



Fall 2008

Building Homes...Communities...Futures



The Beaches Habitat for Humanity Home A simple decent place to live will now be “cutting edge” as we move into Haywood Estates.

To date, Beaches Habitat for Humanity has built 186 homes in a community with a population less than 50,000. Our homes began as simple one story stand alone structures and have evolved to today’s two story duplex. The reason is simple. A two story duplex has a smaller footprint and allows us to build more homes per acre to reduce our unit land and infrastructure costs. Our goal for the Haywood Estates homes is to “go greener” and have all homes be Energy Star rated.

What is green?

Here are the five basic components:

The **first** is the building site, which is something that will be addressed at Haywood Estates. Storm water management, surface materials and landscaping will all be components of maximizing the site efficiency.



The **second** is the use of the energy efficient designs and materials. A “tighter” home uses less energy creating affordability for our homeowners.

The **third** is lowering consumption of water with the use of low-flow fixtures, rainwater retention and more.

The **fourth** is promoting a healthy indoor environment. The tighter we build homes, the lower the indoor air quality becomes. Care and consideration must be given to the use of fresh air and healthy products. Products with limited or no off gasing are required for a healthy environment.

The **fifth** is material conservation and waste reduction. At the same time as we reduce job site waste, we can utilize products that require less maintenance and fewer replacements over the life of the house.



To keep with current building trends, Beaches Habitat will now have Energy Star certified homes. These homes will be at least 15% more energy efficient and save our homeowners between \$200 and \$400 per year on utility bills. We have also partnered with JEA to provide homeowner education workshops on energy efficiency and provide compact fluorescent light bulbs to homeowners.

93% of all Beaches Habitat revenue goes towards the construction of new homes.

Building Community...

Welcome Home



Rob Jared and his son **Josh** moved into their refurbished house in Cabo Blanco on July 19, 2008.



Tabitha Williams and family at their home that PGA dedicated on August 2nd, 2008.

Marlene Watts and her daughter, pictured far right, at the dedication of their home that Christ Church sponsored on August 17, 2008.



Sandra Pastrana receives her Bible from **Ralph Marcello** at her dedication on August 15th, 2008.



Peggy Russell is pictured here with one of the Apostle Builders who sponsored her home. Her home was dedicated on August 2nd, 2008

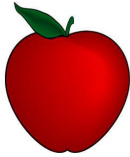


Where we've been in the community....
The Shangri La Development



And where we're going...
Haywood Estates starts mid-October!

Building Futures...



Education Corner

Most people know that Habitat is all about building homes, but at Beaches Habitat we build homes and futures. What makes this affiliate unique is our dedication to defeating poverty through education. We understand the role of education in creating economic opportunity for our homeowners and their children. The Education Program began in the late nineties when Herb and Miyuki Scheidel made a generous donation of \$1 million to the University of North Florida to setup a scholarship endowment for Habitat youth. Since then the program has grown to include UNF and FCCJ scholarships, Prep Club, a successful after school program, and a new mentoring program for middle and early high school students.

To make sure our youth are prepared for the opportunities that await them, Beaches Habitat has partnered with Take Stock in Children to match 6th-9th grade students with a mentor. Take Stock in Children's ultimate goal is for every student to graduate from high school and attend college. Mentors meet with their students one hour each week in school to motivate and encourage students to succeed in school. Beaches Habitat is now seeking caring adults willing to invest in the life of one of our youth

The Scheidel Prep Club recognizes and rewards K-12th grade students for their academic accomplishments. Beaches Habitat students who receive A's and B's in academic classes and perfect attendance each quarter are rewarded with cash incentives. Prep Club members pledge to remain drug and crime free in addition to completing community service hours each school year. There are over 150 Beaches Habitat youth who have become members. This program is graciously funded by the Scheidel Foundation.

In an effort to prevent school failure, Beaches Habitat joined forces with the City of Atlantic Beach to provide a dynamic after school program in 2000. The after school program is free for every student in the community. Participating students receive homework help, reading and math tutoring, free yoga and tennis classes, as well as special programs like Readers Theater. The 2008-2009 school year is well underway with over 40 students enrolled and 20 community volunteers providing one-on-one help. This program continues each year with the support of the following community organizations: Scheidel Foundation, Jacksonville

Jaguar Foundation, BB&T, Comcast, and the Ponte Vedra Women's Club.



Prep Club through the eyes of Jessie Liptrot—5th Grade.

Jessie has been attending Prep Club for four years. His favorite things are "working with Mr. Dennis and being in Ms. Sue's book club. I also love getting help with my homework and being able to ask questions when I don't understand an assignment." On his last report card he received straight A's. When Jessie grows up he plans to be a football player and coach as well as a Scheidel Scholar. Prep Club has made a difference in his life by keeping him motivated to succeed in school.

Jessie would also like to thank his mom and dad.

After School Program

Kindergarten:

By End of the Year:

All but one could recognize upper and lower case letters.

85% of them could read 15 or more sight words



1st—5th Grade:

By End of the Year:

32 Students participated in the program

100% increased fluency by at least one grade

76% improved reading by 2 to 4 grade levels.



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Don't miss out on this year's 5th Annual Beach Bash at the Casa Marina Hotel on Monday October 20th.

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