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DAILY UPDATE FROM 12/8/2005
CRAWFORD-SMITH EPISODE (BLACKSBURG, VA) OF
"EXTREME MAKEOVER: HOME EDITION"

Summary of Yesterday's Events Progress and Build Facts:

- Roof trusses are completely in place and volunteers responded to an all-call on both the local newscasts and the radio stations
- Therefore, the rest of roofing is nearly complete (expect for the remaining 10 percent that are under tarp due to the sleet and rain)
- Siding is well under-way, but has been delayed, also due to weather
- Workers are now focused on getting drywall and trim work in place
- Volunteers worked on everything from construction-related labor to bring fresh, hot cups of coffee onto site for the workers who didn't have time to take breaks!
- Donors continue to drop off goodies – such as homemade pastries! – to thank the volunteers and workers

Anticipated schedule for today's build:

- Depending on weather, the roof and siding will be finished
- Driveway will be paved

Featured Profile: JAMES HARDIE BUILDING PRODUCTS

James Hardie donated all siding, exterior trim and soffit for the house. The siding is a fiber-cement product with a 50 year guarantee and the paint is guaranteed for 15 years. On March 15, James Hardie will open their largest facility in the world – 800,000 square feet – in Pulaski, Va.

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Additional Information:

What: "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" in Blacksburg, VA
Where: Access map and driving directions at www.bsiva.com/extreme
When: 24 hours per day, daily through Sunday, December 11
Notes: The media tent is open and will be staffed each day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Press materials can be found at www.bsiva.com (click on the Extreme link)

Cash donations:

First Citizens Bank (located in the Kroger Store at Gables Shopping Center)
1322 S. Main Street
Blacksburg, Va. 24060
540-961-6212
Contact: Linda Meriman
Account: Building Specialists Fund for Carol Crawford Smith

Volunteers should visit www.bsiva.com for opportunities and instructions.

Parking updates are available at www.blacksburg.gov. Spectators and volunteers should park at The Red Lion Inn, Kent Square or Virginia Tech Commuter Lot B (Saturday and Sunday only). Spectators should ride the shuttle to the site. Volunteers should proceed to Check-In. Tradesman should park at Nellie's Cave and walk to the site. Media should park at Nellie's Cave and walk; satellite vehicles may request access to park on Forest Hills Drive.

ABOUT BUILDING SPECIALISTS, INC.

Building Specialists, Inc. (BSI) is a full-service commercial and residential general contractor, founded by its president, Bob Fetzer, in 1975. Based in Roanoke, Virginia, the company offers complete construction services of additions and renovations, as well as turn-key services for new construction. They also offer a complete design service.

For 30 years, Building Specialists has made its mission to not only construct, but to enhance the built environment and life of the surrounding community—serving, strengthening and assisting clients to carry out their own dreams and aspirations. BSI's motto, "*It's not what we build. It's how,*" aptly summarizes this design and construction philosophy, which is reflected in their work across the region. With projects as diverse as Advance Auto Parts, Excel Prosthetics, Blueberry Hill Cottages at Mountain Lake, stately residences throughout the Roanoke Valley, and the beautifully renovated Grandin Theatre, the list of satisfied clients in the region is long and distinguished. For more information on BSI, go to www.bsiva.com.

ABOUT "EXTREME MAKEOVER: HOME EDITION"

The design team for this episode of "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" will feature team leader Ty Pennington, as well as Paul DiMeo, Preston Sharp, Paige Hemmis, and Daniel Kucan. The episode, called "Crawford-Smith Family", is scheduled to air during the winter of 2006.

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Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" is produced by Endemol USA, a division of Endemol Holding. David Goldberg is the president of Endemol USA. The series is executive-produced by Tom Forman. The show airs Sundays (8:00-9:00 p.m. ET), on the ABC Television Network.

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PRESS NOTES

Media are welcome onsite for the duration of the project. Proper credentials are required for access to the site – a closed Hollywood set. All media must check-in at the media tent to receive press badges and full press kits. Daily press briefings will be held at 8 a.m. Daily releases will be distributed on-site, via email and via the internet. Interviews can be scheduled through the above media contacts.

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