

The Habitat Times

Your gift will return to you in full measure, pressed down,
shaken together to make room for more, and running over... Luke 6:38

Thank You For Your Support!

We've received \$2,000 from the envelopes included in your last newsletter. That's enough to buy windows and roofing shingles for an entire house! We appreciate your support and hope to see you at one of our fall events celebrating 50 Habitat Homes in Jefferson City.

We are on track to build 5 homes this calendar year and hope to build 6 in 2007. We cannot do it without your support!

Together we can improve housing conditions for area families and make a difference in neighborhoods across Jefferson City.

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Thanks for Giving! RCHFH Gears up for its FIRST Gala Event

SAVE THE DATE! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, November 16** for RCHFH's **FIRST** Gala event in celebration of 50 Habitat Homes in Jefferson City!

Don't miss the evening program at the Capitol Plaza, which includes Special Guest Speaker Cilve Rainey, Director of Community Relations for Habitat for Humanity International, a silent auction, and a live auction of original artwork from local artists.

Tickets are \$50 each. Call (573)635-8439 to reserve a seat now!

RCHFH Dedicates House #47 with Thrivent Builds and the Capitol MO Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

House #47, 817 Montana, is officially the home of the Toniece Calhoun Family as of Saturday, August 19. This home was sponsored through the generous support of the Thrivent Builds Program, the Capitol MO Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, and area Lutheran congregations.

RCHFH would like to thank Chester "Stan" Stanfield, Lynne Lofton, Joanne Scheperle, Pastor Tony Alter, Troy Bonnett Electric, Quaker Windows of Freeburg, RCHFH Tuesday Crew, Congregations of Faith Lutheran, Our Savior Lutheran, and Trinity Lutheran of Jefferson City, Grace Lutheran of Holts Summit, Immanuel Lutheran of Honey Creek, St. Paul Lutheran and St. John Lutheran of Lohman, and Trinity Lutheran of Russellville. Work teams from Jefferson City's 1st Baptist Church and Wesley United Methodist Church also participated in this build.

It's Almost Chicken Dinner Time!

Mark your calendar for RCHFH's 15th annual chicken dinner!

WHEN: Friday, September 22, 2006

Lunch 11:00 am—1:00 pm

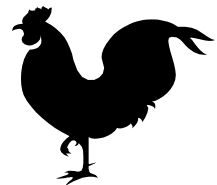
Dinner 4:00 pm—7:00 pm

WHERE: The Eagles Lodge, Missouri Boulevard, Jefferson City

WHY: The Chicken Dinner is RCHFH's longest-running local tradition. Join in the fun with music provided by local artists during the dinner hour.

HOW: Call (573) 635-8439 to purchase chicken dinner tickets. Adult tickets are \$10 and Children's tickets are \$6. Tickets will also be available at the door.

RCHFH Staff would like to recognize DJ Nash, Chicken Dinner Chair, Maggie Eichols, Ticket Sales Chair, Scott Marion and Wal-Mart Stores, Sharon Keating of ReMax Realty, and the RCHFH Fund-Raising Committee for all of their support to make this project a success.



River City Habitat for Humanity is the local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, a nonprofit Christian ministry working in partnership with low income families to improve their living conditions with decent, affordable housing. Since 1992, RCHFH has led the fight against sub-standard housing in Jefferson City. RCHFH is a 501 c (3) Non-Profit Organization

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From the President...

RCHFH is gearing up for an exciting Fall. We will break ground on our 50th home in coming months, and in honor of that achievement, we have two occasions for people to gather in celebration. Our 15th annual Chicken Dinner will be at the Eagles Lodge on September 22. We are also excited about hosting our first Gala event at the Capitol Plaza on Thursday, November 16. That event will include a silent auction and a live auction of some original paintings by talented local artists.

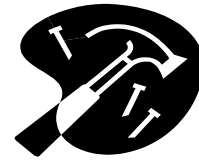
Once again, we are grateful to so many of you for volunteering and for making financial contributions to support our mission.

I began my tenure as Board President in July. My friend and predecessor Rob Goth left big shoes to fill, and I know this will be an exciting year in the fight to end poverty housing in Jefferson City. Hope to see you this fall at one of our events or on the job site!

Sincerely,

James Stark, Septagon Construction

RCHFH President and Construction Manager



RCHFH Staff — Training for Habitat

In August and September, Habitat Staff are participating in unique training to better prepare RCHFH for the future. Executive Director Kelly Smith attended the Habitat for Humanity International Leadership Training for Executive Directors in Charlotte, North Carolina during the first week of August. Office Manager Connie Rademan was also able to attend and participate in sessions for Habitat Staff. This training dealt with common issues for Habitat affiliates, such as family selection, fund-raising, and publicity.

Help Wanted!

RE-STORE VOLUNTEER

Position: Driver / Assistant Driver

Provide pick-up service for donated items.

Thursday or Saturday, 9:00 am to 12

Noon. Contact Jim or Rayma at the Re-

Store or call 635-6106 during store hours.

In September, Habitat Re-Store volunteers Jim Hofmann and Rayma Grohs will attend a Re-Store conference in Denver, Colorado.

These conferences allow RCHFH staff and volunteers to network with other Habitat affiliates, share success stories and learn valuable lessons from the experiences of other groups.

Lee Standard to Represent RCHFH at Whirlpool Blitz Build in November

Tuesday Crew volunteer and Building Committee member Lee Standard has been chosen by RCHFH to represent them at the Whirlpool Blitz Build, Building Blocks 2006: Nashville, November 4-11. RCHFH was one of 100 affiliates selected to send representatives to this build. Three hundred individuals will work together to build 10 homes in one week.

RCHFH President James Stark said, "Lee will make a great representative for us. He is a hard worker who has the mission of Habitat in his heart."

Lee resides in Jefferson City with his wife, Kathy, and is a member of Concord Baptist Church. He has been involved with RCHFH for 2 and a half years. Retired from MODOT since May of 2001, Lee enjoys working on set construction with the Stained Glass Theatre, and has gone on five Mission trips with his wife. He says, "I enjoy mission trips and look at this as a mission trip on behalf of Habitat. This will be a good opportunity to give something back to the community and meet some great people, and I look forward to it."

With Gratitude...

Habitat would be nothing without the generous support of local businesses. Here are just a few of those that have supported our mission in recent months.

When you frequent these businesses, thank them for supporting RCHFH.

Foundation Recovery Systems

Advanced Image Systems

Troy Bonnett Electric

Wal-Mart and Scott Marion

Quaker Window

Prenger Super Wash

Mid-MO Roofers Association

Watch for more Friends of Habitat in future newsletters.

WANTED! CAN COLLECTION ROUTE DRIVER

To drive monthly route and pick up aluminum cans for the CANS for HABITAT Program. Please provide your own truck. Call 635-8439 to volunteer.

We're Building on E. Fillmore!

Work is well underway on House #48, the future home of Sammie Turner. This three bedroom house is sponsored in part by a generous contribution secured by Walker Crow Halcomb, LLC. Labor is being provided by Jefferson City Professional Firefighters Union Local 671.

If you're interested in getting involved in building with RCHFH, work will be on-site at 306 E. Fillmore on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. through the end of September.

We're Looking for Partners in Faith

RCHFH is a Christian organization founded on an idea known as "The Economics of Jesus."

- 1) God blesses what we offer and turns it into the miraculous.
- 2) God expects us to share our resources.
- 3) Our work is a response to God's love.
- 4) Grace and love abound for all, equally.

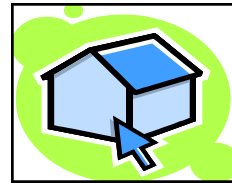
We are seeking area congregations to prayerfully partner with RCHFH by pledging an annual financial gift and providing labor and lunch for at least one Saturday build.

Would your church family be interested in joining RCHFH as a Partner in Faith? For more information on this multi-faceted program, or to request a presentation, please contact Kelly Smith at 635-8439 or kelly_rchfh@earthlink.net.

Another Way to Support RCHFH... *Planned Giving*

If you're interested in working with RCHFH to factor our mission into your estate planning, please call 635-8439.

Correction! In our Spring Newsletter the performance of *Amazing Grace* at the Home Dedication for House #46 was miscredited. The performer was actually Regina Blanchard Divine. We want to recognize her for sharing her God-given talent with all of those present!



VISIT US ON-LINE

RCHFH has updated its website. You can find all kinds of information about us at www.rivercityhabitat.org

Special thanks go to RCHFH volunteers Curt Bridges and Scott L. Page of Trackside Marketing Group, LLC for their work in getting the website updated.

You Don't Have to Swing a Hammer....

RCHFH Needs Energetic Volunteers for the Following Committees:

- Family Support**
- Fund-Raising**
- Church Relations**
- Volunteer**
- Can Committee**

Call 635-8437 to get involved, or visit us on-line.

**RIVER CITY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY—
CELEBRATING 50 HABITAT HOMES
SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2006**

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A Hand Up, Not a Hand Out

***We're On the Web!
www.rivercityhabitat.org***

A Habitat Volunteer Is...



a friend	an event planner	a cheerleader	a scheduler
a social worker	a recycler	a banker	a CPA
a mentor	a counselor	a mediator	a designer
a recruiter	a driver	a minister	a contractor
a presenter	a mover	a receptionist	a motivator
a builder	a designer	an engineer	a fund raiser
a PR Rep	a customer service specialist...	A BLESSING	

There are many people who can do big things, but there are very few people who will do the small things.

Mother Teresa