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Interlaken construction begins

Following the ground breaking on June 7, preparations for the installation of the basement for our project on Lakeview Street in the village of Interlaken continued.

The basement was set on July 18 and soon will be ready for the framers to go to work to put the first floor deck on the house.

Chuck Bosman of Interlaken has been appointed the site supervisor for the project, working with other members of the Construction Committee.

Volunteers will be needed on a regular basis on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays to help build the house. Check on the affiliate's web page for more up to date information.

Family Selected

A Lodi family has been selected for the Interlaken home being built on Lakeview Street.

Randy and Sandra Farrell and their son, Dakota, were picked as the Partner Family for the home.

Randy and Dakota were able to participate in the groundbreaking ceremony on June 7 and meet the others who attended the event. They are excited about getting their own home and are looking forward to the construction process.

New Officers, Board Members Elected

A new president was elected at the affiliate's Annual Meeting on June 16.

Martin Toombs of Seneca Falls, who had served as secretary since the affiliate was formed in 1999, was elected to replace Marilyn McDougal of Waterloo, who had served as president for the past two years.

Elected to serve as vice president was Charles Moore of Interlaken, who has served a year on the board. The



post previously was vacant. Menzo Case was re-elected treasurer. The secretary's job remains vacant.

Two new board members were elected. Cate Blakemore of Canoga,

chair of the affiliate's Family Partnership Committee, and David Mayne of Waterloo, who has been volunteering on construction and promoting Habitat in his parish, will serve two-year terms.

Seven board members were re-elected to new two year terms: Menzo Case, David Griffith, Robert Nelson, Kitty Peterson, Scott Porter, John Scanlon and Martin Toombs.

Committee's goal: a Waterloo site for 2004

The affiliate is now looking for a site for the affiliate's project in 2004.

A suitable vacant lot or possibly a home in need of rehabilitation is needed as we look forward to next year. It usually takes several months to select and then purchase a property, so it's important that the job not be put off.

The four homes we've built so far show us a pattern that comes in to play when looking for a site for 2004. Each time we've advertised for families for a

home we plan to build, all or nearly all of the applicants have been from the school district where the home will be located. This certainly is because families want to keep from disrupting their children's schooling and friends, which is understandable.

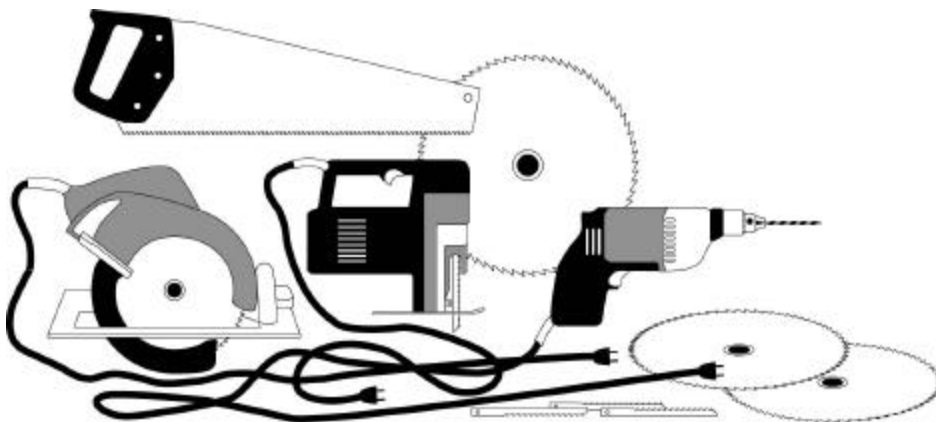
That means we should be trying to spread ourselves around the county's school districts as best we can. So far we've built twice in the Seneca Falls district and twice in the South Seneca

district. We need to find sites in the Waterloo and Romulus districts; because of its size, our first preference would be a site in Waterloo.

In the past we've been unable to find a suitable property in Waterloo which we could get donated or that was inexpensive enough for us to purchase. We're trying again and could use the help of Habitat supporters who may know of or be willing to donate a suitable property.

While we can be flexible on the site selection, the property must be large enough so that we can get a building permit; it must not present any zoning difficulties, or construction problems which would make the completed home too expensive for a Habitat family.

If you have a suggestion for a parcel, contact Marilyn McDougal, chair of the Site Selection Committee, and the committee will take a look at the property and see if it's a possibility.



Regional Conference Planned

Habitat Northeast will once again stage a regional training conference this fall, the first since 2000.

The conference will be Oct. 23-25 at the St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, Ct., just outside Hartford.

Millard Fuller, head of Habitat for Humanity International, will speak at the event.

The conference will include a wide variety of training seminars and events designed to help the affiliates from the Northeast learn how to do their work better.

The registration fee for the event is \$125. The registration deadline is Sept. 26. Brochures on the event can be obtained from Martin Toombs.

Committee Chairs

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20th Jimmy Carter Work Project builds 92 homes

The 20th Jimmy Carter Work Project built 92 homes in Georgia and Alabama last month.

An estimated 140,000 hours of volunteer labor was used to build the houses in Anniston, Alabama, and two communities in Georgia, Valdosta and LaGrange.

Pictures, detailed information, and

even videos of some of the events during the week-long project can be seen on Habitat for Humanity International's web page, at <http://www.habitat.org/jcwp/2003>.

Here are some other statistics on what it took to build the homes:

3,852,680 nails, 55,200 pieces of lumber, 2,576 roofing trusses, 2,760

tubes of caulk, 736 rolls of roofing felt, 194,672 square feet of insulation, 920 windows, 1,104 doors, 644 sets of mini-blinds, 9,568 sheets of drywall, 94,576 square feet of floor tile and/or carpeting, 4,600 gallons of paint, 767 Whirlpool appliances, 140,000 hours donated by volunteers and 38,916 sweat-equity hours completed by homeowners.