



## Construction Update

## Trivia Night March 7, 2014

### Phase II Well Underway

There is much excitement these days at Notre Dame! After a five year delay, work on the second phase of its building has begun, with completion expected by Christmas of this year. A chapel, a cafeteria, a fully functioning kitchen with Home Economics area, a staffroom, band and choir practice rooms, and counselor's offices – all of these will ensure that Notre Dame will continue to provide a broad range of courses, meeting the needs of the students in a state-of-the-art facility. It is certainly a marked contrast to the old Parker Street building with its haphazard layout, mold in the walls, and asbestos flooring and insulation.

It is a mark of the esteem in which the school is held that its current enrollment of 670 is the highest the school has ever had, despite having to operate in a building only two-thirds complete. A further indication of the value that members of the community place on Notre Dame is that over fifty families of alumni are currently attending the school. Projected enrollments indicate that the school will soon be operating at an enrollment level of at least 750.

How has the completion of the building been made possible? The school has been authorized by the Archdiocese to borrow \$7 million. In order to pay off the loan, last year parents of students currently enrolled in the school overwhelmingly agreed to make a voluntary contribution of at least \$400 per year. In addition, increased enrollment will mean that the school will generate funds that will be used to further reduce the loan.

Of course, too, the school is hoping that alumni and friends of the school will



*Recent Construction at ND*

help the cause by donating to the Notre Dame Alumni Foundation, of which the totality of all funds is dedicated to Notre Dame. If you would like to make a donation to debt reduction or towards furnishing any of the classrooms currently under construction, please contact Joe Dardano or Alan Charlton at the school.

### ND Appoints Fund Development Coordinator

Notre Dame has appointed Joe Dardano (Grad 2002) to the role of Fund Development Coordinator, to assist with a debt reduction campaign in support of the completion of Phase II, while also maintaining a partial teaching load. Joe's background includes fundraising for Simon Fraser University, teaching Business Education (Marketing), and grant application training, which are roles that will contribute to his new position. This plan includes various strategies aimed to target our community, families, alumnus and various corporate foundations, in order to help offset costs for the new wing. Joe's formal education includes a Bachelor of Arts from SFU, a Bachelor of Education from UBC and is currently completing his Master's in Educational Leadership.

### Notre Dame Alumni Annual Trivia Night Friday, March 7, 2014

Note that this is the last year it will be at  
Our Lady of Sorrows.  
Next year we will be able to use the  
auditorium and new kitchen facilities!

**Our Lady of Sorrows Hall  
555 S. Slocan St., Vancouver  
Registration at 6:00 pm**

**Dinner at 6:30**

**Games start at 7:30**

**Price \$25.00 including pasta  
dinner and salad!**

**No host bar.**

For tickets e-mail either:

Lana Tesan:

[ltesan@gmail.com](mailto:ltesan@gmail.com) or

Alan Charlton:

[acharlton@ndrs.org](mailto:acharlton@ndrs.org)

For further information or to contribute to this campaign, please contact Joe at [jdardano@ndrs.org](mailto:jdardano@ndrs.org), or through the school office: 604.255.5454.



## ND Alumni Foundation

As Notre Dame works toward becoming one of the largest independent educational facilities in the province, the Notre Dame Alumni Foundation is pleased to play a role in providing ongoing financial assistance.

The Annual Gala held November 15, 2013 at the Italian Cultural Centre was enjoyed by 300 guests. The dinner, dance and auction raised \$40,000 for the students at ND. Thank you to all that supported the event by contributing or attending. Special thanks to the many parents, students and staff at ND that work long hours in support of the NDAF. We could not do it without you!

We are pleased to report that the Foundation had donated over \$612,000 to the new facility since planning started in 2003. All the money raised stems from the generosity of many ND Alumni and their families. Think about how you can contribute to the students at Notre Dame. Every dollar makes a difference!

Options for your consideration are:

- Locker Sponsorship    \$250
- Brick Sponsorship
  - Bronze    \$500
  - Silver    \$1000
  - Platinum    \$2500

Donations are welcomed through these and our many tax deductible fundraising programs including Corporate Sponsorship, Classroom Sponsorship & Planned Giving. Please contact us through the school office: 604-255-5454.

## Alumnus at Global News Wins Award

Congratulations to ND Alumna Doriana Temolo, Global National News Director, along with the anchors, reporters and crew for Global National on an unprecedented win for a Canadian news show of a prestigious Edward R. Murrow award.



## 5th Annual Super Bowl Bash!

The 5th annual Super Bowl Bash was again a great success. Over 70 Alumni and friends attended the event and were treated to catered food from Cioffi's, and a pro-Seattle Seahawk crowd, much to the dismay of Ralph Gabriele. Great prizes were raffled, including Canucks tickets, NFL jerseys and restaurant cards. Next year we hope to hold the event back in the Auditorium. In relation to this fundraiser, the annual ND football pub night will be held at the Mountain Shadow Pub on Friday April 11th. Pre-sale tickets are required or a confirmation email to Coach Scott at [rich\\_scott@ndrs.org](mailto:rich_scott@ndrs.org)



## 2003 Reunion

Notre Dame's class of 2003 celebrated their 10 year reunion recently. Class president, Carlo DeFazio, organized the event and was grateful to have such a



successful turnout. Taking over half of the Cactus Club in North Burnaby, at least 60 of the grads returned for a night filled with laughter, memories and nostalgia. The night was complete with picture collages, a DJ spinning music straight from their school dances and complimentary drinks and appetizers from Cactus Club's General Manager and fellow graduate, Margherita Cucca. Calling the night a success, many grads left already planning for the next one. Grads of 2003 were definitely a class to remember.

*Carlo DeFazio*

## 1983 Reunion

The grad class of 1983 celebrated their 30th anniversary on Saturday, August 10th at the Veterans Hall in the Sapperton area in New Westminister. A big "thank you" to the organizers Sharon Bemister, Wendy Buchan, Melody Gradbowski and Lisa Casey. It felt like there just wasn't enough time to fully engage in everyone's conversation. It was so wonderful to see all of you and felt like 30 years hadn't passed at all. We all just continued on from where we left off ... 30 years ago. We had a lot of fun and truly wished we could continue on for a least a few more hours!

## KNOW LOVE + SERVE

What a pleasure to receive the newsletter!! When I think of the time from '56-'59 and now I see tuition is \$4000 a year.

Wow! I'm so grateful I was born when I was. The US school system was great for my children but I feel privileged to have attended Notre Dame for 4 years.

*Ileen (Doyle '59) Lang*

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## Thank you!

Thank you to our Gala & Golf Tournament Sponsors

### Bronze

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- Hub International
- Italian Cultural Centre
- Mack Printers & Stationers Ltd.
- Rokko's Fabrics

### Silver

- D.M.S. Mechanical
- Q-Motion Video Productions

### Gold

- Cambridge Uniforms
- D&H Chartered Accountants
- GNK Insurance

### Platinum

- Appia Development Solo District
- Boffo Development
- Vancity
- Kal Tire
- Carter Fiat (Burnaby)



## The Last Alumni Newsletter?

For fifteen years the Alumni Executive has been mailing out Alumni Newsletters to all alumni for whom we have a valid postal address. Frequently we have been asked why we do not go to an on-line copy which can be e-mailed to alumni.

It would, of course, be financially advantageous for the Association to e-mail the Newsletter. The problem is that, despite frequent appeals to the alumni to send in their e-mail addresses, only about 10% of the alumni contacted have done so. Now, however, the Association is faced with a problem regarding distribution of the newsletter. As all are aware, postage rates are going to increase dramatically. Since only about 10% of the alumni send in the annual \$10 membership fee, it is apparent that the Alumni Association can no longer afford to mail out the Newsletter. In fact, the only reason mailing of the newsletter has been possible is that the Alumni Trivia Night each year has raised enough money to subsidize the mailing costs. This, then, is the last time you will receive the newsletter in the regular Canada Post mail.

The Executive has worked hard over the years to ensure that the Newsletter has been published. It represents the main means of communicating for and with the Alumni, serving as a place to give notice of upcoming events, particularly Class Reunions, and allowing Alumni to send information to other Alumni. In addition the newsletter is used to publicize Notre Dame School events and activities. In the opinion of the Executive, it would be a pity for the Newsletter to die, but unless alumni

are willing to inform us of their e-mail addresses, it will mean that in future the Newsletter will circulate to only a small fraction of the alumni.

**To receive future emails from the alumni association including future newsletters, please provide your email address at <http://ndalumni.org> or send an email to [ndalumni@ndalumni.org](mailto:ndalumni@ndalumni.org) with your contact information.**



### Notre Dame Alumni Foundation Statement of Financial Position May 31, 2013

<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$125,016.00
GST Recovery	\$4,607.00
<u>Prepaid Exp</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
	<b>\$130,623.00</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$9,732.00
<u>Total Fund Balances</u>	<u>\$120,891.00</u>
	<b>\$130,623.00</b>

### NOTRE DAME ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT

<b>BALANCE FORWARD as of September 1, 2012</b>		<b>\$3,550.53</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Registrations	\$3,069.24	
17th Annual Trivia Night	\$1,826.25	
ND Foundation/ Shared Postage Cost	<u>\$1,021.87</u>	
		<b>\$5,917.36</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Newsletters-Printing/Postage	\$5,145.91	
Bank Service Charges	\$100.82	
Office expense	\$89.70	
ND Alumni Scholarship	<u>\$500.00</u>	
		<b>\$5,836.43</b>
<b>BALANCE as of December 2013</b>		<b>\$3,631.46</b>

## ND Alumni Membership

Thank you for your annual \$10 membership fee. We depend on your support to publish this newsletter and support ND.

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