



Notre Dame Club of Northern Alabama



December 2003

Our Two Newest Alumni

In September, our club welcomed its two newest alumni. George '03 and Jo Ann '03 Harvey (pictured here with Father Hesburgh) were made honorary alumni during a ceremony on campus led by Chuck Lennon '61,'62 MA, Executive Director of the ND Alumni Association. George and Jo Ann were recognized for their support of Notre Dame, particularly their tremendous support of the ND Fighting Irish Resource Service Team (FIRST) efforts. On behalf of our club, I'd like to congratulate them on this tremendous honor. No other people in our club have done more to represent ND in general or our club in particular than George and Jo Ann.

Sonnie Hereford



Communion Breakfast

The Notre Dame Club of Northern Alabama is planning a Communion Breakfast to be held in February 2004. This activity is a chance for club members and friends to attend a mass at St. John's Church in Madison, followed by a breakfast at a nearby restaurant. Stay tuned to your e-mail and to our club website for details.

Football Weekend News

2003 BYU weekend – 38 brave ND fans endured the delightful South Bend weather and thoroughly enjoyed this years club weekend game trip. This years group, although smaller than usual had a very enjoyable weekend; getting to know some new fans, seeing a good game, and being with old friends. The only negative was the financial loss that the club took for not selling all of its allocation.



(Carlyle Holiday with club members)

2004 Tennessee Game – Next years club sponsored game will be the Tennessee game in Knoxville. We expect this to be a high demand game, so ensure your eligibility by submitting your 2003-2004 dues. We are exploring the possibility of a bus trip in conjunction with the Knoxville ND Club's pregame activities. Let us know if you are interested.

Membership / Dues Notice

If you haven't already done so, please send in your club dues for the 2003-04 year. Our club suffered a substantial loss due to the inability to sell several packages for the BYU game. Paying your dues at this time will help to alleviate our present cash flow problem. Dues checks should be made out to the ND Club of Northern Alabama, and should be sent to:

ND Club of Northern Alabama
7806 Bridgewell Run
Huntsville, AL 35802

ASAP 2003

This fall I took the opportunity to participate in the Alumni Student Appalachia Project (ASAP). ASAP is a week long program that takes place during spring or fall break. The students take a few classes before and after the program. There were 18 sites in KY, WV, VA, and TN where the students volunteered. This fall there were a total of 169 students participating.



I joined 10 students in Harlan Kentucky to participate in Christian Outreach with Appalachian People (COAP) during the week of October 19th thru 25th. COAP repairs homes like Rebuilding Together as well as building new homes like Habitat for Humanity.

The students I had the pleasure of working with were:

Jonathan Christman '06
Kyle Engoian '06
Andrea George '05
James Gower '07
Micah Johnston '06
Caroline Meehan '05
Colleen O'Donnell '05
Michael Rossman '07
Tiffany Thompson '06
Thomas Zieg '04



It turned out that not only was I the only alumnus at the Harlan Kentucky site, I was also the only alumnus at any site!

We were broken in two work groups one re-roofing a home another painting and insulating a number of new homes. I spent most of the week working on the roofing job. On Wednesday six of the students swapped work sites so those that were interested, could get a chance to try their hand at the other jobs.

I highly recommend this program to all alumni. It will give you an opportunity to help others as well as getting to know the students currently attending Notre Dame.

Joe Szedula '80 '82



A Big Thank You – from Wyetta Palmby

One of our Decatur Notre Dame students, Wyetta Palmby, was awarded a scholarship by the Notre Dame Club of Northern Alabama Board of Directors. The thank you note she sent to the club is reprinted below. Thanks to all of you who support the club's scholarship program.

Dear Notre Dame Club,

Thank you all so much for the scholarship. It is a tremendous help to both me and my family.

School is going wonderfully. Also, football season, as I am sure you all know has started out with a bang, bringing a smile to the entire campus. [NOTE: This was obviously written right after the Washington St. game!]

Next week we are going to the Michigan game. It should be a great game. Can't wait to see you all at the BYU game!

Thanks again and GO IRISH!

Wyetta

Name: _____ Home No: _____
 Address: _____ Work No: _____
 _____ Date: _____
 E-mail Address: _____
 (You'll receive e-mail messages about club activities.)

Membership Year 2003-2004

Graduation Year(s) _____

Membership Amt. \$ _____ (\$25/year/person)

Scholarship Amt.* \$ _____

Please make check payable to:
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Clip and Mail to:
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* Contributions to Scholarship Fund are tax deductible. Also, remember to check for the availability of matching funds from your company.

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Membership

Payment of dues will keep a member in good standing until July 31, 2004. The dues are used to cover the cost of club activities. The Summer Service Project and the Student Send-off are two such activities. Another benefit of membership will be an opportunity to purchase Game Trip packages (tickets & rooms on campus) for the game in 2004. Members also receive regular newsletters.

Remember, all ND supporters are welcome; membership is not limited to alumni. Please tell your ND-supporting friends about the Club!

Make checks out to ND Club of Northern Alabama, and send your \$25 payment per member to: ND Club of Northern Alabama/7806 Bridgewell Run/Huntsville, AL 35802

- Tom Berg
- Barbara Bishop
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Coming Events

<u>What</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where/Who</u>
• Communion Breakfast	mid February	Jack Delvillan, 256-247-7268
• Christmas in April Sign-up	March	Lee Walker, 256-353-4407 http://www.mindspring.com/~rt-mc/
• Christmas in April Rebuilding Day	April 24th 8AM- 5PM	Morgan County, location to be determined



Updates to the club's "Coming Events" are regularly posted on our web site. This newsletter and information on club activities can also be found on our web site. While you're there you can sign up for the club's e-mail list. When you sign up you'll find out about the club's activities sooner. Our web site is located at:

http://alumni.nd.edu/~ndc_n_al/



Scholarship Donations

This is a reminder that if you haven't made your annual alumni donation to the University yet, you can designate your donation to the Northern Alabama Scholarship Fund. This can be done by sending your donation to the Treasurer (David Tarkowski), payable to the Notre Dame Club of Northern Alabama and I will be forward a single check to the Development Office with each donor's name and class year. You will receive a letter of appreciation directly from the Development Office. Alternatively, you can send your donation directly to the University and designate our Scholarship Fund on your donation form. The official deadline is Dec 31 but the Development Office grants the Clubs a grace period of a few weeks, so send me your checks as soon as possible. My address is 7806 Bridgewell Run, Huntsville, AL 35802.

Membership E-mail List

We are trying to compile a list of e-mail addresses for our club membership. This list will be used to keep you informed of club activities. We have also used the e-mail list to send out notices when game tickets are available. It is easy to add your name to our address list. Simply:

1. Go to our club's web site at:
http://alumni.nd.edu/~ndc_n_al/
2. Click on the "Subscribe to our e-mail list" link
3. Send the e-mail message

Sending this message will automatically add your e-mail address to our list of members. You can also send an email to "szedula@mindspring.com" with the subject "Subscribe to ND Club Newsletter" (no quotes). Using either method, your e-mail address will be added to our address list.