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Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth, Inc.

Fall 2013

## Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth forms Advisory Council

*By Teresa Dollfuss*

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth recently held a founding gathering of its Community Advisory Council. Hosted by Sysco/Boston, LLC, the meeting took place at the new Sysco/Boston headquarters in Plympton, MA.

The meeting was attended by current Habitat of Greater Plymouth President Steve Dubuque, Habitat of Greater Plymouth's Executive Director Jim Middleton, James Duff of Bridgewater Savings Bank, Ken Blasser of Sysco/Boston, and Matt Glynn of Glynn Electric. Members of the Council not in attendance include Lynne Karo of General Mills, Charles Tufankjian of Tufankjian Hyundai of Plymouth and Tom Wallace of Wallace Associates, Pinehills.

Local area corporate leaders are working to find ways to enhance Habitat's ability to help build vitally needed housing and do fix-up projects for the elderly and those with disabilities.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth builds homes, communities and hope with the support of businesses, friends, churches and other volunteers in the towns of Plymouth, Kingston, Carver, Plympton, Middleborough and Lakeville.



*(L to R): Steve Dubuque, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth President; Jim Duff, Bridgewater Savings Bank; Ken Blasser, Sysco/Boston; Jim Middleton, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth Executive Director; Matt Glynn, Glynn Electric.*

## *Companies represented by our Advisory Council...*



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## President's Perspective



Despite this summer's heat and humidity, our volunteers have moved into high gear. Our project on Sandwich Road, Plymouth has started. A new roof, siding, kitchen, bathroom and drainage, will transform the current house into a safe home for a single mother of three. The Brentwood Road, Kingston, septic system plan has been completed and submitted to the Town for review. Hopefully it will become our next new build.

The search for a site where we can develop multiple homes continues. We have learned a great deal from our attempt to purchase and develop the Bourne Road land, which will help inform our search for future projects.

The end of summer will also see us saying goodbye to our ReStore founding manager, Doug Raymond. Doug has the honor of being the manager of the first Massachusetts ReStore. His vision of Habitat Restores developing throughout the Commonwealth through community sharing has been realized through quarterly area meetings. We thank Doug for all his hard work over the last five plus years. We look forward to working with him going forward.

On a final note, I have always thought our work has a great deal to do with children. Each new home changes the lives of the children living in it. Having a safe and stable place to live contributes to their ability to achieve their full potential. As part of the Habitat family, the children learn that we can create a home for others - this is the point of our mission.

*-Steve Dubuque*

## Executive Director's Corner

### A Hand Up, Not a Hand Out & Habitat Spirit!!



At a recent Construction Committee meeting, a project was proposed to do badly-needed work on the kitchen of a home that is in substandard condition and declining. The cost was estimated to be \$2,000 for materials. The family has severely limited resources and medical problems with the single-parent and three children. There is barely enough money each month to buy food, let alone think about home repairs.

In discussing the family's situation, we talked about charging the homeowner a small deposit for the work, according to Habitat policy. Someone said, "This one needs to be done. No question about it. We should not charge them anything." Another committee member said that they would organize to collect enough at the next build to cover the cost.

"Wait," someone else said, "We have to ask the family pay something so that they have ownership of the project and can feel pride in their part of it... That's the Hand Up, not a Hand Out."

Thank you, all volunteers, homeowners, and donors. These thoughts frame the good work that is done in the name of Habitat for Humanity. Thank you for your spirit of community and support. We can debate the philosophy and approach from different directions—and where the money comes from—but the positive power of Habitat is the spirit that brings us all together to create decent housing. Together we find ways to overcome obstacles and get the job done.

*-Jim Middleton*

# Beyond your lifetime...

## Build a legacy for future homeowners

Your gift to Habitat for Humanity helps us build simple, decent homes across the world, but there is still much work to do—so much that it will take more than a lifetime to accomplish.

Please consider making a legacy gift and continue the fight against poverty housing beyond your lifetime.

You can leave a gift in your will, name Habitat as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or fund a charitable gift annuity that will let you enjoy income and tax benefits now while dedicating yourself to supporting our future work.

If you're interested, contact the Planned Giving Department at (800) 422-4828, Ext. 6750, or [plannedgiving@habitat.org](mailto:plannedgiving@habitat.org). If you have already prepared a legacy gift for Habitat, please fill out the card on the reverse.



## Habitat receives generous donation

The estate of Gladies King recently donated \$80,892 to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth. King named Habitat of Greater Plymouth as a co-beneficiary of her Charitable Remainder Trust. An early volunteer and supporter of Habitat, she served as a member of the first Family Selection committee.

Habitat of Greater Plymouth is extremely grateful for this generous donation, as it will help immensely in keeping up with our mission to provide simple, affordable housing in conjunction with a deserving family.

## Habitat receives donation of box truck for ReStore

Habitat of Greater Plymouth recently received a donation in the form of a box truck, donated from the estate of Rodney MacDonald. His sister and mother made the donation to Habitat, wanting the truck to go to a good cause. Habitat of Greater Plymouth gladly accepted, and the truck will be wrapped with the ReStore logo and information. It will also be dedicated in MacDonald's memory.

This generous donation will greatly enhance the presence and awareness of Habitat's ReStore, which sells new and used merchandise and building materials at discounted prices. All proceeds from the ReStore go toward the construction of new homes and toward Habitat's mission of helping deserving families achieve their dream of owning their own home.



*Habitat of Greater Plymouth's ReStore, located at 72 N. Main St. in Carver.*

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Wednesday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Thursday - Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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## Join us for our 13th annual Golf Tournament

Habitat invites you to participate in our 13th annual golf tournament. The tournament is scheduled for 8 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5 at Southers Marsh Golf Club in Plymouth.

Early birds can register for \$85 until Aug. 31. After Aug. 31, registration is \$100, due by Oct. 1. The tickets include green fees, golf cart, steak and chicken buffet, t-shirt for each golfer, group photo and a gift bag. Lunch only tickets can be purchased for \$25, also by Oct. 1.

Prizes will be given for the winning team, longest drive, and closest to the pin. There will also be a

putting contest and raffle. If golfing isn't your game, you can sign up to be a tournament sponsor. A \$1,000 sponsorship gets your company's name or logo on all carts and participants' t-shirts, a listing on the Habitat of Greater Plymouth website, mention in all press releases and recognition at the tournament. For a \$150 sponsorship, your company's name or logo will be printed on the participants' t-shirts at the tournament, listed on the Habitat of Greater Plymouth website, and recognition at the tournament. A \$50 sponsorship includes your company's name or logo on a sign at a hole on the course and recognition at the tournament.

Our golf tournament would not be successful without the generous support of our community partners. This year we are welcoming Tufankjian Hyundai of Plymouth, who again is graciously offering a free car in sponsorship of our Hole in One Contest, and Engel & Voelker Realty, who will continue as a Hole Sponsor. Also, we thank Sysco Foods, Inc. for their support and donation of the food for our steak and chicken buffet lunch. We would also like to extend our thanks to Southers Marsh for hosting our event for the 3rd consecutive time. We encourage our golfers and tournament guests to frequent the local businesses who support our events and our mission to provide affordable housing to deserving families.

Tickets for the tournament may be purchased at the Habitat office, 72 N. Main St. in Carver, or on our website, [www.hfhplymouth.org](http://www.hfhplymouth.org). For more information on how to become a sponsor, please email our office at [hfhplymouth1@verizon.net](mailto:hfhplymouth1@verizon.net). All proceeds from the tournament go toward furthering Habitat's mission of providing simple, affordable housing in conjunction with a deserving family.



*Last year's car donated by Tufankjian Hyundai of Plymouth for the Hole In One Contest.*



*Last year's first place team (listed alphabetically): Neal Ahlstedt, Frank DiCristofaro, Lenny Ruszczyk, and Harry Sullivan*

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**EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY**

When you recycle a vehicle, you help  
Habitat for Humanity build homes





# 13th Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, October 5, 2013

Shotgun start at 8:00 a.m.

Scramble format

Southers Marsh Golf Club

30 Southers Marsh Lane

Plymouth MA

**Early Bird Registration: \$85 until August 31.**

**Registration: \$100 until October 1.**

Green fees include:

**Cart, Steak and Chicken Buffet, Prizes and Gift Bag!**

**Lunch only tickets available for \$25 until October 1.**

All proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth's mission to build decent, affordable housing in partnership with families in need.



**Win a Car with a Hole in One - Sponsored by Tufankjian Hyundai of Plymouth**

\*\* In the event of inclement weather, please call the golf course at 508-830-3535 for guidance the day of the tournament.



## REGISTRATION FORM

NAME TELEPHONE COMPANY NAME

ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE

### ADDITIONAL PLAYERS:

NAME

NAME

NAME

Early Bird Registration \$85 each until August 31, 2013
NUMBER OF GOLFERS (\$100 EACH): _____
DINNER GUESTS ONLY (\$25 EACH) : _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED : _____

Please make checks out to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth

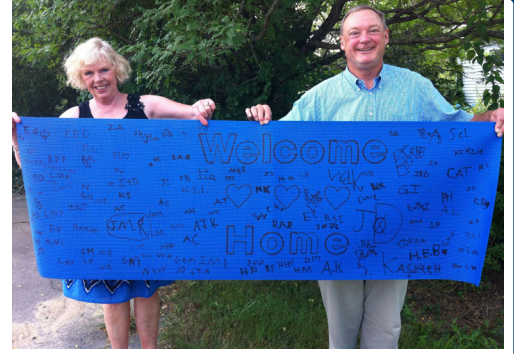
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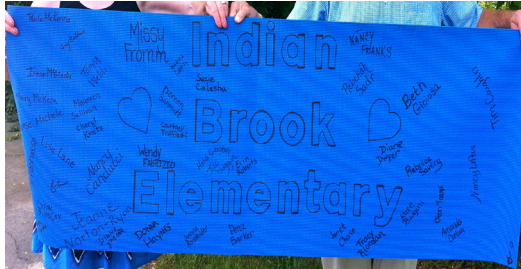
**For more information or for additional forms, please call 508-866-4188.**

## Habitat honored by Indian Brook Elementary School

Recently we were honored to be chosen by the Indian Brook Elementary School in Plymouth to be the recipient of a generous donation as a result of a school-wide project. The project was organized by teachers, parents and students to recycle shoes. The resulting funds were provided to our Affiliate for use in our building of future affordable homes.



Jim Middleton and volunteer Pat Mustacaros hold a banner signed by the students of Indian Brook.



A close up of one side of the banner, which was signed by all the students.

The goal of the project was to educate the school children about enhancing the environment and engaging them in positive community efforts. Andrea Lavin, the project coordinator, invited HFHGP to come to a special assembly where students did a program and presented the check along with a creative, hand drawn sign. The HFHGP members in attendance, Steve Dubuque and Jim Middleton, had the opportunity to present a slideshow about a Habitat build and answer questions from the students.

## You're never too young to get involved with Habitat for Humanity

Young people's enthusiasm and dedication are important to Habitat's work. There are countless ways for young people under 16, who are not allowed on an active construction site, to contribute to Habitat's mission.

### Ages 5-7:

Make a welcome basket for the homeowner family and present it at the dedication ceremony.  
Make thank you cards for the volunteers and donors.

### Ages 7-10:

Make wooden key holders or picture frames from scraps on the site.  
Draw messages on the two-by-fours before the house framing.

### Ages 10-12:

Give a report to classmates about the mission of Habitat for Humanity.  
Construct and paint window boxes to be used as housewarming gifts.

### Ages 12-14:

Register volunteers at the construction site information table.  
Make a scrapbook for a partner family.  
Make birdhouses or other items and sell them as a fundraiser for the Affiliate.

### Ages 15-17:

Clean a Habitat house before the dedication.  
Build a picnic table for volunteers on the site, to be donated to the homeowner family.  
Make lunch for volunteers at the site.





## Annual Gala Recap

Pinehills Golf Club hosted over 100 volunteers, staff members and supporters of the Affiliate for our annual Gala held in early May. Continuing on the tradition of community involvement, the stars of the event were various art pieces lovingly created from items donated out of the Habitat ReStore. Local artists, including a school group, used their creativity to fashion art from the donated items, including painted chairs, a pet bed, lamps, wall hangings and other unique, one of a kind pieces. Additionally, local businesses donated gift baskets and other items for a raffle and live auction.

We were pleased to have Miss Collegiate Area, Jenna Nowlin, assist our guest auctioneer, Plymouth County Treasurer Tom O'Brien. Donated items for the auction included an African Safari package and a deck built by our own Construction team. Rep. Tom Calter and Rep. Vinny deMacedo supported the event by each donating a personal tour of the Capital and lunch for four.

Overall, the event was a tremendous success. Not only was it sold out, but over \$10,000 was raised to help build new homes. We thank everyone who supported this event: volunteers, staff, and attendees.

*Thank you to our event sponsors and donors...*

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Zulu Nyala Game Lodge



*Miss Collegiate Area Jenna Nowlin and Plymouth County Treasurer Tom O'Brien*



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## A Brush with Kindness

Winter is coming....are you ready??



A Brush with Kindness is a nation-wide effort to serve low income homeowners who struggle to maintain the exterior of their homes.

Qualified applicants pay only for materials used on the project through an initial deposit and no interest loans.

Project focus on exterior home repair services such as painting, minor repairs and weatherization.

Call 508-866-4188 for more information and to get an application!

SAVE THE DATE!!!

HFHGP Annual Gala  
Friday, April 11, 2014  
Pinehills Golf Club

