



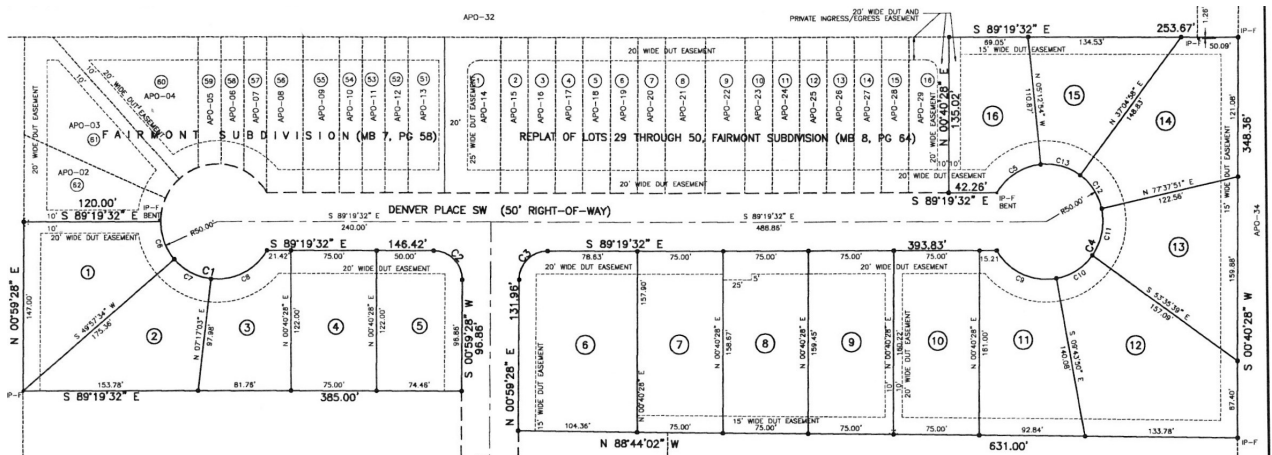
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Daring to Dream about Denver Place!



In our last newsletter we told you about the donation of land to realize our dream of a subdivision in Decatur. Now that the dream is reality and we have our first two families settled in their new houses, we want to brag. Thanks to Mr. William Dinsmore and Central Park Baptist Church, we have the space to build in our subdivision for the next 5 years!

Denver Place is a lovely double cul-de-sac off a quiet street in southwest Decatur. We encourage you to drive by, enjoy the sounds of happy children playing in their front yards and appreciate the look of our gracious 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick homes. Located between Tammy Street and Central Parkway, off Fairmont; it is a neighborhood any of us would be proud to call home.

This September we want to build two more homes for the families of Barbara Crayton and Johnetta Moore. As you can imagine, our new homes which include carports and over-sized lots, are not free to our homeowners, nor are the building materials free to Habitat. **We cannot build these home without your help!**

House sponsors are needed for construction to begin shortly after Labor Day. If your company, church, or civic organization can help with a contribution, please call Landis or Mindy at 256-340-9609. We will be happy to speak to your group and explain our sponsorship options...truly, there is something for everyone. Come dream with us!

YOUR DONATION CAN MAKE THE "AMERICAN DREAM" COME TRUE FOR THESE FAMILIES.



Moore Family



Doris Jones



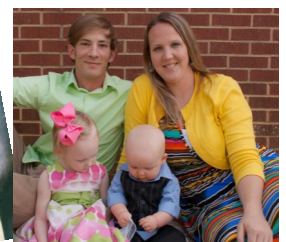
Guillian Family



Atemon Family



Barbara Crayton



Vinson Family

Use the coupon on page 3 to make a donation TODAY. This is your chance to CHANGE A LIFE!

Family Spotlight: The Moore Family



Being a single mom is hard. Being a single mom while working, earning “sweat equity” hours for the Habitat program, AND going to school is infinitely harder. Even so, Johnetta Moore is up to the challenge! She recently received her diploma after being away from school for more than a dozen years. It was a red-letter day for Johnetta, and she’s since gone on to take night classes in an effort to gain a more desirable job. “I wanted to better myself,” she said. And she’s been doing just that with encouragement from her mother and from Habitat.

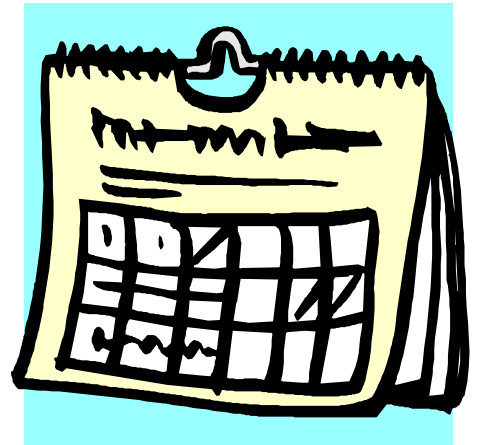
When she was in her mid-twenties, Johnetta was shocked to learn she was pregnant with triplets. She lost two babies at 13 weeks and struggled to bring the third to term. JaQavious (Jay) was born 3 weeks early, and Johnetta quickly learned that parenting was no “piece of cake.” She confided that after being a parent, “you can get through anything” with a little determination and help from family and friends. Parenthood also helped her realize just how important her own mother’s words were. She began to listen with new ears.

So, when she learned about Habitat from a flyer at her son’s daycare, her mom pushed her to follow through. Johnetta thought it would be exciting to help build a house and be a homeowner. However, when she learned about all the hours involved in reaching that goal, she questioned herself: “Is it going to be worth it?” She soon learned that the benefits far outweighed the challenges. She loves learning new skills on the construction site and rubbing shoulders with other volunteers on a regular basis. The time spent on site has helped her “come out of her shell”, and she admits that that has helped her in her college classes as well.

She and Jay are looking forward to having more space and the added luxury of privacy in their new Habitat home. “It’s gonna be ours,” she said more than once during our conversation. I can’t wait for the day when Johnetta reaches out to grasp the keys to her new home and says for the world to hear, “I did it!”

If you want to make this dream come true, use the coupon on page 3 to make a donation. We cannot build this house in the fall without YOUR help!

Mark your calendar!



August 30—31 Point Mallard Pickers (arts & crafts fair). We’ll have a booth; come see us!

September 5—6 New construction begins in our Denver Place Subdivision.

September 9 Day of Caring. We’re looking for a group of 5—7 to repair vinyl siding on a house that received damage during the April storms.

September 16 Application Information Class. If you know someone who might qualify, have them call 256-340-9609.

September 19 –20 Riverfest at Ingalls Harbor. We’ll be looking for you at the front gate...come on over to support a good cause!

October 6 World Habitat Day. We will be having a ribbon cutting and open house for our new office location. .

A BIG “Thank You” to last quarter’s contributors...we couldn’t do it without YOU!!

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Some great projects were completed at recent Pinterest parties held in Habitat's Mark B. Schwan Community Room. Come join us for the next one!



Members of the Tennessee Valley Reading Council presented books (and other goodies) to new Habitat homeowner Shara Mason and her three boys--Richard, Rylan, and Regan--as part of their "New Homes, New Books" program.



A great group of ladies was on hand at this year's Women Build event, which took place in our new Denver Place subdivision in SW Decatur.



St. John's Episcopal had a Habitat-themed VBS this summer. The kids raised \$220.92 and decorated lumber for our next house!



Habitat board member Stu Strong presents a plaque of appreciation to William Dinsmore for his land donation for the Denver Place Subdivision at a recent house dedication.



Demarla Elliott receives her new keys from Christy Richardson of the Decatur Jaycees at her house dedication on June 8.



It's a happy day for Richard and Shara Mason on Dedication Day--the day they get to move into their new home on Denver Place SW.

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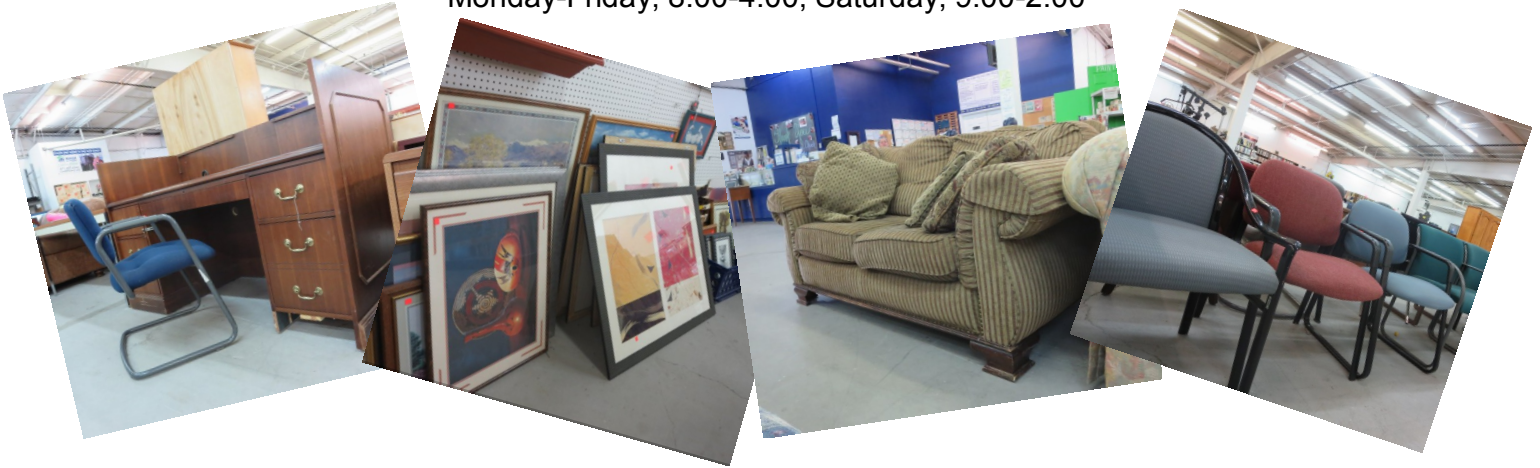
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