

6/8/2008 - GROUNDBREAKING SET FOR HABITAT HOME FOR RWANDAN FAMILY

Habitat for Humanity of Peconic will be breaking ground Sunday afternoon June 8th for a house for a family of Rwandan refugees who settled in Southampton after fleeing the genocide in their homeland.

The public is invited to join Faustin Nsabukunzi, his wife and three sons at the site of their future home on the Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike in Bridgehampton for the 3 p.m. ceremony, which will be attended by local officials, Habitat volunteers, and other area Habitat homeowners. A big sign marks the spot on the west side of the street, south of Huntington Crossway.

The three-bedroom house, which will be built in partnership with the Farrell Building Corporation, is the 10th project of the local Habitat affiliate.

As is the case with all Habitat families, Mr. Nsabukunzi, his wife, Agnes, and sons, Fabrice, Didier and Thierry, will play an active role in turning their dream house into a reality. They are required to put 500 hours of "sweat equity" into its construction.

The family currently lives in North Sea. Mr. Nsabukunzi, a beekeeper by trade, works as a caretaker at a private home in Water Mill and at an area shop.