

Build Report

Build Location: Bend, Ore., August 19 - September 1, 2007

Team Leaders: Lynn Laymon & Linda Walden

Assistant Leaders: none

Affiliate Name: Bend Area HFH

Number of:

Team members: 15

Coaches: 8

Coaches cancelled: 1

First-timers (on RV build): 5

Hours worked by team (estimated): 900

Builders on the team: 15

Non-builders: 0

Total days worked: 10

Welcome/Orientation: barbeque hosted by affiliate on Tues. Aug 21.

Safety Guidelines: distributed & reviewed at orientation Sun. Aug 19.

Type of work performed: two foundations and stem walls framed and poured; two additional house foundations framed; one house roof papered and shingled; Hardy plank siding installed on 1 ½ houses; two houses insulated; one house drywalled; doors and windows installed on two houses; electric lighting and outlets installed in on-site tool shed/office.

Parking arrangements: free parking with water, 30-amp electric and drip gray water at Three Sisters Seventh Day Adventist School located eight miles north of build site. Nice place to park. Dump (\$5) six miles away in Bend.

Construction supervision: Competent and personable on-site supervisor in charge every day, all day (Glen). On rare occasions when he was away the assistant supervisor (Jeannie) was in charge.

What could the affiliate have done to make the build more effective?

1. Have materials delivered one day prior to being needed; 2. Had all local volunteers stay home (see below), except special groups (women build/juvenile justice).

Problems or concerns expressed by team members: Having materials and permits available when needed; confusion with local volunteers attempting to supervise - giving different instructions from those given by supervisor - and then having local supervisor agree with the local volunteers' way.

Accidents & injuries: Two tripping/minor fall injuries resulting in bruised egos - no medical treatment required and no missed work.

Highlights of build: One partner family worked several days with team. Fifteen "restorative justice" teenagers worked with team four days while fulfilling community service obligations imposed by courts. Two days three to five women build builders participated with team. Framing and pouring foundations and stem walls was new and exciting for most team members.

Names of recommended future team leaders: Mick and Barbara Bentley, Ed and Lavern Cabell, Lynn and Deann Harrington

Other comments: GREAT team; GREAT weather! Convenient RV parking (the Seventh Day Adventist school staff couldn't have been more obliging, and the site is now available for future builds); organized affiliate; GREAT build!

Attachments: Audited Financial Report (treasurer has receipts and original audited copy), updated team roster (changes sent to RV Desk)

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