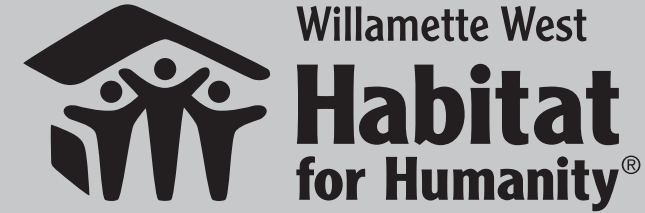




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## Celebrating Our Newest Habitat Homeowners!

We cordially invite you to join us as we dedicate our newest Habitat homes. Each house dedication is a testament to the hard work, commitment and generosity of Habitat supporters. Meet our newest Habitat homeowners and their families. Enjoy house tours and light refreshments.

### Lindsay Lane Dedication in Hillsboro

**Saturday, April 22nd, at 1:00 PM.** 7210 SE Lindsay Lane, Hillsboro, OR 97123. Turn on SE 73rd off TV Highway. Please park on SE 73rd in a vacant lot.

- Menbere Wako and Alemayehu Beyene, and family, Firkite, Hillina and Bruh.  
Sponsors: Christ Church Episcopal Parish, St. Luke Lutheran Church, The Clemente Foundation, The Lanoga Corporation, The Collins Foundation.
- Eusebio Vega Arroyo and Rosa C. Vega Cruz, and family, Willie, Bryana, Tanya and Carla.  
Sponsor: Weyerhaeuser Corporation.
- Alice Kelsey and family, Donald, Andre, Vanessa and Dustin.  
Sponsor: First Horizon Home Loans.



Back row: Rosa Vega Cruz, Eusebio Vega; Partner Veronica Hernandez-Nolt; Board member, Marilyn Palma.  
Front row: Tanya, Carla and Bryana Vega.



### Homeowner Application Meetings



WW Habitat is looking for families interested in becoming Habitat families. Eligible families must be legal residents of the United States; have a need for decent housing; earn an income between 30-50% of local median family income; and be willing to partner with Habitat for Humanity.

If you know of a family that would be interested and may be eligible, tell them about our three spring application meetings.

**Thursday, April 20th, 2006, 7:00 PM,** at the Hillsboro United Methodist Church, 168 NE 8th Avenue, Hillsboro, OR 97124.

**Saturday, April 22, 2006, 11:00 AM,** at the Tigard United Methodist Church, Parker Hall, 9845 SW Walnut Place, Tigard, OR 97223.

**Sunday, April 23rd, 2:00 PM,** at the Beaverton Library, Meeting Room A, 12375 SW 5th Street, Beaverton, OR 97005.



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Menbere Wako, Partner Alise Rubin, Alemayehu Beyene.

### Leadership Row Dedication in Beaverton

**Saturday, April 29th, at 1:00 PM.** 12440 SW Metz, Beaverton, OR 97008, near Hall Blvd., between Allen and Denny Roads. Please park across the street at the Nazarene Church.

- Teri and Zack Rudnick.  
Sponsors: The Friesen and Linschied Family, Community of Christ Church.

Visit our website at [www.wwhfh.org](http://www.wwhfh.org) for driving directions, or call the office at 503-844-7606.

**Save the date! July 22, 2006: Farmington Gardens wine-tasting benefit for WW Habitat!**

## From the Board President

Thank you for the opportunity to serve another year as the president of this affiliate. I continue to be thankful for the quality of people who make up the volunteers of this organization. We have much to accomplish and this column will look at some of the things we need to do this year.

Communication is always important in an organization that has so many excellent volunteers. People in this organization tend to be doers and so when they see a need, they move to fill the need or provide a service. We need to find ways to not only get the job done but to let others know what is going on. We need coordinated approaches so that our constituents see the image we want to portray.

As we move through this year and develop methods to be more integrated in our outreach, please be aware that what we do as individuals to further the goals of the organization is seen by the outside as an effort of the organization. We need to reach out to those in the community who have talent and ability that will help us grow our mission.

- We need people in Public Relations and Marketing to help us tell our story and keep us in the minds of potential donors, volunteers, and partners.
- We need a Business Relations Committee to tap personnel and practices that will allow our affiliate to grow and operate on the leading edge of business.
- We need people to serve on a Resource Development Committee that will help us get the funding levels necessary to meet our building goals.

I know there are people in our community with the skills to help us move forward, and we can ask them for help. Please look for opportunities to talk about our mission, whether it be to a group or to individuals. Tell them about Habitat and the needs of our affiliate so that we can continue to serve those who need decent, affordable housing.

*Yours in faith, John Godsey*



## Office Wish List

- Translation services, especially Spanish.
- Digital camera (at least 2 megapixel with zoom capability).
- Multimedia projector (for computer screen projector during presentations).
- Adobe Acrobat 7.0 Standard or Professional.
- (2) 5-foot desks.
- Folding chairs.



*Volunteers working on the job-site.*

## Donations: September 20, 2005 – February 24, 2006

Thank you to the people and organizations who gave us their support! Our apologies if we have inadvertently left anyone off this list.

### In-Kind Donations:

A-Box Supply: Energy Star light fixtures for Lindsay Lane homes  
Barrow, Dewey: a stovetop, a drill motor, light fixtures  
Carter, Carl: a hand saw, circular saw blades, and several large containers of fasteners  
Globe Lighting: Energy Star light fixtures for Lindsay Lane homes  
Harrison, John: decorative facing rock, slate tile  
Hunter Douglas: privacy blinds for 4 Lindsay Lane homes  
Malarkey Roofing Company: roofing materials for the Leadership Row home

Northwest Natural Gas: furnaces and water heaters for 5 homes  
ProSource: laminate, vinyl, tile, and other flooring materials  
Seattle Lighting: Energy Star light fixtures for Lindsay Lane homes  
Selner, John: wooden "keys" for house dedications  
Uncanny Results: Energy Star light fixtures for Lindsay Lane homes  
Unlimited Choices: ADA-related items for the Leadership Row home  
Whirlpool: ranges and refrigerators for 4 Lindsay Lane homes  
Wilson, Linda: new folding table

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### Hurricane Relief:

*A special thank you to all those who donated funds for Habitat for Humanity's hurricane relief efforts.*

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Ko, Tamara & Thomas  
Labby, Eva & Arnold  
Lawton, Christine  
Peiringer, Nan  
Strandberg, Janet & Kenneth  
Thomas Middle School Student Body Fund

## Andy Ferrera

Once in a while in the life of "old folks," one is privileged to meet a youth who leaves you convinced there is reason for optimism about the future of humankind. **Andy Ferrera** is just such a youth.

We met Andy and his crew of classmates at Leadership Row on Saturday, January 7th, just before they were assigned to assist at one of the other sites. At age 17, a senior at Tualatin High School, Andy carries a heavy academic load in addition to his many other interests. Those interests include athletics (cross-country runner and captain of the team), Varsity Choir, National Honor Society (4.0 GPA) and Future Business Leaders of America. In addition, he has organized the Habitat for Humanity outreach program at Tualatin High School, and actively encourages other high schools in our area to do the same. Our Willamette West



*Shane Lofgren, Katy Pelissier, Andy Ferrera, Carl Glissmeyer and Jay-Michael Harrison.*

Habitat for Humanity affiliate is a current beneficiary of his efforts.

Andy's interest in Habitat for Humanity began while watching a familiar TV program, "Home Improvement," which featured Jimmy Carter as a guest. Later, at Tualatin High's Community 2005 Fair, Andy obtained information from Willamette West HfH, which had a table there, about themselves and HfH International. Thus began Andy's interest in the prospects of service beyond the walls of his home and his school.

We of the older generations salute Andy, his ambitions, and his classmates who aspire to make a difference in the future of their communities, country, and even the world.

**Carl Hammond**

## Construction Corner

We are making some staff changes to enhance construction, to always have work for volunteers, to have materials on site ahead of the need, and to have suppliers in the queue so their work is done on time. We are also looking for ways to keep working in bad weather, as well as setting up our warehouse to better utilize donated and discounted materials, to do some pre-building and pre-painting of cabinets, sheds and wall assemblies. Using better scheduling tools will also mean that we can make upcoming tasks visible on our website, and we expect that will simplify communications with volunteers. We are really blessed to have so many skilled people who can teach and lead small teams.

We are all working in ways that cause us to grow and to see new ways to work smarter. I am inspired when I see that creativity; it always has a way of making my day!

**Bill Gellatly**

## Construction Wish List

- Truck: 16–20 ft. enclosed van or stakebed truck with a power lift gate.
- Vehicle tune-ups and minor repairs.
- Five-hole orbital sander.
- Warehouse forklift.
- Bobcat tractor.
- Small track hoe (shared resource among Portland-area affiliates).
- Full-size pickup truck.

Call the Office, 503-844-7606, if you have something to donate or know of a donation source.

## Willamette West Habitat for Humanity Welcomes New Executive Director

Bill Gellatly has taken on the role of executive director of WWHfH. Prior to this new position, Bill served as a site supervisor for the WWHfH chapter. As such, Bill was in charge of specific houses to be built, coordinated volunteer duties, trained volunteers and participated in building houses.

As executive director, Bill will lead the chapter's effort in fundraising, and manage Board of Director relations and legal matters in accordance with the direction, policies and goals of WWHfH. He also will become the face of WWHfH to government agencies, community organizations, Christian ministries, prospective and current homeowners, and the general public.

WWHfH's key goal is to build eight houses in 2006 and to increase that amount by two houses each successive year. The chapter is currently building homes in Beaverton and Hillsboro.



"Personally, I'd like for us to have a program that is as good at homeowner success as it is in homebuilding," said Bill. "One measure of that success will be to have a family sell a home before the end of their mortgage because they're ready to move into mainstream, commercially priced housing."

Prior to joining WWHfH, Bill worked at Tektronix, where he gained more than 25 years of product design experience and 10 years of management experience.

As a college student, he took a wide range of liberal arts, exploring interests in architecture, social science and even performing arts. While Bill settled into engineering as a career, he also participated in church music, school politics and a range of neighborhood activities.

Welcome Bill!

## From the Executive Director

I extend warm greetings to you all – the friends of Willamette West Habitat for Humanity. I've had a few months to get acquainted with my new role, and while it seems daunting at times, most of the time I feel invigorated and energized by the presence of so many talented and dedicated people who share a vision of bringing simple, decent and affordable housing to deserving families here in Washington County.

In January, our board took a day to explore ways to grow the organization to build eight houses in 2006, but more importantly, how to set the stage for continued growth for the next five years. There are currently more than 9,700 families in this county whose income alone would qualify them for Habitat homes. There is plenty to do as we look to serve a small fraction of that need.

Our challenge is to grow flexible teams at a sustainable pace. Being flexible applies to more than

the construction volunteers, so we're reviewing the mission of each committee and looking at ways to improve them.

Having our newly selected homeowners with us to build equity through their own work is a great reminder of the extraordinary power of the human spirit. As we near the halfway point at Lindsay Lane, we'll be forming a homeowners' association that will do even more for their common sense of purpose. By mid-summer, we anticipate starting site preparation at our 170th and Farmington road site.

While we will be working hard to do all this, we'll also take time to celebrate our accomplishments, so I look forward to dedicating four houses this spring and to another entertaining event at Farmington Gardens in July.

**Bill Gellatly**

# Volunteers are the Heart of Willamette West Habitat!



**Linda Wilson – Office Volunteer**  
Linda works regularly and very effectively in the office in Hillsboro. She organizes, files, writes memos, and provides a reliable and professional resource for visitors and phone calls. "I am impressed with what Habitat does and really feel good that I can help."

**Bev Mohnkern (sealing tile at Lindsay Lane) – Builder**  
This is a most interesting volunteer job to Bev because she has learned and can now do so many different things on the houses. She stays motivated to help because she feels that she is giving back to others. "Homeowners are fun to work with, and for."

**Leon Taylor – Controller**  
Leon is a long-time volunteer with WW Habitat and he is motivated primarily by the families. "I enjoy the sense of accomplishment when a deserving family moves into a new home."



**Larry Snow – Church Relations**  
He got involved with HFH in 1978 when he met Dan and Sandy Owen in Texas. The Owens had just returned from Zaire and were beginning the Habitat mission in the U.S. HFH addresses a real need. "Habitat is fundamentally Christian in that it provides real help to people at the margins of society."



**Sue Ring (with her Partner Family, Kim Do and Dong Hoang) – Partnering and Family Selection**  
She works with the Family Selection Committee, and as of this year, with the Partnering Committee and enjoys them both. "It's great to work with people who are willing to work hard to qualify for a home of their own. Habitat has a wonderful reputation of dedicated volunteers and motivated potential homeowners working together toward the goal of providing housing for many deserving people."



**Terry Crawford (in billed cap) – Site Supervisor**  
He got involved through his church. Terry's learned a lot about building and is now the site supervisor in Beaverton. He loves meeting the families who will make the house a home, and the volunteers who are from all walks of life. "Habitat is about building bridges."



**John Selner – Building Support**  
For over 10 years, he's gotten materials and supplies for the on-site construction crews and is now organizing the warehouse. He feels that working for Habitat is very rewarding – you get to meet families and lots of neat volunteers. "I get good feelings about helping families get into homes."

**Louise Schliessman – Family Selection**  
Louise worked with Habitat in Tillamook County. When she moved to Washington County, Willamette West Habitat was a natural place to volunteer. In Louise's role in Family Selection, she emphasizes that Habitat provides simple, decent housing. "Owning a home is an important step up for our families."



**Dave Stroud – General Volunteer**  
Got involved with Habitat when his mom (also an active volunteer) asked him to help out with PCs. He volunteered at the Farmington Gardens wine tasting event in 2004 and 2005, and plans to be there again this year. "Volunteering is fun and it's for a good cause."



**Mike Mason (has laptop, works anywhere!) – Volunteer Coordination**  
Mike finds it easy to volunteer for Habitat. He uses his software knowledge and skills to keep track of volunteers, maintain the labor portion of the construction schedule and help manage the website. He finds motivation in helping other people. "Habitat provides a very needed program in this age of sky-high housing prices."

