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## **RV Care-A-Vanners Update**

### ***June 2009***

Dear Care-A-Vanners,

It's been such a pleasure to speak to old friends and make new ones as we take your calls to sign you up for Care-A-Vanner builds. We hope you are pleased with the level of customer service you are receiving from us.

We seem to have arrived in Americus at an opportune time. We are glad to support a program that helps so many families, and has been such an important part of our lives. As we head out on the road, we are excited to be the main contact for Care-A-Vanners. You may continue to sign up for builds by calling the RV Coordinator at 1-800-HABITAT ext. 7534 or emailing [rvinfodesk@habitat.org](mailto:rvinfodesk@habitat.org)

Extension 7534 will actually "ring" on a laptop in our rig and take a message when we are not available; we'll be using an aircard when we don't have Wi-Fi. If you have an urgent need and cannot reach us, please call Volunteer Mobilization at 1-800-HABITAT, ext. 7530 and a staff member will assist you.

We are grateful for the assistance we receive daily from Jwana Washington and David Minich. Without their help we would not have achieved nearly as much as we have so far. Although many responsibilities and the financial crunch limit the time they have to devote to the Care-A-Vanner program, we know it remains dear to their hearts and they never hesitate to give us the support we need.

We ask for your patience with us as we transition the Care-A-Vanner desk to our Bounder. We are greatly anticipating the day we can announce that the new online signup program is up and running. This system has taken longer than expected, due to limited available resources, but we are in the testing phase. We know there will be glitches as we begin supporting you from the road—there always are—but we expect to overcome them.

We look forward to continuing to support you in the months and years to come. We hope to meet each of you on a build—somewhere, someday!

In partnership,

Mary (and Tony) Campbell

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### **Serve Habitat through AmeriCorps**

[AmeriCorps National Direct](#) members can serve as Youth United and Collegiate Challenge coordinators at Habitat for Humanity International's headquarters, as well in valuable roles at affiliates throughout the United States. [AmeriCorps National Direct positions](#) are online now.

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### Receive free volunteer safety training

The new online [Habitat volunteer safety course](#) presents information on a wide range of common safety risks found on and around the jobsite. From the tasks volunteers typically perform to safety hazards and more, the course provides training that educates volunteers before they even arrive on the job site.

*To access the course, please click the “Please Read: Course Instructions” box on the top right corner of the page.*

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### Be an RV team leader

Team leaders, who serve as a liaison between the team and the affiliate, perform a critical organizing role on RV Care-A-Vanner builds. They act as a single point of contact for the affiliate and the team, passing along information as appropriate. This often includes forwarding logistics details to participants—such as information about camping facilities, meal arrangements, the directions to campgrounds and build sites, locations of laundry facilities, grocery stores, churches, mail delivery and more—and answering questions.

Many of our scheduled builds still do not yet have team leaders. If you would like to volunteer as a team leader, any of the following upcoming builds can use your coordinating skills. Please call us at 1-800-422-4828, ext. 7534 or 229-410-7534 if you are willing to help in this way.

Thibodaux, Louisiana	June 14–28
Foley, Alabama	July 5–12
St. Ignace, Michigan	July 5–19
Thibodaux, Louisiana	July 5–19
Washington, Iowa	July 5–19
Mankato, Minnesota	July 12–26
Richmond, Indiana	July 12–26
Brookings, South Dakota	July 19–August 2
Kingsford, Michigan	July 26–August 9
Thibodaux, Louisiana	July 26–August 9
Alpena, Michigan	August 9–30
Brookings, South Dakota	August 9–23

### ***Applause!***

Thanks to the following Care-A-Vanners for agreeing to become team leaders:

Anthony Clemons  
Scott and Nancy Hoag  
Harvey and Connie Radford  
Mary and Steve Volenec  
Rich and Jan Harper  
Donna and Loren Burkett  
Pete and Billie Czech  
Richard and Shirley Harvey  
Jeff and Judy Rothwell  
Stan and Mary Lou Lehman  
Larry and Mem Halstead

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### Donate your RV, trailer, car or boat to help Habitat for Humanity build homes

Call Cars for Homes™, Habitat’s vehicle donation program, toll free at 1-877-277-HFHI (4344) to

donate cars, trucks, boats and RVs.

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### Join another RV Care-A-Vanners build

Sign up to participate in a build now! The need continues to be great, and there are many opportunities for you to contribute. *Look at the [online build listing](#) or [ongoing RV host sites](#). The schedule is updated at the beginning of every month. Call the RV Care-A-Vanner Coordinator at 1-800-422-4828, ext. 7534 or 229-410-7534 for assistance. If for any reason you cannot reach Mary, please call the Volunteer Mobilization desk at 1-800-422-4828, ext. 7530 or 229-410-7530 for assistance. We are all happy to help you find a build that suits your needs!*

**Featured build of the month:** New ongoing build with Lafayette Habitat for Humanity in Lafayette, Louisiana. Contact Fawn Viator at 337-261-5041 or [fawn@habitatlafayette.org](mailto:fawn@habitatlafayette.org).

### Upcoming builds seeking Care-A-Vanners!

Location	Dates	Rigs still needed
Virginia, Minnesota	June 7–28	4
Kellogg, Idaho	June 14–28	5
Thibodaux, Louisiana	June 14–28	9
Kingsford, Michigan	June 21–July 5	6
Brookings, South Dakota	June 28–July 12	2
Foley, Alabama	July 5–12	5
Iowa City, Iowa	July 5–19	10
Lincoln, Michigan	July 5–19	5
St. Ignace, Michigan	July 5–19	10
Thibodaux, Louisiana	July 5–19	10
Washington, Iowa	July 5–19	4
Mankato, Minnesota	July 12–26	4
Marquette, Michigan	July 12–26	4
Richmond, Indiana	July 12–26	7
Brookings, South Dakota	July 19–August 2	2
Durango, Colorado	July 19–August 2	2
Kingsford, Michigan	July 26–August 9	9
Thibodaux, Louisiana	July 26–August 9	9
Mankato, Minnesota	August 2–16	1
Alpena, Michigan	August 9–30	9
Brookings, South Dakota	August 9–23	3

Please visit [online build listing](#) or [ongoing RV host sites](#) to see complete, current listings. **To sign up for these builds, please call 1-800-422-4828, Ext 7534 or 229-410-7534** or email [rvinfodesk@habitat.org](mailto:rvinfodesk@habitat.org).

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