

Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity eNews – April 2009

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## **Groundbreaking**



Mark your calendars! Our project at 614 North Main street is about to begin! This groundbreaking ceremony is **May 31<sup>st</sup>** at **1:00 PM** on **the building site** and you're all invited! The event flyer is attached to the end of this newsletter. Please help us promote this great day and invite all your friends and family to attend.

Would you like to help? Email <u>amy@newberghabitat.org</u> for more information.

## Welcome Bill Sweat!, Denise Bacon, Pastor Steve Estrem

Bill Sweat is the co-owner of Winderlea Vineyard and Winery in Dundee. He's spent most of his career in Financial Services, most recently as the Senior Vice President and General Manager of the Fidelity Investments retail phone center in Merrimack, New Hampshire. In the past, Bill was also a charter member of Habitat for Humanity and a volunteer for the Special Olympics in Washington, DC. He is also a prior board member for the Nashua, NH chapter of Habitat for Humanity.



Denise Bacon was elected to the Newberg City Council in 2008. She has been appointed by the Mayor to the Newberg Affordable Housing Ad Hoc Committee following the election. She has founded Project: Children to voice her concern with the effects that the environment has on children's health, through education, legislation and helping families with sick children raise money to pay for non medical expenses. Prior to being a full time community volunteer, she was in restaurant management. She and her husband have three children and four grandchildren that all reside here in Newberg.





Rev. Stephen Estrem graduated from LNT Seminary in 1981 and has served congregations in Minnesota, Washington, Iowa, and currently Oregon. Pastor Estrem's congregation became a charter member of the American Association of Lutheran Churches (AALC) and he has served on the Clergy Commission. He is the first Home Mission Developer, and established a new church plant. He has been elected chairman of the Commission for Evangelism, and leads the reviving of evangelism efforts in the AALC. He is currently the President of the Newberg Ministerial Association. Pastor Steve Estrem has been

Pastor of Zion Lutheran for 5 years and has three adult children; and 4 grandchildren.

Stay tuned for continued updates about Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity's board members – we're lucky to have you all, thank you!

Current board members include: Denise Bacon, Steve Estrem, Gary Fox, Eric Funasaki, Jared Jones, Ann Leisy, Debby Liew Hennings, Karen Maas, Claire Rolfs, Michelle Roy, Bill Sweat, and Ron Wolfe

# **Capital Campaign**

Thank you to all our hard working campaigners! The contributions continue to come in and progress is being made towards our goal, but we could still use your help! We need volunteers to help us keep this campaign moving forward. If you're interested in helping or would like more information on how to help Habitat raise funds for the Main Street project please let us know. If you are currently working on contacts, keep up the good work, and we will schedule the next meeting soon!

The property on Main Street where the next two homes will be built was generously donated provided that we match the gift by raising \$250,000. Our goal of \$350,000 includes the costs of purchasing the next piece of property for future building after Main Street. Help us reach our goal by making a contribution today or helping us raise funds!

Remember our new online contribution service – Network For Good directly on our website. Questions? Contact Amy at 503-537-9938.



ReStore

For those unfamiliar with the concept, ReStore is a retail store that will sell donated building materials (new AND used) of all kinds, at discount prices, with all profits going to support HFH house building. Many materials are saved from otherwise going into landfills that are useful to the community; so much so that virtually every community that has a ReStore can't imagine NOT having one now.

Currently, there is a 10-person ReStore Committee working on getting the idea off paper and onto the ground. THE main agenda item is locating free or VERY reasonably priced space somewhere in our service area (Newberg, Dundee, Dayton, Sherwood or St. Paul) to set up shop or anywhere in between. We are looking for at least 5000 square feet, weatherproof, with space for parking. If you have a lead on something that might work, please call 503-537-9938 or email the HFH main office at info@newberghabitat.org.

# Apostles Build 2009

#### What is an Apostles Build?

This type of build is a partnership that allows twelve individual churches to join together to help fund and build a house for a local family. As Jesus' original apostles were charges with



spreading the word about Jesus, our twelve apostles are charged with assisting in Habitat's mission to provide decent shelter with God's children.

#### How will is work?

Each 'apostle' will be responsible for 1/12 of the construction cost of the home and a series of volunteer days on the building site. It's that simple. You will need to raise a little money, recruit fifteen to thirty volunteers, and provide a liaison as a contact person and you'll be ready. The liaison will work alongside our Construction Supervisor (and other NAHFH staff and committees) to see that this experience is full of joy and blessing for everyone involved.

#### What are the responsibilities?

- Select two building days during the building periods and provide 15 volunteers for each of those workdays.
- Select someone to serve as liaison between your church and Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity.
- Raise \$5,400 (the equivalent of asking each of your chosen volunteers to raise \$180 for each day of work on the building site).
- Promote the build within your congregation (bulletin, bulletin board, etc.)
- Encourage your members to attend the ceremonies held at the worksite (Groundbreaking, Blessing and Dedication).

Would you like a brochure? We'd be happy to mail or email you one; just let the office know! Thanks!

# When is Your Birthday?

As plans begin to formulate for Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity's own birthday party next year we realized we don't know when yours is!

**Please send your date of birth to <u>amy@newberghabitat.org</u>. And just so you don't feel like you're the only one confessing, Executive Director Rick Roger's birthday is March 26<sup>th</sup> and Event and Volunteer Coordinator Amy Lodholz's birthday is November 23<sup>rd</sup>. You don't have to list your age if you don't want to. And, don't worry, no surprises!** 

### We Need a Copy Machine

Our laser copy machine is on its last leg! Do you have a copy machine you'd like to donate? Is your office getting ready to replace one? Please keep us in mind! If you have any information, call 503-537-9938 or email <u>info@newberghabitat.org</u>. Thank you!

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Do you know someone that would like to get our email? We want to make sure we're reaching everyone in the community who is interested in from hearing from us.

Please help us expand our list by forwarding this newsletter to friends, colleagues, and family and invite them to sign up by contacting Event and Volunteer Coordinator, Amy Lodholz at <u>amy@newberghabitat.org</u>.

Thanks!



Come and join us for the May 31st, 2009 Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Porter & Hill Homes



Time: 1:00 614 N Main St., Newberg Questions? Ask for Amy at 503-537-9938 or email amy@newberghabitat.org



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