

Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity e-News – Oct 2008

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Family Selection

We held a house dedication ceremony on August 24th for David Breazeale and daughter Kayla at 214 South Everest in Newberg. The home was recently recycled for and with the grateful family.



New Staff Member Joins Newberg Habitat for Humanity

Amy Lodholz has joined the staff of Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity as a part-time Event and Volunteer Coordinator. Amy will be responsible for events to raise funds, awareness and appreciation. She will also coordinate the recruitment of volunteers.

A University of Oregon graduate who grew up in Bandon, Lodholz brings a range of experience in event planning, fundraising and non-profit organization.

In addition to her work experience in development, communications and environmental studies, Lodholz served in the Americorps National Civilian Community Corps and was involved with Habitat for Humanity projects in Louisiana, South Carolina and Florida.

Amy can be reached at (503) 537-9938 or amy@newberghabitat.org.

Building Committee – Newberg Area’s next Habitat home!

The committee has filed with the Planning Department to partition one lot into 2 buildable lots with a pair of town homes for our lot at 614 North Main St. 18 copies of the application were submitted, so you know it’s no small task and it will take 8 weeks or more for approval. Thank you Leonard Rydell (our Civil Engineer) for the help and all of the paper! The city has raised a few issues that need to be worked on and reflected in the new site plan; specifically parking set backs, storm water run off and lot coverage ratios.

Architect Andrew Kraus has provided the Building committee with initial building plans. We are reviewing these and looking for ways to further improve energy efficiency, use Green building techniques, simplify construction and lower costs. The Building Committee thinks the way to go is with Advanced framing (walls are built 24 inches on center, aligned joists and a single top plate) and put the furnace and ducts in conditioned space. These two steps should save 30% in heating costs as well as save lumber.

Additional insulation on the outside could push that number to 50%.

We will be sure to keep Habitat volunteers informed when the ground breaking date gets established for this next build – stay tuned!

Tacoma *Green* Building Conference

Some of the committee members attended a two-day Green building conference in Tacoma, WA on Oct 3 and 4. They viewed seminars on Advanced Framing, Energy Star building, Advanced Heating & Cooling, Landscaping, ReStore Roundtable and tour, Healthier homes, and Water run off & walkways. The team came back with many new ideas and established contacts with people all over the northwest.

The building technical topics were all very interesting, but the committee also found that many Habitats have ReStore facilities to help fund their building programs. Many affiliates were making enough money from their ReStore operations to completely fund one or up to several homes a year!

\$\$\$ Capital Campaign \$\$\$

We are in the preliminary stages of a large scale fundraising campaign necessary for the completion of the next two homes. This campaign will be of the utmost importance for a successful future for Newberg Habitat. As further details unfold, we'll be sure to keep you informed of our progress and success. If you would like to help contact the office 503-537-9938 or newberghabitatforhumanity@verizon.net

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Needs

- We need help with the Capital Campaign
- Anybody with retail building supplies experience

Calendar

Oct 21 – Habitat Board meeting
Oct 18 – Salem HFH Focus on the Future Conference
Winter – Ground breaking on Main Street

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