Newsletter SPRING 2015



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Construction Season

Our first hole for year has been dug! As we head into another construction season, we want to thank all our volunteers and donors for helping us build homes, communities and hope.

Locations for our homes this year are: 1012 N. Hancock,

2532 N. Buckingham, 2536 N. Buckingham, and 2540 N. Buckingham. We are excited as we head into another year.

Although there is nothing new to us about building more homes, this is a brand new and exciting time for our new homeowners.

This year's families are:

Joyce Moreno and her 5 children.

Yessica & Jorge Galdamez and their 4 children.

Martin & Paula Mercado and their 5 children.

Jalmer & Ana Mejia and their 2 children.



Once again, we believe we have selected some wonderful, hardworking, well deserving families. If you ever get a chance to meet and talk with our families, we think you will be impressed! They are excited, motivated and ready to start building their homes! We invite you to swing by on Tuesdays or Saturdays and see what we are doing. To volunteer, call us, sign up online or meet at 701 E. Dodge at 8 a.m. on Tuesdays and 7:30 a.m. on Saturdays.





Our newest families! We closed on all our loans in December 2014. Here are pictures of our newest homeowners! Congratulations!





These 4 families put in over1650 hours of sweat equity! (our required hours were 1050).

Building Homes, Building Hope

2015 Board of Directors Nick Vrba, President First State Bank & Trust

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> Clayton Timperley Jetter's Plumbing

Thrivent Builds

Our Habitat affiliate has again been awarded \$50,000 towards one of our homes this year through the Thrivent Builds program. The Thrivent home will be one of the homes on Buckingham—watch for the Thrivent sign.

We work with Habitat for Humanity International, Thrivent Financial, and local Thrivent representatives and volunteers to build a home.

This funding has been a blessing for this affiliate, helping cover the cost of one of our homes for many years. We are grateful for Thrivent's support of our efforts to provide decent, affordable homes in partnership with our families. Thank you Thrivent!!

Meet Ashley Ryan Our New Volunteer Coordinator

Ashley started as our new Volunteer Coordinator in early March. She and her husband Josh currently commute from Lincoln but will be moving to Fremont soon. They

have three kids, Jake-10, Izzy-7 and Zach-5. Josh is the new publisher at the Fremont Tribune. Ashley is super excited about meeting and getting to know our volunteers.

You can call her or



email her (Ashley@fremonthabitat.org) if you are interested in volunteering!

IN MEMORY

Gifts in memory of the following individuals have been received:

<u>Al Brune</u> Tom & Marci Paulson

Rchard Finley John Arkfeld

<u>Ted & Hazel Lanz, John Lanz</u> DeAnna Goodenough

Edwin & Myra Parr Maxine Turner

Marion Schenzel Jim Schenzel

Jerry Vondenkamp Betty Vondenkamp

Vernon Hilgenkamp

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SPRING CLEANING?

Donate your unwanted new and gently used items to the Habitat HomeStore. Drop off your items on Fridays from 10-4 and Saturdays from 8-2, or call us at 402-298-5272 to arrange a pickup. <u>Benjamin Boschult</u> Anne T Boschult Trust Mark Boschult

<u>Richard Getzschman</u> Dolores A. Getzschman

Loved Ones Len & Barbara Wilder

Lyle C. Petersen Elizabeth Jane Petersen

<u>Marianne Yost</u> Stu & Julie Roach

Betty Green Glen Barth Ford Fischer John Galloway **Charles Graulich Farms** Sandy Kubik Greunke Diane Hento Dave & Kelly Jacobson Jeff & Pam King Jerry & Phyllis Leaver Fred & Dorothy McCoy Lois Messer Maria & James Moore Jan & Leroy Ostranskey Ron & Gayle Paschall Ion & Trisha Rohlfs David Snyder Jeffrey & Colleen Starman Doris Steffen Winfield & Marty Weber



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BOOKKEEPER: Betsy Hulett

We 🎔 our Groundbreakers!

Every year, our Groundbreakers donate a set amount for each house we build. They are ever faithful and support us when we most need it - during construction season. Call or email to join this club!

Welcome to our new board members:

Bethany Childers

Bethany is the Director of Human Resources for Fremont Health, having recently moved here from Ogallala. She has completed Leadership Fremont, and is finishing her Master's Degree in Organizational Leadership. She previously served on the Keith County Leadership Development Board, Business and School Development and a School Board committee. She enjoys acrylic painting, golf, yardwork and spending time with her kids and grandkids.

Peter Jacobus

Peter is the owner of Peter Jacobus Agency—American Family Insurance. He serves on the Board of Camp Rivercrest, is on the Agency Council at American Family Insurance, and is a Chamber Diplomat. He enjoys golf, boating and reading, and tries to read some type of personal development book every month.

We have COMPLETED our Capital Campaign!! Thank you to all of our All Under One Roof Donors who helped make our new building a reality! We set our campaign goal at \$400,000, and we have reached that goal in donations and pledges. Thank you to our top donors (\$5000 and over):

Platinum Hammer \$20,000 & over

First State Bank Fremont Area Community Foundation, Inc. Fremont Area Community Foundation—Lester A. Walker Fund

H.S.P. LLC

Dale & Fern Olsen Peter Kiewit Foundation

Rupert Dunklau Foundation

Gold Hammer \$10,000 - \$19,999

Sid & Patty Dillon Jr. Fremont Eye Associates Pinnacle Bank First National Bank Lozier Union Pacific

Silver Hammer \$5000 - \$9,999

Christensen Lumber Nebraska Recycling Association Platte Valley Bank Tom & Deanna Wolf Martha Wikert, in memory of Richard "Dick" Wickert

IN HONOR

Gifts in honor of the following individuals have been received:

<u>All of Habitat staff, Board of Directors & Volunteers</u> by Dave & Sheila Monke <u>Rev. John Ashley</u> by Larry & Mary Letterman

<u>Beth, Alan, Sarah & Scott Brewer; Joey Brewer & Cassara Carrol</u> by George & Barbara Williams <u>Chris Dilley, our son</u>—You make our joy complete—by Roger & Colleen Dilley



Nik Beninato, Mike Hogan, Dan Martinez, Tyler Paulsen and Steve Slykhuis competed for the title of Mr. Habitat 2015, on April 18th.







There was talent, beachwear, formalwear, dancing, and fun had by all!

Tyler Paulsen is the new reigning Mr. Habitat!

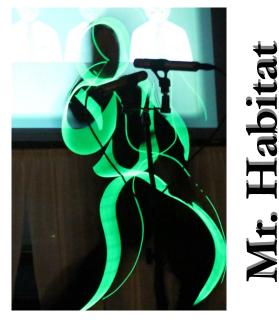
This event raised almost \$30,000 — thanks to these five contestants! Wow!

We are building our 72nd, 73rd, 74th and 75th homes this year. Watch for more information about our 75th Home CELEBRATION!

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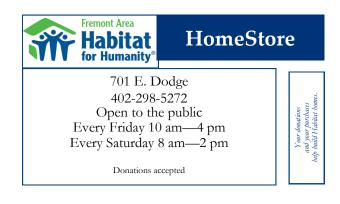
<u>Scott Jensen</u> by Rich Pearson & Priscilla Wilson <u>Karen Melang</u> by Keith & Lisa Kramme <u>Mr. & Mrs. James H. Moore Jr.</u> by Kevin & Elizabeth Hulett <u>Rev. Earl Underwood</u> by Larry & Mary Letterman <u>Don Wegman</u> by Pete & Jill Wegman Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.



Mr. Habitat Tyler Paulsen shows off his dance moves in his glow suit.



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A donation envelope is enclosed for anyone wanting to donate to Habitat for Humanity. Thank you!

If you would prefer to receive this newsletter via email, please send an email to joy@fremonthabitat.org, and we'll add you to the email list. Thank you.

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