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## **New Habitat Home to be Dedicated in Clear Lake**

*Clear Lake (December 3, 2009):* Habitat for Humanity North Central Iowa is pleased to dedicate the home of Jeanette Harthan and her sons, John and Luke, this Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. There will be an Open House from 3:00 – 4:00pm, followed by a brief dedication ceremony beginning at 4:00pm. This home was built with active community involvement and all area supporters are encouraged to come and tour the finished product.

Located at 508 Pine Brooke Drive, this lot was donated by the developer, Tim Stenberg and his company Joshua Homes. “This location is a wonderful place for my sons to call home, and I am looking forward to becoming a part of this neighborhood,” said Jeanette, the first time homeowner. “My boys are so excited to have their own bedrooms and back yard. Christmas will truly be special this year.”

Volunteers from Clear Lake and the surrounding communities have been working on this home since the beginning of August. “So many people have put in long hours on this home. Thanks to all the groups and individuals who made the construction of this house come together,” said Chuck Myhre, Construction Supervisor for HFHNCI. “Jeanie and her family are truly special people and this has been a remarkable effort on the part of many people.” Volunteer groups from the Clear Lake Evangelical Free Church, Larson Manufacturing, Kingland Systems, Snyder Construction, Diamond Jo Casino, Agape Christian Family Church, United Methodist Church, and Zion Lutheran Church all contributed “sweat equity hours” along with the Habitat Partner Family to help make this home a reality.

To date, Habitat for Humanity NCI has built 33 homes throughout its six county service area, and will dedicate another home in Mason City on December 17<sup>th</sup>. For more information about making a year-end contribution to Habitat, becoming a volunteer, or applying for a home with Habitat for Humanity NCI, contact the office at 641-424-8978 or visit [www.habitatnci.org](http://www.habitatnci.org).

***About Habitat for Humanity of North Central Iowa:***

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