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MEYER ESTATES

By the time you read this article, we hope that the foundations for the first two homes in Meyer Estates will have been poured and framing crews ready to get started. As this Summer 2008 edition of Habitations goes to press the Meyer Estates plat has been approved and recorded and the City of Spring-



Bend it! Phil Aird and John Hocken work at bending an iron reinforcement rod for the foundation.

field is reviewing our application for building permits for the two homes. While we await the permits, work crews have been getting the foundation forms in place and working on some aspects of the fence that will border the



Steve Price, Phil Aird, John Hocken, and David James take a break from setting foundation forms, to have their picture taken.
Thanks guys!!!

development.

We are extremely grateful for the patience shown by the Holman and Finnegan families through what has been an unexpectedly long pre-build period. By working on two houses at once we'll have many volunteer opportunities available over the summer months. Contact Kate Close, our volunteer coordinator, at 741-1707, if you'd like to add your support to the building process and work with the families. We also need lots of individuals and groups to help provide lunches for volunteer crews and partner families on work days.

Financial support for Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity houses comes from many sources. House sponsors provide the primary sources of funding. Full sponsorship of a house is considered \$60,000 covering building materials and supplies and related expenses. Partial sponsorships, usually in increments of \$5,000 are available. Additional support comes from business, foundation, and government grants; our Fund for Humanity (mortgage payments made by current homeowners); and other business, church, and individual donors.

We hope many of our readers will talk with their churches, business contacts, and friends to explore a house sponsorship option. Contact our executive director, Don Griffin, for more information about sponsorship opportunities available.



David James and a Marist High School student setting fence posts.

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News from the Board President

like this year's winter months carried through most of the Spring? But the daffodils and tulips and azaleas have been beautiful and the summer blossoms are coming on. And what's that I hear? The sound of hammers and saws? The final hurdles have been cleared for Meyer Estates and the walls are going up. Thanks to the tremendous work of Habitat volunteers we will quickly start seeing the creation a beautiful new Habitat neighborhood in Springfield this summer.

Your S/E Habitat for Humanity Board, committee chairs, and staff met at the Big K Guest Ranch in April for a one-day retreat to formulate a 3-year strategic plan for the affiliate. Things that we committed to were a much higher public profile in the community, expanding our building projects to include all geographical areas we serve, opening our arms to invite people of all faiths to join our mission, and beginning the process of opening a "ReStore" in our metro area. This last project especially excites me as the increased awareness of sustainability issues has led people to invest more heavily in finding way to reduce, reuse, and recycle. What better way than to donate those old building materials (and new ones you can't use) to Habitat for resale with the proceeds helping our community's underserved working families? This project will take a couple of years of planning and creation, but will provide a permanent basis for our con-

Summer is nearly here!
Is it just me,
or did it seem

tinued success in the foreseeable future.

Thanks to all for your patience, and most especially the patience of our partner families and sponsors, as we sorted through the platting process for Meyer Estates. This has been a learning experience for our affiliate and has pointed out the need for us to keep working diligently toward procuring buildable lots in our area so we can always hear the hammers hammering and the saws sawing!

I also want to extend a special and hearty "THANK YOU" to the City of Springfield staff, the Community Development Advisory Committee, and the Springfield City Council and Mayor Sid Leiken for recommending and approving a \$100,000 HOME grant that will be used as seed money for 5 homes in Meyer Estates. Support like this allows us to accelerate our good work of eliminating poverty housing in our community and we value and cherish the working relationships we have with our area's governmental agencies.

Have a great summer and we'll see you out working on a project soon!



Yours in God,

Rick Medlen
President,
Board of Directors

SATIN LOVE AND OLYMPIC TRIALS TICKET RAFFLE

The 4th Windermere Real Estate sponsored Satin Love Orchestra Concert and Dance was a great success. Hundreds of enthusiastic and delighted fans rocked with the spirited performance at the McDonald Theater. During the concert, Habitat kicked off a special offering made possible by Windermere. Habitat conducted a raffle offering 2 premium reserved competition seats for the Eugene 08 Olympic Trials on Sunday, June 29th that were donated by the company.

The concert and raffle raised nearly \$7,000 supporting Habitat's affordable housing program. The winning raffle ticket was drawn on live television by KVAL's Shelley Kurtz. The fortunate winner was Carol Errazki! Thanks to Windermere for their tremendous support and investment in the wellbeing of our community.

Applications Being Accepted for S/EHFH Housing Program

If you were unable to attend the application event on May 31, applications are still available. Please call the Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity office at 741-1707 to make an appointment. Applications will be accepted through June 30, 2008.

S/EHFH needs families for four 2-bedroom homes, one 3-bedroom home, and one 3-4 bedroom home.

Selection is based upon: **Need for adequate shelter**, **Ability to repay a zero interest mortgage** (example: a family of four must have a yearly income between \$16,650 and \$33,300), **Willingness to help build your home & do other work with Habitat**, **Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident**.

To speed process, bring copies of: income information for all household members, most recent tax return, birth certificates, and social security cards. Also, bring a list of monthly household expenses, (i.e., rent, utilities, debt payments, etc.

Please share this information with someone that might be interested.



From the Executive Director's Corner

It's really gratifying to see the hustle and bustle around our offices now that building in Meyer

Estates is underway. We remain ever grateful to Meyer

Memorial Trust, Steve and Teri Jokinan, and Florrie Turconi for their vision and hard work in getting Meyer Estates started. As board president, Rick Medlen, graciously related in his article, there are many others to whom we owe much gratitude for their diligence, patience, unwavering support, and steadfast commitment to those helped through Habitat.

As I write this article, the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project just completed Day 5 of their work in the Gulf States. Hundreds of volunteers are working on scores of houses throughout the region devastated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Jimmy and Rosalynn have been dedicated volunteers with Habitat since 1979. For decades, when they rally hundreds and hundreds of volunteers for a work project, they come not to take pictures or give speeches or to play politics, but to work side by side with other volunteers furthering the mission of Habitat around the world. Their sense of purpose and commitment are an inspiration to us

all. We all know that it takes only minutes for the devastation of cyclones, earthquakes, fires, or wars to turn people's lives upside down. Yet it's sometimes hard for us to realize that it will take many years to rebuild the housing stock.

Although the circumstances are different, it takes a long while of very concerted effort to overcome the pervasive and persistent nature of a community's housing problems. Whether it's substandard conditions, overcrowding, unsafe structures, or lack of affordable housing, we must show the same type of determination and long term commitment demonstrated by the Carters in order to turn housing conditions around and therefore help turn the lives of our neighbors around.

Join with other dedicated volunteers in helping Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity improve the quality of life for the whole community by serving in partnership with those in need of basic, decent, and affordable housing.

— *Don Griffin,*
Executive Director



COIN CANISTER

Next time you visit Gateway Mall, be sure to stop by the Habitat coin canister located in the food court seating area. It's bright yellow with some great Habitat pictures displayed on the attached poster. Of course, while you're there drop a few coins into the spiral and enjoy the spin down the funnel or insert a bill into the slot in front.

We're especially grateful to Gateway Mall for the great location. Global Growth Properties, Gateway's owners, is a national partner with Habitat for Humanity International and enabled Gateway Mall to extend many opportunities for us to raise funds and communicate how we are responding to our community's need for affordable housing. One hundred percent of the contributions come to support our local Habitat mission.



Help us make it happen!

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builds more than houses- -

it builds families, communities and lives.



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Every gift to Habitat is a testament to the caring and unselfish spirit of Habitat supporters who choose this way to make a difference in the world they live in. Yes, I would like to help Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity build another house!

___ Here is my pledge of \$ _____ per month for _____ months.

___ Here is my one-time gift of \$ _____.

___ Here is at least \$100 to join the "600 Club" (600 people pledging \$100 each, to help fulfill our mission!)

___ I would like to make an **alternative gift or memorial gift** by making a donation to Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity. Please send a gift card to the following address:

___ I would like to sign up for electronic funds transfer; please send me information.

Donate by credit card on-line through our website link, www.sehabitat.org and 100% of your donation comes to us.

Check here ___ if you do not wish to be thanked publicly (in a newsletter, other publication, etc.) for your donation. This selection applies to all donations unless you authorize otherwise.

To: Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

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From: Your Name _____

Address _____ Zip _____

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Please make checks payable to: S/EHFH. All donations are tax deductible as permitted by law. S/EHFH tithes on all unrestricted contributions to build homes in Nicaragua, helping end poverty housing around the world.

HOW CAN I HELP?

You can use the above coupon to give to Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity in many ways. You can make a monthly pledge, you can make a one-time gift; or, you can pledge \$100 to join the "600 Club" (600 people pledging \$100 each to help fulfill our mission.)

You can also celebrate a friend's or family member's birthday or other occasion with an alternative gift. Send us a check, the name and address of the recipient and they will receive a card telling them of your gift to us (not the amount). It is a great way to recognize someone who has everything they need!

Leave a Legacy

Make a change in your lifetime by designating the Springfield/Eugene Habitat for Humanity as a beneficiary in your will, life insurance policy, retirement plan, or IRA.

Wills are one of the simplest means of planned giving to provide a be-

quest to S/E HFFH. You can consider a gift of appreciated property and enjoy a tax benefit by making a gift of property such as real estate, stocks, or bonds.

Consider the advantages and talk to your financial advisor or attorney for assistance in setting up these possible donations.

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Call for schedule.

Resource Development/PR Committee

Call for information.

Volunteer Orientation

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Faith Communities

Call for schedule.

Board of Directors

Third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM

Family Partnership Committee

Call for schedule



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