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TWO UNIQUE WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

We're looking for **Quickbooks experts** to help migrate our financial info from Peachtree into Quickbooks.

We'd also like some **Scrapbookers to help with scrapbooking** for the families in this summer's duplex build.

If you can help, call our office M-F, 9-1, at 395-0482



The Construction of **Dreams**

Ever since groundbreaking for the Fisher-Nuzum families' homes, which began on May 22, many volunteers have poured countless hours into making these two dreams come true for Cristyl Nuzum, left, and Jennifer Fisher, right, and their children. We are so blessed to have not only a dedicated cadre of volunteers but a GREAT construction site team (see their bios below) to help keep things organized, motivate volunteers, and communicate our needs on the site. Building a home is a complex but ultimately rewarding process.

Dreams take vision, but they also take plain old SWEAT, and as you can see by the photos here, construction is proceeding at a fast pace. Since May 22nd, we've completed the excavation, foundation work, and the sub-floor is in place. The radon system is installed and the gravel spread across the crawl space. Over 80% of the backfill is complete. The construction team will finish the compaction of the two garages and surrounding area, and then pour concrete before the 1st of July. Monday, July 5th, the Blitz Build begins and then volunteers will move on to framing walls and installing roof trusses. As of this printing, Dale Shoemaker, Volunteer, Materials, and Sub-contractor coordinator, has declared the build on schedule!

If you'd like to volunteer to help, please sign up by using signup@chaffeehabitat.org. Please indicate your availability **ONE WEEK AHEAD of time** so that the Construction team can plan its work. This also helps Shirley and Barbara coordinate food for the Site.

**SEE YOU IN SALIDA
AT THE STARBUCKS DAIRY BUILD SITE!**

Meet Our Construction Site Coordinating Team

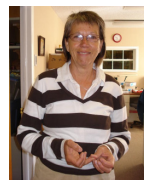
Jon Quedenfeld, Construction Manager / Site Supervisor. Jon has lived in Colorado since 1965. He grew up in Breckenridge, moved to Denver and then Fort Collins. He went to college in Greeley for mechanical and civil engineering, and then spent two years in Europe studying to be a master carpenter. Jon owned his own business specializing in Victorian restoration. In 2008, Jon retired, then moved to Salida in 2009. He loves Colorado's outdoor opportunities, and says he "joined Habitat to get involved with my new community. I have been very blessed in my lifetime and feel it is good to give back to others who are less fortunate."



Dale Shoemaker, Volunteer, Materials, and Sub-contractor Coordinator. He's a Colorado native, hailing originally from LaJunta. His engineering and oil / gas industry experience has taken him to 7 states and 3 other countries. While in Houston, Dale volunteered with Rebuilding Together Houston assisting disadvantaged elderly and disabled people in staying in their homes as long as possible. RTH volunteers worked Saturdays to rehab older homes. Dale says, "It was very satisfying to see how we positively impacted lives . . . All work was done free of charge to the homeowner(s) because they were frequently already making choices between food and medication." Dale hopes to extend that experience into Habitat's "A Brush With Kindness" program as CCHfH begins refurbishing older homes next year.



Shirley Howe, Build Site Host. Shirley was born and raised in Idaho and has been in Colorado less than a year. She previously had a painting and wallpapering business for 30+ years. Her involvement with Habitat began when she signed up to help in the BV ReStore. On-site, Shirley makes sure everyone signs a liability waiver and signs in and out daily, and in general, she makes sure people have water and take breaks. She also runs errands as they come up. "There are a million things to do," she says, "and I love every minute of it. Volunteering for Habitat has made me reach out and not be afraid to make decisions because that is what is expected. I am rewarded as much as these young families."



Barbara Kegler, Food Committee Chair. She and her husband have been retired 8 years and love living in Colorado. They were both born in Pennsylvania and worked in Ponca City, Oklahoma for most of 35 years. Barb enjoys hiking, quilting, travel, and doing Mission work at First Lutheran Church in Salida. First Lutheran Church helped provide meals for the Buena Vista duplex last year, so this is her second year to volunteer for CCHfH.



George Hardgrave, Construction Committee Chair. George was born and raised in the Ozarks of Missouri, spent 12 years in the St. Louis area, and then moved to Flagstaff, Az. in 1980, where he became an electrician. He then moved to Salida in 1995, where he's worked for an electrical contractor and for a general contractor doing all phases of construction work before creating his own electrical contracting business 12 years ago. He's been involved with the last four Habitat builds. "Having grown up in a depressed and poor rural area," George says, "I could see the need then for better housing. Now with experience and building skills behind me, I feel that I'm better able to contribute to other persons in need who would otherwise not be able to achieve a dream of owning their own homes. . . . I'm thankful to God for equipping me with the skills to help make that dream happen."



You Can Follow the Construction Progress AND Volunteer at Our Web Site www.chaffeehabitat.org

We updated our Web site last year, and we continue to add new features. The latest additions include an **Events Calendar**, where you can keep track of our build days and other events, and a link to our **Current Build** through JobSiteVisitor, a Colorado-based Web site that has partnered with Colorado Habitat for Humanity (link instructions below). Progress can be tracked in two ways. The first is week by week with the photos shown in the order they were taken. The second is by location. **Dale Shoemaker** has set up three points on the plan view, so that photos taken from the same location in a series can be viewed; this is useful to see the progress from the front of the duplex, for example. To follow the construction progress, go to www.chaffeehabitat.org, click on the "Current Build" tab, view the plans and photos link, and then choose either "Weekly Photos" or "Plan View." *If you'd like to volunteer your time (skilled or unskilled) for any day, even if only for a few hours, please respond to signup@chaffeehabitat.org with your availability. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT to accomplish our build goals through the end of the year, so sign up now!*

SEE YOU AT THE SALIDA FARMER'S MARKET!

While you're squeezing the squash and looking over the lettuce, come visit us! CCHfH will be at the Market every Saturday through the summer, so look for our booth. In addition to selling our great "**Mountain Home**" Coffee, you'll be able to **sign up to volunteer for the Fisher-Nuzum build and become a "Square Foot Sponsor."**

The Market runs every Saturday through October 10th,
8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and is located at 5th and E Streets at Alpine Park in Salida.



Check Out Our Kayak Raffle Winners

We announced our raffle winners at Paddlefest in Buena Vista, May 29th.
(At left): Our **1st-place winner was Phillip Gamache** of Salida, who drove away with a Jackson 4Fun Classic kayak.

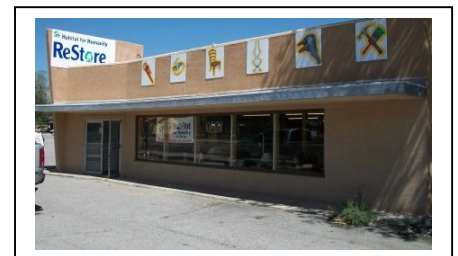
Our **2nd-place winner was Scott Harrington**, who is now the proud owner of an NRS Big Sur Inflatable Boogie Board.

3rd-place went to Robin Dunn, who won an assortment of boating gear.

THANK YOU to Colorado Kayak Supply, Buena Vista, for supporting the Jen Fisher family, and for all the help and support you gave CCHfH with this raffle!

Salida ReStore Tentative Open Date July 17

After hundreds of hours of volunteer work, CCHfH and The New Caring and Sharing in Salida are opening a joint retail outlet. The New Caring and Sharing will continue their ministry to the elderly and low-income, providing home furnishings, antiques, and other home essentials, while Chaffee County Habitat for Humanity will offer building supplies--both new and gently used--at 40-60% off retail. The store is located at 224 W. Hwy 50, between G and H streets. **THANK YOU** to the many volunteers who are tirelessly working to make this a REALITY!



We Say "Goodbye" to Dick and "Hello" to Charlie and Dale

We bid a fond farewell to our outgoing (in more ways than one) president Dick Cuyler, who served as CCHfH's leader and devoted front-man. Dick served for 2 years as president, and under his watch, here are just a few things we accomplished: better outreach into the Salida area, hiring of a part-time administrative director, increased grant applications and awards, collaborations with other service organizations, faith groups, and government, newly-designed Web site and better community awareness and involvement, ReStore opening in BV ... and the list could go on and on. Dick, we all will miss your clear-eyed leadership but hope you will enjoy your time birdwatching and doing whatever else strikes your fancy. **THANK YOU** for your consistent and continued service to CCHfH. **And we give a heartfelt WELCOME** to our newest board members **Charlie Goff** (right) and **Dale Shoemaker** (see preceding page for photo and bio). **Charlie** grew up on a farm in rural WV, went on to earn a Ph.D. from UT-Austin, TX, and then taught cellular and molecular biology in Terre Haute at the Univ. of Indiana. He and his wife, Becky, built a passive solar house in Howard and a passive-active solar home near Salida. Charlie has been active in GARNA and is serving several church organizations; when he's not enthusiastically giving his time to Habitat, he loves square dancing.



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