



Habitat for Humanity – New York City
The Habbys Volunteer Recognition Event

June 7, 2005
6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

BRANCH
226 East 54th Street, New York City



2005 Honorees

Outstanding Citywide Board Member: Doug Paul

Doug Paul is a great board member and fundraiser! He always goes the extra mile. His ability to think creatively drives board meeting discussions forward. His perspective has been invaluable to Habitat-NYC's future planning strategy.

Rookie of the Year: Joanna Keenan

Joanna Keenan is no rookie to Habitat for Humanity, but this year is her first with Habitat-NYC. When Joanna is not building houses around the globe, she is volunteering at West 128th Street project in Harlem. She's taken a year sabbatical from teaching to work with Habitat International. Joanna is a hard worker with a great attitude.

Outstanding Cornerstone Volunteer: Mei Sing Wong

Mei Sing has shown an outstanding commitment to the volunteer program. She is in her second year assisting the finance department, where she's been dubbed "amazing Mei Sing". She's a great problem solver, a great teacher, and always gets the job done.

Outstanding Leadership Committee Member (Brooklyn): Domenick Neglia

As the committee chairperson, Domenick is a skillful facilitator who brings building appraisal expertise and a strong commitment to affordable housing. He is our longest-serving Brooklyn Leadership Committee member. He has gone out of his way to help recruit and nurture new committee members.

Outstanding Leadership Committee Member (Queens): Kevin Ryan

Kevin Ryan has stepped forward to provide leadership and guidance to our reorganized group in Queens. He generously donated space for meetings and volunteered his time to participate in our family selection process.

Outstanding Leadership Committee Member (Bronx): Jim Cooke

Jim Cooke serves on the Bronx Leadership Committee as vice chairperson. As chairperson of the family selection committee, he led the charge for selecting wonderful families for our projects. From committee meetings to dedications, Jim generously shares his community contacts, time, and financial resources.

Outstanding Leadership Committee Member (Harlem): Katherine Clinkscale

As a longtime leadership committee member and a lifetime resident of Harlem, Katherine. Clinkscales has given generously of her time and her network within Harlem to further Habitat's mission. From dedications to Martin Luther King Jr. Build programs and conferences, Katherine brings the concerns and experiences of Central Harlem to all that we do!

Outstanding Skilled Individual: Jon Furlong

Jon Furlong is an excellent and dedicated skilled volunteer. He has volunteered weekly at the West 128th Street Project and the Jamaica Project. He has been extremely helpful by providing leadership to our general volunteers on site.

Outstanding Raise the Roof Volunteer: Christophe Lobry-Boulanger

Christophe Lobry-Boulanger exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism. He has worked on multiple Habitat-NYC houses, as well as volunteering his time off the site, for dedication events and revitalization projects. His attention to detail lends to a seamless insulation technique and artistic "No Parking" sign painting. Whether shoveling mulch or framing walls, Christophe is always a joy to work with!

Outstanding Community Group Volunteer Coordinator: Patrick Tracy

Pat Tracy brings a ton of energy to the construction site. He and the crew from St. John's University are hard-working, good-natured volunteers. Pat is always sure to take care of the Habitat-NYC AmeriCorps! The man is fantastic!

Outstanding Corporate Group Volunteer Coordinator: Debbie Jacobson

As the group coordinator for Goldman Sachs' Community Team Works program, Debbie coordinated 17 site days and managed 300 volunteers. She has organized incredibly successful volunteer expos and facilitated a Habitat-NYC day at Goldman Sachs Children's Center. Debbie is extremely organized and very flexible. She's a great group coordinator!

Outstanding Faith Group Volunteer: Brad Lohrenz

Brad Lohrenz has faithfully organized hundreds of volunteers from the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. He was a huge source of support during our Martin Luther King Jr. Day Build and is a faithful advocacy event participant. Brad is an enthusiastic, warmhearted person who is always willing to lend a helping hand.

Outstanding Community Group: Bronx Borough President's Office (Wilhelm Ronda)

With the generous support of \$420,000, the Bronx Borough President's Office has been able to help Habitat-NYC help 21 families realize their dream of homeownership. Wilhelm has been a tireless advocate for Habitat-NYC in the Bronx and for the cause of affordable housing.

Outstanding Faith Group: Brick Church

For the past six years, Brick Church has been a loyal Habitat-NYC supporter. They have sent hundreds of volunteers to build Habitat homes throughout the City. On our construction site, this group of enthusiastic, skilled volunteers is an amazing construction force, giving credibility to their solid name.

Outstanding Cornerstone Volunteer Group: YAI Brooklyn Heights Day Habilitation

YAI is a spirited and enthusiastic group of volunteers that have worked with us since September 2003. They help us with a variety of tasks around the office. Their dedication and commitment to their work is unmatched.

Outstanding Skilled Group: Brooklyn Woods

Brooklyn Woods has shown great dedication to Habitat-NYC and has worked with us for the last two years. They have manufactured and installed beautiful cabinets in all of our Family Partner's kitchens for the last four projects.

Outstanding Corporate Group: Decker Design

This marketing communications firm began a partnership with Habitat-NYC in 2001 when they designed our first Annual Report. Through the years, they have provided us with quality design work. This past year, they provided a pro bono, full-service design and project management team which completely redesigned our website. Please check it out at www.habitatnyc.org.

Special Appreciation Certificate: Jones Day

Jones Day has provided Habitat-NYC with over \$1,000,000 worth of pro bono legal services for over five years. Their hours and hours of work have enabled closings for homes all over the City. Jones day is professional, patient and diligent.