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Home Away from Home

As the first half of the 2008 / 09 school year comes to a close for the Christmas season I would like to take this time to wish you and your family a *Happy Holiday Season* and a *Happy New Year*.

The residential program at the College has been the center point of the school for many years. Students arrive the first day wondering what residential life will be like and will leave at the end of the year with many memorable times spent in the residence with their roommates.

I have had the privilege of being part of the Notre Dame residential program the past twelve years

servicing as a House Parent, Teacher, Coach and I am currently the Director of Student Life. Together with Student Assistant Carol Duncan, Derek Belvedere our new Student Activities Coordinator and all of the House Parents we work endless hours ensuring our Hounds on campus are involved and having fun outside of the classroom.

Our goal in the residential program is to create a healthy home atmosphere for the students to live in where they feel safe and secure. We also endeavor to teach life skills within the residence with regards to responsibility and cooperation. It is amazing to see the growth of our

students as they become young leaders at our school.

Bob Baumuller '92
Director of Student Life





Mother Teresa Dorm North

Hello All! My name is Angela Mallory and I am the House Parent for Mother Teresa North. It is my second year as a Notre Dame House Parent. I have moved to Wilcox from Trinity College School, a private school in Port Hope, Ontario where I was an Assistant House Parent, Hockey Coach and Supply Teacher. My Assistant House Parent this year is Dawn Froats '99. Dawn is a Hound herself and she brings lots of experience and red and white spirit into our dorm. To add to the spirit, I have a fantastic staff of house leaders. Our Student House Leaders this year are third year Hounds Kimberly Csek (Kelowna, BC), Avery Swail (Calgary, AB), second year Hound Nicki Mosbeck (Emo, ONT) and fourth year Hound Kelsey Bossenberry (Regina, Sk). These four ladies help me take care of the 35 girls who reside in Mother Teresa North in grades ranging from 10-12.

Girls new and returning have adjusted phenomenally to dorm life this year and have settled in well. We have had a busy yet exciting year so far in MTN. Between the girls' own schedules and dorm activities such trips to the city, Pats games, Spa Nights, Dance offs and prayer nights with the Sisters of Charity of St. Louis, they have had no shortage of things to keep them busy. Currently, the girls are excited to be involved in our dorm wide Secret Santa exchange of kindness and our upcoming Christmas Sleigh ride on December 17. Thanks to Sister Vicky and Sister Clem for organizing this event.

Christmas is almost here the girls are excited and looking forward to their much deserved break. I am looking forward to seeing them refreshed and smiling in the New Year. From Mother Teresa North we wish everyone a safe and happy holiday!

Angela Mallory
Notre Dame Houseparent



Upstairs Fred Hill Dorm

Welcome to the Fred Hill Up residence formerly known as “Chopper Dorm”. My name is Kevin White and I am the Houseparent. I live with my wife Jana along with our 3 year daughter Breanna and our 1 and ½ year old son, Reid. Our home that is connected to the residence. I have one assistant Houseparent who works with me and her name is Luanne Nelson. Luanne has been working with me in Fred Hill for the past 3 years. Our residence is made up of grade 10 and 11 boys and we have 4 Grade 12 Houseleaders who help with the day to day operations of the residence. They are, John Esposito from Montreal, Quebec, Drew George from Regina, Saskatchewan, Atshapi Andrew from Sheshatshit, Labrador and Jeremy lee from Buena Park, California.

As I write this we are a week away from our Christmas break. The boys are very excited about returning home for a well deserved break. The boys are very busy these days with their academics, athletics and extra curricular activities. We have had one major dorm outing into Regina to watch a Regina Pats WHL hockey game. Over the past few weeks many of our students have been away with their respective hockey or basketball teams to tournaments representing the College and making the school very proud. Residential life is a big part of the Notre Dame way of life. It allows our students the opportunity to live and share their lives and space with 40 other boys of the same age. It helps them develop important problem solving skills that will help them as they

grow and mature into men. The skills they learn here will be a benefit to them for the rest of their lives. We are proud to be a part of that process and are proud of our Hounds.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday from the staff and students of the Fred Hill UP Residence!

Kevin White
Notre Dame Houseparent



Seaman Hall Dorm



Houseparent- Jim Gilchrist
 Assistant Houseparents- Angi McGarry, Randy Lewis



House Leaders

Kiefer Olson: This is Kiefer's 5th year at Notre Dame. Kiefer was a long time resident of Wilcox before his family moved to Calgary, Alberta where he now resides. Kiefer was a member of the Sr. Football team at Notre Dame and due to a nagging injury to his leg was forced to miss time with the team that he wishes he could have back. This injury has also kept Kiefer sidelined from hockey another one of his interests at the school. Hopefully, Kiefer will be back in shape for the upcoming Rugby season with Doug.



Patrick McGillis: This is

Patrick's 3rd year at Notre Dame. Patrick hails from Calgary, Alberta. Patrick's main interest is hockey and is a key member with the Midget AAA Hounds. Patrick is also a member of the Notre Dame rugby team.

Tyler Perkins: This is Tyler's 3rd year at Notre Dame. Tyler comes to us from Regina, Saskatchewan where his father, Terry, is an Assistant Coach with the Regina Pats. Tyler has a keen interest in football and he recently won the RHSAA Leadership Award for his efforts towards the team this year. Tyler has also begun to take on different interests in basketball this year.

Chris Bagnoud: Chris is in his 2nd year at Notre Dame. Chris comes all the way from Werdenberg, Switzerland. Chris was a member of the Sr. Football team and also plays hockey for the Notre Dame AAA Argos.

Dan Smith: This is Dan's 2nd year at Notre Dame. Dan also was a member of the Sr. Football team, plays hockey for the Baumuller Midget AA team and is currently active

with the basketball team. Dan will play Rugby in the spring as well.

Our dorm consists of 51 students, 19 grade 11's and 32 grade 12's. We have had a couple of activities in the gym with basketball and floor hockey. There has been a large group outing, including other dorms, to a Regina Pats game which was enjoyed by all. There has been a shopping trip as well that quite a few attended. With this dorm belonging to all 6 midget teams and 1 representative from our Junior A team it is tough to gather all of the troops for a whole dorm activity. I am looking at another Regina Pats game before break, so will keep everyone informed.

We have weekly dorm meetings that are both informative and topic related to suit the needs of the students.

The Seaman Hall boys are the leaders on campus and have been doing a fine job displaying that. The boys take pride in their dorm and make it a very comfortable atmosphere for everyone within the dorm or those who are visiting.

Fred Hill Downstairs

Fred Hill Down dorm houses grade 9 boys, the future leaders of the male student body of Notre Dame. Under the leadership of Marilyn Bradley, the dorm's houseparent, 43 boys are learning to manage their lives in a new and interesting environment, facing the challenges of dorm life and community living. Marilyn and her husband, Jim, have 2 children, Marla is a grade 10 student and Russell is a grade 8 student at St. Augustine's elementary school in Wilcox.

Marilyn is assisted by Kristy Duperrault '91 and Marc Nadeau '05 who fills in for her when she is on days off. Kristi also works in Health Care on a full time basis and Marc is a member of the Notre Dame Hounds Junior Hockey team. Of the 43 boys in the dorm there are four Grade 12 boys who also assist in maintaining the daily function of the dorm and mentoring of the Grade 9's; Tommy Grant, Declan Finn, Brantley Shapansky and Riley Muise. These young men will be graduating this coming spring and moving on to enjoy new challenges and experiences.

Tommy is from Comox, BC, and his interests are in hockey, music and skateboarding. He has been at Notre Dame for 2 years. Tommy loves to bake cookies and his goal is to attend

the University of Victoria next year.

Declan is from London, England and has been at Notre Dame for 5 years. He enjoys hockey, soccer, tennis and hanging out with friends. He loves all types of music providing that it is "catchy" and decent to listen to. When "Finner" was younger he used to ski but got the hockey bug and hung up the skis. Declan hopes to attend a university that offers study in audio recording technology.

Brantley, "Shaps", is from Jasper, Alberta and is the one person who would rather be outdoors (weather of no concern) than indoors. He loves to water ski, big game hunting, fishing and biking and playing hockey. Shaps is in his 3rd year at Notre Dame and plays for the ND Hounds. He enjoys mentoring the younger boys and hopes that they grow to love ND as much as he does.

Riley is from Tumbler Ridge, BC, and is in his 4th year at Notre Dame. Riley is the "Red & White Night" leader of ND, spurring on the students to be loud, spirited and fun loving as they cheer on various ND teams. He loves soccer, hockey, baseball and golf and anything else that would keep him outdoors. Riley enjoys getting the Grade 9 boys involved in activities and to "keep everyone smil-

ing". Riley is keeping his options open for next year but will likely attend a post secondary school in BC.

There is no better job than to be the House Parent of these grade 9 boys, although challenging from time to time, the rewards far out way the challenges that crop up. Marilyn, who is also a Registered Nurse for Health Care, is honored to be a part of Notre Dame's staff and hopes to enjoy many years at ND in both capacities.





Max Bell Hall

Welcome to Max Bell Hall. My name is Rick Viney and this is my second year here at Notre Dame and I am proud to be the House Parent of 46 grade 10 and 11 fine young men. Along with the 46 students are also 4 grade 12 houseleaders who have been selected for their leadership abilities. Upstairs in Max Bell is 4th year Hound Nolan Huysmans from Ponoka, AB along with 2nd year Hound Matthew Dunnigan from Regina, SK. Downstairs in Max Bell Hall is 3rd year Hound Graeme Lacey from Ottawa, ON and 2nd year Hound Nicholas Tsigakis from Laval QC. These four fine young men are the backbone of Max Bell Hall dorm and help to ensure that all runs smoothly for myself and my assistant House Parent Perry Nelson.

So far this busy year we have had some in dorm activities such as a Poker night and an Arcade night. We are looking forward to challenging another dorm in a dodge ball night in the gym. We had a dorm outing to the Regina Pats game last month. This was a game in which many of the students in the school attended. We are planning a Christmas Party in which we will have a dorm meal and some activities that should rap up a great 2008 year so far in the dorm. The young men are making great friends here in the dorm and are fast becoming a community within the Notre Dame community. I am looking forward to a great 2009 year with these fine young gentlemen and hope to arrange some more exciting dorm activities to continue to develop our community.

Rick Viney
Max Bell Hall Houseparent

Mother Teresa Dorm South

Hey! My name is Vickie More Houseparent of Mother Theresa Dorm South. I come from Deloraine, Manitoba. My husband's name is Paul and is a former Hound '83, I have one son Cory who is also a Hound and my daughter is Jennifer More and is currently in Grade 10 right here at Notre Dame. I am a retired hairdresser of 25 years and am really enjoying my experience at the school and in the residence.

I have a great assistant houseparent, Janice Bailey who resides in Wilcox and can also be seen working at the canteen. My houseleaders are Alana Johnson, a five year Hound who comes from Millarville, Alberta. Alana plays soccer and is the captain of the Sr. girls basketball team. Natalie Sykes is a three year Hound who comes from Banff, Alberta. Natalie plays hockey on

the Sr. girls AAA midget team. Alexandria Mansbridge is a four year Hound who sings in the church choir and plays basketball with the Sr. girls basketball team. Ali comes from Silton, SK just outside of Regina. Mary Jane Roper is a second year Hound who hails from Moncton, New Brunswick. Mary Jane plays soccer and plays defense for the AAA midget girls hockey team.

The girls are very involved in hockey, soccer, volleyball, basketball, choir, drama, wrestling, multimedia, and SRC. So it's not easy to have dorm outings, but we have had 3 get togethers with the sisters of Charity of St.

Louis plus one trip to Regina to see a Regina Pats game.

We have already put our trees up for Christmas and will be having a secret Santa. The girls are really excited for Christmas and will also be having a room decorating contest. On December 17th we have a sleigh ride planned and a party in the dorm with carols, Christmas treats and present exchange. All the girls have settled in very well and have adjusted to dorm life.

Vickie
More
Mother
Teresa Houseparent

