



**Building Specially Adapted Homes  
for Our Most Severely Injured Veterans**  
AT NO COST TO THE VETERANS WE SERVE

**Home Building Projects Completed in 2008**

In 2008 we completed 16 more homes, and we have 14 more currently underway. That means another 16 Veterans, their wives and children and, in some cases, parents who provide care for their injured son or daughter, now have a home where the Veteran and the family can once again live in a barrier free environment. These specially adapted homes help them meet the challenges they face every day - and will continue to face for the rest of their lives.

We have been able to achieve this only through your generous support. Please continue to help us build more homes by making a year-end donation.

*John L. Anderson*



**Overhead Only  
7% in 2008!**

Our independent audit was just completed for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, and once again our overhead was extremely low.

Only 7% of donations went toward administration and fundraising in 2008.

We constantly strive to keep our overhead low so as much of your donation as possible goes directly to building specially adapted homes for these most deserving of Veterans.

Being recognized as a Top-Rated Charity by the American Institute of Philanthropy lets you know your donations are being well spent!

**Dunkin' Brands to Sponsor Ten Build Brigades**

In 2009, Dunkin' Brands Community Foundation will support the mission of Homes for Our Troops with a \$100,000 grant which will be used to sponsor ten Build Brigades events across the USA!



**Send a meaningful gift this holiday season!**

Our new giving card is perfect for the holidays!

A Homes for Our Troops Giving Card is truly a meaningful gift. With any donation of \$20 or more, we send you a patriotic themed card to send or to give with a note that a donation has been made in their honor to Homes for Our Troops.



Purchase online at:  
[www.homesforourtroops.org/givingcard](http://www.homesforourtroops.org/givingcard)

## Volunteer Spotlight - The Scalice Family

When Homes for Our Troops reached out to Pigliavento Builders of Syracuse, NY to inquire about purchasing a piece of property to build a home for an injured veteran, Jack Scalice, the Construction Manager in the Marcellus office signed on to the project not only as the General Contractor, but also as a Key Volunteer... and he brought his family along for the journey!

The Scalice family (Jack, Lisa, Nicole and Domenick) reached out to the local community and found it to be supportive and accommodating in every way. Food and beverages, tents, audio equipment and more were donated for SGT Jeffrey Guerin's project thank to the caring outreach of the Scalice Family.



Homes for Our Troops Project Manager Brian Reed with Lisa and Jack Scalice

The Scalices raised community awareness and told the story of SGT Guerin and the HFOT mission. Domenick, age 8, spent many hours this past summer cleaning up at the worksite and serving snacks to volunteers... he also was quite the photo buff! Nicole, age 11, not only prepared and served snacks and lunches to volunteers, she also had the privilege of reading the Governor's Proclamation at the Key Presentation! This truly was a family effort!

**Interested in being a Key Volunteer?  
Consider volunteering for any of the following:**

**Community Dinner Coordinator  
Food Coordinator for Events/Build Brigade  
Fundraiser Coordinator  
Community Liaison**



**We are proud to announce our team for the 2009 Boston Marathon!**

Lesley Brunker, Haddonfield, NJ  
Edmund Coll, Springfield, PA  
Rick Dorsey, Brunswick, ME  
Chad Hall, Paris, IL  
Kenneth Hall, Paris, IL  
Patty Halpin, Lake Orion, MI  
Chuck Kendzierski, Bel Air, MD  
Michael McElroy, Harbor Springs, MI  
Bruce Mihalek, Ft. Collins, CO  
Steve Muchnick, Ellicot City, MD  
Frank Muller, Tulsa, OK  
Joseph Renaghan, Glen Cove, NY

Michael Russo, Winchester, MA  
Clare Scherrer, Jersey City, NJ  
Marlene Spencer, Cherry Hill, NJ  
Wendy Taylor, Fredericksburg, VA  
Dawn Teixeira, North Dighton, MA  
John Teyhen, Cibolo, TX  
Susan Thames, Southampton, NJ  
Joe Troy, Culpeper, VA  
Stephen Wheat, Fountain, CO  
Brian Williams, Atlanta, GA  
Jim Young, North Potomac, MD

Our team of running ambassadors will attempt to raise \$200,000 this coming Patriot's Day in Boston! Support a runner, or the entire team, at the team website: [www.homesforourtroops.org/team09](http://www.homesforourtroops.org/team09)

### Senior Relay Across the USA

Admiral Dewey Sanders is doing it again! At age 68, Dewey walked 3,100 miles across the USA to raise funds for substance abuse programs for children.



In 2009, Dewey is organizing a Senior Relay Across the USA to raise funds and awareness for Homes for Our Troops! You can join him in his effort to raise \$1,000,000 by participating in the relay! Dewey and a core group of seniors will walk the entire route from Washington State to Washington, D.C. starting on Memorial Day and ending on July 4th! For route map and details, visit: [www.relay4usa.com](http://www.relay4usa.com)



# 2008 Year in Review Photos



Marcellus, NY



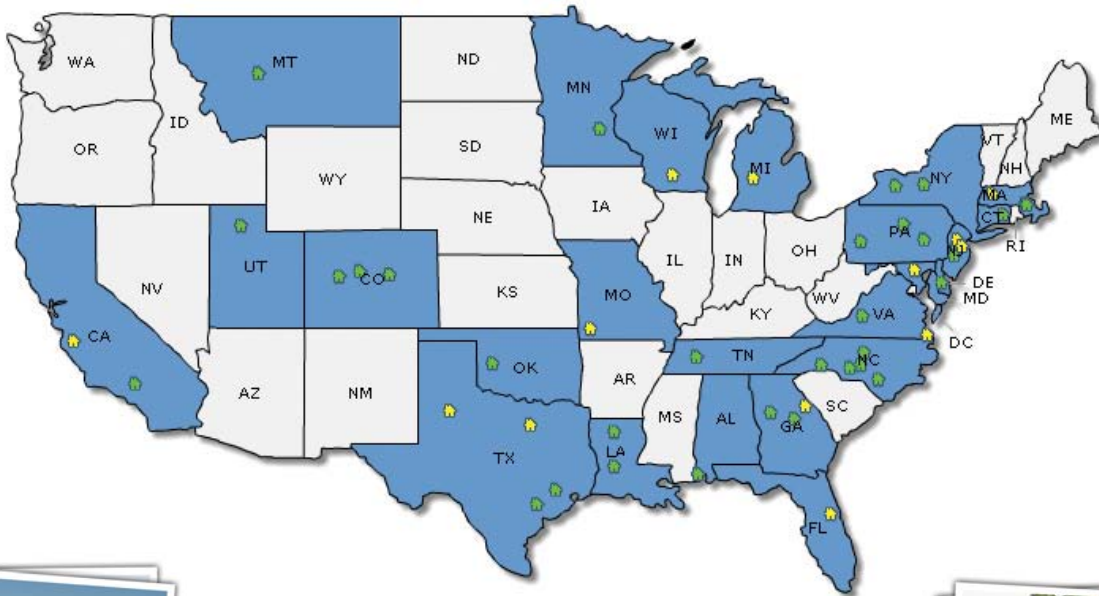
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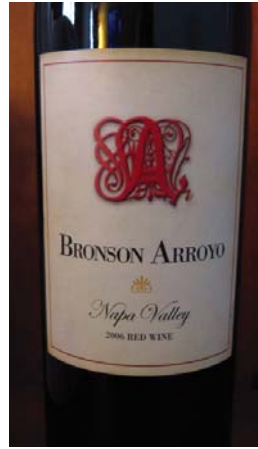
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For even more photos, check out:  
[www.homesforfourtroops.org/gallery](http://www.homesforfourtroops.org/gallery)

## Uncork for a Cause

Former Boston Red Sox pitcher, Bronson Arroyo will unveil his very own 2006 Hill Family Napa Valley Baseball Blend Red Wine and will also debut a custom made wood wine box which includes "The WineBat™", Bronson's game model Louisville Slugger bat, hand stained with Hill Harvest red wine stain and signed by Bronson. Proceeds will go to Homes for Our Troops

Learn more at: [www.uncorkforacause.com](http://www.uncorkforacause.com)



## The ASA Partners with Homes for Our Troops

The American Supply Association has chosen Homes for Our Troops as a select charitable partner for the association.



## SAVE THE DATE - June 13, 2009

The Homes for Our Troops 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gala will be held at the Marriott Copley Boston. Last year's annual event was a great success and this year's Gala will be even bigger and better!

**Silent Auction - Live Auction - Raffles  
Cocktails - Dinner - Live Music**

Tickets and sponsorships will be available soon!

*"Homes for Our Troops  
Celebrates Building Homes  
Rebuilding Lives"*

## Please keep us in mind for your year-end giving!

Many people make donations once a year at the end of each year, and we hope you will consider including Homes for Our Troops in your year-end giving. We have been recognized as a Top Rated Charity by the American Institute of Philanthropy and we continue to build barrier-free homes all across the country, so you can be sure your money is spent wisely and is used to directly benefit our severely injured Veterans. As you decide who to donate to this holiday season, we would appreciate your supporting our mission to build these specially adapted homes for our severely injured Veterans.



## Why Donate Online?

Contributions via the Internet are one of the cheapest ways for Homes for Our Troops to receive donations; they are less expensive than both checks by mail and credit card contributions made over the phone. For donors, giving online is easier than writing a check and putting it in the mail. An added benefit from giving through our secure online system is that the use of paper is greatly reduced and that is good for the environment!

## Meet Us at the International Builders' Show in Las Vegas

Once again, Homes for Our Troops will be displaying at the show, from January 20-23, courtesy of the NAHB.



The International Builders' Show is the largest annual light construction show in the world.

Why are we going to this show? To introduce our mission to some of the best builders, building product distributors, manufacturers and Real Estate companies in the USA!

Please stop by our booth (Noth Hall Lobby Level 1) and say hello if your are in Las Vegas for the show!

**Donate Online**



**Giving Cards**



**HFOT Ornament**

Visit [www.HomesForOurTroops.org](http://www.HomesForOurTroops.org) for more information!