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Golf Tournament to Benefit Affordable Housing in Montgomery County

Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County holds 4th Annual Golf Classic

Ijamsville, MD (May 20, 2009) – On Friday, May 29, 2009, Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County (HfH-MC) will be hosting their 4th Annual Golf Classic. Back by popular demand, the tournament is being held at the Whiskey Creek Golf Club in Ijamsville, Maryland. Proceeds from the event will directly help HfH-MC continue its work to build simple, decent, energy efficient, affordable homes for very low-income families. During the day players enjoy the natural beauty of Whiskey Creek's award winning course and, more importantly, learn about the work of Habitat for Humanity.

Now in its fourth year, we are pleased to announce that the Golf Classic is already at capacity and all of our corporate sponsor slots are filled despite the economic challenges in the community. "It is clear in the positive response to our tournament that supporters recognize the need for affordable housing, now more than ever," remarked John Paukstis, HfH-MC Executive Director.

Last year the proceeds from the tournament directly off-set the costs of building a 24 townhome community in Burtonsville, Maryland. This larger scale housing development was the first of its kind for HfH-MC and provided 24 families, including 56 children, with the opportunity to purchase their own simple, decent, energy efficient, affordable home. This year the funds raised from the golf event will be invested in rebuilding and revitalizing 10 vacant foreclosed homes in Montgomery County.

This year the event's Lead Sponsor is Craftmark Homes - a leader in new construction of single family and townhomes. Craftmark Homes's president, Ken Malm, has been a long-time supporter of the HfH-MC and has served on Habitat's Board of Directors since January 2008. "I can't think of a finer cause to support in our local community than Habitat for Humanity" said Ken Malm. Another major event sponsor and one who is new to the tournament this year is LEEDO Cabinetry. The cabinet maker is one of the nation's leading suppliers of cabinetry, countertops, and installation to distributors and builders who require a full service cabinet company.

For more information about the 4th Annual Golf Classic, contact Laura Bowen Wills at 301-990-0014 x20 or via email at laura.wills@habitat-mc.org.

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Major Sponsors

- *Gold Key House Sponsor - \$15,000 – Craftmark Homes*
- *Silver Key House Sponsor - \$10,000 – LEEDO Cabinetry*
- *Capture Your Swing Photography Sponsor - \$5,000 – Trammell Crow Residential*
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 - Seneca Excavating (Joint Par Sponsor)
 - Choice Hotels International
- Glove Sponsor - \$2,500 – Sybase
- Bag Sponsor - \$2,500 – The Anderson Company

About Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County

HfH-MC is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International. In November 2008, the affiliate launched the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) in partnership with the Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA). Habitat is purchasing and rehabilitating 10 vacant foreclosed properties in designated areas of Montgomery County. HFH-MC supports the notion that good, stable housing matters for neighborhoods. Better quality of living leads to stronger citizens and families. Habitat for Humanity is about changing lives, one home at a time.

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