

Letter from Co-Founders

2011 was an exciting year for our organization, as we not only exceeded our original goal of “building one or two homes per year,” but we also built our first home down in the tiny coastal town of Jacmel.

The home was built on the land purchased in 2010 from a very generous donation by First Lutheran Church in Sioux City, Iowa.

The recipient of the Jacmel home, Madame Johanis, was living with eight of her ten children in the front half of a tent. They had been living in that tent for an entire year after the earthquake. Madame Johanis is 42 and has no job. Her children range in age from seven up to 20-something. She could not recall the ages of three of her children. She owns one bed frame, which has no mattress. She uses the quilt that we gave her in 2010 (see front cover), along with a few blankets, as a makeshift mattress. Her children sleep on the cement floor. She owns some dishes, cooking implements and clothing. Nothing else.

Two other homes were built in Cite Soleil – one for Jean Poux (a teacher) and his wife and three children; the other for William Aliote (who is unemployed), his wife and three children. They had all been living in tents since the earthquake. These homes were made possible by you – our staunch supporters – because of your compassion and generosity.

In May, Daniel JeanMary, our first scholarship recipient, graduated from Inver Hills Community College. Daniel is now back in Haiti managing a bakery in Jacmel with the knowledge he gained in the United States. Many of our loyal supporters were instrumental in providing for Daniel's education.

2011 was the third year in a row that the Ecolab Foundation generously donated a corporate grant.

As the American economy slowly improves, we are continuously grateful for your unwavering support, trust and encouragement. In 2011 we raised \$12,643.78 and kept our overhead to a minimum.

*Thank you for believing in our work and God Blesss – Diane Albright and
Linda Satriano*

*“The value of a man resides in what he gives and not in
what he is capable of receiving.”*

- Albert Einstein

Year in Review

On January 1, 2011, our “Team” left for Haiti. While there we painted one of the new homes in Cite Soleil, visited Three Angels Orphanage in Port au Prince and Wings of Hope in Fermathe, purchased building supplies at the Haitian “Home Depot” and visited the new land in Jacmel. The highlight of the trip was telling Madame Johanis (through an interpreter) that she was going to be the recipient of a new home. She kept jumping up and down, clapping her hands and screaming “oui, oui.” The team of construction workers began

digging for the foundation of the home while we were there. [insert picture]

Our third annual garage sale was held in May, generating approximately \$40.00.

The Moose Lodge in Maplewood graciously agreed to allow us to hold our Second Annual Dance on July ____, and music was again provided by Jim Armstrong.

Our Fourth Annual Bowling Tournament and Silent Auction was held on October ____, 2011 at Sunray Lanes in St. Paul. Approximately 40 bowlers attended, which helped raise almost \$3,000.00. Silent Auction items and prizes were donated by the following:

| <u>Business Donors</u> | | <u>Individual Donors</u> |
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| Acme Comedy Club | Old Country Buffet | Kirk & Diane Albright |
| Bonfire | Lindquist & Vennum | Susan Atneosen |
| Brave New Workshop | MGM Liquors | Matt & Dawn Cherne |
| Casper's/Cherokee Sirloin Room | Mancini's | Charlene Delaney |
| Culver's | MN Twins | Jessica Diers |
| Champps | Mt. Frontenac | Marcia Lee |
| DeGidios | Old Chicago | Toni Miller |
| Fantastic Sam's | Sarrack's Liquor Store | Angela Nelson |
| Grand Casino | Simek's | Tammy Robinson |
| Granite City | Starbuck's | Julia Rust |
| Green Mill | Summit Brewing Co. | Linda Satriano |
| Guthrie Theatre | Sunset's | Dawn Schletty |
| Hilton Hotel | T.G.I.Fridays | |
| Jensen's Supper Club | Theatre in the Round | |
| Joke Joint Comedy Club | Wendell Pittinger | |
| | Yarusso's | |

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| Joseph's Grill | | |
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A total of ____ man hours was worked at concessions for the
Twins and Vikings.

We continue to recycle aluminum cans and ink cartridges.

Thanks to You

How you helped us serve the needy in 2011

- **We gave bags of toiletries, toothbrushes, towels, washcloths, granola bars, blankets, socks, t-shirts and money to each family that has been the recipient of a new home in Cite Soleil**
- **An identical bag of items was presented to Madame Johanis in Jacmel, along with the handmade quilt, which was made by Alice Woitas of Forest Lake, MN**
- **Each of the boys who reside at St. Joseph's Home in Port au Prince received a bag consisting of toiletries, food, money and**

- **Two quilts from Alice Woitas were presented to Three Angels Orphanage**
- **One quilt from Alice Woitas was presented to Wings of Hope home in Fermathe.**

"Life is a gift, and it offers us the privilege, opportunity, and responsibility to give something back by becoming more."

- Anthony Robbins

Financials

Volunteer of The Year

The 2011 Volunteer of the Year is Corissa (“Cori”) Lueck. Cori has been to Haiti on two mission trips (2010 and 2011), as well as helped out with our annual dance at the Maplewood Moose. Cori was also responsible for putting together several teams at past bowling tournaments.

Cori is a senior at Winona State College, majoring in Elementary Education. Cori has been a nanny for ___ years in her home town of Eagan. Cori hopes to open a daycare upon graduation in 2013.

Thanks for all of your dedication Cori – and keep up the good work.

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Contributors

Diamond (\$1,000 +)

Ralph Miller

Platinum (\$500 - \$999)

Ecolab Foundation

Gold (\$250 - \$499)

Bill and Lynn Edmunds
Cassandra Stevenson

Silver (\$100 - \$249)

Art and Eunice Albright
Kirk and Diane Albright
Rob and Carmel Funk
Ward Denaway and Mary Ippel
Colleen Erickson
Jean Pierre Debianchi
John and Betty Hanno
Lindquist & Vennum, P.L.L.P.
Dorothe Sanny
Linda Satriano
Paul and Judy Sydness
Dolores Voorhees

Bronze (up to \$99)

Craig and Paula Albright

Jenny Alexon

Larry and Susan Atneosen

David and Michelle Baker

Everett Beck

Matt and Dawn Cherne

Brayton Cole

Dustin DeVries

Tim and Diane Dewing

Marjorie Florestal

Tom and Diane Freppert

Marlyce Johnson

Tom and Sally Jones

Donald and Dorothy Kelly

BJ and Jackie Kolbo

Tom and Pam Korsman

Jim and Joan Learn

Bob and Brooke LeClaire

Jerry Loomis

Tom and Tammy Lueck

Rosemarie and Linda Manders

Lawrence and Rosemarie May

John Moeller

Rick and Leesa Norton

James and Kathy O'Connell

Mark and Ruth Pechman

Betty Rasmussen
Heidi Rickert
Bob Russell
Lyle and Julia Rust
Cathy Satriano
Pauline Satriano
Dawn Schletty
Paul Schneider
Mark Spah
Chuck and Nelia Stiehm
Randy Strudle
Robert and Barbara Taillefer
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