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**NEWSLETTER**

*Habitat for Humanity partners with very low-income families and provides homeownership opportunities with no-profit, 0% interest mortgages. Habitat for Humanity is a housing ministry providing affordable housing with God's people everywhere. Our goal is to eliminate poverty housing worldwide.*

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**Welcome LaTara!!!**

My name is LaTara Quintana, I was born and raised in the San Luis Valley most of my life. I tried living in New Mexico and ended up coming back to Alamosa after a few years. Guess you can say I'm a Colorado girl. I love the small community and the people in the area. I have taken full advantage of the junior college and received my certification in ECE, Early Childhood Education. I have been in childcare for 8 years and doing nursery at church on Sundays for the last 4 years. I take great pride in my profession. I have 3 fur babies, 1 niece and 1 nephew. You can say I'm a busy fur mom and aunt. I am looking forward to starting the process of building my new home. It is amazing how many community members, friends and family members are willing to come together to support me and help me reach my goal of being a homeowner. I just started the process and couldn't be happier to know that one day I will own my home.



*LaTara Quintana*

**Habitat 500  
Celebrating 25 Years**



The tradition of service continues - pedaling in Minnesota to Build Homes & Hope here in the San Luis Valley. This year marks the 25th anniversary for the Habitat 500. Tim and Gena Dellett joined the tradition in 1996 and 2010, respectively. Every year riders collectively raise over \$520,000 for Habitat for Humanity projects all over the world. We are proud to be part of this tradition and look forward to how it will further strengthen Habitat's efforts locally. Please join us by pledging our ride. Your pledges will help power us on our 500 mile journey.

Blessings, Tim and Gena Dellett

**Construction Progresses  
on Eileen's Home-To-Be**

Eileen, her family and volunteers have been busy working on the interior plaster. We're almost finished with the plaster work to start texture & painting, soon!!!

*It's a messy job!! Habitat Construction Coordinator Steve with Beth & Cathy Anjolei plastering Jon Anthony's window*



*Natasha and family helping LaTara with sweat equity hours Jan plastering Eileen's room*



*Alamosa Presbyterian Church, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship & First United Methodist Church volunteer for a Church Workday*



**Donate by Shopping!**

**Buy Groceries & Build Homes**

**Shopping at City Market?** Your purchases donate to Habitat when you enroll your value card number at [www.citymarketcommunityrewards.com](http://www.citymarketcommunityrewards.com) and select San Luis Valley Habitat for Humanity. City Market will donate to SLV Habitat based upon your purchase amounts and a percentage of all participating City Market value card shoppers. The more members and Habitat supporters signed up who are shopping at City Market, the greater the donations! Sign up today!

**Shopping at Safeway?** You can help build Habitat Homes. The purchase of Safeway Gift Cards through Habitat for Humanity supports our work. Call Habitat at (719) 589-8678 for Safeway Gift Cards. We have \$25 and \$100 denominations.



Mark your calendars  
**Tim & Gena's Habitat 500  
Ice Cream Social**

**Thursday, June 22 5 - 6:30pm  
Alamosa Presbyterian Church  
330 San Juan Ave, Alamosa**

**Kick-off the Grande Cycling Adventure**



## Rite of Passage Carpentry Trades at Ridge View Academy

LaTara's home is being built in partnership with an amazing carpenter apprenticeship program. This spring, Rite of Passage (ROP) students at Ridge View Academy will frame the walls for LaTara's Home-to-be at their school woodshop in Watkins, CO. The project will teach the craft of homebuilding to a group of young men at such a critical point in their lives.

Ridge View Academy has provided residential services to male adolescents since 2001. The Carpentry Curriculum is a complete overview of all aspects of the carpentry trade. Working with our Habitat Project will provide an opportunity for the students to read and interpret blueprints, learn basic job-site and shop safety, tool safety and usage, site layout, building, design and execution. When the walls are complete, ROP students will join their instructors and work with our Habitat Staff & volunteers to raise the walls and to set roof trusses on site. The project will provide a foundation for ROP students to continue on a pathway to a construction career by giving students real job-site experience as well as seeing the tangible results of building a home with folks who might not have thought it possible to own a home.

We are soooooo excited for this next building venture! Funding for the ROP project is all made possible through Ridge View Academy, Southern Colorado Community Foundation and the Anschutz Family Foundation.



*Thanks to Art Clark and Darlene Seeley of Conifer Community Church for digging the foundation.*

## Habitat Store

**OPEN TUE - SAT 9am - 3pm**  
**507 Main Street, Alamosa**  
**(719) 589-8688**

**Donate New/Gently Used Building Materials**  
**Support Habitat's Housing Efforts**

**Donation pick-ups:**

- ◆ 1st Weds of the month: Monte Vista, Del Norte, South Fork
- ◆ 2nd Weds of the month: La Jara, Manassa, Antonito
- ◆ Alamosa & other areas upon request

**To arrange a pickup, call Rhonda (719) 588-3689**  
**email: ReStore@slvhabitat.org**  
**call the Habitat Store (719) 589-8688**

### Build with Habitat for Humanity in Paraguay, July 15 - 23, 2017

Habitat for Humanity of Colorado is sponsoring a volunteer team to build in Paraguay this summer! Join HFH CO working alongside Habitat Paraguay and a local partner family to build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter. The cost will be \$1275 per person, which does not include airfare. If you're interested in learning more about this amazing trip, please contact Chris Bibbo, [chris@habitatcolorado.org](mailto:chris@habitatcolorado.org). For more information, see [www.habitatcolorado.org/paraguay](http://www.habitatcolorado.org/paraguay).



SAT JULY 22, 2017



### 9th Annual Bike 2 Build San Luis Valley Century

Come pedal 35-miles, a Metric Century or a 100-mile Century embraced by the dramatic 14,000 foot peaks of the Sangre de Cristo and San Juan Mountains. Experience breathtaking Colorado and the great expanse of the San Luis Valley, one of the world's largest and highest alpine valleys. Pedal beneath the forever reaching blue skies.

Bike 2 Build is a benefit bike ride for Habitat for Humanity. The ride is fully supported with rest stops every 25-30 miles. Registration is \$100 raised in donations for the Centuries and \$75 in donations for the 35-mile [\$115 and \$85 if registering after July 15]. Registration info is available on our website [www.slvhabitat.org](http://www.slvhabitat.org), email us [bikes@slvhabitat.org](mailto:bikes@slvhabitat.org) or call us (719) 589-8678.

*We truly thank all of our wonderful sponsors who make our Century Ride possible: Alamosa Marketing District, Center for Restorative Programs, Colorado Realty & Land Co., Kristi Mountain Sports, Open Skies Acupuncture, Rio Grande Hospital, SLV Federal Bank, Valley Wide Health Systems, Alamosa Kiwanis Club, Lester Ranch, Monte Vista Wildlife Refuge, Sargent School.*



*Come support Habitat for Humanity*  
*Tim & Gena Dellett pedaling*  
*25 Years ~ The Habitat 500*

**You are cordially invited**

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL

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