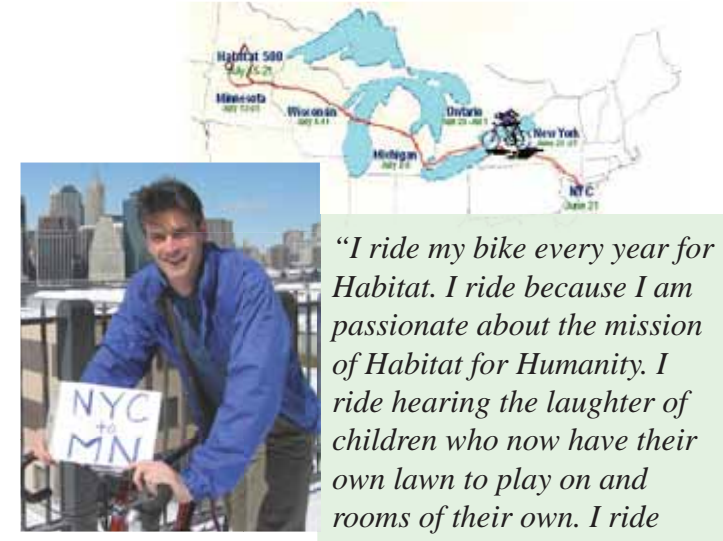


## The Habitat Event Calendar

**July 7** – Hear Tim Dellet share his Habitat adventures as he bikes 1900 miles from New York to join the Midwest Habitat 500 Bike Ride in Minnesota. Gather at the Franklin Street/Cherry Avenue site for a potluck meal at 5 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and a folding chair.

*seeing the pride of ownership on the faces of parents. I ride after working side by side with future homeowners, pounding nails in the construction of their own home. I ride because it is more than an intention - it is real, and it has worth."*

– Tim Dellet

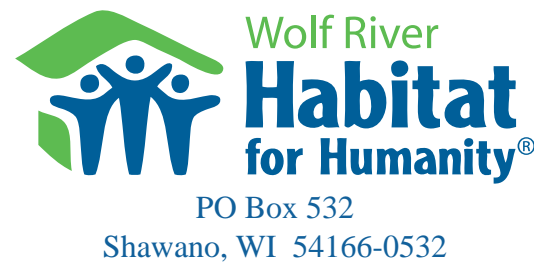


*"I ride my bike every year for Habitat. I ride because I am passionate about the mission of Habitat for Humanity. I ride hearing the laughter of children who now have their own lawn to play on and rooms of their own. I ride*

**Aug. 10** – Start practicing your golf swing now! The annual Habitat Golf Outing, sponsored by North Star Casino and Pine Hills Golf Course & Supper Club, is just over a month away. The cost to participate is \$75/person. Proceeds go to Wolf River Habitat for Humanity. To pre-register, please call Ted Foster at 715-787-3771 or Steve Fellman at 715-526-5741

**Oct. 13** – Habitat will once again be hosting a Music Festival at Beans and Books. Look for information on the times and talent to come.

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## Who We Are!

Wolf River Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit Christian housing ministry that seeks to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action in Shawano and Menominee counties.

## What We Do!

- \* Work with all ethnic and faith groups, governments and corporations that will help to eliminate poverty housing from our affiliate area.
- \* Build and renovate houses in partnership with people in need from all backgrounds, races and religions.
- \* Select homeowners based on need for housing, ability to repay a no-profit mortgage, and willingness to partner with Wolf River Habitat.
- \* Partnership does not mean a giveaway! Homeowners must invest hundreds of hours of "sweat equity" into building their home and houses of others!
- \* With "sweat equity," donations of money and materials, plus many Habitat volunteer hours, the homes have an affordable no interest mortgage. Monthly payments contribute to a Fund for Humanity which, in turn, provides the money to build more houses.
- \* Help low-income families gain self-esteem through "sweat equity" learning of building skills.

- \* Home ownership not only strengthens families but improves communities.
- \* We make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. A title of all donations received by Wolf River Habitat for Humanity is sent to Habitat for Humanity International to eliminate poverty housing around the world.

## How You Can Help!

- \* Support Habitat for Humanity through tax-deductible monetary donations.
- \* Donate property/lots suitable for building a Habitat home on.
- \* Volunteer your time and talent at the building site (more info inside).
- \* Organize a "volunteer day" at your business. Let employees sign up for different three hour shifts (for example: 9 a.m.-noon, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., 1 p.m.-4p.m.) to help at the local building site.
- \* Hold fundraisers (food stands, car washes, raffles, etc.) to help raise money for building homes.
- \* Join us for the upcoming Habitat Golf Outing and Music Festival.
- \* For more information on how you can help, contact Volunteer Coordinator Dorothy Foster at (715)787-3771 or visit the Web site <http://wrhabitat.org>.

\* Offer financial counseling, budgeting and homeowner education.

## President's Message

What a great time to be part of Habitat for Humanity! As I begin my first term as president, our affiliate begins its eleventh year of operations in Shawano and Menominee counties. Our board of directors is infused with the enthusiasm of several new members and sustained by the experience and expertise of several continuing members. The board's effectiveness is supplemented by additional volunteer participation on our active committees of Family Selection/Nurture, Site Selection/Building and Development/Church Relations. We have five successful partnerships with families "under our belts." We also have families, and most of the financing, ready to go for three new partnerships/homes over the next 12 to 18 months.

My association with Habitat arose out of curiosity - I'd heard about the program in church services, I'd read about the program in local newspapers and I'd heard or seen stories about the program on local and national radio and TV stations. Then a friend of mine invited me to participate in the actual construction of a home. That was really a memorable experience; for the new friends made, for the new skills acquired, for the sense of accomplishment in seeing a "hole in the ground" turn into a decent home and to see the elation of our partner family as they were able to make their dream become a reality!

The need for decent affordable housing is real and Habitat for Humanity's stated goal is to eliminate that need from the face of the earth. Whatever your talents, whatever your interests, please join us as we work toward that goal one home at a time.

For more information please visit our Web site at <http://wrhabitat.org> or contact our Volunteer Coordinator Dorothy Foster at (715) 787-3771.

Sincerely,

Steve Fellman

## Special Habitat THANK YOUs Go Out To:

- \* **Lois Kruse** who donated the Cherry Avenue property we are now building on!
- \* **Thrivent Build 2007 Grant** and the **Thrivent Chapters** of both east and west Shawano County who are helping with matching funds, meals and volunteers at the site!
- \* **North Star Casino** for sponsoring the annual Habitat golf outing!
- \* The **Dale Druckrey Fund** within the Shawano Area Community Foundation!
- \* **Shawano Area Community Foundation** for a construction trailer matching grant!
- \* **Montour-Engel LLC** for the radiant heat boiler!
- \* The **First Presbyterian Church** of Shawano for the use of their facilities for meetings as well as their quarterly mission gifts to our Fund for Humanity!
- \* The **Lutheran Church of the Wilderness** for including Habitat in their mission budget!
- \* **Every person who has sent gifts** to purchase construction materials!
- \* All the willing **volunteers** for coming to the site and helping provide adequate housing in the Shawano and Menominee counties area!

"What does the Lord require of you?  
To act justly and to love mercy and to  
walk humbly with your God."

Micah 6:8



## Current Building Projects and Plans

### First Project of 2007

On April 21, the Wolf River Habitat for Humanity affiliate broke ground for its first build of the year. The home being built with and for the Steve and Rebecca Carey family is located on the corner of Franklin Street and Cherry Avenue in the Town of Wescott.

The home is sponsored in part by the "Thrivent Build 2007" grant. Thrivent Builds is a national program that joins the nearly three million Thrivent Financial members with Habitat for Humanity volunteers, other Lutherans, their families and their communities to build homes across the United States. To learn more about Thrivent Builds visit [www.thriventbuilds.com](http://www.thriventbuilds.com).

Stop by to see the progress or to join in the build! Building is conducted Wednesdays through Saturdays starting at 9:00 a.m.



Join us at N9257 N. Franklin St.  
Wednesdays through Saturdays  
beginning at 9 a.m.

To find the work site, drive north out of Shawano on Main Street/Highway 47. Cross the bridge and the train tracks. Take the third left onto Cherry Avenue. Drive west two blocks to Franklin Street. The site is on the corner of Franklin and Cherry. The address is N9257 North Franklin Street.

### Soon to Start

Soon, this year's second Habitat home will be in the works. The home, on Buckhorn Road in Menominee County, is being built with the "Homes on the Plains Everywhere" Hope Grant from Habitat International for the Marcus and Franny Denny family.

### Our Goals

For 2008, your local Habitat chapter is planning to build three more homes!