Subject: Hi Kids Posted by wunhuanglo on Fri, 02 Sep 2005 19:40:33 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

We're all alive - first internet access - on a wifi point near LSU - house kind of smashed up - no nothing - we're stayiing in a student squat in Baton Rouge - shipping out the two youngest kids and the dogs on sunday to my sister's on cape cod - homeless for a while i expect.nothing you've seen or heard begins to describe what's happening - unimaginable is the least effective description possible - bodies floating around - no help anywhere near the city until today - now they're acting like heroes - the most shameful thing i've ever seen or heard of. even though they've brought stuff in today they're still not distributing it - people continue to die from exposure and dehydration.stupid me, i deal with a local bank - no access to saving because they can't get their shit together - credit card still works though - we can hang for quite a while yet.thanks to everybody for your thoughts, prayers and expressions of concern - my whole family is touched and appreciates it very much.probably no communication for a long time, but i'll remember your thoughtfulness for the rest of my life.Charlie

Subject: Re: Hi Kids Posted by Bill Martinelli on Fri, 02 Sep 2005 21:06:11 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Glad your well Charlie, If I can send you anything to help out email me or my phon # is on the websitewish you and everyone down there the bestbill

Subject: Re: Hi Kids Posted by Bill Epstein on Fri, 02 Sep 2005 22:05:44 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Thrilled to hear from you. Especially from a Hurricane Andrew survivor. Prayers for you, your family and all our Gulf Coast friends.

Subject: Alright! Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 02 Sep 2005 22:45:56 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I'm so glad to hear from you! You've been the subject of discussions here for the whole week.I'm sooooo sorry for you, and can't imagine what you're going through. But I'm glad you're alive.

Glad you have kept a line on resources too. Let me know if there is anything I can do to help.

Subject: Re: Hi Kids Posted by Manualblock on Sat, 03 Sep 2005 01:16:19 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hey Charlie; Got your flippers on? Sorry for your loss; please keep us posted.Good Luck and Godspeed mi amigo.

Subject: Re: Response Posted by Bill Wassilak on Sat, 03 Sep 2005 03:40:33 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Glad to here your familie's all right. WISH the best of luck for the future. I'll keep you in my prayers.Bill W.

Subject: Re: Hi Kids Posted by Ion on Sat, 03 Sep 2005 04:10:34 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Today I was trying to figure out how to make a smalldonation directly into the churches or other direct relief organizations which are local and use100% of the donation for the most needy. Anybody have a line on that? I am going to try and see if I can get an answer directly from a reporter at the Times Picayune (which I don't evenknow how to spell.)

Subject: Re: Hi Kids Posted by Damir on Sun, 04 Sep 2005 17:31:40 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

We have the similar (war) situation here, a few years ago - hundreds of thousands of refugees, without homes, property, anything. I know that home is not just a building, and that human unfairness hurts a lot. But, people can and must live further, they somehow found the strength in their families, friends and good people who helped.My best wishes and prayers to you and your family, and to all other people there.