

FOR THE ALUMNAE AND FRIENDS OF NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

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# Congratulations CLASS OF 2022



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### Our Class of 2022 is excited and well prepared to live the mission of NDA

Tradition

Legacies!

our Class of 2022.

The Notre Dame Academy

A Notre Dame Academy education is a

family tradition for several members of

Notre Dame Academy acknowledges the

importance of family connections and

welcomes our Class of 2026 Student

Welcome NDA Legacies

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# From the Principal/Interim President



### Blessings Alumnae, Families and Friends of NDA!

In my role at Principal/Interim President, I have the pleasure of speaking

with many members of our NDA community about what Notre Dame Academy means to them. This spring I conducted senior exit interviews with our graduates and talked to them about their experiences as students at NDA. Many of them spoke of their teachers and the academic rigour they encountered at NDA. Although they may have felt like they had a number of demands placed on them in the classroom, they described feeling equally supported by our faculty and staff. They told stories of being guided in developing their gifts and being cared for as multifaceted young women. They remember being encouraged, challenged and loved.

Those lasting impressions stay with our graduates forever and that is one of the major reasons that Pandas from across generations stay connected to Notre Dame Academy and to each other. Our alumnae appreciate the single gender Catholic education they received at NDA. They carry into the world with them an attitude of striving for excellence in everything they do. They are transformative leaders embracing God's goodness in the world and taking care of each other and those around them. That is our vision at Notre Dame Academy. I have thoroughly enjoyed many conversations with our alumnae this school year and I would encourage you to reach out to me if you have a story about your experience at NDA that you would like to share.

In this graduation issue of The Notre Damian, you can read about our Class of 2022, their accomplishments and where they are headed. You can also read about what is happening at NDA today such as the astounding number of students we have participating in Kentucky Governor's Programs this summer. You can catch up on classmates and read about alumnae who have built upon their NDA education to make a difference in the world, Captain Sarah Haas Berheide, Lori Hickey Gray, Lauren Reinersman, and more. Finally, you can see how we are working to advance the mission of Notre Dame Academy and how you can help us to do that.

As the ONLY single-gender Catholic high school for young women in Northern Kentucky and the Diocese of Covington, Notre Dame Academy is blessed to be a community of lifelong learners sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame. This rich education, grounded in the SND tradition and charism has served young women of our area for over a century but we cannot take it for granted. The new SND USA leadership model continues to advance and support the mission and Catholic identity of NDA through the National Sponsorship and Network Office programs and services. Our SND sponsors promote strategic best practices for financial independence to ensure the sustainability of our school as an SND sponsored ministry. On behalf of the Notre Dame Academy community, I would like to thank you for your continued support of Notre Dame Academy. Your generosity will impact the young women of our region for generations to come.

In Notre Dame.

Jack Van H

lack VonHandor



## **Our Newest Alumnae**

We proudly welcome the following graduates to the ranks of the Notre Dame Academy Alumnae Association and wish them success as they enter the next phase of their lives.

*Kylie Michelle Aytes* Natalie Marceline Bain Claire Elizabeth Banks Jenna Margaret Barlage Holly Ann Blanchet Emily Grace Bentley Natalie Claire Bessler Abigail Grace Bowman Lindsi Marie Bowman Lacey Gabrielle Bradshaw Amber Lee Branum Emma June Brauch Guinevere Elise Brauer Abigail Grace Breeze Hannah Nicole Brewer Celia Mae Brungs Elana Michelle Bruns Alexandra Marie Burgess Molly Mun Jing Chun Rheanna Marie Clark Lanier Koop Cloar Alyssa Rae Coburn Madelyn Grace Cogswell Isabella Laren Cottingham Katherine Josephine Crail Cate Olivia Cullen Sydney Grace Dierig Drue Clare Disken Brooke Marie Donelan Aileen Conroy Donnelly Paige Beatrice Donnelly Adair Josephine Dooley Alexis Brooke Durik Olivia Dwyer Kaitlyn Marie Eberhart Reagan Elizabeth Elfers Mary Ann Elmlinger Macie Reece Feldman Dinithi Kaushani Fernando Caroline Elizabeth Fischer Brianna Anastasia Foote Olivia Ann Games Paxton Brooke Gartman Cathrine Michael Ghazala Peyton Ann Green Braelyn Nicole Hambrick Kora Ray Hammersmith Anna Marie Harrity Abby Kathleen Hay Molly Elizabeth Hayduk Grace Ann Heberling

Reagan Katharine Heitker Sophia Elizabeth Helson Sarah Jane Henson Anne Margaret Heuker Lauren Elisabeth Heupel Clare Marie Hooper Martine Elise Hue Claire Therese Hulett Morgan Renee Huston Abigail Catherine Jennings Elena Rose Jordahl Gabrielle Elizabeth Joyce Caroline Rose Kleman Iosie Marie Kleman Ana Nalini Kothandram Allison Grace Kratzer Elizabeth Anne Lange Anna Joe Leen Jodi Ann Lovensheimer Cheney Gabrielle Lucas Addison Grace Mack *Jillian Marie MacKnight* Maria Marin Annamae Rose Martin Iillian Marie Martin Julia Sophia Mattone Samantha Haley Mazzaro Katherine Kennedy McBride Katherine Marian McKeown Margaret Jewell Merse Emaline Maria Miller Caroline Rose Muck Lydia Aja Naberhaus Caitlin Suzanne Neelley Jacquelyn Grace Neltner Gwenyth Marie Newman Krista Marie Noll Kennedy Rae Oak Jenna Jolie Oggy Elizabeth Ann Ott Jayden Lee Otto Megan Olivia Paolucci Evelyn Rose Parsons Madison Ann Payne Maggie Perez Hernandez Melissa Perez Hernandez *Julia Grace Pfeiffer* Abbie Janet Piccirillo Layne Elizabeth Rabe Charity Dhanya Rassati Ana Tereza Reser

Jena Mae Rezelj Hannah Marie Rice Mary Katherine Roebker Kate Barbara Roesel Shelby Kathleen Roman Marina Ann Ruthsatz Ann Frances Scharstein Olivia Marie Scharstein Elena Marie Scheffter Katherine Mee Jin Schriefer Claire Irene Schrinner Ella Rose Schulte Sara Marie Schutt Caitlin Marie Scola Eleanor Michelle Simkonis Mia Natalia Sommerkamp Emma Louise Spivey Charlotte Lucia Sprecher Adeline Elizabeth Stanley Erin Marie Stegman Cameron Michelle Steinbrunner Carly Elise Stith Lillian Mary Sweeten Brynn Elizabeth Thelen Ella Frances Timmerding Sarah Jeanne Topmiller Josephine Lee Tranter Gianna Marie Virginillo Deasia Diamond Von Handorf Taylor Ann-Marie Wachs Gretchen Kendall Wahoff Katherine Ann Wainscott Emma Genevieve Wald Emily Grace Walden Lee Annette Warnecke Kaitlyn Anne Warner Clara Elizabeth Weber Grace Elizabeth Webster Ella Grace Weitzel Kiernan Audrey Wenstrup Piper Marie Wenstrup Olivia Laura White Alana Marie Willhite Adalyn Sophia Woeste Sydney McCoy Wright Sarah Ann Woodrum Madison Marie Wuest Stephanie Elizabeth Yarger Raegan Elaine Zeck



# Go Make A Difference!







### **IN-STATE**

**Bellarmine University Bluegrass Community & Technical College** Eastern Kentucky University Gateway Community & Technical College Morehead State University Northern Kentucky University Thomas More University Transylvania University University of Kentucky University of Louisville Western Kentucky University

### **OUT-OF-STATE**

Arizona State University Aveda Fredric's Institute Cincinnati State Technical & amp; **Community College Cleveland State University** Coastal Carolina University Florida Gulf Coast University Florida Institute of Technology Florida State University Hanover College Indiana University Bloomington IUPUI John Hopkins University Louisiana University Marymount Manhattan College Miami University Oxford **Oberlin Conservatory of Music** Ohio State University **Ohio University** Pepperdine University St. Louis University Savannah College of Art & Design Siena Heights University University of Alabama Huntsville University of California Santa Barbara University of Cincinnati University of Dayton University of Denver University of Hawaii Manoa University of Miami FL University of Mississippi University of Montana University of Notre Dame University of Oregon University of Pennsylvania University of San Diego University of San Francisco University of South Carolina University of Tampa University of Tennessee West Virginia University William & Mary Wright State University Xavier University OH



This year's graduates have distinguished themselves by receiving many awards and scholarships. A total of 76 students, 50% of the class, received half tuition or more in scholarships.

# The Class of 2022 By the Numbers...

- 151 Graduates in Notre Dame Academy's Class of 2022 •
- They performed 11,500 hours of service in four years at NDA
- They received \$24,306,379 in the form of direct scholarships and grants •
- 147 of 151 eligible KY residents qualified for the KY Education Excellence Scholarships ٠
- 145 enrolled in 4-year colleges & universities
- 5 enrolled in a 2-year college ٠
- 86 enrolled in out-of-state colleges or universities ٠
- 64 enrolled in state of Kentucky colleges or universities
- Average ACT score: 25.7 ٠
- 4 National Merit Commended Students

- 7 Kentucky Governor's Scholar Alumna
- 7 Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts Alumna
- 2 Kentucky Governor's School for Entrepreneurs Alumna
- 14 AP Scholar Award
- 5 AP Scholar Award with Honor
- 1 AP Scholar Award with Distinction
- 58 Outstanding Behavior Recognition Award
- 60 President's Education Award Outstanding Academic Excellence
- 65 President's Education Award Outstanding Achievement

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The graduates of Notre Dame Academy span many generations. The Class of 2022 contains 38 young women whose grandmothers and/or great grandmothers also graduated from Notre Dame Academy. What a tribute to Notre Dame Academy, its mission, and the fine Catholic education which it offers!



Kylie Aytes Grandmother: Gayle Kennedy Aytes 1970



Natalie Bessler Grandmother: Mary Lou Joyce Crusham Bessler 1949



**Holly Blanchet** Grandmother: Jeanne Potter Able 1950 Grandmother: Joyce Hils Blanchet 1957



**Caroline Fischer** 

Grandmother: Judy Miller Fischer 1953



**Katie Crail** 



Isabella Cottingham Grandmother: Betty Kroger Cottingham 1952



Brianna Foote





Josie Kleman Grandmother: Marcia Adick Klaene 1961 Grandmother: Jane Koors Kleman 1965 Great-Grandmother: Mary Lou Schuler Koors 1935



**Celia Brungs** Grandmother: Ethel Mae Bohman Brungs 1947



Elana Bruns Grandmother: Carol Schmidt Mullen 1953



Rheanna Clark Grandmother: Joan Wegener Clark 1954









**Paige Donnelly** Grandmother: Sherry Edelbroich Himmler 1966



Adair Dooley Grandmother: Karen Hanneken Thoss 1970



**Reagan Elfers** Grandmother: Marcia Berling Elfers 1969





**Martine Hue** Grandmother: Ruth Heidrich Dahlenburg 1942 Great-Grandmother: Agnes VonHandorf Heidrich 1914



**Caroline Kleman** Grandmother: Carolyn Kleier Kleman 1949









**Hannah Brewer** Grandmother: Ruth Lenhoff Bosley 1967 Grandmother: Nancy Muck Brewer 1967



Grandmother: Kathy Acree Crail 1958





**Drue Disken** Grandmother: Judi Webster Gerding 1958



Grandmother: Gloria Giuliani Foote 1946



**Anna Harrity** Grandmother: Darcy Alerding Doepker 1964





Lizzie Lange Grandmother: Martha Wachs Lange 1967



# THE NOTRE DAME ACADEMY TRADITION



**Sophie Mattone** Grandmother: Kathy Dressman Summe 1970 Great-Grandmother: Jeanne McKinley Dressman 1948 Great-Grandmother: Dorothy Heist Noll 1928



**Ella Schulte** Grandmother: Ruth Schuler Schulte 1952





Eleanor Simkonis Grandmother: Ruth Herzog Dacey 1938



Caroline Muck Grandmother: Mary Ann Egi Muck 1964



**Adeline Stanley** Grandmother: Carol Wolnitzek Schroeder 1962



**Julia Pfeiffer** Grandmother: Mary Beth Menne Pfeiffer 1970 Great-Grandmother: Mary Catherine Berling Menne 1942



Grandmother: Johanna Von Handorf Stegman 1953



Cam Steinbrunner Grandmother: Audrey Flach Petroze 1949



**Deasia Von Handorf** Grandmother: Susan Arnold Von Handorf 1966 Great-Grandmother: Jean Stratman Von Handorf 1942



**Taylor Wachs** Great-Grandmother: Irene Dickman Wachs 1931



**Kate Wainscott** 



Lee Warnecke Great-Grandmother: Marianne Jugas Hellmann 1926 Grandmother: Barbara Miller Brown 1952





Raegan Zeck Grandmother: Jean Gesling Zeck 1963 Great-Grandmother: Margaret Metzger Roberts 1948



**Kiernan and Piper Wenstrup** Grandmother: Janice Terry Wenstrup 1957









**Katie Schriefer** Grandmother: Donna Deters Purcell 1957







**Gianna Virginillo** Grandmother: Emma Gene Grobmeier Rizzo 1945





**Kaitlyn Warner** Grandmother: Charlene Moorman Mason 1960



\*This information was to be submitted by May 13, 2022. We apologize for any omissions or inaccuracies. To notify us of any other 2022 Senior Legacy, please contact Monica Ginney at ginneym@ndapandas.org.



Notre Dame Academy acknowledges the importance of family connections and welcomes our Class of 2026 Student Legacies!

NDA is proud to be an educational institution where generations of members from the same family tree attend. Legacy students make up a sizable population on our campus in part because of the incredible experience NDA has provided to so many young women over the years. The Notre Dame Academy experience tends to be passed from mothers to daughters, from grandmothers to granddaughters and beyond. It is important to know that sisters, mothers, aunts, grandmothers and great-grandmothers all qualify as legacy connections at NDA. We welcome the following Class of 2026 Student Legacies to Notre Dame Academy this fall:

Kaitlyn Ahern - Sister: Megan Ahern 2024.

Ana Alcantara – Sister: Elana Alcantara 2018.

Abigail Arrasmith – Mom: Lisa Wendling Arrasmith 1998, Aunt: Laura Wendling Hagestad 2001.

Stella Bitikofer - Sister: Greta Bitikofer 2025.

Madeline Brown – Mom: Emily Hart Brown 1998, Aunt: Lauren Hart Mason 2000.

Madelyn Calvert - Sister: Caroline Calvert Jennifer Woltermann Kamer 1987. 2024.

Paige Conner – Mom: Sherry Beckmeyer Conner 1988, Sister: Jaden Conner 2023, Great-Aunt: Joan Beckmeyer Hizer 1970, Grandmother: Rose Siegrist Beckmeyer 1965.

Maya Dailey – Mom: Kristy Franxman Dailev 2001, Aunts: Karen Franxman Burke 1989, Kim Franxman Martin 1990.

Molly Daniels - Mom: Karlee Schmidt Daniels 1998, Aunt: Amanda Schmidt Myers 1996.

Caroline Danneman - Mom: Holly Graziani Danneman 1992, Sisters: Maria Danneman 2018, Jenna Danneman 2021, Aunt: Amy Danneman Johnson 1995, Grandmother: Kathy Franxman Danneman 1969.

Katelyn Davey – Mom: Jenny Eilers Davey 1993, Sister: Lauren Davey 2021, Great-Aunts: Nancy Sommerkamp Miller 1968, Joyce Sommerkamp Kenan 1969, Grandmother: Sue Ann Sommerkamp Eilers 1966.

Phoebe Desch – Sister: Sophia Desch 2025.

Hope Dierker – Sister: Annie Dierker 2025.

Cleo Dozier - Mom: Emily Woltermann Dozier 1996, Sister: Eva Dozier 2024, Aunts: Karen Woltermann Wright 1985,

Maria Dusing - Sisters: Clara Dusing 2021, Lydia Dusing 2024.

Audrey Dyas – Mom: Valerie Pugne Dyas 1998.

Ella Farro – Sister: Anna Farro 2024

Melissa Geiman – Sister: Monica Geiman 2023.

Lilly Anne Greis - Sister: Kiely Jane Greis 2023, Aunts: Julie Prewitt Schneider 1984, Katie Lonneman Kiely 1998, Laura Buckley Greis 2006.

Jacie Hail – Mom: Missy Fischer Hail 1985, Sister: Kate Hail 2020, Aunts: Cammie Fischer Hinken 1979, Tricia Fischer Oberhausen 1981, Sarah Fischer Green 1995, Grandmother: Judy Miller Fischer 1953.

Paxton Hamm – Mom: Katie Collins Hamm 1991, Aunts: Christa Collins Smith 1988, Nancy Collins 1997, Great-Aunt: Rita Boneau Pawlus 1959, Grandmother: Jean Boneau Collins 1961.

Kirtley Hanna - Mom: Emily Kirtley Hanna 1995, Aunts: Andrea Kirtley Steffen 1997, Julane Kirtley Becker 1999, Grandmother: Cathy Wagner Kirtley 1967.

Lila Harris - Sister: Kate Harris 2025.

Ava Hehman – Mom: Jenny Kleman Hehman 1993, Sister: Alexis Hehman 2020, Great-Aunts: Kay Koors Niederegger 1959, Mary Ann Koors Faust 1977, Grandmother: Jane Koors Kleman 1965, Great-Grandmother: Mary Lou Schuler Koors 1935.

Joelle Hentz – Sisters: Morgan Hentz 2016, Abby Hentz 2018, Aunts: Laura Hentz Taylor 1981, Teri Hentz Ries 1984, Susan Hentz-Neuhaus 1988.

Ellie Heyob – Mom: Susan Kampinga Heyob 1995, Aunt: Megan Kreutzjans Giger 2005.

Abbey Hollenkamp – Sister: Brooke Hollenkamp 2024.

Taylor Hunt - Mom: Cindy Grant Hunt 1984.

Rebecca Ink - Sister: Emily Ink 2023.

Sarah Jansen - Mom: Heather Hoefinghoff Jansen 1992, Sister: Hayley Jansen 2021, Aunt: Schelli Hoefinghoff Schroder 1983.

Malia Jones – Mom: Leah Ficke Jones 1995, Sister: Ava Jones 2023, Aunt: Gina Ficke Koop 2001, Great-Aunt: Marianne Toebbe Burke 1966, Grandmother: Cathy Toebbe Ficke 1969, Great-Grandmother: Mary Jean Gastright Toebbe 1945.

Marisa Kent - Sisters: Kira Kent 2023, Mia Kent 2024.

Lucie Kiely – Sister: Morgan VanRijswijck 2012.

Lucy Kleman – Mom: Karen Klaene Kleman 1995, Sisters: Josie Kleman 2022, Georgia Kleman 2024, Aunt: Laura Klaene Trimpe 1985, Great-Aunts: Joan Adick Strittholt 1964, Janice Adick Johannemann Ava Pugh – Mom: Amber Arlinghaus 1971, Grandmothers: Marcia Adick Klaene 1961, Jane Koors Kleman 1965, Great-Grandmother: Mary Lou Schuler Koors 1935.

Justine Lashua – Mom: Tish Grote Lashua 1999, Sisters: Addie Lashua 2025, Briana Baker 2017, Great-Aunts: Anne Bagley Adkins 1978, Carol Bagley Eisner 1984, Grandmother: Jean Bagley Grote 1977.

Addison Lawrie – Mom: Stephanie Albers Lawrie 1993, Sisters: Josie Lawrie 2021, Maya Lawrie 2025, Aunts: Jeannett Albers Hasselbeck 1996, Kathleen Albers Brossart 2004, Great-Aunts: Jo Ann Wachs Hugenberg 1966, Joyce Wachs Albers 1969, Jeanne Wachs Dickman 1970, Great-Great Aunts: Stella Dickman Zembrodt 1926, Dolores Dickman Pfetzer 1933, Evelyn Dickman Glatting 1936, Grandmother: Janet Wachs Albers 1968, Great-Grandmother: Irene Dickman Wachs 1931.

Ellie Leen – Sister: Anna Leen 2022.

Kaylin Lovell - Sister: Natalie Lovell 2023.

Caitlin Minning – Sister: Isabelle Minning 2023, Aunts: Paula Minning 1990, Sharon Minning Gronotte 1993.

Maria Moore - Sister: Kate Moore 2021.

Ivy Mullins – Mom: Cheryl Kaidy Mullins 1993.

**Peyton Quinn** – Mom: Jenny Thomas Quinn 1989, Sister: Riley Quinn 2023, Aunts: Tammy Quinn Hendrixson 1978, Kelly Quinn Hitter 1981, Julie Quinn Ludwig 1982, Jenny Quinn Straub 1985, Amy Quinn Dye 1990, Julie Thomas Smith 1987, Grandmother: Marilyn Jasper Thomas 1966.

Alyssa Rankin – Mom: Anna Mersch Rankin 1992, Sister: Mikayla Rankin 2016 (Jody Hicks 1975???)

Elizabeth Ruwe – Mom: Erin Mullikin Ruwe 1996.

Ryan Scheiner – Mom: Tracy Guidugli Scheiner 1995.

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Rachel Neuhaus - Mom: Susan Hentz-Neuhaus 1988, Sisters: Emma Neuhaus 2023, Aunts: Laura Hentz Taylor 1981, Teri Hentz Ries 1984.

Ella Petzelt – Mom: Laura Muck Anneken 1990, Grandmother: Mary Ann Eqi Muck 1964.

Norah Pilgram - Mom: Katie Cahill Pilgram 1997, Aunt: Colleen Cahill Copenhaver 1999.

Uhlmansiek 1998, Aunts: Erin Arlinghaus Steffen 1995, Tara Arlinghaus Steedman 2000, Lauren Arlinghaus 2003, Great-Aunts: Joan Wind Rakel 1970, Denise Wind Beers 1980, Grandmother: Sue Wind Beck 1974.

Riley Puglisi - Mom: Shannon Sweeney Puglisi 1993, Sisters: Savannah Puglisi 2021, Gabrielle Puglisi 2023, Aunts: Colleen Sweeney 1991, Kathleen Sweeney Siegrist 2003, Great-Aunts: Diane Hartzel McCormick 1966, Marcia Hartzel Roy 1970, Maureen Hartzel Schwarber 1983, Great-Great Aunt: Phyllis Sauter Niemeyer 1946, Grandmother: Sylvia Hartzel Sweeney 1963, Great-Grandmother: Doris Hartzel Sauter 1941.

Erin Piatt – Mom: Meg McGinnis Piatt 1988, Sister: Elly Piatt 2019.

Jane Schuh – Mom: Maria Janszen Schuh 1986, Sisters: Jacqueline Schuh 2020, Paige Neuhaus 2021, Tara Neuhaus 2014, Abby Schuh 2016, Katherine Schuh 2019, Natalie Schuh 2021, Aunts: Beth Schuh Dempsey 1977, Mary Beth Janszen Sheridan 1979, Peggy Schuh Hayes 1980, Ann Janszen Bertram 1982, Jennifer Janszen 1984, Susan Schuh Leonardi 1986, Maureen Schuh Eckert 1987, Laura Janszen Arentsen 1990, Theresa Schuh Finlay 1991, Grandmother: Joan Hehman Janszen 1952.

> Sydney Sheely – Sisters: Abigail Sheely 2023, Emma Sheely 2019.

Ava Spaulding – Mom: Kelly Kennedy Spaulding 1999, Aunt: Laura Kennedy Mueller 1996.

Addyson Starnes - Mom: Heidi Helmers Starnes 1989.

Clara Teller, Defina Teller, Macie Teller -Sister: Lucy Teller 2020.

Vada Tracy – Mom: Kristin Doering Tracy 1990, Aunt: Jennifer Doering Schirmer 1987.

Danaka Tucker – Mom: Marcie Dressman 1990, Aunt: Melissa Dressman Meyer 1987.

Jade Wachs – Mom: Kadi Wachs-Phillips 2002, Sister: Taylor Wachs 2022, Aunt: Danielle Wachs White 2006, Great-Aunts: Jo Ann Wachs Hugenberg 1966, Janet Wachs Albers 1968, Joyce Wachs Albers 1969, Jeanne Wachs Dickman 1970. Great-Great Aunts: Stella Dickman Zembrodt 1926. Dolores Dickman Pfetzer 1933, Evelyn Dickman Glatting 1936, Great-Grandmother: Irene Dickman Wachs 1931.

Ella Weber – Mom: Laura Menne Weber 1997. Aunt: Lisa Menne Adkins 1990. Grandmother: Kathleen McGovern Menne 1967.

Olive Weckman - Mom: Emily Wolff 1998, Aunt: Kyle Wolff 2003.

Kaitlyn Wert – Mom: Melissa Kramer Wert 1994.

Katie Zwick - Sister: Sarah Zwick 2020.



Annie Heuker

ent of this special award.

educator.



**CLASS OF 2022 TOP HONORS** 

Each year at NDA's Senior Breakfast, a graduate is honored by the Sisters of Notre

Dame with the Distinguished Graduate Award. This year, Annie Heuker was the recipi-

The Sisters of Notre Dame Distinguished Graduate Award recognizes graduates in

schools sponsored by or affiliated with the Sisters of Notre Dame National Education

The names of the award recipients are recorded each year in a book kept in the Mother-

house (international headquarters) of the Sisters in Rome, Italy. Its place is on the altar dedicated to Sr. Maria Aloysia, the founder of the Coesfeld SNDs and an outstanding

Partnership as being outstanding witnesses to Notre Dame education.

Campus Notes







Congratulations also to Ana Kothandram and Katie Crail. Ana was named valedictorian of the Class of 2022 and Katie was named salutatorian.

Ana is the daughter of Irene Boerger and the late Sathya Kothandram of Villa Hills, Kentucky. She will be attending the College of William & Mary this fall.

Katie is the daughter of Kim and Kevin Crail of Edgewood, Kentucky. She will be studying at the University of Cincinnati this fall.

# **NDA Honors Patroness At** May Crowning



As a school dedicated to Mary, our annual May Crowning Mass is a very special day for us to honor our patroness, the Blessed Mother, and to reflect on our educational mission. On May 6, our community came together for this important celebration.

Each year the honor of crowning Mary goes to a senior. All seniors are invited to submit a reflection about the Blessed Mother and how they have viewed her as a role model. This year the honor of crowning Mary went to Addy Woeste.

As part of the May Crowning celebration, the Sisters of Notre Dame gave the freshmen, new students and new staff members a Miraculous Medal as they do each year.





## 23 NDA students accepted into 2022 KY Governor's Programs

After a rigorous application process that lasted most of the year, seven Pandas have been accepted into the 2022 Kentucky Governor's Scholars Program. They have been selected to spend five weeks this summer on a KY college campus (Bellarmine University, Centre College, or Morehead State University), studying interesting topics, going on field trips, listening to intriguing speakers, watching captivating performances, working on service-learning projects, living in a college dorm, nurturing their sense of learning and leadership, and making new friends from all around the state. Congratulations to NDA's GSP representatives:

**Caroline Boehmer** Abby Hardin Bella Marita

Lizzie Chun Kira Kent

These talented and creative students have been selected to spend three weeks on the campus of the University of Kentucky with the Governor's School for the Arts. They will be immersed with students from across Kentucky in a rigorous schedule of daily seminars, master classes, lectures, hands-on workshops and field trips. While each student specializes in one of nine art forms, all students participate in structured, interdisciplinary arts experiences designed to familiarize them with the joys and challenges of specialties other than their own. Congratulations to NDA's GSA representatives:

Ava Middendorf **Gabrielle Puglisi Gabrielle White Claire Coppage** Tessa Schulte

**Caroline Colvin** Keira Schneider Sophia Stacey Janie McManus Ava Voelker

Notre Dame Academy has three students accepted into the 2022 Kentucky Governor's School for Entrepreneurs. They will spend three weeks on the campus of Northern Kentucky University this summer developing business models, designing prototypes, and learning emerging technologies with other talented students from across Kentucky, then pitching their startup to a panel of potential investors - and they have the prospect of winning thousands of dollars. Congratulations to NDA's GSA representatives:

**Gabrielle Epplen** 

Katie Thomas

### Megan Chun **Riley Maddox**

### Gabrielle Epplen Natalye Nguyen Monica Geiman Josie McManus







### **Gabrielle White**



# More Campus Notes



# 2021-22 **ACADEMIC AWARDS**

In May, the NDA community celebrated the school's long-standing tradition of academic excellence at the 45th NDA Academic Awards Ceremony. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors and incoming freshmen were recognized at the event. The large number of students present at this year's awards ceremony is a testament to the diligence of NDA students and the dedication and caliber of our faculty. NDA congratulates the young women recognized at this event and thank them for using their God-given talents. These students have learned that achievement is measured not only by grades, scores and trophies; but also in the degree of commitment, service and hard work!



# Celebrating Our Heritage

Through an interactive display to celebrate diversity, Pandaversity was able to learn that the Notre Dame Academy community spans all 7 Regions of the world and 39 different ethnicities! Pandaversity also sponsored a school wide Scavenger Hunt for students to learn

facts about all the different regions of the world; 6 winners won generous Graeters aift cards!

Mr. VonHandorf Receives **Gospel Witness** Award



Special congratulations to our Principal/ Interim President Mr. Jack VonHandorf! Mr. VonHandorf was chosen to receive the Gospel Witness Award from the SND USA National Sponsorship and Network Office. This award recognizes those who reflect and nurture the Notre Dame charism, spirit and mission within their professional communities and among all they minister.

Mr. VonHandorf received the award from Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott at NDA's last assembly of the school year. The NDA community was given the opportunity to hear the nomination letter submitted for the which included. "Mr. VonHandor is a humble leader striving to bring joy hope, stability, trust and compassion to everyone at NDA. His dedication to advancing our mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world is inspiring. Mr. VonHandorf is an educator at heart, always promoting critical thinking and collaboration. He finds tremendous success in bringing people together for the greater good and motivates by example and encouragement. He is a very positive individual whose vision for the future keeps our community working hard to achieve the goals necessary to foster success. Above all, Mr. VonHandorf is a man of profound faith and an incredible example of a life transformed by Christ."

Congratulations Mr. V!



# **NDA Science Research Student** Competes at International Level

Ana Kothandram joined high school scientists from around the world at this year's Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) in Atlanta, Georgia in May. Ana was invited to attend the international STEM competition after winning the "Best of Fair" award at the Science and Engineering Fair of Northern Kentucky (SEFNK) in February. Under the direction of Mr. Bill Stamm, Ana did a wonderful job representing NDA at the international level with her project, Magnetoreception in Pogonomyrmex (Harvester Ants).









July

29 Annual Golf Outing

### August

**Bridge Program** 1-4 1-5 Freshman iPad set up 9 Freshman/New Student Orientation **Freshman Parent Night** Sophomore/Junior/Senior Parent Night 10 15 No School: Feast of the Assumption 16 First Day of School 19 **Opening School Mass** 26 School Mixer September

- No School: Labor Day 5
- 7 Parent Mini Night
- 9 Picture Day
- Playing For a Purpose Volleyball Game 23
- 28 **Donor Scholarship Breakfast**

### October

- Foundation Day
- 2 Golden Girls Celebration
- 7 No School: PD Day
- 21-23 Fall Play
- 25 Parent Teacher Conferences

# 2022 Spring Sports Update



The Track and Field team had a very successful season that included both incredible team and individual accomplishments! As a team, the Pandas won the Conference Championship, a performance which led to them earn the Cincinnati. com Team of the Week honors. They finished first place in their last three regular season meets, including the Woodall Invitational, one of the largest meets in the state. At the Regional Championship, the team placed third overall and ended the season on a strong note at the State Meet. Senior Natalie Bain broke the 400m school record, which had stood for nearly three decades, with a time of 58.30. Freshman Ella Goetz placed third at the State Meet in the shot put, with a throw of 37-1.25, wrapping up her season as the most successful freshman thrower in the state. After a successful season, the future looks even brighter for these Pandas!

The Varsity Tennis Team finished the season as the 2022 Regional Champions and Conference Champions for the 3rd season in a row! The Pandas went 8-0 regionally and 13-3 overall statewide! Taylor Meenach and Hailey Fullenkamp were the 2022 Regional Doubles Champions winning with ease in the finals. Meenach and Fullenkamp were named the Enquirer's 2022 Doubles Team of the Year. Martine Hue was the 2022 Regional Singles Runner-Up. Meenach and Fullenkamp earned themselves a 5-8 seed at the state doubles tournament, while Hue earned a 9-16 seed at the state singles tournament. Meenach, Fullenkamp, and Hue also made the All-Region Team. Coach Maynard received the Enguirer's 2022 Coach of the Year Award. The JV Tennis Team dominated the region again with a 12-0 record and were the 2022 JV Regional Champions! Kate McBride was the JV Regional Singles Champion, while Mary Reynolds and Marlee Reynolds were the JV Regional Doubles Champions.





Varsity lacrosse finished the season ranked 7th in the state and made it to the Regional semifinals. The JV team tied the program record with 13 victories on season.

The 2022 Panda softball team had another successful campaign while dealing with perhaps the wettest spring on record. This team earned the 10th consecutive District Championship trophy while finishing the season 13-11 against a tough schedule. The adversity of terrible weather cost the Pandas 10 regular season games and development of youth and position changes. The team was lead by seniors Morgan Huston, Addy Mack, and Cam Steinbrunner. All 3 were very instrumental to another successful season for the Pandas. Highlights were wins over McAuley, OH, and Mt. Notre Dame, OH, and 5 no-hitters which included 3 perfect games.





# **CLASS of 2022** ATHLETIC SIGNING

Notre Dame Academy hosted its 2022 Athletic Signing for 15 outstanding senior athletes on April 27. The NDA athletes made their college decisions final by signing letters of intent to continue their sports careers at college in front of their families, friends, former and future coaches and school staff.

Signing a letter of intent was an exciting next step in life that each of the NDA athletes was prepared to take. Congratulations to the following student athletes:

Natalie Bain	Xavier University
Lacey Bradshaw	Morehead State
Amber Branum	Wright State
Adair Dooley	Hanover
Macie Feldman	John Hopkins
Sarah Henson	IUPUI
Caroline Kleman	Thomas More University
Addy Mack	Transylvania University
Annamae Martin	Siena Heights
Jayden Otto	Transylvania University
Megan Paolucci	Thomas More University
Hannah Rice	Thomas More University
Marina Ruthsatz	Wright State University
Eleanor Simkonis	Cleveland State University
Emma Spivey	Eastern KY University

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## ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME NEW MEMBERS

Notre Dame Academy inducted six former athletes and one former coach into its Athletic Hall of Fame on Thursday, April 28, 2022. The celebration began with a reception for the honorees in Ann Buenger Alumnae Hall and the induction ceremony followed in the Frances Kathryn Carlisle Performing Arts Center at NDA.

Congratulations to our newest NDA Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees: Melissa Haarberg Holsinger 1994, Laura Finke 2014, Jennifer Quast Jacobs 1985, Kerry Lewin Schrand Rawe 1992, Morgan Hentz 2016, Heidi Thelen 2014 (not pictured) and Jim Parsons (Track and Feld coach - not pictured). What a wonderful celebration of athletics at Notre Dame Academy!



# H In Loving Memory

The Notre Dame Academy community extends its deepest sympathy to the families of our alumnae on the death of their loved ones. These individuals will be remembered by the NDA students and faculty during their monthly masses throughout the school year. We are grateful for your continued support of Notre Dame in the form of memorials, honorariums, and special intentions.

### Alumnae:

Henrietta Rechtin Hinkle 1942 Marcia Witte Strategier 1942 Virginia Geise 1944 Janet Staverman Wermeling 1946 Rita Sturm Blank 1949 Lois Neltner Lonnemann 1950 Patricia Perkins Theerner 1951 Martha Weibel Stauber 1952 Ann Greis Fritz 1953 Alma Moorman Finke 1954 Sr. Mary Dolores Giblin, SND 1955 Dianne Blank Deaton 1956 Georgina Luschek Lewin 1956 Lois Perkins Dressman 1958 Elaine Rothring Higgins 1958 Rose Busch Blomer 1959 Jean Kilmer Levingston 1959 Sr. Mary Norene McCormack, SND 1963 Lana Sprankel Daut 1965 Melanie Schroder Boone 1972 Denise Wind Beers 1980

### Husband of:

Betty Fischer-Gibson 1948 Marian Schewe Kuchle 1951 Sue Stratman Groneck 1955 Jackie Breiner Mollmann 1958 Barbara Rogers Oney 1959 Mary Ann Raley Denny 1960 Kay Cohen Dorning 1963 Joan Hudkins Martin 1964 Jane Luckhardt Fasold 1969 Betty Trimpe Osterman 1972 **Dianne Thomas Bising 1974** Mary Maegly Wheatley 1977 Terri Sucher Rinear 1980 Jill Bailer Winebrenner 1981 Aubrey Hanser Feldhaus 1994

### Mother of:

Sue Ellen Feldkamp 1966 Nancy Pauly Brinker 1969 Pattie Fitzpatrick 1969 Tina Fitzpatrick Farrell 1976 Jane Stauber Topmiller 1982 Angela Stauber Hughes 1983 Peggy Wermeling Reisiger 1983 Suzanne Brungs 1985 Teresa Finke Pikar 1985 Julie Farmer 1986 Marta Stauber Venneman 1986 Kim Seibert Wehby 1986 Sandy Scheper Wessels 1986 Cecilia Brungs Hicks 1987 Alison Craven Setters 1987 Jenny Finke Kleier 1989 Jennifer Seibert Ossege 1989 Becky Finke 1991 Jenny Stauber McMillen 1991 Tara Craven Rowekamp 1991 Lisa Metz Warner 1991 Mary Stauber Robertson 1992 Jennnifer Trauth Topmiller 1992 Amy Finke 1993 Mandy Zumbiel-Moore 1995 Melissa Trauth Smith 1995 Angela Daut Turnick 1996 Jenna Meier Flesch 2002

### Father of:

Mary Ellen Greene Meier 1971 Anne Marie Greene Pampuch 1972 Cathy Greene Feldmann 1974 Mary Karen Kuchle 1975 Annette Fischer 1976 (stepfather) Kimberly Stegner Norton 1976 Andi Veith Terzo 1976 Jo Kuchle 1979 Sally Niehaus Lane 1980 Emily Dorning Henry 1983 Maureen Haney Moher 1983 Pam Arnsperger Bowen 1984 Sharon Haney Gettelfinger 1984 Suzanne Veith Wickelhaus 1985 Cheri Arnsperger 1986 Laura Haney Collins 1986 Laura Boekley Esposito 1986 Valarie Dorning Brandenburg 1987 Tricia Haney Roberts 1992 Julie Eilerman Rohrer 1992 Cassie Forrester 1994 Jaime Toebbe Halpin 1995 Jessica Konys 1999

Theresa Osterman Wassler 2005 Kylie Newman Goetz 2008 Paige Newman 2011 Jordan Ackerson 2016

### Sister of:

Mary Moorman Glardon 1952 Frances Perkins Gerding 1953 Barbara Greis Hierholzer 1954 Verna Greis Haggerty 1956 Millie Kilmer Hickman 1957 Margaret Busch Kohne 1958 Martha Rechtin Young 1958 Judith Perkins Hull 1959 Sue McCormack Shumate 1959 Charlene Moorman Mason 1960 Eileen McCormack Callis 1961 Rose Greis Kleier 1965 Danielle Luschek Marx 1965 Sally McCormack Rodau 1968 Lana Schroder Rutterer 1968 Joan Wind Rakel 1970 Michelle Greis Stallmeyer 1970 Nancy Having Leedy 1972 Shirley Trumble Phillips 1973 Sue Wind Beck 1974 Becky McCormack Carrol 1975 Jodi Having Krumpelman 1975 Laurie Schroder Kuhlman 1977

### Brother of:

Pauline Rosing Holmes 1949 Sue Emark Grau 1960 Mary Anne Halpin Gurnee 1966 Karen Wisher Miltko 1967 Carol Huelsman Drummey 1968 Pat Halpin Walls 1970 Margery Wilz Hardy 1972 Kathleen Huelsman Kiely 1972 Mary Beth Wilz Kasper 1973 Susan Halpin Rahali 1974 Margie Lange Izzo 1975 Marcia Wilz 1975 Barbara Halpin McGraw 1976 Kathy Emark Gillespie 1977 Cathy Neff Reising 1979 Linda Huelsman Staten 1979 Susan Lange Warning 1979 Donna Schwartz Wessels 1979 Terry Neff Rhein 1981 Janice Halpin 1983 Maggie Neff 1984 Trisha Ballman Moffitt 1988

### Daughter of: Janet Klug Diehl 1956 Stephanie Schabell Styers 1985

### **Special Intentions**

Patricia Trenkamp Knapp 1961 Mary Moore Ruberg 1980 Susan Watters Von Hoene 1967

### Honorariums

In honor of NDA Staff by: Chris and Toni Carle

In honor of Melanie Bauerle Barnes 1966 by: Audrey Bauerle Whittaker 1961

In honor of My parents, sibling, grandparents - living and deceased by: Jenna Cayze 2019

In honor of Olivia Reichardt Heller 2007 by: Paul Reichardt

In honor of Lydia Reichardt Schirmann 2006 by: Paul Reichardt

### In Memoriam

In memory of all my deceased classmates of 1955 by: Mary Ann Thelen Perraut 1955

In memory of deceased classmates of 1958 by: Janice Eibel Isler 1958

In memory of Rodney Baugh by: Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox 1972

In memory of Sr. Mary Maureen Bauman, SND 1930 by: Rev. Msgr. Gilbert J. Rutz

In memory of Harry Beck by: Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox 1972

In memory of Rita Sturm Blank 1949 by: Ginny Vogelpohl Adams 1949

In memory of Melanie Schroder Boone 1972 by: Cecelia Schewe Kumpf 1972 Kathy Noonan 1969

In memory of Cyrilla Fritz Brake 1955 by: Carol Vogt Dragan 1955 Arlene Bergfeld Sullivan 1955

In memory of Mary Lee Hickey Brauer 1953 by: Betty Lou Kampsen Waymeyer 1953

In memory of Mary Ann Ringo Breetz 1973 by: Greg and Debbie Mullen Small 1974

In memory of **Debbie Browning** by: Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox 1972

In memory of John Carter by: Mary Pat Hanneken Carter 1969

In memory of Ruth M. Cramer by: Carol Britton Althauser 1963

In memory of Walter Fasold by: Jane Luckhardt Fasold 1969

In memory of Alma Moorman Finke 1954 by: Elaine Bauereis 1950 Judy Wiechman 1951

In memory of Ann Greis Fritz 1953 by: Thomas and Molly Panko Fritz 1984 Sue Loebker Higgins 1958 Betty Trimpe Osterman 1972 Betty Lou Kampsen Waymeyer 1953

In memory of Sr. Mary Dolores Giblin, SND 1955 by: Carol Vogt Dragan 1955

Arlene Bergfeld Sullivan 1955 Christine Dunn Whelan 1990

In memory of Bill and Eileen Grady by: Carl Gerrein and Maureen Grady-Gerrein

In memory of Paul Haney by: Judy Berger Collins 1968 Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox 1972

In memory of Sr. Mary Paulla Hanneken, SND 1952 by: Betty Lou Kampsen Waymeyer 1953

In memory of Steve Hofmeyer by: Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox 1972

In memory of Carl and Eleanor Huelsman by: Kathy Huelsman Kiely 1972

In memory of Ronald Hunter by: Don and Sharon Rueter Thelen 1967

In memory of The Keller and Neltner families by: Ruth Ann Keller Neltner 1951

In memory of Betty Vonderheide Kuebbing 1928 by: Mary Rolfes Schewe 1970

In memory of Evelyn Kathman Lohr 1944 by: Pat Lohr Garver 1970

In memory of Sr. Mary Norene McCormack, **SND 1963** by: Sherrill Vocke Remke 1963

In memory of Mary Jo Wahle Myers 1954 by: Linda R. Finke 1966

### In memory of James Osterman

by: Jim and Mary Trimpe Arlinghaus 1970 Jack and Carol Trimpe Bogaczyk 1969 Joe and Donna Stamm Eilerman 1972 Judith Molique Goins 1972 Patricia Goins The Graner Family: Chris, Teresa, Justin and Joshua Mary Jo Wind Johnston 1965 William and Lois Maas Nancy Sevier Alice Trimpe 1974 Robert and Juanita Trimpe

In memory of Maria Schaffstein 2010 by: Rhonda Noll

In memory of Carolyn Brandner Schmitz 1966 by: Robert Schmitz

In memory of Gene Sr. and Gene Jr. Schnurr by: Ruth Scheve Schnurr 1946

In memory of Lois Hemmer Shannon 1950 by: Maria Hemmer Doyle 1986

In memory of Martha Weibel Stauber 1952 by: Nancy Due Bloemer 1965

In memory of Ruth Middendorf Thorburn 1944 by: Mark and Kathleen Thorburn Rosing 1981

In memory of David Tipple by: Don and Sharon Rueter Thelen 1967

In memory of Joe and Doris Chappie Trimpe 1944 by: Alice Trimpe 1974

In memory of Stan and Nell Vogelpohl by: Virginia Vogelpohl Adams 1949

In memory of Janet Staverman Wermeling 1946 by: Ruth Scheve Schnurr 1946

Joanna Brungs Schuler 1946

Please note that this compilation is from February 26, 2022 - May 20, 2022. We apologize for any omissions or inaccuracies. Our expressions of sympathy rely on notifications from family and friends. To send information to the Advancement Office, please visit the alumnae section of the website: www.ndapandas.org or email notredamian@ndapandas.org

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# Advancing the Mission



# **Annual Fund Exceeds Goal**

Thank you to our alumnae, parents, past parents and friends who contributed to the 2021-22 Annual Fund. The success of this fund would not have been possible without you and the support of our entire Notre Dame Academy community. This year we surpassed our goal and raised over \$350,000!

Your generosity has helped us to "fill the gap" and will allow us to continue to provide a premiere Catholic education to the young women of our community. Your gift truly made a difference in the lives of each and every one of our students!

The Notre Dame Academy financial Annual Report and complete listing of all benefactors will be published and distributed later in the fall of 2022. Donations made on or after July 1, 2022 will be credited to the 2022-2023 Annual Fund and can be mailed to NDA or made online by visiting our website or scanning the QR code below.



Family Honors Their Legacy By Creating a Scholarship **Gilbert and Dorothy Gerwe Foltz Scholarship** 

My parents, Gilbert and Dorothy Gerwe Foltz, instilled in our family the message found in living faith, hope, and love. The true value of family was showered on us, with the strong value of good Catholic education. My Mother desired her daughters to follow in her footsteps to experience Notre Dame Academy, and all that she holds. She died the day before her 40th birthday, but our father was determined that his 8 daughters would graduate from this school. He saw 4 NDA graduations before his death at the age of 52. Our step- mother, Mary Code Foltz, continued with my mother's wish, and she saw the other graduations. The power of love lives in all of us, thanks be to God!



Setting up a named scholarship provides support and much-needed tuition assistance to students at Notre Dame Academy. These scholarships also honor a loved one or family into perpetuity. At NDA, a named scholarship may be established with a minimum gift of \$20,000. These monies become part of the Endowment Fund, which is invested to generate income. A total of 4.25% of the scholarship fund is disbursed annually through scholarships and grants, or is applied to programming, as determined by the donor at the time of the gift. For further information regarding the establishment of perpetual scholarships and endowments, please contact Denise Bowman, Director of Development at 859.292.1849.

## **Marian Circle** Commemorative Bricks and **Theatre Seats**





We are currently offering a special price of \$150 per brick and theatre seat to our NDA alumnae including our 2022 graduates. If you are not an alumna, bricks can be purchased for \$300.

All of the proceeds from this program will be designated for the Sister Mary Agnetis Scholarship Fund. If you are interested, fill out the form on page 41 and return it to NDA. Please know that we are so grateful for your support of Notre Dame Academy and look forward to our continued relationship in the future.



In its second year our student fundraiser, the Panda Prowl, was a success. The Panda Prowl is a 5K walk around NDA's campus, a quick loop through Ft. Wright and St. Joseph Heights and back onto our property. This year, students were tasked with bringing in \$100 in personal donations and were rewarded with some pretty sweet incentives!

Our students rallied behind the fundraiser with a sense of enthusiasm and school spirit. The halls were decorated, friendly competitions between grade levels were had, and the day of the walk was perfect.

The Panda Prowl raised over \$22,000 for tuition assistance and student programming. In addition, we donated \$3500 of the proceeds to our sister school in Uganda.





## **NDA's Family Tree** Honors Generations of Graduates

Notre Dame Academy is grateful for the sacrifice and commitment many families have made over the years in order to provide their daughters with a Catholic education rooted in the tradition of the Sisters of Notre Dame. These young women have grown into generations of women making a difference.

To honor the generations of families who have attended Notre Dame Academy, there is a family tree display in Alumnae Hall. On this tree there are leaves recognizing families who have had four or more sisters graduate from NDA. Surrounding the tree are clouds recognizing families who have had four or more generations of graduates from Notre Dame Academy.

All leaves and clouds are provided on a request basis. If you and your family qualify for either a leaf or cloud but you are not sure if one already exists, you can check online https://www.ndapandas.org/alumnae/familylegacy or contact Miki Martin at martinmi@ ndapandas.org or 859-292-1850.





# SERVING OUR MISSION SECURING OUR FUTURE

# Say "Thank You" With a Gift to the Sr. Paul Ann & Sr. Mary Rachel Fund

The Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken and Sister Mary Rachel Nerone Fund: Serving Our Mission | Securing our Future continues NDA's legacy of responding to the needs of the time and planning for the future which the Sisters of Notre Dame initiated in 1906 when they founded Notre Dame Academy. This building fund includes an endowment which will protect tuition dollars and revenues in the future by enabling NDA to avoid deferred maintenance and capitalize on cost saving efficiencies. This building fund powerfully supports NDA's commitment to academic excellence and mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world.

The Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken and Sister Mary Rachel Nerone Fund includes two components: • Funding for a multi-year plan to address the facility needs of Notre Dame Academy's aging building and

- provide for state-of-the-art updates
- A permanent endowment that funds urgent, planned, and emergency needs annually

Thanks to a strong steering committee, Notre Dame Academy has already raised \$1.7 million towards our \$5 million goal. We need your help to secure the remaining \$3.3 million and ensure that a Notre Dame Academy Catholic education remains available for many generations of young women to come.

Sister Mary Paul Ann and Sister Mary Rachel are near and dear to the hearts of everyone in the NDA community. This building fund is an excellent opportunity for NDA alumnae, parents, past parents and friends to say "thank you" to these two very deserving women.

As the ONLY all-female college preparatory school in Northern Kentucky, Notre Dame Academy is proud to be one of the region's leading educational institutions. This building fund will secure the resources necessary to ensure the integrity of NDA's 60-year-old building and continue to enhance our campus facilities to support meaningful learning well into the future. This important fund will also enable us to advance our mission and achieve our vision of graduating transformative women leaders embracing God's goodness in our world. ministry.

We invite you to join us in ensuring excellence in Catholic education at Notre Dame Academy. Your participation in the Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken and Sister Mary Rachel Nerone Fund: Serving Our Mission | Securing our Future will impact the lives of students for years to come.

Please join us in supporting the Sr. Mary Paul Ann Hanneken & Sr. Mary Rachel Nerone Fund by using the QR code on the right, or visiting www.ndapandas.org/support-nda/major-gifts/capitalimprovement-program or by calling 859.292.7729

### A LEGACY SOCIETY FOR NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

### Making A Difference for Generations

While so many people generously invest in Notre Dame Academy during their lives, a planned gift to Notre Dame Academy helps secure quality Catholic education for future Pandas. Leaving a financial gift to NDA will ensure an investment beyond one's lifetime. A few of the strategies available through which you can leave your legacy to NDA include Bequests, Charitable Remainder Trusts, Life Insurance Policies, and Retirement Plans.

The Notre Dame Academy Forever NDA Legacy Society was established to recognize individuals who have included NDA in their estate plans. Ensuring that the Academy receives a gift is a wonderful way to leave a legacy and is as simple as contacting NDA or having a discussion with your counsel as to the most effective way to participate in our planned giving program. As a member of the Forever NDA Legacy Society, you can be assured that your gift will help secure quality education for future generations of NDA students.

### Leaving A Legacy for Notre Dame Academy

If you have already made plans to include Notre Dame Academy in your will, or once you have done so, please notify us so we may include you in the names of those in our Marian Legacy Society. For more information about including Notre Dame Academy in your estate plan or how to set up one of the planned giving avenues outlined above, please contact Notre Dame Academy's Advancement Department at 859.292.7729. On behalf of the students of today and the students of tomorrow, we say, "Thank You."

Is Notre Dame Academy currently in your will or estate plans? Would you like more information regarding the Forever NDA Legacy Society?

Please fill out this form and mail it to:

Notre Dame Academy **Advancement Department** 1699 Hilton Drive Park Hills, KY 41011

have remembered Notre Dame Academy in my estate plans.

am interested in receiving more information as to how Notre Dame Academy can become part of my estate plans.





Mr. Jack VonHandorf, NDA Principal/Interim President



## SHE MADE IT COUNT: SR. MARY DOLORES, 1937-2022



The day At NDA's Catholic Schools Week mass in February 2020, Ellie Greenwell gave Sr. Dolores a rose but forgot the customary hug. Ellie guickly realized and turned back to find "Sister D" still waiting with open arms, and the delayed hug delighted the crowd. "I 'Sister D' was a freshman, so it was super embarrassing," said Ellie, now a junior, "but it became a really funny and memorable moment." finally got Senior Alexis Durik (right), then a sophomore, captured this sweet photograph. "It was the first picture I ever took while being in Publications," she said. her hug



'She was one of a kind



The words that come to mind when I think of Sister Mary Dolores are: compassionate, kind, deeply prayerful, fun-loving, good community member, artistic, love of nature, grateful, earnest, and humorous. She reached out to others in many ways. She participated in the jail ministry, called Exodus. She was known for starting support groups for families of the incarcerated. She spent 10 years teaching elementary grades and four years at Bishop Brossart High School. Most of her professional life was at NDA for 30 years as an instructor of art history and social studies and a decade as an archivist. In pursuit of academic and spiritual growth, she traveled to Russia, India, and El Salvador. She loved life and lived it to the fullest. She was one of a kind.

### What image of God does the song of my life convey?'

In 2015, Sr. Dolores wrote this reflection for Publications for Holy Week

There's a hymn we sometimes sing that has a word I always change when we come to it. The line reads in part, "...the wrath of God ..." The word I change? Wrath. We don't have a wrathful God, but a loving God whose concern for us caused the Second Person of the Trinity to take on flesh, live a life of our weakness and die to prove that love. Why settle for wrath when you are offered love?

Interestingly, when a Protestant church authority asked the composers to change the word, they refused. Unfortunate. The hymn may reinforce a negative image of God in some who sing it.

This makes me think: What image of God does the song of my life convey? Do I say and do things that seem reasonable, or just at first to an observer, but leave an overall impression of a lack of forgiveness, or spirit of pettiness? Do I really try to be aware of my own motives for what I say and do? In simple terms, is my song true?

May our song of life be ever true, ever positive, ever of Love.

Our new. old name

The Notre Dame Academy yearbooks what a yearbook does: Indicate the path of the 1940s and 1950s shared the title taken so others might learn or choose Tapestry. The 2021-22 NDA yearbook Patrins, which Merriam-Webster defines to follow. Sister Dolores, speaking to proudly returns to the name Patrins in as "handfuls of leaves or grass thrown my Publications class in 2017, said she honor of Sister Dolores, whose course down at intervals by Romany people to loved that name and didn't understand we'd be honored to follow. indicate their course." Which is really why, when the book was revived in the

1970s, it was under a different name,

- Mr. Rory Glynn



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You are invited to celebrate the mission of Notre Dame Academy, at Light the Night, NDA's fall fundraiser! This special event will take place on Saturday, November 19, 2022 at St. Elizabeth Training and Eduction Center (SETEC) in Erlanger, Kentucky.

This important evening has a wonderfully long and successful history and has provided the much needed funds to support Catholic education at Notre Dame Academy. Years ago, the event was called the Parasol Ball and was organized by a group of parent volunteers. The fundraiser was revamped and renamed the Autumn Gala by Nancy Goeke, NDA's Director of Development and later Director of Major Gifts along with former NDA Alumnae Coordinator, Taffy Hebbeler. The two co-chaired the event for several years and formed a first-rate committee of volunteers that included past and current parents as well as NDA alumnae. Before we renew this momentous event again, Notre Dame Academy would like to thank both Nancy and Taffy and all of the parent volunteers and committee members who worked so hard to raise significant funds to support our school. They have truly made a difference at NDA!

We would also like to take the opportunity to express our gratitude to the new co-chairs of our fall fundraiser: Cindy Hemsath and Jennifer Lenihan. Cindy and Jennifer have kicked off the planning of Light the Night with an outstanding group of volunteers and have some wonderful surprises in store for our attendees this year.

There are many opportunities to support NDA's Light the Night - gift gathering parties, sponsorships, online bidding, attending the event and more. Please join us in celebrating our NDA mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world by participating in this time-treasured event. See you November 19!

### NOTRE DAME ACADEMY PRESENTS



# In Northern Kentucky

# SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022

# News for Alumnae

### **2022 Golden Girls** Celebration

Our Golden Girls celebration is an event to honor our alumnae who graduated fifty years ago or more from Notre Dame Academy. The Class of 1972 will be celebrated at this year's Golden Girls Mass and Brunch. The event will take place on Sunday, October 2, 2022 beginning with Mass at 10:00 a.m. with the Sisters of Notre Dame at NDA's new Mary, Mother of the World Chapel, immediately followed by brunch in NDA's Auditorium.

The event is free of charge, but reservations are required by September 23. If you are a graduate of 50 years or more, please use the RSVP form found on page 40 of this issue, or you may register online at this URL or by using the QR code below:

https://host.nxt.blackbaud.com/registration-form/?formId=71d0eb55-320b-4507-a437ae22bc63e74f&envId=p-QYte-iVJ-0q6fzj17O1VeA





# **SENIOR LUNCHEON** Welcomes New Alumnae

Notre Dame Academy welcomed its newest alumnae, the Class of 2022, at the annual Senior Luncheon on May 18. The event was held in NDA's gymnasium due to the large senior class of 151 graduates.

Each senior received a traditional senior gift which was a bracelet engraved with "NDA 2022." The girls immediately put them on and wore them the remainder of the day for their annual Senior Send-Off. "This gift is a reminder of the memories, friends and teachers at NDA that helped pave the way toward their futures," said Monica Ginney, Alumnae Relations Coordinator.

One of the highlights of the Senior Luncheon is always the featured alumna speaker. This year's speaker was Shannon Wilson, Class of 2015, a current counselor at St. Henry Elementary in Erlanger, Kentucky. She told the Class of 2022 how to take mental pictures of their NDA days. as well as what to expect in college and to embrace every difficulty and opportunity because they have a purpose. Shannon received a standing ovation at the end of her speech.



The next four years of your life will likely be some of the most formative. I think [part of] the goal through these next four years is to allow yourself the opportunity to form into your most authentic self. Let your college or post high school graduation experience mold you into who you were designed to be.

I was being carried by the spirit that envelops these *{NDA} hallways each and every day. That is what this* place is all about. Not the research papers, or projects, or high academic expectations (which I will confirm to you does in fact prepare you insanely well for college). It is this: the moments where you are so supported by those around you that you could burst. It is the moments that you notice, take a picture of in your brain, and carry with vou.

Congratulations Class of 2022! I look forward to seeing how you will be transformed over the next few years and how you will make a difference in the world around you as you continue to become the best version of yourself.

# Making a Difference for Fellow Female Military Officers

Captain Sarah Haas Berheide, Class of 2009, is in the Air Force as a Medical Administration Officer for the 375th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron. She was recently featured as part of the Air Force's 2020 Women's Initiative Team which helped develop policy changes for fellow servicewomen.

Sarah mentioned that many large organizations including the Air Force are always looking for ways to boost innovation and find ways to better accomplish the mission. Additionally, large hierarchies and management of hundreds of thousands of personnel sometimes make it difficult for the best ideas to garner appropriate resources and attention. Captain Berheide says, "The Air Force set up the WIT to empower any Airmen in the chain of command to identify and resolve policy barriers that affect retention of women and their families in the Air Force."

Sarah offers that some of the Air Force policy changes that have been made as a result of the WIT program "include expanding female hair standards, outfitting lactation rooms in work centers, permissive travel for infertility treatments, and reimbursement of breast milk transportation costs during work travel." Since all of the members of WIT are volunteers, they are working on these projects in their personal time. Captain Berheide continues, "These Airmen donate their time and talent in order to better the overall workforce. New ideas are always being elevated and senior leaders are jumping at the opportunity to help make a difference in the lives of our Airmen."

Sarah recalls how her student days at NDA helped shape her future before she ever realized it. Little did she know that her Catholic education was providing a critical foundation and understanding of Christ. She offers, "I fell away from my faith as a young adult, and God used these foundations to bring me back to Him in the midst of life's sufferings." She gives credit to the Notre Dame sisterhood for providing fellow classmates "who inspired me to be the most excellent version of myself. My best friends at NDA were talented, smart, hard-working and courageous, which was the best peer pressure and influence I could have asked for in preparation for the military." Her NDA physics teacher, Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott, SND had the most influence on her. "She authentically embraced God's mission for her. I could always feel her joy for the subject and love for her students in the classroom. Sr. Ethel's intelligence, patience and grace are wonderful examples of feminine strength for young women," Captain Berheide fondly recalls.

Sarah also made a difference in the lives of some recent young alumnae when she served as an Alumnae Mentor for some NDA juniors and seniors. She cherished the opportunity to provide her student mentees an insight into military life. Sarah explains, "In our interactions, [they] were able to learn about the educational, career, and travel opportunities the military has to offer that most civilians are not privy to. The students were able to speak with several military officers from different career fields and learn how they balanced work, family, and the physical demands of the job."

We thank Captain Sarah Berheide for not only making a difference in the lives of her fellow female military officers, but also in the lives of some of our recent NDA young alumnae!





We are proud to present this new Q&A feature which focuses on NDA alumnae who are current business owners. If you know an NDA alumna who owns a business, please feel free to let us know by emailing notredamian@ndapandas.org. Our goal is to maintain a list of alumnae business owners to highlight in future issues of The Notre Damian.

### Lori Hickey Gray, Class of 1988, Co-Owner, Club Pilates

### When did you first have the idea to open your own business?

I had worked in the boutique fitness industry at Pure Barre Ft. Wright since 2011 and was introduced to the Club Pilates Franchise after attending a conference for Pure Barre in 2017. Both franchises are owned by Xponential Fitness, the umbrella company, who acquired Pure Barre shortly before this conference. Xponential owns 10 boutique fitness franchises and I loved what they were doing to help small business owners grow and succeed in the industry.

### Have you always had a fitness background? If so, please explain.

My background was actually more in dance than in fitness! I started taking dance lessons at age 6 and knew this was going to be my inspiration for expression. My first dance teacher was a New York Radio City Rockette and she inspired me to want to be like her. She was an incredible dancer and explained body movement like no other. She was truly amazing. I was also intrigued with fitness by watching Richard Simmons and Jane Fonda back in the day while imitating their "moves" in my own living room with my best friend. I loved movement and music and knew that if there was a way that I could do this and make a living, I would. I started teaching dance while in high school for a local small studio in town and took so many exercise classes to stay in shape for cheerleading. Fast forward about 20 years and I became a Pure Barre Instructor. I absolutely loved teaching but knew I needed a back-up plan since I developed issues with my back. Pilates was it for me, it really encompasses all of the things I love and can physically do. All of this has inspired my passion for the industry!

### What led to your desire to specifically open a "Club Pilates" in Ft Wright, KY?

Pilates is incredible! I had taken classes years ago to stay in shape and knew it was something I wanted to get back to someday. The Pilates Reformer specifically has really helped so many people. It is used in physical therapy and training athletes, while also transitioning bodies. I suffered from some lower back issues in 2014 and ended up having two surgeries. I knew Pilates was something that may help me and a form of exercise I could continue doing for the rest of my life. I loved what Xponential Fitness did to support their franchisees and how they helped pave the road for success with continued support. I also wanted to bring this boutique brand to NKY because I wanted others to love it as much as I do!

### What are the best parts of business ownership/entrepreneurship? What are your biggest challenges?

The best part of opening my business has been seeing the community that we created. My staff and clients have inspired me so much and I love hearing how their bodies and lives have changed because of Club Pilates. I'm so grateful when I have someone thank me for bringing this concept to NKY and I always let them know that they put in the work, we just gave them a place to start!

## Can you tell us a story as to how your specific Club Pilates helped someone who couldn't find the fitness aspects they needed elsewhere?

There have been so many. I have realized that most people are very apprehensive about coming into a new place and being vulnerable. I always tell them "just take it one day at a time." One client started with us from day one and was going through chemotherapy. She told me she felt so welcomed at Club Pilates and it really helped her stay strong and feel supported. She is now in remission and continues to take class several times a week. She has also become a great friend!

### Which NDA classes &/or teachers do you feel helped you as you began to realize your entrepreneurial wish could become a reality?

*Mr.* Webb was my favorite teacher. I loved his laugh and he made learning fun. He made me realize that your job should be something you love doing and it should motivate others. I am exactly where I want to be and feel extremely grateful!

What is the best advice you received throughout your entrepreneurial journey? Surround yourself with great people and delegate, delegate, delegate!!



Lauren Reinersman, Class of 2017, recently obtained her Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering/Global Engineering track from the University of Louisville's JB Speed School of Engineering. One of the most remarkable aspects is that she is the very first female to obtain her degree in this track.

Lauren recalls that UofL faculty were already in the process of starting a Global Engineering track by the time her co-op advisor referred her at the end of her freshman year. "We all recognize the necessity for engineers to thrive in a globalized market today. Even if employers do not have a presence in multiple countries, chances are they have manufacturers or suppliers abroad. Being able to navigate those professional relationships is an advanced skill which the Global Engineering track helps cultivate in its participants," she explains. An additional benefit of her degree is that it also demonstrates to future employers, colleagues, and Engineering for Global Development organizations that she has taken concrete steps to achieve her skill set.

Lauren was first inspired to pursue engineering after attending the 2014 Leadership Summit at the end of her freshman year at NDA which was led by alumna Sue Wehrman, Class of 1981, an engineer for General Electric. Lauren distinctly remembers, "Sue emphasized that the world needs engineers who can communicate. I knew I was confident in my communication skills already and pretty good at math and science, so I thought I'll fill that need and be an engineer."

She knew her NDA teachers prepared her well for the engineering curriculum and said, "It was the opportunity to participate in a student exchange with our sister school in Germany that instigated my global engineering interests. I loved living there with a host family and exploring German history, culture, and industry from a local perspective rather than a tourist perspective." One Lenten rice bowl fundraising initiative had her apply her leadership skills where she "coordinated volunteers to cook and bring in popular foods from the various countries benefitting from the proceeds. I think my exposure to other ideas and world challenges kept me curious about international developments," claims Lauren. UofL gave her the opportunity to travel to Peru to study their water irrigation system to help improve it and address water scarcity issues. She applied her technical engineering skills and gained much more than the program's required 30 hours of cultural diversity and awareness webinars, lectures, and service activities/events. She really enjoyed "working with and learning from each of the nationalities, and for me, that is where the main value of the Global Engineering track lies."

She remained aware of how well her NDA teachers prepared her for a life of global engineering but had not yet realized in just how many more ways she would soon have an impact during her college career. Lauren says her interest in UofL's Global Engineering track program



"motivated me to chase a highly selective fellowship with Engineering4Change which not only helps connect specialized early-career engineers to global humanitarian engineering projects, but also to train for careers in sustainable Global Development. It was because of my background studying intrinsic human dignity at NDA and ethics in college that I was selected to conduct an Impact Research project on the intersection of engineering and human rights." She gratefully acknowledges her NDA teachers and to alumna Sue Wehrman for contributing to her education which allowed her to pursue her dreams.

Lauren concludes, "I am grateful I was able to find a network of people at UofL who helped provide the support and structure for me to move forward confidently. I am happy to be a pioneer and advocate for the Global Engineering Track program so that other students find the empowerment they need as well." Congratulations on making a difference and paying it forward in future global communities you will impact.

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# Class Updates

### 1940

Laura Leising Hoppenians celebrated her 100th birthday in March with family and friends including three generations of NDA alumnae: her daughter Jan Hoppenjans Pettibone 1970, and her granddaughters Heather Hoppenjans Harper 1996, Lauren Pettibone Brown 2000, and Jennifer Pettibone Gastenveld 2002.



### 1967

Sr. Marla Monahan has been appointed Vicar for Religious as of March 2 by Bishop Iffert of the Diocese of Covington. Sr. Marla looks forward to helping "facilitate those relationships between the Bishop, the Diocese, and the men and women religious in what can be mutually supportive for them."

### 1986

Laura Boekley Esposito celebrated her wedding to Patrick Demkovich in May 2021 at Gervasi Vineyard in Canton, Ohio.



### 1986

Susan Schuh Leonardi recently obtained her Master's degree in Theology from the Athenaeum of Ohio 20 years after her Electrical Engineering degree and work in that field while being a full-time mom. She highly encourages anyone thinking of obtaining any degree later in life to go for it!



### 1998

Heidi Metzger just finished her 2nd semester of graduate school at the University of Kentucky studying Strategic Human Resource Management and Analytics.

### 2002

Nicole Hausfeld Kaufman opened a mobile physical therapy practice called Lux Physical Therapy in the Northern Kentucky area. Lux specializes in orthopedic and pelvic floor treatments in the comfort of your own home.

### 2003

Malia Tilden Breitenbach and baby Heidi Marguerite pose for their first mom and daughter photo for The Notre Damian.



### 2006

Meghan Groob recently accepted a one-year position as the Director of Speech writing for the Vice President of the United States. She previously served as the Editorial Director for Gates Venture in Seattle, Washington where she was the speech writer for Bill Gates.



### 2007

Marilyn Henry married Dr. Justin Purnell at Holy Cross Church in Latonia, Kentucky on June 5, 2021. Fellow alumnae family members, Katelyn Toebbe Henry 2007 and Nancy Lehmkuhl Henry 1976 were in the wedding party.



2009 McKenzie Meyer married Jake Lackner on October 30, 2021.



### 2010

Autumn Ward Richards recently completed the Women's Institute for Leadership Development, a year-long program sponsored by the Higher Education Collaborative of Greater Cincinnati. It allowed her to sharpen her leadership skills, grow in her profession as Assistant Director of Student Success at Xavier University, and cultivate a strong network of women in higher education across the region.





### 2013

Katie Bamberger Allen is now the Senior Sourcing Category Management Analyst at The Kroger Company. She recently spent 4 years at 5/3 Bank as the Audit Data Analytics Analyst.



### Engagements

Molly McGee 2011 to Peter Olorunfemi

Shannon Thomas 2011 to Keaton Akers

### Marriages

Laura Boekley Esposito 1986 to Patrick Demkovich

Marilyn Henry 2007 to Justin Purnell

McKenzie Meyer 2009 to Jake Lackner

Allison Kiefer 2011 to Kyle Dooley

# ALUM CUBS, Show Your Panda Pride!

Alumnae moms, would you like to see your baby's photo in the Notre Damian? If so, just send a picture of your baby mugging for the camera in his or her Panda Alum Cub bib and email it to notredamian@ndapandas.org. Please send a jpeg or eps file.



Wyatt Paden, son of Kelsey Fussinger Paden 2011, was overjoyed when his mom dressed him with his new Alum Cub bib!



Mason Enzweiler. son of Maria Haas Enzweiler 2008, wore his new bib for the first time when he was a newborn, but will soon arow into it!

The NDA Alumnae Office sends Alum Cub baby bibs to alumnae moms soon after the office is notified of the births of the new babies.

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# **PANDA PROFESSIONAL** CONNECTION

If you would like to make fellow NDA alumnae aware of your business and what it has to offer, then please feel free to send us your business card!

The Panda Professional Connection spotlights alumnae-owned businesses while working to connect past Pandas in the professional world. You may view the web page here to see other alumnae who offer their goods and services for fellow alumnae: https://www.ndapandas.org/alumnae/alumnae-spotlight/ panda-professional-connection

If you are interested in having your business included on our web page, please email your business card to Monica Ginney at ginneym@ndapandas.org and reference "Panda Connection."

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# ALUMNAE MENTORING

### Student Mentees Experience a Day in the Life of Their Alumnae Mentors

Our Alumnae Mentoring Program had 75 Student Mentees paired with 72 Alumnae Mentors this past year. Several mentees were finally able to job shadow in person with their mentors this past academic year due to the decrease of Covid cases. Many students job shadowed with their mentors for a few hours or a full day. These experiences gave the student mentees a real-life look into a typical day in their mentor's career.



Joy (Stephens) Suwinski, Class of 1994, is a physical therapist for the geriatric population. Her student mentee, Sophie Anderson (Class of 2023) spent a couple hours observing various patient exercise treatments in the gym at Villaspring Rehabilitation Center in Erlanger, Kentucky. Joy was happy that Sophie was able to gain this experience and says, "It really gave her a better understanding of what physical therapists (PTs) do and she really enjoyed it!" The mentor's point of view obviously differs from that of their mentee as Joy explains, "Sophie received a better understanding of my role, how we evaluate patients, and how we have to be creative and open-minded when working with the geriatric population" especially since it can differ greatly from a high school student with the same injury occurring from sports. Joy said that Sophie told her she definitely wants to pursue physical therapy as a college major and feels she has a better sense of what to expect as she looks into various college programs. Sophie truly enjoyed her job shadowing observations with Joy.



Teri (Meyer) Von Handorf, Class of 1988, is the provost and vice-president of academic affairs at Gateway Technical and Community College in Florence, Kentucky, Her student mentee, Megan Paolucci (Class of 2022) is pursuing education as her college major and wants to teach high school math. Megan was not only able to observe college professors as they taught classes at Gateway, but Teri also put her in touch with other high school teachers for job shadowing experiences in public and parochial schools which Teri and Megan knew more closely matched Megan's intended career pursuit. Megan says, "Each of the job shadow experiences were very eye-opening and I really enjoyed it all!"



Holly (Graziani) Danneman, Class of 1992, is a family medicine physician at St Elizabeth Healthcare Family Practice Center in Edgewood, Kentucky. Holly had her student mentees from last year and this year job shadow with her. Recent graduates Elana Bruns and Maddie Payne (Class of 2022) were able to job shadow with Dr. Danneman during her hospital rounds at St Elizabeth Edgewood, as well as seeing patients in the Family Practice Center office with her resident physicians. Elana said her favorite part about shadowing Dr Danneman was "observing her ability to combine professionalism, empathy, and genuine care and concern for her patients. The faces of her patients light up when she walks into their room, and it was easy to see that she not only loves what she does, but is extremely passionate about it." Holly remarked that "it is a special and unique opportunity for the mentees to interact with people at different stages of medical education (medical students, resident physicians, and attending physicians). I always encourage them to ask questions of the medical students and residents not only about illness and treatment, but also the process."

The Alumnae Mentors look forward to more job shadowing experiences with this upcoming group of Student Mentees during the 2022-23 school year and we thank them for making a difference in the lives of these students!

### Births

Elizabeth Grace to Danielle Connor Cunningham

2005

Mason John to Maria Haas Enzweiler 2008

Meredith Anne to Julie Finan Capeci 2011

Wyatt Lee to Kelsey Fussinger Paden 2011

### SAVE THE DATE

Attention Alumnae!



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Don't miss the opportunity to see NDA's new field lights!

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# 2022 Class Reunions

The following class years are celebrating their reunions this summer and fall. Look for updated class reunion information online:

https://www.ndapandas.org/alumnae/alumni-class-information/reunions

### Class of 1997 - 25th Year

Planning is underway. More information to follow. Contact: Reunion Coordinators Tricia Purcell at triciap421@fuse.net or Emily Bresser Hobel at ebresser@aol.com

### Class of 1982 - 40th Year

Planning is underway. More information to follow. Contact: Class Captain Diana Seibert Murray at dmurraydia@gmail.com

### Class of 1972 - 50th Year

Planning is underway. More information to follow. Contact: Class Captain Cookie Cahill Flower at psych837@aol.com Golden Girls Celebration Date: Sunday, October 2 Time and Location: 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Heights Chapel, 11:30 a.m. Brunch in Alumnae Hall at Notre Dame Academy. Look for the reply form on page 40.

### Class of 1962 - 60th Year

Date: Saturday, September 10, 2022 Time: 12:00 p.m. Lunch Location: Summit Hills Country Club (236 Dudley Rd, Crestview Hills, KY 41017) Contact: Sandy Bayless Gleeson at sandygleeson118@gmail.com

### Class of 1957 - 65th Year

Date: Saturday, June 22 Time: 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Location: Brio's Tuscan Grille (1 Levee Way, Newport, KY 41071) Contact: Reunion Coordinator Pat Fox Berlage at patriciaberlage@gmail.com or

### Reunion information needed for the following years:

Class of 2017 - 5th Year Class of 2012 – 10th Year Class of 2007 - 15th Year Class of 2002 – 20th Year Class of 1992 - 30th Year Class of 1987 – 35th Year Class of 1977 – 45th Year Class of 1967 – 55th Year Class of 1952 - 70th Year

If you have not already done so, please email your class reunion date, time, location, along with contact names and emails of Reunion Coordinator(s) or Class Captain(s) to Monica Ginney, Alumnae Relations Coordinator, at ginneym@

College Attended: NKU College Graduation Year: 1992 Graduate School: UC Grad School Graduation Year: 2016 Job/Career: Nurse Practitioner at CCHMC

How has NDA helped shape you to be where you are today?

NDA provided me with a foundation of academic excellence. The expectations were high but looking back it was done with a purpose- to set me up for success. I have found the same for my daughter, Gabbe, who graduated from NDA in 2019. She was fully prepared for her college coursework at the University of Kentucky. NDA, along with my parents also instilled in me a strong faith and I have amazing friends who still support me to this day.

Michelle Blewett Tate Class of 1989



College Attended: Art Academy of Cincinnati College Graduation Year: 1972 Job/Career: Professional portrait and landscape painter, courtroom artist and calligrapher. Owner of Steele Studios producing professional commissions and personal work in oil, watercolor, and pastel.

How has NDA helped shape you to be where you are

The irreplaceable elements that make up a solid education are key. Language skills, reading, history, and music were areas of study that really helped me along the way.

What advice or wisdom do you have for the current stu-

Be Receptive. Say Yes! Soak up all aspects of the educational opportunities you

> Marlene VonHandorf Steele Class of 1968

The Alumnae Storyboard is a feature which captures the everyday happenings of our alumnae. Each story is posted in the main hallway just outside the cafeteria so that students can see how our alumnae are truly continuing to make a difference in the world!

> How has NDA helped shape you to be where you are today? I try to keep the motto of "educating women to make a difference" in my mind every day. Although digital news is overtaking broadcast news quickly, and more people are losing trust in the media, I know thousands of people still watch the words I write every day. So, I'm excited when we can share stories of do-gooders or put out the call for help for people who deserve it. Plus, bringing potentially life-saving information to people still makes me feel good. A strong ethical background and an ability to think critically (both stressed at NDA) have helped guide me through some of the trickier stories we come across or court cases we cover. Plus, NDA's focus on empowering women keeps me focused. My station specifi-Cally targets women ages 25-34, but many of our managers (like most offices) are middle-aged men. I'm not afraid to push the stories I think will appeal to women in my age group because they matter. As a side note, before her well-deserved retirement from news, our morning anchor Lisa Cooney was also a Panda EClass of 1982], so bonding over that also got me a new supportive influence inside the

College Attended: Northern Kentucky University College Graduation Year: 2012 Job/Career: News producer at WLWT-TV

What has been the biggest influence on your life and choices you have made?

I suppose I would say my family. Many high-achieving students seem to be pushed toward the medical, engineering, or legal fields, but my parents were always supportive when I wanted to pursue something more artistic with crazy hours and low pay. They also allowed me to attend an out-of-district, all-girls private school and move back in with them after college, as I began my career in television with a part-time job before becoming full-time. My parents never stopped me from watching the news at home (my mom even used to work as a copywriter at the Cincinnati Enquirer, so she was a great proofreader for my school essays), and they've been very understanding when I miss holidays because the news never stops. Plus, when I think of working in other cities, I see no reason because my entire family is right here.

Rachel Manning Class of 2008

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Lauren Reinersman 2017 spent some time in Peru when she conducted her graduate research in water studies for her Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering (Global Engineering track).



Six NDA Class of 1985 friends since their freshman year recently enjoyed a weekend trip to Hocking Hills State Park in southeastern Ohio. Pictured (I to r): Debra Caudill Mardis, Jan Harmeling, Kristy Nolan Moeves, Denise Dorning Hock, Michelle Williams Schulte, and Nancy Hill Schultz.



Sandra Steiber Davis 2014 recently enjoyed the beauty and history of Oxford, England during her travels in April 2022.

Lauren Pettibone Brown 2000 and her husband traveled to Iceland and visited the Gullfoss Waterfall to celebrate her 40th birthday earlier this year.



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# Do you have any news to share?

Share your news with the Notre Dame Academy community! We rely on you to supply information about happenings, updates and news. Please send your general news, announcements of engagements, marriages, births, and deaths for inclusion in *The Notre Damian*. Please email notredamian@ndapandas.org or send your news to Notre Dame Academy Advancement Department, 1699 Hilton Drive, Park Hills, KY 41011.

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Golden Girls Mass and Brunch October 2, 2022

Name(s) (first, maiden, last) and year(s)

### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Mass will be held in the chapel at Notre Dame Academy with the Sisters of Notre Dame at 10:00 a.m. Brunch will follow in Alumnae Hall at 11:30 a.m.

Contact Address, Phone & E-Mail

Please complete form and return to: NOTRE DAME ADVANCEMENT 1699 HILTON DRIVE PARK HILLS, KY 41011

### MARIAN CIRCLE COMMEMORATIVE BRICK and THEATRE SEAT FORM

We are currently offering NDA alumnae including our 2022 graduates a special price of \$150 per brick and theatre seat. If you are not an alumna, bricks can be purchased for \$300.

To purchase a brick or theatre seat, please fill out the form below and return it to the NDA Advancement Department along with payment by **September 1, 2022**.

**Theatre Seat:** Inscriptions on the theatre seat should be limited to name and class year. Other personal messages, quotes, and/ or titles such as class president are not recommended. **Please** print the name you would like to be inscribed.

NAME:

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