

# Habitat for Humanity of Seneca County

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## Organizational work moving forward

Progress toward completing our affiliate application is picking up steam following the general meeting on April 8 and a board meeting on April 13. We want to be ready to file the application by the end of August to make sure it is ready the next time the International board considers affiliation applications.

On April 8, all of those present elected the following people to the organization's first Board of Directors: John Scanlon, Robert Nelson, David Kain, William Cross, Martin Toombs, Thomas David, James VanKirk, John Sandroni, Rev. David Gramkee, Scott Porter, Paul Sandroni and Dennis Bender.

The board members then met for the first time and filled three officer slots: President, John Scanlon; Secretary, Martin Toombs; and Treasurer, Lucille Cook, whose election as an officer also made her the 13<sup>th</sup>

membership, especially the need for more women to be involved. More members will be named to the board before the affiliation application is submitted.

Also at the April 13 board meeting, the board appointed chairs for five committees and noted those who have volunteered to serve on each:

**Building:** Tom Marsella, chair; Bob Bergamo, Ed Zmuda, Bill Cross and Paul Sandroni.

**Family Selection:** Bruce Wheeler, chair; Bob Nelson, Judy Toombs and John Sandroni.

**Family Support:** James VanKirk, chair; John Kelly, Jeanne Kelly, Joyce Sinicropi, Mary Scanlon, Bill Cross and Ann Marsella.

**Site Selection:** The only committee with no chair. At present the only member is Martin Toombs.

**Development:** Thomas David, chair; Winnie Nelson, Kitty Peterson, James VanKirk, David Kain, Lucille Cook, Father Gramkee, Tom Conley, Ann Cramer and Patricia Gere.

**Legal/Tax:** Scott Porter, chair, and Dennis Bender.

The work of the committees now has to begin. John Scanlon is urging the committee chairs to schedule a meeting and begin working on their part of the affiliation application in advance of the group's next general meeting, which will be Thursday, May 13, at 7:15 p.m. at Goulds Water Systems on East Bayard Street in Seneca Falls.

The board also approved a resolution asking each committee to elect a vice chairman.

More members will be sought for all committees, and committee chairs are encouraged to seek others to join them.

### Upcoming Meetings

**Monday, May 10, 7:30**

**p.m.: Board meeting**

**Thursday, May 13, 7:15**

**p.m.: General meeting**

**Monday, June 14, 7:30**

**p.m.: Board meeting**

*All meetings will be at  
Goulds Water Systems on  
East Bayard Street  
Extension, Seneca Falls.*

board member.

At the board's April 13 meeting, the fourth officer post was filled, with James VanKirk elected vice president.

There was a great deal of discussion at both meetings about the need for greater diversity on the board's

## Web Site Posted

A site has been posted on the World Wide Web which will provide those with web access a quick way to check on upcoming meetings and events. It can be found at

<http://home.rochester.rr.com/habitat>. There's also an e-mail address, [habitat@rochester.rr.com](mailto:habitat@rochester.rr.com).

Our mailing address is PO Box 223 in Seneca Falls.

