



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Greetings Parents,

Our AdvancED site visit team just completed their first of two days at NDA as part of our reaccreditation process. They spent the day interviewing faculty, staff, students and parents as well as completing classroom observations. It is a very thorough review process and we look forward to their feedback as affirmation of the excellent educational tradition at NDA as well as an opportunity for continuous improvement.

This Friday our students and their fathers will enjoy the annual Father/Daughter Dance. I am grateful to the PTO and many parent volunteers who make this special evening possible for students and their dads. May it be a memorable evening for all.

Scheduling for next year's courses begins on Monday, February 25 and should be completed by March 1. Students will be able to access Power School and register for electives. Teachers have met with students and completed course recommendations for the core requirements. For a timeline of the scheduling process please go to the counseling page on our website (<http://www.ndapandas.org/academics/counseling-and-student-services.aspx>) and click on the Scheduling Timeline. After March 1, our academic counselors will begin meeting with each student to review their course plan for next year.

As we move through Lent, our prayer each day focuses on how we might make the most of this season of sacrifice and renewal. Our prayer today:



Dear Lord,
 I know you receive what is in my heart.
 Let me be inspired by your words
 and by the actions of your son, Jesus.
 Guide me to make sacrifices this Lent
 in the spirit of self-denial
 and with greater attention to you
 and to those around me.
 Help me to believe that you will grant me this
 because of the sacrifice Jesus made for me.

May you know God's goodness each day,

Dr. Laura Koehl



iPad UPDATE ◀

iPad Parent Session:

On February 27 and March 19 Mrs. Mullee is conducting an "Parent iPad Session". Both nights are identical in nature, so no need to attend both. Topics covered include:

- Setting parent restrictions
- Checking iMessages
- Checking Internet browsing history
- Checking photos and videos
- Social media awareness

Faculty members will give short demonstrations of how they implement and manage the iPad in the classroom. SWAT team members will be set up in stations in Alumnae Hall after the theater session to demonstrate their daily uses of academic apps. Please look for an RSVP email this week.

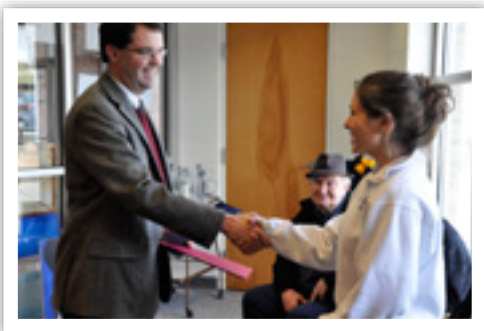
GOVERNOR'S CUP ◀

Rachel Peavler placed 4th in the Arts and Humanities Assessment at the Regional Governor's Cup Competition for the Academic Team. As a result of her performance, she will advance to the state level of the competition, which is held in Louisville on March 16, 2013. Congratulations Rachel!



CONGRATULATIONS! ◀

We had two young ladies receive scholarships from Hanover College last Thursday.



Cassie Schoborg was awarded a Benjamin Templeton Scholarship from Hanover College. This is a four-year, renewable scholarship which covers the full cost of tuition and is awarded to approximately 12 first-year students. Students receiving this award on the basis of academic excellence and commitment to leadership, multiculturalism and social justice. Congratulations to Cassie!

Katy Zembrodt was invited into the Global Scholars Program at Hanover College. To be selected for this program, students complete an application process and if named a candidate they attend an on-campus selection weekend. As a Global Scholar, Katy was awarded a \$3,000 grant to fund an off-campus study abroad experience. Katy found out last week that she also received a \$2500 Crowe/Long Scholarship from the Global Scholars Program. Congratulations Katy!



SCHOLASTIC WRITING AWARDS ◀

Congratulations to our English Department and the many NDA students who were recognized in the 2013 Scholastic Writing Awards. Check out the complete list of this year's winners on our website at [2013 SCHOLASTIC WRITING AWARDS](#).

ALSO, congratulations to Szofia Komaromy-Hiller. Szofia's Scholastic Award-winning writing, *In That Case, I'll Stick to Politics*, will be featured on the Scholastic Awards' website until February 25, 2013. Here's the full story... [Scholastic Writing Website Features NDA Student](#).

NEWS FROM THE STUDENT LIFE OFFICE ◀



NDA Night at the Reds!

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 23 at 7:10 p.m. when all will be invited to root on the Cincinnati Reds as they take on the Chicago Cubs. Beginning next week, NDA families will be able purchase \$10 tickets through the school office. Only a limited number of tickets will be available to purchase!

NDA Club Highlight

New to NDA this year, the **Investment Club** boasts over 25 members. The club focuses on learning about the importance of saving money and investing it wisely. With the help of a parent and NDA board member, this club has had a very successful start. Teams of 2-3 students are competing in the Stock Market Game - a national competition that begins at regional levels. The competition will continue through the end of the school year. This learning opportunity is sponsored by over 50 companies, firms and individuals who provide the financial contributions necessary for the development of new educational programs as well as maintaining already existing programs. Feel free to learn more by visiting: www.stockmarketgame.org. In the fall, members of the Investment Club attended the Portfolios Investment Education Workshop at Northern Kentucky University. In conjunction with Covington Catholic High School, students were challenged with investment scenarios and learned more about the stock market's diversity. The Investment Club's future plans include guest speakers and a community service project focused on helping others learn about the importance of saving and investing.



After Prom

The PTO is seeking gift card donations for this year's After Prom. Gift cards to local restaurants, shopping centers, movie theaters, or even coffee shops are most welcome and will be used as prizes at After Prom.

PERU MISSION TRIP ◀



21 girls from grades 9-12 and 2 chaperones will travel to Peru this summer from June 8 to June 16. Airline reservations and hotel reservations have been made and the girls will be involved with brief, but informative meetings two times per month leading up to the trip. Mickey Terry and Avery Henderson, travelers from last year, will be speaking to the girls about what to expect on the trip and the 2nd monthly meeting will provide time for Mr. Eckerle to lead the girls in brief discussions about what it means to be involved in a trip like this. The next step will be planning the itinerary for the girls based upon the needs of the Luz Divina community and what the girls would like to accomplish during their stay. Everyone is definitely looking forward to the month of June!

NDA CURRICULUM GUIDE ◀

A pdf version of the 2013-2014 NDA Curriculum Guide is now available on the website. You can access it at <http://www.ndapandas.org/academics/curriculum-guide.aspx>.

NDA BASS FISHING TEAM NEEDS BOAT OWNERS ◀

NDA is seeking bass boat owners to volunteer and assist the NDA Bass Fishing team in NDA's newest Varsity sport. Boat owners are needed to operate their boats as NDA team members fish in tournaments. Boat volunteers will be reimbursed for their expenses. For more information contact Athletic Director Kim Gunning at 859-292-7730.



COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀

NDA Scholarship Bulletin Page

Check out all of the scholarship opportunities on the [Scholarship Bulletin page](#) of our website. There are new scholarships posted all of the time. If you have any questions please contact [Ms. Burgei](#).

Link to Scholarship Bulletin Page: <http://www.ndapandas.org/academics/counseling-and-student-services/college-counseling/scholarship-information/scholarship-bulletins.aspx>

College Fair Sunday, March 3, 2013!

Sunday, March 3, there will be a National College Fair in Louisville at The Kentucky International Convention Center. This is a great opportunity for students of all grade levels to explore colleges from our area and around the country. There will be approximately 100 schools represented and the event is FREE. Visit the NACAC website for more information: [Louisville College Fair](#).



We Need You!
In the cafeteria

Part Time Job:
10:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
1 day per month
Pay: Free lunch, Good Friendship, Fun Conversation
No Applicant Denied!

DISH ROOM NEWS ◀

Hello Dish Room Volunteers! We need volunteers for the following dates: Feb. 20, 22, 25, 26, 27, Mar. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27. If you are able to donate just about an hour and 45 minutes on any of these dates, we would greatly appreciate it! You can sign up to help at [CAFETERIA SIGN-UP](#).

FROM THE ADVANCEMENT OFFICE ◀



The 2013 Women Making a Difference luncheon will take place on Thursday, March 7, 2013 at Receptions in Erlanger. If you are interested in attending, you can purchase tickets (\$55) through the Advancement Office at (859) 292-1850.

We are currently seeking volunteers for NDA GALA 2013. There be a kick-off meeting on Tuesday, February 26 at 8:00 a.m. at NDA.

Broadway in Cincinnati

The Advancement and Alumnae Office have partnered with Broadway in Cincinnati to offer DISCOUNTED tickets to the upcoming performances of Million Dollar Quartet running FebruARY 19 - March 3 to our students, parents, alumnae, and friends!! Go to www.eventusher.com and enter the password "notredame" to get your discounted tickets...Plus Notre Dame gets a cut of the profits!

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF HOPE! ◀

Homeless to Hopeful

Notre Dame Academy will host *Homeless to Hopeful, A Night at the Movies* this Friday, February 22, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the NDA Theatre. This program to raise awareness about homelessness in our community and raise funds to benefit organizations dedicated to sheltering the homeless will benefit the [Emergency Shelter of Northern Kentucky](#) and [Family Promise of Northern Kentucky](#). Former U.S. Representative, Geoff Davis will be the Master of Ceremonies for the event.

Tickets are \$15.00/Adults \$5.00/Students. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Be a part of a great evening to support - Family Promise of NKY and the Emergency Shelter of NKY!

COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

ST. AGNES BIG BLUE BASH:

Mark your calendars and join us for an exciting night at the Marquise Banquet Center in Wilder on Friday, March 8, 2013. We are excited about this new location and know it will be a great night for all of us to support St. Agnes. Raffle has a grand prize of \$5,000. If you would like to receive a reservation card, please email Janna Collins at janna.collins@insightbb.com and she will get one right out to you. The deadline for RSVPs for this event is March 1, 2013 and there won't be tickets sold at the door so don't delay. We hope you can join us!



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