

Thank you to everyone who helped last November with the cedar siding removal at the Inn of the Seventh Mountain! For those who aren't aware of what we have been doing, the Inn is residing 10 condos, starting a new one each six to nine weeks. During the first 5-8 days (depending on the size of the condo) Habitat deconstruction crews are removing the old siding, sorting, stacking and bundling it for transport to California, where it has been pre-sold. Proving that this is a task for all ages and genders, gold stars go to Alice Elshoff, who is 76, and Nancy Conner, 72, who each worked FIVE three hour shifts doing sorting, stacking and cleanup. Their conscientious work enabled our paid crews on the boom lift and high ladders to stay focused on the work that is not volunteer friendly. Meanwhile other volunteers removed siding from the lower part of the walkways and interior walls. It was a great job by everyone and made lots of money that we'll use in building more Habitat houses.

We will be starting work on our seventh condo beginning **February 15<sup>th</sup>** through **February 24<sup>th</sup>** (no work on weekends). We have three hour shifts (9am-noon and 1pm-4 pm) each day. We need folks who can pull siding (no high ladder work) and also those who will do sorting, stacking and cleanup. Please sign up using VolunteerUp at: <http://www.volunteerup.com/ProjectCal.asp?o=83> If you haven't used VolunteerUp before and need assistance, contact Sheila Pyott at 385-5387, ext 225 and she'll walk you through it. Once you've signed up, we'll e-mail you directions and other information that you will need.

This project has been a great moneymaker for Habitat and has recycled thousands of board feet of cedar siding, keeping it out of the landfill. Please sign up and join us on the deconstruction crew!

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