

## A Match Made in Stoke

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Matthew '12 first laid eyes on Kim in [Stoke Hall](#) during his freshman year. They have been inseparable ever since. Eight years later, Matthew proposed to Kim in the very same dorm in which they met.

It was a sunny morning in June. The spring semester was officially over. Students had turned in their keys, packed up their cars and gone home for the summer. The [dorms](#) had become shadows of their former selves.

Well, all except one.

While nearly identical to all the other rooms on the floor, Stoke 654 contained one minor difference: Pictures of Matthew and Kim

were on display and the bureaus were adorned with candles and lavish bouquets. Was it a dorm room, or some sort of romantic time machine?



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Claiming they were “just passing through,” Matt casually led Kim down memory lane — also known as the sixth floor of Stoke — to the room, where he got down on one knee and asked her to be his wife.



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It was Stoke's first engagement, but hopefully not its last.

Who said UNH Housing can't write a love story? Matt and Kim — from everyone at the [Housing Department](#) and the entire [University](#) — congratulations. May we suggest Thompson Hall Lawn as a venue? We also know a great [caterer](#) (wink, wink).

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