

## **Local Riders to Join Cross-country Trip to Benefit Habitat for Humanity**

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Alfred, NY -- A group from the Alfred area plan to spend the day June 5 traveling with 30 bicyclists from New Haven, CT, who are pedaling their way across North America to raise money for Habitat for Humanity. In a nine-week trip sponsored by the Yale University Campus chapter of Habitat, the 30 bikers left New Haven Saturday (May 29.) They're headed for Vancouver, British Columbia, in a trip designed to raise funds for the New Haven affiliate of Habitat and to raise awareness of Habitat's mission and activities. The Yale cyclists are scheduled to arrive June 4 in Corning, and on Saturday (June 5), a group of day trippers from Southeast Steuben Habitat will accompany them as they ride through Addison, Cameron and Hornell. At lunch at the Hornell United Methodist Church, the morning day riders will "pass the baton" to afternoon riders from Genesee Valley Habitat, said Dr. Addison Frey, associate professor at Alfred University, head of AU's mathematics program, and president of the Genesee Valley Habitat chapter. He will be among the afternoon riders along with others from the Genesee Valley chapter, including board member Will Zike of Houghton. The Genesee Valley day riders are soliciting pledges to help fund local projects. Pledges may be sent to P.O. Box 1181, Alfred, NY 14802. The afternoon riders will pass through Almond, Angelica, and Belfast, ending in Houghton with a dish-to-pass supper at 6 p.m. at the Wesleyan Church. Genesee Valley Habitat is celebrating its 10th year of existence. It completed its first project, a new house near Caneadea, in March 1993. Since then, the group has completed two new houses in Wellsville, a major rehabilitation project in Scio, and two rehabilitations in Wellsville. Currently the affiliate is rehabilitating a house at the corner of North Highland Avenue and Early Street in Wellsville. Workdays for volunteers are held every Saturday, starting at 9 a.m. For more information about Genesee Valley Habitat for Humanity, call or e mail Dr. Frey, 607 871-2814, [ffrey@king.alfred.edu](mailto:ffrey@king.alfred.edu).