

Around the Village

Playground Installation



During the next few weeks installation of our new playground will be taking place. This event has been anticipated by the Village children (and parents) for a long time. Very soon large construction equipment will be moving in and around the Village roads and backyard. And, since we know that dump trucks and front end loaders are “kid magnets” and exciting to watch, we ask that all parents take extra precautions during this time for our children’s safety. By “*watching with them*” you could prevent an unfortunate accident.

A Few Reminders

- As mowing season begins, this is the time to pick up items that have been uncovered by the melting snow.
- Bicycles, strollers and ride-on toys must be stored in bike racks in front of buildings or on the playground.
- Mowing schedules are posted in each building.
- Rusty barbecues left on the back stairwells should be disposed of by the owner.
- Residents should throw away any broken toys found in the playground.
- All items left in winter storage (bicycles etc.) must be picked up by April 15. Call the Rylands (4-4718) to arrange a pick-up time.

Commencement Housing

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

Tornado Season

The Spring season in Indiana can often mean stormy weather including the possibility of tornadoes. Please take a moment to consider what you and your family would do in the event of this danger.

- Store safety supplies (blankets, pillows, portable radio with extra batteries and bottled water) in an easily accessible spot.
- Tornado conditions exist when:
 - Hail or heavy rain is followed by calm or a fast, intensive wind shift, and
 - A loud, continuous roar or rumble is heard.
- During stormy weather tune TVs and radios to a local channel.
- The city of South Bend will sound a siren if a tornado is detected.
- If you hear this siren, gather your supplies and move family members into a room without windows (the bathroom)
- Protect your family against falling debris with pillows and blankets.

An all clear will be announced by radio stations.

If you are outside during a suspected tornado, seek shelter immediately.

For further information visit: <http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/#Safety>



New Procedure from ORLH

Village and Cripe Street residents will soon receive e-mail notification from the Office of Residence Life and Housing with instructions for completing their housing contract on-line. **This contract must be filed by 11:00 pm April 11, 2005 to guarantee continued housing at University Village and Cripe Street Apartments.**

Good Bye Louie

Louie Wilber (Building Services) has been responsible for housekeeping at the 17 Village and Cripe Street buildings for the past eight years. He prepared apartments for arrival of new residents, kept building hallways and stairwells clean and free of debris, and maintained our Community Center (frequently washing away tiny finger prints from the walls). Recently, he accepted a position with Notre Dame Vending. Louie is the new “candy man” for the University, so if you see him in the Library or another building on campus filling the candy machines, say “Hi” and let him know that we all wish him well in his new position. **WE ALSO THANK HIM FOR A JOB VERY WELL DONE!!**

Congratulations

- Kinga and Sándor Volcán Koscó (D-22) on the birth of their son Apor, born March 17th.
- Myra Brazier (L-10) on the birth of her daughter Macari, born March 3rd, a sister for Terrell.

The Life of Pi

Do you enjoy reading books and then engage in vigorous debate about them? Join the Village Book Club, Wednesday, April 27 at 7:30 pm in the Community Center Lounge as we discuss *The Life of Pi* by Yann Martel. Available at the Notre Dame and South Bend libraries as well as local bookstores, this fascinating book delves into the question of what someone would do if stranded on a boat with a tiger, a hyena and a zebra... all may not be as it seems... What is this book about? Do you want to know, or do you have insights already? We'll provide the snacks, you provide the curiosity. Call Tracy (4-4718) for further information.