



Center for Spiritual Living celebrated Building on Faith Week at a Habitat job site.

BUILDING ON FAITH Attracts Many Congregations

On September 10-12 and 15-18, more than fifteen congregations put their faith into action at Holly Park, 23rd Avenue, and the Warehouse during **Building on Faith Week 1999**.

Volunteers literally got the project at Holly Park off the ground by moving forming materials from the warehouse to the site, preparing the hole so that the houses will be level, and then building the footers of the foundations. This was by no means the most glamorous stage of the construction process, but volunteers grabbed shovels and stakes, and by the end of the week, we were ready to pour cement into the footers of both duplexes. Volunteers also designed and outfitted the inside of the work trailer at Holly Park, making Site Supervisor Jack Warren a very happy and well-organized man.

Crews working at 23rd Avenue had an equally unappealing task clearing the site of the debris that had claimed the unused property. Volunteers had to wrestle with a site full of wild blackberry brambles and their thorns. Then it was like a treasure hunt, but without any treasure as crews discovered old television sets, several parts of an old automobile, countless bottles, tires, and other items that had found a home in the lot.

We celebrated the week's accomplishments with an evening of music about nonviolence and justice both in the world and in our homes on Saturday, September 18. Folksinger Mike Stern was joined by Stephen Jacob, Katie Stern, Paul Robb, William Limbach, and Eric Smith at University Baptist Church to provide a fitting finale to **Building on Faith Week**.

We would like to thank Mike, participating congregations, and volunteers who made the week a success! Special thanks goes to Bruce Schoonmaker (coordinator of devotionals for each morning), and all those congregations who provided lunches for the work crews.



Building on Faith Week Participants

Alki Congregational UCC
Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church
Rob Brown
Callison Architecture
Center for Spiritual Living
Church Council of Greater Seattle
Chris & Darlene Cowman
Cross and Crown Lutheran Church
Charlie Dalby
Emanuel Episcopal Church
Epiphany Parish
The Fellowship of Reconciliation
Franklin Furlong
Joy & Paul Horiuchi
Beatrix Jones
King of Kings Lutheran Church
Heather Lynch
Mercer Island Presbyterian Church
Normandy Park UCC
Marianne O'Bara
Olympic View Community Church
Our Lady of Fatima
Nancy Pacharzina
Plymouth Congregational UCC
Queen Anne Lutheran
St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church
St. John the Evangelist
St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral
St. Paul UCC
St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Bruce Schoonmaker
James Simecek
Larry Smith
Carol Stern
Tom Stice
U District Parking Associates
University Baptist Church
Washington Association of Churches
Nancy Webb
Wesley Club
Dottie Winch



SEATTLE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY is building two duplexes in the NewHolly Development of the Seattle Housing Authority (SHA). We purchased the land using funds provided by the Paul G. Allen Charitable Foundation, the Paul and Yvonne Hendricks Family Foundation, and SHOP (Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program) of HUD and Habitat for Humanity International. One of these duplexes is being sponsored by KVI Radio and its partners (Bruce's Shakemill and Roofing, California Closets, CC Paints, Family Kitchens, Haight Carpet Company, Insulate Windows, K-Designers, Leafguard NW, Russell Services, and Tempstar Heating and Cooling) and BIAW (Building Industry Association of Washington). The second duplex is sponsored by The USAA Foundation (*their third house with us*) and a large collection of congregations and corporations, including F5 Networks, VISIO, Microsoft, US Bank, shopnow.com and Magnolia United Church of Christ.

Volunteers started working in September on the foundations, floor deck and other projects. Now they are busy at work framing both duplexes. The goal is to have the two-story duplexes framed and roofs completed by the end of this year with a projected house completion for spring 2000.

We are negotiating with SHA on the purchase of four lots for eight additional units to be built during 2000. One of these homes will be Seattle Habitat's 50th home and the Northwest Region's 1000th home. Mayors from all over the country will be working on this home for one day in June during the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It will be dedicated on July 30 by Habitat founders, Millard and Linda Fuller.

Visit our website to see the NewHolly webcam where you can view volunteers, families and staff working to build these 4-bedroom homes! Thanks to Building Professionals, Inc. for putting the webcam on site so that everyone can see updated pictures of work in progress.

SHJH Construction Manager Tim Lawless is hard at work at NewHolly

