August 2009 Monthly Board Report—

Public Relations

General

The meeting was held at 4:00 PM on Monday August 10th at Daly Zilch. Despite an announcement asking for RSVPs only three members were present, Karl Pedersen, Jacky Morissett and Lois Eatz.

Quarterly Newsletter

Plans for our newsletter were discussed. The next one will be at the end or October. We will be running only three a year because of cost. Lois did look into alternatives, but unfortunately printing prices will keep us with the Chronicle until something better comes along. Karl liked the look of the paper and thought the placement of articles made an attractive presentation. Lois will continue with her efforts for better prices and distribution.

Public Awareness

Events

The pig roast and poker run has been put on the back burner until we can find someone familiar with putting on such an event. Thus far, no one is willing to help us. Superior Bank and Habitat have started making plans for Tool Trade at each bank branch (except Dunnellon) which will run for the month of November. Plans have changed slightly. The donor's receipt will serve as a chance to enter a drawing for a big screen TV, gas BBQ or something that will encourage people to drop off their old tools. We will also pick up table saws or other tools too big for the donor to bring in. Each branch will have a drawing for a gift basket and all entries will be eligible for the grand prize drawing on November 30th. Lois has already started the flyers and tickets. Superior Bank will print them and advertising in the Chronicle will be approached when plans are finalized. We need help with the grand prize donation and ask everyone's assistance. Lois will have a place at the Realtors Fair on October 22nd.

The Volunteer picnic has had a change of plans. The Price brothers will again be Chefs Extraordinaire and will cook as they did last year with Habitat supplying the meat. Plans for salads, drinks, etc. have not been finalized. We still need gifts for volunteers.

Public Speaking Opportunities

The Chronicle is running an announcement that Habitat will speak at group meetings, etc. So far we have received two inquiries. One is scheduled for Sunday, September 20th.

Realtors Golf Tournament

Plans for the annual golf tournament at Southern Woods have started. Both Karl and Jacky have signed up to be "hole sitters". Terry Steele will check with the Realtors to see if an ad utilizing World Habitat Day on October the 6th and linking it with the tournament on the 5th can be approved. Lois has already put the ad together. Only some of the wording must be finalized.