

# The Much Anticipated Completion Habitat for Humanity



*On May 30th 2008 the MAGCS' Habitat For Humanity project was wrapped up. The Class C Committee offered to install an entire landscape plan for a home that the Fox Valley Chapter of Habitat For Humanity built. I took the reins as project coordinator and started making the necessary phone calls. I apologize if I pestered anyone a little too much, but this project was very important to MAGCS and myself.*

There are so many people I would like to thank for their generosity and commitments. First and for most I would like to thank MAGCS for allowing me the freedom to start this great endeavor. It truly was a worthy cause and has helped a great family in need. Tim Anderson, CGCS was president of the Association when this undertaking started. He was a vital asset during the entire process. Thank you Tim for your guidance and willingness to help wherever you could. Greg Martin, Martin Design Partnership Ltd, deserves a show of gratitude for his contribution of the home site's landscape plan. The sod for the home was donated by Dunteman Turf Farms. Thank you Bob for all your cooperation and making sure we received the sod before the ground froze.



*The Brickman Group's office staff donated their time to wrap up the installation of the landscape.*

Thanks also go out to the Brickman Group's Steve Norman for all his efforts. The Brickman Group not only donated a large portion of the material, they also took care of the installation of the plant materials. Each year Steve takes his office support staff into the field and they donate their time on a special project. This year we were able to coordinate and they showed up on a rainy day this past May to complete the install. Not to mention Steve also coordinated the delivery of the materials, not only from his company, but also from Mariani Nurseries.

Jeff Barrett, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, Aurora Chapter said, "Fox Valley Habitat for Humanity is more than appreciative. The family for the home was not at home that rainy day when the final landscaping was installed. But I

was there later when they arrived home and they were thrilled. Thanks so much for all you have done for Ramiro and Dora Ortega, their children, and for Habitat. We stand in awe."

Last and certainly not least, I would like to thank all the members of the MAGCS for their eagerness to help out for such a great cause. Most of all I would like to thank the Class C Committee and all of the people that were there on that beautiful December day laying all of that semi-frozen sod. Thank you all, this project could not have been completed without you.

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