

The Director's Chair

I have given the Director's Chair space in this newsletter to Michael Peters, our board president. I plan to have other guest writers for this space in upcoming newsletters.

I do want to take this opportunity to thank all of our board members for all of their volunteer efforts in support of this affiliate. We would not be as successful without an active Board of Directors.

Michael Peters Board of Directors President

The Habitat for Humanity Menominee River Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that Habitat is focused on our mission of eliminating substandard housing. The Board of Directors is also responsible for acting as a steward in our community to grow our donor and volunteer base.

I feel that it is critical for us to reach our repair and building goals each fiscal year. With many projects planned and community members in need of our assistance, we must continue to complete projects and improve the lives of as many people as possible. I also think it is critical for us to continue to educate the community that we serve.

Habitat for Humanity will be successful if we are able to improve the quality of life for just one community member or family. Opening the door to a family in need, building a ramp or replacing a furnace means we were successful and had a huge positive influence on someone's life. With the completion of each repair or build, we've hit a critical milestone in our mission and path to success. Internally we will be successful if we remain on budget and complete our planned projects for the year. We will also be successful if we continue to grow our fundraising events.

- Michael Peters, Board President



Run for the Walls 5K

The 3rd Annual Run for the Walls 5K race was held on Saturday, August 11, 2018. The overall winner was Bernard Kluskens of Alexandria, VA with a time of 17:55. Second place male was Michael Kulas from Iron Mountain with a time of 19:15 and third was Derek Parker of Florence with a time of 21:50. Sarah Kulas of Iron Mountain was the first female finisher with a time of 24:00. Allison Waara of Sheybogan, WI was second with a time of 27:02 and Shalee Lang of Quinnesec was third with a time of 29:37.

Sponsors included Systems Control, BOSS Snowplow, and Blagec Brothers.

Thanks to all who participated, volunteered, and sponsored this event!

Raise the Roof Golf Outing

The 16th Annual Raise the Roof Golf outing was held on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at Pine Grove Country Club. The winning team for the 4 person scramble was Matthew Lutz, Dan Luthardt, Dan Pipp, and Neal Johnson.

Sponsors included Habitat for Humanity Michigan Fund, MJ Electric, LaFaive Oil, First National Bank, Edwards Automotive, and First Bank.

Thanks to all the sponsors and participants for making this a successful event!



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Special Point of Interest:

- **Is a group build for you? On page 2, see how much SGI was able to complete in a weekend! Please contact the office at (906) 779-5377 if you would like to schedule a group build.**

Construction Progress...

In the past month our construction efforts focused on repair projects, although our core crew worked several days on the new construction house in Quinnesec. This house is nearing completion!

Habitat installed a wheel chair ramp in Felch, finished the siding project in Kingsford, and replaced two roofs—one in Kingsford and one in Iron Mountain.

Future repair projects include several ramps, roofs, and window replacements.

Kingsford Roof Before



Kingsford Roof After

Thank you SGI Employees!

On the weekend of August 18th, 8 SGI Employees from the Kremlin plant in Pembine, WI gave back to our community. They replaced a roof for a veteran in Iron Mountain. They were amazing!!

Once the shingles were off it was clear that the roof needed more work... as some of the sheathing also needed to be replaced. This did not phase the SGI crew in the slightest, as they did what was necessary to replace the roof.

Thanks so much to SGI!



Changes to the Habitat ReStore Hours

Now that fall is in the air and the kids are heading back to school, we are changing to our Fall/Winter hours at both of the ReStore locations.

Both stores will be open Tuesday—Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Please note that the Kingsford store will no longer be open on Mondays.

Looking for antiques or parts and pieces for that soon coming winter project?

Check out the ReStores for all that needs to be repaired or refinished. We have paints, pulls and power tools to help you complete your family heirloom. Check out our supplies of nails, screws and other hardware odds and ends.

If you are not sure and need some help or can't find something, ask our

friendly, knowledgeable staff for help.

And be ready for our sales in September!

All of our sales start on Wednesday and run through Saturday, and are on donated merchandise only.

September Sales—25% off on Donated Items in the designated areas

Aug 29-Sep 1:	Frames & Artwork
Sep 5-8:	Kitchen and Bath Cabinets
Sep 12-15:	Bedroom Furniture
Sep 19-22:	Windows and Doors
Sep 26-29:	Living Room Furniture

Making a Difference and Building a Sense of Purpose

Sandy White has been a volunteer with Habitat since 1996 when she accepted the invitation of John and Cathy Curran to “jump in” and help out based on her previous experience with a retail clothing business.

In her twenty-two years of volunteer experience she has served in many different capacities with both the ReStore group and the Habitat team.

Today Sandy is Vice President of the Board of Directors, but rest assured, no matter how small or unglamorous the task, Sandy will take it on. She'll hang siding, sweep floors or clean up a mess just as eagerly as she'll work with the current Board to make key business decisions that drive the success of the organization.

Sandy joined Habitat because she had the time.

She stays with Habitat because she has seen, first hand, the tremendous impact that the organization has had on the individuals, families and communities it serves.

Sandy says the Home Dedication experience is the BEST...“so heartfelt” that it always gives her goosebumps! She invites you to “jump in” if you want to share that same feeling!



Sandy White

“LaFaive” ... Energy that Powers a Community Forward

Since 1938 the LaFaive family of Norway has played a key role in the lives of many households in communities across the Upper Peninsula.. First with the founder Charles, then his son Dennis and now with his daughter Donna and her husband Randy, they have built a successful oil and gas business that serves the needs of thousands of people in these parts.

Today, with eleven stores in the Upper Peninsula and Wisconsin, LaFaive is a recognizable and prominent regional brand. What may not be so well understood is the extent to which they have given back to the communities they serve. Starting with the founder, and continuing today, the LaFaive Family of enterprises has treated the community as “family” and in events

and ways almost too numerous to count, has supported the ongoing work of Habitat For Humanity.

LaFaive Family generosity has made an enormous difference in the lives of many among us. Here, we offer sincere thanks for all they've done!



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