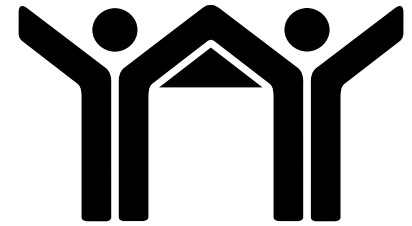


Warren Works



Warren County Habitat for Humanity

Teamwork *The Basis of Success*

Nothing really great has ever been done by just one person. It always takes a team of dedicated, passionate people to tackle the project. That is what we have at WCHFH, a large group of people that are dedicated to eliminating sub-standard housing in Warren County. From our financial supporters, to our Board and Committee members, to the volunteer homebuilders, and finally our partner families; we all have come together. We have embraced this worthy mission and we know together we can make a big difference.

As I have stated before in articles our WCHFH needs Board and Committee members. These volunteers are the driving forces of our affiliate but we need more help. Some of our committees are under staffed at

the present time. These are the areas where we need the most help:

- Grant Writing
- Family Support/Friend
- Resource Development
- Church Relations
- Public Relations
- Human Resources
- As well as the Board of Directors

I hope you will consider this as a great opportunity to serve with us at WCHFH. The rewards are hard to put into words such as seeing the difference you will make in the life of our partner families and seeing the great weight lifted from their shoulders. There is no feeling like it anywhere. We would like to have you join us. Call the office or e-mail me directly at toddwilent@aol.com.

Milo Habitat House

The work on the Warren County Habitat for Humanity house in Milo is continuing. We now have all of the siding in place. On August 24th, a group of freshmen from Simpson College volunteered their time to help out. Thanks to their help, the siding had been primed as high as they could reach without a ladder. On September 20th a group of five from the Simpson College Habitat Chapter primed and painted. Thanks to their help, we now have primer applied to 99% of the outside of the house and a final coat of paint applied to 50% of the house.

Most of the work is now being concentrated on the inside of the house to get the walls put up and trim installed. The drywall is now completed on the upper floor of the house and the seams have been taped and covered. About half the drywall is done in the basement at the present time.

The house is coming right along and looks nice from the outside. There is still a lot of work to be done. In the inside, work such as texturing the drywall, painting the interior, varnishing and putting up trim, putting down the floor coverings, installing cabinets and counter tops and moving in the appliances still need to be done. The exterior of the house needs to have the rest of the final coat of paint applied.



Want to Volunteer?

Deloris Collins, Human Resources Chairperson, will be glad to take your call. Call her at 961-4640

Family Selection Committee

The Family Selection Committee met on August 25th with representatives of 17 prospective Habitat families. They met in the basement room of the Catholic Church in Indianola for the annual Information Meeting. Those who have shown an interest in owning their own home were invited to attend. They had previously heard about the organization of Habitat for Humanity, Inc and Warren County Habitat for Humanity.

Members of the Family Support Committee and the Building Committee presented information about what Habitat expects from those selected to become homeowners, what the applicants can expect from Habitat, the process of making application and the eventual move into their own home. Following the sharing of the information and answering questions, each family that was still interested went home with an application to fill out an return by October 1, 2003.

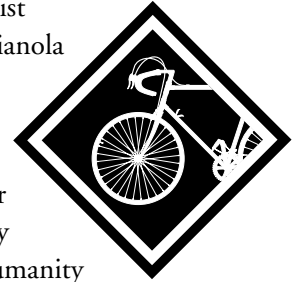
In the next few months, the Selection Committee will make a home visit with each qualified family and present their recommendations to the Board of Directors of WCHFH for approval. Four of these families will be selected to become owners of Habitat homes built in 2004 and 2005. Those selected will begin their commitment by helping with the building of the 2 homes being built for families who have already been selected and will continue throughout the building of their own homes.

To contribute to Warren County Habitat for Humanity, mail your gift to P.O. Box 844, Indianola, Iowa 50125. When you see a happy family living in a clean, comfortable home, you'll be glad you did.



Bike Ride for Habitat

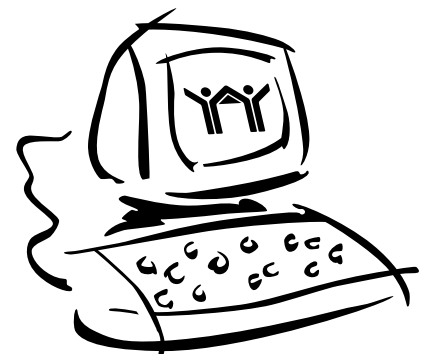
The Methodist Church of Indianola had scheduled their annual bike ride to raise money for Warren County Habitat for Humanity for September 21, 2003.



However, as Mother Nature is often wont to do, she changed their plans with a rainstorm. They were expecting around 20 riders this year and have rescheduled the event for September 28, 2003. Same time - same place.

In past years, they have ridden the Great Western Trail or gone to Saylorville. This year they were going to ride the new bike trail from Indianola to Carlisle with snacks awaiting the riders upon their arrival in Carlisle. The riders have the option of riding both ways or just riding to Carlisle and being brought back to Indianola. Joan Betsworth, who is one of the ride organizers, said they will probably keep the event at the trail in Indianola because of the convenience for the riders.

Since the ride will be just before publication time for the newsletter, be sure to watch for the next newsletter for the results of the ride.

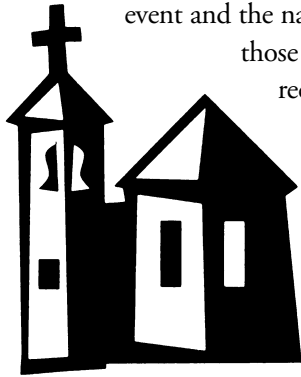


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Fall Celebration

The Warren County Habitat for Humanity church relations committee is planning a fall celebration. It is being held on September 25th at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Indianola, Iowa. They have invited churches in the area to the event. There will be a short program to recognize churches for their participation and help with Habitat projects.

Watch for the next newsletter for more information about the event and the names of those who were recognized.



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For comments, criticisms, additional news or suggestions mail to Warren County Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 844, Indianola, IA 50125.



2nd Annual Holiday Fair

The annual Holiday Craft and Vendor Fair is scheduled for November 22nd. Last year the event was held at the American Legion Hall in Indianola but the success of the event has outgrown that location. We are looking for a location with more room for the event. Watch the local newspapers for articles about the time and the location. If any of you are a crafter who would be interested in being a part of the event, contact Todd Wilson at 515-240-4911 or at toddwilent@aol.com

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Habitat for Humanity **Mission Statement**

Habitat for Humanity works in partnership with God and people everywhere, from all walks of life, to develop communities with God's people in need by building and renovating houses so that there are decent houses in decent communities in which people can live and grow into all that God intended.

Join the Builders Club

Each one of the Builders Club members have pledged to send \$50 to Warren County Habitat for Humanity each time a house is completed. Organizations as well as individuals are invited to become Builders Club members.

Not only is the financial help necessary for our next build, but the number of Builders Club members proves to grant-funders and major donors the breadth of dedication from the general public.

So please invest \$50 in a clean, functional home for a family in need, and for a much more attractive community. Just fill out the form below and mail to the office of the Warren County Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 844, Indianola, IA 50125.

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