



Blum's Landing 2011 Update

Dear Friends of Blum's Landing,

Thank you so much for believing in our dream and supporting this important initiative since the inception. Time has gone by so quickly; and we are finally beginning the "official" move up to Blum's Landing. We are so close to opening the doors to the fine young soldiers who have served our country so honorably.

The kitchen is in the process of near completion with beautiful handmade cabinets created by an excellent local cabinet maker, Linda of Linda's Woodcraft. Appliances have been ordered and will be shortly delivered. Dry wall needs to be added to the upper floor of the garage; and insulation placed in the basement. With these items completed, we can then move to the final inspection and that open welcoming door!!!

Words cannot express the thanks for the graciousness of all who helped. Thanks to the volunteers who came up and stayed to help Terry in the building phases, the flooring, plumbing, lighting, tiling, etc. Thanks to the donors who gave items for the soldiers, items for the home, quilts, and/or donations.

During this summer, visitors, family, and volunteers came through to take a peek and/or to work on projects. Landscaping was improved in adding flowers with the help of the teen group from St. Michael's Lutheran Church of Canton. They also helped complete the ceiling and staining of the large porch area. The American Legion Post 32 Riders enjoyed a trip up; then dug a hole and set the foundation for the flagpole. They gifted Blum's Landing with beautiful rockers for the front porch honoring the five service organizations; along with a generous donation. Our friend, Chris Becker, came in from Florida to help with the flooring.

The fundraisers at Bennigans in Plymouth and at the Barn Jammin' for Vets in Portage were fun and rewarding. The generosity of friends, staff, and parents at Memorial 1-2 Campus was overwhelming as Jan celebrated her official retirement. Your continued investment and support to Blum's Landing will assure the success of our mission. The soldiers that will walk through the door of Blum's Landing will know the thoughtfulness and appreciation of you, our donors! You can certainly continue to donate to this project by visiting the website, www.blumslanding.org, and making a donation under the correct heading.

Finally, if you are aware of military personnel having served in Iraq/Afghanistan needing respite, do let us know by dropping a line to the P.O. Box 871292, Canton, MI, 48187, or in an email through the website, or at terryb5945@wowway.com with pertinent information. A personal invitation from us then can be sent to visit Blum's Landing.

We will continue to update on our progress and with our guests' visits. Do know each of you will always continue to be in our prayers and blessings.

Warmly,

Terry and Jan Blumberg..... and Scrappy,too!!