



*An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy*

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Greetings parents,

It is hard to believe that October is almost here and we are in the second half of the first quarter! The month of October is a special one at NDA as we celebrate SND Founders Day on October 1st, the Gala on October 5th and our 50th Anniversary at the Park Hills Campus on October 29th.

The upcoming Autumn Gala on October 5th is our biggest fundraiser. It is a great evening filled with fun, enthusiasm, good food and great fellowship. This annual event raises funds to help support our programs and services and keep our tuition at a reasonable rate. We hope you are planning to attend and share the evening with NDA faculty, families and friends. Time is running out, so if you have not reserved your place at the Autumn Gala, please call 859-292-7729 to make a reservation.

I am pleased to announce that two of our students have qualified as Commended Students in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship program. Congratulations to Katie Maurer and Alexa Schulte for this acknowledgement of academic excellence. Alexa and Katie were chosen for their outstanding scores on the PSAT. Also, congratulations to Sofia Komaromy-Hiller who won the National Hispanic Recognition Award from the College Board based on her performance on the PSAT. Congratulations to these young ladies for their commitment to academic excellence and for being such great representatives of NDA.

Also please see the article below about Mrs. Mary Ann Greife, recipient of the Thomas More College Diocesan Excellence in Teaching award. Mrs. Greife received this award at the Senior Mass last week. She is to be commended for her commitment to excellence in education. We are blessed to have dedicated teachers like Mrs. Greife at NDA.

I look forward to seeing our grandparents this Friday for the Grandparents Mass. The mass will be held in the gym at 1:00 p.m. Students were required submit a reservation to the school office if their grandparent is attending the mass this week.

May you know God's goodness each day,

Dr. Laura Koehl



**Saturday, October 5, 2013 | 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. | Buy your tickets online at [www.biddingforgood.com/nda](http://www.biddingforgood.com/nda)**

**Please Support the Autumn Gala - You could win a iPad mini!**

We have a Mini-iPad (Value: \$350) that we are auctioning off online! Chances are just \$20 and we are only selling 150 of them. Chances can be purchased at our event website, [www.biddingforgood.com/nda](http://www.biddingforgood.com/nda)! Please consider buying a chance and forwarding the website to your contacts so they can support the Gala - and maybe win big!



## iPad UPDATE ◀

### App of the Week

**MyShoebox**



Discovered & Recommended by Mia Shelton

MyShoebox is your personal photo collection with unlimited free photo backup for all your devices. Automatically backup your photos to keep your memories

safe, secure and private. Carry every photo you've ever taken in your pocket or on your tablet without taking up space on your iPhone or iPad. Don't risk losing photos if you lose your phone or your hard drive crashes.

This is an excellent way to clear some space on your iPad!!!

## Sr. Shauna Bankemper and Sr. Kristin Battles Visit The SWAT Help Desk!

Last week, we were blessed to have the opportunity to give technology training to Sr. Shauna and Sr. Kristin. Both were visiting the Covington SND Province from the Sisters of Notre Dame Generalate, where they serve the SND worldwide congregation. Cassidy Ryan is pictured here giving Sr. Shauna a tour of the iPad. The Sisters were very impressed with the expertise our office offered; so much so, they returned the following day to spend more time with us. In the summer of 2012, Mrs. Mullee provided Google Apps training for the Generalate in Rome. Technology brought us together once again!



**COMING SOON**

Our long awaited Production Lab is almost ready for the curtain role! Along with operating the Help Desk, Mrs. Mullee and The SWAT Team will be operating the Production Lab. In the Production Lab, students and teachers will be able to film, convert, edit, and produce different forms of media. One example is our Green Screen Technology. Recently, while testing the software and other equipment, Mrs. Mullee created a short film using the green screen. Hannah Hatch was fortunate enough to be the object of the first project. After the picture was shot, Mrs. Mullee asked her where she wanted to go in this film. Hannah replied, "To Ancient Rome." Thirty minutes later, she was a spectator in 39BC at The Coliseum in Ancient Rome.

Check this out on YouTube: [NDA Green Screen Technology](#)

## ▶ Important Dates

September 27	1:00 p.m. Grandparent's Mass 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. 6th Grade Scavenger Hunt
October 5	5:30 p.m. NDA Gala 2013!
October 7	NDA Blood Drive
October 8	PTO Meeting
October 11	Teacher In Service - NO SCHOOL
October 16	Freshman Retreat, Seniors Visit Mosque Sophomores and Juniors PSAT
October 18	First Quarter Ends
October 18-20	NDA and CCH Present <i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>



## NDA STUDENTS AND FACULTY ATTEND SERVICE LEARNING WORKSHOP ◀

On September 17, 5 students and 2 faculty members attended the Mayerson Foundations Service Learning Workshop held on UC's campus. This Workshop was a chance for students to share the service opportunities and experiences that they have had at their school and learn what other schools do. The day began with some keynote addresses talking about the challenges that can come with service learning projects, but how the end result is always worth it if you can stick with the project. Three breakout sessions were then offered so that students could choose a project that interest them and see how it works in other schools. There were over 40 projects represented during the breakout sessions. The day ended with discussion groups and Community Connections Corner where students were called to action to serve our community. The students who attended will come together in the next couple of weeks and see how we can take what we learned and begin a new service project here at NDA.

(The students who attended: Cassidy Ryan, Abby Schieman, Julia Gerwe, Julia Davis, Shannon Wilson. Teachers: Dr. Jackson & Mrs. Price)

## BAMBOOTIQUE SALE! ◀

Be sure to stop by the Bambootique and take advantage of the **End of Season Clearance Sale**. Certain sale items are up to 25% off!



## THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW ◀

The fall production of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow", presents an original adaptation of the classic tale of Icabod Crane and his fateful run-in with the Headless Horseman. Production dates are October 18 and 19 at 7:00 p.m. and October 20 at 2:00 p.m.

Season tickets are now on sale by calling the school office at 859-292-1863 to request a brochure.

## TIME TO SIGN UP FOR NDA'S DRUG FREE CLUB ◀

This is our main form of drug prevention and it is a positive way to reward students for being drug free. To be a member, students need to fill out an application (found in the front office or online here: <http://www.drugfreeclub.com/index.php/program/register-for-membership>) and return it with the \$35 application fee to NDA. Students are tested by a medical professional and the results are never shared with NDA. As long as the student remains drug free throughout the year, she will receive rewards in the community and here at school. Join us in recognizing our students who are making positive, healthy decisions!



## CONGRATULATIONS MRS. GREIFE! ◀

Notre Dame Academy proudly announces that NDA teacher Mary Ann Greife is the recipient of the Thomas More College Diocesan Excellence in Teaching award. Mrs. Greife was recognized by Bishop Foys and President of Thomas More College for her dedication to excellence in teaching at Notre Dame Academy at this year's Diocesan Senior Mass. In presenting the award to Mrs. Greife, President Armstrong noted the following in his remarks.

"Mrs. Griefe has demonstrated a long term commitment to Catholic education and to the charism of the Sisters of Notre Dame. This is evident in her teaching practice, her role as department chair, her positive attitude, her expectations for personal excellence and the way she treats her students and colleagues."

# STUDENT LIFE

## STUDENT LIFE UPDATE ◀

### Club Orientation

Last Friday the Pandas learned about the 30+ clubs and activities available at Notre Dame Academy at NDA's annual Club Orientation. Clubs and activities are wonderful opportunities for all Pandas to develop their interests, give back to the community, make new friends and have fun. All students are encouraged to take part in the fun by joining at least one club or activity. Visit our [website](#) for more information about the clubs offered at NDA and enjoy a few pictures from Club Orientation below.

## Club Orientation 2013!



## YO PUEDO ZUMBA! ◀

Do you like to have fun? Do you like to exercise? Do you like to help others? If so, then zumba your boomba down to the auditorium on Thursday, September 26. Spanish 4 Honors is hosting a Zumba class after school. We are raising money for a project in Honduras called Yo Puedo (I Can). This originated from a group called Hombro a Hombro (Shoulder to Shoulder) from Cincinnati, Ohio. This group consisted of doctors who recognized the need for self empowerment for girls in Honduras. Please help us by coming and enjoying some fun, exercise, and dancing with your friends! ¡Gracias!

## CONGRATULATIONS! ◀

Katie Maurer and Alexa Schulte have been named Commended Students in the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation will be presented by Dr. Koehl to these scholastically talented seniors. Sofia Komaromy-Hiller won the National Hispanic Recognition Award from the College Board based on her performance on the PSAT. Congratulations to all three of the seniors!

## COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀

### Cincinnati NACAC National College Fair

A National College Fair is coming to Cincinnati! High school sophomores, juniors, and seniors are invited to attend. The fair will be held Sunday, September 29, 2013 from 1:00

p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Duke Energy Convention Center. Students can pre-register for this event at: [www.gotomyncf.com](http://www.gotomyncf.com).



### 2013-14 College Rep Visits at NDA

Throughout the school year many college representatives visit NDA to speak with students during lunch mods (M/T/Th/F 10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. - Wednesdays 11:12 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.) Parents are welcome to come in to speak with the college reps. Below is a list of upcoming visits.

September 26	University of Indiana Bloomington Bellarmine University	October 8	Transylvania University
September 30	University of Alabama Vanderbilt University Eastern Kentucky University	October 9	University of Louisville 8-9 a.m. College of Mount St. Joseph Centre College
October 1	Brescia University	October 17	Indiana University Purdue University
October 4	Ohio Wesleyan University	October 22	St. Louis University
October 7	Northern Kentucky University	October 23	Otterbein University

## 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](#).



### NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

invites all 6th Grade Girls to the annual  
**6th Grade Scavenger Hunt**

**Friday, September 27, 2013**  
**3:30 - 5:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this afternoon of  
**FUN, FRIENDS, and FOOD!**

The event is **free!**

A donation of 2 canned goods will be accepted to benefit Be-Concerned.

A reservation form with a parent's signature is required.  
The form is available online at [ndapandas.org](http://ndapandas.org).

## COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

### 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 [www.carecalendar.org](http://www.carecalendar.org). Enter Calendar ID: 148339 and Security Code: 6097. For website questions, contact Sherri Feinauer at 578-9144 or [asf410@fuse.net](mailto:asf410@fuse.net). For other questions, contact Ann Rospert/Paul Kaelin at 344-1162 or [annpaul@twc.com](mailto:annpaul@twc.com).

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

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### Loop for Lana 5K Run/Walk | Saturday, October 5, 2013 9:00 a.m. | Crestview Hills, KY

Benefiting the Elana Brophy Memorial Foundation and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center "Cancer and Blood Disease Institute". 5K loop course begins and ends at Columbia Sussex. Race will be "Chip" timed by Running Time. Pre-Registration: Adults: 12 & up - \$35 (includes a Long-sleeved Tech shirt) or \$20 (without T-shirt). Children: 12 & under - \$15 (includes a Long sleeved T-shirt) or \$10 (no T-shirt). Online registration is available through Thursday, October 3, 2013. Postmark mailed entries by Saturday, September 28, 2013. **For complete information, directions, course map, online registration and results, visit:**

[www.Runningtime.net](http://www.Runningtime.net)

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### Sisters of Notre Dame are currently seeking a student to work part time in the Provincial House as a dietary aide.

This aide would be responsible for serving the sisters in Lourdes Hall their evening meal and preparing the kitchen and dining rooms for the next meal. The student would work 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. - 2 days one week and 3 days the next week. The student would be required to work every third weekend. The starting pay for this position is \$7.50 per hour. This position is through the work study program and all students are eligible.

### The Sisters of Notre Dame are currently seeking a student to work as a part time receptionist for the Provincial House.

The receptionist would receive incoming phone calls, take messages when necessary, connect calls to the proper party and receive visitors. The receptionist will work 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 2 days one week and 3 days the next. There are no weekends involved with this position. The starting position is \$7.50 per hour. This position is through the work study program and all students are eligible. This is a year round position. Qualified applicants will have excellent oral and written communication skills that would allow them to deal effectively with visitors in person or on the telephone.

If interested in working in this loving home environment please contact the HR Department: Sisters of Notre Dame, 1601 Dixie Highway, Covington, KY 41011, 859-291-2040, [humanresources@sndky.org](mailto:humanresources@sndky.org).

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### The United Nations International Pilgrim Statue of Fatima will be visiting

#### St. Timothy Church in Union from September 27 – 29.

During this special visit to the parish, there will be Presentations on Our Lady and Fatima by the custodian of the UN Pilgrim Virgin and relics of Fatima. There will also be daily Adoration of Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of Our Lady, recitation of the Rosary, services with music and prayer, and the release of a huge Rosary made of balloons at the conclusion. Visit the parish website (<http://www.saint-timothy.org/>) for more information and the schedule.

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**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 [mkevill@stjoeschool.net](mailto:mkevill@stjoeschool.net) for an application. Thank you!