



BUILDING HOUSES, BUILDING HOPE

# HOMEFRONT



**Habitat**  
for Humanity®  
of Greater Centre County

SUMMER 2016

## Gathering on the Greens: YOU'RE INVITED!

As part of the annual Bricks & Sticks Golf Classic, HFHGCC and the Builders Association of Central PA invite you to join us under the pavilion at the Penn State Golf Courses on **Thursday, August 4, at 5:30pm, for Gathering on the Greens.**

This free event is open to all supporters of Habitat for Humanity and the Builders Association and includes great food, drink, raffles, live music, and a fun, new putting contest!

Please RSVP by email:  
[RSVP@habitatgcc.org](mailto:RSVP@habitatgcc.org).

### Bricks & Sticks Registration

Also, if you're interested in a day of golf and good time, there's still time to register for the August 5th tournament.

The shotgun golf tournament kicks off at 12:30pm for nearly 200 golfers! Registration includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, prizes, and admission to the

awards banquet. The famous 'Hole-in-the-Bowl' contest is back by popular demand along with other on course contests.

This event supports both the Builders Association of Central PA and Habitat for Humanity partner with local hardworking families to work towards homeownership together. Last year, the event helped raise nearly \$45,000 in support of affordable homeownership and is the single-largest fundraising event that we participate in annually.

*Special thanks to CB Flooring and Fulton Bank, our returning Platinum Sponsors.*



**Fulton Bank**



*We look forward to seeing you on August 4 & 5 at the Penn State Golf Courses!*

More information and fees can be found on our website at [habitatgcc.org](http://habitatgcc.org).

HOMEFRONT is an informational newsletter produced for donors, sponsors, volunteers, and friends of Habitat for Humanity of Greater Centre County.

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Centre County (HFHGCC) partners with working families and volunteers to build affordable, quality homes and to provide services that promote successful homeownership.

## Help our next partner family with their new home!

Dominique D. has recently been selected by Habitat for Humanity for the organization's affordable homeownership program. She and her son are excited for their new opportunity!

We need volunteers ready and willing to help clean and paint the interior of the house, finish some light carpentry work, tackle landscaping, and more. Volunteer dates are August 13, 20 and 27, and September 10. Volunteers will report to work at 9am each day and wrap up about 3pm.

Tools and supplies/materials will be on site. Drinks and light snacks will be provided, but you should plan to pack lunch.

#### Rules to Build By

- Volunteers should dress comfortably, but appropriately, for a hard day's work. Loose clothing and improper shoes can be dangerous.
- Work boots or no-skid, thick-sole shoes are preferred. No sandals or open-toe shoes.
- Always use the right tool for the job and ask for instructions before using a tool for the first time.
- A clean site is a safer work place. As things can quickly pile up, it is best to clean up and put tools away continuously throughout the day.
- We strongly encourage volunteers to carpool. Many sites have very limited parking.
- Habitat works rain or shine! Workdays are not typically canceled in advance due to adverse weather conditions. If rain or other problems persist, the decision will be made to shorten the workday on site by the Site Supervisor.

Volunteers must complete a waiver and be pre-registered to participate.

**Visit [habitatgcc.org/event-calendar](http://habitatgcc.org/event-calendar) to sign up today!**







**Mark Your  
Calendars!**

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## HFHGCC Upcoming Events

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**Thurs August 4, 5:30pm**  
**Gathering on the Greens**  
Penn State Golf Courses

**Fri August 5, 12:30pm**  
**Bricks & Sticks Golf Classic**  
Penn State Golf Courses

**October - ALL MONTH!**  
**ReStore Sale-A-Bration!**  
ReStore  
1155 Zion Road  
Bellefonte

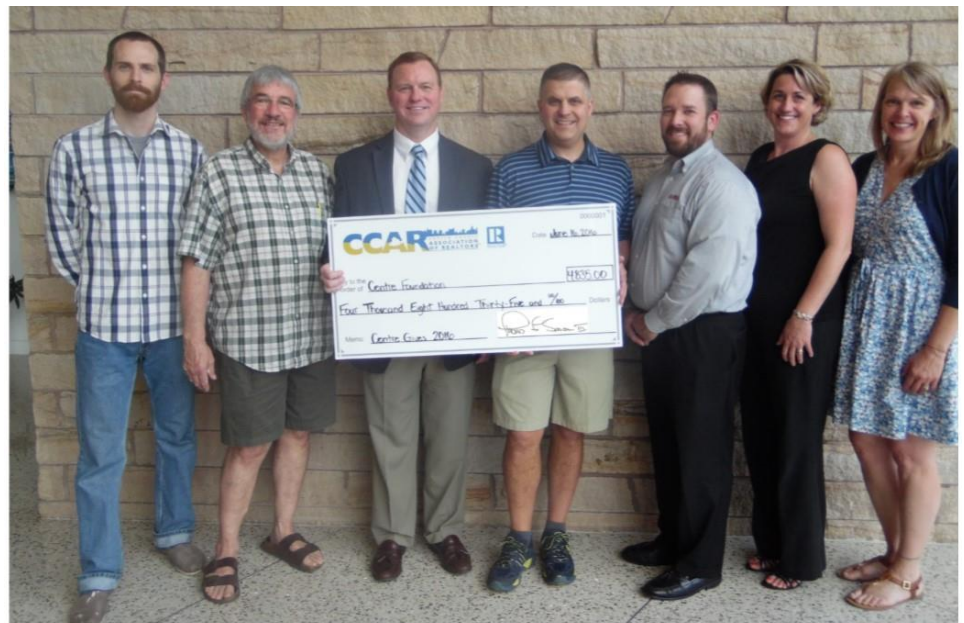
**Saturday, Nov 19**  
**10am-2pm**  
**3rd Annual**  
**Centre County Super Fair**  
Mount Nittany  
Middle School

## CENTRE GIVES SUCCESS

A big thank you to those who supported HFHGCC during Centre Gives 2016! On behalf of our staff, board and the families we serve, we appreciate your persistence in making sure we received your support. In addition to 47 individual generous contributions, HFHGCC also received gifts through two donor-advised funds, one of which nearly doubled our total amount raised!

The local real estate community, through the Centre County Association of REALTORS® American Dream Housing Fund, made a donation of \$4,835 to HFHGCC. The American Dream Housing Fund is self-sustaining and enables the Centre County Association of REALTORS® to help provide affordable housing and reduce the financial barriers to individuals qualified for home ownership.

Funds received through Centre Gives will be used by HFHGCC to help renovate two homes, expand homebuyer education offerings (financial management, property maintenance, etc.), and fulfill program-related tool and equipment needs.



Pictured L to R: Jon Nelson, HFHGCC Board Treasurer; Ken Kline Smeltzer, HFHGCC Board Vice President; Tommy Songer, 2016 CCAR President; Thad Will, HFHGCC Board President; Marc McMaster, CCAR Vice President; Lyn Gotwalt, CCAR Executive Officer; Jill Redman, HFHGCC Executive Director

### 2016 Centre Gives Donors

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## M&T Charitable Foundation Makes Grant to HFHGCC

The M&T Charitable Foundation strives to strengthen local communities by providing support for a diverse range of civic, cultural, health and human service organizations through grants, employee volunteerism and in-kind services.

HFHGCC was awarded a grant to support on-going affordable homeownership programming in Centre County. Thank you, M&T!



L to R: Susan Bell, M&T Bank Branch Manager; Jill Redman, HFHGCC Executive Director; and John Heichel, M&T Bank Branch Manager

## Did You Know? Habitat History!

The idea that became Habitat for Humanity grew from the fertile soil of Koinonia Farm, a community outside Americus, Georgia, founded by farmer and biblical scholar Clarence Jordan. It was there that Jordan and Millard and Linda Fuller develop the concept of partnership housing.

The Fullers went to the African country of Zaire, now Democratic Republic of the Congo, to test their idea. "Within three years, we had built more than 120 houses," Linda says. "That's when we decided that this idea would work most everywhere in the world." The Fullers started Habitat in 1976.

That same year, Sylvia and Ernesto Torres partnered with the first local Habitat started in the U.S. in their hometown of San Antonio, Texas.

Today, Habitat works in 1,400 local communities all over the U.S. and 70 countries around the world, from Argentina to Zambia.

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