Habitat for Humanity Founders LARD A NDA FULLER Visit DBU Campus

Millard and Linda Fuller take part in an interview with a CNN correspondent in front of the DBU-Habitat for Humanity Home.

illard and Linda Fuller, the founders of Habitat for Humanity, recently visited DBU to take part in the dedication services of a Habitat Home that was built on the University campus. The two traveled to Dallas that day to accept the T. B. Maston Award for Applied Christian Ethics. Although the Fullers have visited DBU five times over the last fifteen years, this dedication service proved to be an especially memorable visit and also sparked interest among local and national media.

Millard Fuller was also the keynote speaker at a special luncheon held at DBU for area ministers. During his talk, Fuller encouraged churches to take part in Habitat's vision of building simple, decent housing for those who are in poverty. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat for Humanity has built nearly 160,000 homes for almost 1 million people across the world.

For the past fifteen years, the DBU family has worked hard to help Habitat with its mission through its college campus chapter. DBU was among the first ten schools to begin a college chapter in 1988, thanks to the leadership of Dr. Gary Cook. In 1987, Dr. Cook suggested to Millard Fuller that the international organization sponsor chapters on college campuses so that students could become involved in their work. That same year, Dr. Cook began a chapter at Baylor University, where he was then serving, and was named the founding president of the National Association of College Chapters of Habitat for Humanity.

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Since the DBU college chapter of Habitat began, DBU students have participated in housing builds throughout the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex in addition to an annual DBU-Habitat for Humanity Spring Break Trip. In years past, students have spent their spring breaks building homes in places such as New Orleans, Corpus Christi, St. Louis, New York, Connecticut, New Mexico, and Americus, Georgia, headquarters of Habitat for Humanity International.



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