

Along the Frontier

April 28, 2008



FRONTIER

Board Meeting
May 1
5:15 p.m.
Boodry Place



April is Fair Housing Month

Frontier kicked-off several activities celebrating April as Fair Housing month. Fair Housing Laws protect individuals and families who are seeking housing and home loans from discrimination such as race, color, sex, religion, national or ethnic origin, familial status, or disability.

Sixth graders in Ms. Lisa Brown's classes at Rowan County Middle School were given the opportunity to have a contest to create a radio commercial based on Fair Housing laws. The winning teams then traveled to Morehead State University, where they had the chance to tour the studio and record their commercials at Morehead State Public Radio. These commercials will be played on many radio stations in the region

during the month of April.

Mayor David Perkins and Judge/Executive Jim Nickell also met with Frontier Housing staff this week to sign a proclamation declaring *April Fair Housing Month* in Morehead and Rowan County. Residents are encouraged to participate in the recognition of Fair Housing Month during the month of April. While many of us in recent months have reflected upon the ideals of our nation and the privileges and rights we enjoy as its citizens, the fact remains that many of us face obstacles in achieving the "American Dream." Discrimination continues to act as a deterrent to achieving our national goal of equal access to housing.



Students from RCMS pose with Paul Hitchcock of Morehead State Public Radio and Wendy Puckett of Frontier Housing



Students recording their commercial in studio



Jim Nickell, Stacey Epperson, David Perkins

More Key Moments

Jeannette Johnson came to Frontier Housing looking for financing to purchase a used mobile home. After comparing the used mobile home to the homes in Edgewood, she decided to purchase a home through Frontier. She and her son chose the Main Street plan and couldn't be happier. Jeannette is employed with Morehead State University.

Ray Bauder is the proud new owner of a Boodry in Ezel. Ray is retired and looks forward to having a place where he can have a garden. Ray has rented for several years and now he has a home of his own. Mr. Bauder's loan was the first new construction loan to be outsourced to FAHE for processing.



Stephanie Cooley and Ray Bauder

President Bush Discusses Housing, Economy

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2008/03/200803289.html>

Other News

Good news from Kentucky Housing Corporation, Frontier Housing received a \$600,000 award of home ownership funds (HOME and Affordable Housing Trust Funds). The HOME and AHTF Funds are the foundation of our affordable housing efforts. Funding should be available to use in July 2008

Boodry Place is nearing completion. The Contractor, Community Housing Partners will be complete some during the last week of April with tenants arriving some time in the month of June. Stacey is working on a dedication ceremony some time in May or June. More to come on this in the near future! Link to Photos:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/TomCarew/BoodryPlaceApril8?authkey=tkDui1Sx-b8>

The Berea Performance Compact's Manufactured Housing efforts continued in Morehead the second week of April with a house set in the Edgewood Community. Members from five of our sister non-profits, Eastern Eight, TN.; ADFAC, TN.; Community Housing, Winchester KY.; HOPE Housing, VA., and Christian Appalachian Project, KY were in attendance for the two day event. Frontier's building crew set the home and blacked it in place.

<http://picasaweb.google.com/TomCarew/Lot20BPCSetApril2008FrontierHousing?authkey=jojYAbU-iQ>. The week before the set Josh Trent and Tom Carew took the BPC members for a tour of the Norris (Clayton) plant at Bean Station, TN.

Auction: C. Roger Lewis Agency held an auction of our surplus equipment on Saturday, April 5. We sold several pick up trucks, the old baby dump truck, a large dump truck, and heavy equipment trailer, file cabinets, office chairs, and lots of old, old stuff! The auction netted about \$45,000.

Stacey and Tom attended a house dedication for Peoples Self Help Housing in Tollesboro. Congressman Geoff Davis helped with the dedication.

<http://picasaweb.google.com/TomCarew/GeoffDavisTollesboro/photo?authkey=mvOvgt91M0#5182519121821023762>

USDA Loan and Grant for the HOC purchase and renovation closed on April 25. The USDA Rural Development Agency is providing Frontier a \$50,000 grant and a \$258,000 40 year loan at 4.375%.

*Be kinder than
necessary because
everyone you meet
is fighting some kind
of battle.*



Tom Carew wins e-achievement award

Tom Carew, founder of Frontier Housing of Morehead, was the recent winner of the coveted e-chievement award from *etown*, the popular national radio show that mixes live music and conversation. The award is a listener-nominated honor given to individuals who are working hard to make a positive difference in their communities and beyond. For the full story, follow the link below.

<http://www.moreheadstate.edu/news/release.aspx?id=30412>

For the radio interview, follow this link:

http://etown.musiccoop.org/echievement/etown_0813_e-chievement_192.mp3