



Welcome home!

Tracey (center) holds up the ceremonial house keys that he, his wife Connie, and their son Justin received from our Site Construction Supervisor, **Dwayne Coakley** (far right) during their Home Dedication on Friday, December 3rd. Once they go to settlement, their Perryville house (seen in the background) will be the 117th home built or rehabbed by Habitat Susquehanna to date. Visit our [website](#) for the complete press release. The following were the house sponsors: IKEA; Gutter Guys; Long Fence Home Products; MAHT (Maryland Affordable Housing Trust); and, Vulcan Materials. A huge note of thanks to all the core, individual and group volunteers, including the Evergreen Garden Club (for braving cold conditions to do landscaping in time for the house dedication ceremony).



Photo credit: **Bill Carson**

All I want for Christmas...

What's at the top of our Christmas wish list? We need a machine to help our volunteers when working at our build sites. It's called a Toro Dingo. We were fortunate to have found one (especially given the inventory issues many are facing), plus a trailer, for about \$10,000. This machine will speed up the building process considerably and free up our volunteer time for other work. Can you help with our fundraising efforts to purchase a dingo? (See example in photo.) Visit our [website](#) for details.



ABERDEEN RESTORE HOLIDAY HOURS



OPEN

**December 21 (until noon),
December 22 & 23,
December 28 & 29, and
December 30**



We're always looking for individual and group volunteers at the Aberdeen ReStore. If you're interested in helping us, contact **Ashley Hall** at ahall@habitatsusq.org.

HABITAT SUSQUEHANNA CLOSURE HOURS



**CLOSED December 24,
December 27 - 31, and
January 1**



We'll be needing volunteers for our build sites starting in January! We're building in Rising Sun, Aberdeen (2 homes) and Havre de Grace (duplex). Volunteers 16 years and older are needed for Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. To sign up: <http://habitatsusq.backpac.co/>

Thanks for your support during Giving Tuesday!

Thanks to YOUR generosity, we raised more than \$13,000 towards building affordable housing in Harford and Cecil counties! We are so grateful to all of our donors! We especially want to give a shout-out to an anonymous long-time donor/volunteer; our Board of Directors; **Rosedale Federal Savings & Loan Association**; **Tar Heel Construction**; and, **Freedom Federal Credit Union** for their matching donations during our Giving Tuesday campaign.



Interested in donating to Habitat Susquehanna? It's not too late! Visit our [website](#) to check out the categories where we could use your donations.

Don't forget that another great way to support our mission is by donating a vehicle through the [Cars for Homes](#) program. For details: 1-877-277-4344.

Save the date: March 5th

Need a last-minute gift idea? How about taking your special someone on a date night to Hard Hats & Heels! Stocking stuffers needed? How about a raffle ticket for a \$500 Visa gift card sponsored by the **Bulle Rock Habitat Club**! Early Bird tickets to our event are on sale now!

[Hard Hats & Heels Tickets](#)



Thanks to our budding artist!

We hope you enjoy the artwork replacing our normal banner (at the top of this newsletter) this month. The artist of our Christmas image is 10-year-old Nathyn, son of future Habitat homeowner, Anthony. Nathyn said he is excited about moving into his new house (in the New Year) and spending time with his dad. Their home was built by the students of the Cecil County School of Technology and is currently being completed by Habitat volunteers.



Nathyn's drawing is being used as our Christmas card this year, so look for it in your mailboxes!

If you're not on our mailing list, contact Cathy at cherlinger@habitatsusq.org to be added.

CONGRATS!

CELEBRATING MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES AS HABITAT HOMEOWNERS THIS YEAR



A special shout-out to Sharon who celebrated
25 years of Habitat homeownership and
PAID OFF her mortgage!

LaToya / 5 years

Maia / 5 years

Michele / 5 years

Avni / 5 years

Nicole / 5 years

Lisa S. / 5 years

Brandi / 5 years

Afsaneh / 5 years

Daniel & Katie / 10 years

Arnaldo / 10 years

Lisa B. / 10 years

Mekonnen / 10 years

Lura & Kevin / 10 years

Crystal / 10 years

Cesar and Maria / 10 years

Kimberly / 15 years

Rhovonda / 15 years

Tiffany / 15 years

Donna / 15 years

Brenda / 20 years

Clementine / 20 years



