

# The Buck Starts Here



**The Portland Pirates and Gary's House have teamed up to score some "GOALS" this season. You can join the fun by pledging a dollar amount for every goal scored during the 2007-2008 season!**

The money raised will benefit Gary's House, a home where people from out-of-town can stay while they visit a family member in a local hospital. At the end of the season, participants will pay based on the number of goals scored: to judge your pledge amount, keep in mind the Pirates scored 225 goals last season!

Gary's House is a home that started as a young man's dream. While fighting a two-and-a-half year battle with cancer, Gary saw how financially difficult it was for his parents to stay in hotels while he was undergoing his cancer treatments.



When Gary realized he would lose his battle with cancer, he had a final wish: to establish a hospitality home in southern Maine that would serve families of patients.

Gary's parents, Trudy and Craig McNeal, were able to raise the money through many fundraising events and donations, to buy and furnish a nine-bedroom home on State Street in Portland.

After seven years of hard work, Gary's House opened its doors on December 13, 1998. With their goal met, the McNeals asked Mercy Hospital to sponsor the ongoing operation of the home.

## **GOALS** for Gary's House

Gary's House, provides a "home away from home" for out-of-town families while a loved one is treated at an area hospital.

"GOALS FOR GARY'S HOUSE" is a community effort led by Medical Services Federal Credit Union, Mercy Hospital, and The Portland Pirates to benefit Gary's House.

### OPTION 1

**YES,** I want to participate in "GOALS FOR GARY'S HOUSE." I/We pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per goal by Portland Pirates players during the 2007-2008 season. Example: If you pledge \$5.00 per goal and 200 goals are scored for the season, your total pledge will be \$100. (The Portland Pirates scored 225 goals during the 2006-2007 season.)

### OPTION 2

**YES,** I/We want to make a donation to Gary's House.

I/We pledge a gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (to be paid in full at the end of the hockey season).

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Clip and return to Gary's House, 97 State Street, Portland, Maine 04101.