

# LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings parents,

This year we celebrate our journey together in hope and yesterday we celebrated a special part of that journey in the history of Notre Dame Academy. Our school community welcomed several alumnae back to NDA to celebrate our 50th anniversary at our Park Hills location. Students attended a prayer service and assembly to commemorate this special day. Three of our staff members were students in 1963 when NDA moved to our Park Hills location from the Covington campus. They are Linda Bricking ('65), Judy Hodson('65) and Sr, Mary Ethel Parrott('64). Mrs. Bricking offered a wonderful refection for the occasion. Please find this and other information about the 50th anniversary on our website HERE.

Don't forget the Mother/Daughter Dance on November 15. This fun-filled event is sponsored by our PTO. The theme this year is *Games People Play* and it will be held at the Syndicate. Ticket orders MUST be turned in by November 4 – next Monday.

NDA is hosting a trip to England this summer in early June. The trip will include tours of London, Stratford, Bath and Brighton. If you are interested in information about this trip for your daughter, please contact Ms. Amanda Staggs at <a href="mailto:staggsa@ndapan-das.org">staggsa@ndapan-das.org</a>. as soon as possible.

Please note that first quarter report cards will be completed this week. Watch for an email regarding with information about accessing your daughter's report card on Power School. This will be sent to parent emails provided for the Alert Solutions program and to all student emails.

NDA is looking into a special opportunity to enroll Chinese students in 2014 through a partnership with the Cambridge Institute. An important aspect of this program is finding families who are willing to host these young ladies. If you or someone you know would be interested in serving as a host family in the coming year, please see additional information below.

On Friday, November 22, NDA will host the Panda sleepover. This is an excellent opportunity for eighth-graders to come and experience Notre Dame Academy and meet other students who are considering enrollment for next fall. If you know of a young lady who would like to join us for this event, please contact Sr. Paul Ann at 292-7736.

May you know God's goodness each day,

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Dr. Laura Koehl





# iPad UPDATE

#### **Production Lab Update:**

Our long awaited Production Lab is up and running. Along with operating the Help Desk, Mrs. Mullee and The SWAT Team will be operating

the Production Lab. Students and teachers will be able to film, convert, edit, and produce different forms of media in the new production lab. Re-

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cently, Mrs. Mullee converted video for NDA's 50th anniversary on Hilton Drive. She put the video together with some old photos for presentation that NDA alumnae enjoyed watching during the celebration luncheon on Tuesday. You can see the film of the laying of the cornerstone at Notre Dame Academy HERE.



# STUDENT LIFE UPDATE

Last Friday, our freshmen students voted electronically to elect their Homeroom Representatives. Congratulations to the following newly elected Freshmen Homeroom Representatives:

205 - Andria Burden 210 - Jayasree Mullaguru 307 - Dymond Robinson 207 – Natalie Dreesman 208 - Katie Hellmann

308 - Meg Whelan

# Happy Halloween from the Student Life Office!

As of today, most of NDA's homeroom classes have been "ghosted" by another. Organized by the Student Council, "ghosting" began one week ago and involved the delivery of candy surprises to each of the homerooms. Tomorrow, students will participate in a Halloween costume contest, walk through a haunted house during the lunches and hear spooky Halloween music between bells.





# 2013 NDA MOTHER DAUGHTER NIGHT

Mark your calendars for this year's mother daughter dinner and dance! The theme this year is Games People Play. The event is on Friday, November 15, 2013, from 7-11 p.m. at The Syndicate in Newport, Ky. A buffet dinner will be served at 7:30 pm. The costume parade will begin at 9:00 p.m. with prizes awarded to top three winners of each class. Costumes are encouraged, but not required. Cost is \$25 per person. The registration form can be found HERE and can also be picked up in the front office. Please return the form with your payment to front office. Any questions, please contact Mimi Bradley at mimicbradley@gmail.com.

REMEMBER: the deadline is Monday, November 4!

# NDA ADVANCEMENT UPDATE

#### Women Making a Difference

Nominations for the 2014 Women Making a Difference are due November 1! Please take a few moments to nominate an NDA grad doing great things in the community. The link to the application is HERE. Please call the NDA Advancement Office at 859-292-7729 with questions.

#### Mini iPad Raffle

There are still a few days left to peruse the Post Event online auction for Gala. Also, you can still buy tickets for our iPad Mini raffle! Only a few days left and only 15 tickets are left to sell, then we'll draw a winner! Visit www.biddingforgood.com/nda/postevent to buy iPad Mini tickets and bid.



Did you know that the lunch menu is on website? You can find it by going to <u>Quicklinks</u> or directly to the <u>Cafeteria page</u> (Students>>Policies and Procedures>>Cafeteria).

## COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES

#### **Health Career Expo**

We will be allowing any interested sophomore, junior and senior to attend a Health Career Expo at XU on Nov. 13th. NDA will provide the



bus transportation to the event. Students that are interested need to get a permission slip in the school office, complete it, and return it to Mrs. Monohan. Health care occupations including Nursing, Radiology, Recreation Therapy, Oncology/ Hematology, Speech-Language Pathology, Social Work, Occupational and Physical Therapy, Lab Careers and Air Care/ Mobile Care will be represented as well as local college programs. Click here for more information.

#### The December 14th National ACT is approaching.

If there are any students interested in taking the ACT on this date, the last day for late penalty free registration is November 8th. Visit the ACT website at ACT Registration for registration and more information. This will be the last time NDA is a site for testing until the June test. We will also be administering the test to juniors during the school day on March 18th. The juniors will register separately with our school for this special test. More info about this District ACT test for the juniors will come.

#### Red Ribbon Week - United are we, to Live Drug Free



Notre Dame Academy is taking a visible stand against drugs by celebrating Red Ribbon Week this week. Red Ribbon Week raises awareness of drug use and the problems related to drugs facing our community, and encourages parents, educators, business owners, and other community organizations to promote drug-free lifestyles. This year's celebration included many activities scheduled throughout the week:

Monday- Helping hands - Students wrote the name of someone who encourages you to live a healthy lifestyle on their handprints in homeroo and the hands were displayed.

Tuesday – Pens to Remember - Students received a pen with this year's Red Ribbon Week slogan: "United are we, to Live Drug Free"

Wednesday – Wear Red - Students wore a red shirt and accessories with their uniform skirt.

Thursday – Quiz for Candy - Students will take the quiz to test their drug knowledge and get a piece of candy at lunch when they turn in your completed quiz.



## Reminder for NDA Juniors interested in applying to the KY Governor's Scholar Program:

Due Date for NDA Applications is rapidly approaching - 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 14! Both an electronic and paper version must be turned in to Mrs. Kathy Hildreth. Please see or email Mrs. Hildreth with any questions!

#### CAFETERIA UPDATE

#### **Dish Room Volunteers**

Volunteers are needed daily to help in the dish room in NDA's cafeteria. Shifts are from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. You can sign up to volunteer at Volunteer Spot.

# ► Important Dates

November 3 NDA OPEN HOUSE 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

November 5 Picture Retake Day November 6 Remembrance Mass

November 8 Sophomore/Freshmen Breakfast

Novebmer 12 PTO Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

November 15 Mother Daughter Night - 7:00 p.m.

November 18 Fall Sports Awards November 20 Freshmen Retreat

November 22 Panda Sleepover for 8th Graders
November 26 Parent / Teacher Conferences
November 27 Thanksgiving Break Begins

# HELP OUR SISTER SCHOOL IN UGANDA

Do you want to know how to help our Sister School in Uganda? Check out the **Shoe Bandit** HERE.

The Sisters of Notre Dame, Covington Province, is organizing a service project during the month of November. The SND's, assisted by local schools including NDA, will be collecting used shoes, purses, duffel bags, swag bags and backpacks. These items will be sent to developing countries where the material will be used by the people to make items that they can sell for profit. This will help people to support themselves and be independent. It will also keep these items out of landfills. The goal is to collect at least 5000 pairs of shoes. If they do, they will be able to support their water project in Uganda. The Care2Give Foundation has accepted the request to use what they earn to build a concrete storage tank for water at their school in Buseesa and for a water purification system to be built in the village through their partnership with Engineers Without Borders.



When: Oct. 29 - Nov. 22, 2013

**What:** used shoes (any size, any condition, even if you only have one shoe), purses, duffel bags, swag bags and backpacks with NO WHEELS. (NO Luggage, please.)

Where: Items can be dropped off at NDA's Front office.

If you have any questions contact Bridget Price at <a href="mailto:priceb@ndapandas.org">priceb@ndapandas.org</a> or 859-292-1836.



### COMMUNITY NEWS



Tracy Guidugli Scheiner, Class of '95, is asking for our Panda community's help. Her son, Evan, has been diagnosed with a rare immune disorder, Chronic Granulomatous Disease. This life-threatening disease requires that Evan have a bone marrow transplant.

Tracy and her husband, Carl, are working with Be the Match national registry to find a donor for Evan. There will be a bone marrow registry event on November 14, 2013 from 2:30-7:00 p.m. at Covington Catholic High School. Anyone between the ages of 18 and 44 is able to donate. The testing done at the event will be a cheek swab.

If you would like more information about the registry, please go to www.BeTheMatch.org.

Please spread the word and consider participating in this life-giving opportunity. Thank you!









#### Help and Prayer for the Deaton Family

The Deaton family is very grateful for the meals, lawncare, and support they have received over the past months. As a reminder and for those that are new to Notre Dame Academy, one of our school families is in need of assistance. Cathie Deaton, the mother of 3 school-aged children including junior, Alexandra Deaton, was diagnosed last fall with Stage 4 metastatic Melanoma. The tumors are throughout her body, including her brain.

While Cathie is at home now, she was hospitalized several times recently. A website has been set up to assist Tim & Cathie's family with meals. There is a cooler on their front porch for easy drop-off of the dinners. Other ways to help include gift cards to restaurants, Kroger, or Walgreens. You can mail these directly or drop them off at the school office and we will get them to the Deatons. The meals website is located at <a href="https://www.carecalendar.org">www.carecalendar.org</a>. Enter Calendar ID: 148339 and Security Code: 6097.

For website questions, contact Sherri Feinauer at 578-9144 or <u>asf410@fuse.net</u>. For other questions, contact Ann Rospert/Paul Kaelin at 344-1162 or <u>annpaul@twc.com</u>.

More than anything, the Deatons need and appreciate your constant prayers through this very difficult time. Please talk to your children. Perhaps they can help with a dinner. Maybe they can attend a prayer or rosary service, or they may come up with other ways to help.

Thank you and God Bless!

Ann and Sherri

St. Joseph School in Cold Spring is hosting their 21st Annual Craft Show November 2, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our show, please contact Melissa Kevill (859) 240-5774 or <a href="mailto:mkev-ill@stjoeschool.net">mkev-ill@stjoeschool.net</a> for an application. Thank you!

Let, us Journey Together in Hope