



# Habitat Happenings

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The Newsletter of Midcoast Habitat for Humanity

## SPRING BBQ FUNDRAISER AND AUCTION COMING SATURDAY, MAY 28th

**S**pring has sprung in Midcoast Maine and we're pleased to announce a new and fabulous fundraising event.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 28th, 4 pm for a fun BBQ and auction event for the whole family. Live music by the band "The Teachers," plus children's activities, great food, and more. At 6 pm we'll begin a live auction of twelve terrific playhouses, ready for your kids, grandkids, or even YOU! They'll be auctioned off by auctioneer extraordinaire Bruce Gamage, and a silent auction of wonderful items will also take place.

Rockport's old elementary school, located on the corner of Rts 1 and 90, will be the site of this fun fundraiser. You won't want to miss the chance to have a good time and help Midcoast Habitat at the same time, so please plan to attend.

Just what are these terrific playhouses and how can you view them ahead of time? They've been constructed and donated by a whole host of community members, organizations, and businesses, and they'll be displayed around Knox County during the month of May. On page two you'll find a complete list of participants, as well as where the playhouses will be displayed.

Philanthropist Doris Buffet of the Sunshine Lady Foundation will be on hand to wrap up a successful month-long WomenBuild event, along with our newest partner families.

Many thanks to our event sponsors, Camden National Bank and Camden Real Estate Company, and our Media Sponsor, VillageSoup. We appreciate the support of all of our builders and donors!

Please join us on May 28th, when you can enjoy the company of friends and fellow Habitat supporters, have a wonderful time and help Midcoast Habitat at the same time!

We'll see you on SATURDAY, MAY 28, 4 pm to 7 pm, in Rockport!



***Twelve fabulous playhouses will be auctioned off at the event. You can view all the playhouses ahead of time and bid by phone if you cannot attend.***

***See inside for even more playhouse details!***

### Playhouses — Not Just For Kids!

Some of the playhouses that will be auctioned on May 28 would make wonderful garden sheds and tool sheds. Please support MHFH and join us for the fun!

# Come buy a fabulous playhouse!

- Cedar Works** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Displayed at Camden Public Library
- Wooden Wonders** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Displayed at Plants Unlimited
- Evergreen Home Performance** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Peter Gross – Design Donation  
Lowe’s – Materials Contribution  
Maine Contractors & Builders Alliance – Build Team  
Displayed at Lowe’s Thomaston
- Hammond Lumber** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Breakwater Design – Design Donation  
Maine Contractors & Builders Alliance – Build Team  
Displayed at Mike’s in Damariscotta
- Machias Savings Bank** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Peter Gross – Design Donation  
E.L. Spear – Materials Contribution  
Rockland District Middle School Industrial Arts – Build Team  
Displayed at RDMS
- Hancock Lumber** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Rotary Interact Group – Build Team  
Displayed at Hoboken Gardens
- Catalano’s Construction** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Thomaston Cub Scouts Pack 215 – Build Team  
Displayed at Catalano’s Construction
- First Congregational Church, Camden** – Playhouse Sponsor  
Viking Lumber – Materials Contribution  
First Congregational Church Youth Group – Build Team  
Displayed at First Congregational Church, Camden
- Camrock Womens Network** – Playhouse Sponsor  
John Silverio– Design Donation  
Phi Home Designs – Materials Contribution  
CHRHS Habitat for Humanity group – Build Team  
Displayed at Viking Hardscapes? Confirming
- Key Bank**– Playhouse Sponsor  
NC Hunt Lumber Co – Materials Contribution  
Camden Hills RHS Industrial Arts – Build Team  
Displayed at Key Bank in Hannaford Plaza
- Boston Financial** – Playhouse Sponsor  
New England Building Materials– Materials Contribution  
GVHS Industrial Arts – Build Team  
Displayed at Boston Financial - Confirming
- EBS** – Playhouse Sponsor  
RDHS Industrial Arts – Build Team  
Displayed at EBS Rockland

Here are the twelve playhouses, along with where they will be displayed, as well as who built them, sponsored them, and donated designs and materials.

Make our event a success by bringing friends and family to the Backyard BBQ on Saturday, May 28th!



Thank you to Cedarworks for their donation of this fun playhouse! It will be auctioned off at the Backyard BBQ and Auction on May 28th along with eleven other great structures – some for kids, some for grown-ups!



Hammond Lumber sponsored this playhouse. It was built by the Midcoast Builders Alliance from plans donated by Breakwater Design. This handsome building would make a great garden shed, too!

## Dedication of House #22 in July

On Sunday, July 10, at 3:30, we will have a special ceremony to dedicate the home of the Shay family at 12 Deer Run Road in Thomaston. All are welcome to join MHFH and our partner family, Dan and Amanda Shay, for this wonderful occasion as we celebrate this new energy efficient and green home. Tour the property, see our new design, and meet the many volunteers who made this project possible.

If you are interested in Midcoast Habitat's mission, or just curious about the new homes we are building, please plan to attend. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 594-1859 or see our website, [www.midcoasthabitat.org](http://www.midcoasthabitat.org).

## ReStore Coming Soon

Our annual yard sale on June 11th & 12th at Knowlton Moving and Storage, Rte 90 in Warren, will be the prelude to the Midcoast Area's new Habitat ReStore, located at 799 West Street in Rockport!

What is a ReStore? It's a retail store featuring donated new and gently used appliances, furniture, and building materials, sold to the public with the proceeds going into more Habitat homes for hardworking families. We're planning to open in mid-August and are looking for volunteers to work in the store.

DONATIONS of items are always welcome. Check our website for a list of what we can accept, and contact us to arrange a pick-up or drop off. Your donation can help a needy family purchase a home in Knox County!

## Women Build a Big Success



Our first ever Women Build, held during the month of May, has brought more than 160 new volunteers to our ranks and made an excellent start on our 23rd home. Crews built throughout the month at our job site at Lupine Terrace, in Camden, alongside our partner family and under the direction of Construction Supervisor Meredith Currier. Lots of laughter, combined with hard work, were in great abundance.

We are thankful to the fabulous Women Build Committee, headed by Carmen Cherry, and all of our event sponsors for National Women Build Week, including Lowe's and the Sunshine Foundation, for a fabulous, first-ever women build!

### WHO'S WHO AT MIDCOAST HABITAT

#### Board of Directors:

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#### Committees You can Serve On:

ReStore Committee • Building Committee • Family Selection • Family Support  
Acquisition Committee • Event Planning • Faith Relations Committee • Publicity

Contact us at [info@midcoasthabitat.org](mailto:info@midcoasthabitat.org) — we'd love to have your help!



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## Our Wish List for Donations of Goods and Your Time!

### **BUILDING SUPPLIES**

Pick up truck • tools • donations of lunches for volunteers

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Construction Supervisors • ReStore Supervisor & Volunteers  
Willing Builders—Skilled and Unskilled!  
Committee Members

### **ReSTORE ITEMS** (Call us and we'll arrange pick-up)

Furniture • used appliances in good shape • building supplies  
• light fixtures • windows • cabinets • tools

*Thank you to Knowlton Moving & Storage for providing  
space for us to collect donations for our new ReStore!*

## Upcoming Events

**MAY 28** — Backyard BBQ and Auction Join us in Rockport at RES West (corner of Rts 1 and 90) for a fun event with food, live music, kids' activities, and an auction of 12 fabulous playhouses plus silent auction items, all to benefit Midcoast Habitat's mission.

**JUNE 11 & 12** — MHFH Annual Yard Sale at Knowlton Moving and Storage, Rte 90 Warren. Bigger and better than ever!

**JULY 10** — Dedication of House #22 Please attend this special event at 3:30 at 12 Deer Run Road in Thomaston as we dedicate this lovely home.

**MID AUGUST** — GRAND OPENING of our new ReStore! Check our website for more details.

## Our Mission

*To work in cooperation with the vision and principles of Habitat for Humanity Int'l. to end poverty housing in Knox County, Maine, and to enable an expanding number of persons from all walks of life to participate in this effort*