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Servants on Site Leaders Ready for 2019 Projects, Activities

This year's participants total 163. The junior high and senior high students will repair 12 roofs and build up to six wheelchair ramps. The June 22-29 event will be our seventh annual week of witnessing and sharing Christ and serving people in need in our communities.



Our leaders (pictured left to right above) have planned for every phase of this week of projects and ministry.

Project Coordination LEIGH HUMPHRIES

Leigh Humphries is once again project coordinator, a job she's had since the first SOS week in 2013.

Leigh, who lives in Person County and is a member of Theresa Baptist Church, has sorted



SOS 2018 participants gather for a welcome from Leigh Humphries, the project coordinator.

through the registrants and organized the crews according to the types of jobs scheduled. Before the work begins, she will assign encouragers for the crews at the work sites, which she visits during the week.

Leigh's duties continue once the day's work is done as she helps chaperone the youths overnight at Crossroads Christian School.

Construction Coordination VANN WESTER

Before participants head to their jobs, each site – whether ramp or roof – must be evaluated.

Vann visits each site, meets with the homeowner and determines the condition of an existing roof or the terrain where a ramp will be built, the quantity of materials needed for each job. Finally, Vann, a member of New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, recruits crew leaders and secures the necessary permits for each job.

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Spring Barbecue Chicken Fundraiser in Photos on Page 7 of This Newsletter

Materials Coordination
WALT SLATON

Without a steady supply of materials, the jobs would not be completed. And that's where Walt Slaton, a member of Central Baptist Church, comes in as materials coordinator.

With a worksheet describing each job, Walt assembles shingles, tar paper, lumber, nails, bolts, nuts, washers, tools, compressors, hoses and more the week before SOS. Materials are on-hand, donated or purchased locally. Where possible, materials are delivered to sites before the work week begins.

Throughout the week, Walt says he has runners ready at the RHI warehouse to resupply workers through a chain that begins with a job's crew chief who notifies a multisite supervisor. The supervisor notifies Walt who dispatches a runner.

Theme is "I.D. Identity Defined"
JOHN MARKS SANDERS

The theme for the week is "I.D. Identity Defined," John Marks reports. The meaning of the theme will be explained by guest speakers at each of the evening worship services during the week.

The services and their emphases will be: Sunday, "You Are KNOWN," based on Psalm 139:13-14. Speaker is Mitch Smith, pastor at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church.

Monday, "You Are DISTINCT," based on Gen. 1:26-27. Speaker is Garrett Barneycastle, member of former student pastor at Open Door Church.

Tuesday, "You Are CHOSEN," based on 1 Peter 2:9-19. Speaker is Michael Nunn, member and former youth and campus pastor at Mercy Hill Church.

Thursday, Guys and Girls Break Out.

Friday, "You Are HOW OTHERS KNOW," based on 1 Samuel 17:46-47. Speaker is John Sanders, member and former youth and lead pastor at Open Door Church.

The public is encouraged to attend the worship services at 7 p.m. at Central Baptist Church, except Wednesday night when participants will have free time.



BB&T Partners with RHI

For its 2019 Lighthouse Project, the local BB&T chose RHI. The project, now 10 years old, assists local organizations through hands-on and financial support. The bank's 10 employees worked in shifts alongside RHI volunteers May 6-10 and 13-17 making repairs at the Gang Free house on Charles Street. The project includes a \$1,000 award. Pictured before starting their shift are (from left) teller manager Kristin Vick, branch banker Justin Walker and RHI volunteer Doc Ayscue.

Destination SOS for 163 students
MARTHA MCGOWAN

Martha, who is the SOS secretary and a member of West End Baptist Church, reports that 163 have registered for the week.

In addition to participants from Vance, Granville, Warren and neighboring counties, teams will be coming from a number of communities, such as Roxboro, Windy Gap and Otto, Martha reports.

And it's also Destination SOS for a team from South Carolina.

Breakfast and Supper
ROGER BIBEE

Breakfast and supper are served at Central Baptist Church, beginning with Sunday breakfast before the work week begins.

Central member Roger Bibee does most of the cooking.

Supplies, Roger says, include 4-5 cases of liquid eggs, 300 chicken quarters, 10 gallons of spaghetti sauce and noodles, 40-45 pounds of

bacon, sausage, hash browns and more. Supper includes a full salad bar. A team of six helps with serving and cleaning up.

Lunches

Sixteen churches will provide lunches for the teams at the work sites. The churches are Fuller’s Chapel, Gardner Baptist Church, First Baptist Church (Creedmoor), West End Baptist Church, Raleigh Road Baptist Church, Franklinton Baptist Church, Mountain Creek Baptist Church, New Bethel Baptist Church, New Life Baptist Church (Henderson), North Henderson Baptist Church, New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Carey Baptist Church, Oxford Baptist Church, Island Creek Baptist Church, and Norlina Baptist Church.

A church that sponsors a project, it “adopts” a crew and serves lunch each day. The crew on Sunday attends the church’s worship service, has lunch and later visits the homeowner.

Needs for SOS

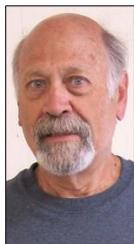
Volunteers – Adult/college-age volunteers are needed to serve as staff during the week. Staff assists with setting up the rooms, posting signs and schedules and for chores such as cleaning bath and restroom facilities.

Financial Support for SOS Projects

A roofing project costs approximately \$2,000, but any amount is appreciated

RHI Volunteer Spotlight

“I am the drywall mudder of choice,” says Larry Leach with a grin.



Larry

“When the drywall goes up, I get the call to come and tape and mud.”

Larry began offering his services to RHI several years ago.

After retiring from IBM with 30 years of service and from 15 years as a contractor for the company, “I was looking for a way to use my time and experience to improve the



West End Baptist Partners with RHI

RHI partnered with West End Baptist Church on April 17 to build a wheelchair ramp for Morine Clark of Manson. Pictured (from left) are Alan Gill, RHI volunteer Bill Overby, Bob Flowers, Morine, Pastor Ralph McGowan, Jerry A. Ayscue and Mark Rice. Not pictured are Jerry L. Ayscue, Leon Dillard and Jerry Parrish, who took the picture.

houses of Henderson,” says the St. Louis, Missouri, native. “Seeing so many houses in need of attention made me sad.”

“I wanted to volunteer at some organization doing repairs and improvements to homes in Henderson.”

Larry says he watched the progress of RHI’s fundraising for the Coca-Cola building, and after it was purchased in 2017 he stopped in to explore the opportunities, one of which turned out to be finishing drywall.

“The other thing that honestly just comes naturally was the unpacking of the stuff moved from the old (RHI) location” on North Oliver Drive, he says.

Larry unpacked and determined where to store plumbing and electrical supplies, screws, nuts, bolts, nails, roofing, paint, tools, office supplies, and even some kitchen items.

“Since then we have received boxes from organizations and individuals, and I dig into them and do my best at locating a place for the stuff,” he says.

Larry’s volunteering doesn’t stop at RHI.

“I am involved with GRRO (Green Rural Redevelopment Organization) a nonprofit organization that is revitalizing the landscape in Henderson by converting empty city owned lots

in the middle of the city into gardens,” Larry says.

“My wife Belinda and I manage one of these gardens and offer up the produce to various food bank organizations.”

Larry and Belinda also volunteer at Second Thursday packing food boxes for distribution, providing fresh produce to the citizens of Vance County.

Leisure time finds Larry enjoying yard work, home improvement and repairs, reading, walking his dogs and vegetable gardening.

Larry and Belinda have been married for 19 years and between them have five children and seven grandchildren.

RHI Volunteer Graduates from Seminary

RHI volunteer Steve Cannon graduated May 10 from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary with an Associate in Divinity degree.



Steve

A member of New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, Steve was RHI’s construction coordinator for four years before beginning seminary studies.

Steve and wife Ann feel they’ve been called to serve in missions but don’t know yet where that will be, he says.

Steve is retired from the North Carolina Forestry Service.

Following graduation, Steve and Ann travelled to Ecuador with a team for a 10-day visit to help an area pastor staff a Bible school.

New Sandy Creek and North Henderson Baptist churches adopted the area in the Andes Mountains six years ago in order to plant a church. Several times each year, a four-member team travels to the area to continue their mission.

Appliances Accepted



RHI accepts some used appliances that are in good working order. The appliances include washers and dryers, refrigerators and electric stoves.

Appliances that require repairs cannot be accepted.

RHI does not have used furniture and cannot accept household goods or clothing.

RHI – Here to Help

To request help to build a wheelchair ramp or to make home repairs, visit our office where a volunteer will take your application. RHI does not take applications over the phone or make monetary awards.



Depending on the type of work requested, RHI may require evidence of ownership of property. A landlord’s permission for a wheelchair ramp is required.

While services are provided at no cost, donations from applicants are appreciated.

How to Bring a Group to RHI

RHI has a number of volunteer opportunities throughout the year and will work with you or your group (youth or adult) to not only meet the needs of homeowners, but also to meet the needs of your group in its effort to put its faith into action serving others. We



provide job locations and materials for hands-on experience and will arrange for one-day projects or projects for more than one day. Overnight accommodations can be arranged. E-mail us at rwilson@rebuildinghopeinc.org or call 252-438-5132 for more information or registration.

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When you’re shopping online at smile.amazon.com, Rebuilding Hope will benefit from a donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation – and you’re helping us help our communities.

Building Wheelchair Ramps: Answers to Your Questions

Churches, do you have groups – like the one pictured below -- who can lend a hand and



help us build wheelchair ramps? Your participation would help reduce a backlog of more than 30 requests – and help us all reach our communities for Christ.

Here are answers to some questions you might have:

What preparations are made before work begins? Before work begins, an RHI volunteer will visit the job site and assess the owner’s physical and spiritual needs. The volunteer will take measurements and draw a plan. Job sites are different and custom plans are necessary.

What about materials and tools? RHI will gather the materials and deliver them to the job site and provide tools, as needed.

Are building permits required? RHI will obtain the required permits.

Who will supervise and be responsible for the work? An experienced RHI crew leader.

How long does building a ramp take? Depending on the ramp (e.g., straight ramp or ramp with a landing) and the number of crew members, it’s a day to a day-and-a-half job.

Where are job sites located? In all the communities we serve, but every effort will be made to assign work in the vicinity of your church.

Can work be scheduled on Saturdays? Yes.

For more information? Call the RHI office at 252-438-5132.

If you can help, we’ll put you in touch with Bill Overby of Enterprise Baptist Church, our team leader in Warren County. Or Steve Timberlake of Oxford Baptist Church, our team leader in Granville County. Or, in Vance County, Steve Lyles of Raleigh Road Baptist Church, Vann Wester of New Sandy Creek Baptist Church, or Cliff McClanahan of Central Baptist Church.

Equipment Available for Check-out

RHI has equipment – like the game trailer pictured below – that churches and groups may



check out for use in their projects. Call the office at 252-425-5132 or Randolph’s cell at 252-425-5593. Available equipment:

Game trailer – Outfitted with all kinds of games to use in outreach.

Mobile kitchen – Snow cone, cotton candy and popcorn machines.

2 tool trailers – Equipped with all tools needed to build a wheelchair.

Areas Where You Can Serve at RHI

AC/Heating Accounting Office
Carpentry/Framing & Finishing
Carpet/Vinyl Installation
Cleaning Computer Cooking
Drafting Drywall Welding/Sheet Metal
Doors Electrical Evangelism Internet
Organization Painting Plumbing Ramps
Reception Roofing Siding
Secretarial Telephone Windows Writing

Weekly Men's Prayer Group

*As iron sharpens iron,
so one man sharpens another.*

Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

You're invited to our weekly men's prayer group on Thursday mornings at 7 o'clock. A light breakfast is served. A full breakfast is served on the first Thursday. Join us for a time of prayer and Christian fellowship.

Tentative 2019 Calendar

July

4 – RHI closed for Independence Day

August

5-7 – **Kids' Construction Camp**, 9 a.m.-Noon
KCC gives 2nd-6th graders hands-on experiences with basic construction skills as they rotate through stations such as Hammer & Nails, Electrical & Plumbing, Block Laying and Building a Birdhouse.

September

2 – Labor Day – RHI Closed
27 – **Fall Fundraiser**, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

October

11-12 – 9th Annual **Men's Ministry Weekend**
On Friday evening, men and boys will gather for a meal, at no cost, and worship service at a local church. On Saturday morning, they will gather at Rebuilding Hope to make up teams and receive assignments for hands-on projects in our communities.

November

11 – Veterans Day
27 – RHI Closed
28 – Thanksgiving Day – RHI Closed
29 – RHI Closed

December

24 – Christmas Eve
25 – Christmas Day
23 -27 – RHI Closed
31 – New Year's Eve – RHI Closed

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SPRING BBQ CHICKEN FUNDRAISER

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Appreciation

Thanks to all the churches, businesses and individuals who have supported and continue to support the Rebuilding Hope ministry. Without your support, meeting the needs of our communities would be impossible. Continue to pray for us as we reach our communities with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Randolph Wilson



The aroma of BBQ chicken fills the air early on fundraiser morning.

Spring BBQ Chicken Fundraiser: Volunteers Make It Happen

From their early morning arrival on April 26 to heat up the grills to the meticulous task of filling small cups with barbecue sauce to bagging slices of bread, RHI volunteers year after year make this fundraiser happen.

We thank them for their faithfulness, and we thank you for your support. This was the 12th consecutive spring fundraiser for RHI and the third at our new location at 414 Raleigh Road.

Proceeds from the fundraiser help support our opportunities to witness for Christ as we make home repairs and build wheelchair ramps.

Look for our fall barbecue chicken fundraiser on Sept. 27.



Day-before preparations include packaging bread for the BBQ chicken plates. Volunteers are (from left) are Joyce Roberts, Carolyn Wortham, Nancy Eason and Linda Soles.



Tending the main course on fundraiser morning are (from left) Roy Tippett, John Soles and Jack Abbott.



Busy filling plates are (from left) Bonnie Hendereson, Amber West, Angie Ryan, Dana Elliott and Evelyn Watkins. And below, customers pick up their plates at the drive-through. Others enjoyed their meals in the RHI dining room.



