

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Blessings friends,

I am glad that so many of you were able to attend our Parent Mini-Night last evening. This is always a good opportunity for parents to learn about their daughter's classes and teacher expectations. It is also a chance for parents to meet our outstanding faculty members. They play a critical role in providing a Notre Dame Academy education and we are very blessed to have each and every one of them at NDA.

As you witnessed last evening, another important element of an NDA education is prayer. Prayer is essential to our work here at NDA. It addition to beginning and ending our classes and our day with prayer, members of our community come together often to pray. Each morning students, faculty and staff gather to pray a decade of the rosary either in our Reflection Space in room 301 or in Alumnae Hall by the Blessed Mother Statue. Tomorrow (Thursday) we will celebrate Mass together after school at 3:10 p.m. in room 102. Please encourage your daughter to join us for these special opportunities for prayer and know that you are always welcome at these gatherings as well.

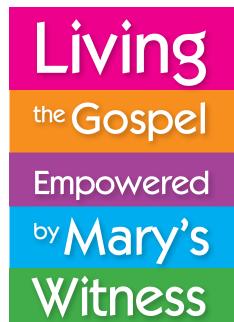
As always, there is a great deal going on at NDA. Please take the time to read about all that is happening below.

As we continue to Live the Gospel Empowered by Mary's Witness, be assured that you and your family remain

in our daily prayers at NDA.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



STUDENT LIFE UPDATE





First Quarter Club Leader Meeting Pics



NDA HOSTS GERMAN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

For the third year, NDA is delighted to host two students from Liebfrauen-schule, Vechta in Vechta Germany for the fall semester. Juliette Heuer and Katherine Thole are sophomores. They are enjoying life as Pandas and learning about Northern KY/Greater Cincinnati. We welcome them to our NDA community!

JAPANESE STUDENTS VISIT NDA

On September 12 NDA hosted nine Japanese college students who were part of an exchange program through NKU. All future teachers, the students observed classes here at NDA and then gave a presentation to our students on Japanese culture.



COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES

College Financial Aid:

Senior Parents - If you were unable to attend the College Financial Aid Presentation on Sept. 13th, here are 2 resources to share with you.



- <u>FAFSA Checklist</u> Ms. Burgei put this packet together to help families prepare for filling out the FAFSA (Financial Aid Application).
- NKU's Financial Aid Powerpoint this is the powerpoint presentation from Sept. 13

Ms. Burgei will be sending seniors and senior parents additional Financial Aid Resources in the coming weeks. If you have questions about applying for college Financial Aid for your senior, email Ms. Burgei at burgeik@ndapandas.org.

Health Career Fair

On Monday, September 18, St. Elizabeth is having a Health Career Fair during the school day. NDA is sending a bus of junior and senior students that may be interested. This Fair happens each year so that is why we offer it to these grade levels. The students were sent an email in regards to this activity. If they would like to attend, they can get a permission slip in the school office and turn it back in by Friday. We will take as many students as we can fit on our bus. Here is a link with info about the Health Career Fair: http://www.northcentralkyahec.org/northern-ky-showcase.html

GE Exploring Aviation Program

Any students interested in Engineering should check out this program at GE. The program is designed for high school students to witness first-hand what it is like to work in the world of Engineering. You'll learn about a wide variety of career options in fields such as Jet Engine Assembly, Six Sigma Quality, Manufacturing, Process Planning, Materials and much more! The program will be held one evening per week for 11 weeks. Total cost to students is \$20. Kickoff Night is Tuesday, Sept . 26 @7:00, at GE Headquarters in Evendale.

You must RSVP via email to <u>explorers.303@ge.com</u> with your name and phone number or register for the first night at this link: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N2H3QVT</u>



Notice to Parents/Guardians:

The <u>Drug Free Clubs of America</u> Chapter at Notre Dame Academy is so successful that it is being used as a template for regional high schools in Northern Kentucky! If your daughter is not already one of the 70% majority of our students enrolled in this club, please consider giving her this gift - and soon!

Loads of helpful information, program description, and Applications for Membership are available online at <u>Parent Page</u>: Drug Free Clubs, where you can also pay using an encrypted process. Cost to NDA students is \$25/year, due to NDA's subsidy of \$10 for each student membership. Freshman can pay for 3 years and have their Senior year membership at no cost! Applications will be accepted only through October 27.

Besides the rewards offered only to Drug Free Club members (weekly gift card giveaways, out-of-uniform days, hot beverages on winter mornings, free pizza, Prom tickets, etc), local businesses also offer <u>rewards</u>.

More food for thought:

- The vast majority of adults with a substance abuse disorder began drinking and using illicit drugs before the age of 18.
- Teens who consistently learn about the risks of drugs from their parents are up to 50% less likely to use drugs than those who don't.
- Teens who voluntarily choose to remain drug free in high school are more likely to continue to make these decisions and life choices in college, and beyond.

Please contact Kathy Hildreth if you have any questions.

NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

ATTENTION ALL ATHLETES:

FRUIT SALE

Each student athlete must participate in the fruit sale by selling 12 boxes of fruit each school year that she participates in athletics at NDA or paying \$20/box for unsold boxes. Each student and parent must work a 2 hour shift the weekend of the fruit sale and deliver all boxes that they sell. All proceeds from the fruit sale insure the operation of the athletic department.

- Begin Selling Fruit: October 13th
- Fruit Sale Delivery to the school: December 1st
- · Fruit Sale Pick Up for you to pick up and deliver your sold fruit boxes: December 2nd and 3rd
- · All payment Due: December 7th

REGISTRATION

All Athletes (fall, winter and spring) **NEED TO REGISTER ONLINE BY OCTOBER 1 here:** https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1lKMzc7S3bczgNvO_RCCaOT8PONuY1zh2sepiGGmaRK0/edit

SWIMMING AND DIVING NEWS

Swimming and Diving informational meeting will take place on **Thursday, September 28 at 7:00 p.m.** at NDA in Alumnae Hall. This is when we will go over requirements, practice and meet schedules. Parents and Students encouraged to attend.

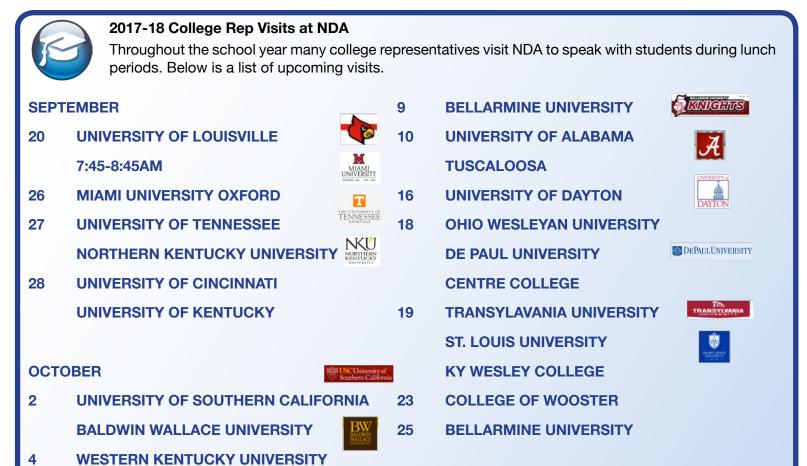
BOWLING NEWS

Tryouts for varsity bowling October 2 and Oct. 3. Super Bowl Erlanger 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in participating in bowling and did not attend the meeting on 9/8, contact bowling coach Gary Wagner at wagnerg@ndapandas.org.

FREE SPORTS PHYSICALS

XAVIER UNIVERSITY

Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at OrthoCincy's Edgewood Location - 560 South Loop Road, Edgewood, KY 41017. All athletes need to bring a completed KHSAA sport physical form signed with a parent's signature





SAVE THE DATE!

The 2017 Autumn Gala will be held on **Saturday, October 14** at Summit Hills Country Club. It will feature cocktails, a gourmet sit-down dinner, specialty raffles, a Bourbon Tasting Bar, Signature Cocktails, and enhanced Live and Silent Auction items. An open bar will be available throughout the evening.

Invitations to the Gala were mailed in early September. Reservations are limited and we anticipate a sell-out crowd so send yours in today or you can make your reservation online <u>HERE</u>.

EARLY BIRD DRAWING!

If you haven't already sent in your Gala reservation, do so today so that you can be eligible for the early drawing on Friday, September 22. One lucky person will win \$100 Gala bucks on Friday to spend at the event!

We are currently looking for additional volunteers to help with various committees, and we encourage your participation. It's a wonderful way to get

involved with NDA's premier event of the year, as well as meet many more NDA parents, alumnae, and friends.

We are also looking for a variety of items for both the Silent and Live Auctions. No gift is too large or too small. Please contact the NDA Advancement Department at 292.7729 if you would like to make a contribution. Take a look at some of the items that will be available throughout the evening:

- · Light My Fire Liquor
- · Teenager Must Haves!
- The Gardens of Park Hills Hors d'oeuvres Party for 100
- VIP Speedway Package
- Charleston Condo
- · Senior Pomp and Circumstance Graduation Package
- Belladonna Resin Wicker Outdoor 4-Piece Patio Lounge Set
- Oriental Wok –Emperor's Dinner for 12
- A Christmas Story at the Aronoff
- The Boulders Resort- Scottsdale, Arizona
- · Don't Be Bothered For a Year! No Fruit for You!
- Gourmet Dinner for 10 and Bourbon Tasting
- Cabo San Lucas Here We Come!
- · Pee Wee's South of the Border Dinner in Your Home
- · Notre Dame University Football Tickets
- NDA Chapel Bench
- Xavier University \$1000 Tuition Grant
- · Walt Disney World 4 Park Hopper Passes
- Coca Cola Rechargeable Coke Cooler
- NDA Custom Designed Quilt

How Much is that Puppy at the Gala? Havanese





HIITON DR. IS ALIVE WITH THE SOUND OF MUSIC!

Notre Dame Academy presents a special performance by Elisabeth von Trapp, granddaughter of Maria von Trapp, whose story inspired *The Sound of Music*. This special event will be held on **Sunday, October 29 at 4:00 p.m.** at NDA. Admission is \$25 - Tickets will go on sale September 18 by calling the NDA Advancement Office at 859.292.7729. Seating is limited.

ATTENTION SENIORS

Spanier Photography has offered to donate \$25 of every Senior Portrait Session that they have with an NDA student to our sister school - Notre Dame Uganda. Here are all of the details:



SENIOR PORTRAIT SESSIONS





ADAM & KELI

\$199

60 min session 1 location 1 outfit at least 15 finished images

\$249

90 min session 1-2 locations 1-2 outfits at least 25 finished images



\$25 of every session will be donated to Notre Dame Uganda!

To book a session, please contact us: seniors@spanierphotography.com | (859) 496-2074

Important dates

September 21 Blessed Sacrament Shadow Day

Mass in room 102 at 3:10 - All are welcome!

GSA Informational Meeting in Alumnae Hall 3:10

September 22 Fall Sports Pep Rally

Playing for Purpose at TMC

September 26 St. Joseph, Crescent Springs, Shadow Day

September 27 Donor/Scholarship Breakfast

September 28 University of Kentucky Alumnae Reception 4-5:30 p.m.

September 29 Club Orientation

October 3 St. Pius X Shadow Day

October 6 Mid-quarter

October 8 Golden Girls Alumnae Celebration

October 14 Autumn Gala - Make your reservations ONLINE today!

October 29 Elisabeth von Trapp Performance

November 3 Common Reader Day

November 5 OPEN HOUSE - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Panda Pumpkin Chuck - 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

November 9 Memorial Mass

November 22 College Welcome Back Night for Class of 2017

COMMUNITY NEWS



- Positions Available for Students
- · Univted in Prayer
- HUSH Film Showing
- Covington Classic Scholastic Chess Tournament
- Moms Club of Ft. Wright OPEN HOUSE
- Aubrey Rose "Above and Beyond Doctor of the Year"
- · National Catholic Youth Conference

