



Wolf River
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TED'S TOOL BOX

By Ted Foster, Board President



I'm happy to report we have a great start on our 10th Wolf River Habitat for Humanity project at 415 South Smalley Street, Shawano; and have been blessed with cheerful, hardworking men and women volunteers.

Also, we're following our three priorities for building that simple, decent affordable Habitat home. Number one is safety! Building community is number two (which includes having a good time working together, sharing happy news and stories during break times, and getting to know the neighbors.) Last but not least, priority number three is building the house! Our family partners, Shawn and Kathy Pamonicutt, already have a good start on their "sweat equity."

We are again sharing the construction process with Mr. Greg Brown (instructor) and his students from the Building Trades Program of Shawano Community High School.

This is the first time we are using TF Systems of Green Bay insulated concrete forms as basement walls; so we are very pleased the factory sent a cheerful, experienced representative to help us put it all together. (With this system, we are able to use donated Styrofoam from Dow Chemical Company, which helps to save money.)

A continuing goal is to build in the eastern and western parts of our affiliate area, (Shawano and Menominee counties); but in order to do that, we need committee members and board members from those places who will help in the planning and construction. Another great need is donated lots on which to build!

All our special volunteers who share their time and talents, and the caring people who donate money to this organization are crucial to continuing the mission of Habitat for Humanity. Many thanks to everyone!



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IN REMEMBRANCE

Alice B. Schauder, who passed away on November 4, was a dedicated member of the Habitat board of directors and Family Selection Committee. We will all miss her beautiful smile, enthusiasm for living, and the “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control” (Fruits of the Spirit, Galatians 5:22) she shared with everyone.

Wolf River Habitat Home #10 Groundbreaking Held August 9th

At 9 a.m. on Monday, August 9, Randy Neitzer’s big backhoe was poised for action at 415 South Smalley Street in Shawano, and a hot and humid but happy celebration began. The groundbreaking ceremony for our 10th home was kicked off with Mayor Lorna Marquardt taking part in the short program!

Mayor Marquardt shared, “I am honored to be here on behalf of the City of Shawano to welcome you to the groundbreaking for a Habitat for Humanity house.

“There are many wonderful things that would never be done if volunteers like all of you who are involved with Habitat for Humanity did not do them. Too often in today’s society, we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a

kind word, an honest compliment, or an act of kindness, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. Probably the best definition I have heard of volunteering is ‘doing more than you have to because you want to, for a cause you consider good.’

“I can’t think of any cause better than helping a family make a dream come true. Many hard working families could never reach that dream if it were not for organizations like Habitat for Humanity. Habitat for Humanity provides an opportunity for volunteers to build a house and help a family in our community.”

Then, as soon as Shawn and Kathy Pamonicutt were introduced as the partner family, the backhoe began its digging and making “sand mountains” while refreshments were served.

The Pamonicutt Family

Our new partner family for Wolf River Habitat is the Pamonicutt family. Shawn and Kathy and their four children are currently living in very crowded conditions with relatives in Shawano. The three older children Shayleece (10), Sonny (8) and Ali (4) go to Sacred Heart School in Shawano where Kathy helps with the lunch program and as a playground coordinator. Their youngest daughter, Danika, is six months old.

The Pamonicutts have a large extended family that has been helping to build their home. Kathy’s mother and sister not only worked at the Pine Hills Golf Outing, but they watch the “kids” while Kathy and Shawn put in their “sweat equity hours” on the house.

The Pamonicutts would like to express their gratitude to the Shawano/Menominee community for all the support and help they are receiving! They are very excited for their new home.



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