



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Greetings parents!

This is a special week as we complete our classes for the 2013-14 school year and celebrate the Class of 2014! Our celebrations include the Baccalaureate Mass, Senior Awards Ceremony and Commencement. This amazing class has received over \$16 million in scholarship offers to colleges and universities! This includes 65 seniors with half tuition scholarships or greater (see Academic Signing below). We look forward to celebrating their many accomplishments and wishing them well as they begin the next phase of their journey.

I hope you will take the time to read about our some of our student activities and accomplishments below. There are some great stories of student experiences and success. This year our art students, under the leadership of Mr. Eckerle, participated in a wonderful service learning project that honors neglected children by creating their portraits. See the story on the Memory Project.

Tomorrow is the last day of regular classes. There is no school on Friday due to our graduation activities. Final exams will be held next Tuesday to Thursday (please see schedule [HERE](#)) and cleaning day on Friday. Students will be cleaning out lockers, returning books and key cards, and making sure all cafeteria balances are paid as part of the end-of-the-year responsibilities.

On behalf of the faculty and staff, I wish all our students the best as they complete the 2013-14 school year. I hope this has been a year filled with the joy of learning, making friends and discovering some of the many gifts God has given to each of them.

May you know God's goodness each day,

Dr. Laura Koehl

Parents and Students

*You are invited..*

*to two special events  
for two extraordinary people!*

To view your invitation to  
Sister Mary Ethel's Open House  
June 4, 2014

[CLICK HERE](#)

To view your invitation to  
Kim Gunning's Celebration  
June 6, 2014

[CLICK HERE](#)



## TECHNOLOGY UPDATE ◀

Did you know that there are many different ways to transfer files from your iPad to a computer?



1. There's "[Instashare](#)" a fabulous app that allows even more than "AirDrop". AirDrop only allows you to wirelessly transfer documents from OS to OS (Mac computer to Mac computer operating systems) and iOS to iOS (mobile device to mobile device operating systems). Instashare allows you to transfer files from

any iOS device to OS along with everything AirDrop allows. You can share movie files, pictures, pdf files, word files, songs, and even software applications using Instashare. Instashare is free for mobile devices and only \$3.99 for Mac computers. If you desire to limit your sharing to mobile devices, it costs nothing. It's a great tool if you have a file on an iPhone and need to get it to your iPad.



2. Google Drive! Google on your iPad allows you to access all of the documents you have uploaded in your ndapandas.org Google account to be accessible to you anywhere. Which means, you can upload pictures from your iPad into your Google Drive iPad app and access them from anywhere. If your memory on your iPad is low, clean out your iPad's "Photos" and put them in your Google cloud using Google Drive. You can do this with your music, movies, pdf files, songs and more as well.

Stop being a prisoner to one computer and use your iPad resources to set you free!



## STUDENT LIFE UPDATE ◀

### 2014-15 Calendar

NDA's electronic calendar has been updated for the 2014-2015 school year! To access the calendar, go to NDA's website and click "Calendar" in the upper right hand corner.

### Elections!

Good luck to the many students in the freshmen through junior classes running for 2014-2015 Homeroom Representative. Elections take place tomorrow during long homeroom.



## SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES ◀

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

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

## NDA GOLF OUTING ◀

The 16th Annual NDA Athletic Boosters Golf Outing will be held on Friday, August 1, 2014 at The Plantation of Twin Oaks. The proceeds from this event offsets the expenses of our fine athletic department. More information will be coming soon. If you would like any additional information or to make a donation, you may contact Natalie Maier at [nmaier66@yahoo.com](mailto:nmaier66@yahoo.com) or 859-250-2392.



## 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.

## BAMBOOTIQUE SALE! ◀

Don't miss the end of the year sale at the Bambootique. Everything is 20% off and there is up to 50% off on clearance items.

# CONGRATULATIONS!



## ACADEMIC SIGNING ◀

On Wednesday, May 14, Notre Dame Academy held an Academic Signing in honor of the Class of 2014 for their outstanding academic achievements. NDA's Class of 2014 earned **\$16 million** in scholarship offers. Each of the students signing at the event is receiving at least half the cost of tuition through scholarships and grants at the institution she plans to attend. A short reception in celebration of the students followed the signing event in Alumnae Hall.

### **Bellarmine University**

Bess Fley  
Fran Herbe

### **Centre College**

Jill Edgington

### **College of Charleston**

Lauren Hollman

### **DePauw University**

Abigail Martin

### **Eastern Kentucky University**

Heather Craig  
Jenna Eby  
Amanda Macke  
Nicole Waugaman

### **Indiana University**

Jaqueline Schuh

### **Miami University**

Melanie Boehmer

### **Northern Kentucky University**

Claire Bessler  
Holly Birrer  
Rachel Birrer  
Ashley Burnett  
Rachel Driehaus  
Olivia Roettker  
Mackenzie Scaringi  
Sandra Steiber  
Allison Sweitzer

### **Ohio University**

Hannah Ziegler

### **Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology**

Maria Schaefer

### **Thomas More College**

Laura Finke  
Breanna Flynn  
Avery Henderson  
Sara Russo

### **Transylvania University**

Carlee Clemons  
Savannah Hemmer

### **University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa**

Ashley Bowdy

### **University of Cincinnati**

Ellie Fathman  
Maggie McLeod  
Molly Talkers

### **University of Dayton**

Sara Borchers  
Caroline Krumme  
Morgan Read  
Kristen Schneider  
Lillian Weber

### **University of Kentucky**

Vanessa Cao  
Kylie Colvin  
Stephanie Hacker  
Maggie Hackman  
Morgan Heimbrock  
Allyson Iglesias  
Szofia Komaromy-Hiller  
Sydney Lenhof  
Abby Marshall  
Madison Rose  
Jessica Vogt  
Brianna Vollman  
Clara Wood

### **University of Louisville**

Carlie Eckerle  
Emma Jacobs  
Rachel Jeffrey  
Kathryn Maurer  
Caroline Miller  
Hanna Sullivan

### **University of Michigan**

Meredith Ziegelmeyer

### **Western Kentucky University**

Hope Pauly  
Bridget Stewart

### **Xavier University**

Ana Calvopina  
Meredith Klare  
Sarah Noll  
Abby Roebker  
Maddie Tierney  
Abby Wendt

# MORE CONGRATULATIONS!

## FRENCH DEPARTMENT NEWS ◀

### National French Exam

Seventy-five Notre Dame French students participated in the Grand Concours, the national French exam, on March 19. This very difficult annual test, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French, assesses the students' knowledge of vocabulary, grammar, and culture, as well as their listening and reading skills. Congratulations to the following NDA students who received the national Achievement Award:

Emily Bautista  
Claire Bessler  
Anna Bradtmueller  
Ana Calvopina  
Vanessa Cao

Andrea Davis  
Julia Goins  
Ellie Kathman  
Abbey Keuper  
Tara Rennekamp

Lauren Schmitt  
Kelsey Sucher  
Claire Suetholz  
Meg Whelan  
Hannah Ziegelmeier

Special congratulations to Bridget Neltner whose high score earned the Honor Award.

### Société Nationale de Français

The Société Nationale de Français is the national honor society which recognizes the outstanding achievement of students of French. To qualify for membership, a student must have completed three semesters of French study with an A average in each of the semesters. Congratulations to the following students who earned this recognition this year:

Haley Appelmann  
Sullivan Blackburn  
Michelle Cao  
Rachel Cerimele  
Andrea Davis

Julia Goins  
Abbey Keuper  
Natalie Kleier  
Bridget Neltner  
Kayla Rankin

Tara Rennekamp  
Kirste Ruchards  
Lauren Schmitt  
Kelsey Sucher  
Mackenzie Sullivan

## DRUG FREE CLUB NEWS ◀

The Drug Free Club held an essay contest for all of their members and we had several NDA club members be recognized. The essay centered on how their membership in the Drug Free Club helped them this school year, and Annie Cheesman (picture below on right) and Paige Montfort were both finalists. The Grand Prize Winner of the \$500 scholarship was our own Abby Scheiman (picture below on left). Congratulations girls and thanks for making the decision to remain drug free.



## NEWS FROM THE ART DEPARTMENT ◀

### Visual Art Service Work: The Memory Project

This year, many of NDA's talented art students participated in a service project called The Memory Project. The mission of the Memory Project is to for Art students to create portraits for youth around the world who have been neglected, orphaned, or disadvantaged. Then, the portraits will be sent the children, who typically have very little possessions, and will give them something to call their own. After contacting the program, we were sent images of 15 kids from Mexico ranging in all ages. Our students selected a child's image and they were to create a portrait of that child using the medium of their choice. Some used their drawing abilities, some used their painting skills, and some decided to re-create the faces using a variety of digital techniques. We completed the assignment on May 15th and shipped the works to The Memory Project. Overall, the pieces turned out amazing!!! Thanks to all of the students who participated and thanks to Mrs. Price and Children's Inc for all of their assistance with the project. Below are some images of the students work.



*Rachel Birrer*



*Sullivan Blackburn*



*Sydney Lenhof*



*Erin Nurre*



*Madison Salkowski*

### Summer Studio Art Classes Reminder

If you are interested in signing up for any of the Summer Studio Art classes (High School Class or the Junior High Class), the deadline is approaching. Forms and payment are due to Mr. Eckerle by Friday, May 30th. If you have any questions please feel free to email them to: [eckerlem@ndapandas.org](mailto:eckerlem@ndapandas.org).

### Art 3 Seniors Take Chicago

In early May, the Art 3 Seniors took the traditional yearly trip to Chicago. Eighteen seniors attended and were met with beautiful weather as we spent Saturday afternoon walking around downtown, visiting Millennium Park and Navy Pier. In the evening, the group grabbed some Chicago-style deep-dish pizza and took in The Blue Man Group show at Briar Street Theatre. We ended the night by playing Midnight Ultimate Frisbee in Grant Park with Art students from CCH. On Sunday, we spent the afternoon at the Art Institute of Chicago before heading home. A good time was had by all...thanks to all of the seniors that attended for making the trip a blast and a HUGE thanks goes to Mrs. Birrer, Mrs. Nacu, and Mr. Ginter for taking their weekend and serving as chaperones on the trip.



*NDA students taking in the Van Gogh classic, The Bedroom, at the Art Institute of Chicago*

## ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS ◀

### ATHLETIC FORMS FOR 2014-15

Parents of Student Athletes, 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.

### 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.



## 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 21	Senior Exams 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
- Pure Fashion
- Be Concerned 5K

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