



CELEBRATING **25** YEARS

*Building homes, communities and hope around the Palouse.*

# Summer 2022

## Notes from the Build Site

WE HAVE FINISHED CONSTRUCTION ON THE HANSEN HOME! This home was built in partnership with the WSU School of Design and Construction, which meant we worked with some new-to-us donated materials and involved WSU students from design through construction. This home design has become one of our favorites.

It's been 13 months, start to finish. I've been glad to see more volunteers starting to come back to the build site after COVID. Our dedicated Codgers were joined by a growing number of individual community volunteers (some of whom are now regulars!), community service volunteers, Fairfield Inn and Suites Moscow, Plateau Archaeological Investigations, several groups from the WSU Center for Civic Engagement, the WSU Humanitarian Corps, Lewiston Firefighters Local 1773, and our LDS service missionaries. The new Construction Supervisor for Lewiston Clarkston Valley HFH joined us for a few weeks to learn how we operate. It was a challenging build with the pandemic, supply delays, and unprecedented price increases on materials. But the finished product is absolutely beautiful. I can't say thank you enough to everyone who worked on the house.

We are now ready to move on to our next project, the Martinez home on Leepike Court in Moscow. We are doing prep work now and expect to start digging in early June. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities over the next several months so watch our website and social media for updates. We can't do what we do without you.

One last thought, I want to say thank you to everyone who participated in Beans 'n' Jeans. Your generosity is overwhelming and much appreciated.

*Dave Stradley, Construction Supervisor*



Dave Stradley and Jacob Maurin preparing the yard for hydroseeding.



Bert Smith, Tim Halvorson and Marc Ratzlaff place drywall in the Hansen kitchen.



Volunteers touch up exterior paint.



LDS Service Missionaries Elder Slaughter and Elder Carnahan paint baseboard with Jim Fredenburg. Codgers Carolyn Adam and Tom Gooch cut drywall to size. Codger Chris Montfort sands the subfloor to prepare for flooring. Future homeowner Kyle Hansen helps complete exterior caulking. Codgers Michael Haseltine and Jay Hunter paint closet doors. Courtney Smith paints edges. Codger Dan Hardesty repairing drywall after kitchen cabinet box installation.

## Habitat Ramps & Rails Update:

The Home Repair Ramps & Rails program has had a busy spring. Each Wednesday a small crew of two to eight installs ramps or repairs porches for low and very-low income homeowners around the Palouse region. These past few weeks we've installed ramps and completed repairs in Malden, Moscow, Pullman, Albion, Colfax, DeSmet and Elk River. We installed three aluminum modular ramps, four wooden modular ramps, two custom-made wooden threshold ramps, and one porch repair consisting of building new steps and handrails. We also retrieved two modular ramps which we had installed within the last two years. These ramps were, for various reasons, no longer needed and are now being re-used in other locations. Every installation or repair is unique, and we never get bored! We welcome others to join us when you can; no special skills required.

*Brent Bradberry, Home Repair Coordinator*

**Executive Director's Note:** Brent will be stepping down soon as our Home Repair Coordinator. This will be a paid position. You might know someone with organization and construction skills, and a gift for working with volunteers. Please email me at [director@palousehabitat.org](mailto:director@palousehabitat.org)!



Recent projects completed in Colfax, Albion, Pullman, DeSmet. Volunteers include Brent Bradberry, Michael Haseltine, Jacob Maurin, Joe Vaughn, and Carolyn Adam with Palouse Habitat, and Mark Boehne and Larry Verdal with the Moscow Central Lions. Aluminum ramps provided by Disability Action Center Northwest.



## Building for the Future: A Home for Habitat!

Ten years ago we opened the Palouse Habitat Surplus Sale, our thrift store for home improvement and repair items. It has grown into Palouse Habitat's largest single fundraiser. In addition to supporting our home build and repair programs, the Surplus Sale repurposes tons of material each year, keeping it out of local landfills. And, while you don't have to be low-income to shop at the store, the Sale offers one of the few truly affordable options for furniture, appliances, tools, lumber, plumbing and electrical supplies on the Palouse.

When our landlords, Jim and Dawn Fazio announced plans to retire, they offered Habitat the first opportunity to buy the building for an affordable price. We looked into other retail and warehouse spaces in the area, and realized if we didn't take advantage of this opportunity we weren't going to find another.

The total budget to buy, repair and renovate the building was \$1.3 million. We purchased the building in 2019 thanks to our own reserves and a very low-interest loan from Habitat for Humanity of Washington State. In 2020 we opened our Furniture Annex in the former Northwest Showcase. In January 2023, Habitat will be able to knock down walls, repair and remodel the entire building into a cohesive whole. We will more than double our retail space, add a workshop for home repair and DIY classes for the community, and have a permanent foundation from which to grow our service to the community.

Thanks to gifts from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Beatriz and Ed Schweitzer, Stephanie Schweitzer, the Murdock Charitable Trust, the Latah County Community Foundation, our Board of Directors, numerous private individuals, and donated exterior painting labor by Kirt Hedrick, we're almost there!

**We have only \$100,000 left to raise to complete this project. *Would you consider supporting a Home for Habitat?***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I will help with: A one-time gift / A pledge of \_\_\_\_\_ installment payments starting \_\_\_\_\_(date) / Donation of materials or labor  
Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for returning to: Palouse HFH, PO Box 3054, Moscow, ID 83843. You can also visit [palousehabitat.org/donate](http://palousehabitat.org/donate) or email [director@palousehabitat.org](mailto:director@palousehabitat.org)



## Meet LDS Missionary Sister Samantha Schwager



Hello! I'm Samantha Schwager! I'm from Moscow; I was born and raised here. I've been to two years of college, where I eventually ended up in Virginia. I love swimming, hiking and going on adventures which definitely led me to Virginia. I am currently taking a break from college to serve a service mission for my church. As a service missionary, I get to volunteer around my community. I love learning and volunteering here at Habitat for Humanity. It has given me many opportunities on my service mission to learn new things, especially at the build site. Once I am finished with my service mission, my plans and goals for the future are to finish college and get my bachelor's degree (I might change my major, it was originally biology but I might switch it to Graphic Design or Landscape Architecture), travel the world and go on as many adventures and learn as much as I can.

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## Welcome New Board Member Rebecca Nida



Rebecca Nida is an Idaho-native who recently returned to Idaho after living in Portland, Oregon for several years. She lives in Moscow with her husband and daughter and enjoys being part of our vibrant Palouse communities.

She has worked for Cambia Health Solutions since 2008, holding a variety of human resources and leadership roles. She now serves as Cambia's Director of

Ethics where she directs and manages the development, implementation, and administration of a corporate business ethics program. She is excited to bring her blend of leadership, human resources and business ethics expertise to the Palouse Habitat Board and support its mission of building strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter.

Rebecca enjoys exploring the beautiful areas our region has to offer and can frequently be found skiing, hiking, paddleboarding and spending time with family and friends.

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July 20-23, 2022  
**50% off EVERYTHING**  
(except yellow tag items)

**Palouse Habitat Surplus Sale**

304 N. Main, Moscow  
208-882-5246

Thank you to all our sponsors, donors and supporters who turned out for Beans 'n' Jeans 2022. We raised over \$145,000 to build the Martinez home in Moscow.

Please visit our website for a list of the amazing individuals and businesses who made this record-setting event possible.

*Save the Date!*

**Beans 'n' Jeans 2023**  
Saturday April 15, 2023  
SEL Event Center

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304 N. Main St., Moscow, ID 83843  
10:00-5:00 Wednesday-Saturday  
208-882-5246  
Call for pick up and delivery!

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