



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Blessings parents!

A message was sent out through our emergency alert system, however, in case you have not yet heard:

Due to a water main break on campus, **Notre Dame Academy will be cancelled for Thursday, February 25.** Events planned for this day will be rescheduled at a later date.

Our *Women Making a Difference* luncheon will take place as planned tomorrow (Thursday, February 25) beginning at 11:00 a.m. at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center. Our plans for Women Making a Difference Day at NDA will be rescheduled for another day when we will celebrate the many ways our current and former students are living the story of God's goodness.

Special congratulations to our Science Research students who competed in the Science and Engineering Fair of Northern Kentucky this weekend. Each of our students qualified to compete at the state level in March. These students did a wonderful job of representing NDA's long tradition of success in STEM related areas.

Thanks to all who participated in our Annual Raffle. It was huge success and a wonderful example of the generosity of so many who support our school. Congratulations to the winners and to those students who were top sellers. Please see those individuals listed below.

Good luck to our NDA Aqua Pandas as they compete in the state meet next weekend. We wish all of our swimmers and divers well in this competition.

Finally, the calendar for the 2016-17 school year has been established. Please see a list of important dates in the note below. More information will be posted on the website as other dates are confirmed.

Thanks for your continued support of NDA; please be assured of our continued prayers during this Lenten season.

In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf



STUDENT LIFE UPDATE ◀

NDA/CCH Winter Dance

Freshmen and sophomores are invited to attend this year's Winter Dance scheduled for Saturday, March 12. The semi-formal event will be held at St. Pius, and any NDA or CCH freshman or sophomore is welcome to attend for \$10 each. Guests from other schools are also welcome to accompany an NDA or CCH student. Tickets sales will begin soon!

2016-2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR ◀

August 10	First Day of School
August 15	Assumption (No School)
September 5	Labor Day (No School)
October 7	Fall Break Day (No School)
November 1	All Saints (No School)
November 8	Election Day (No School)
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Break (No School)
December 8	Immaculate Conception (No School)
December 19, 20, 21	Exams
December 22-January 4	Christmas Break (No School)
January 16	Martin Luther King Day (No School)
February 20	Presidents' Day (No School)
March 13	Spring Break Day (No School)
April 13-21	Easter (No School)
May 17, 18, 19	Senior Exams
May 22, 23, 24	Exams
May 25	Cleaning Day/Last Day of School
May 26	Graduation

*Dates can be found on our website [HERE](#).



IMPORTANT FINANCIAL INFORMATION ◀

FACTS Payment Plan Re-enrollment and Financial Aid Applications:

Re-enrollment in the FACTS Payment Plan is easy. You are automatically re-enrolled to the same plan you have for this school year UNLESS you want to change it. If you want to change your payment plan. An example of this would be if you paid monthly this year and want to do lump sum next year, just contact Laura Hehman in the finance office hehmanl@ndapandas.org or 859-292-1844.

Also the financial aid applications are now open and will remain open until April 15th. This is separate from your payment plan. If you are in need of financial assistance OR are looking to do work study the application with FACTS must be completed before anything else. Financial assistance requests increase each year we cannot stress enough the importance of getting your application in early. Late applications run the risk of financial aid funding being exhausted.

MARCH FOR LIFE ◀

Due to the unfortunate cancellation of this year's Life March Life Club will be issuing refunds this week during school. Please note due to non-refundable deposits your daughter will receive \$80 of her \$90 in cash. If you have any questions please feel free to email Mrs. Van Auken at vanaukent@ndapandas.org. Again thank you for your willingness to allow your daughter to participate in this important and worthy cause.

CONGRATULATIONS!

PANDAS EXCELL IN STEM FIELDS AT SEFNK ◀

NDA's Science Research students competed in the Science and Engineering Fair of Northern Kentucky (SEFNK) this past weekend at NKU. All of the girls qualified to compete at KYSEF (the state fair) at the end of March. We are so proud of their hard work and interest in the STEM fields!

Malea Rolfsen – Class of 2016

1st Place, Physics and Astronomy Category
1st Place, NKU Dept of Physics, Geology & Engineering Technology
United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement

Catherine Meadows – Class of 2017

1st Place Overall - Life Science
1st. Place, Environmental Science Category
1st Place, CINSAM Integrative Science, First Place Award
2nd place, NKU Department of Biological Sciences Award
American Meteorological Society Award
ASM Materials Science Award
Genius Olympiad Award
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association Award
Ohio Valley Society of Toxicology Research Excellence Award
Stockholm Junior Water Prize, Regional Award
Thomas More College Scholarship Awards
NKU Tri Beta Kappa Excellence in Research Award
United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement

Josephine Meyer-Hogan – Class of 2017

1st place Overall - Physical Science
1st place, Electrical & Mechanical Engineering Category
2nd place, Best of Fair, 1st Alternate to International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF)
Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers Award
Ricoh Corporation Sustainable Development Award
United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement

Paige Montfort – Class of 2017

1st place, Mathematical Sciences Category
1st place, NKU Department of Math and Statistics
Mu Alpha Theta Award, Mathematics Honor Society Award
United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement
US Naval Science Award
US Metric Association Award for Best Use of SI

Angela Kyntchev – Class of 2019

3rd place, Computer Science Category

Libby Roebker – Class of 2019

2nd place, Medicine and Health Category
Genius Olympiad Award
United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement

Morgan Weltzer – Class of 2019

3rd Place Medicine and Health Category

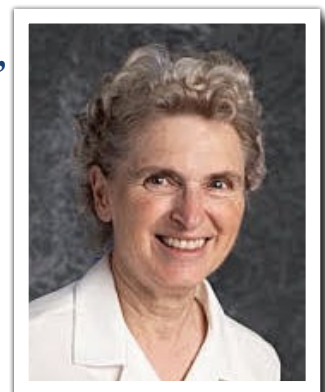


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WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE LONGTIME NDA SCIENCE TEACHER,
SISTER MARY ETHEL PARROTT, SND
ON BEING NAMED A

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2016 NDA RAFFLE UPDATE...

THANK YOU!

Thanks to the generous support of the NDA community we reached beyond our \$42,000 goal this year to raise \$43,875 at this year's NDA Raffle!

And the winners are:

\$5000 - Kathleen Kiely, 1972 Alumna

\$2500 - Jeffery Gold (NDA student Katharine Lee sold this winning ticket)

\$500 - Marcia Kohorst, 1966 Alumna

1st Place: Sophomore, Jessica Le who won \$100 American Express Card and was be Principal today!

2nd Place: Junior, Annabelle Lee who won \$50 American Express Card.

Top Selling Homerooms who will receive donuts in homeroom during Friday long homeroom: 303 and 202.

Top Winning Homeroom Teachers: Mrs. Tucker and Ms. Hilbert who won \$50 American Express Cards.

Top Selling Grade Level who will receive Pizza one day during lunch mods: Freshman. Date will be announced.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF THE MISSION OF NDA!



NDA SUMMER CLASSES ◀

NDA has all sorts of Summer Enrichment Opportunities. Below is information on our Art Classes but you can find further information and registration forms online at <http://www.ndapandas.org/admissions/summer-enrichment-programs.aspx>

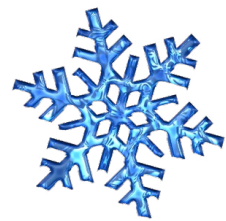
FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT ◀

GOOD LUCK AT STATE AQUA PANDAS!

Diving CORRECTION

Francie Case finished 4th and Sophie **Middendorf** finished 6th in the diving regional to advance to state!

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀



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Covington Latin College Fair

Covington Latin will be hosting their annual College Fair on Wednesday April 20 from 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. the CLS Forum (cafeteria/auditorium). There will be approximately 25-30 representatives in attendance.

Junior ACT and Sophomore CERT Testing

On March 15, the juniors will be taking the ACT during the school day. This is a real ACT and the scores can be sent to colleges. Students will register for this test during the next two Friday long homerooms. The fee can be paid to the school office and is \$39.50. If anyone needs assistance with this fee, please contact Mrs. Monohan. The sophomores will be taking the College Equipped Readiness Test (CERT) on the same day. This will be a practice test for the ACT and will be done online. Click [here](#) for more info about CERT testing. Both sophomores and juniors will have college and career presentations following the tests that day.

SUPPORT THE OPERATION GRACE WHITE FOUNDATION ◀

The NDA community is keeping the family of NDA alumna Amy Cobble '94 in our prayers as they mourn the loss of their beloved Grace, an amazing young woman who definitely made a difference in the world! The mission of The Operation Grace White Foundation is to effectively fund Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) research, while inspiring awareness and supporting both the families and those afflicted by DIPG. If you would like to show your support of the Operation Grace White Foundation, you can do so [HERE](#).

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT MIKE CLINES ◀

EdChoice Kentucky is a coalition focused on educating the Commonwealth on Scholarship Tax Credit programs, which allow individuals or businesses to receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit from state taxes when they contribute to qualified non-profit organizations providing tuition assistance for low- and middle-income students attending non-public schools.

EdChoice Kentucky, supported by the Catholic Conference of Kentucky, is starting to gain some compelling momentum, and we need your assistance with helping to promote public awareness. For more information about EdChoice Kentucky, go to www.edchoiceky.com.

SCHOOL HEALTH ALERT ◀

Please see the school health alert below from the Northern Kentucky Health Department's Epidemiology Department regarding pertussis. If you need additional information or clarification, please contact Emmanuel Oga directly at emmanuel.oga@nkyhealth.org or at 859.363.2066. [SCHOOL HEALTH ALERT](#)

Important dates:

February 25	Women Making A Difference Luncheon
February 26	Senior Retreat
March 1	Life Club Blood Drive
March 5	8th Grade Conferences
March 9	Student Council Elections Information Session
March 11	Third Quarter Ends
March 12	Freshman/Sophomore Winter Dance Church Walk
March 15	Senior Mission Retreat JR ACT/SO CERT Test/FR at Play
March 19	8th Grade Conferences
March 23	Holy Week Prayer Service
March 24 - 30	Spring Break (No School)

COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

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

- Work Study Positions Available with the Sisters of Notre Dame
- Part-time Job Opportunities for Students and Moms
- NDA Alumna Returns to Teach Masterclass
- School Health Alert

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

