

Spring 2009



Habitat for Humanity of Lake-Sumter



Cherryll Garner & family with members of Lake Square Presbyterian at Groundbreaking

Celebrating 20 Years of Service

Our affiliate celebrates its 20th anniversary with the completion of our 150th house. That landmark home broke ground in March and is a partnership of 13 area churches (the Apostles Build) for the family of Cherryll Garner and her two children. Since inception in 1989, and with the completion of the 1st house for the family of Louise Williams, we have provided low cost, affordable homes to families living in poverty throughout Lake and Sumter Counties.

To date, Habitat families live in (or are currently under construction):

Bushnell	3	Center Hill	1	Clermont	1	Eustis	34
Fruitland Park	1	Groveland	8	Lady Lake	13	Lake Panasoffkee	1
Leesburg	49	Mascotte	3	Mount Dora	12	Oxford	1
Paisley	1	Sorrento	2	Sumterville	1	Tavares	6
Umatilla	3	Webster	3	Wildwood	8	Yalaha	3
Lake County	2					TOTAL	156

We have one more milestone to celebrate in June. Ernest and Alberta Woods of Mt. Dora are the first family to completely pay off their mortgage. We look forward to our first mortgage burning party.

Congratulations to all families, donors, volunteers, and staff who have helped make the first 20 years so successful.

Challenges are Opportunities

You only have to watch the news or pick up a paper to know that we are facing challenging times. However, the word "challenge" connotes opportunity for growth and positive change. Our affiliate has completed the year strong, finishing 15 houses. We have made some budget changes for next year that will reflect the current economy. These changes along with developing new areas of donor opportunities will allow us to continue to thrive as an affiliate, complete 12 homes in the next year, and acquire much needed additional buildable lots. Our four thrift stores continue to do well, and will provide funds for administrative overhead. We are fully committed to turning challenges into



Collegiate Challenge youth get a lesson



Habitat Volunteer making a difference

opportunities. You can support our mission and provide some of these new opportunities. Please ...

TELL A FRIEND, NEIGHBOR OR CO-WORKER

Most people receive what they consider valuable information by word of mouth. Please share Habitat stories among the people with whom you come in contact. Invite Habitat staff to a home party or to a company meeting to share our mission. Let other people know what a difference **YOU** are making in the lives of families and how they can get involved. It is so easy to share our story, and it can make a great deal of difference to so many families.

Take the Challenge!



We need YOUR support . One area of our strategic development plan is to increase individual donors. Each of you can support our efforts in the coming year by becoming a regular donor .

Here is a 5\$ challenge for you. Our newsletter currently goes to approximately 5000 addresses. If everyone reading the newsletter contributed just 5 dollars a month to construct homes, we could build an **additional 5 houses per year**. Please make Habitat one of the regular monthly checks your write. We also have the ability to take credit card donations. Habitat families need your financial support this year.



The faces of Habitat



Working on sweat equity

**Other
Contribution
Opportunities**

- Designate a gift for HFH in your will
- Include Habitat in your estate plans
- Get your organization or church involved
- Your employer's "matching gift" fund
- Volunteer opportunities
- Gifts of buildable land or construction materials and services
- Make a donation to a Thrift Store

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HABITAT FOR
HUMANITY**

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Visa and MasterCard
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100% of your donation goes directly to home building !!

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- ◇ Helper \$20
- ◇ Apprentice \$30
- ◇ Carpenter \$40
- ◇ Forman \$60
- ◇ Builder \$150
- ◇ Master Builder \$300
- ◇ Other \$_____

Visa or MasterCard #

We invite you to join our

Habitat Family

by partnering with us

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: ___ Zip: _____

Please return to: Habitat for Humanity of Lake-Sumter
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MEMORIAL/HONOR GIFTS

Memorial Gifts may be given in memory of a departed loved one at the time of death or on the anniversary of their death. You may encourage others to support your memorial interest by asking the funeral director to insert the wish for memorial gifts to Habitat for Humanity of Lake-Sumter in the obituary notice.

Honor Gifts may be given to celebrate a holiday, birthday, anniversary or other special event in honor of a family member, boss, friend or respected community leader.

MEMORIAL/HONOR GIFTS

\$ _____

GIVEN BY (Name): _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

IN MEMORY OF (Name): _____

HOW TO "LEAVE A LEGACY"

Although not everyone has the ability to make large outright gifts, everyone does need a **WILL** and many people can consider giving through a **WILL**. The following forms are offered as examples of how Habitat for Humanity of Lake-Sumter might be included in a typical **WILL**:

TYPES OF BEQUEST FORMS

"I give, devise, and bequeath to Habitat for Humanity of Lake-Sumter, ___ % of my estate to be used by its directors and administration in carrying out its corporate objectives and purposes."

OR

I give, devise, and bequeath to Habitat for Humanity of Lake-Sumter, the sum of \$_____ to be used by its directors and administration in carrying out its corporate objectives and purposes."



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International Praises Local Achievements

Larry Gluth, VP of Operations for the US and Canada was the keynote speaker at the annual Volunteer Banquet praising our accomplishments and talking about future HFHI plans. He then picked up a hammer Saturday morning to raise the first walls on the Apostles Build house.

Our affiliate has been identified by Habitat for Humanity International as one of the top 100 affiliates in the country for our tithing efforts. To date, we have completed 106 houses in Mexico in addition to our 156 local houses. **That is a total of 262 houses completed by the efforts of our affiliate.** 100% of all money tithed by this affiliate goes directly to home construction in Mexico.

