



**FRESHMEN ORIENTATION BOOKLET:
PARENT/GUARDIAN EDITION**



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Friday, August 24

Freshmen Move Into Knott Hall

7:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

All Knott Hall freshmen who are neither taking Examinations for Language Placement or Math Credit, nor involved in R.O.T.C. or International Student orientations, are required to arrive on campus and move into Knott Hall sometime between 7:30 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. on Friday, August 24.

Tour of Knott Hall

2:45 – 3:00 P.M.

All tours of Knott Hall are designed to acquaint freshmen and their parents/guardians with the useful, significant, and important areas of Knott Hall. Each tour will be lead by a member of the Freshmen Orientation Staff. All three tours, while at different times, are identical in both content and length; all tours are optional.

Tour of Knott Hall

3:00 – 3:15 P.M.

Tour of Knott Hall

3:15 – 3:30 P.M.

Question and Answer Period

3:30 – 4:30 P.M.

All parents/guardians of Knott Hall freshmen are invited to a question and answer period with the members of the Freshmen Orientation Staff. This is a great opportunity not only to meet the members of the Freshmen Orientation Staff but also to ask them any lingering questions about Freshmen Orientation or the freshman year at the University of Notre Dame. Each member of the Freshmen Orientation Staff will make a short presentation to the parents/guardians that attend; refreshments will be served.

Picnic

4:30 – 6:30 P.M.

The freshmen and parent/guardians from all residence halls are invited an enormous picnic will take place on North Quad in front of North Dining Hall. In the event of rain, the picnic will be moved indoors to North Dining Hall.

Saturday, August 25

Introduction to Knott Hall Staff

10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Freshmen and their parents/guardians will be introduced and acquainted with the members of the Knott Hall Staff. This activity will take place within Knott Hall and is mandatory.

Lunch Break

12:00 – 12:30 P.M.

Official Orientation Program

1:00 – 4:30 P.M.

The freshmen and parents/guardians from all residence halls will be subjected to The Official Orientation Program of the University of Notre Dame. This activity will take place in the Joyce Center and will be mandatory. Please be seated by 12:50 P.M.

Information Fair

4:30 – 6:00 P.M.

The freshmen and parents/guardians from all residence halls are invited to the First Year Orientation Information Fair in the Debartolo Classroom Building. The F.Y.O. Information Fair will contain information on Notre Dame programs and services such as International Study Programs, Financial Aid programs, Health Services, the Center for Social Concerns, the Campus Ministry, R.O.T.C., the First Year of Studies program, Alcohol and Drug Education, Information Technologies, Student Activities, the Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination, the Alumni Association, the Women's Resource Center, Students with Disabilities, Multicultural Student Programs and Services, and Anthony Travel Service.

Barbecue with Cavanaugh Hall

6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

After a long day of orientation programs and information sessions, the freshmen of Knott Hall and their parents/guardians are invited to a barbecue outside of Knott Hall. The ladies of Cavanaugh Hall and their parents/guardians will be in attendance.

Sunday, August 26

Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 9:30 A.M.

The freshmen and parents/guardians from all residence halls are invited to a free continental breakfast in the Joyce Center.

Eucharistic Liturgy

10:00 – 11:30 A.M.

The freshmen and parents/guardians from all residence halls are invited to attend a Eucharistic Liturgy in the Joyce Center.

The Spirit of Notre Dame

12:00 – 1:00 P.M.

The freshmen and parents/guardians from all residence halls are invited to attend a presentation on the collective spirit of Notre Dame.

The Spirit of Notre Dame will include performances by the Notre Dame Marching Band, the Notre Dame Glee Club and Chorale, a speech by the Student Body President, and an introduction to the Notre Dame athletic program.

What To Bring

Computer

Whether it is a desktop or a laptop computer, a computer is an absolute necessity at the University of Notre Dame.

Scanner/Printer/Copier

Your son will have a \$100.00 print quota that can be used to print materials in various areas of campus such as the Hesburgh Library, the DeBartolo Classroom Building, and the LaFortune Student Center. However, \$100.00 will not cover all of his printing needs. We suggest that he bring a color printer with built-in scanning and copying capabilities.

Duct Tape

Duct tape can be used to solve a variety of every-day dorm room problems.

Surge Protector

A variety of electronics such as printers, computers, floor lamps, table lamps, televisions, stereo systems, iPod chargers, and cellular phone chargers will require electrical power in your dorm room. A multiple outlet surge protector will enable your son to provide his various electronics with power and safeguard the same electronics against power surges.

Stereo System

Whether he likes to listen to music while he studies, while he relaxes, or while he parties, a quality stereo system is always extremely useful for dorm life. We suggest that your son bring a stereo system that plays CD's and is compatible with the various incarnations of the iPod.

First Aid Kit

Any severe health problems should be handled by Notre Dame Health Services in St. Liam's Hall. However, a good first aid kit can take care of many minor health problems. Make certain that your son's first aid kit contains a vast array of bandages for different cuts, scrapes, and scratches. We also suggest he stock his first aid kit with and a cough suppressant, a nasal decongestant, Zicam cold remedy, Advil for sore muscles, and Tylenol for fevers and headaches.

Additional Lighting

Most of the dorm rooms in Knott Hall are poorly lit. We suggest that your son bring both floor lamps and desk lamps. It is also a good idea to bring a lamp that will allow him to read in bed.

Laundry Hamper/Laundry Basket

Extension Cord

Alarm Clock

You may think that waking up for class at 9:30 A.M. or 10:40 A.M. will be easy, but trust us, it's not. One of the most important things your son will have in his dorm room is a high-quality, very-sturdy, **very-loud** alarm clock.

Rain Gear

We suggest that your leave his winter clothing at home until after the mid-semester break (Saturday, October 20 – Sunday, October 29). However, it is always necessary to have either an umbrella or a rain jacket, and since your may have to carry books or other items, a rain jacket will be more useful.

Playing Cards

Wall Decorations

Unless your son is particularly fond of dull, white cinderblock he will need some wall decorations. Posters, pennants, flags, and banners—by far the four most common types of wall decorations—can be purchased at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. Versions of the Knott Hall Flag can be purchased in Knott Hall shortly after Freshmen Orientation Weekend.

Bedding, Sheets, Blankets, Comforters, Pillows, and Pillowcases

We also suggest that your son bring additional sheets, blankets, and pillowcases.

Dance Attire/Business Attire

Once or twice a semester your son will need dance attire for a residence hall dance. Also, class presentations often require students to dress in business attire. Your son will need only one suit or sport coat, but it is a good idea to bring multiple ties, dress shirts, dress slacks, dress socks, and dress shoes.

Backpack/Messenger Bag

Cups, Plates, Bowls, and Eating Utensils

While these items are absolute necessities for eating and drinking within Knott Hall, it is also a good idea to bring a coffee mug for coffee, hot tea, or hot chocolate.

Cash/Credit Card

Flashlight

While power outages very rarely occur at the University of Notre Dame, a flashlight will be useful if your son's roommate usually goes to bed early or has to go to bed early for some reason. A headlamp will be particularly useful since it will allow both of his hands to be free and useable.

Storage

It is a good idea to bring a variety of storage containers for your son's dorm room. Milk crates, underbed storage containers, and other simple storage containers will maximize the space of his dorm room.

Shower Supplies

It is a **very good** idea to bring a set of shower sandals to protect your son's feet while in the communal bathrooms. He should bring a variety of towels—bath towels, hand towels, and washcloths. He should also bring a shower caddy so that he can store his shampoo, conditioner, and soap/body wash in an organized fashion.

Simple Tool Set

Like duct tape, a simple tool set can solve a variety of everyday dorm room problems.

Clothes Hangers

Even if your son only brings a modest amount of clothes, we suggest that he still bring a large amount of clothes hangers. He will use the additional clothes hangers for the Notre Dame and Knott Hall apparel that he will either purchase or receive during the course of the year.

Air Freshener

Either an air sanitizer such as Oust or an actual air freshener such as a Glade PlugIn will be extremely useful; trust us, a dorm room can start to smell like a lion's den.

What To Consider Bringing

Dry-Erase Board

A large, durable dry-erase board is an absolute necessity for your son's dorm room. His dry-erase board will be used to leave him important or humorous messages should he be unavailable when someone stops by his dorm room. Dinner times, weekend activities, and other important messages will be written on the dry erase board. He will also need to bring cleaning solution, multiple erasers, and a large amount of markers for his dry-erase board (some of his markers will get stolen). However, he will only need one dry-erase board for his dorm room. We suggest that your son contact his roommate, or roommates, over the summer and discuss which one of them will bring the dry erase board, cleaning solution, erasers, and markers.

Refrigerator

Your son will probably need a refrigerator for his dorm room. However, provided one refrigerator is large enough (and it should be), only one person in the room will need to bring a refrigerator. We suggest your son contact his roommate, or roommates, over the summer and discuss which one of them will bring the refrigerator.

Television

Once again, your son will probably need a television in his dorm room. However, once again, only one person in the room will need to bring a television. As you might expect, we suggest that your son contact his roommate, or roommates, over the summer and discuss which one of them will bring the television.

Video Game Systems

Your son will probably play a lot of video games in his dorm room. Unlike refrigerators and televisions, however, multiple video game systems can be useful since they accommodate different video games. Once again, we suggest you contact your roommate, or roommates, and discuss who will be bringing what (if any) video game systems.

Bicycle

We suggest that your son read the “Bicycles” paragraph under the “Essential Information” heading in his packet before deciding whether to bring a bicycle to campus; that paragraph details the advantages and disadvantages of having a bicycle on campus.

Iron

During the course of year your son may need to iron his clothes. Knott Hall does have its own iron and ironing board in the laundry room, but they are often used just when he needs them. One person in the dorm room should bring an iron and a different person should bring an ironing board.

Coffee Maker/Hot Pot

Your son or his roommate may need to drink coffee at some point during the course of the year. Whether it is for a long night of work or just to satisfy an uncontrollable java craving, a coffee maker/hot pot will be useful. Once again, only one person in the room will need to bring a coffee maker/hot pot.

Carpeting

Unless your son is placed in Room 211, 237, 311, 337, 411, or 437, his dorm room will not have carpet. Carpet can be especially useful during the Notre Dame winter when the cold weather will make his tile floors cold as ice. If you all decide to purchase carpet for his dorm room, we suggest you purchase the carpet that you need in South Bend, Indiana, or Mishawaka, Indiana, when you arrive at Notre Dame for Freshmen Orientation Weekend.

Couch/Futon

Every room in Knott Hall is large enough to contain either a couch or a futon. If you all decide to purchase a couch or futon for your son’s dorm room, we suggest that you purchase the couch or futon in South Bend, Indiana, or Mishawaka, Indiana, when you arrive at Notre Dame for Freshmen Orientation Weekend.

Chairs

Your son may want chairs in addition to, or even instead of, a couch or futon. Like carpeting, couches, and futons, we suggest that you all purchase your chairs (even bean bag chairs) in South Bend, Indiana, or Mishawaka, Indiana, when you arrive at Notre Dame for Freshmen Orientation Weekend.

What Not To Bring

Bulletin Board

With the popularity and relatively low cost of dry-erase boards, bulletin boards are no longer necessary. Most of the messages that would be attached to a bulletin board will be either sent to you in an e-mail or written on your dry-erase board.

Telephone

There are telephones in every hallway, and nearly all undergraduate students at Notre Dame use cellular phones to communicate both with each other and with people in their hometowns.

Toiletries

Your son will have time during Freshmen Orientation Weekend to go to superstores like Meijer and Wal-Mart with you and purchase all the necessities.

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Weapons

Pocket knives and multi-tools are **not** considered “weapons.”

Automobile

First semester freshmen are not allowed to have automobiles at the University of Notre Dame.

Microwave

Undergraduate students at the University of Notre Dame are not allowed to have microwaves in their dorm rooms since microwaves have the tendency to become fire hazards. Every floor of Knott Hall has a communal microwave.

Vacuum Cleaner

Every floor of Knott Hall has at least two communal vacuum cleaners.

Presidents of Knott Hall



Position: President of Knott Hall

Name: Matt Barloh

Nickname: Barloh

Birthday: October 21, 1987

Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio

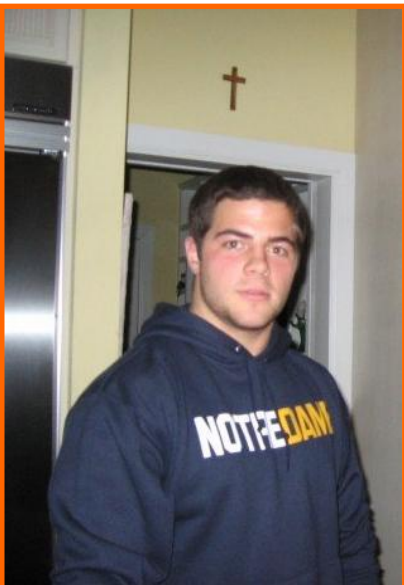
Favorite Musicians: The Beatles and Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers

Favorite Television Show: Lost

Favorite Movies: The Godfather, The Godfather Pt. II, Braveheart, and Happy Gilmore

Favorite Superheroes: My fists...

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre: Dame: Becoming President of Knott Hall



Position: Vice President of Knott Hall

Name: Kevin Smith

Nickname: K-Smith

Birthday: December 16, 1986

Hometown: Gainesville, Florida

Favorite Musicians: Tom Petty and Morris Day and The Time

Favorite Television Show: SportsCenter

Favorite Movies: Gladiator, Where Eagles Dare, and The Big Lebowski

Favorite Superheroes: Colossus and Nightcrawler

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre: Dame: Eating an entire pizza at Sbarro one night after parietals



Position: Vice President of Knott Hall

Name: Dan Candors

Nickname: Da Skrilla

Birthday: April 09, 1987

Hometown: Smithtown, New York

Favorite Musicians: Lil' Mama and Avril Lavigne

Favorite Television Show: The Office

Favorite Movies: Gigli and Spy Kids 2

Favorite Superhero: Kevin Smith

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre: Dame: Learning the lyrics to Rocky Top Tennessee by Ricky Skaggs

Frosh-O Staff



Position: Freshmen Orientation Commissioner

Name: Timothy Latham

Nickname: Tim

Birthday: June 17, 1988

Hometown: Houston, Texas

Favorite Musicians: The Who, Ben Folds, The Beatles, Metallica, James Taylor, Led Zeppelin, Flogging Molly, and Dave Matthews Band

Favorite Television Shows: 24, South Park, College GameDay, and The Daily Show

Favorite Movies: Braveheart, Gladiator, The Silence of the Lambs, Good Will Hunting, American History X, It's A Wonderful Life, and The Big Lebowski

Favorite Superheroes: Batman and The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Making my roommate's bed disappear



Position: Freshmen Orientation Commissioner

Name: Nathan Kolda

Nickname: Nate

Birthday: December 17, 1987

Hometown: Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Favorite Musician: John Mayer

Favorite Television Show: Family Guy

Favorite Movies: Miracle and Ocean's Eleven

Favorite Superheroes: Batman and Superman

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Surviving my Freshmen Orientation Weekend



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Mark Lyons

Nickname: None

Birthday: November 03, 1987

Hometown: Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Favorite Musicians: Queen, Ben Folds, and Elton John

Favorite Television Shows: 24, MXC, and Law & Order

Favorite Movies: Far too many...

Favorite Superheroes: Spiderman

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Convincing my roommate that he had been kicked off campus



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Patrick Dooling

Nickname: The Hater

Birthday: April 02, 1988

Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio

Favorite Musicians: Guster, Ben Folds, Snow Patrol, Sufjan Stevens, and The Decemberists

Favorite Television Shows: Lost, House, Seinfeld, and The Office

Favorite Movies: The Boondock Saints, The Shawshank Redemption, and Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy

Favorite Superheroes: Anyone but Batman, because he had no superpowers—he was just rich. Honestly, what kind of a superhero is that?

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Being ejected from the third round of last year's Bookstore Basketball tournament for maliciously attacking a kid from Zahm Hall



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Thomas Ford

Nickname: Tom

Birthday: December 1, 1987

Hometown: Knoxville, Tennessee

Favorite Musician: The Old Crow Medicine Show

Favorite Television Shows: Lost and 24

Favorite Movie: Gladiator

Favorite Superhero: Captain America

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Cheering inside of Stonehenge after the Michigan State game last year



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Pat McKillen

Nickname: Red

Birthday: December 11, 1987

Hometown: Barrington, Illinois

Favorite Musicians: Dave Matthews Band, Nine Inch Nails and John Butler Trio

Favorite Television Shows: Heroes and South Park

Favorite Movies: Forrest Gump and Donnie Darko

Favorite Superhero: Gambit

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Increasing my kills-per-game average in Halo from two to four



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Brent Neville

Nickname: Nev

Birthday: July 24, 1987

Hometown: Novi, Michigan

Favorite Musicians: O.A.R. and Red Hot Chili Peppers

Favorite Television Show: The Colbert Report

Favorite Movies: Billy Madison and Happy Gilmore

Favorite Superhero: John Lyons: The Man, The Myth, The Legend

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Dunking three times in the third round of last year's Bookstore Basketball tournament after "The Hater" [Patrick Dooling] was ejected from a game for maliciously attacking a kid from Zahm Hall



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Greg Salter

Nickname: G-Salt

Birthday: February 25, 1988

Hometown: Barrington, Illinois

Favorite Musicians: O.A.R.

Favorite Television Shows: Lost and Boy Meets World

Favorite Movie: Wedding Crashers and Remember the Titans

Favorite Superhero: Matt Barloh

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Winning a bet with my girlfriend by getting 57 girls to write their numbers on my shirt in one night



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Pat Lloyd

Nickname: The Lloyd

Birthday: November 09, 1987

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois

Favorite Musicians: Cher, O.A.R., Samwell, Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers, and Gwen Stefani

Favorite Television Show: The Young and the Restless

Favorite Movies: Chocolat, Kate & Leopold, and Ice Age 2: The Meltdown

Favorite Superhero: The Mighty Morphin' Power Rangers

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Rubbing Charlie Weis's F.U.P.A. [fat upper-pelvic area]



Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member

Name: Terry Howell

Nickname: Don't Blink

Birthday: October 26, 1988

Hometown: Chicago, Illinois

Favorite Musicians: OutKast, Kanye West, and Michael Jackson

Favorite Television Show: Chappelle's Show

Favorite Movies: 300, Bad Boys II, and Next Friday

Favorite Superhero: Blankman

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Pulling two all-nighters in a row, without hallucinations, for an architecture project and earning an "A" on that project

Position: Freshmen Orientation Staff Member



Name: Pete Dolan

Nickname: Pistol Pete

Birthday: February 05, 1988

Hometown: Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

Favorite Musicians: U2, Coldplay, Nickel Creek, Foo Fighters, Dave Matthews Band, and Red Hot Chili Peppers

Favorite Television Shows: SportsCenter, The Office, The Colbert Report, and Around the Horn

Favorite Movies: Braveheart, Tommy Boy, The Usual Suspects, The Shawshank Redemption, and Enemy at the Gates

Favorite Superheroes: The Flash (D-Wade)

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Scoring a touchdown in a section football game by throwing the football to myself, and then proceeding to snap, hold, and kick the extra point by myself

Knott Hall Head Staff



Position: Rector
Name: Brother Jerome Meyer, C.S.C.
Nickname: BroJo
Birthday: February 21, 1939
Hometown: Cleveland, Ohio
Favorite Musician: John Lennon
Favorite Television Show: Cops
Favorite Movie: Titanic
Favorite Superhero: Jimmy Carter
Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Being a Rector



Position: Assistant Rector
Name: Andrew Soukup
Nickname: [No response]
Birthday: June 21, 1982
Hometown: Holland, Michigan
Favorite Musicians: U2 and Bruce Springsteen
Favorite Television Shows: 24, Heroes, and The Office
Favorite Movies: Saving Private Ryan and The Lord of the Rings Trilogy
Favorite Superhero: Superman
Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: [No Response]



Position: Assistant Rector
Name: Charlie Gough
Nickname: None
Birthday: February 20, 1984
Hometown: Hinsdale, Illinois (A Suburb of Chicago)
Favorite Musician: Led Zeppelin
Favorite Television Shows: Scrubs, The Office, Scrubs, and the now-defunct Rome and Arrested Development
Favorite Movies: 300, Braveheart, Forrest Gump, Godfather, and Godfather Pt. II
Favorite Superhero: Wolverine
Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Winning Bengal Bouts

Tips and Advice

Here are some tips and pieces of advice from the parents of the President of Knott Hall and the Frosh-O Commissioners that will help you make the most out of your son's first year at the University of Notre Dame.

Tips and Advice

The Parents of Matt Barloh (Knott Hall President)

1. There are two events on Friday that would really benefit you if you attended. One is a tour of Knott Hall the other is a Question and Answer Period with the Frosh-O Staff. The tour will help you understand Knott Hall better and the Question and Answer Period with the Frosh-O Staff will put your mind at ease about Frosh-O Weekend. We don't need to tell you how to handle your son's first year at college, but trust us, you should go to these events. They helped us and they will help you.
2. You do not need to load a lot of items into your car. You can get carpeting, lamps, futons, water filters, and everything else for your son's dorm room at several places near campus.
3. Relax and enjoy Frosh-O Weekend, we know that the Hall Government and the Frosh-O Staff have been working for months on this weekend. Trust us, you and your child will have a wonderful (albeit busy) time.

The Parents of Tim Latham (Knott Hall Freshmen Orientation Commissioner)

1. Buy any "essentials" locally rather than bringing them from home. That way, it is much cheaper and much easier. South Bend is not a "caveman town"—you will be able to find toothpaste and deodorant.
2. Make sure you bring a power strip [surge protector]. Those who forgot a power strip went and bought them at Meijer, so Meijer sold out of power strips **very** quickly.

The Parents of Nate Kolda (Knott Hall Freshmen Orientation Commissioner)

1. Try your best not to hassle your kids too much. They are going to be exhausted from trying to get acclimated to, and affiliated with, a brand new environment.

History of Knott Hall

Marion Burk Knott Hall, or simply Knott Hall, was constructed in 1988. Henry J. Knott, Sr.—the Baltimore-born, Roman Catholic businessman and philanthropist who funded the construction of Knott Hall—named the residence hall after his late wife, Marion Burk Knott. Along with Siegfried Hall, Pasquerilla East Hall, and Pasquerilla West Hall, Knott Hall formed Mod Quad.

Originally a women's residence hall, Knott Hall was the home of the Knott Hall Angels until shortly after renovations began on the interior of the Main Building in 1996. With the Main Building unusable, many administrative offices were moved to Grace Hall, which, together with Flanner Hall, were the men's residence halls nearest to Knott Hall. Residents of Grace Hall moved to the newly constructed residence halls on the southwest side of campus—Keough Hall and O'Neill Hall.

Although these relocations were meant to increase academic office space at the University of Notre Dame, shortages of space persisted. Therefore, Notre Dame decided to convert Flanner Hall to an academic office building in the autumn of 1997. In order to maintain a gender balance throughout campus, the Knott Hall Angels moved into McGlinn Hall, the Siegfried Hall Slammers moved into Welsh Family Hall, and the Flanner Hall Gamecocks moved into both Knott Hall and Siegfried Hall.

With new residents came a new identity for Knott Hall. Knott Hall adopted orange and navy blue as its official colors and the Juggernaut—a massive inexorable, irresistible force that crushes whatever is in its path—as its official mascot. Thenceforth spelled Juggerknott, the new mascot came to symbolize the unmatched intensity of Knott Hall residents. The motto of Knott Hall, "*Nemo me impune lacessit*"—which translates as "No one provokes me without impunity," or, more informally, as "Who dares meddle with me?"—also symbolizes this unmatched intensity.

Led by upperclassman and first male President of Knott Hall, Peter Cesaro, Knott Hall made herself felt throughout the campus in her first year as a male dorm. Knott Hall became known as one of the most intensely spirited residence halls, and quickly came to dominate home football game pep rallies. In 1999, merely two years after its rebirth as a men's residence hall, Knott Hall became Interhall Football Champions, All-Interhall Sports Champions, and the Most Improved Hall at the University of Notre Dame.

While residents, resident assistants, and assistant rectors have come and go, two men have remained constants in Knott Hall: Brother Jerome Meyer, C.S.C., and Father Jim Foster, C.S.C. The rector of Knott Hall since its rebirth as a men's dorm in the autumn of 1997, Brother Jerome has now been the rector of Knott Hall for ten years. Commonly referred to as BroJo within Knott Hall, Brother is famous both for his commitment to Knott Hall and his delicious chili. Father Jim, usually the celebrant of Knott Hall liturgies, has been our Priest in Residence since men first moved into Knott Hall in the autumn of 1997.

The men of Knott Hall constantly strive for academic and athletic excellence, and Knott Hall constantly strives to be the greatest men's residence hall at the University of Notre Dame. This year Knott Hall will strive both to improve the life of its residents and to win the coveted title of Overall Hall of the Year.

Traditions of Knott Hall

From Bengal Bouts to The Shirt 2006 to painting the varsity football helmets gold, **tradition** permeates the University of Notre Dame. The case is no different in Knott Hall. Knott Hall has a lot of special traditions, many of which are described below, that make life in Knott Hall truly special and unique.

The Juggerknott

Each residence hall at the University of Notre Dame has a mascot, and ours is the Juggerknott. The Juggerknott—a massive inexorable, irresistible force that crushes whatever is in its path—describes the power and intensity of both Knott Hall and its residents. Every resident of Knott Hall is a Juggerknott, and when many Knott Hall residents get to together they are called by one name: Juggerknotts.

The first design of the Juggerknott was created by Joe Mueller, a 2001 alumnus of Notre Dame and Knott Hall. It was a mix of Scottish and Germanic traditions: the kilt and sporran are Scottish elements; the heater shield and armored gloves are Germanic elements.



The Juggerknott created by Joe Mueller in 2001.

The Seal

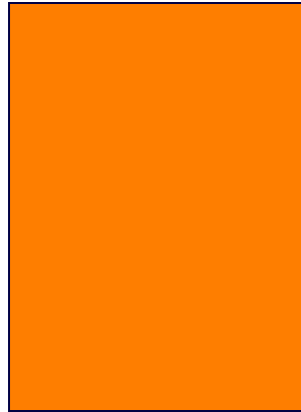
The Knott Hall seal is the official emblem of Knott Hall; you will see it on Knott Hall apparel, merchandise, banners, and documents. The seal also displays Knott Hall's official colors: orange and navy blue.



Orange and Blue

If orange and navy blue are not your favorite colors now, they will be within a few months. From nicknames, to Knott Hall events, to the Juggerknott and his shield, orange and navy blue—particularly orange—are everywhere in Knott Hall.

Orange was adopted by Knott Hall as its official color when men first moved into Knott Hall in 1997. Navy blue became popular after the Juggerknott design by Joe Mueller was adopted by Knott Hall in 2001. During Frosh-O, freshmen are paraded around campus in Knott Hall orange, and during home football game pep rallies every Juggerknott displays his Knott Hall pride by wearing orange.



Flanner Cup

Begun in 1999, this is an interhall competition between Knott Hall and Siegfried Hall. The victorious residence hall gains control of Mod Quad, and, therefore, right to name the small, rounded hill between the two residence halls. If Knott Hall wins, the hill becomes known as the Knott Knoll. However, if Siegfried Hall wins, the hill becomes known as the Siegfried Slope.

The Flanner Cup comprises several events including traditional competitions such as football and basketball, strength competitions such as arm wrestling and tug-o-war, and nontraditional competitions such as Halo 2 battles and an Apache Relay. The residence hall that triumphs in a particular contest earns a point toward a point total; the residence hall with the most points at the end of the Flanner Cup is victorious.

The Flanner Cup is a weeklong event that usually takes place in mid-September. Knott Hall was champion in the first year of competition; however, Siegfried then went on a steroid-aided run of six straight victories. In 2006, though both sides claimed victory, the Flanner Cup ended in a draw.



The Tug-o-war from the Flanner Cup in 2000

Cesaro Lecture Series

The Cesaro Lecture Series is a lecture series (obviously) that offers residents of Knott Hall the opportunity to hear from campus athletic and administrative leaders. Named after the first President of Knott Hall, Peter Cesaro, who demonstrated excellent leadership skills and later became Student Body President, the Cesaro Lecture Series attempts to bring a variety of distinguished individuals to speak to the men of Knott Hall. Such distinguished speakers have included Matt Doherty, Lee Svete from the Notre Dame Career Center, and varsity basketball coach Mike Brey.

Though the Cesaro Lecture Series has been nonexistent for the past couple of years, it is being revived under the leadership of Knott Hall



Dean Woo speaks at Knott Hall as part of the Cesaro Lecture Series

President Matt Barloh and Knott Hall Vice Presidents Kevin Smith and Dan Canders. Distinguished speakers will return to Knott Hall in the autumn of 2007.

Brumbaugh Basketball

The Justin Brumbaugh Memorial Basketball Tournament, or simply Brumbaugh Basketball, is a fundraiser held in honor of Justin Brumbaugh—a senior living in Knott Hall who died while working at a computer cluster in the Spring of 1998 from an enlarged heart.

Begun in the spring of 1999, Brumbaugh Basketball is traditionally held sometime at the end of February or beginning of March. It has been a three-on-three basketball tournament which recently was opened to the entire campus. All proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity, a charity with which Justin Brumbaugh spent a great deal of time.

The current Knott Hall Presidents intend to dramatically increase campus wide participation in Brumbaugh Basketball by making it an official warm-up to the ever-popular Bookstore Basketball tournament that occurs annually.

Every year, on the Sunday of the anniversary of his death, the men of Knott Hall remember Justin Brumbaugh at Mass.

Chili Nights

Winter at Notre Dame has its fair share of chili nights. In fact, Notre Dame winters are legendary for their length and their ferocity. However, even on the coldest of winter nights, Juggerknotts can warm themselves with a bowl (make that multiple bowls) of Brother Jerome's special chili.

Once or twice a semester Brother Jerome will make a ton of his delicious chili. Lines fifty Juggerknotts deep form within minutes of Brother's Chili being ready, and almost everyone goes back for seconds. Chili Nights are a great way to hang out with other Juggerknotts and bond over some of the best chili on the planet.

Knott on the Knoll

Begun in the Spring of 2001, Knott on the Knoll is a free, charity concert organized by Knott Hall for the entire campus. Money raised through donations, tee-shirt sales, and raffles goes to Habitat for Humanity, the signature charity of Knott Hall.

Knott Hall's signature spring, Knott on the Knoll is held on the Knott Knoll every spring, and comprises a number of acts including comedy sketches, campus musicians, and professional musicians.

The current Knott Hall Presidents intend to increase the fame and popularity of Knott on the Knoll by linking it with Antostal—the famous week of social events and fun activities put on by the Student Union Board in the spring of each year. The Student Union Board is a huge, interhall student organization committed to planning and orchestrating popular social events for the undergraduates of the University of Notre Dame.



An action shot from Knott on the Knoll 2005.

A Rodeo and WhatKnott

A new tradition begun at the end of last year, A Rodeo and WhatKnott will be a charity event with rodeo-themed competitions, entertainment, food, and drinks. A Rodeo and WhatKnott will be held annually, and will hopefully become Knott Hall's new signature fall event. Money raised through competition fees and tee-shirt sales will go directly to the FIGHTforever Foundation.



The Rodeo Ride-Off

This year, A Rodeo and WhatKnott will take place on Saturday, September 08. There will be free chili and root beer, a calf-roping machine, and a mechanical bull riding competition on the dual-mechanical bull “Rodeo Ride-Off.” A Rodeo and WhatKnott will lead right into the only official outdoor gamewatch of the Notre Dame and Penn State football game. The gamewatch will be on South Quad and will be sponsored by Knott Hall.

Essential Information

Making the transition to college life can be awkward and difficult for you and your son. Therefore, the Presidents of Knott Hall and the Frosh-O Staff have put together the following paragraphs collectively entitled “Essential Information” to help you and your son prepare for your first year at Notre Dame.

Essential Contact Information

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DOMER DICTIONARY

After a few days at Notre Dame, you'll soon discover that Notre Dame is quite unique. In fact, Notre Dame students even have their own vocabulary. Although you may be confused at first, in no time you'll know exactly what is meant when a student says that "He's on his way from MCOB to LaFun to get some quarter dogs" or that "She'll meet you at Stonehenge before the SYR." Just in case you're curious here's a brief compellation of some of the vocabulary used at ND.

Acoustic Café: Event Thursday nights in LaFortune Student Center or Legends of Notre Dame often frequented by students in need of a study break. The café is a great place for students to display their musical talents (or lack thereof).

Administration Building: Often called the Golden Dome or simply the Dome, the administration building is the most recognizable feature of Notre Dame's campus. Complete with a statue of Mary, the building is located in the center of campus and can be seen from almost anywhere on campus. Current students never walk up the stairs of the Main Building until after graduation.

AFS ID: This is now known as your NETID.

Alum: An ND grad.

An Tostal: Yearly tradition celebrating the final full week of classes. Plenty of free t-shirts, games and events for all to enjoy.

Bengal Bouts: Student boxing tournament held every year as a fundraiser for Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh. Not only do you get to help out a good cause, but you also get to see your roommate take a few swings at the kid who knows all the answers from your calculus class.

Bookstore Basketball: Largest 5 on 5 basketball tournament in the world. With over 500 teams competing every year, this tournament is truly a sight to see.

BP: Breen-Phillips Hall, a female dorm located on North Quad.

Broadwing: ND's long distance phone service available on campus.

BroJo: Brother Jerome Meyer, C.S.C.: Rector of Knott Hall. Do not call him this to his face.

CCE: The Center for Continuing Education, located behind the old Post Office and DeBartolo Hall, in McKenna Hall.

COBA: former name for Mendoza College of Business, located next to DeBartolo Hall.

COMO: The Coleman-Morse Center. The building on South Quad that houses First Year of Studies, Campus Ministry, a computer cluster, and 24-hour space that offers free popcorn and soda (or pop for you mid-western people).

CSC: The Center for Social Concerns. The CSC is the place to go if interested in service projects and volunteer opportunities.

C.S.C.: Initials to designate members of the Holy Cross Religious Order. Don't get the two "CSC's" confused.

D6: Student parking lot located behind the Rock.

D2000: Student name for parking lot across from the Riehle Playing Fields (formerly Stepan Fields). As the name indicates, it's quite a hike from most dorms.

D.A.R.T.: Direct Access Registration by Terminal: It allowed students to register for their next semester's courses. Registration is now done on-line using insideND

DeBartolo Hall: Classroom building where most freshman classes will be held.

Detex: Card that you swipe to get into your dorm, instead of a key.

DPAC: Short for DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. May also be called the PAC.

Dog Book: The freshman register with the names and photos of the entire freshman class. Often used to find last minute date for SYR or ...well really that's all it's used for.

Domer: Any ND student, past or present.

du Lac: Student handbook outlining all the rules of regulations at Notre Dame.

Fall Break: While most schools only get a few days off, the administration rewards us for our hard work with a whole week off during October. This is usually the first time you have the opportunity to return home since August, although some students choose to stay on campus or participate in service projects.

Fieldhouse Mall: Open area between Cavanaugh Hall and Stonehenge fountain. Warm weather brings campus bands, barbecues, and other fun things to do instead of studying.

Flex Points: The dollars that accompany the Flex 14 meal plan that can be used to buy some tasty snacks and beverages at the Huddle, Burger King, Reckers, and other campus food locations. All you do is swipe your ID and it comes out of your account.

FYO: First year orientation.

God Quad: Home to the Dome, the Basilica, Sorin College, Walsh hall and the statues of Jesus and Father Sorin.

Grab 'N Go: Convenient brown-bag breakfast, lunch, or dinner available in the Dining Halls from 7am to 7pm when classes are in session.

The Grotto: Replica of the Grotto of Lourdes, France where students can come to light a candle and spend some quiet time in reflection and prayer.

Hammes Bookstore at the Eck Center: The Bookstore and Bookstore Café.

Hammes-Mowbray Hall: New building on campus by Stepan Center. Houses the Notre Dame Post Office and ND Security/Police.

Hesburgh: 13 story Library with the mosaic of Touchdown Jesus on its façade. Also home to former University President Fr. Theodore Hesburgh (also the reason why you can't go all the way up to the 13th floor...he lives there).

Huddle: Small Convenient store in LaFortune where students can purchase food, drinks, toiletries, notebooks, and other base essentials such as the infamous Quarter Dogs.

insideND: Campus Portal which allows you access to Class Registration, Irish Link, etc. This site provides convenient access to Notre Dame web services for students, faculty, and staff. With more than 100 content channels, the information you need is at your fingertips.

Joyce Center: This venue houses numerous campus events such as basketball, volleyball, ice hockey games, pep rallies, concerts, and lectures. Don't be caught calling it the JACC (the Joyce Athletic & Convention Center).

JPW: Junior Parents Weekend.

Juggs: The Juggerknotts of Knott Hall, the best group of men on campus.

LaFun: LaFortune Student Center.

Legends: The restaurant, pub and programming venue. Brings in live entertainment and has a nightclub open late nights on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Library Circle: Pick up/drop off spot at the east end of the Hesburgh Library.

Main Circle: Pick up/drop off spot at the main campus entrance on Notre Dame Avenue.

MCOB: Mendoza College of Business.

Michiana: The name of the region along the border of Michigan and Indiana, including South Bend.

Mod Quad: Home to Knott Hall, Siegfried Hall, Pasquerilla East, and Pasquerilla West.

Monk: Affectionate nickname of the former University President Father Edward A. Malloy.

NDTV: The new cable cast student run TV station.

NET ID: A computer ID name that, along with your password, gives you access to the Notre Dame network from almost any computer on campus.

North Quad: Home to BP, Cavanaugh, Farley, Lewis, St. Ed's, Stanford, Keenan, and Zahm.

Observer: Campus newspaper you'll grow to love.

O'Shag: O'Shaughnessy Hall, location of many Arts and Letters classes, departmental offices, and Waddick's Café. O'Shag is also recognizable by the perpetually slow clock on its façade. This clock was also the center of some controversy when the University decided to remove the hands completely, some say to symbolize the timeless nature of the University; others say they did it just to confuse the students.

Parietals: du Lac regulation that outlines visitation hours in dorms of the opposite sex. From 12am to 9am on Monday through Thursday, from 2am to 9am on Friday and Saturday, and from 12:30 to 9am on Sundays, members of the opposite sex are only allowed in the 24-hour space in the dorms.

PE: Pasquerilla East, woman's dorm located on Mod Quad.

PW: Pasquerilla West, women's dorm located on Mod Quad as well.

The Pit: Social area in the basement of the library, complete with snacks, change machines, and pay phones.

Pop: Midwestern term for Soda.

Quarter Dogs: Infamous hot dogs available in LaFortune for a quarter after 12am on weeknights. Although they may only be a quarter, you don't want to eat too many of them.

RA: Resident Assistant, a senior in each section of the dorm who guides the dorm life of the students.

RecSports: Intramural sports program at Notre Dame.

Rector: Basically the person in charge of each dorm, i.e., the responsible adult.

The Rock: The Rockne Memorial Gymnasium located at the foot of the South Quad.

Rolfs: Athletic facility which is open to all students.

Soda: What normal people say when they are referring to soft drinks.

The Shirt: Football shirt that students wear to all the football games.

SMC: St. Mary's College; an all women's school located adjacent to Notre Dame.

South Quad: Home to O'Shag and the Rock and everything in between.

Stepan Center: The round, geodesic dome north of campus at East Gate. Don't mix this up with Stepan Chemistry Hall.

Stonehenge: War Memorial Fountain located at the foot of North Quad.

SUB: Student Union Board that organizes activities for students.

SYR: Formerly known as "screw your roommate", now changed to mean "set-up your roommate", the SYR is a semi-formal dance held by the dorms.

TA: Teaching assistant; most large classes have TAs to assist the professor.

Tailgate: Pre-game festivities, usually occurring in the parking lot by the stadium, before all football games.

Touchdown Jesus: Nickname of the mosaic on the side of the library facing the stadium. You'll see why it was so named when you arrive.

Tutorial: Discussion session, usually on Fridays, for large classes to discuss.

West Quad: Home to the newest dorms on campus, McGlinn, Welsh Family, Keough, and O’Neill. These halls were opened up in 1997 and 1998; however, are still considered new.

WSND: Student-run fine arts radio.

WVFI: Student-run progressive station on the second floor of LaFortune.

TRAVELING AND ARRIVAL

There are two main ways to get to campus. First, there is driving. You can load everything into your car, (or at least try to) and drive to South Bend, Indiana. Any road atlas can get you there if you follow its directions. Driving directions are as follows:

From the east or west: The University is located just south of the Indiana Toll road (Interstate 80/90). Get off Interstate 80/90 at exit 77 and turn right onto Indiana 933/US 31. Make a left at the 4th stop light (Angela Boulevard). Make a left at the first stop light (Notre Dame Avenue).

From the north or south: Take US 31 north which becomes Indiana 933 just south of South Bend. Stay on Indiana 933 to Angela Boulevard which is the second stop light north of the St. Joseph River. Turn right onto Angela Boulevard then left at the first stop light onto Notre Dame Avenue.

To Knott Hall (once on campus): The above directions will get you to the Notre Dame campus. To Knott, you need to get to Bulla Avenue. From Angela Boulevard, there is only one way that you can turn onto Twyckenham Drive. Take this street to up to Bulla Avenue. Turn left onto Bulla Avenue and you will get to the parking lots near the library and Knott Hall. If you get lost, head toward the Hesburgh Library—the huge, thirteen-story building with “Touchdown Jesus” on it. Also, watch for any signs that say something like “Knott this way, not this way”; they will guide you to Knott Hall.

20 hour drives are not a whole lot of fun, but it is by far the cheapest, most convenient, most hassle-free way to get to Notre Dame.

The other way of getting to Notre Dame is to fly. If you intend to fly, you can either fly directly to the South Bend Regional Airport, or fly to Chicago, Illinois, and drive to Notre Dame from there. If you fly to South Bend, there will be no shortage of taxis willing to take you to campus. If you fly to Chicago, Illinois, you will have three options:

1. Rent a car at the airport. O’Hare and Midway International Airports have all the usual rental names – Avis, Budget, Enterprise, *et cetera*. Driving to Notre Dame from Chicago is exceedingly easy (aside from Chicago traffic) and is probably your best option considering the volume of stuff that you will be bringing with you.
2. Take a train. The South Shore Line runs from the Millennium Station in downtown Chicago straight to the South Bend Regional Airport, where there will be buses and taxis available to take you to campus. To get to the Millennium Station, you can take the CTA train from O’Hare to the Randolph Street Station and then walk to the Millennium Station. Chances are good you will have a lot of stuff, so we cannot quite recommend this option. However, this option is cost efficient (less than \$15.00), and, despite the Chicago traffic, fast.
3. Take the bus. CoachUSA has services running every two hours running from Chicago straight to the Eck Center at the entrance to campus. It is a bit pricey (\$34.00 one way), but it is hassle-free in that it does take you straight to Notre Dame. Again, this option may be difficult to negotiate with your things, but it is still manageable.

Unless you are taking Examinations for Language Placement or Math Credit, involved in R.O.T.C., or involved in International Student orientations, freshmen are not allowed to arrive on campus earlier than Friday, August 24, 2007. When you arrive at Knott Hall, you must register with the Knott Hall Head Staff and pay the hall tax of \$60.00. Then, our Freshmen Orientation Staff will help you move your things into your dorm room.

Links

<http://transitchicago.com/> (Trains within Chicago)

<http://nicted.com/> (Trains to Notre Dame)

<http://www.coachusa.com/tristateunitedlimo/> (Buses to Notre Dame)

AUTOMOBILES AND PARKING

The official statement of the University of Notre Dame with respect to freshmen and automobiles is “First Year students living on campus may not possess or rent an automobile or any other motor-driven vehicle for use while in attendance at the University. In recent years the University has made an exception to this policy and allowed First Year students in good academic standing to have automobiles during the second semester.” That means that **freshmen are not allowed to have automobiles at Notre Dame until the second semester of their freshmen year.**

When the second semester arrives many freshmen will bring automobiles to campus. If you and your son decide during winter break (December 20, 2007 – January 13, 2008) that he will bring a car to campus for the second semester of his freshmen year, the first thing he will need to do is register his automobile with the Notre Dame Security Police. To do that, go to the NDSP section of the Student Life tab of insideND and click on the link entitled “iNDCARS.” In the new window that appears when you click that link, you will see two more links: one entitled “Purchase a Parking Permit” and another entitled “Outstanding Violations.” Click the “Purchase a Parking Permit” link and follow the instructions. He will register his automobile and then purchase a parking permit for his automobile online. He will have to visit the Notre Dame Security Police in Hammes Mowbray Hall to pick up his permit.

The parking permit that he will be issued will assign him to one of the many parking lots on campus. We strongly encourage you to read the complete rules and regulations for student automobile parking that can be found at <http://www.nd.edu/~ndspd/parking.html>. However, the following is a summary of those rules and regulations for your quick reference.

1. Only park in those areas that are specifically marked as parking areas.
2. Each student must register his or her vehicle and display the vehicle registration decal in the proper location. Parking decals are non-transferable.
3. Each registered vehicle will be assigned to a specific parking lot. If your lot is overcrowded, we suggest that you to contact the Notre Dame Security Police. Do not park improperly, because you will then be subject to penalties from the N.D.S.P.
4. Do not park in a lot to which you have not been assigned.
5. Automobiles that are usually parked in certain lots can be moved into certain other parking lots. Movement between lots can be as follows: "C" lot automobiles can park in "D" lot and "D" lot automobiles can park in "C" lot; "F" lot can park in both "C" lot and "D" lot. "V" lot automobiles can *only* park at the University Village and the Cripe Street Apartments.
6. Students may not park in the faculty/staff lots from 5:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on weekdays. However, students may park in the faculty/staff lots on the weekends.
7. Visitors, including parents and close relatives, need a guest pass to park in any parking lot.
8. All rules and regulations for parking are enforced at all times every day of the year—even during student breaks and holidays.
9. If your son has any questions or serious problems with parking, he should contact Notre Dame Security Police at 574.631.5555. (The N.D.S.P. is available twenty-four hours a day.)

LOFTS

For those of you confused as to what exactly is a loft, a loft is a wooden or metal structure designed to elevate your bed off the floor. A loft will give your son more space on the floor beneath his bed so that he can maximize the space in his dorm room. A picture of a loft in Knott Hall can be viewed by visiting <http://orlh.nd.edu/graphics/gallery/full/halls/knott/sr35w.JPG>.

Lofts do not apply to first-semester freshmen living in Knott Hall. **In Knott Hall, first-semester freshmen are not permitted to construct lofts.** Second-semester freshmen, however, are more than welcome to do so, though building a loft at the start of the second semester is probably more trouble than it is worth. Unless you or your son is a master carpenter with a lot of spare time, we suggest that your son wait until the end of his freshman year and buy a used loft from an upperclassman down the hall who won't need it anymore. If he purchases a used loft in this fashion, do keep in mind that he is then responsible for storing it over the summer and putting it up in the fall.

Official information on the construction and existence of lofts by The Office of Residence Life and Housing can be read by visiting <http://orlh.nd.edu/housing/undergraduate/facility/elevatedbedinfo.htm>.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT COMPUTERS

Should my son bring a computer to school?

If your son is able to bring a computer to school, absolutely. A computer is a great convenience. If, for some reason, he is unable to bring a computer to Notre Dame, there are many computer clusters around campus with first-rate computers for him to use.

What make of computer should my son bring?

Generally, people bring either PCs or Macs, but Unix will work as well.

Should my son bring a laptop or a desktop?

It is a matter of preference. With campus-wide wireless internet, limited space in dorm rooms, and generally improved mobility for studying, laptops are preferable to desktops. A desktop will be fine, of course, but laptops are much more convenient.

What does my son need to connect to the network?

If he cannot connect via the campus-wide wireless internet, a simple RJ-45 cable that can be purchased at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore for an excellent price will enable him to connect to the network. On his desk when you all arrive at Knott Hall he will find a card that will guide him through the actual process of connecting to the Notre Dame network.

Can we purchase software and/or hardware for my computer on campus?

Yes! **Please** do not buy Windows Vista prior to coming to school. The Office of Information Technologies (O.I.T.) will sell Windows Vista Ultimate to you all for \$45.00 (it retails for \$400.00). O.I.T. can sell Microsoft Office 2007 to you as well.

Does my son need to bring a printer?

Yes. We advise that your son bring a color printer with built-in scanning and copying capabilities; however, do try to keep it small.

Computer Tips:

1. Remind your son to lock his computer (with a password-protected log-in) and hit windows+L whenever he leaves. This way, no one can change his background, homepage, *et cetera*.
2. Purchase a flash drive. These miniature mass storage devices can be purchased very cheaply at Meijer or Wal-Mart, and are great for transferring papers to the computer cluster for printing.

Links

<http://oit.nd.edu> (Office of Information Technologies)

BICYCLES

Your son may wish to bring a bike with him when he goes to Notre Dame. Our advice:

1. Do not buy a mountain bike worth \$2000.00. In fact, do not purchase any bike that is really expensive. Someone may take it. We suggest that you all find a used bike—perhaps an old one from eighth grade—and bring that to Notre Dame. Your son will not be going very far on it—the longest he will ride will be ten minutes, tops.
2. Invest in a killer lock. We suggest a Teflon-coated one with a beefy steel cable and either a key or a combination lock.
3. Register your son's bike with Notre Dame Security Police. If his bike does get stolen, the N.D.S.P. will help him locate it.

During the winter, your son will be able to store his bike in Notre Dame Stadium so the harsh winter elements do not destroy it. Also, he may store his bike over the summer in the Knott Hall storage trailer. Many undergraduate students at Notre Dame do not use bicycles, as they prefer to walk and enjoy the campus. Whether your son brings a bicycle or not is entirely a matter of your preference.

PURCHASING BOOKS

There are two different ways of purchasing textbooks for classes at the University of Notre Dame: online and at the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore.

You can buy books online at a number of different websites. You can purchase textbooks online directly from the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore by going to <http://www.efollett.com/> and clicking on the link entitled “>> Go” that is underneath the heading entitled “BOOKS.” You can also purchase textbooks from student-run websites such as <http://www.ndbay.com>. Textbooks purchased online are often much less expensive than textbooks purchased in person from the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore. However, especially at student-run websites, the selection of textbooks is substantially smaller than that of the Bookstore. Furthermore, there can be complications with shipping your textbooks. Sometimes the wrong books are shipped; other times the right books are shipped as much as three weeks late.

A simplified purchasing process is another advantage of purchasing your textbooks online. The purchasing process at the Bookstore can be absolutely insane during those first few days of school. Therefore, we have written the following tips to help simplify and expedite your son’s textbook-purchasing process at the Bookstore should he decide to purchase his textbooks in person.

First, he should click the link entitled “Class Schedule” underneath the heading entitled “Student Academic Services” on the Student Academic tab of insideND. After he has selected “Fall Semester 2007” and clicked “Submit,” a page will appear with all the information concerning his classes for the fall 2007 semester. **Print that page before you all go to purchase your textbooks.**

In order to avoid absolutely enormous lines, go to the Bookstore at unpopular times. We suggest that your son purchase his textbooks on Friday, August 24, as soon as he has moved into Knott Hall. On that Friday most of the freshmen and their families will still be moving in and most of the upperclassmen will not yet have arrived on campus. The lines will be the shortest. Your son will be so busy on Saturday, August 25, and Sunday, August 26, that there will not be sufficient time to purchase his textbooks. If he decides to purchase his textbooks on Monday, August 27, we recommend he go to the bookstore **early** in the morning or **late** in the evening. The hours of the Bookstore vary year to year and season to season, so he should find out the hours of the Bookstore ahead of time and pick an unpopular time to go get his books. **The inconvenience of getting up early or leaving his friends at night will pale in comparison to having to wait forty-five minutes while carrying \$300.00 to \$500.00 of books.**

When he gets to the Bookstore he should use the library-like guide numbers on the sides of the bookshelves (they run in alphabetical in terms of the first letter of the course number) and the course numbers (for example *POLS 30040-01* for a political science course or *CLLA 20003-01* for a Latin course) that should be on that sheet he will have printed out to find his books.

FOOTBALL SEASON WEEKENDS

The weekend of a Notre Dame home football game could quite possibly be the most incredible sporting experience in which you, or your family, ever participate.

The Notre Dame football team is fantastic to be sure, but if you think that their game is the only thing going on at Notre Dame during a home football game weekend then you aren’t paying attention when you walk around the campus.

On pretty much every day of the weekend there is something going on. For example, on Friday there is usually a pep rally at 6:00 P.M. either in the Joyce Center or Notre Dame Stadium if the game is an important one. Students always sit and cheer with the other residents of their dorms, and both student and parent always have a good time. Almost every week a different celebrity will come and speak at the pep rally, whether it is Hank Aaron or Notre Dame’s own Jerome Bettis. On Friday nights at midnight there is the Drummer’s Circle, where the drum section of the band forms a circle directly in front of the Main Building (the Golden Dome) and plays all the drum cadences for the game the next day.

Make sure to get a good night’s sleep Friday night, because Saturday is when the real fun begins. You can sleep in for a while if you like, but be sure you take some time to see the campus alive with thousands of people. You can grab a quick and an expensive bite to eat at any one of the many concession stands that are set up across campus. You can also go to the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center (JACC) to see former Notre Dame football players signing autographs, or take a try at any number of the football-related games they Notre Dame has at the Joyce Center. Always be sure not to miss the Notre Dame Glee Club “N.D. in Review” Concert that occurs two hours before kick-off.

And then of course you have the game. But we are sure you don’t need us to convince you to go to the game.

After every home football game, both Dining Halls have Candlelight Dinners, which without fail consists of nothing but delicious food. Of course the meal is only free if you have a student ID; even family members will have to pay.

By this point on Saturday you will probably be wiped out. Like Saturday, you can sleep in on Sunday if you want, but you may also want to go to mass over in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. If you want to get a seat you will have to arrive very early. Most Juggerknotts, however, go to mass in Knott Hall at 10:00 P.M. on Sunday.

All of these incredible activities make for a great weekend and we hope that these suggestions will help you make the most of a home football game weekend at Notre Dame.

SONGS OF NOTRE DAME

In and around campus, especially at home football games, you will repeatedly hear a special collection of unique Notre Dame songs. Though you will probably learn the lyrics to the Notre Dame Victory March and Notre Dame, Our Mother (our *alma mater*) very quickly, we suggest you have a working knowledge of the lyrics of all the following Notre Dame songs.

The Notre Dame Victory March

Rally sons of Notre Dame,
Sing her glory, and sound her fame
Raise her Gold and Blue,
And cheer with voices true,
Rah! Rah! For Notre Dame.
We will fight in every game
Strong of heart and true to her name.
We will ne'er forget her
And we'll cheer her ever,
Loyal to Notre Dame.

Chorus:

Cheer, cheer for Old Notre Dame
Wake up the echoes cheering her name,
Send the volley cheer on high,
Shake down the thunder from the sky,
What though the odds be great or small
Old Notre Dame will win over all,
While her loyal sons are marching
Onward to Victory.

Notre Dame, Our Mother

Notre Dame, our Mother
Tender, strong, and true
Proudly in thy heavens,
Gleams thy gold and blue.
Glory's mantle cloaks thee
Golden is thy fame,
And our hearts forever,
Praise thee Notre Dame,
And our hearts forever,
Love thee Notre Dame.

Hike, Notre Dame

The march is on
No brain or brawn,
Can stop the charge of fighting men,
Loud sings the cry,
A grim defy,
Of hard attack let loose again.
O it's hike, hike, hike to victory,
The call to rise and strike,
For Notre Dame men are winning,
When Notre Dame hears hike, hike, hike.

Chorus:

Hark to the cheering
Songs rising high,
Hark, hark to the roar,
As her ranks go marching by!
Shoulder to shoulder,
Chanting her glorious name,
Burn high your fires,
And sing along for Notre Dame.

When Irish Backs Go Marching By

Rah! Rah! Rah!

Up! Notre Dame men answer the cry

Gathering foemen fling to the sky

Fight! Fight! Fight!

Brave hosts advancing challenging your name

March to the battle, Notre Dame!

Chorus:

And when the Irish backs go marching by

The cheering thousands shout their battle cry:

For Notre Dame men are marching into the game,

Fighting the fight for you, Notre Dame

And when the Irish line goes smashing through

They'll sweep the foemen's ranks away;

When Notre Dame men fight for Gold and Blue,

Then Notre Dame men will win the day.

Down The Line

On down the line! Beside the glory of her name.

On down the line! Beneath the colors of an ancient fame.

On down the line! Another day for her proclaim.

Old Gold and Blue - You're going through-

Go down the line for Notre Dame.

SISTER DORM

There are no co-ed residence halls on the Notre Dame campus. However, despite the fact that Knott Hall will be—to quote Frosh-O Commissioner, Tim Latham—“an enormous sea of testosterone,” it does have a sister dorm.

Having a sister dorm will allow new residents of Knott Hall to form relationships with female students more easily. This year, Knott Hall's sister dorm in Pasquerilla East Hall (P.E. for short)—our next door neighbor. Throughout the course of the year Knott Hall will be doing many unique academic, athletic, multicultural, service, and social activities with the girls next door. In fact, one of the most important events of Frosh-O—Super Sloppy Double Dare—is exclusively with these P.E. Pyros.

MISHAWAKA, INDIANA

Every new student to the University of Notre Dame has heard of South Bend, Indiana. However, very few new students have heard of Mishawaka, Indiana. While less well known than South Bend, Mishawaka will be far more useful to new students and their families. Mishawaka is a treasure trove of restaurants, stores, shops, hotels, gas stations, movie theatres, and golf courses—many of which fail to have equivalents in South Bend.

We **strongly recommend** that you and your son learn about Mishawaka, Indiana, at <http://www.visitmishawaka.com/>. That website contains a directory of the many utilities and resources that the little city has to offer.

We also **strongly recommend** that you all become especially familiar the stores and shops in Mishawaka. You will be able to significantly reduce the amount of things with which you will have to travel if you can find stores where you can purchase them. School supplies, toiletries, and especially large items like televisions, refrigerators, carpeting, tables, and chairs can—and should—be purchased in around Mishawaka.

Freshman Class Council

Freshman Class Council is an amazing way to get immediately involved at Notre Dame. For all of those student government enthusiasts, those who are ready to help represent Knott Hall, those ready to share some brilliant ideas that you've brought from your hometown, or for those who are simply ready to start anew by interacting with students from all over campus, the Freshman Class Council (F.C.C.) is for you. Here is the low down on what the F.C.C. exactly is, how freshmen can get elected, and what kind of commitment it really is...

Freshman Class Council is essentially student government for the freshman class. Each class has a council which constitutes student government (along with other committees that help out as well). One representative is elected from each dorm, leading to twenty-seven F.C.C. members. F.C.C. is one of the most important student government groups for freshmen; other important student government groups exist within the residence halls.

About a month into school, your son could attend a meeting called Student Government 101 that explains how he can campaign for F.C.C., how much money he can spend on campaign materials, *et cetera*. He will then have about a week to put up posters and talk it up within Knott Hall to let people know he is running. Considering he will have only been at Notre Dame for about a month, it will be pretty interesting to ask people who barely know him to vote for him, but that is the fun part! The whole process really allows him to get to know all of his fellow Juggs.

After about a week of campaigning, there will be an election in which only the freshmen of Knott Hall can vote. The winner of that election is then the Knott Representative on the F.C.C. As a representative, he will have weekly meetings each held in a different residence hall. (So you will have to host an F.C.C. meeting in Knott Hall at least once.)

As for what we **do**, the F.C.C. consists of five committees (very similar to many high school student governments): social, spiritual, service, fundraising, and publicity. The F.C.C. is responsible for uniting the freshmen as the Class of 2011. The F.C.C. will organize and orchestrate dances (there is an annual Halloween Dance that the freshmen always plan with the sophomores), barbeques, community service projects, ice skating events, random food give-aways, an official Freshman Class Mass, an official Freshman Class “Trip to the Grotto”—anything that you can think of that will unite every freshman on the Notre Dame campus.

Not only is the Freshman Class Council an amazing opportunity for service and leadership, but it is also a **great** opportunity to meet people in other dorms (not to mention, a few good-lookers from those girl dorms). As your son serve on the F.C.C. during his freshman year, he will bring his class into an amazing 4 years at Notre Dame. When his term is over as a freshman, he can then always utilize the experience he will have gained to work in other units of student government such as Sophomore Class Council.

If you guys have any questions, please do not hesitate to shoot me an email. As Knott Hall’s F.C.C. representative last year, I would recommend it to all as a great way to share ideas, have some fun, and really start off your freshman year at one of the most prestigious universities in the nation with a bang.

Go Juggs!

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 Sophomore Class President
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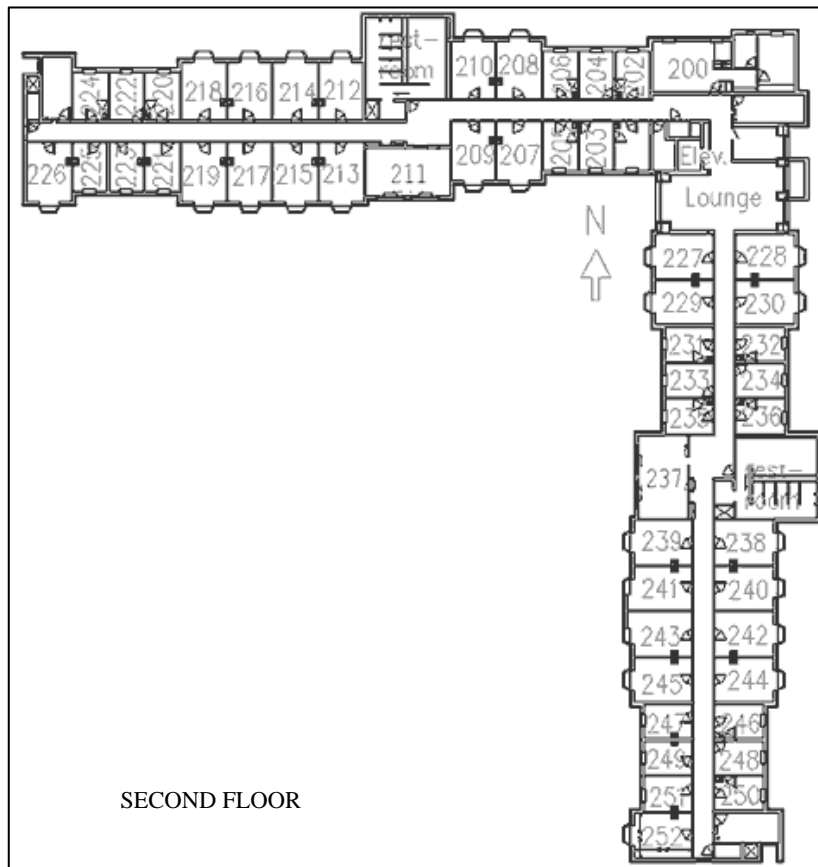
Knott Hall Facilities Overview

Year Established	1988
Quad Designation	Mod Quad
Chapel Name	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapel
Number of Floors	4
Number of Rooms	108
Stated Capacity	240
Current Population	264
Air Conditioning	Yes
Heating	Yes
Elevator	Yes
Deadly “Laser”	Not Yet
Actual “Study Rooms”	4
Capacity of “Study Rooms”	Approx. 27
Exercise Rooms	1 (first floor)
Recreational Equipment	Billiards table; ping pong table
Kitchens	1 (first floor)
Laundry Facilities	Yes
Sinks in Rooms	Yes (excluding Rooms 211, 237, 311, 337, 411, and 437)

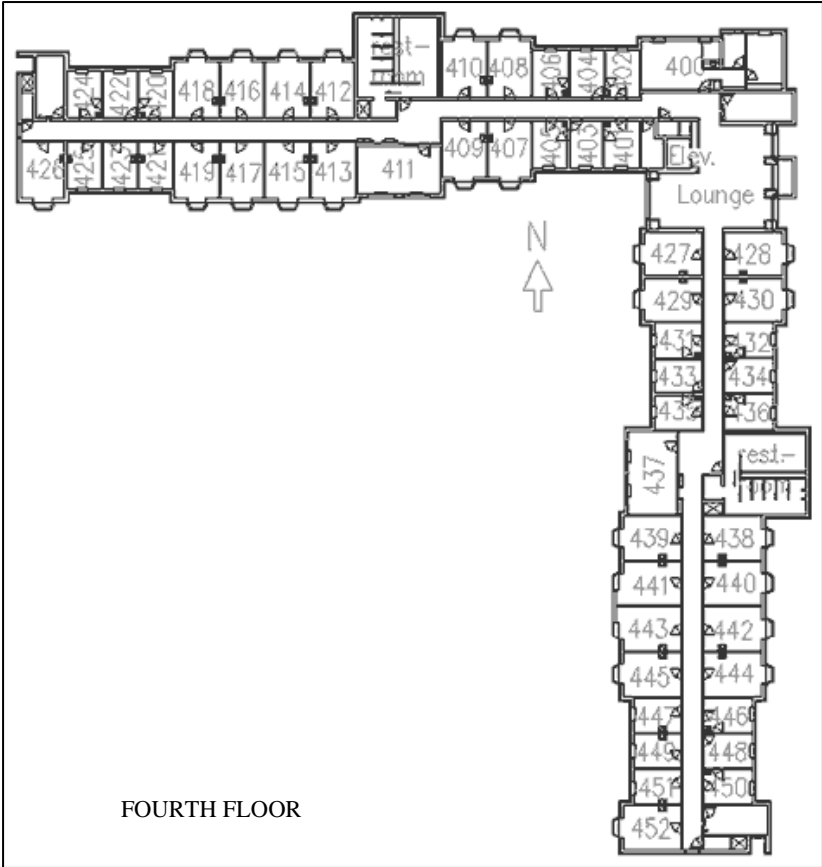
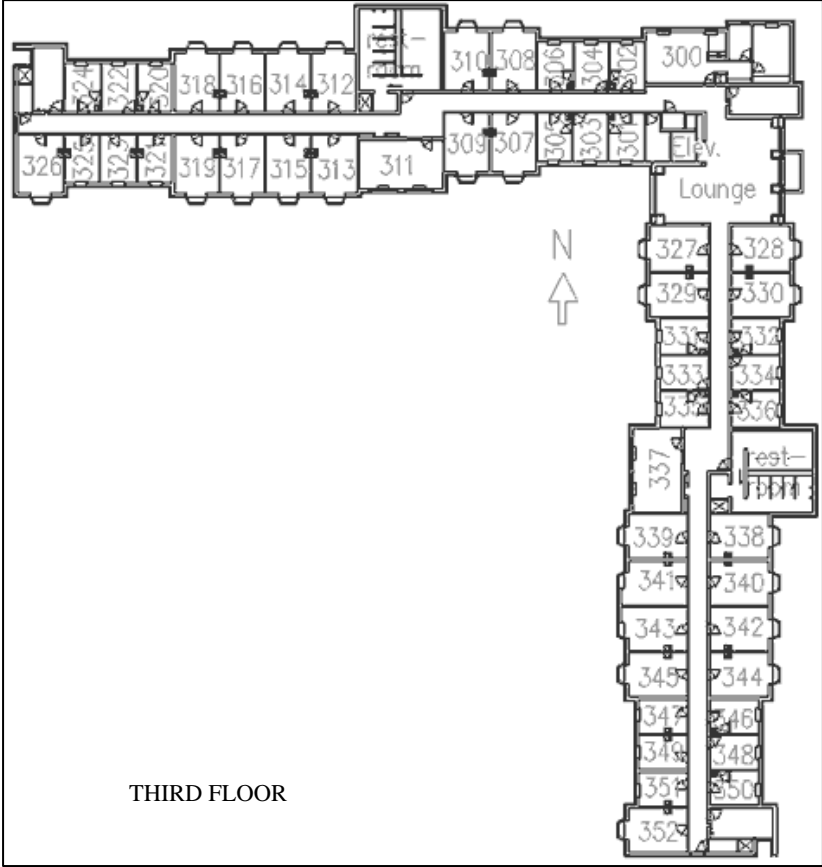
Knott Hall Floor Plans



FIRST FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR



“Superquads”

Almost all rooms in Knott Hall are singles, doubles, or three-room quads. No freshman will be in a single (the seniors reserve those rooms), some freshmen will be in doubles, and others will be in three-room quads. However, twenty-four “lucky” men will be placed in “superquads.”

Superquads—Rooms 211, 237, 311, 337, 411, and 437—are former study lounges that have been converted into four-person rooms in order to deal with overcrowding in Notre Dame residence halls. Unlike three-room quads where there is a common room and two adjoining private bed chambers (each of which houses two people), “superquads” **cram** four people into one 15’ X 17’ room. Now, that may sound like a lot of space, but wait until your son has **stuffed** four beds, four desks, four bureaus/wardrobes, four chairs, a television, a refrigerator, and a couch or futon into the room.

These rooms have no division between public space and private space; have decidedly less closet space than other rooms; have no sinks and no mirrors. Essentially, it is four college students living in crammed, barracks-style quarters.

Why have we painted such a bleak picture of these “superquads”? If your son is placed in a “superquad” you all need to be prepared. We do not want you to arrive at Notre Dame thinking that your son will be living in a three-room quad.

On the bright side, since the rooms used to be study lounges, they already have excellent lighting; beautiful views from large, curtained windows (if your son gets placed in 337 or 437 he will have a very picturesque view of the Golden Dome); and complete carpeting. These advantages will save you all time and money when purchasing items for dorm life at Notre Dame.

If your son is placed in a “superquad,” we **strongly suggest** that he contact Matt Barloh (President of Knott Hall) or Tim Latham (Frosh-O Commissioner). Both lived in “superquads” last year and can give out important tips about how to make the most out of a “superquad.”

Resident Assistants

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Position: Resident Assistant

Name: Imuetinya Teddy Okonokhua

Nicknames: Teddy Bear, Big Daddy, Teddy

Birthday: March 4, 1986

Hometown: Atlanta, Georgia (A-Town)

Favorite Musicians: T.I. and John Legend

Favorite Television Shows: C.S.I., House, Law & Order, and The Simpsons

Favorite Movies: Scarface, Transformers, The Godfather, The 40 Year Old Virgin, and Live Free or Die Hard

Favorite Superhero: Superman

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Becoming an R.A.

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Position: Resident Assistant

Name: Andrew Karl

Birthday: February 9, 1986

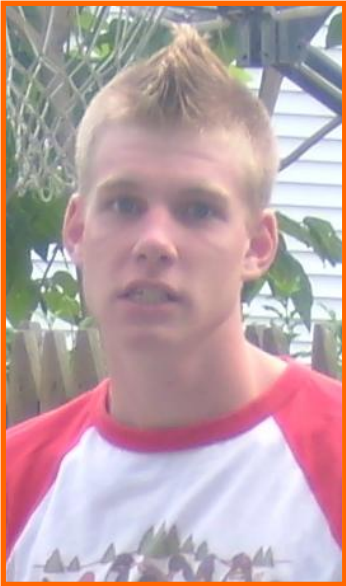
Hometown: Farmington, Missouri

Favorite Musicians: Any musicians except but country music singers...

Favorite Television Shows: The Office and Dead Like Me

Favorite Superhero: John Milnor

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: I slept through a mandatory class on "The Importance of Time Management" as part of my freshman health class. My punishment was to have a personal meeting with a grumpy nun: "Free time is not fun time!"



Position: Resident Assistant

Name: Kyle Meade

Nickname: Ky

Birthday: September 26, 1986

Hometown: Lindenhurst, New York

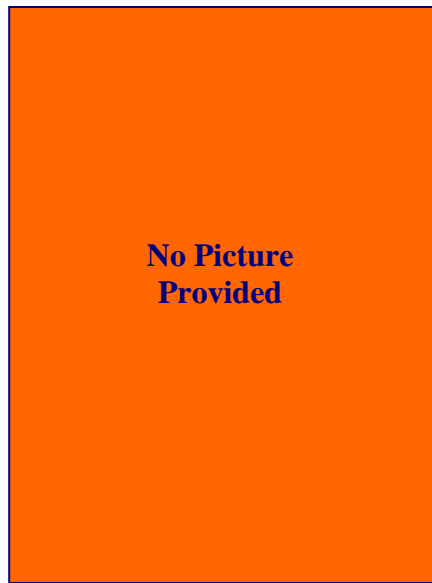
Favorite Musicians: Brand New, Jack Johnson,, Counting Crows, and The Barenaked Ladies

Favorite Television Show: Baseball Tonight

Favorite Movies: Rudy and The Sandlot

Favorite Superhero: Gambit

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Getting in



Position: Resident Assistant

Name: John Everett

Nickname: [No Response]

Hometown: Freehold, New Jersey

Favorite Musician: Bob Dylan

Favorite Television Show: The Office

Favorite Movie: The Great Escape

Favorite Superhero: Superman

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: [No response]



Position: Resident Assistant

Name: Andrew Mastroe

Nickname: Andy

Birthday: April 21, 1986

Hometown: Johnson City, New York

Favorite Musicians: Brand New and Flogging Molly

Favorite Television Show: The Office

Favorite Movies: Rudy (my girlfriend is in it), Ocean's Thirteen, and The Boondock Saints

Favorite Superhero: The Leprechaun

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: Beating Michigan's crew team



Position: Resident Assistant and President Emeritus of Knott Hall

Name: Jacques Nguyen

Birthday: March 19, 1986

Hometown: Montreal, Quebec

Favorite Musicians: Usher, Linkin Park, Justin Timberlake, and Red Hot Chili Peppers

Favorite Television Shows: 24 and Entourage

Favorite Movie: Braveheart

Favorite Superhero: Brother Jerome Meyer, C.S.C.

Greatest Accomplishment at Notre Dame: [No response]