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Extreme Makeover: Home Edition **Coming to Northwest Illinois**

Hasken Construction to build a dream home for a deserving family

Freeport, Ill., 26 August 2009 – *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*, the Emmy-award winning hit reality show on ABC Television, is coming to northwest Illinois to surprise one lucky family with a home of their dreams. With a goal to complete the new house in one week (actual construction time: 106 hours), Hasken Construction will be leading literally thousands of local volunteers in the effort beginning with the identification of the family on Wednesday 9 September.

“We received this invitation just over a week ago and our first reaction was: a house in 106 hours? That’s impossible!” said Rick Hasken. “Then we started calling potential partners for us in the project and the response was overwhelming. The outpourings of genuine Midwestern generosity in helping a family that none of us know has been truly inspiring. With all the support we found, we quickly decided that we CAN do it, we MUST do it, and we’re excited to get started.”

“We need lots of help,” Hasken continued. “Volunteers are needed for all kinds of work from skilled carpenters and trades people to general help for which no particular skill is needed. If you have an interest, we’ll have a job for you! We need all kinds of materials and services, and we also need monetary donations for goods and services that are not donated. We’ll keep an updated list on our website, and we urge folks to visit the site at www.haskenconstruction.com to volunteer or donate.”

Primary partners for the project have been announced:

Wayne Fischer, Fischer Excavating
Jack Gastel, Lumber-Jack Builders LLC
Roger Burkholder, Burkholder and Sons INC
Tony Burkholder, Real Design Concrete
Adam Holder, Fehr-Graham & Associates
Dean and Robby Rood, R Squared Components
Chris Heal, Blackhawk Lumber INC
Cory Siegner, Cory's Landscaping
Jeff Wagner, Jansen Heating and Air Conditioning
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Ty Pennington, team leader of the show, as well as his design team, will notify the selected family by showing up at the family's northwest Illinois residence on Wednesday 9 September.

About Hasken Construction

Hasken Construction LLC is dedicated to building distinctive, quality crafted custom homes and commercial buildings with unique designs, attention to detail, and tailored to customers' dream specifications. When building, designing, remodeling and/or renovating, their custom work is based on the customer's objectives. As a full-service builder, they direct the building process from the concept stage through final completion with the goal of delivering the highest quality product with prompt, courteous service. This includes but is not limited to site analysis, blueprint development, actual construction, landscaping, and warranty service.

The Haskens began remodeling existing homes in 1982. In 1985, Hasken Construction began building at Lake Carroll, Illinois and since that time they have become a major presence in northwest Illinois.

About ABC-TV's *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*

"Extreme Makeover: Home Edition," which has won back-to-back Emmy Awards as Best Reality Program (non-competitive), is entering its 7th season on ABC. The program is produced by Endemol USA, a division of Endemol Holding. Anthony Dominici is the executive producer; and David Goldberg is the president of Endemol USA. The show airs on Sundays (7:00 p.m. CST), on the ABC Television Network.

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