

# Lake Olympia donates land for charity home

Title has been transferred to the Greater Houston Builders Association for land donated by two Houston developers for the organization's 1989 Charity Homes project, according to GHBA President Tom Walker.

Fully developed lots for the two charity homes were donated by Friendswood Development Company and Lake Olympia Development Corp. Title services for the transactions were donated by Stewart Title Company.

This is the ninth GHBA Charity Homes project, which has contributed more than \$700,000 to Houston-area charities since the project was founded in 1980. According to Walker, construction will begin immediately on two homes for this year's project. The homes will be built on donated land, with many of the construction services and products donated by GHBA members. The majority of the proceeds from sale of these two homes will benefit Texas Children's Hospital and the Alzheimers Assn., Houston Chapter.

One GHBA Charity Home for this year will be built by McKinney Homes in Lake Olympia on a lot donated by Lake Olympia Development Corp. Lake Olympia is a master planned community of approximately 1,000 acres on Highway 6 near Murphy Road.

The focal point of this resort style community is the 130 acres of lakes with 9 miles of shoreline. Preservation of the natural surroundings has been given top priority in the planning of Lake Olympia, with large areas of forest and greenbelts left untouched. Lake Olympia provides a natural habi-

tat for native wildlife and vegetation. Flocks of herons and other birds, as well as deer, are often seen in the dense forests.

Recreation is also a top priority. Besides fishing and boating in the 130 acres of lakes, there is a private coun-

try club offering 54 holes of golf, 29 tennis courts, 5 large swimming pools, 8 racquetball courts, health center, jogging trails, playgrounds and ball-fields. Boat tours are offered daily. Homes in Lake Olympia are priced from the \$100,000's to over \$600,000.



Stewart Title Company donated title services for the 1989 GHBA Charity Homes Project. The closing for the land transfer for Lake Olympia included: (seated, left to right) Mac McKinney of McKinney Homes; Stephanie Enright, branch manager of Stewart's Missouri City office; and Andrew Choy, president of Lake Olympia Development Corp. Standing are Jack Mahoney, president of the Fort Bend Division of Stewart Title, and Jim DeLaPlaine of McKinney Homes.

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Shown at the groundbreaking for the greater Houston Builders Association Charity Home in Lake Olympia (left to right): David Tsai, chairman, Lake Olympia Development Corporation; Charity

Homes Project chairman, Jim DeLaPlaine, McKinney Homes; GHBA staff member Anne Brand; Andrew M. Choy, president, Lake Olympia Development Corporation; and Mac McKinney, McKinney Homes.