



near the start of the race.

"As an athlete, it would be nice to have this opportunity in other cities. I'd encourage everyone to participate in the *Beds for Benefit* fundraiser," exclaims Angel. "It is a perfect opportunity to meet like-minded people who love the adventure of toeing the starting-line!"

**If you'd like to participate in *Beds for Benefit* and open your home during Grandma's Marathon June 19-20, 2009, please contact Laura Seitz at 722-5372 ext. 203.**

### Beds for Benefit

In June of 2008, community members raised over \$5,000 for the Land Trust by opening their homes to out-of-town runners, for a suggested donation, during Grandma's Marathon weekend. Angel and Steve Hohenstein are long-time runners but first time hosts for *Beds for Benefit*. They heard about the fundraiser through word-of-mouth and flyers. They described their experience as fun and interesting.

"The runner we hosted was very gracious and glad to have a place to stay," said Angel. "We felt confident opening our door to a fellow athlete and we're glad that the money went to a fantastic cause!"

The Hohensteins travel often throughout the year to participate in various races. They understand the need for comfortable, inexpensive housing