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**RAMAPO COLLEGE STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN WALL RAISING FOR
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

(Mahwah) – Members of the Student Government Association of Ramapo College and Tau Delta Phi, a fraternity, as well as college administrators participated in a wall-raising event sponsored by the Paterson Habitat for Humanity. A Mississippi family displaced due to Hurricane Katrina's devastation will occupy the home. At the wall-raising, students met and spoke with Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr.

Student government members who participated were Jay Everett; Kelly Grapentine, Old Bridge; Steve Plagianakos, Hazlet; Xiomara Robinson, Paterson; Joseph Rooney, Brick; and Gina Sallustio, Secaucus. Plagianakos and Rooney are also members of Tau Delta Phi. Other fraternity members who assisted at the wall-raising were James Kaounis, Moonachie, Michael Plagianakos, Hazlet; and Jeffrey Price, Monmouth Beach.

The wall-raising kicked off the construction of a three-bedroom, single-family house in Paterson. Teams of five volunteer builders from the area raised \$250 to take part in the event. They also purchased a pre-cut 2 by 4, wrote messages of encouragement and good wishes on it, and hammered it into one of the home's walls. In addition, students assisted by framing many of the walls for the home, working side-by-side with the family who will occupy it.

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