive. At that point, I had no clue what to expect. I wasn't even really sure of what I was doing or if I could successfully run a fundraiser because I had never tried before. I walked into Habitat FDL and almost immediately knew that doing a fundraiser for them would be perfect. Throughout the process of planning the fundraiser, my original plan changed several times until it came to be "The Oakfield Talent Review" and an "I Helped Build It!" Challenge.



Madeson working at our 2nd Women Build Day this year!

As a junior in high school, I was definitely faced with challenges throughout the fundraiser. I had to quickly learn how to balance homework, planning, stress, and all of the other responsibilities I had. All of it was more than worth it though. The fundraiser came to be greater than I imagined possible. We made nearly \$3,000 and raised great awareness for Habitat FDL Co. Everything came together seemingly perfect. I give all that glory to God. He truly put His hand over this fundraiser and helped it be all it was.

I have always seemed to have a passion to help others, but this year that passion took me to heights I've never been at before. Through this experience, I've gained so much. What I gained though is nothing compared to the joy of knowing that this project brought the community together to help build homes and hope. The difference that a small community like Oakfield was able to make in the lives of others is what made this such a great experience. I encourage you to step out of your comfort zone and to reach out to those in need in your community also. It's truly rewarding.

I cannot thank Habitat of FDL enough for their support, encouragement and advice. I also give great thanks to all the volunteers who made the fundraiser possible! I look forward to continue my involvement with Habitat in the future. Thank you for this recognition!

From the Aisles of the ReStore Supervisor: Nancy Zompolas

As summer heats up, so does the merchandise and deals at the Fond du Lac ReStore. This month's special is 15% off all appliances, and with ranges; washers; dryers; dehumidifiers; dishwashers; microwaves and more already at prices 75% below retail, this means even bigger savings for our customers.

We have recently received from our gracious donors a variety of garden tools, brand new windows and doors, brand new trim, and boxes of household and furniture items donated to us from recent estate sales.



In addition to shopping and donating, we are now accepting electronics for *e-recycling*. Don't wait for a "e-recycle day", stop in any time during store hours to drop off your old computers, monitors, printers, faxes, Ipods, MP3's, phones, televisions, laptops, video game consoles, mice, keyboards, wires, PDA's, servers and networking equipment, VCR's and DVD players. All are eligible for recycling at the Fond du Lac ReStore **at no charge!** We are happy to accept your used and discarded electronics and pleased to be able to pass them forward for recycling, rather than sending them to a landfill.

Questions about shopping, donating or e-recycling? Call us at (920) 921-2893 or stop by during store hours.

Wednesday 10 to 6 p.m., Thursday & Friday 10 to 5 p.m. and Saturday 9 to 2 p.m.

Women Build 2011

Women build was started 20 years ago in 1991 where a group of women in Charlotte, North Carolina completed the first women-built Habitat for Humanity house. With this event, the seeds for Habitat for Humanity's Women Build program are planted.

We would like to thank all the women who attended our Women Build Days this year with your continued support we are hoping to have more Women Build Days next year!

Women Build brings together women from all walks of life to address the housing crisis facing millions of women and children worldwide. Women Build events have helped to construct more than 1,800 houses.

Building is such a bonding experience, combine that with women proving to themselves they are capable of building is such an empowering event. We had women from all ages this year participate, it was wonderful! On the first Women Build day we had the women show our two girl scout troops how to hammer boards together, it's so neat to see women teaching girls life skills.

Community Involvement Finds a Home at UW-Fond du Lac

"I am excited about the Habitat for Humanity Club formation on the UW-FDL campus. It is great that the students have a positive avenue to do service work in the community that helps families directly. Students involvement in the group can be a means for civic engagement right here in their own backyard."

Maggie Gellings- Student Services Coordinator - UW-FDL

The University of Wisconsin Fond du Lac (UW-FDL) is dedicated to providing activities that foster creativity and develop the skills and talents of all students. In Spring of 2010 the Habitat for Humanity Club of UW-FDL was formed. The club has been organized to offer all students, faculty and staff the opportunity to become involved in the community. Through projects and volunteering directly benefiting the Fond du Lac Habitat helping students build leadership skills and teamwork.

Students and the faculty advisor volunteered at the *Windows of Opportunity* event in March and have continued to be actively involved with ongoing projects, including the current homes in process. The members have committed to be involved in all activities sponsored by the Fond du Lac Chapter.

The club is led by President Kate Bauer, a Habitat for Humanity homeowner, and John McDowell, UW Mathematics Professor and faculty advisor. Bauer helped build her home with her six children the summer of 2001 and has been committed to remain actively involved with the local affiliate since.

McDowell states, "When I was asked to help advise the UW-FDL Habitat Club I said 'yes' because I believe that Habitat is an amazing and wonderful organization. Not only does Habitat provide affordable homes for families in need of shelter but also valuable lessons in home construction, sustainability, financial management and team building."

Members of the club have been engaged and excited to be partnering with Habitat and look forward to raising funds, helping families and positively representing their campus. The UW-FDL Habitat Club will continue to grow and develop, not only building homes for families, but building their own strengths, skills and success stories!

Written by: Kate Bauer

Web News

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Agnesian Health Care	Home Builders Association of FDL & Dodge Counties	Oscar's Sportsman Inn
Aubrey Electric	Sue Huck	Helen Paquin
Ascension Lutheran Church	Knights of Columbus Council 664	Pilgrim Church of Christ
A&W Iron and Metal	Diane Johnson	Jim Reim
Lynnette Benedict	Michael M.D. & Joyce Keyes	Doris Riley
Lisa Brooks	Wendy Kosikowski	Al Sattler
Covenant United Methodist Church	John Langolf	Keith & Kinsey Schulz
Domino's Pizza	Janet Lewis	Simon Mall
Ellison Electric Supply Inc.	Kathy Liner	Mike Sippel of MLS Landscaping
Fond du Lac Festivals	Nettie B's Windows	Tabor United Methodist Church
Irene Fails	Richard Niehueser	Joe & Tina Uttendorfer
Green Thumb Garden Club	Claire Olig	The Woodlands of FDL
Charles & Catherine Hornung		Julie Woznick

Thanks to the following local businesses & foundations for supporting our Mission—

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