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President's Message

by Terry Lee

Since our last newsletter three months ago, we finished House #47 for Savanna Miller and her family. The house was sponsored by the Billings Heights Lions Club with Margaret Ping sponsoring the lot. In addition to sponsoring the house, many Lions members contributed numerous hours working and, in addition, provided lunch a couple of times for all of the volunteers. For this, we are truly grateful.

House #48 is being built for Travis Bernhard and his family and should be completed by mid-October. This house is sponsored by ExxonMobil. As with the Lions Club, many ExxonMobil employees put in numerous hours working on the house. Once again, we are very thankful.

August was dominated by the FairBuild project which is house #49 for Sherri Bird and her family. This house was started at the Fair and, although it was only eight days out of the month, it took much planning, prep and execution (numerous volunteers) for it to become a reality. This house is sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans (thank you Donna Newell and many others for all of your hard work). The move from the fairgrounds to the lot was sponsored by Stockman Bank.

A Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held for the 50th house in October for the Calvin and Jessica Gorman family. This house will be sponsored by Prudential Floberg Realtors in conjunction with their 50th anniversary in business. We will work on this house over the winter.

The ReStore continues to be a blessing. Sales keep growing every year. The good news is that donations of product have been pouring in; the bad news is we are running out of SPACE. There will be a big SALE in September to help alleviate this problem. Who would

have thought that we would have a space problem this soon after doubling the size of our building, with the move to our new location in 2008? A good problem to have as the alternative is not very good!

Also, the second annual Habitat golf tournament will be held on Friday, September 18th at Pryor Creek Golf Club. This was a fun event last year and should prove to be even better this year with great flag prizes on every hole for both men and women, chipping contest, and great raffles including a TaylorMade R9 460 driver. Thanks to Fred Button for his vision on this tournament and thanks also to Lori Johnson for chairing the event. Please call 652-0960 to register.

I said it in our last newsletter and I repeat it again. So far, Habitat in Yellowstone County has built 47 homes and will have a Groundbreaking Ceremony for our 50th by the end of the year. These homes don't happen by accident. It takes numerous volunteers; financial backing of individuals, organizations and businesses; committees for family selection process, partner relations, building decisions, funding projects, finance, public relations; and it takes a great staff. Our Executive Director, Volunteer Coordinator, ReStore Managers, Construction Supervisor, Executive Assistant, and Bookkeeper are committed to the mission of Habitat for Humanity and are invaluable to our success.

I invite you to come join in the fun. Please call Debra at 652-0960 and ask how you can help. Thank you and God Bless!

*For every house is built by someone,
but the builder of all things is God.*
~Hebrews 3:4

MISSION STATEMENT

Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical Christian housing ministry which forms partnerships with volunteers who share the vision of eliminating poverty housing worldwide.

DIRECTOR'S DOOR

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“Tis the Season... No, not the holiday season. It's road construction season!!! For the last couple months, I have had to change my route to work. I live in Laurel and there's a huge project there on Main Street to replace water/sewer lines. Likewise in Billings, it seems everyplace I want to go has lanes blocked off or detours. But, it's all for the best. Why do we grumble about a little inconvenience today, when it will benefit us in the future? We are spoiled. We don't want our lives, our habits or our routines to change. But what happens when we accept, even embrace change??? Well, my new route to the freeway from Laurel, and home again, takes me down a most peaceful, quiet, pretty street – one that I'd never driven before (*yes, I know Laurel is small, but there's lots of streets I've never driven*). Perhaps the neighbors on this quiet, peaceful street are grumbling about all the extra traffic they must endure!!! But for me, I think I'll continue to use this new route. It gives me an extra boost to both start and end my day in quiet, serene

surroundings. So, why all this talk about change??? Habitat for Humanity is all about change. We have a vision of a world without poverty housing! Here in Billings, Montana. we just try to change our little corner of the world. We just try to help families out of poverty housing... one family at a time. But we can't do it without YOU. Every house we build takes many people to say “yes” to change: “yes” to sending in a financial contribution, perhaps instead of eating dinner out once a month; “yes” to giving up a Saturday once in a while to volunteer on a job site where you'll get a free lunch and be able to see the positive results of your few hours of labor, where you'll be able to drive by and say “I helped build it!!!”; and maybe “yes” to having a Habitat family and home in your neighborhood. Drive by one of the recent Habitat homes and you'll be impressed at what a great home our volunteers build. While still we build “simple, decent, affordable housing”, we celebrate the changes a new Habitat house brings to a neighborhood when surrounding homeowners start “spiffing up” their houses and yards. So, the next time you feel like grumbling because you are inconvenienced or have to change a habit, think of the wonderful experience you may have and open your eyes to a whole new world of opportunity.



Habitat Welcomes New Staff Member Chrissantha Cramer

Chrissantha is our new Executive Assistant/Family Support Specialist staff member. She will provide general office support, and work with families who apply to seek home ownership

through Habitat for Humanity. In addition, she brings extensive database management experience and fundraising knowledge from her 14-year tenure in Development at Rocky Mountain College. She will contribute greatly to the efficient and comprehensive use of our eTapestry data-tracking and reporting system, as well as assistance with researching and writing grant proposals. We are pleased to have Chrissantha on our Team.

Golf Tournament

As we are writing this newsletter, we understand that the delivery date of this newsletter may come too late for all you wonderful golfers to sign up for the 2nd Annual Habitat “I Helped Build It!” Golf Tournament. BUT, just in case you do get this in time, we'd love to have you sign up and help support Habitat and have a really great afternoon too. **Pryor Creek Golf Course is calling you!!!**

2nd Annual
“I Helped Build It!”



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Mid-Yellowstone Valley



Golf Tournament
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Friday, Sept. 18, 2009

Check-in at Noon
18 Hole Scramble Format
(4 Person Team)
\$400 Team Entry Fee
(Includes Green Fees, Cart Fees,
Range Balls & BBQ Dinner)
\$100 Company Logo Hole Sponsor Signs Available
Prizes for 1st and 2nd Place Winners
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GREAT FUN for a GREAT CAUSE
Sign up now - Limit 36 teams
Aquafina & Gatorade provided every other hole

1pm Shotgun Start
Great Flag Prizes on
Every Hole for Both
Men & Women
Chipping Contest
50/50 Split
(Before Shotgun Start)
Great Raffles
Including a
TaylorMade
R9 460 Driver
Team Mulligans

Contact 406-652-0960 for Entry Forms
or log onto www.billingshabitat.org
Proceeds go to build simple, decent affordable housing
ENTRY FORMS & FEES MUST BE TURNED INTO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BY 9/14/09

Spotlight On



Bob Southern

Longtime, faithful volunteer, Bob Southern, has been working with our Habitat affiliate for 13 years! A speaker came to his church one day touting Habitat and he became interested, as he'd wanted to learn building skills. A retired educator (teacher and elementary school principal) of 36 years, Bob told his pastor, "Jesus started out as a carpenter and became a teacher... am I headed in the wrong direction!?" He was assured he was not! And that little story tells much about Bob's wit and wisdom. He shares anecdotes that make us think and laugh each time he is with us.

Bob began volunteering on the construction site and through the years dubbed himself "gofer", a valuable volunteer position. He is now found four days each week in our ReStore engaged in multiple tasks including picking up donations. He also uses his carpentry skills by making cutting boards for each Habitat family from the sink cutout, trimming the edges with a piece of the family's kitchen floor vinyl! And he has taken over the job of making address plaques for Habitat houses, a unique creation begun years ago by former Construction Supervisor, Chris Chartier. These plaques are in the shape of "home plate"—how appropriate! They contain the Habitat logo, which Bob cuts in with two types of saws -- see photo.

We are so grateful that Patricia, Bob's wife of 55 years, and his three children, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren share him with us! May he remain with us for many, many more years.



Albertsons Community Partners Donate to Habitat When Shopping at Albertsons

Because of those already participating in this great, free program we receive a sizable donation every quarter to assist us with our mission. To date our affiliate has received over \$22,200! We are very grateful to Albertson's for their continued donation! For anyone who has yet to become involved, you may go online to www.albertsonscp.com to register. All you need is your Preferred Savings Card Number and our Organization ID. **If you do not know your Preferred Savings Card Number and/or do not have access to a computer, please call (877) 932-7948 and press 0.** Our Organization ID # is: 49000111324. This will only take a minute and will help us greatly! If you do not have a Preferred Savings card, you can get one at any Albertsons or online at www.albertsons.com. It is SO EASY and there is no cost to you!

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Thank you for your support!

Memorials & Honor Gifts

May 22 – August 28, 2009

What a lovely way to honor a loved one, or a gift for "someone who has everything"!

Please consider making a donation to Habitat in the form of a Memorial or an "In Honor Of" gift for birthdays, anniversaries, holidays, or other special occasions. We will send the recipient, or their family, a special card acknowledging your gift. Your gift to Habitat for Humanity Mid-Yellowstone Valley will help us to further our mission of providing housing to those in need! Thank you.

In memory of Lucia Glenn
by Larry Carlson, John & Cynthia Cantrell, Margaret Ping, Jim & Patti Paquette, Lonnie & Marilyn Harmon, Berl Ward, Donna & Robert Howorth, Fred & Laurie Gunville, Marion Walton

In memory of Lorraine Grove
by Marilyn Haddenhorst

In memory of Martha Sippola
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In memory of Roz Cochrane
by Bonnie Eldredge

In memory of Jane Wade
by Marion Walton

In memory of Virginia Lesniak
by Bob & Launie Jorgenson

In memory of Margie Chadwick
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In memory of Roy Dalrymple
by Margaret Ping

In memory of Mary George Caton
by Richard & Rosalind Stern

In memory of Bill Stout
by Valerie McMurtry

In memory of Steve Bradley
by Grady & Sonya del Rio Skaggs

In honor of Dan & Karen Gall
by Dick Gall

In honor of Bob Lough
by Maggie Lough

In honor of Barbara Gunn & Edward Barta
by Diane Kerston

In honor of Margaret Ping
by Donna Bennett, Charles Blevans, Anne Dietrich

In honor of Chuck Richards
by Rena & Wayne Bucher

In honor of Jim Grotts
by Rena & Wayne Bucher

“Under Construction”

Let me first say that every house is special!!! Every project has its own stories of volunteers that accomplish marvelous tasks – who often arrive on the job site with little or no experience. Every project is a one-of-a-kind achievement that we take pride in. But, that said, I want to share with you the fun experience of building a house at the MontanaFair. Back in 2001, 2002 and 2003, when we built a complete house at the Fair, right down to the sinks and toilets, the staff and volunteers were pretty much burned out at the end of the project...working 14 hour days! So this time, we decided to run two shifts a day and only build about 2/3 of the house. The goal was to complete the shell, the siding, the roof, the windows, and frame the inside. Due to the overwhelming response of volunteers wanting to help, the project was completed a day early and everyone had a really great time. Here’s a few pictures of House #49 as the Fair days progressed.

But, the Fair House isn’t the only house under construction. We took a two week detour from House #48, in Lockwood, construction of which began in June. While the Fair House is moved to its site and the sub-contractors (plumbing, electrical, heating and sheet-rock guys) do their thing, volunteers are back in Lockwood working diligently to finish the Travis Bernhard family home by mid-October.

There’s still plenty of work to do, so how about volunteering one Thursday or Saturday soon? Half day is all you have to commit to and you’ll get a free lunch! And lastly, you will always be able to drive by the house and say, “I helped build it!!” Call the office and talk to Debra Dusenbury, Volunteer Coordinator, to sign up.

The Bird Family



Sunny Saturday... Before the Clouds Rolled in!



Siding and Roofing Coming Right Along



Night Shift Volunteers



Rain or shine... these smiling faces say it all!



Fair House Donors & Volunteers



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A BIG THANK YOU to all our donors and to groups from the following Lutheran churches, from other groups, and for the many, many individuals who came out during the Fair to help on the Thrivent Builds with Habitat House:

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Some groups/individuals worked multiple times.

Our apologies to anyone we may have inadvertently omitted.

Commit
to the Lord whatever you do
and your plans will succeed.
– Proverbs 16:3

House moved out of MetraPark via
Overhuls House Moving

Calendar of Events

*Since our Last Newsletter...
here's what you may have missed!!!*

- Completion and Dedication of House #47 for Savanna Miller in the Heights.
- Groundbreaking for House #48 on Father's Day weekend and Groundbreaking for House #49 on July 25th.
- FairBuild project... We once again built a house at the MontanaFair. There were over 300 volunteers who took part and worked during eight days. A Great Time was had by all!!!
- Habitat for Humanity RV Care-A-Vanner Team worked at both active jobsites helping further construction. God bless each of them and those who led devotions and donated lunches/snacks and the Yellowstone Boys & Girls Ranch for hosting the group.
- Home Improvement Show – the ReStore Booth!!! Hopefully you stopped by and “won” a coupon for a discount on a purchase.
- Yellowstone Valley Brewing Company together with terrific volunteers put on a great fundraiser for Habitat on Saturday, September 12th. Everyone enjoyed great food, great fun, great company and terrific music. The evening featured “The Insomniacs”, a blues group from Portland and local blues artists Matt Rogers Band and Steve Brown. We hope to make this an annual event...

Upcoming Events

...you might not want to miss!!!

- **GOLF TOURNAMENT—SEPTEMBER 18—** We hope your team is signed up and you are participating. This is our 2nd Annual Golf Tournament.
- Construction continues on houses #48 & #49 – call the office to come on out on a Thursday or Saturday and join the fun. Help get two more families into safe, simple, decent, affordable housing by year-end. Dedication Ceremony dates for both houses will be announced as completion get closer. Tentatively, House #48 will be dedicated mid-October and House #49 will be dedicated late November.
- Groundbreaking for HOUSE #50!!! What a milestone this house will be. Watch for the date to be announced...Tentatively scheduled for late October.



**We would like to
WELCOME
our newest
Habitat
Partner Family!**

MITCHELL & LADONNA GALLEGOS

Mitchell works for American Steel and Ladonna is a stay-at-home mom. Mitchell and Ladonna are partnering with Habitat to provide a good home for their four children, David (13), twins Joshua and Brett (10), and Gabrielle (1). They are also expecting the arrival of a new baby in the coming year, and their current trailer home is already beyond its capacity to accommodate the family. They are very motivated to begin accruing their sweat equity hours with the help of family and friends!

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or a give a gift for
“someone who has everything”?**

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Thank You



Our Current Partner Families

Sherri Bird, Travis Bernhard, Calvin & Jessica Gorman, Randy & Elayna Habets, Suzette Maris, Chad Bunnell & Brandi Graham, Danielle Elizondo, Amanda Nelson, Mitchell & Ladonna Gallegos

MISPELLED NAME? Please contact the office if your name or address are spelled incorrectly on the mailing label!
Thanks!

VOLUNTEER

SALUTE

May 17 – August 22, 2009

by Debra Dusenbury

We have made every attempt to list each volunteer who worked on our construction projects, in the office, the ReStore, and/or on other special projects. Thank you all so much for your support in building hope for families in our area. Many of these volunteers worked multiple times. Our apologies to anyone we may have inadvertently omitted.

David Nelson, Jerry Baker, Leonard Mapston, Paddy Gwin, Frank Cory, Cheri Chevalier, Duane Chevalier, Rene Chevalier, Dave Fishbaugh, Dave Siljestrom, Ron Vestal, Johnny Miller, Jay Olsen, Bob Lough, Ben King, Jeremy Ashbeck, Corey Strauss, Melissa Welbes, Jolitta Besel, Jordan Drennen, Kathy Morrison, John Smith, Jean Posusta, Larry Chavez, Kristi Grob, Holly Grob, Sam & Kelly Handley, Elizabeth Dodson, Tyler Bunton, Scott Sery, John Sery, Mark & Heather Nitz, Marina Edgerton, Toby McLean, Harry Garberg, Claude Allan, Josh Warner, Carolyn Jones, Becky Bishop, Gregory Beach, Brenda Moseley, Ken Martin, David Trotter, Rachel Helvig, Hjordis Johnson, Andrea Bernhard, Vicki Miller, Jim & Kay Ashkraft, Lorreen Manning, Tim & Amanda Hindley, Karen Olson, Carol Mick, Joanne Timm, Margaret Ping, Cinda Robbins, Helen Fryer, Alice Slagowski, Teresa Stevenson, Taylor Fountain Overton, Gay Rye, Lorraine, Bob Jones, Allan Hinkle, Jill Bowers, Velta Morton, Alan Stageberg, Russ Foreman, Emmy Tombrink, Bob Southern, Paul Mock, Phil

Arvanities, Jim Bateman, Les Kercher, Gayle Ottman, Rene Sanchez, Ron Polesky, Levi Davis, Helen Fryer, Darryl Dennis, Tim Kennard, Dan Bott, Claude Allen, Tyler Christman, Jerry Schelle, Liz Moses, Ron Kaiser

Work Group Volunteers

Thanks to the following groups who came from businesses, churches, schools, and service organizations to work at our jobsites.

- **Global Outreach West Group from Fordham University**—Mo Brocks, Mena Gawargi, Brendan Gibbons, Lauren Shirey, Megan Stahlberg, Amanda Purcell, Colleen Spain, Mike Habeeb, Jeana Fletcher, Joe Mancuso Mary Young, Kerry McMorroo-Kwalwasser
- **Yellowstone Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church**—Steve & Alice Swett, Susan Otey, Lee & Karen Disney, Dorothy Behling, Mike Hart, Mark Calhoun, Val Colenso
- **New Apostolic Church**—Russ Logan, Eric Logan, John Vagner, Andrew Munson
- **LDS Church Alkali Creek Ward**—Kelly Titensor, Ammon Palmer, Kim & Steve & Erin Lyon, Mandy Roth, Ruth Dye, Sandee Kandas, Leslie Clapham, Jody & Dane Schofield, Florence Diede, Kelly Smith, Carol & Charles & Cindy Roedback, Elder Cox, Elder Vroom, Michel Walker, Bree Fike, Breana Brown, Maesa Titensor, Kara Zaccardi, Christine Marchant, Zac Zaccardi, Justin Ward
- **St. John Lutheran Church of Dickinson, North Dakota**—Helene Herauf, Jeffrey Hanson, Larissa Myers, Jessica Throlson

- **ExxonMobil Billings Refinery & Families & Lockwood Greene**—Fred Button, Johnny Miller, Eileen Hatrel, Kurt Erickson, Kevin Erickson, Roger Kesler, Kristy & Brian Levin, Danielle DeLaughder
- **Billings Clinic ICU Nurses**—Amber Kosmicki, Erika Dell, Heather Schroder, Andrea Anderson, Ellen Edlund, Ryan Hursch, Karina Kahl, Amber Knuths, Jasen Molm, Lynn Hilliard
- **Crowley Fleck Law Firm**—Daniela Pavuk, Elaine Kinnard, Monique Waddington, Chris Stoneback, Janna Hoensch, Adam Olschlager, Bob Griffin
- **St. Patrick's Co-Cathedral**—Ed & Barb Parisian, Kyle & Heather Parisian, Donnie Parisian, Anonymous, Dave Racine, John Turcotte
- **Bethlehem Congregational Church in Worden**—Bill Tibbs, Terney Balzer, Terra McKinsey, Teri Swartz, Cliff & Linda Holmes, Karen Olson, Jack Toogood

We are grateful for the many individuals, businesses, and groups who help feed our volunteers—many donating multiple times!

Food & Beverage Donations

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Van's State Avenue IGA, Albertsons-Heights, Helen Fryer, Staggering Ox, Scott's Pizzeria, Mayflower Congregational Church, Pita Pit, Billings East Sunrise Rotary Club, Crowley Fleck Law Firm, Jason & Shannon Merchen Family

Day of Prayer/World Habitat Day 2009

The United Nations has designated the first Monday in October as annual World Habitat Day. On this day, we reaffirm that adequate shelter is a basic human right and we focus on the conditions of cities and towns around the world. We also use this day to remind the world of its collective responsibility for the future of the human habitat.

What can you do for World Habitat Day 2009? Advocate for decent Housing for all. Submit a photo of yourself holding a sign that says, "It all starts at home" and submit it to Habitat's photo petition on Flickr.com.

On October 5, 2009, please join in support of World Habitat Day, and raise your voice declaring that the lack of decent, affordable housing is unacceptable.

Also, our affiliate will have a Habitat Day of Prayer Service and World Habitat Day Event on October 4th at Rocky Mountain College's Prescott Hall. All are invited. For further information please call the Habitat office.

Every gift to Habitat is a testament to the caring and unselfish spirit of Habitat supporters and friends around the world.

YES, I want to partner with the Mid-Yellowstone Valley Habitat for Humanity by making a gift in the following manner:

- I would like to donate land on which to build Habitat houses.
- I would like to make an alternative gift or memorial by making a donation to Habitat for Humanity.
Type of Gift: Memorial In Honor Of Christmas / Occasion
Please send my gift card to: (Please print clearly.)



Name _____ Address _____

From _____ Address _____

- I would like to make a monthly donation to Habitat for Humanity through Electronic Fund Transfer. (Please call the office for an EFT form or for more information on this option.)
- Habitat for Humanity can accept credit card donations if you prefer. Please call the office if using a credit card.

Donations can be mailed to: Habitat for Humanity Mid-Yellowstone Valley
201 N. 15th Street
Billings, Montana 59101
Office: (406) 652-0960

EXAMPLES OF CURRENT BUILDING COSTS:

- Doors \$150
- Windows \$250 each
- Nails \$50
- Vinyl Siding \$900
- Shed \$750
- Kitchen Sink \$100
- Mail Box \$15
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If you no longer wish to receive our newsletter, please call us at 652-0960 and let us know. Your response will help us be better stewards of our resources. Thank you.

Habitat for Humanity® ReStore

Visit our Store at **201 N. 15th Street**
(406) 256-0409
HOURS: Mon-Fri 10am-6pm
Saturday 10am-3pm

ReStore Report

Our Habitat ReStore has posted exceptional earnings for fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. Dedicated volunteers and staff, wonderful products, and excited customers all contributed to a very successful year. The ReStore earned over \$182,000 which supports the operation of Habitat for Humanity Mid-Yellowstone Valley. This success occurred in spite of terrible recession in other areas of the country. We are grateful for our local customers and those who come from Plentywood, Harlowton, Ekalaka, Cody, Wyoming, and many other places. Our customers tell others and they spread the word about our great store. Thank you all for a successful year!

Dedication of House #47

We were blessed by a partnership with the Billings Heights Lions Club and Margaret Ping to make house #47 for Savanna Miller and her three children, a reality. Built in the Heights, it was the 2nd house we built with vaulted ceilings (and an attached garage...due to subdivision covenants!) The house plan has become so popular that houses #48 & #49 are the same plan! Our thanks go out to all the Billings Heights Lions Club members for making this project so very special. We made many new friends and shared lots of precious memories. Thanks to all who made this happen!!!

