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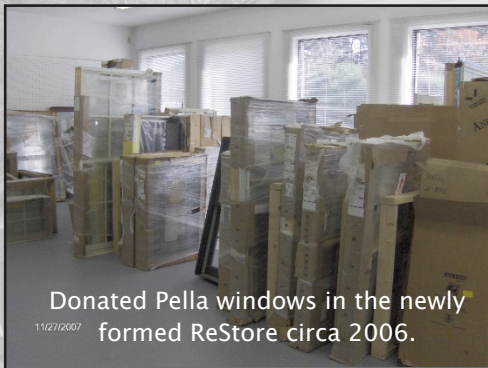
ReStore Sets Sales Record!

In the Fall of 2006, our ReStore opened in a tiny space at the current location on 72 N. Main Street in Carver. Thanks to a generous donation of Pella windows and doors, the store was officially the first of its kind in Massachusetts. In its Winter/Spring 2009-2010 edition, The Homesteader proudly announced the store's expansion and heralded it as "the best kept secret on the South Shore." Inventory had grown to over 1200 items and the expansion created more floor space to allow for larger donations like cabinets and furniture.

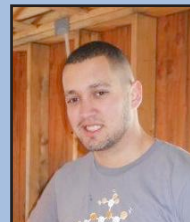
From the time of the expansion in 2010 until now, sales have more than tripled. This can definitely be credited to the efforts of both Doug Raymond and Gary Miller in their roles as ReStore Manager. Doug grew the store from about \$20,000 in sales in 2010 to about \$80,000 by his retirement in 2013. Gary happily took up the reigns and continued the trend to finish the fiscal year with a whopping \$173,523. However, neither of them could have done it alone. Our ReStore volunteers have been the workforce behind the store's success. Volunteers help with everything in the store from taking calls from potential donors and running the cash stand to helping unload donations from the truck and processing them for placement on the sales floor.

In 2013, the store was the beneficiary of a donated box truck from the Estate of Rodney MacDonald. The addition of the truck greatly enhanced the ability of the staff and volunteers to stock the store with quality donations, and allowed the store to hire a full-time Assistant Manager, Mark Sheehan, as well as two part-time staff in 2014.

Today, there are nine ReStores throughout Massachusetts, each unique to their own area while doing their part to keep materials out of landfills and providing their respective Affiliates with funds to help continue the mission of bringing people together to build homes, communities and hope.



President's Perspective



“A hand up, not a hand out.” If you have worked with Habitat in the past, I am sure that you have heard this mantra many times. It is an extremely important message for our organization to deliver, as this tends to be the most common misconception about Habitat for Humanity.

I have heard from many volunteers who often get this same question, “Habitat? You guys give away free homes, right?” One of the great benefits we have as an organization is strong name recognition. Most people you meet will be aware of Habitat, and will likely have positive inclinations toward the organization. The flip side to that benefit is that the awareness of Habitat often comes with misconceptions.

As representatives of this organization, it is our privilege to educate people one conversation at a time about what it is that we do. We can explain that our homeowners commit to putting in at least 250 hours of sweat equity on their home. We can also speak to the fact that these new homes are sold at an affordable rate, and how the proceeds from the mortgage will help our organization provide the same opportunity to other families for years to come. We can let them know about how our families strive to be great neighbors and work hard to improve their communities.

We can also speak to the many things that our organization does beyond building new homes, such as our family support team that helps ensure that our new families are prepared for the long term challenges of owning and maintaining their new home. We can talk about our special projects committee, and how we can help with critical home repairs, ensuring that individuals can remain in their home. We can also educate people about our wonderful ReStore, which helps provide quality products at affordable rates within their community while diverting quality building materials from our landfills, and ultimately generating revenue to help us build more homes.

So the next time someone asks you if Habitat gives away free homes, you can be sure to say proudly “No, we do so much more.”

- Drew Cook, President, Habitat of Greater Plymouth Board of Directors

“Habitat. We Build” --Partners in Community



The theme of the recent Habitat for Humanity International conference in Atlanta was “Habitat. We Build.” That is what we do, that is what engages volunteers to help others, that is what our partner homeowners and communities need.

In this issue of the *Homesteader* we talk about progress and the future of many important projects. When permits are secured we will build homes for Veterans in Plymouth and a traditional affordable home in Kingston. With vital home repairs through Brush with Kindness we help people to stay safely in their homes, and through the innovative Habitat-Homebuilt partnership we see growing promise to have a major impact on production of decent, affordable homes.

We at Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth are honored and proud to be leading the partnership to build two affordable homes in Plymouth for Veterans and their families. This is not something that Habitat alone is doing, it is something the community is doing for the veterans. With many town neighbors—it is a true community partnership among the Town of Plymouth, local Veterans, residents throughout the area, financial supporters, and Habitat volunteers.

In Kingston, we are underway with the permit process for a home on Brentwood Road. We are tremendously pleased to be working again with the Town of Kingston to further our mutual goals of increasing the affordable housing inventory of the town. When completed this will be our third home built in the town in the past nine years.

The Brush With Kindness team has been busy and is looking at even more projects to help senior citizens and other deserving folks. Through the Town of Carver Affordable Housing Partnership, we are exploring new ways to fund repairs that homeowners need and cannot afford with limited resources.

Our friendly collaboration with Homebuilt continues to expand with projects now underway or completed in Greater Plymouth, Old Colony, MetroWest/Greater Worcester, and Greater Springfield. Although our Affiliate's goal is to be the first Habitat affiliate to build an entire home using the high-tech system of robotically cut materials, we are extremely pleased that Homebuilt recently provided interior framing for a Habitat home in Greater Springfield where they have a deadline of completion by the end of September. If we can secure donations for funding we will be doing a Critical Home Repair addition to a home in Halifax. Plans call for our upcoming home in Kingston to be the first complete home in the Habitat-Homebuilt partnership.

By being a partner in progress, Habitat of Greater Plymouth can multiply its reach and further its mission. By working with community partners we will expand the possibilities of bringing people together to build homes, communities and hope.

- Jim Middleton, Executive Director, Habitat of Greater Plymouth

Join us for our 15th Annual Golf Tournament

We are pleased to announce our 15th annual Golf Tournament, scheduled for Saturday, October 3, at Southerns Marsh Golf Club in Plymouth. The tournament begins at 8:00 a.m. and features contests for the first and second place teams, closest to the pin, longest drive and putting distance. Raffles and auction items will also be up for bid.

The tournament is \$125 per person by September 25. The fee includes the green fee and cart, continental breakfast, goody bag and a steak and chicken buffet. If golfing isn't your game, sign up to become a sponsor! Sponsorships are available at many different levels, and can earn your company's name and logo on holes on the green, t-shirts or even on the Habitat website. The deadline for sponsorships is August 31.

For more information about sponsorships, please call the Habitat office at (508) 866-4188 ext. 204. To register for the tournament or to find out more information about it, please visit our website at www.hfhplymouth.org.

We would like to take a minute to thank those who sponsored last year's tournament:

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We would especially like to thank Dennison Lubricants for becoming our sustaining sponsor for this year's golf tournament and for our upcoming annual gala in Spring 2016.

All proceeds from the tournament go toward Habitat's mission to provide decent, affordable housing in conjunction with a deserving family. We hope to see you there!



Photo of Jack Conway Realty team at last year's golf tournament.

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HABITAT. WE BUILD.

This year's National Conference promoted the idea of building communities by using the theme "Habitat. We Build." In keeping with the mission of Habitat to "...bring people together to build homes, communities, and hope," Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth is pleased to announce four new homes in our building plans. Starting in 2016, HFHGP will be building four new homes in Kingston and Plymouth. Two of the homes will be Affordable Housing, while two are designated for Veterans. We are grateful to the Town of Plymouth, which donated three lots off Long Pond Road for this purpose.

We are currently looking for sponsors and donors to cover the cost of preconstruction and construction. Please contact our office at 508-866-4188 for more information.

BRENTWOOD ROAD, KINGSTON

Current Status: Permit application filed

Estimated start date: Spring 2016

- Modified Cape design
- 1,265 sq. ft.
- 3 bedroom, 1 and 3/4 bath
- "Green" construction

VETERANS #2, LONG POND ROAD, PLYMOUTH

Current Status: Pre-development in process

Estimated start date: Winter/Spring 2017

- Will be ADA adaptable pending family selection
- "Green" construction
- Modified Cape design or Ranch pending family need.



VETERANS #1, LONG POND ROAD, PLYMOUTH

Current Status: Pre-development in process

Estimated start date: Summer/Fall 2016

- Will be ADA adaptable pending family selection
- "Green" construction
- Modified Ranch/Single level design

LONG POND ROAD, PLYMOUTH

Current Status: Pre-development in process

Estimated start date: Spring/Summer 2017

- Affordable Housing
- Modified Cape design
- "Green" construction

Now More Than Ever.
Help Build It!

Habitat Annual Gala a success!

On May 1st, volunteers, donors, and staff all gathered at the Radisson Plymouth Waterfront to celebrate another year of serving the area and raise funds for our upcoming projects. The large ballroom was decked out with sea-themed centerpieces on the round tables while basket upon basket of items for silent auction lined the back of the room. There was also a full complement of live auction items, including a shed and a stay in an Irish Thatched Roof Cottage. Live music during the cocktail hour was provided by local band, The Keepers and DJ Chris expertly provided dinner music and music for dancing later in the evening. In addition, the Board of Directors and Volunteers had the pleasure of honoring Dennison Lubricants, Richards Micro-Tool, Inc. and Signs by Design for their continued support of Habitat. Overall, the event was a tremendous success, raising nearly \$15,000 for Habitat's building programs.

Special thanks to the artists who donated their work for the event:

Cristina "Cris" Reverdy
Dianne Dudley
Valerie Rufo

Many thanks to our over 60 donors and sponsors for the event, as well as the committee of volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the event a success.

2015 Gala Committee

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Hours of Operation:

Wednesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
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Habitat-Homebuilt Sheds & Homes



We are happy to report ongoing progress with our Habitat-Homebuilt partnership in the year since our construction team won the Blue Ribbon for the best exhibit at the World Maker Faire in New York City.

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plymouth and Homebuilt, LLC want to improve on how homebuilding has been done for the past 100 years, in particular for affordable housing. Partnering with Habitat's amazing volunteers and Homebuilt's cutting edge robotic technology, this initiative seeks to make community-built housing more efficient, productive, and rewarding by putting families in better homes more quickly-- homes built by women and men of all ages and experience levels, coming together to make it happen.

We plan to build two new sheds as soon as our construction team can fit them into the schedule and we will soon begin to take orders for sheds through the

ReStore. In the meantime, Homebuilt is working with two of our projects--Halifax and Kingston. In Halifax designs call for them to supply the framing, floors and roof for an addition to an existing home for a family in need of more living space. In Kingston we plan to use the Homebuilt system for the first complete residential structure built by a Habitat Affiliate.

In April, Homebuilt produced a 10'x16' shed that was constructed by the Old Colony Affiliate for the Rehoboth Council on Aging. Around the same time the MetroWest/Greater Worcester Affiliate built a Habitat-Homebuilt Shed for one of their homeowner partners. In a first step towards introducing the technology into a residential build they recently supplied the interior walls for a home under construction by the Greater Springfield affiliate.

Just as Habitat brings people together to build homes, communities and hope this exciting collaboration promises to bring Habitat and Homebuilt technology together to build more homes and hope!

For more information, please visit www.homebuiltcompany.com/habitat-homebuilt/.



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15th Annual Golf Tournament

October 3, 2015
8:00am Shotgun Start
Southers Marsh Golf Club

PLAYER 'S FEES:

- PER PLAYER.....\$125

PLAYER'S FEES INCLUDE:

- GREEN FEE & CART
- CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
 - GOODY BAG
- STEAK & CHICKEN BUFFET
 - SALAD
 - BREAD

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- 1ST AND 2ND PLACE TEAM
- CLOSEST TO THE PIN
 - LONGEST DRIVE
 - PUTTING DISTANCE

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**For SPONSORSHIP please call the office at 508-866-4188 ext. 204.
To REGISTER or purchase LUNCH online please visit
www.hfhplymouth.org.**

Deadline for SPONSORSHIPS is August 31, 2015.

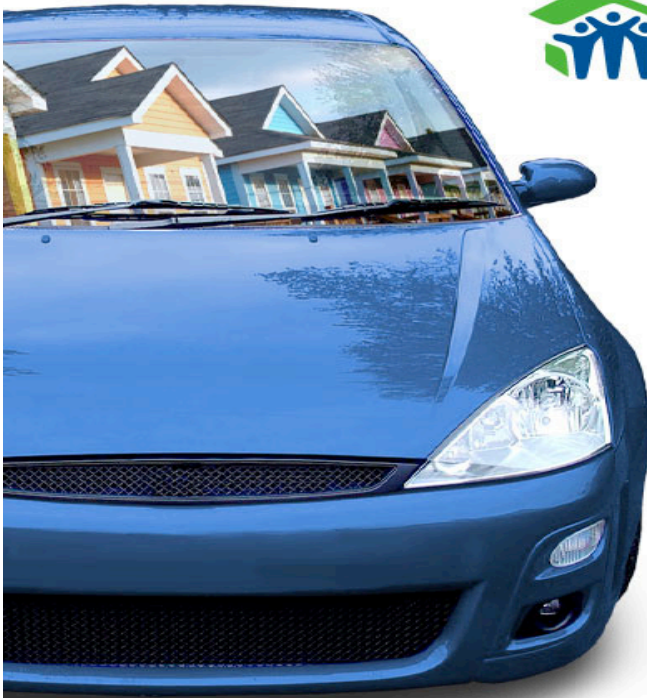
Deadline for REGISTRATION or LUNCH is September 25, 2015.



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