

SPOTLIGHT ON HABITAT CORPORATE SPONSOR, JANE MARTIN



Scott's Concrete has donated the concrete on *every* home constructed by Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity Affiliate in Camden County including the two homes under construction on North Ozark Drive in Camdenton. So it is appropriate that Habitat honors Jane Martin in it's first "Spotlight on Habitat Corporate Sponsor" feature.

Scott's Concrete is a family owned business formed in 1954 by Jane's parents, Leclair and Jo Ellen Scott. Jane has been active in the business since 1964 and became the sole owner in 1997. Her son, Scottie, is continuing in the family tradition. Scottie serves as Vice-President of the Company. Jane's childhood memories from an early age include *riding on the armrest of a bulldozer beside her father*, something totally unthinkable with today's OSHA rules.

The generosity and philanthropy of Scott's Concrete is known throughout the lake area as they support almost everything the local community asks of them. Jane said, "The lake community has been very good to the Scott/Martin families by providing us a livelihood" and she wants to honor that by helping the local community.

Habitat is one of Jane's favorite local charities because of its commitment to helping low income families better their lives through decent affordable housing but also because of its low overhead and almost non-existent administrative costs. The local Habitat affiliate is comprised of all volunteers. It has no paid staff and its office is housed in the old Camden County courthouse.

Martin is soon-to-be the grandmother of a little girl. She loves to be outdoors golfing, traveling, gardening, scuba diving, motorcycle riding, and entertaining at home. One of the Habitat volunteers, Barry Kane, says "He loves a woman who has her own bulldozer!"

Jane was past president and will become Chairman of the board of the Missouri Concrete Association in 2010. MCA lobbies many legislative issues such as employee relations, natural resources and OSHA as well as providing scholarships in careers related to concrete. She is a long-standing member of the Concrete Promotion Council of Ozarks serving as a past president and board member.

Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity is grateful for the generosity of Jane Martin and Scott's Concrete.

A POET IN OUR MIDST

*When the word went out to Habitat Volunteers that submitting a poem to the **Heart and Soul Grant Foundation** could win \$10,000 for Habitat, Rev. Ron Roberts responded with the following:*

Right here at the Lake we join others world-wide,
We partner with families and work side by side,
With hammer and anvil and with volunteer pride,
We build first class homes where good people reside.

We offer no hand-outs; a hand-up we've said,
An interest free loan moves a family ahead;
Sweat equity serves as down payment instead.
We follow the path where God's Carpenter led.

*This poem has been submitted and now Rev. Ron and Habitat are awaiting the decision of **Heart and Soul**. We're pulling for you, Rev. Ron!*

DOUBLE HOME DEDICATION AND OPEN HOUSE FOR THE HAFLEY AND RIDEOUT FAMILIES

Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity will dedicate homes #9 and #10 for the Hafley and Rideout families on Saturday, Nov. 7. The ceremony will be held at the homes on North Ozark Drive. The homes will be open for the public to walk through. Habitat congratulates both families on their new homes and invites the public to attend the dedication ceremony.

**To get there from Camdenton town center,
Go west on Hwy. 54 to Lakeview Drive
Turn right onto Lakeview Drive
Turn right onto North Ozark to homes on
the right.**

Refreshments will be served.

HABITAT RESTORE NEEDS YOUR HELP

The Habitat ReStore is in need of the following donations and volunteers:

- ◆ Donations for sale in our Resale Store; building materials, appliances, housewares, furniture, lighting fixtures, bathroom and kitchen fixtures, hardware, decorative items, etc. except clothing. Donated items must be clean and in saleable condition. We also take cars, boats, PWC's that run and are in saleable condition. May be dropped off at ReStore on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday between 9:00am and 1:00 pm (regular store hours) or call (573) 317-3962 for pickup of larger items. ReStore is located in Keystone Business Park, 3 miles south of the Square in Camdenton on Highway 5.
- ◆ Volunteer for the Habitat office to record income, pay bills, and maintain the financial records for the organization. Accounting background or experience with business, for profit or nonprofit, desired. Computer literate and experience with accounting programs necessary (Peachtree preferred, but can teach someone with other experience). Flexible hours, 15-20 hours/week. Call (573) 317-3962.
- ◆ Volunteers for the Habitat ReStore to assist with pickups (we have our own truck) or to work in ReStore as cashier or assisting customers. Flexible hours, can volunteer to work during the regular store hours (see above) one, two or three days a week or be available for call when schedule is open. Pickup helpers would be contacted to help as needed. Call (573) 317-3962.



ReStore Crew Sep. 26, 2009

Be a part of the ReStore Crew by calling 317-3962 and volunteering.

A RESTORE PERSONAL TESTIMONY

Jackie and Ron bought a 60 year old home at the lake which they are frequently updating. Each time they start a new project, they make a list of materials needed and their first stop is the Habitat ReStore where they purchase as many of the items on their list as they can find. Some of the items they have bought at the ReStore include paint for the house exterior, sliding patio doors and vertical blinds, hardware, electrical supplies, bathroom towel bars, etc. Jackie estimates that they have saved several hundred dollars by shopping at the ReStore.

YARD OF THE MONTH PROGRAM



Pictured at left: Kibbie Rolf and the Garden Goodies Basket to be given to each participating family.

In September, Board member Kibbie Rolf, started a new program for Camden County Habitat for Humanity

called **Yard of the Month**. This program encourages our Habitat families to participate in yard beautification to enhance their homes and neighborhoods. An introduction letter was sent to the families and baskets of Garden Goodies were delivered to all who wanted to take part in the program. Pictures were taken at the onset of the program so a record of progress can be tracked. Each month, she will take a current picture so a running history of that progress can be seen. Then the homes will be graded, based on percentage criteria, and judged by the Board. The winner will receive a \$25.00 gift card from Home Depot and a sign "Yard of the Month" displayed in their yard.

In October, Kibbie will present the program to the Dogwood Garden Club who will be available to the homeowner for advise and guidance to further the beautification of their yard. A monthly news letter will go out to the homeowners announcing the monthly winner and offering timely gardening tips. We are encouraged by this program and hope that the enthusiasm and creativity will "grow" among our homeowners.

ONE HABITAT FAMILY'S STORY



The Johns family: Front row: Hope, Fate, Julie, Luke; Middle row: Sara, Jill; Back row: Mark, Brad, Adam.

Fate and Julie Johns and their seven children became a Habitat Partner family in 2001. Their children have grown from ages 4 through 16 to their current ages of 12 through 24 while living in their Habitat home. The oldest, Jill (24), has graduated from Missouri State University (MSU) with her degree in elementary education and is now working as a para educator in Camdenton elementary school hoping for a full-time teaching job to become available. Adam (23) is in his last year at MSU majoring in Computer Information Technology. Brad (20) finished his summer job at Big Surf and is hoping to join the Army. Mark (18) graduated from Camdenton High School this year and is also planning on joining the Army. Sara (17) is a senior at Camdenton High School and a member of the elite Bel Cantos Choir, as were 3 of her siblings before her. She is also in track and plays

softball. Luke (14), an eighth grader, also likes to sing and is a member of his school and church choirs. Hope (12) in the 7th grade is a volleyball player. She keeps her parents busy attending her games during the volleyball season. Fate is a boat designer and supervisor at Voyager Boats and Julie a para educator in 3rd and 4th grades in Camdenton.

When asked what their Habitat home has meant for her family, Julie answered: "Before Habitat the nine of us were living in a 900 square ft. rental house with no hope of ever owning a home. Now, we are just 8 years away from paying off our 16-year mortgage. There is no better program than Habitat."

Watch upcoming issues for reports of other Habitat partner families and how your assistance has improved their lives.

FAMILY SELECTION

The selection of families who will purchase homes from Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity will be done by the Family Selection Committee in a way that does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, age, handicap, religion, marital status, or because of all or part of the applicants income is derived from public assistance programs.

HABITAT - A HAND-UP NOT A HANDOUT

Habitat for Humanity is not a give-away program. Selected families agree to provide "sweat equity" helping in the construction of their home. Upon completion of the home and their "sweat equity" hours, the family enters into a non-interest mortgage with us for a specified number of years.

HABITAT OFFICERS FOR 2009

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I write this in late September 2009, we are nearing completion of houses # 9 and # 10. They are located on North Ozark Drive in Camdenton. The resources that made that possible came from a very successful Builder's Bash last November, our ReStore sales, our Corporate sponsors and Groundbreakers (individual donors). I am pleased that most of the old construction crew returned and we added four new "regular" members.

Next year we will only be building one house due to the lack of building sites. The family selection process is on-going at this time. We will also be adding about 3000 Square Ft to our very successful ReStore.

My time as the President is rapidly drawing to a close. I want to use this opportunity to thank everyone who has made our affiliate so successful. You are too numerous to list here, but I know who you are and will be thanking you in person at our up-coming Volunteer and Corporate Sponsor Appreciation Dinner on 15 October.

As the holiday season approaches, I want to wish everyone the happiest of Thanksgivings, the merriest of Christmases, and to thank you all on behalf of our partner families for making their holidays a lot more special.

-Tom Reth

MEETINGS

The Board of Directors and Committee Chairs meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Lake Area Industries (Sheltered Workshop) located on North Highway 5 in Camdenton (across from Farris' Market). The public is always encouraged to attend.

CHECKOUT OUR WEBSITE

For the latest information on Habitat happenings, check out the Habitat website at:
<http://www.lakeoftheozarkshabitatforhumanity.org>

HABITAT INTERNATIONAL NEWS - 300,000TH HOUSE

The milestone house marks a decade of major growth for Habitat

300,000th house

In November 2008, Habitat for Humanity celebrated a major milestone, raising walls on its 300,000th and 300,001st houses since it was founded in 1976. The 300,000th house — located in Naples, Fla. — is now the home of Medelsonne and Rose Garraux. The family of five had been living in a two-bedroom apartment that cost about 40 percent of the family's income. Their housing costs in their new Habitat home were reduced by nearly a third.

300,001st house

A day later, volunteers in Zacapa, Guatemala, broke ground on the 300,001st house, signaling Habitat's ongoing commitment to creating simple, decent housing around the world. Everson Galdamez and his wife Wendy Lilia Pérez are the owners of the Guatemala home. The family's previous bamboo-frame house was torn down so that Habitat volunteers and the homeowners could build a sturdy and attractive cinderblock home in its place.

ANNUAL CORPORATE SPONSOR AND VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

The appreciation dinner is to be held again at St. Anthony's Church in Camdenton Thursday, Oct. 15. By popular demand, a shrimp boil will again be served.



LAKE OF THE OZARKS 2009 SHOOTOUT

The 2009 Shootout Charity Auction, hosted by Captain Ron's Bar & Grill, started Thursday, Aug. 27 at 7 p.m. Despite a torrential downpour, the 2009 Auction was a huge success bringing in over \$10,500.00. All proceeds went to Shootout charities including Habitat for Humanity. Visit [Captain Ron's Web site](#) for a list of the donated items that were auctioned off and their estimated values. The 21st Anniversary event again held at Captain Ron's brought new record crowds estimated at over 70,000 people to the Lake of the Ozarks for the weekend. Thank you to the many Habitat Volunteers who helped at this event.



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Mission Statement

The mission of Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity, a non-profit ecumenical Christian housing ministry, is to work in partnership with low income families, donors and volunteers to provide decent, affordable shelter for those living at poverty levels and in sub-standard housing.

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