

Edwardsville / Glen Carbon Chapter

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Upcoming Fundraising Events

By Darlene Azar

We have a number of great events coming up that we are getting the word out on. Just to name a few we have:

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- Route 66 - June 13 and 14
- Grizzlie Baseball Tickets (see Spotlight on Page 2)
 - June 22
 - July 13
 - Aug 24
- Goshen Marketplace running May through Oct
- Sunset Hills Golf Tournament - July 28
- SIU-E Block Party - Sept 5
- LeClaire ParkFest - Oct 19
- Edwardsville Halloween Parade - Oct 31
- Other events that we haven't scheduled yet are a Wine Tasting, Longaberger Basket Night, Texas Hold'em, Silent Auction, Trivia Night, and others.

We are looking for people to volunteer to Chair or help out by donating some of their time to make these fundraising events a success.

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Edwardsville/Glen Carbon's Priorities

By Chris Azar

As many of you know by now, the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chapter of Habitat for Humanity was officially formed and sanctioned on February 26, 2008. The Chapter was formed under the umbrella of Lewis and Clark Affiliate, which is responsible for the Habitat building that goes on in the Madison and Bond Counties of Illinois.

Prior to its formation, one of the first things that the Chapter did was to develop a strategic plan to set the direction during its first few years. This document will serve as a guide as the Chapter works through the myriad issues that come with essentially establishing a new business.

Please see *Priorities* on page 2



The Gateway Grizzlies Baseball
Fundraiser

Spotlight on Grizzlies Baseball Fundraising Event

By Chris Azar

The Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chapter of Habitat for Humanity has set aside three dates during the summer and are going to go to see the Gateway Grizzlies PLAY BALL.

June 22

July 13

August 24

Tickets are only \$5.00 for general admission lawn seating. So come on out bring your blanket or lawn chairs and support a great cause.

Tickets can be used for ANY Grizzlie home game during the 2008 season, so if you can't make it to one of these dates, you can still support Habitat through ticket purchase.

If you've never been to a Grizzlies Baseball Game at GCS Stadium, you really need to go to one this season. This is baseball the way that it was meant to be played. From a fan's perspective, this is baseball the way that it was meant to be watched.

The Gateway Grizzlies Management and Media Relations folks have been great to work with. They have a real heart for community and were willing to help support the fundraising efforts of our Habitat for Humanity chapter.

The GCS Stadium is located at 2301 Grizzlie Bear Blvd. in Sauget, IL. If you have any questions about how to get tickets that will help sponsor the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chapter of Habitat for Humanity, please contact Chris Azar at azarcs@sbcglobal.net.

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I like to remind folks that our Chapter rests on three pillars...Church Relations, Community Awareness and Corporate Sponsorship. It is always our intent during our speaking engagements, fundraising events, or corporate functions to anchor all of our efforts to one of these three pillars.

The mission statement reads that "Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian organization dedicated to eliminating substandard housing and homelessness worldwide and to make adequate, affordable shelter a matter of conscience and action."

The Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chapter exists to help fulfill that mission in our local community.

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Thank You to our Amazingly Generous Donors

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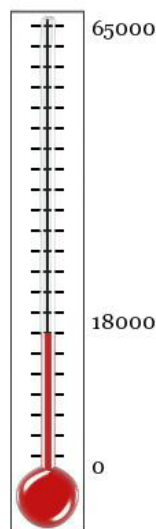
Where We Stand in Our Fundraising Efforts

One of the questions that we get asked a lot is, "When are you going to break ground?" We usually answer and try to explain that there is no easy answer to this question.

Without losing sight of the overall goal of raising \$65,000 to completely finish a home; we, as a Chapter, have set a goal of raising \$40,000 before we begin our family selection process. Once a qualified family is selected, then we design the house around their needs...THEN we can break ground.

No one is more ready to build than our Board of Directors, however, we know from experience that without the right amount of funding coming in, that it would be a disaster to begin building a house without adequate funds to finish the home. It is bad for Habitat, but especially bad for the family who is waiting to move into their new home.

Maybe as a fundraiser, if we began to charge a dollar every time we are asked, "When are you going to break ground?" we would be a lot closer to our goal. Hmm, I'll have to think about that...



As of April 24, 2008

Watch this Space

Watch this space for details on the upcoming Sunset Hills Golf Tournament that is taking place on Monday, July 28th.

We have some AMAZING prize packages.

New Website:

Check out our new website at: www.edglenhabitat.org
We are beginning to post our newsletters, meeting minutes, donor recognition, points of contact and other information that you can access at your leisure.



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