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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. -The Illinois Wesleyan and Illinois State University chapters of Habitat for Humanity will dedicate their 10th consecutive collegiate chapter Habitat house in their collective effort on Saturday, April 23, at 12 p.m. The dedication will take place at the chapter house located at 21 Fuller Court, Bloomington.

The event is free and open to the public.

Habitat is an ecumenical, Christian housing ministry founded in 1976 that seeks to eliminate substandard housing worldwide. The organization has nearly 900 affiliated chapters in the U.S. and sponsors about 100 projects in developing countries. By having needy and affluent people work together in equal partnership, Habitat builds new relationships and a sense of community as well as new housing.

Habitat for Humanity was organized in McLean County in April 1985. Since then, the ministry has built or renovated over 85 homes in the towns of Bloomington, Normal, Lexington, Gridley, Saybrook, Chenoa and Heyworth. The group plans to complete 27 houses over the next three years.

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