



Women Build Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES

LexisNexis	5/05/11
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UWL	5/07/11
ReStore Women	5/13/11
YWCA	5/14/11
Egg Roll Pick Up	5/16/11
Gundersen Lutheran Health Plan	5/20/11

Successful Kickoff

Twenty team captains of all ages, backgrounds and skill levels, representing twenty teams of women, came together on Saturday April 30 to put into motion the Women Build project for 2011. As they laid, cut, leveled and attached Form-a-drain for the footings, bent rebar into the correct angles to fit into that Form-a-Drain, erected a silt barrier, sunk posts into the ground for a sign

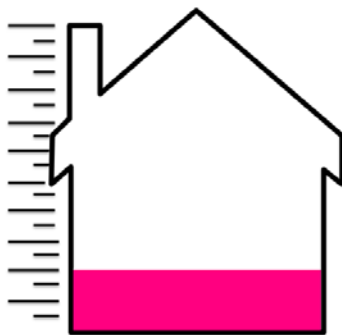
and prepared for the pouring of the footings, the feeling of empowerment was in the air. What a privilege to be a part of this! There is no doubt that these women will create a beautiful home for the Yang family of La Crosse.

-Susan Schmidt,
Team Leader
Ladies on Ladders



Projects going on this Week!

- Laying the Foam-A-Drain
- Pouring the footing
- Starting to put up the ICF Walls



Our Fundraising Goal is \$ 20,000 for Habitat for Humanity

Our Turned in Totals:

Total Cash Submitted \$ 60
 Total Checks Submitted \$ 3,202
 Total Matching Funds \$ _____
 Total Submitted \$ 3,262

Weekly Ramblings

Well the time is finally here! We are officially in the midst of our Women Build Season and I am more excited then ever to see what you can accomplish. Every week we will be sending out a one page newsletter letting you know how the house is coming along and what we will be working on. I hope that this will help everyone stay connected and feel apart of the whole process. In order to make

this a success we would love for you to share your stories, personal experiences and photos with us. Susan Schmidt was generous enough to write our first recap of her experience at the Kickoff and I think she described the day perfectly. You will also be able to find photos from the build days on our [Facebook page](#); visit and LIKE us. If you would like to stay up to date on Women Build chat on a

daily basis please check out our Women Build Event page and feel free to make any comments or post any questions you may have. I would love for this to be used as an open forum for all participants.

-Kelsey Schwartz
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