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I'm the Lucky One Reflections of 20 Years

with Cape Cod's Habitat By Vicki Goldsmith

Have no doubt that when I reflect upon my two-decade relationship with all of you, who are our local Habitat, I know that I am the lucky one. Because for the better part of my working life, I have spent each day surrounded by people who are driven by generosity, love and caring. And, I have "the best seat in the house," as witness to our work. I am present at so many moments of joy and celebration in each new homeowner's journey. As well, my participation with key decisions, problem solving, fundraising, and day-in day-out project management makes for some very sweet and exhilarating moments, as we persist to overcome hurdles to forge homes and neighborhoods from early hopes and aspirations.

I took a risk in 1999 when I applied to

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BUILDINGHOMES CHANGINGLIVES PRESERVING COMMUNITY



2019 Dennis Home Buyers

Our Construction Director Bob Ryley received a most unusual request from Joshua, age 11, whose mother is helping to build their future home in Dennis: could Habitat please leave the huge pile of dirt the excavators left in his yard? Why you ask? To him that pile of dirt represents adventures he hasn't gone on yet. He looks forward to building a tree fort and digging for treasures and whatever else he can find. This is what a home means to Joshua.

Next door to Peg and Joshua on Janall Drive is Sue and around the corner on South Yarmouth Road, is Desiree, who has been working on her home with a small volunteer crew at the speed of light.

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Vicki Goldsmith continued



Habitat to be its first full time executive director (and first full time staff person), leaving a secure job to join a young non-profit that aspired to grow and build more homes for more local families. Financially, I was moving in the wrong direction. My gamble was that I would spend more hours each day of my life doing work that would energize me and feed my soul.

As staff leader of our local Habitat, I have been able to work each day within some of my core values:

- •That basic shelter, food, water, and health care are essential human rights. And that when private market forces do not foster access to these essentials, public or private intercession is required.
- •That service is our prayer; that faith is manifest in our action.
- •That on this earth we are blessed with an abundance to provide for all human beings. For this reason, I love Habitat's practice of tithing 10% of unrestricted funds to support shelter solutions in more impoverished nations.
- •That the roles of server and served, giver and receiver are fluid and reciprocal. I love that Habitat practices the principal of partnership, rather than considering future homeowners as recipients or clients.

As staff leader I have been privileged to spend my days with people who are kind, people who like to

do, people who are brave and who dare, people who know stuff I don't, people who have their unique life's wisdom to share, people who care, people who give with joy. I cannot name one such person without naming a thousand. Lucky me, right?

As staff leader, I spend my days planning, problem solving, listening, coordinating, working with numbers, speaking for Habitat, moving from the plane of vision and ideas to program, policies and systems. I love that stuff! The Habitat model thrives in collaborative mode. Whether in music, sports, family life, or work – I love the collaborative process – that delicate balance between the ownership of areas of responsibility, and teamwork in planning, problem solving, and implementation.

Over the years, here at Habitat, I have learned to assume the best in people; we almost always achieve better outcomes by assuming the best. This requires us to communicate more fully when another's words or actions run contrary to expectations or our own beliefs. I have gotten better at not making assumptions. Often in real life, "two plus two" does not, in fact, equal four because human issues are layered beyond what is most easily visible or apparent. I've learned that living in gratitude is a practice to be actively cultivated. People who live in gratitude make better workmates, are more enjoyable to be around, and bring better energy to their work and play. And I continue to strive to be a better practitioner of the ever valuable art and skill of listening.

I continue to get a "rush" at each wall raising and dedication – hearing the voice of the homeowners, catching the palpable excitement of their children, and witnessing the manifestation of community connections and generosity, the well-earned pride of accomplishment for everyone involved.

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I am grateful for so many acts of kindness, and for those who have forgiven my missteps – or those of staff or volunteer associates. I am grateful for caring, frank and passionate words received. I regret that I do not know more of you better. In 2000, I pretty much knew each volunteer and most donors by name and face. While it is a testament to our growth that such knowing would be impossible today, there was a sweetness to that time.

New Board Members



Jaime Carey is a former Chief Operating Officer and Chief Merchant of Barnes & Noble.

Jaime serves on our ReStore Advisory Committee and is a family partner, and construction volunteer on our Marstons Mills build. He is also chair of our Governance Committee. Jaime and his wife Rosemary live in North Falmouth near the Shining Sea Bikeway, where they both love to ride.



John DeMello has served as President and CEO of The Barnstable Group since 2011.

For John, a life-long resident of Dartmouth, each crossing of the Sagamore Bridge reinforces that the Cape is an island with its own unique culture and geography. He believes in Habitat's mission to sustainably provide access to affordable housing on Cape Cod.

John serves on the Finance and Investment Committees.



Rabbi David Freelund has been the rabbi of Cape Cod Synagogue in Hyannis for the past 13 years. Prior to living on the Cape, he served a community in Tucson, Ariz., where he was introduced to Habitat for Humanity.

David is an active volunteer, providing devotions on the sites, chairing our Faith Relations Committee and organizing this May's \$10,000 raffle, benefitting the Synagogue and Habitat Cape Cod. His other interests include music, cooking, and social justice. He and his wife, Bettina, live in Centerville.



Josh Jalbert has worked at Shepley Wood Products of Hyannis for eight years, currently as an outside salesperson. He is a native of Cape Cod and has many years experience in the home building industry. Josh is proud to serve Habitat and his community.

He currently resides in South Dennis and enjoys spending time on the beach or at the parks with his wife Farran and 3-year-old son Russell.



Patricia Mormann has 13 years of marketing and communications experience in the HVAC industry. She has a background in governance and strategic planning and appreciates the special challenges volunteer organizations face.

Her initial involvement with Habitat for Humanity grew from church mission trips to the Gulf coast following hurricane Katrina. After moving to the Cape in 2011, she and her husband have supported the work of our Habitat. Patricia is currently working on a marketing plan for Habitat Cape Cod.



Leslie Schneeberger, a long-time Cape Cod resident and accomplished architect, took the helm of the Siemasko + Verbridge Design's Chatham office in 2015.

Leslie is passionate about community projects that make Cape Cod a more vibrant place for year-round living. She lives in Chatham with her husband and two daughters.

She is supporting Habitat's graphic design and marketing efforts.

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Dennis and Barnstable Police and the Coast Guard lending a hand on Wall Raising Day, Janall Drive



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Dennis

South Yarmouth Road Site Supervisor: Desmond McMahon Volunteer Coordinator: Joanne Broderick Janall Drive Site Supervisor: Mike Sullivan Volunteer Coordinator: Susan Lauber

Desiree and her two sons Wesley and Kayden, enjoy spending time as a family biking, bowling and visiting amusment parks. The boys love sports, especially basketball and football.

Desiree is a native Cape Codder and grew up in Dennis. She is thrilled to have the opportunity to purchase a house in her home town! Her boys are also happy to stay in the same school system with their friends. Desiree is an office manager at Merry Maids and has worked at the company for 12 years.

"Building my home alongside so many caring people who truly love what they do is an honor. The difference they are making in my life, my children's lives and in the lives of many other families is immeasurable."





Sue has lived on the Cape for 46 years. She is a Barnstable High graduate and raised her children here. Sue has worked at Jason's Tavern in South Dennis for 9 years.

"I've recently recovered from a serious illness and my current apartment is in a basement and doesn't have a stove or a place for a washer and dryer and the stairs are becoming an issue for me. Habitat has provided the opporunity for me to build and purchase a safe, affordable home, so that I can stay on my beloved Cape Cod."

Peg has lived on the Cape since 1995, and has an adult daughter who lives in Dennis and a son, Joshua who is in the 6th grade. Peg has worked for Arc of Cape Cod for 11 years. She provides support and guidance to people that live independently and have developmental and intellectual disabilities.

Joshua cannot wait to have a backyard to build forts with his friends and Peg is excited to finally have a real garden. She has been container gardening for years.

Peg reflects that "Working for a nonprofit organization on Cape Cod is immensely personally satisfying, but not financially lucrative. While Cape Cod is our home, homeownership, and the stability it affords, has always been out of reach. This was our fourth Habitat application. We are thrilled and grateful to finally have this opportunity."





Families build their homes alongside community volunteers and then purchase their home and pay an affordable monthly mortgage.

Janall Drive, Dennis



Harwich-Dennis Rotary

If you are interested in scheduling a "Team Day" for your company, club or family reunion please email Volunteer Services Manager Tara Cronin at Tara@habitatcapecod.org



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Vicki Goldsmith continued

Today I find deep satisfaction in how many of our Habitat participants have evolved into a loving and caring extended family. Many dear friendships have been forged in the course of our work, as well as valuable networks, warm acquaintances -- people who lend a hand to each other in sickness and in health.

Fellowship, community, and scores of lovingly built, sturdy, warm affordable homes; lives transformed by Habitat's loving "hand up."

That is the legacy I am proud to have been a part of.

As time has gone by, I take increasing pride that we continue to grow and thrive and accomplish more together; we continue to attract the most marvelous contributors and volunteers; and we continue to garner a terrific reputation locally, as well as regionally and nationally within Habitat for Humanity - for the quality, consistency and life changing impact of our work. My unique role in such a volunteer-rich organization has

been to help create and maintain a platform for the success for all of you; to cultivate our culture of welcome and appreciation, to help keep us all moving together in the same direction with energy and passion, so that we have all the elements for the success of each project ready to go on wall raising day.

I have loved being a part of your team - and will savor my final months on staff.

You are the best! Thank you.

Habitat Cape Cod intends to open the search process for a new Executive Director in June of 2019.

Faith Relations

Yarmouth Dennis Faith Build Janall Drive - Goal \$55,000

Congratulations to Dennis Union Church and St. Pius X Parish for taking a lead role in Habitat's second Yarmouth Dennis Faith Build in three years. The prior campaign (YD Ecumenical Build) was for a home on Virginia St. in West Yarmouth and the group surpassed their goal of \$55,000. Several other congregations and indiviuals have joined Dennis Union and St. Pius in the effort to sponsor the Janall Drive home, however, additional donations are needed to reach the goal. Please contact Wendy at wendy@habitatcapecod.org or 508-362-3559 x11 to become involved in this campaign.



John Schofield, Dennis Union Church, presents Vicki Goldsmith a check for \$26,973 to kick off the Yarmouth Dennis Faith Build.

Welcome New Faith Relations Committee Members

- Rev. Dr. Libby Gibson, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Barnstable
- Rev. Peter Hebert First Lutheran Church, West Barnstable
- Rev. Dr. Kristen L. Harper, Unitarian Church of Barnstable
- Lynn Johnson, Harwich Congregational Church
- Jimmy Dishner, Federated Church of Orleans

To learn more about serving on Habitat Cape Cod's Faith Relations Committee contact Wendy at wendy@habitatcapecod. org or 508-362-3559 x 11

Habitat and Faith



Rev. Sally Norris

Habitat Cape Cod has been an important part of my time living on the Cape.

I have volunteered on many Cape builds and I am forever grateful to John Kaar for teaching me how to properly

hold a paint brush! But I am also a representative from the faith community, and so, the quest for everyone to live in decent, affordable housing is both a moral and spiritual mandate. For me being on a Habitat build site was like being in church. There is a feeling of friendship and caring, helping each other to accomplish the work of the day coming together for the good of others so that families could have the security of their own home.

I moved from Cape Cod to Worcester in 2018 and I was struck by the

challenges and struggles one might face when searching for that decent, affordable home.

In my tradition (Protestant - UCC/ Congregational) I receive guidance and inspiration from the writings of the Bible - both the Jewish and Christian Scriptures. One verse, in particular, has always touched my soul. It is from Micah 4:4.

Chapter 4 of the prophet Micah begins with a beautiful vision of the world when every person and all nations are at peace with one another and no longer "learn war." This very same passage also occurs in the prophet Isaiah, chapter 2 -- but Micah includes an additional verse. Following this compelling portrait of the world at peace, Micah says "and all shall sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid." When I read these wonderful words, I envision every person living in their own home, tending to their own gardens, and

doing so with joy and confidence in their hearts.

Indeed, I envision the Habitat homes which have been built, for instance. in Orleans, Brewster, Dennis, Harwich, Eastham and the families who now reside in them. This transformative work continues throughout the Cape.

I give thanks for Habitat Cape Cod and the amazingly dedicated staff. And I give thanks that Habitat Cape Cod is inspiring Habitat Worcester to create a faith-relations committee which will increase faith community participation in builds. And so, whether on the Cape or in Worcester or around the world. Habitat for Humanity is making real Micah's vision of peace for everyone.

The Rev. Sally Norris Minister & President Worcester Area Mission Society (formerly, the Federated Church of Orleans)

2018 Annual Meeting sponsored by Shepley Wood Products



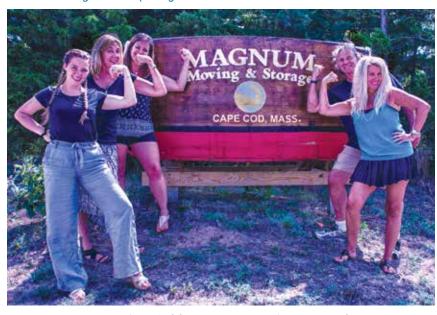
Town of Brewster, Community Partner Award



Bill Varner, ReStore Volunteer in Excellence Award



We were honored to present an award to Tony Shepley of Shepley Wood Products recognizing 40 years of success and outstanding community support.



Magnum Moving, Golden Hammer Business Award



Robin Trainor, Spirit of Service Award



Lynette Helms, Donald S. Dickinson Legacy Award



Habitat Cape Cod's Five, Ten and Fifteen Year Volunteers

A Great Time was had by all 200 Attendees!















1st Annual RIDE FOR HOMES, what a day it was!

76 Riders raised over \$50,000. Thank you to our riders, volunteers and sponsors. Train now for Sunday, September 22, 2019!













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Sign Up! • Show Up! • Buy Your Tickets!

Saturday, March 30th: 4th Annual Sing for Good! Join us for a fun evening of choral music as Cape Cod church and community choirs gather to perform and sing along with the audience benefiting Habitat Cape Cod. Cape Cod Synagoque 7:30 - 9:30 pm. Free will donations will be collected at the event, no reservations needed.

Saturday and Sunday, April 13-14th: Bonide and Country Garden Fundraising Event. Bonide will donate 50% of all Bonide sales, made only at Country Garden, to Habitat Cape Cod. All sales must be made during business hours Saturday, April 13th (8 am-5:30 pm) and Sunday, April 14th (9 am-5 pm.) Country Garden, 380 West Main Street, Hyannis.

Friday, April 26th: Rally the Alleys. REGISTER NOW! Strike up some fun as Habitat takes over Ryan Family Amusements! Teams of four will compete for awesome prizes for highest fundraiser, highest score, highest combined score and fundraising and of course BEST COSTUME! Registration is \$25 includes lanes, shoes, food and drinks. Each team must raise a minimum of \$800.

Saturday, May 11th: \$10,000 Raffle Party with Cape Cod Synagogue. Five prizes will be awarded totaling \$10,000. \$80 ticket enters you into the raffle and admits two to a fun filled party including food, open bar, live band, dancing! Only 500 tickets will be sold. You do not need to be present to win. GET YOUR TICKET TODAY!

Wednesday, July 17th: Charter Cup Fishing Tournament. Bait your hooks and cast your lines at the 3rd annual Charter Cup. The tournament is now seeking donations in the amounts of \$1,000, \$750, \$500 and \$250, 100% of proceeds benefit participating charities. To support Habitat Cape Cod, please visit jaxtimer.com/chartercupfishingtournament.

Sunday, August 18th: Falmouth Road Race. More than 11,000 runners will gather in Woods Hole for the 2019 New Balance Falmouth Road Race. We have 10 of the hard to get bibs available. Runners are required to raise at least \$750 but the bib is FREE!

Sunday, September 22nd: Ride for Homes. Ride the prettiest bike route on Cape Cod while raising money for Habitat! \$30 registration and a minimum fundraising of \$300 per rider.

For more information on any event email Development Assistant/Events Coordinator Adrianne Wytas at events@habitatcapecod.org or call 508-362-3559 x18

Rotary of Cape Cod Pledges \$100,000





The 9 Cape area Rotary clubs recently announced their joint campaign to raise \$100,000 for Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod. Many of the clubs made individual donations to the campaign, with the Hyannis club leading the way with a \$5,000 contribution. Cape Cod Five announced their leadership role by donating \$15,000 and becoming our "Developer Sponsor." Currently we are reaching out to individual businesses connected to Cape housing and construction. We are also planning a benefit concert and a bikeathon.

Rotary of Cape Cod includes approximately 300 members, stretching from Falmouth to Orleans. For more information regarding this campaign or becoming involved in Rotary clubs on the Cape, contact Brad Boyd at bradshalfday@gmail.com.

2019 Home Builder's Blitz



This fall more than 100 members of HBRACC (Home Builders and Remodelers Association of Cape Cod) will participate in their 4th "Home Builders Blitz" (A "Blitz Build" is a home that is built in one week from frame to finish.)

Cape Cod home builders, remodelers and suppliers will start at first light on

Monday, September 16th and will be finished by the end of the day on Friday, September 20th. The home will then be sold at an affordable price to a qualified, income eligible family that has applied and been selected through Habitat's general process.

The 2019 Blitz house, a two-story, three-bedroom Cape, will be one of eight affordable homes being constructed in the second phase of a 14-home subdivision on Paul Hush Way. The land was purchased with funding from the Town of Brewster Community Preservation Act Funds.

Please support the businesses that build our community! For a list of "Blitz Build" participants visit blitzbuildcapecod.com.

Donor Spotlight

Bev and Rob have lived in many places since they were married, including 5 years in Europe while Rob was in



Rob and Bev Parke

the Air Force. When the time came to think about where they wanted to retire they chose Cape Cod and in 2004 they moved into a beautiful home they built in Barnstable Village. Not long after they settled in they heard that Habitat Cape Cod was looking for new members for the Faith Relations Committee. They both volunteered to join the committee and were members for several years. Bey joined the committee again in 2016 to represent the Yarmouth Dennis Ecumenical Build. In addition. Bev has been making quilts for new homeowners for at least 10 years and for the past two years she has also made a guilt to be raffled at the Heart and Home Cabaret. Rob has coordinated devotions for many Habitat builds in many different towns over the past 12 years. Currently, he is the devotion coordinator for the Marstons Mills build.

Besides being committed volunteers Rob and Bev participate in many Habitat fundraising events, including singing at the Heart and Home Cabaret and cycling in last year's inaugural Ride for Homes. And they are generous donors as well. When Bev and

Rob were looking into the new tax law implications and the fact that they had reached the age for Required Minimum Distributions from their IRA's they learned about "Qualified Charitable Donations." As Rob said "If you are 70 1/2 and have an IRA this approach to making charitable gifts makes sense. It is a win-win situation, it is easy, and it requires minimal paperwork." Bey pointed out that "in the past we gave monthly donations to organizations like Habitat but with this approach Habitat Cape Cod gets the entire amount all at once which is definitely better for them."

We celebrate the most recent donors to the Cars for Homes program. Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod has received over \$91,471 through the Cars for Homes program since its inception in 2002. Please encourage your friends, family and colleagues to donate their vehicle to our Habitat!

DONATE YOUR CAR



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New Construction

Brewster - wall raisings for the next 8 homes, (Phase II) of this fourteen home subdivision on Paul Hush Way, is targeted for the end of the summer. One of the homes will be a Home Builder's Blitz.

Wellfleet - we expect to raise walls on one 3-bedroom and one 2-bedroom on Durkee Lane after Labor Day.

Mashpee - we will be building a 3 bedroom home on Degrass Road. We expect to raise walls and begin volunteer construction in the fall.

Upcoming Projects

Mashpee, Great Neck Rd North (2 homes): We will be before the Zoning Board of Appeals this spring.

Wellfleet, Old Kings Highway (4 homes): Our revised plan will be before the Zoning Board of Appeals this spring.

Harwich, Murray Lane, at 93-97 Route 28 (6 homes): We are ready to begin site clearing, and road, utility and drainage

Falmouth, Willett Way, at Barrows Rd. (10 homes): We are prepared to begin site clearing, road, utility and drainage construction.

Chatham, George Ryder Road South (2 homes): Legal agreements and final designs in process now.

Support Provided by

Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston awards, sponsored by Cape Cod Five Cents Savings Bank supporting homeownership projects in Wellfleet, Brewster and 2 sites in Mashpee. Only 19 homeowner grants were awarded in Massachusetts and four of them were made to Habitat for Humanity of Cape Cod.

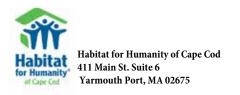
Town of Brewster CPC Grant for Paul Hush Way, Brewster (Phase II) \$200,000.

Land award from Town of Chatham for 2 homes on George Ryder Road South.

Truro "Alumni" take field trip to build in Dennis



Thank you to team organizer/chaperone Judy Parmelee!



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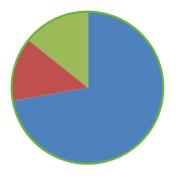
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2018 FISCAL YEAR ANNUAL REPORT



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