

Things happening in OUR community...

• You're Invited!

- LHS YCA Dry-In Celebration: Fri. 13th from 12 - 1pm, RSVP with Shari by Jan. 6th: Shari@habitatLS.org or x118
- VCS YCA DOUBLE Dry-In Celebration: Fri. 27th from 12 - 1pm, RSVP with Shari by Jan 20th: Shari@habitatLS.org or x118
 - please make previous arrangements with supervisor if wanting to attend
 - at a Dry-in Celebration we celebrate the halfway mark with the students, sponsors, and the community.

• Upcoming Volunteer Groups

We are thrilled to have Massachusetts Maritime Academy join us as our first volunteer group of the New Year! They will be staying at the DGV and volunteer on various projects throughout of community. Group A will be here from 16th - 27th and Group B will be here from 30th - Feb 10th

• Reminder Next All Staff Meeting

Friday, January 6th from 7:45AM to 9:15AM in the DGV. ReStores to open as quickly as possible or no later than 10:30AM.



Happy Habi-Versary

Rita - 8 years
Shawn - 4 years
Matt - 1 year
Geria - 1 year



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

Meet Ms. Kathy

Kathy is a native of Coleman, FL. She is the widow of a Korean War Veteran and mother of five devoted children. Kathy has lived in her current home for nearly 30 years. Kathy worked in the school system of Sumter County until her retirement and then devoted her time as a caregiver for her husband until his passing in 2017.

Kathy, who is now the full-time caregiver for her developmentally disabled brother, found it difficult to function in her home safely as she is aging, especially now having to care for her brother. The bathroom and kitchen presented daily hazards for her. She needed an accessible bathroom as it was getting difficult to step into the tub, and even having to bathe her brother, the risk of falling was too great. Kathy reached out and applied for the Preservation and Repair Program. Through the Lowes Grant, Habitat Lake-Sumter was able to make the needed repairs and accessibility modifications to her home to improve her daily functioning.

“You try so hard to take care of your family and do things on your own, but sometimes you need help. I’m thankful for a program like Habitat that truly helps those in need. I am so thankful for what they have done for me!”- Kathy

Kathy now has a newly installed step-in shower that is safer and more accommodating for both her and her brother’s needs, she has a remodeled kitchen and new windows. Kathy is overjoyed with the repairs to her home. She can now move throughout her home with ease and free of worry. She is also very excited about being able to raise her windows again and let in a fresh, country breeze.



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