April 2015

Construction Update

The home at 353 Park Drive is scheduled to have flooring, trim and cabinets installed in the next few weeks. The exterior painting is nearly complete. The estimated completion date for this project is May 15, 2015.

The home located at 357 Park Drive is progressing nicely with shingles going on this week. Interior framing is nearly complete, and exterior siding should begin soon.

"Over The Edge" Raises $90,000+ for HFHMGC

Gov. Phil Bryant Ready to Rappel

Habitat for Humanity of the MS Gulf Coast held the first "Over The Edge" event in Mississippi April 17-18, raising more than $90,000 to help build homes in south Mississippi.

Mississippi Gov. Phil Bryant was the first to rappel 278' down the side of Beau Rivage Resort & Casino April 17, followed by Gulfport Mayor Billy Hewes, George Corchis Jr., president and COO of MGM Resorts International's Southern Operations, and Kimberly Nastasi from the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce. Click here for first-hand accounts of the adventure from WLOX-TV's Christina Garcia and the Sun Herald's Justin Mitchell, who were among the other brave rappellers.

The Mississippi Press also published an article about the event, with an online gallery of 26 photos.
Staff on the Go

Client Services staff members Tomesha Thompson, Corrie Brown and Cristal Hunt will attend NeighborWorks Training Institute in Kansas City, Missouri, May 4-8. During the conference, they will complete professional certifications while learning, networking and sharing best practices with 2,000+ peers from across the country. We wish them safe travels.

Gulfport Mayor Billy Hewes goes "Over The Edge" to support Habitat

Excitement turned to disappointment Saturday morning when the ongoing threat of thunderstorms and weather-related safety concerns led to cancellation of the day's rappelling plans.

It's not too late to support the fundraiser, and donations are still being accepted at https://fundly.com/overtheedgehabitat if you'd like to contribute. All proceeds benefit HFHMGC.

Wanted: AmeriCorps Members For Habitat's Team

Spend a year building community as an AmeriCorps member! Habitat for Humanity of the MS Gulf Coast is accepting applications for positions in construction, volunteer services and family services for 2015-2016.

Benefits include a living allowance, health insurance, childcare assistance and an education award of $5,730, as well as professional experience. The deadline to apply is June 19th.

Click here for more information and to apply.
Resort Classic offered several opportunities for HFHMG to be in the spotlight as the tournament’s charitable partner.

Habitat volunteers served as marshals for the 18th Hole, where they received an inside-the-ropes perspective of the action, including watching David Frost become the first international golfer to win the tournament.

Champions Tour pros Rocco Mediate and Lee Janzen spent a morning painting at our Park Drive home sites, where they talked to local media about the partnership between MGRC and HFHMG. Click here to read more about their experience.

C Spire, the presenting sponsor of the tournament, donated $5,000 to HFHMG March 25 after 2014 MGRC champion Jeff Maggert successfully guided a golf ball across Hwy 90 onto a target. The stunt helped kick off this year’s tournament.

Hard Rock Cafe Pin Collector Event to Benefit HFHMG

The Hard Rock Cafe in Biloxi, located within the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, hosts Pinloxi 2015 May 1-2, offering fans an opportunity to trade lapel pins and add to their collections. The event begins with a Meet & Greet from 5 pm to 7 pm, Friday, May 1, and continues with pin trading all day Saturday, May 2. A raffle and silent auction will highlight the Saturday morning activities and includes pins from Asia, Europe and many cafes from around the United States. Proceeds from the event benefit HFHMG.

To register to participate or for more information, contact Mary at (228) 276-5236.