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SPRING 2019 WRAP UP



## County Commissioners Kick Off Construction in West Grove

On Thursday, May 16, West Grove Mayor Stephen Black joined Chester County Commissioners Michelle Kichline, Kathi Cozzone, and Terence Farrell in a ceremonial groundbreaking at Habitat's West Grove site. The infrastructure work will conclude this summer, with new home construction starting later this year.

We are accepting applications for families interested in living in the West Grove community. This is an exciting opportunity for 40 hard-working families who struggle with the high cost of rent to have a home they can call their own. The application, along with further qualifications for homeownership, can be found at [www.hfhcc.org/westgrovesite](http://www.hfhcc.org/westgrovesite).



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## 2019 Driving to Build Golf Outing

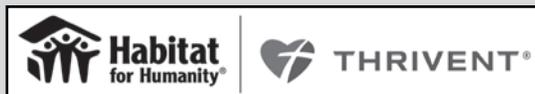
The 16th annual *Driving to Build* golf outing has been postponed until July 15th due to inclement weather. The outing will still be held at French Creek Golf Club, Elverson, with a shotgun start at 10:30am. While we are disappointed at having to reschedule the event, we hope the delay will allow for more participants to join us for a fun day on the links! If you or someone you know would like to participate in this year's outing, please contact Jason Pyrah for registration details. He can be reached at [jason@hfhcc.org](mailto:jason@hfhcc.org) or 610-384-7993, ext.12.



## Thrivent Helps Build Faith and Homes in Coatesville

Thrivent Financial, a not-for-profit insurance and financial services organization, has partnered with Habitat for Humanity of Chester County to fund the construction of a home in Cambria Terrace. Thrivent has partnered nationally with Habitat for Humanity International since 2005 and continues to be the largest non-government supporter of our homebuilding efforts. Thrivent Choice provides a platform for members to have a financial impact on the causes and nonprofits they care about. If you are a Thrivent Financial member please consider directing your Choice Dollars to Hfhcc in support of the Faith Build at 320 Community Lane, Coatesville.

Volunteers from all faiths and backgrounds are welcome to raise funds, walls, and prayers to help the future homeowner family to build their home at 320 Community Lane starting in July.



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## A Successful Year for Build a House... Build a Dream!

On Saturday, March 23, nearly 150 fifth-grade builders, artists, architects, and engineers from across the Delaware Valley competed in the 16th annual Build a House...Build a Dream contest for kids presented by Fox & Roach/Trident Charities and Habitat for Humanity of Chester County. This was a record number of attendees for the annual fundraising event and a wonderful turnout from the community.

The goal of Build a House...Build a Dream is to raise awareness about the need for affordable housing throughout the Delaware Valley. The contest also raised over \$20,000 to benefit Habitat's home building program in Chester County.

We would like to thank founding sponsor, Fox & Roach/Trident Charities for their continued sponsorship of this fundraising event, Bill Henley, meteorologist at NBC10 Philadelphia, for emceeding the festivities and kudos to all the students and their families for setting the bar high for next year's entries. We'd also like to recognize the volunteers who helped set up, assisted students, and judged homes. We truly appreciate all of those who made this a terrific day!



Congratulations to our winners!

1st place: Giana and Sofie from Swarthmore Rutledge Elementary

2nd place: Sophia and Ceri from Garnet Valley Elementary

3rd place: Lila from Swarthmore Rutledge Elementary

## Volunteer Spotlight David Mushrush



David Mushrush has volunteered at the Habitat ReStore for five years. During that time he has made rounds in the community picking up corporate donations from places like Target, Lowe’s, and T.O. EPPS.

David served our country in the Marine CORPS from 1967 to 1970. Following that, he served in public works for various municipalities including Caln township, West Goshen, East Bradford Township, and the Borough of West Chester.

After retiring, he spent a few months working for Lowe’s and then decided to volunteer his time in the community. His commitment comes from his wife’s years of service as a Red Cross Mental Health responder and volunteering as a committee member that created the Coatesville Youth Initiative at the Brandywine Health Foundation. David was inspired by her good deeds and joined Habitat in January 2015 after she raved about her volunteer build day on the construction site.

David loves to see what people create with items they purchase from the ReStore and notices how it changes one’s perception of a piece that doesn’t have a lot of appeal at first. When asked why he spends his time at the ReStore, he replied, “Why not? I’m able to help so I will.” David’s nametag reads “Justa Volunteer” but he is so much more to us that “just a” anything! We are so thankful for all that he gives including his time, stories and jokes.