

# UNNDUV

April 2004

## Showers of Blessings

Congratulations to the families who have recently welcomed new babies:

**Connor Patrick** born March 18 to **Molly and Chris O'Neill** (L20).

**Ella** born March 28 to **Kelly and Richard Mear** (L21).

**David** born March 30 to **Megan and Clint Okerlund** (M11).

**Lily Celeste and Cora Genevieve** born April 5 to Stephanie and Reece Haywood (K1).

## Holy Week Schedule of Events

The following services will be held at the Beichner Community Center in observance of Holy Week:

**Holy Thursday, April 8, 5:30pm**

**Good Friday, April 9, 3:00pm**

**Easter Sunday Mass April 11, 10:00am**

**Easter Brunch Carry-In April 11, 11:30am**

## So Long, Leila

It is with many thanks to Leila Chown, University Village staff assistant, that we say goodbye and thank you for a job well done. Leila began working in the Beichner office in September 2003. Due to circumstances beyond her control, Leila's visa status will change as of April 27 and she will no longer be able to work in our office. Her last day in the office will be Tuesday, April 27. Please stop by and wish her farewell. Leila and her husband, Tim, are expecting their first child in November. Congratulations!

## Exchange Changes Hands

Many thanks to Kelly Mayfield who has been caring for the organizational needs of the Village Exchange during the past year. Kelly is leaving University Village

and has passed her responsibilities on to Elaina Asay. Thank you, Kelly, for the time and effort you put in to a very important service to the residents of student family housing!

## Garden Plots Available

For those who missed the annual Garden Kick-Off and are still interested in claiming a garden plot, contact Muhammed Iqbal at 4-4736. For those residents who have claimed garden plots, please do not begin gardening until notification has been distributed by the garden committee.

## Get Organized

On **April 22 from 7:30-9:00pm** Elaina Asay will lecture on household organization. This very special event will be held in the Beichner Community Center. Elaina has researched and presented this topic to enthusiastic crowds. Come and find out how to organize the space you have and make your home a little more user-friendly.

## The Big Exchange

All contents of the Village Exchange will be brought to the Beichner Community Center for a Spring Swap on Wednesday, April 28 from 10:00am to noon. Please bring extra plastic grocery bags and your own used clothing, linens or toys to donate or swap. Snacks will be provided. To volunteer to bring items from 222 E. Cripe Street to the Beichner Community Center the evening before the event, contact Elaina at 4-4706.

## Commencement Housing

Please contact the Commencement Office for help in finding on-campus housing for visiting friends and family during commencement weekend. Their office can be reached at 1-7640.

## A Wonderful Addition

Congratulations to Louie (Building Services) and Jen Wilber on the arrival of their first child, a boy, Ryan Charles born April 8. Louie will be away from his housekeeping duties here at the Village and Cripe for a week to 10 days.

## Village T-Shirts and Water Bottles

Show your enthusiasm for student family housing and get ready for the warm weather. University Village short sleeved, royal blue, sturdy cotton t-shirts are available in adult (\$6) and children's (\$5) sizes. The water bottles come with an insulated carrying case with pockets and clips to store money, documents and keys. T-shirts and water bottles are available for purchase in the Beichner Community Center Office.

## Fitness Refresher and Training

On Tuesday, April 13 from 7-8 pm in 222 E. Cripe Street, Jennifer Phillips from RecSports will be providing instruction for fitness (frequency, intensity, length of workout, variation between cardio and resistance) and heart rate monitoring. She will distribute handouts that cover basic exercise knowledge and will demonstrate various exercises with the new fitness equipment including resistance bands and balls. Come and be part of the open house at the new fitness space! Thanks to all participants for the hard work that was done in March to make the space so much more usable.

## TV-Turnoff Week

Around the world millions of children and adults will choose to turn off their televisions during the week of April 19-25. "Turning off the television gives us a chance to think, read, create, and do. To connect with our own families and engage in our communities." For more information about this initiative, visit their web site at [www.tvturnoff.org](http://www.tvturnoff.org). *Look for creative ways to get together with your neighbors during TV-Turn-off Week and celebrate more time together.*

## End of the Year Party- April 28

All are welcome to the University Village and Cripe Street Apartments *End of the Academic Year Celebration* on Wednesday, April 28 beginning at 6:00pm on the Village playground. The main dish, drinks and all serving ware will be provided. Please bring your favorite family dish to share. Dinner will close with a bonfire. Residents are welcome to pitch tents on the playground and stay the night.

## A Message from the Marais

**The use of candles in apartments of the University Village and Cripe Street is prohibited.**

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**No open flames or candles in holders may be used for lighting effects in corridors or rooms.**

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## Be Ready for Tornado Season

Spring season can sometimes mean stormy weather and possible tornados. Take a moment to consider what you and your family would do in the event of inclement weather. If you suspect tornado conditions, watch the sky and turn on the tv or radio or the NOAA Weather Radio. The city of South Bend sounds a siren if a tornado is suspected. If you hear the siren gather your safety supplies (blankets, pillows, portable radio) and *move away from all windows*. In Village and Cripe St. Apts, go in to the bathroom, preferably into the tub and crouch as low as possible. Cover all people with some sort of thick padding (the blankets) to protect against falling debris.

### **Know the signs of a tornado:**

- strong, persistent rotation in the cloud base
- whirling dust or debris on the ground under a cloud base
- hail or heavy rain followed by either dead calm or a fast, intense wind shift.
- loud, continuous roar or rumble

If you are out of doors and you suspect a tornado, seek shelter immediately. For further information visit [www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/safety.html](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/safety.html).

## Basement Window Flower Beds

Residents with basement apartments are welcome to plant flowers in the space in front of their apartment windows. Flower gardens are to be no wider than the window and may extend 18 inches into the yard. To insure the mower does not disturb the flowers, please install either a wood or plastic decorative border. Any space in front of the windows, without a border will be trimmed. Landscape Services of Notre Dame provides flats of flowers for use by residents of University Village and Cripe Street Apartments. Look for those flowers to arrive before the end of April.

## Suggestions Wanted

New surveys will soon be distributed to all residents concerning community life and staffing in an effort to improve services provided to residents of the UVC.