

Things happening in OUR community...

• **Playhouse Raffle!**

- Celebrate Christmas in July! Plus, from July 1st - 30th we will be raffling off 2 "Jingle Build-Off" playhouses. Winners will be announced on Monday, August 1st. Tickets are 1 for \$1 or 5 for \$3. Proceeds from the playhouse raffle will benefit Habitat Lake-Sumter and our community partner, United Way!

Pick-Up or Delivery options available.

• **We have a ReStore E-Newsletter!**

- Beginning in July, we will be sending a monthly newsletter to our ReStore customers, donors, and volunteers! Encourage customers and donors to sign up to receive monthly coupons, sales, and be the FIRST to know about exciting events happening at the ReStores!

• **Upcoming YCA Groundbreakings:**

- In August and September we will be breaking ground at 4 YCA sites! We hope you can join us to celebrate. Please RSVP with Shari for address
 - Leesburg YCA: Thursday, August 25th @8am in Leesburg
 - South Lake YCA: Friday, August 26th @8am in Mascotte
 - The Villages Charter YCA: TBD
 - Eustis YCA: Friday, September 16th @8am in Eustis

Happy Habi-versary

Harold is celebrating his
14 year anniversary!

*P.S. and it's his birthday... so
make sure to wish him a happy
one!*



Welcome to the Team!

Carl - YCA Site
Supervisor
Chelsea - Fund
Development Intern

For more questions please contact Shari: x118 or Shari@HabitatLS.org



July Staff Update

Staff Spotlight: Tasha

When you visit the Leesburg ReStore, you'll encounter the bright smile and warm welcome by Tasha! A Lake County native, Tasha has always enjoyed work that allowed her to improve her community and positively impact others. Prior to joining the ReStore team, Tasha worked as a chef and also as a health and wellness coach alongside her sister.

Tasha first began her journey with the Habitat Lake-Sumter team as a volunteer, as helping people has always brought her joy and fulfillment. When the opportunity for employment within the Habitat organization arose, Tasha decided to take a chance and apply. It was the right choice. Tasha serves a dual role in the Leesburg ReStore as lead cashier and social media assistant and she enjoys working with the ReStore team, "The professionalism, yet family-oriented atmosphere makes the Leesburg ReStore a great working environment", Tasha says.

Giving back into the community is a value that Tasha also instilled in her son, Andre. Andre is now also a part of the ReStore staff. Tasha admits the mother and son duo work dynamic has been both fun and challenging. Learning to balance roles of parent-child and co-worker was indeed an adjustment for the two.

Tasha enjoys the ReStore's role in empowering families. The ReStore plays an intricate role in Habitat's mission to build homes, community, and hope. Tasha ensures that she does her part in sharing that mission by informing all customers about the programs Habitat Lake-Sumter has to help local families and residents. "Being able to build relationships with the customers and help families in need is a great feeling", Tasha says. Tasha encourages anyone interested in volunteering or becoming a part of the Habitat to take the leap. "Don't be afraid to try new things. This has been a very rewarding experience", says Tasha.

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