

## **Salem County Habitat Construction Update - 4/07/08**

Thanks for two super weeks of hard work from Kate, Claire, Paul and the boys from St Agnes School, the Tuesday Crew, Kate and Temple HFH, Ray, Michelle and the kids from WHS, Wdstn Presbyterian Church, Phil and the Neumann College group, Sabrina and Kelly, Lonnie, George, Chuck and especially Tall Paul who worked tirelessly for the last 3 weeks backing up and leading the work projects. Finally we must thank Wesley and the many generous suppliers of lunches for the groups: Amelia, Sir Paul, Delsea, Elaine T, Jane, Mrs. Sauder and their churches and for the great accommodations provided by Dan and his generous church. We are truly blessed!

### ***ACCOMPLISHED LAST 2 WEEKS***

Maple Rd, Pittsgrove We began this period with the floor about 75% complete and proceeded to finish up the kitchen area on 16" OC. Final pieces were nailed into place and then the raising of walls began. We used the 12', 2X4s as top and bottom plates, marked them out side by side for the studs, then filled in the headers and windows, as planned. Many of our carpenters quickly got the hang of swinging a hammer, choosing the right nails, raising the walls, and don't forget, stepping back to admire our work! Team leads were tough on everyone about precision and keeping the rough openings exact and despite our scrutiny all the walls went up quickly, were braced and turned out great. The 7/16" OSB went on next, using a level and square and marking the stud lines so the many nailers could easily find the studs underneath. The top plate went on and spaces were left for the interior walls to be locked into the outside wall plates. Outside, (we can say "outside" now because we have walls up!) the property has begun to take shape. Tall Paul has been relentlessly leading teams who attacked the overgrown property with chainsaw, shovels and rakes, hauling trailer after trailer of debris to the recycle center. We can now see the shape of the terrain and it has unique rolling and treed areas that we will probably leave as natural as possible. The foundation drain was completed and the backfill started, with hundreds of buckets and wheelbarrows of dirt being moved into place. The driveway entrance was roughed out and some stone laid there.

ReStore Based on the results of the septic inspection that came in, we are in great shape, just a minor issue, repair needed of the tank lid. Dan led a team from Neumann College in cleaning the retail area and removing the peeling floor tiles.

### ***PLANS FOR THIS WEEK***

Maple Rd, Pittsgrove This week we begin installing the trusses, tying the outside walls to them, and laying out the roof sheathing. Work on the floor will continue, an issue has come up with de-lamination of the 3/4" tongue and groove sheathing where it mates up. We have asked the supplier to have a look and make recommendation as to the solution.

ReStore This week, as directed by the Board, we hope to complete settlement.

***PLEASE CONTACT US - WE NEED MEMBERS FOR THE WED CREW!!  
Volunteers to make up lunches for a day, for our workers!!***

***Call or email us to volunteer!!!!***

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### ***VOLUNTEER CORNER - Future Schedule***

Tue	4/8	Tue Crew	Wed	4/9	Wed Crew	Sat	4/12	1 <sup>St</sup> Bapt/ Neumn
Tue	4/15	Tue Crew	Wed	4/16	Wed Crew	Sat	4/19	Pitts Pres/Dare Spirit Life Fellowship
Tue	4/22	Tue Crew	Wed	4/23	Wed Crew	Sat	4/26	Neumann Coll
Tue	4/29	Tue Crew	Wed	4/30	Wed Crew	Sat	5/3	Open

Tue	5/6	Tue Crew	Wed	5/7	Wed Crew	Sat	5/10	Open
Tue	5/13	Tue Crew	Wed	5/14	Wed Crew	Sat	5/17	1 <sup>st</sup> BaptPed/ Asbury UMM /Amer Society of Interior Designers
Tue	5/20	Tue Crew	Wed	5/21	Wed Crew	Sat	5/24	Open
Tue	5/27	Daretown Sch	Wed	5/28	Wed Crew	Sat	5/31	Open
Mon	6/23 – 28	Ark and Dover Pres Church						
Mon	7/07 – 12	Framingham MA, Church Parish						