

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Blessings parents!

This Friday, one quarter of our student body will graduate and I would like to thank the Class of 2016 for their contributions to NDA. Four years is a relatively short span in relation to a lifetime, but for many students, these four years will greatly affect the rest of their lives. During their time at NDA, our graduates have strived to become women making a difference in the world. There are many characteristics that define a woman making a difference: compassionate, diligent and intellectually competent, just to name a few. More than any other though, I think the Class of 2016 best exemplifies "loving." These young women have shared many experiences together over the past four years. They have embraced each of these experiences with compassion and enthusiasm. Most importantly though, they have loved each other and shown their underclassmen how to become women making a difference through their love for one another. As our seniors get ready to begin the next chapter in their stories of God's goodness, I sincerely thank them and all those who have supported them these past four years.

Another great example of a loving woman making a difference was Sr. Mary Reina Arlinghaus. We will certainly miss her presence at Notre Dame Academy. Her deep faith and her ability to see beauty in all of God's creations has been such a gift to our community. I ask you to continue to pray for Sr. Reina, her family and especially her 4th floor family here at NDA.

Congratulations to our student leaders who were elected by their peers to serve for the 2016-17 school year. Please see the list of school officers below. We are grateful for their willingness to serve our school in this important way.

We are blessed to have a highly qualified and dedicated faculty at NDA. This week we congratulate a long-time member of our faculty, Mr. Ron Griefe. Mr. Griefe was chosen to be an AP reader for the Modern World exam for the fourth time which is quite and honor.

I would also like to congratulate Catherine Meadows who earned the opportunity to represent the State of Kentucky this summer in Washington D.C. at the Congressional Seminar. You can read more about Catherine's accomplishment below.

Enjoy these last couple of days of the school year!

In Notre Dame.

Mr. Jack VonHandorf

Notre Dame Academy is built on the Four Educational Principles of the Sisters of Notre Dame:



- The centrality of a good and provident God
- The human dignity of each person as an image of God
- The Notre Dame educator as a Gospel witness
- An integrated education for transformation



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF SR. MARY REINA

Our very dear Sr. Reina Arlinghaus passed away on Sunday at the amazing age of 98. Sr. Mary Ethel said it was a peaceful death. Sr. Reina spent many hours and days recently visiting with so many of the people she loved dearly, including teachers, staff and students. At NDA we will miss her greatly. Sr. Mary Reina was a beacon of God's goodness to us all especially those she greeted in our hallways and led in morning prayer each weekday. She was a beloved art teacher at NDA from 1947 to 1997. She truly made a difference in the lives of so many including many NDA alumnae from years spanning a half century.

Funeral arrangements for Sr. Reina are as follows:

Wednesday, May 25, 2016 Visitation - 4:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Heights Wake service - 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Heights

Mass of Christian Burial - 7:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, Ft. Mitchell, KY

Interment will follow 8:30 a.m. Mass at the Provincial Center Chapel on Thursday morning, May 26, in the convent cemetery.

Memorials are requested to: Sr. Reina Scholarship Fund Notre Dame Academy 1699 Hilton Drive Park Hills, Kentucky 41011-2796

Please keep Sr. Reina and all her family, friends and Notre Dame sisters in your prayers. May Sr. Reina rest in God's peace and let perpetual light shine upon her.



INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Google Insructions for the Class of 2016







The information seniors need to transfer their ndapandas.org data out of their account is located on our website HERE.



STUDENT LIFE UPDATE

Student Council Elections

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to Student Council office for the 2016-2017 school year. These students will serve as Student Council Homeroom Representatives next year:

Freshmen:

Theresa Berling Annie Gronotte Claire James Ellie O'Hara Elly Piatt **Emily Thaman**

Sophomores:

Maria Danneman Lauren Judy Sophia Middendorf Annie Muck Audrey Muck Bridget Wall

Juniors:

Andria Burden Camryn Diebold Grace Harmeling Jo Meyer-Hogan Jackie Noll Meg Whelan

MAKING A DIFFERENCE THROUGH SERVICE LEARNING

In the fall, NDA will be receiving the Children's Inc. School of Contribution Award. This is an award which recognizes the culture of service learning that is took place throughout the 2015-2016 school year. During the past school year we have completed 10 service learning projects involving 427 of our students and 30 faculty and staff members. Through these projects we have contributed \$31,000+ in goods and monetary donations. Congratulations students and faculty on a job well done!!!



FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to NDA History teacher Mr. Ron Greife! Mr. Griefe was chosen to be an AP reader for the Modern World exam this year. This is his fourth time to be chosen a reader which is quite an honor!

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES





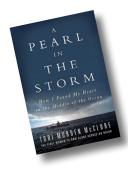
Congratualtions ot Catherine Meadows who won a national essay contest for The National Society of Colonial Dames of America. She was chosen to represent the State of Kentucky this summer in Washington D.C. at the Congressional Seminar. Catherine was one of only 40 students chosen in the nation.

Still looking for something to do that is fun and educational this summer?

Check out our website for summer enrichment programs **HERE**.

PARENTS,

Please encourage students to check their emails periodically this summer. There may still scheduling issues that could arise and the counselors may need to contact the students.



SUMMER READING

Don't forget about your summer reading assignments! Our Common Reader for the 2016-17 school year is *A Pearl in the Storm* by Tori Murden McClure. Other summer reading assignments can be found on our website HERE.



A special "thank you!" to all of the parents who contributed to the 2016-17 Autumn Gala before May 20. The parent winners of the 2 tickets to the Gala are **Lisa and Mike Burden**.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for this important NDA event. Also, if you would like serve as an event sponsor through your own business or employer, or would like to advertise your business, you can find detailed information regarding event sponsorships and advertising is listed <u>HERE</u>.



2016 NDA GOLF OUTING

NDA's Golf outing will be held on July 29 at Twin Oaks. It will be an 11 a.m. shot gun start. All proceeds benefit ALL of the NDA Athletic teams. Sign up at today <u>HERE</u>. Sponsorship opportunities available HERE.

NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

TENNIS

Congratulations to our Tennis Pandas on a great season! Unfortunately, Francie Case and Kylie Moellering lost last Saturday in the state doubles semi finals.

SOFTBALL

Softball won the district last night beating Holy Cross. Lindsey Meier was named tournament MVP and Rylee Stephenson and Kennedy Baugh were both all tournament selections.

LACROSSE

Lacrosse finished their season 13-2 last saturday when they fell to Ballard in the Elite 8. Christina Kennedy was named to the 2016 All State Tournament Team.

TRACK AND FIELD

Your 2016 Regional Champion in Pole Vault is freshman Hanna Miller with a winning height of 8'0" beating her previous best of 6'6" !!!!! Best wishes to the Notre Dame Academy Track and Field Team as they head to the Kentucky State Championship Meet Saturday in Lexington. The team has experienced much success this year with excellent leadership from our four seniors. GO PANDAS!!!



Important Reminder:

Please check your daughter's cafeteria account balance as there are many overdue account balances. You can check PayPams for your balance.

ATTENTION SENIORS: If you would like a refund of your cafeteria balance or to transfer your balance to a younger sister, please email Karen Brungs at brungsk@ndapandas.org. **Thank you!**



at NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Whether you are Artistic Artistic Musical Dramatic or you are just looking for Something Jun to do this summer, NOTRE DAME ACADEMY has all sorts of opportunities for you! Check them out at:

www.ndapandas.org

NDA SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Regular Business Hours 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. | Until June 17

Summer Hours 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | June 20 - July 15

Regular Business Hours will resume on July 18.

Offices will be closed on July 4.

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 26 Cleaning Day

Baccalaureate Mass

May 27 Senior Awards Breakfast

Graduation

June 6, 7, 8 iPad Set Up Meetings for Incoming Freshmen

June 23, 24 iPad Set Up Meetings for Incoming Fresh

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

- Craig Underwood Memorial 5K Run and Walk
- Thank You Paul Michels and Michels Contructions, Inc.
- DCCH Center for Children and Families Meet and Greet June 2
- Our Lady's Blue Army June 4
- Carrabbas Care Days for DCCH June 7 and 8
- Cross the Bridge for Life June 5
- Regional Pro-Life Mass June 14
- Serra Club Florence Freedom Doubleheader June 22
- Sisters of Notre Dame July 4th Festival
- Life's a Ball Faces of Pro-Life Awards August 20
- Work Study Positions Available with the Sisters of Notre Dame
- Part-time Job Opportunities for Students and Moms



For a complete list of community news CLICK HERE.