

HAMMERS & HIGH HEELS RAISES \$14,000 FOR WOMEN BUILD

\$26,000 still needed to fund Tracie Johnson's home build

On Thursday, July 18, the Darrell Waltrip Honda Showroom got a makeover complete with pink hammers, stiletto heels, and over 200 visitors, all kicking up their high heels to support Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County (HFHWC). Visitors enjoyed great food, live music and over 150 specialty silent auction items, with every dollar raised going straight to the "bricks and sticks" of Habitat's Women Build home. Darrell Waltrip matched every dollar spent on silent auction items up to \$5000; and in just two hours, supporters raised over \$14,000 for the cause.

Sharon Puckett, long-time newspaper and public information administrator at Williamson County Sheriff's Office, emceed the event and opened with background on the Women Build program and its pertinence to the citizens of Williamson County. "The Women Build educates and inspires women to build and advocate for simple, decent and affordable houses in their communities. On August 17, volunteers will begin constructing in Fairview the affiliate's fourth Women Build home, alongside partner family Tracie Johnson and her four children. Before her home is completed, Tracie and her family will complete 420 hours of "sweat equity" by completing a homebuyer's education program and working on building their own home. Habitat Williamson will then sell the home to Tracie at cost and will not charge interest on the mortgage for the life of her loan." She then urged attendees to "bid generously and bid often."

"We doubled the amount raised from last year's Women Build auction and wouldn't have been able to do so without the talents and donations of so many supporters," explains HFHWC's Director of Development Kim Randell. "Community partners came together to ensure our success. Their donations kept our event costs to a minimum, ensuring that everything we raised could be used to build. We want to thank the Bunganut Pig Pub and Eatery, Chick-Fil-A, Constant Craving Caterers, Granite City, Moon Wine and Spirits, Shuff's Music & Piano Showroom, Sweets Ndulgence, Papa Boudreaux's Cajun Café, Sarah Bailey Photography, Sopapilla's, Sweet Natured Treats, The Williamson Herald, Jessica Perry at Winstead Perry Public Relations, Darrell Waltrip and the many hours given by our WOW (Women of Williamson) Habitat volunteers. We can't wait to build Tracie's home with her; it will be life-changing both for our future homeowner and the volunteers involved."

We are still looking for volunteers who would like to work on building this home, as well as donations to cover costs. Twenty-six thousand dollars are still needed to fund the home, and anyone wanting to help can donate online at www.habitatwilliamson.org.



Meet Partner Family Tracie Johnson

We are excited and honored to introduce our Women Build Partner Family Ms. Tracie Johnson and her four children, Destiny, Hope, Jacob, and Joseph. Tracie is so excited about the Build and can't wait to meet the volunteers who will help construct her family's home. In Tracie's words: "I can't think of the words to express how thankful I am for all of the wonderful women who are giving me the chance to give my kids something that seemed unattainable for a long time. I want them all to know that we love them."

[Click here to read more about Tracie and her family.](#)

Habitat Williamson Welcomes Board Member Justin Reinke

Justin Reinke joined the Board of Directors for the Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County in February 2013. Justin is the Director of Aftermarkets Business for SVP Worldwide (Singer, Viking, Pfaff Sewing Machines) in Nashville. Justin has volunteered with Habitat since 2002 and has a deep connection to the

Individuals or groups wanting to volunteer can contact HFHWC Volunteer Coordinator Billy Whipple at 615-550-5614.



mission. "It's a hand-up and not a handout. I love the builds and the camaraderie working with all the volunteers. I enjoy being a part of the Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County Board but especially like being a member of the Family Selection Committee. It's similar to the actual build because you have the hands on experience with the partner family."

[Click here to read Mr. Reinke's full bio.](#)

WOMEN BUILD KICK OFF AT THE RED PONY - July 25

Event open to anyone interested in helping with the Women Build



To kick off the Women Build, we will be having a gathering to go over logistics, meet each other and just have fun!

Join us for our Women Build 2013 Kickoff Event on Thursday, July 25 at the Red Pony Restaurant in downtown Franklin from 6pm to 7pm! We will have complimentary hors d'oeuvres, non-alcoholic beverages (wine and beer can be purchased) and great conversation. At 6:30pm, we will have a short presentation about Women Build and tips on fundraising. We will also have veteran Women Build participants there to answer any questions you may have.

We will be outside on the patio, so please dress accordingly! There will be fans to help with the heat, but it may still be a bit warm. It will prep us for the build site!

The event is free, but please make sure to RSVP at <http://womenbuildkickoff.eventbrite.com>. Bring your friends!

Can't make it and still want to join? Please take a moment to complete and return the sign up form. If you don't know when you can volunteer, no problem! Just note that on your form, and we will follow up later when we are closer to the build. But please return the form ASAP, so we can judge our volunteer/fundraising base.



Time to Remodel Your Kitchen?

Our Deconstruction Team can carefully salvage your cabinets for reuse and resale in our ReStore. Deconstruction offsets removal costs, conserves landfill space and supports our mission to build affordable housing. And it's free! Visit the [ReStore website](#) to learn how to schedule your donation.

PLAYERS MEETING FOR THE HABITEE - AUGUST 6

All interested players welcome!

On Monday, October 14, 2013, Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County will host a golf challenge at The Governors Club of Tennessee called the "HABITEE."

Our goal this year is to raise \$100,000 through this event and tell our story to 5,000 new people in our community.

Registration, warm-up and lunch begin at 9am, and the challenge starts at 11am. The event concludes at 3:45pm with food and prizes.

To kick things off, we will be hosting a captain and player breakfast at Brentwood Baptist Church on August 6 at 7:30am. The meeting will last one hour and will be a wonderful chance to learn about all the different ways to get involved in the Habitee. Past captains will be on-hand to answer any additional questions you may have, as well as to share their experiences.

Please visit habiteekickoff.eventbrite.com to register, so we can plan food accordingly.



Habitee Golf Tournament to Benefit Habitat for Humanity of Williamson County



Monday, October 14, 2013
The Governors Club Golf Course

9:00 am Registration, warm up, and lunch
11:00 am Shotgun start
3:45 pm Food & prize ceremony

Team Captains Needed and
Corporate Sponsorships Available

For more information, visit:
www.habitatwilliamson.org or call
Jennee Galland at 615-550-5617



For more information on becoming a captain, player or sponsor, visit our website or call Jennee Galland at 615-550-5617.



Habitat Seeks Future Homeowners

Do you know a family who might be interested in becoming a Habitat homeowner? Family Services is currently taking applications for partner families. Qualification information can be found on our [website](#). For questions please contact us at 615-550-5618.



Build Volunteers Needed

The new build season has launched and we need your help to keep these homes on schedule. This fall we have four eager families ready to move into their new homes. If you are looking to get involved as an individual or with a friend, check out www.volunteerhabitatwilliamson.org for availability and to reserve your spot. We also have spots open for larger groups (5-15 people)

END-OF-MONTH SALE AT THE RESTORE

30% off everything!

Make sure to stop by the ReStore this Friday, July 26 for a storewide sale! Everything will be 30% off. The ReStore is located at 1725 Columbia Avenue in Franklin. A great way to stay up to date on what is available at the ReStore is to join its [Facebook](#) page. We post pictures of new merchandise weekly, as well as details on special sales.

Also, remember we always accept donations, especially furniture and other household items. For free, fast pickups, please call the ReStore at 615-690-8094. The ReStore hours of operation are 10:00am – 6:00pm, Tuesday – Saturday.



which are perfect for your organization's service projects or team building events!

If building is not your thing, our ReStore has many midweek and Saturday volunteer opportunities available. Just contact Billy Whipple at bwhipple@habitatwilliamson.org to book your group for construction or reserve your ReStore spot!

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