Habitat for Humanity Builds at MontanaFair

Habitat for Humanity Mid-Yellowstone Valley is pleased to be back at MontanaFair, August 8th-15th!

Habitat's last Fair House was in 2003 and they are excited for another Blitz Build at the Fair this summer.

This year's build is sponsored by Thrivent Financial through the "ThriventBuilds with Habitat for Humanity" grant program and supported by the local Lutheran Community.

The home will be built for the Sherri Bird family. Sherri has three children who are so excited for this project. Sherri has been working hard on the Habitat requirements of 350 sweat equity hours and will, no doubt, end up with even more hours after the excitement of working nine days during MontanaFair.

Volunteers, supervised by construction professionals, will build approximately 2/3 of Sherri's 3-bedroom, 1.5 bath house right before your very eyes at the fairgrounds. There will be two volunteer shifts offered daily, 1-5pm and 6-9pm, all nine days of the fair, for those who sign up in advance. Each shift will need about 20 volunteers. The Habitat office will be happy to reserve a spot for you - call 652-0960 to sign up! Be a part of the excitement! It's a fun-in-the-sun day swinging hammers for a great cause.

The Yellowstone County Commissioners—Bill Kennedy, John Ostlund, and Jim Reno will be working on the Habitat House on County Commissioner Day, Wednesday, August 12th from 1:30-3:30pm. They've challenged the City Council members to participate as well. Will they accept the challenge? You'll have to stop by the Habitat House at MontanaFair to see!

After MontanaFair, the house will be moved to a prepared building site on the South Side of Billings. Sherri is looking forward to returning as a homeowner to the neighborhood she grew up in. The move will be sponsored by Stockman Bank.

Once secure on its new foundation, construction will continue on the inside of the house, with a completion date and Dedication Ceremony projected for December, 2009.

Decent, affordable housing continues to be an unattainable dream for many families, but support from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Habitat donors and Stockman Bank will make the dream of homeownership a reality for Sherri and her children!

Come and be a part of the excitement!

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