

## Bringing It Home In Addison!

Construction on the next Habitat House began with a **BANG!** on Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> when a Blitz Build was held to frame the house with Corning Inc. Display Technologies' Extended Leadership Team.

The group of 80 people, over half of whom were from China, Japan, Korea and Taiwan, worked framing the house as a way to give back to the community and foster team unity.

The four-bedroom home at 15 Prospect St. in Addison will belong to Shari McCaslin and her two children. It was specially designed to meet the needs of Shari's 10-year-old son, who has cerebral palsy.

Anis Fadul, manager of business analysis and reporting for Display Technologies, said, "Each year, team members look forward to this [team building] activity because it is an opportunity to forge closer relationships with their colleagues. This project takes things to the next level by also helping a family in need."

In addition to the Corning Inc. group, nine carpenters from ESCC Local 281 (Carpenters Union) helped supervise the building activities. Welliver-McGuire, LeChase Contracting, Streeter and JC Lowery donated the carpenters' services. Mick Pavlik, representative



from the union, noted that this was the second SESC HFH house the union has volunteered to work on.

This project was also an introduction to do-it-yourself building (a practice that is

more popular in the United States) for some team members from Asia. Wood frame houses are not built in the areas the Asian team members were from. Many of the Asian volunteers had never used a hammer before but that did not diminish their enthusiasm and willingness to help.

In addition to their work on the home, the Display Technologies' team contributed in other ways. The team bought enough hammers, work gloves and safety glasses for all 80 participants, as well as a brand new, top-of-the-line chop saw. and then donated them to Habitat. The team has also donated **\$6,000!** "It's a small contribution, but the tools are a big help for an organization that depends on volunteer support," says Anis.

We send a huge THANK YOU to the Display Technologies' Team! Construction continues every Wednesday and Saturday from 8:30 to 3:00 until completion in mid-October.



**Top:** The group from Corning Inc., Carpenters Union and SESC HFH gather for a group picture at the end of a great workday. **Below Left:** The first wall goes up. **Below Right:** The roof trusses being hoisted to the top of the four walls.

## President's Notes

I recently had the opportunity to attend a conference for New York State Habitat affiliates, a great opportunity to network with other affiliates facing the joys and the challenges that we do.

At the conference I attended a workshop on tithing. What an eye-opening moment that was! Things have changed at HFH International. More is being done than ever to help people around the world live in decent surroundings. Not only does HFHI just build houses abroad, but partnerships have been developed and initiatives focused on that help a greater number of people than ever live a decent life.

For example, part of the monies earmarked for the countries damaged by the Tsunami went to building factories for the production of concrete building blocks that will be used to build Habitat houses. The people employed at these factories are a part of the Habitat programs in those countries. Without this factory, few houses could be built due to the destruction of all manufacturing facilities! Now housing production is going full steam ahead.

As needs arise, Habitat will be there. Currently the disaster branch of HFHI is at work in China, India, the Gulf Coast of the US and other global areas affected by natural calamities, not as a First Responder, but as part of the efforts to rebuild.

Because of the things I learned at the workshop, we have decided to change our tithing designation. Tithes are 10% of all undesignated donations that we receive.

A base amount of \$4,000 will still be sent to Kenya, as we have from the beginning. The \$4,000 is enough to build one house there. We have currently built 30 houses in Kenya..

Any amount over that base will be sent to HFHI to be used wherever it is most needed at that particular moment. Purchasing heating systems in bitter cold Kyrgyzstan, electrical systems for houses in Guatemala, building a well for safe drinking water for a village in Tajikistan, disaster relief. Where the need is greatest at that particular moment, we will be helping more people than ever before.

*Jan Harvey*

## Homeowner Applications Sought

Reaching out to possible candidates for a Habitat House who live in our community is a job everyone can undertake. Most of our homeowners have come by referral and word-of-mouth. Please help us spread the word about Habitat Homeownership. The qualifications are basic: need for decent housing, ability to repay a mortgage and willingness to work with Habitat by putting in the sweat equity. If you know of anyone in need of a decent place to live, please let them know they can call 936-4444 for more information!

## Looking for something to do?

We have many openings for volunteering. Construction, support work and now the ReStore all have things that need to be done. If you would like to get involved, whether on a "once in a while" basis or on a regular schedule, as part of a group or as an individual, please call the office at 936-4444 or the ReStore at 377-5524.

We can tailor our needs to fit your time frame! If you have lots of time or only a wee bit, we want you to feel that you can contribute to our mission.

## Current Volunteer Opportunities:

### ReStore

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### Support

Events Planner  
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Volunteer Coordinators  
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### Construction

Site Hosts for the build site  
Construction Planners and Project Managers  
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Skilled or Unskilled Construction Helpers



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## Donations, Memorials and Honorariums

Donations to the SESC Habitat for Humanity Building Fund may be sent to the Habitat office at the address to the left. All donations received go directly to our building fund for use in the construction of our Habitat houses.



### Ithaca College Campus Chapter awarded national Youth Programs grant from State Farm® Insurance

The Ithaca College Campus Chapter of Habitat for Humanity was awarded a \$10,000 grant through State Farm's national sponsorship of Habitat's Youth Programs. **SESC Habitat for Humanity sponsors the Ithaca Chapter.**

Selected from hundreds of applications from other Campus Chapters nationwide, Ithaca College was the only small school chosen to receive this grant. All nine of the other campus chapters chosen to be part of the initial ten chapters involved were large colleges and universities with student bodies in the fifty thousand range. Ithaca College has an enrollment of approximately 6,000. The strength and commitment of the Ithaca College Campus Chapter were lead factors in their selection as participants.

To receive the State Farm Grant, the Ithaca College Campus Chapter raised \$10,000 to be donated to the building projects of their sponsoring affiliate, SESC Habitat for Humanity. **The total donation received by SESC HFH was \$20,000.**

To celebrate this accomplishment, a special State Farm Build Day and Picnic was held Sat., April 26<sup>th</sup> at the new Habitat for Humanity Center on Rt. 414 in Corning. This build brought SESC Habitat volunteers, Ithaca College volunteers and State Farm volunteers together for the purpose of constructing the shed for the Habitat house being built in Addison.



### Board of Realtors Golf Tournament

The Elmira-Corning Board of Realtors held their annual **Habitat Fore Habitat Golf Tournament** on June 6. This is the fifth year the tournament has been held. Proceeds are split between SESC Habitat and Chemung County Habitat. This year over \$15,000 was raised, with SESC Habitat receiving a donation of \$7,500!

### X-TREME East - West CHESS GAME



Sponsored for the second year by the International Baccalaureate Diploma Classes of East and West High School, the Chess Game was held in War Memorial Stadium on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds of the ticket sales were donated to SESC Habitat.



### THANK YOU!

**Gibraltar Management Company**  
For the donation of store fixtures to our new ReStore!

### International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 139

John Balch, Shawn Gerow, Briggsy, Don Jackson, Jamie Boyle and other union members for donating their services to rewire the ReStore and construction shop. They also got the initial electrical service installed to the Addison house site!



Donations are now being accepted!

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Bill Sheehy, project engineering manager at Corning Inc.'s Display Technologies division, helps tie in the walls of the Habitat house in Addison.

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