



North Dakota State University

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University Apartment Newsletter

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University Village Antenna Service

University Village Antenna Service – The basic antenna service provided for University Village will no longer be paid for by NDSU after May 30, 2008.

This means that if there are problems with your TV reception after this date it will be your responsibility to have this repair made. The reason for this is because of the transition to digital in February, 2009.

TV sets that currently receive programming through cable or satellite are not likely to be affected by the transition. However, TV sets that rely on “over the air” broadcasting with an antenna (set-top or rooftop) to receive a signal will be affected by the cutoff of analog broadcasts in 2009.

You will need to consider one of the following options:

Purchase a digital-to-analog converter box that plugs into an existing television. The boxes, which are expected to cost \$40-70 will

be available for purchase in 2008.

Beginning in February 2008, U.S. households can request up to two coupons valued at \$40 each.

Each coupon can go toward the purchase of a single set-top converter box that will allow you to continue watching FREE “over-the-air” television on an analog set.

Subscribe to cable, satellite or telecommunications service provider if all desired local broadcast stations are carried by that service.

Purchase a new television set with a built in digital tuner.

This information and further answers to questions you may have can be found at www.dtvtransition.org.

Did you Know?

- Burning candles and incense is prohibited in the university apartments
- No pets are allowed in your apartment unless they are fish
- That you are *required* to smoke outside and not in your apartment
- That there is absolutely no driving allowed on the sidewalks in University Village

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Reminders & Notices

Repairs in your Apartment – Please report any repairs issues to our service and repair staff at 1-7282. If it is after hours or on the weekend, please contact any of the complex managers for assistance.

Renter’s Insurance – NDSU does not provide coverage for personal loss of a tenant’s possessions which are in University housing. All tenants are encouraged to obtain renter’s insurance to cover any loss of personal belongings due to fire, water damage, mechanical issues, or any other type of disaster.

Snow Removal during break – Please plan for the possibility of snow removal during break. If you will be gone and are leaving your vehicle you

will need to make arrangements to have someone move it for you. If it is not moved and has to be towed you will be charged. Thank you for your assistance.

Campus News & Events

Tax Information at Library, on Web – NDSU Libraries has free copies of basic federal and North Dakota state income tax forms. Several tax guidebooks are on reference and available for circulation. For a list of sites with tax information, go to www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu Click on frequently asked questions under the research section.

Spring Break Hours – The University will be open 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. during spring break. Please make sure that you make the necessary changes in your schedule.

The Department of Residence Life supports students by providing a vibrant, healthy place to live and learn



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We're On The Web

WWW.NDSU.EDU/RESLIFE

How May We Help You?

If you have questions or concerns please contact a complex manager

- Sisika Ranaweera and Mangala Ganehiarachchi:
263 University Village
Phone: 231.4177
- Cassie and Andy Wahl:
26 University Village
Phone: 231.4026
- Rob and Dani Fischer:
109 Bison Court
Phone: 231.4285
- Bouchaib Falah:
181 University Village
Phone: 231.4175

Apartment Repairs

Please call Service & Repair at 231.7282. Please be ready with your name, apartment #, telephone # and a description of the problem.

Who Was St. Patrick?

St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, is one of Christianity's most widely known figures. But for all his celebrity, his life remains somewhat of a mystery. Many of the stories traditionally associated with St. Patrick, including the famous account of his banishing all the snakes from Ireland, are false, the products of hundreds of years of exaggerated storytelling. It is known that St. Patrick was born in Britain to wealthy parents near the end of the fourth century. He is believed to have died on March 17, around 460 A.D. Although his father was a Christian deacon, it has been suggested that he probably took on the role because of tax incentives and there is no evidence that Patrick came from a particularly religious family.

At the age of sixteen, Patrick was taken prisoner by a group of Irish raiders who were attacking his family's estate. They transported him to Ireland where he spent six years in captivity. During this time, he worked as a shepherd, outdoors and away from people. Lonely and afraid, he turned to his religion for solace, becoming a devout Christian. After more than six years as a prisoner, Patrick escaped. According to his writing, a voice-which he believed to be God's-spoke to him in a dream, telling him it was time to leave Ireland. To do so, Patrick walked nearly 200 miles from County Mayo to the Irish coast. After escaping to Britain, Patrick reported that he experienced a revelation-an angel in a dream tells him to return to Ireland as a missionary.

Soon after, Patrick began religious training, a course of study that lasted more than fifteen years. After his ordination as a priest, he was sent to Ireland with a dual mission-to minister to Christians already living in Ireland and to begin to convert the Irish. (Interestingly, this mission contradicts the widely held notion that Patrick introduced Christianity to Ireland.) Familiar with the Irish language and culture, Patrick chose to incor-

