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## **WARREN HARDING HIGH SCHOOL HABITAT FOR HUMANITY TEAM HOSTS BENEFIT TO FUND SPRING BREAK TRIP**

**BRIDGEPORT, CT – March 2010** – The Warren Harding High School Habitat for Humanity Club is proud to announce that it will be sending out 18 students to Winston Salem, North Carolina during their spring break to volunteer with the Habitat for Humanity affiliate of Forsythe County.

To support this trip, the club will be hosting a Benefit Evening on **Thursday March 25th from 5:00 to 9:00pm** at the **Field Restaurant (3001 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport)**. Tickets are \$10 at the door to the private room in the back of the Field. There will be free appetizers (both hot and cold), a cash bar, and several auction items. The event is sponsored and organized by Harding's Law and Public Service Academy.

“The students in the Habitat Club are not just making the community of Bridgeport a better place,” said Katie Boland, Coordinator of Harding's Law and Public Service Academy, “but they are also becoming leaders and role models within the school. The experience is a rewarding one for the students, many of whom return year after year to volunteer.”

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that seeks to eliminate poverty housing worldwide by making decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. Harding students would work side-by-side with future Habitat homeowners as they, together, make the dream of homeownership come true.

The Harding Habitat Club was developed in 2006 and this will be the fifth annual spring break experience. The club has volunteered with affiliates in North Carolina, South Carolina, and West Virginia. To apply for the annual spring break trips, students must meet strict criteria for passing all classes with no discipline referrals throughout the year. They also must go through an application process, which includes an interview, letters of recommendation, and transcripts. In addition, the members of the Harding Habitat Club spend their Saturday mornings once a month volunteering with Habitat for Humanity right here in Bridgeport, Connecticut.