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Rock the Roof ON the House

World Habitat Day

October 4th

Habitat International designats October 4, 2010, as **World Habitat Day**. That day is actually the kick-off for an entire week of activities, planned to spotlight the need for all people to unite against substandard housing worldwide.

Here in Bergen County, our affiliate has identified October as our **Corporate Challenge Month**. We are encouraging corporations from the tri-state area to send teams of employees to volunteer on one of our sites. We have established a very ambitious Fundraising Goal of \$200,000.00. Meeting that goal will provide us the necessary financial support to complete the four condominiums in Waldwick, (target completion May 2011); finish Zoe's Project group home in Garfield (target completion December 2010) and commence the construction of four new affordable homes in Oradell, New Jersey (target start date Spring 2011).

For more information please click here.

4 NEW Habitat Bergen Families

Welcome to the Habitat Family

We are so excited!

Thank you goes out to everyone who shared September 24th with Habitat Bergen @ The Hudson House in Nyack.

People danced the night away while <u>The Scrubs</u> put on a rock-in-roll show. Everyone was having a grand ol' time!



Raffle tickets are still available for purchase at \$10 a ticket. Prizes are 1. A round of Golf, 2. Autographed Sports Memorabilia,

- 3. Hudson House Gift Certificate,
- 4. Dine around Bergen County,
- 5. Dove Chocolate Discoveries Basket,
- 6. Fix-it-Man Basket,
- 7. BOTOX service,
- 8. Restylane Service.

The raffle will be pulled on October 29th and all winners will be notified that day.

We would also like the thank United Water and DMR Architects for all our printing needs.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Habitat Bergen proudly announces the appointment of our 4 newest Board Members: **Jennifer Eby** - Owner of J.Eby Consulting, Brand Marketing and Strategy.

Laura Criscione - Executive VP

It is with great pleasure that we get to announce our newest families into our Bergen Habitat home located in Waldwick, NJ.

The Moore Family, The D'Annibale Family, The Elias Family and The Herrera Family.

The families and friends have already begun their sweat equity which consists of 400 hours. The families can work at one of our building projects and participating with HfHBC at any of our events.

On October 16th, Atlantic Stewartship Bank will be hosting a kick off party for our newest families. Our board members, staff and site managers as well as Borough Administrator Gary Kratz, Mayor Buddy Litchult, Don Sciolaro and Tom Giordano will be welcoming the families and joining in the celebration.

NEW on our Partnership Tab

Be One of Our Partners on the Website
Have you been on our jobsites recently? Are you interested in
partnering with us? We have a new section on our website
where we will include your logo on our website. Click here to
see some of our partners so far.

SPRINGBOARD Program

Another way of giving back

If you want to become inspired to achieve more than you ever thought possible, we recommend a visit to The Springboard Program, a division of the Bergen County Special Services School District. This program offers a "Life-Centered Career Education" for students with disabilities, between the ages of 18 and 21. These talented young adults have mastered basic home maintenance; food preparation, storage and safe handling; home renovation and hospitality

service. Under the expert guidance of Robert Mortorano and his wonderful staff, the program focuses on career exploration, functional academics and independent living skills.

For more information please click here.

Gift Wrapping in Bergen Town Center

Bergen Town Center

Though it's still September and 80 degrees outside, Habitat for Humanity of Bergen County is once again gearing up for holiday rush. From Monday November 22, 2010 through Monday December 27, 2010, our creative volunteers will be wrapping

/ CFO & BSA Officer - North Jersey Community Bank. Englewood Cliffs, NJ (since 2007)

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Keith Lesser AIA - I S & L
Architecture Studio
John Opitz - CPA & long time
HfHBC volunteer
We welcome you and look
forward to your unique
contributions to our affiliate.

Home Depot Teaming UP

We can't do it without vou!



Home Depot is shirring things up! On October 13th, 14th and 15th team members from

stores around the county will gather at 58 Farnham Ave, Garfield and hang over xxx sheets of drywall.

It's a task like no other with heavy lifting, cutting, tapping, spackling, sanding and then sanding some more!

HfHBC is thrilled to be partnering with Home Depot Paramus and look forward to many more opportunities in the future.

holiday gifts at the Bergen Town Center (at the Habitat table on the first floor near Lindt Choco

lates). Proceeds from the wrapping effort will benefit the Habitat mission of providing decent, affordable homes for hardworking Bergen County families.



Click here for more details.

UGALS Reception

BOBCATS fundraiser a HUGE Success

HfHBC would like to say a special THANK YOU to all the girls on the BOBCATS softball team for a fantastic job. Not only did each girl work hard ON the field but each one also showed us that you think outside the box too.



We would also like to thank John Guy, coach from the Bobcats, for imagining this increadable event, bringing it to the girls and making it happen.

Fundraising is not an easy task yet the Bobcats team went out running and hit the fields all over Bergen County. They encouraged girls from other teams to partner with them and raise money per scored run.

On September 11th HfHBC celebrated with the Bobcats and Joan Schaffer, founder of UGALS, at our project in Garfield where we are working on completing a 5 bedroom with a mother-in-law studio home for Zoe's Place.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

Are you interested in Volunteering on one of our projects?

Visit our website under the Volunteer Tab to find out how to become a team player and build affordable homes in Bergen County.