



*An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy*

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Greetings parents!

It is hard to believe that this is the final week of classes for our seniors - the class of 2014! You can feel the excitement in the air as they prepare for the completion of their high school years and look forward to the many opportunities that lie ahead. On Friday we will hold our traditional senior send off when our students and faculty celebrate the seniors in our school assembly.

Congratulations to our 65 seniors getting half tuition or more scholarships to universities and colleges. These students were celebrated at our Academic Signing Ceremony today. Congratulations also to our 10 senior athletes who signed to play at the collegiate level yesterday at the Athletic Signing Ceremony.

Tomorrow night we will celebrate the 143 freshman, sophomore and junior students who excelled in academics, service, the arts and leadership. In addition to meeting criteria for first honors and scholarships at NDA, many of these students are being honored by state and national organizations as well.

Congratulations to our tennis team for winning the regional title –their 19th title in as many years! Good luck to our student athletes and their coaches as they head to the state tournament this weekend. This makes five athletic programs with regional titles this year!

Last night we held our final PTO meeting for the year. I would like to thank the many parents who have helped and supported our school this year in so many ways – especially our outgoing parents who have been with NDA for many years. More parents are needed and we invite you to consider signing up for one of the many volunteer opportunity sponsored by our PTO. Please see the volunteer form located on our website [HERE](#).

Please note that students who have applied for grants and/or scholarships for the coming year will be notified next week by mail.

Please keep our students, faculty and staff in your prayers as we complete the 2013-14 school year.

May you know God's goodness each day,

Dr. Laura Koehl

*Let us Journey Together in Hope*






## TECHNOLOGY UPDATE ◀

### From the Tech Help Desk:

Students!

It's that time of year! Please be sure to back up your iPads daily. After exams, be sure to delete large files inside apps that you do not need to save yourself some space.

Here is how to check how much data you are using:

1. Go to "settings" app
2. Go to "General" 
3. Go to "Usage"
4. You will see "Storage" for your iPad first and then your "iCloud" storage
5. Delete anything you do not use in your iPad storage
6. Then check your iCloud storage and get rid of any data you don't need
7. Go to your  app
8. Go to "settings" INSIDE  (bottom right to the left of the question mark)
9. Go to 3rd option down on left hand column "iCloud"
10. Make sure your "iCloud" button is blue meaning "on"

**\*\*AS ALWAYS, MAKE SURE YOU ARE UPDATED TO THE LATEST SOFTWARE VERSION\*\***

If you need help or have any questions, please come to the Help Desk or email Mrs. Mullee.



### IMPORTANT WORK STUDY/TUITION ASSISTANCE INFORMATION:

Notifications regarding Work Study and Tuition Assistance Grants will go out the week of May 26, 2014.



## STUDENT LIFE UPDATE ◀

### Senior Send-Off

This Friday we will be sending off the Class of 2014! The Senior Send Off begins at 1:00 p.m. in the auditorium, and without classes in the morning, seniors are expected to be on campus no later than 12:45 p.m. Freshmen through Juniors will begin classes at the regular time on Friday – 8:00 a.m. A huge thank you to NDA's Student Council for planning this event.

Attire for the seniors on this special day is job interview attire – dressy, classy and modest. NDA's dress code will apply, and any senior violating our dress code policy will need to change clothes in order to participate in the Senior Send Off.



## CAFETERIA NEWS ◀

All negative balances need to be paid by the end of the school year. Seniors need to pay their negative balance or their transcripts will not be sent to the college they will be attending next year. Also, all remaining balances will roll over to next year, and refunds will only be made upon request.

# CONGRATULATIONS!

## SPANISH DEPARTMENT NEWS ◀

The Spanish students took the National Spanish Exam in the Spring, and the results are finally in! Our students did an outstanding job, so many congratulations to the following winners and their teachers Mrs. Linda Cochran and Ms. Stacey M. Bill! ¡Muchas felicidades a todas!

### **Spanish I:**

Silver: Abby Kelly, Hannah Kresser, Paige Monfort, Claire Morgan

Bronze: Briana Baker, Kimberly Birrer, Adria Burden, Sarah Draud, Olivia Kirst, Kylie Moellering, Brooke Schulte

Honorable Mention: Grace Harmeling, Angela Huston, Erica Huston, Julia James, Claire Lonneman, Natalie Martin, Catherine Meadows, Josephine Meyer-Hogan, Elizabeth Nienaber, Kiersten Kienaber, Amanda Smith, Emmagrace Wells, Calli Martin

### **Spanish II:**

Gold: Carly Gross, Marissa Picciuto, Shannon Saelinger

Silver: Julia Gerwe, Malea Rolfsen, Megan Saelinger, Shelby Saylor, Margot Tierney

Bronze: Lauren Bracken, Morgan Hentz, Katie Summe, Christa Saelinger, Stephanie Gabriel

Honorable Mention: Nicole Allender, Hannah Colvin, Emily Jackson, Carly Jones, Eliza Lenihan, Hannah Talkers, Madeline Vonderhaar, Lauren Wilson

### **Spanish III:**

Gold: Isabella Ramicone

Silver: Ellen Kendall, Jessica Peck, Mia Shelton, Madelyn Vinson

Bronze: Brooke Barker, Caroline Maile, Riley Meyerratken, Lily Morgan, Alicia Von Handorf

Honorable Mention: Anna Eckerle, Paige Hignite, Maleia Michels, Erin Peck, Abby Schieman, Caroline Winstel

### **Spanish IV:**

Gold: Abby Marshall

Silver: Jenna Eby, Maggie Hackman, Fran Herbe, Emma Jacobs, Katie Mauer, Maggie McLeod, Alexa Schulte

Bronze: Katie Klensch, Jacqueline Schuh

Honorable Mention: Kylie Colvin, Kaylee Harrison, Savannah Hemmer, Molly Mayer, Maria Nacu, Sara Russo, Marisa Smith

**And a special congratulations to the following who placed in the top 10 in the state due to these results:**

### **Spanish II:**

Carly Gross - 2nd Place

Marissa Picciuto - 5th Place

Shannon Saelinger - 5th Place

Malea Rolfsen - 8th Place

Megan Saelinger - 9th Place

Stephanie Gabriel - 4th Place (Bilingual Level)

### **Spanish III:**

Isabella Ramicone - 7th Place

Jessica Peck - 10th Place

### **Spanish IV:**

Abby Marshall - 4th Place

Jenna Eby - 10th Place



Congratulations!

## ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS ◀

### ATHLETIC FORMS FOR 2014-15

Parents of Student Athletes, on Wednesday morning all student athletes interested in playing a sport next year received their updated athletic forms for the 2014-15 school year. The forms are due for all fall athletes by July 10 and winter and spring athlete by September 10. Please take the time to book your daughter's annual physical today.

### Congratulations to NDA's Tennis Pandas - Regional Champions - 19 Years Straight!

### Cross Country

A meeting will be held Thursday after school in the gym for all those interested in running cross country in the fall.

### Spring Sport Awards Program

The Spring Sport Awards Program for bass fishing, lacrosse, tennis, track & field and softball will be held on Monday, June 2, 2014.



### Dedication of the Bamboo Gardens

Please join us on the softball field Friday, May 16, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. to celebrate the Dedication of the Bamboo Gardens. Following the dedication, the NDA vs Conner varsity game will begin at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

## Congratulations to our most recent senior student athletes who are continuing their athletic career at the collegiate level.



- Maddie Tierney, Xavier University, (soccer)
- Zoe Stovik, Georgetown College, (soccer)
- Emma Schneider, Georgetown College, (soccer)
- Maria Schaefer, Rose Huhlman Institute of Technology, (softball)
- Abby Roebker, Xavier, (tennis)
- Paige Kellam, Centre College, (basketball)
- Savannah Hemmer, Transylvania University, (track & field)
- Laura Finke, Thomas More College, (softball)
- Bess Fley, Bellarmine University, (tennis)
- Carlee Clemons, Transylvania University (basketball)

## 2014 NDA YEARBOOK ORDER INFORMATION ◀

The Notre Dame Academy Publications class is now accepting orders for the 2014 yearbook. Capture high school memories by purchasing your yearbook today! Tapestry, the formal name of the yearbook, will be distributed in October 2014. Graduating seniors receive their books during the Thanksgiving Eve class reunion. The yearbook is \$60. Please refer to the following link for order information: [NDA Website Yearbook Information](#). Order forms are also available in the office. If you have any questions, please notify Mrs. Gronotte at [gronottek@ndapandas.org](mailto:gronottek@ndapandas.org).



## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES ◀

**Art, Music, Theatre, Athletics and More!**

Check out all of the amazing opportunities this summer for current and future Pandas [HERE](#).

## PTO UPDATE ◀

Do you want to know what's going on with NDA's Parent Teacher Organization? Visit the NDA PTO web page [HERE](#) to get a PTO update.

## FAMILY IN NEED STILL ACCEPTING DONATIONS ◀

A fire in Somerset, KY on February 26th completely destroyed the home of NDA Junior Michelle Bleser's two (mentally handicapped) adult brothers. Thankfully, no one was injured, but all of the home's content was lost. Michelle has created a webpage to allow the family to accept financial donations through an account at Republic Bank as they rebuild their lives. ([Link:http://www.gofundme.com/76kj38](http://www.gofundme.com/76kj38))

The family's situation since that day is much improved and they now have temporary housing. However, there is still financial need as they work toward permanent housing. Thank you, Panda Friends, for your incredible generosity.



## CELEBRATE YOUR MOTHER! ◀

During May, celebrate your mother with an online gift to NDA! Simply visit [www.ndapandas.org](http://www.ndapandas.org) and click Giving to make a donation. (Be sure to include your mother's name in the comments section when making your gift.) There will be a special listing of all the mother's names in the Summer Notre Damian.

Please note: You can also send in a gift with your mother's name to the Advancement office for inclusion in the Summer Notre Damian.

## ALUMNAE NEWS ◀

### Alumnae Father/Daughter tickets are now on sale!

Come for a night of desserts, drinks (open bar) and dancing on May 31, 2014 from 7:30-11 p.m. at NDA. Tickets are \$20 general admission and \$30 general admission + open bar. You can buy your tickets online at [www.biddingforgood.com/nda/fatherdaughter](http://www.biddingforgood.com/nda/fatherdaughter), send a check to Emily Berling, or with a credit card over the phone at 859-292-1852. You do not want to miss this! Get your dad's and come back to NDA for a great time!

### Commemorative NDA Bricks

Purchase a brick on Notre Dame Academy's Marian Circle to commemorate your daughter's time at NDA! Bricks are specially priced for senior parents at just \$150. To reserve your daughter's brick on the Marian Circle, simply fill out the form found [HERE](#) online and return to the Advancement Office by June 15, 2014. For questions, contact Advancement Director Anna Hehman at 292-1851 or at [hehmana@ndapandas.org](mailto:hehmana@ndapandas.org).

## ► Important Dates

May 14	4:00 p.m. Academic Signing in Theatre
May 15	7:00 p.m. Academic Awards Ceremony in Theatre
May 16	1:00 p.m. Senior Send-off in Auditorium 5:00 p.m. Bamboo Gardens Dedicaiton
May 19-21	Senior Exams
May 21	Class of 2014 Alumnae Luncheon in Alumnae Hall
May 22	7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate Mass - St. Agnes Church
May 23	No School 8:30 a.m. Senior Awards Breakfast - Receptions 4:00 p.m. Graduation - NKY Convention Center
May 26	Memorial Day - No School
May 27-29	Exams
May 30	Cleaning Day



## COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

Check out the Community News section of NDA's website for news about...

- Be a Challenge Club Leader
- St. Agnes Boosters Golf Outing
- Positions available at SND Provincial House
- Pure Fashion
- Be Concerned 5K

For a complete list of community news [CLICK HERE](#).