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From the Interim President/CCO



Blessings Alumnae, Families and Friends of NDA!

There is nothing more beautiful than seeing a mother cradling her childespecially our Blessed Mother, tenderly holding the Christ child. This image of love, peace and devotion offers a profound reminder of the beauty of this season. As we enter this time of gratitude and reflection, it is a joy to connect with you through the fall/winter edition of the Notre Damian.

This school year has been nothing short of extraordinary. filled with new milestones and cherished traditions that reflect the enduring legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame and the vibrant spirit of NDA. During this

season of giving thanks, we are reminded of Mary, our Blessed Mother, whose guiet strength and devotion inspire us to live out our mission of faith, hope and love in all that we do.

This fall, our community gathered for the dedication of the newly upgraded Buenger Sports Complex a transformative gift that will serve NDA students for generations to come. Thanks to the generosity of the Clem and Ann Buenger Foundation, along with other community partners, our athletic facilities have reached a new standard of excellence. Coming together to honor the legacy of Ann "Mickie" McCabe Buenger, Class of 1944, was a powerful reminder of the faith and service that form the foundation of everything we do at NDA.

Notre Dame Academy's mission continues to thrive, guiding our students academically, spiritually and in service to others. This fall, we were thrilled to announce a new partnership with Thomas More University, providing a direct admission pathway for our graduates beginning with the Class of 2025. This initiative reflects our shared Catholic values, creating opportunities for our young women in a seamless path to higher education.

We also celebrated an incredible milestone—100 years of accreditation. This recognition highlights our enduring dedication to providing exceptional Catholic education. Generations of students have benefited from NDA's commitment to nurturing young women who embody faith, integrity and leadership. As we look to the future, we remain steadfast in our efforts to evolve and grow while staying true to our founding mission.

Our progress would not be possible without you-our alumnae, families and friends-whose support strengthens the foundation of Notre Dame Academy. Your contributions to the Annual Fund, your presence at events and your continued belief in our mission ensure that the NDA experience remains transformative. Together, we are empowering generations of young women to make a difference in the world.

Looking ahead to 2025, we invite you to join us in shaping NDA's future. There are many opportunities to engage with our school community, including the Women Making a Difference Recognition Award Luncheon, our strategic planning process and other events that celebrate our shared commitment to excellence. Together, let us carry forward the legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame, building a future that honors our Catholic heritage and inspires young women to lead with courage and faith.

As we approach the holidays, may you and your loved ones be filled with the peace, joy and blessings of Christ's love. Thank you for being an essential part of the Notre Dame Academy community-your support and prayers enrich our school daily.

May Mary, our Blessed Mother, who so beautifully carried the Christ child, continue to guide us and watch over you and your loved ones always.

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Jane Kennedy Kleier '83

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INSPIRING EXCELLENCE: NDA'S PREMIER BUENGER SPORTS COMPLEX SETS A NEW STANDARD IN THE REGION



Notre Dame Academy is excited to share the remarkable transformation of the Buenger Sports Complex, elevating it to one of the region's premier athletic facilities. This project, made possible by the extraordinary generosity of the Clem and Ann Buenger Foundation, along with the support of dedicated donors including NDA community partner St. Elizabeth Healthcare, stands as a tribute to Ann "Mickie" McCabe Buenger, NDA Class of 1944. Her enduring legacy—rooted in a commitment to Catholic education and the empowerment of young women—continues to inspire and uplift NDA students today, making this renovation a gift that strengthens our community and fuels future excellence.

On October 29, NDA held a heartfelt dedication ceremony to celebrate the completion of the complex's upgrades. Attendees, including alumnae, faculty, students, and community members, joined together for a meaningful event that featured a blessing of the facility, donor acknowledgments, and a reverent Rosary procession around the newly resurfaced track. It was a day rich with gratitude and reflection, an opportunity for NDA's students to learn about and connect with the inspiring legacy of Ann Buenger.

In her opening remarks, Interim President Jane Kleier underscored that the Buenger Sports Complex upgrade represents more than just a facility improvement. "This upgrade to the Buenger Sports Complex is a testament to our commitment to providing students with the finest resources," Kleier shared. "To our students, I encourage you to think of Ann "Mickie" McCabe Buenger each time you walk this track, play on this turf or cheer from the stands. Let her incredible impact inspire you—remembering that you, too, have the potential to make a lasting difference when you leave NDA and go out into the world."

The dedication was more than just a celebration of new facilities; it was an opportunity to instill a sense of legacy and possibility in NDA students. The ceremony served as a powerful reminder that Ann Buenger was once just like them—a young woman with ambition, a love for learning, and a heart for service. Now, thanks to her vision and generosity, generations of students will benefit from a world-class athletic complex that equips them to reach their full potential.

KEY UPGRADES

State-of-the-Art Field Turf: Designed to optimize safety and performance, the new field turf provides superior traction and shock absorption, accommodating NDA's soccer and lacrosse teams while supporting a variety of other school and community activities. This versatile surface ensures that athletes can train with confidence, knowing they are supported by the highest standards in turf technology.

World-Certified Track Resurfacing: The newly resurfaced track, now meeting World Athletics standards, offers a top-tier training environment for NDA's cross-country and track athletes. With enhanced cushioning and durability, this track allows athletes to perform at their best, while significantly reducing injury risk. Its international-level quality reaffirms NDA's commitment to excellence in athletic training.

During his remarks, Matt Hollenkamp, Head Track and Field Coach and NDA parent, expressed the gratitude and excitement felt by the entire athletic community. Drawing inspiration from world-renowned track athlete Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone, Matt began with her quote: "Records come and go, but the Glory of God is eternal... I don't deserve anything but by Grace, through Faith, Jesus has given me everything." He reflected, "In our NDA Track and Field program, faith is a core value. It drives everything we do. So today, I'm immensely grateful for the goodness that God has given us with this new track. I'm thankful to our administration for believing in what we needed, and especially for those who donated with their funds and time to make it a reality. This new track is a game-changer for our program, positioning us as one of the best in the region."

Hollenkamp also acknowledged his personal investment in the project. "As a coach, donor, and NDA parent, I am honored to represent this community. Our family made a personal sacrifice to support this vision, and through my work at St. Elizabeth Healthcare—a major donor to this project—I see how this facility will promote health, improve fitness and prevent injuries. It's an investment in the well-being of our students and the broader community."

The Buenger Sports Complex stands as a lasting tribute to Ann Buenger's vision and generosity, a space that will support NDA athletes for years to come. It's a place where dreams take flight, where young women grow in strength, resilience, and faith. With these extraordinary upgrades, NDA is poised to continue its mission of empowering the next generation, creating a legacy of excellence that will inspire future Pandas for decades.



The Twenty-fourth Annual Women Making & Difference

Three distinguished alumnae from Notre Dame Academy will be celebrated at the annual Women Making a Difference Recognition Award Luncheon, scheduled for Thursday, March 6, 2025. The honorees for this year's event are Marianne Cohen Fieger (Class of 1962), Sharon Stahl Harris (Class of 1975), and Lauren Simendinger Wang (Class of 2002).

Now in its twenty-fourth year, the Women Making a Difference award program acknowledges the remarkable contributions of Notre Dame Academy alumnae to their families and communities through service, professional achievements, and philanthropic endeavors. It is a tribute to these women for embodying NDA's proud legacy and their continued impact on the world. Additionally, the luncheon plays a vital role in raising funds for tuition assistance at Notre Dame Academy.

The ceremony will take place at the St. Elizabeth Training and Education Center (SETEC) in Erlanger, commencing with registration and networking at 11:00 a.m., followed by the luncheon at 12:00 p.m. The Women Making A Difference luncheon warmly welcomes all alumnae, corporate representatives, parents, and friends of Notre Dame Academy.

Additional details, ticket information, and sponsorship opportunities can be found on page 53. For more information, please contact the Notre Dame Academy Advancement Department at 859.292.7729 or visit the NDA website at www.ndapandas.org.



Marianne Cohen Fieger 1962

Marianne Cohen Fieger exemplifies the true spirit of servant leadership, embodying the values of selflessness, compassion, and dedication in everything she does. She is a quiet yet powerful force behind many of the charitable efforts in our community, always putting the needs of others before her own and working tirelessly behind the scenes.

Marianne has devoted countless hours of her time, talent, and treasure to causes that matter most, particularly within the Catholic Church and local community. As a fundraiser and volunteer for Catholic Charities, she has played a key role in supporting those in need, especially the sick and shut-ins. Her involvement with St. Charles Community and St. Joseph Parish has been marked by a deep commitment to service, including her role as a Eucharistic Minister and her consistent outreach to those who may otherwise be forgotten.

A true servant leader, Marianne doesn't seek recognition or accolades for her work. She prefers to remain behind the scenes, where she can quietly make a difference. Whether organizing community events or offering support to those in crisis, she does so with a humility that speaks volumes. She leads by example, living her faith through acts of volunteerism rather than through words, never drawing attention to herself, but always ensuring that those in need are cared for.

Marianne's personal connections to so many people in our community are a testament to her kindness, empathy, and generosity. She is the kind of friend you aspire to be — always offering a kind word, a helping hand, or a smile when it's needed most. Her quiet, humble gestures of love and support reflect the true heart of Catholic service.

We honor Marianne Cohen Fieger for her unwavering commitment to service, her humble spirit, and her dedication to living her faith through action. She is a shining example of the power of kindness, the strength of community, and the beauty of a life lived in service to others.

Sharon Stahl Harris 1975

Sharon Stahl Harris is a remarkable example of a humble servant leader whose life is dedicated to advocacy, education, and service to others. As a Sisters of Notre Dame Associate, Sharon has lived with grace, always working quietly behind the scenes to support ministries that may not always be in the spotlight but are no less vital to the well-being of our community.

Sharon's impressive work in the fields of science and education research including scientific research, in Antarctica, reflects her passion for learning and her belief in the transformative power of knowledge. However, it is her unwavering commitment to social justice that truly sets her apart. She has been a passionate advocate for those on the margins of society, including refugees and prisoners, standing up for the dignity of all people and working to give voice to those often overlooked or forgotten.

Her support of ministries that focus on these critical issues — often less common or less visible — is a testament to her deep faith and her belief in the core Catholic values of compassion and justice. Sharon has supported Syrian refugees, prisoners and others in need. Sharon is not one to seek recognition, but her influence is felt deeply within the communities she serves, as she continually offers her time, talent, and expertise to those in need.

Sharon's dedication to service and her humble, servant-hearted approach to leadership make her a true example of what it means to live the Gospel through action. We are honored to recognize her today for her tireless advocacy, her commitment to social service, and her quiet yet powerful contributions to the betterment of our world.



Lauren Simendinger Wang 2002

Dr. Lauren Simendinger Wang is a trailblazer, a compassionate doctor, and a shining example of what it means to live out one's faith through service to others. With a deep Catholic faith that guides her every decision, Lauren has dedicated her life to improving the health and well-being of those often overlooked by society, particularly individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

As a physician at the UC Freeman Center, Lauren has been a leader in providing essential medical services and support to adults with IDD, ensuring they receive the care and dignity they deserve long after they turn 18. Her work in this field is a reflection of her strong belief in the inherent dignity of every person, a core principle of the Sisters of Notre Dame educational philosophy,

which she has embraced in both her professional and personal life.

Lauren's love for people and her commitment to serving others extend beyond her medical practice. She was a valued speaker at Notre Dame Academy's Senior Mission Retreat, where she shared her insights and inspired students to live out their faith through action. Her example as a healthcare professional, advocate, and Catholic leader serves as a powerful reminder of the impact one person can have when they live their values with passion and dedication.

Today, we honor Dr. Lauren Simendinger Wang for her groundbreaking work in the medical field, her unwavering commitment to human dignity, and her ability to inspire others to serve with love and compassion. She is truly deserving of this recognition for her tireless efforts to make a difference in the lives of others.



Jerry & Sue Don Handorf

Sue, 1966 alumna, and Jerry Von Handorf have profoundly impacted both the Notre Dame Academy community and the greater Northern Kentucky area. Their unwavering commitment to service and compassion makes them truly deserving of the Sr. Reina Award. As their daughter, Maria, aptly put it: "Mom and Dad are simply amazing human beings. Their heart and compassion for the community and beyond have been a prominent fixture in what it means to be the hands and feet of Christ. They have been incredible role models of selfless service and kindness for decades."

From 1989 to 2006, Sue and Jerry opened their home and hearts as foster parents to over 30 children, all

while raising their three biological children. Ultimately, they also adopted two children, solidifying their lifelong commitment to family and service. Their dedication extended to St. Augustine Parish, where they both served in numerous roles, including on the parish council, liturgical committees, and RCIA. They were also involved in Sunday School, lectoring, cantoring, and volunteering at parish festivals. A particularly meaningful contribution from Sue was her work organizing Vacation Bible Schools for the children in the City Heights community in Covington. For several years, Sue served as a volunteer teacher's aide and participated in several mission trips to El Salvador. Together, the Von Handorfs have been dedicated volunteers at the Parish Kitchen, where along with serving meals Sue baked cakes for various holiday events and organized family volunteers to color Easter eggs for patrons. Their service to those in need extends to the Emergency Shelter in Covington, where they prepare meals, help with laundry and transport the homeless to safety. They also serve meals regularly at the Madison Avenue Christian Church.

Jerry's contributions to NDA have been especially invaluable. For over 10 years, he has served on the Facilities and Grounds Committee, and he was involved in the successful completion of NDA's 2017-2018 renovation project. Following that, he developed a comprehensive 10-year facilities plan, in conjunction with the Facilities Committee. Jerry spent countless hours researching and compiling historical documents to create a roadmap for the school's future. His work has been essential in ensuring NDA's continued sustainability and growth and since the plan was implemented. NDA has undertaken major improvements.

Through their work, their faith, and their unwavering commitment to service, Sue and Jerry Von Handorf have left a lasting legacy in both the NDA and Northern Kentucky communities. It is with deep gratitude and admiration that we honor them with the Sr. Reina Award.



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY -STRATEGIC PLAN-2025-2030

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY EMBARKS ON STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS TO SHAPE ITS FUTURE

Notre Dame Academy (NDA) recently launched its five-year Strategic Planning initiative, Rooted in Faith, Leading with Vision, marking a significant moment in the school's history as it embarks on a journey to strengthen and shape its future. This effort began with a kickoff event that brought together NDA leadership, faculty, staff, and board members, setting the tone for a collaborative process that will involve voices from across the NDA community.

Led by Interim President and Chief Communications Officer Jane Kleier, under the guidance and direction of the NDA Board of Directors, and facilitated by strategic consultant Mary Claire Kasunic of Partners in Mission, the Strategic Plan centers on eight core areas essential to NDA's mission: Academics and Technology, Advancement, Catholic Identity, Enrollment, Facilities, Finances, Governance and Student Life. Through an inclusive process that welcomes input from students, parents, alumnae, faculty, and other stakeholders, NDA aims to chart a path forward that honors its mission while adapting to the evolving educational landscape.

"This Strategic Plan is a vital step for ensuring NDA remains true to its mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world," said Jane Kleier. "This process gives us the chance to reflect on the progress we have made and to set intentional goals that will allow us to thrive, uphold our values, and stay relevant in an ever-changing world."

The planning initiative is co-chaired by NDA Board Chair Jessica Rawe and Mission Integration Committee Chair Betsy Weber, who lead a dedicated team of Domain Chairs and Staff Liaisons. Each of these leaders will gather and analyze data and facilitate discussions to develop objectives that support the long-term health and success of the school. Input from the entire NDA community is viewed as essential to the plan, ensuring that a wide range of perspectives informs each step.

The timing of the kickoff on October 1, Foundation Day of the Sisters of Notre Dame, was particularly meaningful. "Starting this journey on Foundation Day was especially fitting," said Kleier. "We celebrated the legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame, who have always championed education and service. Their vision is embedded in our work, and this strategic plan will ensure their commitment to transformative education remains alive in our students' lives for generations to come."

The Strategic Planning process includes a series of surveys, round table discussions, and interviews with various members of the NDA community, all culminating in a Strategic Planning Workshop in February 2025. There, key objectives will be finalized, shaping NDA's future direction. "Our goal is to craft a plan that not only meets NDA's current needs but also anticipates future opportunities and challenges," Rawe shared. "We are grateful to everyone who has contributed so far and look forward to what we can accomplish together."

As the initiative progresses, NDA will keep its community informed, providing updates and sharing new opportunities for involvement. Through Rooted in Faith, Leading with Vision, NDA reaffirms its commitment to empowering young women to lead lives of purpose, equipped with the skills and values to make a meaningful impact.

A GROUND BREAKING PARTNERSHIP: NOTRE DAME ACADEMY & THOMAS MORE UNIVERSITY LAUNCH DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM



Notre Dame Academy is proud to announce an exciting new partnership with Thomas More University, designed to offer a seamless pathway to higher education for all NDA graduates, starting with the Class of 2025. This historic agreement makes NDA the first all-girls Catholic high school in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky to offer direct admission to a prestigious university like Thomas More.

At the heart of this partnership is a shared commitment to Catholic values and academic excellence. Notre Dame Academy and Thomas More University, both deeply rooted in the Diocese of Covington, have long collaborated in their mission to empower young women through education. With this new agreement, graduates from NDA who meet the program's academic and disciplinary criteria will be guaranteed direct admission to Thomas More, eliminating much of the stress and uncertainty around the college application process.

"We are thrilled to partner with Thomas More University to offer our graduates this incredible opportunity," said Jane Kleier, Interim President and Chief Communications Officer of Notre Dame Academy. "This direct admission program provides a streamlined path to a Catholic university that shares our mission of empowering young women to make a positive impact in the world."

For NDA students, this partnership represents a unique advantage. Beginning with the Class of 2025, students who meet all graduation requirements and maintain good academic and disciplinary standing will have direct access to Thomas More. Additionally, NDA students will benefit from the ongoing collaboration between the two institutions, including annual professional development opportunities for NDA's faculty and staff provided by Thomas More's School of Education.

"This partnership reflects our shared legacy of faith-based education," said TMU President Joseph L. Chillo, LP.D. "We are honored to strengthen our bond with Notre Dame Academy and continue providing access to a Catholic higher education that empowers students to achieve both academically and spiritually."

Together, Notre Dame Academy and Thomas More University are leading the way in Catholic education, creating new opportunities and ensuring that our students have every chance to thrive in a faith-filled, academically rigorous environment.



From the Principal

2024-25 SCHOOL THEME

EMBRACES DIGNITY AND PURPOSE



As we enter the 119th year of Notre Dame Academy, we are proud to carry forward the rich legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame. This year, our theme, Love God - Love Others - Change the World, is grounded in the second Educational Principle of the Sisters of Notre Dame: The Human Dignity of Each Person as an Image of God. Inspired by this principle, we are focusing on recognizing and honoring the inherent dignity and uniqueness in each person we encounter.

Our guiding scripture for the year is Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." This powerful verse serves as a reminder of the strength we find in God's love, equipping us to love others courageously and work towards positive change in our world.

Love God - Love Others - Change the World reflects our commitment to cultivating an environment at NDA where each student feels valued and supported. We emphasize the importance of respectful listening, availability, and reverence for the image of God in everyone. This year, we are creating opportunities for our students to experience the transformative power of compassion, respect, and kindness.

By embracing the dignity of each individual and fostering a welcoming atmosphere that encourages self-worth and growth, we hope to inspire our students to go out into the world as ambassadors of love and change. Together, we will build a community that reflects God's love in all that we do-through unity, mutual respect, and a deep commitment to uplifting one another.

This theme challenges our entire NDA community to live with purpose. respect, and courage, knowing that by loving God and others, we indeed have the power to change the world.



Blessings Alumnae, Families, and Friends of NDA!

The 2024-25 school year has brought exciting developments and remarkable achievements, each a testament to the strength and dedication of our NDA community. From the completion of the Buenger Sports Complex, a transformative gift that enhances the experiences of our studentathletes and inspires future generations, to the extraordinary accomplish-

ments of our students showcased in this issue, we have much to celebrate. Our students continually amaze us as they use their God-given gifts and talents to live our mission and make a difference in the world. These young women truly embody the values of Notre Dame Academy, serving as a constant reminder of our purpose as Catholic educators.

In October, we celebrated a century of academic excellence with special recognition from Cognia for 100 years of continuous accreditation. Presented on Foundation Day, this milestone honors the founding of the Sisters of Notre Dame and their lasting impact on our mission to educate young women who will make a difference. Cognia, a global nonprofit dedicated to school improvement, recognized NDA's century-long commitment to academic rigor and holistic development. Receiving this award on Foundation Day was especially meaningful, as it served as a reminder of the Sisters' unwavering dedication to education and the powerful legacy they have entrusted to us. We are humbled by this recognition and inspired to carry forward the Sisters' mission.

Additionally, as we move forward with our strategic planning process, we've gathered invaluable data that will help shape NDA's future. As a math teacher, I appreciate the depth of insight this data offers, and as principal, I'm incredibly encouraged by what it reveals. It's deeply gratifying to see clear, measurable evidence of the outstanding education our students receive at Notre Dame Academy. These results highlight the dedication of our faculty, the commitment of our community and the strength of our mission in action. Through this strategic planning, we can continue to build an educational experience that empowers every NDA student.

As we enter this season of gratitude and joy, I extend my warmest wishes to you and your families for a blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas. May your homes be filled with love, laughter, and the true spirit of the holidays

In Notre Dame,







November

27	NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day
28-29	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

December

7	Freshman Semi-Formal Dance
8	Christmas Band Concert
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12	Alumnae Rosary
13	Cookies with Santa Alumnae Family Event
14	Silverbells Dance
16	All School Advent Mass
17	Welcome Back Night Class of 2024
23-Jan. 3	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break

January

6	Classes Resume
	New Year's Mass
9	Alumnae Rosary
13	HSPT Scholarship Reception
	Meeting for Incoming Freshmen
20	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
24-26	NDA/CCH Showcase
27	Catholic Schools Week Begins
	Mass with SNDs
29	NDA/CCH Volleyball Game
	Catholic Schools Week Diocesan Mass
Februa	ry
6	Sips and Stems Alumnae Event
10	

- Alumnae Rosary 13
- 17 NO SCHOOL - Presidents Day

March

6	Women Making A Difference Award Luncheon
8	8th Grade Conferences
11	Sophomore Ring Ceremony
13	Alumnae Rosary
14	NO SCHOOL



Campus Notes

NDA CELEBRATES NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS & COMMENDED STUDENTS



National Merit Semifinalists Anna Blair, Emma White and Chanduni Herath

National Merit Commended Students Chloe Dunham and Ashley Neltner

Notre Dame Academy is proud to announce that three of our outstanding seniors, Anna Blair, Emma White and Chanduni Herath, have been recognized as National Merit Semifinalists in the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program. Additionally, two other talented seniors, Chloe Dunham and Ashley Neltner, have earned distinction as National Merit Commended Students. This is a prestigious honor that highlights their exceptional academic achievements, dedication, and hard work.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) recognized over 16,000 high-achieving high school seniors nationwide as Semifinalists, making Anna, Emma, and Chanduni part of an elite group representing the top academic minds in the country. These Semifinalists now have the opportunity to compete for one of 6,870 National Merit Scholarships worth nearly \$26 million, which will be awarded next spring. To advance to Finalist standing, they will need to fulfill additional rigorous requirements, with approximately 95% expected to reach the Finalist stage.

In addition to our Semifinalists, seniors Chloe Dunham and Ashley Neltner have been named National Merit Commended Students, placing them among the top 50,000 scorers out of over 1.5 million students who entered the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program. This recognition underscores their exceptional performance on the PSAT and highlights the dedication they have shown throughout their academic journey at NDA.

"We are incredibly proud of the accomplishments of Anna, Emma, Chanduni, Chloe and Ashley," said NDA Principal Mr. Jack VonHandorf. "Being recognized as National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Students speaks volumes about their talent, dedication and the comprehensive education they receive at Notre Dame Academy. These young women exemplify the excellence we strive for at NDA, and we congratulate them and their families on these outstanding achievements."

At NDA, we are committed to cultivating an environment that empowers young women to pursue their dreams and excel academically. The success of our National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Students is a testament to this mission and the bright futures they have ahead of them.



HONORING A **CENTURY OF** EXCELLENCE

Notre Dame Academy celebrated a century of academic excellence on October 1, receiving recognition from Cognia for 100 years of continuous accreditation. The milestone was marked on NDA's Foundation Day, which honors the founding of the Sisters of Notre Dame and their lasting impact on the school's mission to educate young women to make a difference in the world.

Cognia, a global nonprofit organization dedicated to school improvement, acknowledged NDA's century-long commitment to educational excellence. Ketsy Fields, Cognia's director for Kentucky, presented the award during the celebration. "This day helps ensure that future generations of NDA students have the opportunity to grow academically, spiritually and personally," Fields said. "Cognia is honored and humbled to be your partner in fulfilling this mission and vision.'

The recognition reflects NDA's dedication to fostering both academic rigor and spiritual growth, underscoring the school's commitment to the holistic development of its students. Cognia, formerly known as SACS CASI and AdvancED, shares NDA's vision for continuous school improvement, ensuring every student receives the best possible education.

This event was especially meaningful on Foundation Day, a date that holds significance as it commemorates the founding of the Sisters of Notre Dame. The Sisters' legacy of education continues to thrive at NDA, where the mission to empower young women as leaders of faith, integrity and purpose endures.

Notre Dame Academy is grateful for Cognia's recognition and looks forward to building on its tradition of excellence for the next 100 years.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY **CONGRATULATIONS 2024 INDUCTEES**

Notre Dame Academy proudly inducted 96 students into the National Honor Society (NHS) this October, celebrating their exceptional dedication, hard work and academic excellence. This induction marks a meaningful milestone as these young women join a prestigious community built upon the pillars of scholarship, leadership, service and character.

Membership in NHS is an honor that goes beyond high academic achievement; it recognizes students who embody personal integrity, a commitment to serving others and a dedication to making a positive impact. The 96 new members reflect these values, striving to lead by example, uplift their peers and contribute to both NDA and the wider community with a spirit of generosity and compassion.

The induction ceremony was guided by NHS moderator Mrs. Lara Heidrich, whose dedication continues to inspire and support students as they uphold the ideals of NHS in their daily lives. Her leadership is instrumental in encouraging these young women to live out the values of scholarship, leadership, service and character within their academic and personal journeys.

Congratulations to all of our new inductees. We look forward to seeing the continued impact they will make within NDA and beyond as part of this esteemed society.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE NDA'S FAMILY SYSTEM SUPPORTS NDUEC

NDA's Family System kicked off the school year with a successful collection drive to support the Notre Dame Urban Education Center. Students generously donated requested school supplies, cash and backpacks to benefit the center's mission. With the enthusiastic leadership of the Family System, the drive raised over \$900 and gathered 622 school supply items, including backpacks. Well done, PaNDAs, for supporting this vital mission of the Sisters of Notre Dame and making a meaningful impact in our community!







NDA AND CCH PRESENT: Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet

Notre Dame Academy and Covington Catholic High School recently captivated audiences with a stunning production of Romeo and Juliet. The timeless Shakespearean tragedy brought the two schools together for an unforgettable theatrical experience, as students took on the challenge of performing one of literature's most enduring love stories.

Set amidst the fierce feud between the Montague and Capulet families, the play follows young Romeo and Juliet's doomed romance. The NDA/CCH cast masterfully portraved the depth of the characters' emotions, from the thrill of first love to the despair of impossible circumstances. The dramatic tension of the Montague-Capulet rivalry, the heartbreak of Romeo's banishment, and the ultimate tragedy of the lovers' fate were brought to life with moving performances.

The set and costume design transported the audience to Verona, Italy, capturing the atmosphere of Shakespeare's world while maintaining the classic elements of the story. With passionate performances and striking visual design, the production received praise for skillfully capturing the timeless themes of love and loyalty.

Congratulations to the entire cast and crew on this exceptional production! Don't miss the chance to see more from NDA and CCH with these upcoming shows:

1950s Showcase - January 24-26, 2025

Matilda the Musical - April 4-6, 2025

SERVING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM NDA FACULTY AND STAFF LIVE THE MISSION

On Friday, October 11, the faculty and staff of Notre Dame Academy stepped beyond the classroom to live out NDA's mission of service and community involvement. Led by Campus Minister Bridget Price, the Faculty/Staff Service Day kicked off with a gathering in Alumnae Hall, where participants shared a light breakfast and prayer before heading out to various local agencies, ready to make a difference across Northern Kentucky.

While NDA's faculty and staff demonstrate Christ's compassion daily through their interactions with students, this special day offered a unique opportunity to extend that care to the broader community. Teams served at local agencies including St. Vincent De Paul, BAWAC, the Emergency Shelter of NKY, Madonna Manor, Easterseals Redwood, Notre Dame Urban Education Center, Go Pantry, and the Timmerding House.

The day was a living testament to NDA's commitment to educating young women by example, as faculty and staff engaged in tasks from outdoor projects to sorting household essentials. A particularly meaningful effort involved preparing 70 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the Emergency Shelter of Northern Kentucky-an act that underscored how even the simplest gestures can provide comfort and support to those in need.

Returning to NDA in the early afternoon, faculty and staff gathered to reflect on the morning's experiences, wrapping up a day marked by teamwork, reflection, and purposeful action. This annual event not only deepens the bonds within NDA's staff community but also reinforces the values at the core of NDA's educational mission-faith, leadership, and service to others.

NDA's Service Day is a powerful reminder of the commitment to live out the Gospel message, instilling a culture of compassion that inspires both students and staff to be positive forces in the world.







NDA EARNS PRESTIGIOUS GOLD DISTINCTION FOR **ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM EXCELLENCE**



Notre Dame Academy proudly announces its Gold distinction on the 2023-2024 Advanced Placement (AP) School Honor Roll by the College Board, a recognition that highlights NDA's dedication to offering an academically rigorous education accessible to young women. By earning Gold status, NDA joins an elite group of schools nationwide celebrated for expanding AP course access while ensuring high standards of student achievement.

This distinction reflects the combined commitment of NDA's faculty and students, who work together to cultivate a college-ready environment. The AP program at NDA spans diverse subjects - from AP English Literature to AP Biology and AP Calculus - encouraging students to explore their interests while building critical thinking, communication and problem-solving skills that will serve them well beyond high school. Research indicates that students who complete AP coursework are more likely to attend college, graduate on time, and gain advanced placement or college credit, positioning them strongly for future success.

The College Board commended NDA's supportive AP environment, recognizing the school's efforts to "expand access to rigorous courses while continuing to drive strong

academic performance." NDA's AP program exemplifies the school's mission of educating young women who are confident, compassionate and prepared to lead. This Gold Honor Roll distinction emphasizes NDA's commitment to accessible high-level academic opportunities that honor the legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame. Through its AP offerings, Notre Dame Academy not only prepares students for college but also inspires them to lead lives of learning, service, and impact on the world.



EXPLORING FAITH THROUGH ART AND PRAYER

On a beautiful Saturday in September, a group of 34 juniors from Notre Dame Academy took part in a Pilgrimage Retreat designed to deepen their understanding of faith through art, architecture and various forms of prayer. The day-long retreat offered students a chance to explore the profound beauty and tradition of the Catholic Church in the local community.

The pilgrimage began in the heart of NDA's campus at Mary, Mother of the World Chapel. From there, the students traveled by bus - and on foot to some stops - to several significant churches in the area. Their journey included visits to St. John the Evangelist Church and Mother of God Church in Covington, followed by Sts. Boniface and James Church in Ludlow. At each location, students were immersed in the sacred spaces, taking time to appreciate the art and architecture while also engaging in moments of quiet prayer and reflection. The pilgrimage concluded at the chapel at St. Joseph Heights, allowing students to reflect on the day's experiences in a place rich with spiritual history.

The Junior Pilgrimage Retreat is a cherished part of NDA's spiritual formation, allowing students to explore their faith in new settings while appreciating the beauty and heritage of the Catholic Church. The day's journey, blessed by great weather and fellowship, strengthened both the students' bond with each other and their personal connection to faith.

NDA CELEBRATES COMMON READER DAY **IN HONOR OF MOTHER CABRINI**



with the additional goal of fostering integrated learning and encouraging service-oriented activities. Over the years, the Common Reader program has successfully achieved these goals, strengthening connections across the NDA community and creating camaraderie through shared learning experiences.

Throughout Common Reader Day, students took part in activities designed to deepen their understanding of Mother Cabrini's work. They engaged in homeroom discussions, watched the film Cabrini, played interactive games that simulated language and cultural barriers, and listened to talks from inspiring quest speakers. Ms. Julia Attaway, Executive Director of the St. Frances Cabrini Shrine in New York, discussed her dedication to promoting Cabrini's legacy, while Sister Anita Marie Stacey, SND shared her personal experiences from her mission work in Uganda, offering insights into the sacrifices and rewards of a life committed to service.

NDA's Common Reader program is now a well-established tradition that aligns closely with the school's mission to educate young women for lives of faith, integrity and leadership. The success of this year's Common Reader Day, made possible by the dedication of faculty and staff, reaffirms NDA's commitment to preparing students to make meaningful contributions in the world.



tegrating media literacy into science classrooms. This resource equips educators with practical strategies to help students critically assess information, distinguish credible sources and understand scientific consensus. Aligning with the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Proudfit's work emphasizes the role of science education in fostering critical thinking skills essential in today's media-driven landscape.

Notre Dame Academy's annual Common Reader Day, held on October 17, celebrated God's Messenger: The Astounding Achievements of Mother Cabrini. This year's book choice highlighted the inspiring life of Mother Cabrini, Patron Saint of Immigrants, who dedicated her life to establishing schools, hospitals, and orphanages that served immigrant families, demonstrating resilience and compassion in the face of numerous challenges. As students reflected on her story, they witnessed how her commitment to serving others is a legacy that continues to resonate.

In order to provide a shared academic conversation and intellectual experience for students, faculty and staff, NDA implemented a Common Reader Initiative in 2014. The program promotes reading, critical thinking and meaningful discussion.

This initiative beautifully aligns with NDA's mission and vision as a school rooted in the values of the Sisters of Notre Dame. By exploring the life of a young woman dedicated to servant leadership, NDA is offering our students a meaningful example of how service and compassion can inspire real change. It's a powerful opportunity for them to see how one person's commitment can truly make a difference in the world.

EMPOWERING STUDENTS THROUGH MEDIA LITERACY

Notre Dame Academy is proud to share that NDA's Assistant Principal for Academics and biology teacher, Molly Proudfit, has recently coauthored an article in The American Biology Teacher, the esteemed journal of the National Association of Biology Teachers.

Titled Managing Misinformation: An ABT-Based Teaching Guide, the article provides a valuable framework for in-

2024 Fall Sports Update



The NDA Volleyball program had an outstanding 2024 season, with the varsity team advancing to the state tournament at George Rogers Clark High School. Our Volleyball Pandas battled through the competition, winning their first two state games before falling in the semifinals-a tremendous achievement that caps a remarkable season. The freshman and junior varsity teams also had incredible seasons, finishing with strong records of 13-4 and 19-4, respectively. A program highlight was all three teams' victories in the annual Playing for a Purpose event against regional rival St. Henry. The varsity team also made history this October, securing a first-place finish at the Chicago ASICS Challenge-an NDA first! Additionally, they were the 2024 35th District and 9th Region champions, representing Northern Kentucky with pride at the state level where they finished their season as semifinalists. Congratulations to all our Volleyball Pandas on their hard work, dedication, and success this season.

The 2024 NDA Soccer season concluded with a impressive 14-4-4 record, but was cut short early in the Regional Tournament. The Pandas are all in on the concept of "to be the best, you have to beat the best." This year, they've played one of the hardest schedules in the state, only taking the field against top 25 ranked teams. Early in the season, the girls traveled to Louisville to play the eventual Kentucky State Champions, Sacred Heart. This was a great chess match for both teams and the game ended in a strong 1-1 tie. Two weeks later, Notre Dame hosted the Top 5 Nationally ranked Carmel Greyhounds for our "Playing With a Purpose" match. This year, we purchased pink kits for the girls to match the overall theme. This was another heartfelt match that The Pandas ended up winning, 2-1. As the State Tournament kicked off, the Pandas worked their way to another 35th District Championship! The next step was Regionals.



Match 1, we played very well and won 6-0 against a familiar team, St. Henry. The next match was against #2 Conner. Conner got one goal in the first half, and The Pandas just couldn't break down their back line. The match, and our season ended with a final score of 0-1. This season has been plagued with a revolving door of injuries. The girls battled through the injuries and tough schedule as best they could, and when all is said and done, the tough times will bring these girls together and have them ready to go at it again next year.



The Cross Country PaNDAs had an unforgettable season! They kicked things off in style, hosting the PaNDA Classic at the Williamstown XC complex. Our varsity team battled hard and narrowly missed first place to Campbell County, while our JV team clinched the trophy, bringing it home!

Fueled by hard work and dedication, our varsity girls bounced back to win titles at both the Southern Harrier Classic and the Midwest Catholic Championship. As the season progressed, they set their sights on the postseason. The JV team delivered a fantastic team effort to win the St. Henry Invitational, honoring St. Henry's coach, who had recently passed away from brain cancer.

Heading into Regionals, our team was ranked 3rd in a tough 9th region. Defying expectations, they fought their way to 2nd place, missing a double upset by just 4 points! They carried that same determination to State, where they once again exceeded expectations, finishing 5th-our best finish since 2006. With every runner returning next year, the future is bright for the Cross Country PaNDAs!

The varsity and JV golf teams had a good year with a total of 15 golfers. We welcomed back some veteran golfers and welcomed new golfers as well. The Varsity team placed second in the Conference and Regionals. The second place finish in the Regionals gualified the team for the State Tournament.

Didi Jiradamkerng gualified for the All State Championship and the State finals as an individual.

The MVP for the varsity team was Didi Jiradamkerng and for the JV team it was Abigail Gibson. The most improved player award for the varsity team was Riley Pope and for the JV team it was Ella Nienaber. The Panda awards were awarded to Teagan Kruer and Erin Piatt.

IN LOVING MEMORY



With heavy hearts, we remember our beloved Assistant Athletic Director and longtime Golf Coach Karen Henderson, who passed away unexpectedly in October after a coura-KAREN HENDERSON geous battle with cancer. Karen's kindness, strength and dedication left an indelible mark on the Notre Dame Academy community. Over her 15 years with us, she touched the lives of countless students, faculty and staff, becoming a cherished member of the NDA family.

> After retiring as a Pathology Lab Manager with TriHealth Hospital, Karen brought her passion and expertise to NDA, enriching our athletics program and nurturing our student-athletes. Her dedication to golf extended well beyond NDA; she was deeply involved in the sport throughout her life. In addition to coaching for 15 years and winning Coach of the Year at NDA, Karen worked with the LPGA and mentored young golfers as an instructor at First Tee.

> On November 3, the NDA community gathered to honor Karen's memory at a memorial service with heartfelt tributes from Athletic Director Janet Carl, former student-athletes and family members.

> Please keep Karen's family, friends and the NDA community in your thoughts and prayers. May she rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon her.





① 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:

Laverne Dedden Keene 1946 Joanne Keitz Hoh 1947 Sr. Mary Ann Catherine Wehry, SND 1947 Ann Weisenberger Cheevers 1947 Mary Lou Crusham Bessler 1949 Margie Meyers Knipper 1949 Jane Rust 1952 Judy Miller Fischer 1953 Dori Donovan Altenau 1954 Barb Greis Hierholzer 1954 Mary Ann Brake Goettke 1955 Rita Wesselman Workman 1957 Dorothy Lang Gausepohl 1958 Regina Traud Korte 1961 Urszula Barczak 1964 Ruth Brue Kemper 1966 Cheryl Dorning Tallant 1966 Eileen Fry 1967 Mary Grim Grisham 1969 Cathy Reinersman Schmitt 1969 Patricia Flanagan Schwierjohann 1969 Debbie Schultz Moellman 1971 Pamela Brewer Keitz 1977

Husband of:

Joyce Hils Blanchet 1957 Diane Geyer Robbins 1957 Joann Hentz Katz 1958 Regina Traud Korte 1961 Jo-Ann Kloeker Goodhew 1965 Linda Finke 1966 Barbara Kramer Pohlman 1969 Terri Rechtin Roeding 1970 Mary Voegtle Stadtlander 1973 Christine Schuette Campoamor 1984 Suzanne Veith Wickelhaus 1985 Jackie Hellmann Schuler 1986 Lisa Ruwe Timmerding 1997

Mother of:

Tena Keene Cox 1966 Sandra Botts Sorg 1967 Dianne Hoh Wahle 1970 Donna Botts Johnson 1972 Jean Nugent Heldman 1973 Ann Bessler Pratt 1975 Michelle Gausepohl Groeschen 1979 Cammie Fischer Hinken 1979 Beth Lowry Scarber 1980 Mary Moore Ruberg 1980

Beverly Dixon Turner 1980 Laura Gausepohl Arlinghaus 1981 Alison Lowry Horne 1981 Tricia Fischer Oberhausen 1981 Tina Nugent Conradi 1982 Julie Bessler Trenkamp 1983 Missy Fischer Hail 1985 Susan Willenbrink Morehead 1985 Karen Quillan Vickers 1987 Cindy Quillan Printz 1990 Heidi Zint Frost 1991 Amy Zint 1992 Elizabeth Peeno Bobonick 1993 Lvdia Peeno Barrett 1995 Sarah Fischer Green 1995 Lisa Willenbrink Mosley 1995 Alison McGreevy Reeves 1996

Father of:

Sarah Wells 2013

Linda Cummings Buckley 1976 Linda Blanchet Parker 1980 Beverly Dixon Turner 1980 Jeanine Cummings Horner 1981 Karen Steiber Cain 1982 Debbie Dorning 1982 Jodi Thelen Fahey 1983 Barbara Blanchet Goderwis 1983 Tracy Seifert Zumbiel 1984 Kym Steiber Helton 1984 Denise Dorning Hock 1985 Lisa Russo Beck 1986 Kat McEntee 1986 Julie Neubacher 1986 Juli Thelen Roe 1987 Traci Roeding Snyder 1989 Kim Budke Nachazel 1990 Francie Neubacher Condon 1993 Chrissy Halpin Dean 1995 Sarah Schulte 1995 Amy Halpin Johnson 1997 Sarah Detzel Davidson 1998 Allison Baker Milincic 1999 Svdnev Schuler 2013 Sarah Massman 2014 Hannah Ransom 2021 Kayleigh Ransom 2024 Lydia Timmerding 2025

Sister of:

Verna Greis Haggerty 1956 Marie Brue Shields 1961 Rose Greis Kleier 1965 **Dolores Badgett Smith 1966** Marcia Lang Canter 1969 Michelle Greis Stallmeyer 1970 Kathy Flanagan Sberna 1971 Maria Barczak 1973 Marilyn Annear Baumgartner 1974 Ruth Flanagan Duvall 1975 Janet Annear Chambers 1977 Terri Schultz 1977 Fran Barczak Scherrer 1978 Cheryl Jones Darpel 1987 Julie Jones 1988

Brother of:

Sr. Mary Noella McEntee, SND 1957 Marilynn McEntee 1960 Patricia Dacey 1963 Kieran Rechtin Mulhausen 1967 Laurie Flenniken 1975 Heather Dusing Stern 1993

Son of: Linda Bankemper Scanlon 1966

Special Intentions

Debbie Barth Cahill 1972 Elizabeth Haupt Grause 1961 Mary Widrig Kenning 1951 Barbara Meadors 1956 Lois Ertel Shinkle 1957 Cynthia and Kenneth Williamson Marlene Huesman Ziegler 1954

Honorariums

In Honor of All Cancer Survivors by: Mary Cathy Snider 1981

In Honor of Sr. Mary Judith Averbeck, SND 1960 and Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott, SND 1964 by: Margaret Boehmer Kovarik 1977 Kelly Gammon 1981 and Susan McDowell

In Honor of M. Patricia Whittle Bieger 1954 by: Dan and Karen Bieger Finan 1977

In Honor of the Class of 1955 by: Mary Estelle Roesel 1955

In Honor of the Class of 2010 by: Leslie Schellhaas Litmer 2010

In Honor of the Deceased Members of the Class of 1973 by: Martha Cicci 1973

In Honor of Sr. Mary Paul Ann Hanneken, SND 1950 and Sr. Mary Rachel Nerone 1954 by: Tina Bernheimer

Nancy and Joe Stratman

In Honor of Sister Jean Marie Hoffman receiving Kenton County "Pioneer Award" by: Betty Jo Janszen Ginn 1965

In Honor of Catie Ammerman Meier 2010 and Emma Meier by: Stephanie Ammerman

In Honor of The McGrath Family by: Marianne McGrath, M.D.

In Honor of Lauri Read 1983 and Kara Read Marino 1985 by: Rick and Charlotte Read

In Memoriam

In Memory of Ron Amend by: Mary Amend

In Memory of Marita Terlau Arlinghaus 1979 by: Mark Arlinghaus

In Memory of Esther Sommerkamp Averdick 1943 by: Michael Averdick

In Memory of Helen Steltenkamp Ayres 1936 by: Marita Ayres Thelen 1964

In Memory of Mary Huwel Bayless 1938 by: Sandy Bayless Gleeson 1962

In Memory of Vincent and Ruth Bowman by: Kate Droege Terrien 2004

In Memory of Mary Ann Ringo Breetz 1973 by: Mary D Mullen Small 1974

In Memory of the Brue Family by: Carol Brue 1961

In Memory of William and Loretta Burkhardt by: Theresa Burkhardt Brugger 1977

In Memory of Deborah Kennedy Caldwell 1972 by: Donna Kennedy Parker 1975

In Memory of Thomas and Marilyn Brauch Cardosi 1948 by: Amy Cardosi Ariosa 1970

In Memory of Denise Hinkel Cenedella 1979 by: Martha Hinkel

In Memory of Deceased 1966 Classmates by: Paulette Schopmeyer Boden 1966

In Memory of Anne Pauly Droege 1939 by: Margaret Droege Kuhlman 1964

In Memory of Mary Ada Feldman by: Karen Brungs

In Memory of Ann Greis Fritz 1953 by: Molly Panko Fritz 1984

In Memory of Sue Hehman Frommeyer 1953 by: Tim and Beverly Frommeyer

In Memory of Dotty Lang Gausepohl 1958 and the Other Deceased 1958 Classmates by: Ann Knipper Farrell 1958

In Memory of Sister Dolores Giblin by: Leon J. Mueller

In Memory of Mary Ann Brake Goettke 1955 by: William and Mary Brake Carol Vogt Dragan 1955 James and Diane Freitag Mary Ann Goettke Troy and Mary Beth McClamroch Arlene Bergfeld Sullivan 1955 Philip and Mackensie Wittmer

In Memory of Mary Deborah Grim Grisham 1969 by: Shelley Wills Goetz 1969

In Memory of Mary Lou McGinnis Halpin 1943 by: Barbara Halpin McGraw 1976

In Memory of Barbara Greis Hierholzer 1954 by: Rose Greis Kleier 1965 Michelle Greis Stallmever 1970 Rose's Club Class of 1965 Elaine Flick Fischer 1965 Mary Lou Luckman Hasselbeck 1965 Mary Bishop Herzog 1965 Danielle Luschek Marx 1965 Debbie Redfield 1965 Sharon Kennedy Schaffner 1965 **Denise Gehring Schickling 1965** Connie Rabe Schumacher 1965 Patty Zerhuser Wagner 1965

In Memory of Judy Fangman Hiles by: Nancy Fangman Bass 1968

In Memory of Jennifer Janszen 1984 by: Mary Beth Janszen Sheridan 1979

In Memory of Susan Kaelin 1967 by: Paula Wichmann 1967

In Memory of Margie Frommeyer Kaufman 1958 by: Joseph and Kimberly Kaufman

In Memory of Ruth Brue Kemper 1966 by: Sharon Edelbroich Himmler 1966

In Memory of Laverne Dedden Keene 1946 by: Ruth Scheve Shnurr 1946 Jeanne Bitter 1946

In Memory of Kay Knigga by: Patricia Morrison Geller 1963

In Memory of Patricia Krumpelman 1968 by: Carol Krumpelman Noll 1959

by: Linda Lampke Gormley 1970

In Memory of Norma Bohman Lankheit 1946 by: Theresa Lankheit Haas 1972

In Memory of Sister Mary Maureen Bauman, SND 1930 by: Gilbert Rutz

In Memory of Mary Ann Schumacher Mize 1958 by: Carol Schneider Smith 1958

In Memory of Ruth Morrison and Judy Morrison Kramer 1958 by: Patricia Morrison Geller 1963

In Memory of Marion Votel Munninghoff 1936 by: Robert and Carol Munninghoff

In Memory of Sister Mary Norene McCormack, SND 1963 by: Eileen McCormack Callis 1961

In Memory of Sister Rosemarie Pohlman.

In Memory of Helen Pauly Lampke 1945

In Memory of Frances Votel Nieporte 1934 by: Patricia Nieporte Nagel 1964

SND 1971 by: Jean Pohlman Kramer 1969

In Memory of Shirley Hogan Riesenberg 1957 by: Phyllis Dressman Kraft 1957

In Memory of Maria Schaffstein 2010 by: Stephanie Ammerman

In Memory of Aela Schewe by: Mary Rolfes Schewe 1970

In Memory of Cathy Reinersman Schmitt 1969 by: Shelley Wills Goetz 1969

In Memory of Carolyn Brandner Schmitz 1966 by: Alma Schmitz Patronik 1948

In Memory of Ruth Finke Schulte 1942 by: Linda Schulte Haskins 1966

In Memory of Kelsey Sorrell 2007 by: Nicole Rapier 2005

In Memory of Carolyn Wolnitzek Stein 1980 and Diane Wolnitzek Russell 1974 by: Gary and Victoria Wolnitzek

In Memory of Cheryl Dorning Tallant 1966 by: Sharon Edelbroich Himmler 1966

In Memory of Sandie Fried Toebbe 1964 and Lori Toebbe Doughty 1988 by: Lisa Toebbe Wessels 1985

In Memory of Sister Mary Catherine Wehry, SND 1947 by: Ethel Mae Brungs 1947

In Memory of Janice Terry Wenstrup 1957 by: David Wenstrup

In Memory of Mary Fischer Wigger 1943 by: Diane Wigger Wilson 1980

In Memory of Kay Willenbrink by: Judith Shields

In Memory of Michele Sterling Williams 1968 by: Janice Wolf Gormley 1968

In Memory of Laura Woeste 1996 by: Emily Halpin Woeste 1994

In Memory of Jean Ann Glenn VonHandorf 1944 by: Linda VonHandorf Fussinger 1974 Rachel Fussinger Kelly 2006 Kelsey Fussinger Paden 2011

In Memory of Richard A. and Jean Ann **Glenn VonHandorf 1944** by: Mary Ann V.H. Jencks 1983

..... Please note that this compilation is from June 1, 2024 - October 15, 2024. We apologize for any omissions or inaccuracies. Our expression of sympathies relies on notification from family and friends. To send information to the Advancement Office, visit the Alumnae section of the website: www.ndapandas.org or email notredamian@ndapandas.org.

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Advancing the Mission

CELEBRATING THE POWER OF SCHOLARSHIPS: A BREAKFAST OF **GRATITUDE AND HOPE**

On September 18, we had the privilege of hosting our annual Scholarship Breakfast, a heartwarming event that brought together the students who benefit from scholarships and the generous benefactors who make their academic and faith journeys possible.

The morning was filled with gratitude, joy, and shared stories of transformation. Our students had the opportunity to meet those who believe in their potential, while our benefactors saw firsthand the impact their support has on the lives of our young women. It was a beautiful reminder that scholarships are not just financial aid; they are investments in the future of our students, our community, and the world.

One of our scholarship recipients spoke and shared in her speech, "Receiving the scholarship allows for me to continue my academic growth as well as graduate as a Panda with pride." Her words resonated with everyone in the room, capturing the essence of what it means to be part of the Notre Dame Academy family-a community where generosity and education go hand in hand, fostering growth in all aspects of life.

Scholarships at Notre Dame Academy help bridge the gap for many families, making it possible for deserving students to receive a transformative Catholic education. These scholarships not only open doors to academic opportunities, but they also strengthen the foundations of faith and character that will serve our students throughout their lives.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the benefactors who attended the breakfast and to all who support scholarships at Notre Dame Academy. Your commitment ensures that the legacy of excellence continues, enabling more students to become competent, compassionate, purposeful leaders ready to make a difference in the world.

Your generosity is shaping the future, one Panda at a time. From all of us at Notre Dame Academy...

Thank you!











funds raised will help ensure that the legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame continues, providing future generations of young women with the same life-changing education our alumnae received. We are deeply grateful to everyone who contributed! For those who didn't get a chance to donate, we invite you to make a difference by supporting the Annual Fund at the QR code to the right. Every gift counts!

YOUR ANNUAL FUND DOLLARS AT WORK

Your incredible generosity helped us achieve a record-breaking Annual Fund last year, allowing us to make a Notre Dame Academy education more accessible and impactful than ever before. Here's how your contributions are making a difference:



At Notre Dame Academy, our Catholic identity is at the heart of everything we do. The Annual Fund enhances our campus ministry programs, including retreats, service opportunities and campus ministry initiatives. These experiences nurture the faith and moral development of our students, guiding them to live out the values of the Sisters of Notre Dame.





Our dedicated educators are the foundation of our academics and student experience. The annual fund enables us to attract and retain top-tier teachers who are passionate about educating young women in a faith-filled environment. These funds support professional development opportunities and classroom resources, ensuring our educators have the tools they need to inspire excellence in our students. A well-supported faculty translates to a richer learning experience for our students.

Student Assistance

We strive to make our education accessible by keeping tuition rates well below those of our counterparts in Cincinnati, providing essential tuition assistance to families and supporting our work study program. The work study program not only reduces tuition costs but also instills a strong sense of responsibility and service in our students.

We are profoundly grateful for the support and partnership in our mission. This generosity is transforming lives and ensuring that Notre Dame Academy remains a beacon of excellence, faith, and service. Together, we are making a lasting impact on and difference in our students, our community, and the world.

CELEBRATING ALUMNAE GENEROSITY ON GIVING DAY:

A TESTAMENT TO NDA'S COMMUNITY SPIRIT

On October 1, Notre Dame Academy held its annual Giving Day, raising over \$65,000 thanks to the overwhelming support of our alumnae, faculty, staff and board members. With over 90% of our faculty, staff and board participating and 74% of donations coming from our alumnae, this year's Giving Day was a true testament to the strength and dedication of our NDA community. The







PLANNED GIVING FOR NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Plant seeds in a garden that will flourish for generations to come!

A planned gift to Notre Dame Academy is a profound investment in the future of quality Catholic education for generations of Pandas to come. By including NDA in your will, IRA/401k, or trust, you are securing a legacy that echoes the vision of the Sisters of Notre Dame when they founded NDA in 1906.

Your thoughtful contribution ensures that the tradition of excellence and faith instilled by the Sisters continues to thrive, empowering future generations of young women to excel academically, spiritually, and socially.

We invite you to join us in preserving and advancing this noble mission by partnering with NDA through planned giving. For more information on how you can make a lasting impact, please scan the QR code to the right. Together, we can continue to nurture the growth and success of Notre Dame Academy.





Investing in Excellence: How We Fund and Support Our Students.

YOUR SUPPORT AT WORK: **Tuition Assistance Program**

The Annual Appeal is an important component of our development efforts as it bridges the gap between tuition and the cost of educating our students. Accessibility to a Notre Dame Academy education is paramount. We strive to keep tuition affordable for all who attend and work diligently to invest in our tuition assistance fund. In the 2023-2024 school year, over 25% of our students received some form of tuition assistance. Your Annual Appeal dollars help make that possible

Tuition Assistance Work Study Academic Scholarships Endowed Tuition Grants NDA/CCH and Multiple Daughter Discounts **Renewable Grants** Pass Through/Other Discounts Total

Expenses

- Outreach Fund Raising: 1%
- Institutional Advancement: 10%
- General and Administrative: 13%
- Auxiliary (Athletics, Theatre, Cafeteria, etc.): 16%
- Program Services: 60%

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FAMILY/NAMED SCHOLARSHIP: Creating a Legacy

Notre Dame Academy remains committed to providing a quality education for all young women who choose to attend regardless of their financial concerns or issues. Through the generosity of family and individual benefactors, this commitment is supported through many funding sources. One way to support students at Notre Dame Academy is through the NDA Scholarship Program. The NDA Endowment currently houses 59 named scholarships and grants.

Establishing a named scholarship is a wonderful way to honor an individual, family or a class, while at the same time providing essential student tuition assistance through academic and need-based scholarships. Our scholarships continue in perpetuity every vear deserving and students will benefit from your generosity and commitment to educating women to make a difference.

An NDA scholarship can be established with a gift of \$20,000 or more. For further information regarding scholarships and endowments, please contact Notre Dame Academy's Institutional Advancement Department at 859-292-7729.

The following is a list of scholarships currently established at NDA:

Scholarships

Thank you to our families and friends who have created named scholarships at Notre Dame Academy:

Anonymous Scholarship* Ruby F. Afterkirk Scholarship Sister Mary Agnetis Scholarship Alumnae Scholarship Art and Rita Arlinghaus Scholarship Sister Mary Reina Arlinghaus Scholarship Sister Mary Shauna Bankemper Leadership Scholarship Thomas & Maydie Berger Scholarship Herman "Boots" and Rosemary VonHandorf Boemker Scholarship Brighter Days 4 Kids Scholarship* Dr. Carl and Carol Brueggemann Scholarship Clem and Ann McCabe Buenger Scholarship Mary Burroughs Scholarship Butler Family Scholarship* Catholic Leadership Scholarship Emily Sin Man Chun Scholarship Sister Mary Clareta Memorial Scholarship Elmer B. and Ruth C. Maschinot Cleves Scholarship Sister Mary Virginia Ann Cleves Scholarship Cindy Foltz Culbertson Scholarship Charles and Ruth Dahlenburg Family Scholarship Sara Tepe and Celia Deters Scholarship Lori Toebbe Doughty 1988 Scholarship* Ruth B. Earle "Elan" Scholarship Eva G. Farris Scholarship Gilbert and Dorothy Foltz Family Scholarship John and Eva Goeke Scholarship Annie Gregory Scholarship Molly Brennan Grosser Memorial Scholarship Sue Gunkel Scholarship Gary and Taffy Cahill Hebbeler Family Scholarship Paul and Mary Hemmer Sr. Scholarship Guy Hollenkamp Scholarship I Have Wings Scholarship* Saint Pope John Paul II Gospel of Life Scholarship Rosemary Kahmann Scholarship

Matching Gifts Companies

AbbVie Employee Engagement Fund The Baird Foundation, Inc. Bank of America Matching Gifts Bank of New York Mellon Broadcom, Inc. Duke Energy Eli Lilly & Company

The Kerl Family Scholarship The Dorothy A. and Franklin S. Kling, Sr. Family Scholarship Dr. Robert T. and Jean Schmidt Longshore Scholarship Annette T. Lucas Urban Education Scholarship Melvin and Mary Lueke Family Scholarship Richard F. and Joan E. Maier Scholarship* Vivian C. and Laverne Patsy Maschinot Scholarship Katherine Lukey Melillo Scholarship Gamel Otto Scholarship Pandaversity* Saint Paul Scholarship* Charles and Anna Bauereis Pulsfort Scholarship Cheryl Rickey Scholarship Dr. and Mrs. Michael Robinson Scholarship Brent and Judith Flick Rouse Scholarship Maria Schaffstein Scholarship Ed and Nancy Schellhaas Family Scholarship Joe and Ginnie Schmidt Scholarship Ruth Wehage Schroer Scholarship Edward E. and Martha Cleves Schuh Scholarship Sisters Mary Ethel and Judith Science Research Fund Kelsey Ann Sorrell Scholarship* Catherine Northcutt Stratman Scholarship George and Maureen Thelen Scholarship Martha Mayer Tonnies Scholarship Anne Roebker Van Kirk Scholarship The William G. Verst and Betty Baumann Verst Endowed Scholarship Jean and Joe VonHandorf Scholarship Richard A. and Jean Ann Glenn VonHandorf Scholarship Robert and Loraine VonHandorf Scholarship VonLehman Family Scholarship Michele Sterling Williams Scholarship* Zalla Scholarship Dr. Jim and Marna Meier '58 Zalla Scholarship

*denotes pass-through scholarship

Fidelity Investments Foundation Fifth Third Bank Institutional Trust and Custody Graham Holdings Company Shell Oil Company - Foundation Matching Gifts Toyota Motor Manufacturing North America, Inc. US Bank Foundation

Academics

Class of 2024:

- Graduates: 118
- Graduation Rate: 100%
- Total Service Hours: 12,793 hours over four years
- College Enrollment:
- 98% in 4-year colleges and universities (116 students)
- 2% in 2-year colleges (2 students)
- 49% enrolled in Kentucky colleges and universities
- 51% enrolled in out-of-state colleges and universities
- Scholarships and Financial Aid:
- Total Scholarships Offered: \$18,037,865 (544 scholarships and grants)
- Accepted Scholarships Total: \$3,543,438 (187 scholarships and grants)
- KEES: 100% of eligible KY residents qualified
- Students Offered Scholarships: 118 (100%)
- Students Accepting Scholarships: 104 (88%)
- Students with Scholarships Covering at Least Half Tuition: 30 (25%) Academic Achievements:
- Average ACT Score: 24.9
- National Merit Scholars: 3
- National Merit Finalists: 3
- AP Scholar Awards: 10
- AP Scholar with Honor Awards: 6
- AP Scholar with Distinction Awards: 4
- Outstanding Behavior Recognition Awards: 41
- President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence: 45
- President's Education Award for Outstanding Achievement: 63
- Honor Graduates:
- Summa Cum Laude: 72
- Magna Cum Laude: 16
- Cum Laude: 16
- First Honors All Four Years: 30
- Kentucky Governor's Scholars: 4

Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts Alumnae: 5 Kentucky Governor's School for Entrepreneurs Alumna: 1

Student Awards

- 5 Governor's Scholars Program Alumnae
- 6 Governor's Scholars Program Nominees
- 10 AP Scholar Awards
- 6 AP Scholars with Honor
- 3 AP Scholars with Distinction
- 159 National Honor Society Members
- 3 Perfect Attendance Awards for the Year

Business & Technology Awards

- 1 Governor's School for Entrepreneurs, Alumna
- 2 Governor's School for Entrepreneurs, Nominee

English Department Awards

- 1 Mount St. Joseph University Creative Writing Competition 2nd Place Award
- 1 Profiles in Courage Essay Contest Finalist
- 2 Thomas More University Short Story Publications Award

- 1 UC's East Fork High School Competition, 2nd Place Short Story
- 6 Scholastic Writing Awards Silver Key Awards For Various Catedories
- 3 Scholastic Writing Awards Honorable Mention Awards For Various Categories
- 48 Members of the English National Honor Society

History Department Awards

- 12 NDA's Kentucky High School Mock Trial Team, 3rd Place Team Region
- 12 NDA's Kentucky High School Mock Trial Team, 4th Place Team State
- · 20 Rho Kappa History Honor Society Members

Math Department Awards

- 1 Governor's Cup Regional Competition, 5th Place
- 1 Governor's Cup State Competition, 19th Place
- · 60 Mu Alpha Theta Math Honors Society Members

Religion Awards

- 2 The Founding Sisters Outstanding Service Award (2 students awarded for the most service hours, tied with over 485 each)
- 10 Sister Mary Shauna Bankemper Service Award (Students who performed 150 hours or more of service over 4 years)

Science Department Awards

- 4 2024 TSA TEAMS 4th Place
- 3 2024 TSA TEAMS 10th Place

*The Science & Engineering Fair of Northern Kentucky was not held in 1983

World Language Department Awards:

Spanish

- 7 Nat'l Spanish Exam Nat'l Level, Gold for various levels
- 23 Nat'l Spanish Exam Nat'l Level. Silver for various levels
- · 25 Nat'l Spanish Exam Nat'l Level, Bronze for various levels
- 69 Nat'l Spanish Exam Nat'l Level. Honorable Mention for various levels
- · 44 Members of the Spanish Nat'l Honor Society

French

- 3 Nat'l French Exam Nat'l Level, Bronze Award for various levels
- 10 Nat'l French Exam Nat'l Level, Certificate of Honor for various levels
- · 8 Members of the French Nat'l Honor Society

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- 3 Nat'l Latin Exam Nat'l Level, Silver Medal Maxima Cum Laude for various levels
- 3 Nat'l Latin Exam Nat'l Level, Magna Cum Laude for various levels
- · 3 Nat'l Latin Exam Nat'l Level, Cum Laude for various levels
- · 26 Members of the Latin Nat'l Honor Society

Service

Served 50 agencies

(15 weekly through junior service program)

22,954 Hours of service logged into Mobile Serve from June 1, 2023 - May 31, 2024. (All grade levels and Honor Societies)

Types of Service

NDA service includes working with young children, tutoring grade school students, working with persons with physical and mental disabilities, working in emergency assistance shelters and agencies, cleaning up public areas, assisting with parish festivals and religious education classes, and much more.

Grade Level Report

- Freshmen each completed 10+ hours of service, totaling 2,078 hours of service at local non-profit organizations.
- Sophomores each completed 20+ hours of service, totaling 5,001 hours of service at local non profit organizations.
- Juniors took part in our Junior Service Program at 15 different agencies. Each Junior went out every week of the 2nd semester to the same agency during their scheduled service block, serving approximately 3,540 hours of service.
- · Seniors each completed 10+ hours of service, totaling 1,553 hours of service at local non profit organizations.
- In addition to their grade level requirements, many of our students are members of Honor Societies that also require service. Students in these Honor Societies completed 10,782 additional service hours at local non-profit organizations.

Student Fundraising

Students collected \$12,275 that was donated to local, national and international organizations.

Students collected approximately 14,000+ items for various local organizations.

Fine Arts

- 6 Governor's School for the Arts Alumnae in Various Categories
- 7 Governor's School for the Arts Nominees in Various Categories
- 2 Mount St. Joseph University Art Show Exhibits
- 6 Thomas More College Juried High School Exhibition Awards, including Director's Award
- 3 Connie O'Donnell Student Invitational Exhibits, including Best in Show
- · 3 Diana Taylors Art Show Exhibits, including First Place
- 2 NKU Honor Band Symposium Members
- 18 International Thespian Society Members

Guidance

- 1 Drug Free Club of America Scholarship Essay, Scholarship Award
- 45 President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence
- 63 President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement
- 41 Outstanding Behavior Recognition Award
- National Association of Student Councils National Gold Council of Excellence

Athletics

- 14 sports
- 221 Students participated in sports
- 3 students continuing their athletic careers in college
- 5 District Championships,
- 4 Regional Runners-Up
- 1 Regional Championships
- 1 State Runner Up
- Average Student Athlete GPA: 4.030

THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

Thank you to everyone who generously supported our 2023-24 Annual Fund, scholarship funds and other NDA funds throughout the year. Every year we seek to raise funds that support educating young women at NDA with a transformative Catholic education. Through your generosity and support, you have helped us ensure that a Notre Dame Academy education is available to any and every young woman who aspires to be part of the NDA community. We are truly grateful for the important role you have played. Your support and partnership make all the difference! (Capital Campaign funds are reported separately.)

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Dear Friends.

It is with deep gratitude and humility that I introduce myself to you as the new Chairperson of the Notre Dame Academy Board of Directors. I am a proud graduate of the Class of 1999 and this is my fifth year serving on the Board. In this time, I've come to appreciate that we all have different ways we identify our relationship with the Academy. Perhaps you're an alumna, the parent or spouse of an alumna, an employee or volunteer, a donor, or a friend. While this relationship is undoubtedly something personal to each of us, it is also something that binds us together in a unique and powerful way. I firmly believe NDA is a pillar of the Northern Kentucky community that belongs to all of us because it is comprised of all of us.

With this spirit in mind, I'd like to introduce a few new opportunities to interact with the Board this year. Please take a moment to visit the new section of our website entitled "Our Board". Here you will find a guarterly letter from me and a list of our current Board members complete with biographies and pictures. We've added five amazing new directors to our Board this year, and I hope you will visit the site to learn more about them. An NDA organizational chart is provided, as is a description of the various Board leadership roles. You can also find a list of our Board committees and a summary of the function of each. Most of our work is done at the committee level, and we encourage anyone interested in getting involved to contact us. We've also provided a list of FAQ's that address some of the most common questions we receive about the Board and its role. Finally, for those wishing to contact the Board of Directors directly, we've created the ndaboard@ndapandas.org email address. This can also be found under the section titled "Contact Us". Note that all messages will be sent to the entire Board of Directors, will be kept confidential, and will receive a timely response. We hope this website provides an additional line of sight into the important work being done by the Board, fosters open communication with all stakeholders, and provides useful information. Periodic Board updates from me will also be included in the alumnae newsletter and the Panda Press.

Two of the most pressing issues currently being addressed by the Board are the hiring of a new President and the creation of a five-year strategic plan for the Academy. Both endeavors are critical for the future success of Notre Dame Academy. The Board understands not only the importance of these efforts but also the need for all stakeholders to help inform decisions. Both processes will provide opportunities for you to provide input, and I hope you will consider sharing your thoughts with us.

Finally, on behalf of the Board of Directors, I'd like to ask you to join us in expressing our sincere gratitude to Jane Kleier, Jack VonHandorf, and all of our amazing faculty and staff for the incredible work they do day-in and day-out to maintain the high standards that continue to be the hallmark of Notre Dame Academy. It is their selfless dedication to our mission that creates the next generation of Women Making a Difference.

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From the Board Chair

News for Alumnae



UNITE IN PRAYER with NDA Alumnae and the Sisters of Notre Dame

Please join your fellow NDA alumnae and the Sisters of Notre Dame in daily prayer.

To join our prayer group or to submit your personal prayer intention, please visit: www.ndapandas.org/alumnae.

Your prayer intentions are included by our Sisters in their daily prayers, in the prayer intention book in the Mary, Mother of the World Chapel at Notre Dame Academy as well as prayed for at our monthly Alumnae Rosary.



Join Us for **Alumnae Dinner Theatre** Featuring Matilda the Musical!

Mark your calendars and gather your NDA friends to attend this year's annual Alumnae Dinner Theatre on Thursday, April 3, 2025. NDA/CCH will perform Matilda the Musical and all alumnae and their guests are invited.

Alumnae Dinner Theatre includes a delicious catered dinner at 5:30 p.m. at NDA, followed by the Matilda the Musical performance in the NDA Theatre at 7:00 p.m. The event ticket includes dinner, drinks, dessert and the show performance for \$40.

Please complete the reservation form on page 52 and return the form with payment to the Notre Dame Academy Alumnae Office. The deadline for reservations is March 21, 2025. For additional information or if you have any questions, please contact the NDA Alumnae Department at 859.292.7729.





THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2025 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. ALUMNAE HALL

Join us for a Galentine's themed Sips & Stems for a fun evening filled with flowers, drinks and friendship!



All are welcome to join us for our next Alumnae Rosary in the Mary, Mother of the World Chapel at Notre Dame Academy. If you are unable to join us in person, please join us in prayer wherever you may be.

Our monthly rosary is typically held on the 2nd Thursday of each month and is planned for the following upcoming dates:

- Thursday, December 12, 2024 at 12:50 p.m.
- Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 12:50 p.m.
- Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 12:50 p.m.
- Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 12:50 p.m.

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Thank you to our Alumnae Mentors for dedicating your time and support to NDA's Alumnae Mentor Program. Your guidance and encouragement play an invaluable role in helping our students and recent graduates navigate their academic and career paths. By sharing your insights and experiences, you empower the next generation of NDA women to embrace their potential and lead with confidence.

We are continually enhancing the Alumnae Mentor Program, incorporating feedback to create even more meaningful and impactful connections between alumnae and students. If you're an NDA alumna interested in becoming a mentor or would like more information, please contact Lisa Mosley, Director of Alumnae Relations, at 859.292.1852 or MosleyL@ndapandas.org. Join us in fostering a supportive community that upholds NDA's legacy of service, leadership, and growth, helping shape a brighter future for our students.





Golden Girls Celebration: Honoring 50 Years of NDA Alumnae

On October 6, Notre Dame Academy hosted a memorable morning for NDA alumnae who graduated 50 years ago or more. The Class of 1974 was warmly welcomed as the newest Golden Girls during a special Mass in our Mary, Mother of the World Chapel at NDA as well as a special luncheon and program in the Auditorium. It was a true honor to celebrate these remarkable women!









Reunions

Reunions not only celebrate our shared history but also strengthen the lifelong sisterhood that was started at NDA. As we look forward to more reunions, we encourage you to join in your class celebrations! Reunion information is updated on our website here:



The following classes celebrated their reunions throughout summer and this fall.

The following classes celebrated reunions:

- Class of 1964 60 Year Reunion
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- Class of 1979 45 Year Reunion •
- Class of 1984 40 Year Reunion •
- Class of 1994 30 Year Reunion •
- Class of 2004 20 Year Reunion
- Class of 2014 10 Year Reunion •

For more information regarding NDA reunions, please visit www.ndapandas.org/ alumnae or contact the Alumnae Relations Office at MosleyL@ndapandas.org or 859.292.1852.



1964

The weather from Hurricane Helene prompted a postponement of the reunion until the next day but the rain didn't dampen the NDA spirit in Alumnae Hall! The 60th year reunion for the Class of 1964 was a great success and they enjoyed their time together. They loved seeing all of the photos and memorabilia from their years at NDA on 5th Street and their senior year on Hilton Drive!



1969

The class of 1969 had a wonderful time celebrating their 55th class reunion at the Edgewood Liberty Hall on August 30, 2024.



1974

The Class of 1974 held their special 50th reunion on Friday, October 11, 2024 at the Metropolitan Club in Covington and brought together friends and classmates for a celebration filled with nostalgia and joy!

To celebrate their 50th Class Reunion and to honor their classmates who have passed away, the Class of 1974 established The Tapestry of Hope Endowed Scholarship. Their generosity continues to inspire future generations and it is a scholarship designed to provide crucial tuition and fee assistance

to Notre Dame Academy students facing unexpected and life-altering circumstances. This scholarship will be awarded on an as needed basis to ensure continuity in a student's education during a difficult time. If you would like to support this scholarship, you are invited to do so by scanning the QR code or by contacting the Advancement Department.







1979

The classmates of 1979 had a memorable time celebrating their 45th reunion on Saturday, September 28, 2024 at Jerzees Pub in Newport!



1984

The class of 1984 had a wonderful time connecting with each other in early November on a tour of NDA before going to Pee Wee's in Crescent Springs to celebrate their NDA sisterhood together!



1994

On November 2, the Class of 1994 gathered in Covington for a great evening together!



2004

On Friday, September 6, 2024, the Class of 2004 gathered and celebrated their 10 year reunion at Molly Malones in Covington.



2014

The Class of 2014 gathered at NDA for a school tour and loved seeing how much it has changed in the 10 years since they graduated. The classmates continued their reunion festivities in Covington for a great night out together!



From the Academy Archives: A Collection of Memories Irene Cahill, NDA Class of 1928

by Nancy Stratman, NDA Archivist

This submission to the Academy Archives highlights the life of Irene Cahill, a 1928 graduate of Notre Dame Academy. Irene never married, and after her passing, her neighbors discovered a memory book she had kept during her four years at NDA. This treasure, filled with her reflections and descriptions of life as a student in the 1920s, offers a unique and fascinating window into the NDA experience nearly a century ago. Through her words, we gain insight into the friendships, traditions and daily routines that shaped her time at NDA.

Born on March 16, 1910, Irene Mae Cahill grew up in Demossville, Kentucky, which is located in Pendleton County, about 35 miles south of Cincinnati along Route 27.

By the early 1920s Notre Dame Academy had firmly established itself as the premier school for young women wishing to achieve a quality well-rounded education. Thus, after completing her primary school requirements, the Cahills decided that Irene would move to Covington to attend Notre Dame Academy High School, even though that would mean moving away from the family for four years. And so, from 1925-1928, Irene found new friends and "family" as a boarding student at NDA.



Madge Greer and Irene on side steps leading into NDA (1927)



Irene and the senior boarding students (1928)

During her four years at NDA, Irene was introduced to a wide array of new topics for study and embraced the semi-independence as a young woman living away from home. Although the "house" rules for boarders provided safety and protection for the students, living in the city also provided opportunities to explore cultural educational opportunities not available in the small farming town of her childhood. From our archival records we know that Irene was an above-average student, often achieving academic honors in her core classes of English and religion. She was very interested in Latin and French; not so much her junior course in chemistry. During her junior and senior years, Irene was drawn to two electives (stenography and typewriting) which provided the basis for her future endeavors in the business world.

Outside of her academic studies, Irene enjoyed music, singing and writing. She was a four-year member of the school orchestra and was featured as the first violin chair in the yearly school concert at Christmas and in the end-of-year musical. She was also a reporter for *The Gavel*, and editor of the *Notre Dame Locals* (news for grade school students).



During her senior year, Irene joined her classmates in their three-day senior trip to Louisville aboard the "Cincinnati" (paddle wheel boat). She also participated with the senior class as a cast member in "Seeking a Servant". And, as the month of June drew near, Irene and her classmates began to celebrate and reminisce about the four years spent together. On Monday, June 11 the entire school gathered to honor the high school seniors. Beginning with Mass at Mother of God Church, the student body gathered for a celebratory breakfast in the school auditorium, during which the seniors were entertained by the undergraduates. Concluding the activities fortunes were read for every girl. Irene's said "In the next cup I saw a picture of Irene, our Irish representative, teaching Logic to a large class in Demossville. Now, That's real perseverance on Irene's part." Also, part of the class day activities was to present to the rest of the student body, the "Last Will and Testament" of the Class of 1928. As part of this tradition, seniors would bequeath items of "personal property" to members of the junior class. Item XI stated that "Irene Cahill gives and bequeaths to Margaret Baker, her occupation as Senior boarder."



And then on Tuesday, June 12, 1928, Irene joined her 15 classmates as graduates of Notre Dame Academy High School. Thirty-five young women graduated, including 16 high school and 19 commercial school. Reverend John Oldergeering delivered the address, while Monsignor Tappert gave the diplomas. Louise Nuxoll and Angela Oldergeering gave two orations on "The Girl of Yesterday and Today" and "Deeds nor Words".



Class poem written for the class of 1928.

During her four years at Notre Dame Academy, Irene kept a Memory Book, in which she recorded her thoughts on classes, her classmates, and the activities happening during her four years at school. Her descriptions give us an insightful look at daily life of a student in the late 1920s.



To read more of Irene Cahill's reflections on life at Notre Dame Academy in the 1920s. including her favorite studies, clubs, and extracurricular activities, visit the Academy Archives on NDA's website. Explore more at www.ndapandas.org > News > Academy Archives or simply scan the QR code to the right.

Irene Cahill and her classmates pose for a class picture after the Class Day celebrations on Monday, June 11, 1928. (Irene is standing, second from the right.)



Graduation announcement listing the class members of 1928.







We are proud to present this Q&A feature which focuses on NDA Alumnae who are current business owners. If you are an NDA alumna who owns a business and would like to be featured in the Notre Damian, please contact us at notredamian@ndapandas.org.



Jill Vonderhaar Nader, Class of 1990 **Owner of Prehab Pilates & Physical Therapy** www.prehabpilates.com @prehabpilatespt



What prompted you to start Prehab Pilates & Physical Therapy? How has it grown/changed since you started?

I started Prehab Pilates & Physical Therapy in 2007 after discovering how effective Pilates could be as a rehab tool for athletes, especially dancers. Working with Cincinnati Ballet, I saw how Pilates equipment enabled injured athletes to keep moving, maintain strength, and continue practicing choreography, which helped their recovery tremendously. I wanted to bring these benefits to more patients, so I pursued additional training through Polestar Pilates for Rehab Professionals.

Launching my own studio wasn't easy, especially with the security of my PT job, but my passion pushed me forward. I gradually built a side business, teaching classes at fitness centers and doing in-home training while saving for my own equipment. By 2007, I was ready to open a studio with just two Reformers. Today, the studio has grown to five Reformers and offers both one-on-one PT sessions and group fitness classes.

My work led to exciting opportunities, including training the Cincinnati Bengals in stretching and recovery—an experience I loved as a local sports fan. The studio has evolved as my life has, allowing me to be both a business owner and an active mom to Tessa ('28) and Jack. I now focus more on injury prevention for young athletes, especially working with female athletes on ACL injury reduction, and I'm developing an online strength training program tailored to them.

Running a business has its demands, but the rewards are worth it. I'm grateful to shape my career in ways that bring value to my clients and fit my life, making each day fulfilling and meaningful.

How did your time at NDA influence you and make it a reality?

My time and NDA gave me a very solid foundation of academics and a belief that I really could do anything as a young woman once I left NDA. When I started working in Physical Therapy, I had to meet with physicians, talk to patients and their families - my time at NDA taught me how to always present yourself professionally and always have pride in your work. I probably did not appreciate how much this was ingrained in me, because for me, it was just second nature since that foundation was set at a young age. I have taken that with me to this day - my time at NDA created a lifelong love of learning. I love to stay on top of the latest techniques in my field. I also had a very solid foundation at home from my parents who made me never doubt that I could do something I set my mind to. My parents sacrificed so much for me to attend NDA – I was very aware of that at the time, so I made sure that I worked very hard to make their sacrifices worth it my whole career.

My best advice I received throughout my business journey was first, don't go into debt or get in over your head with expenses. Budget and start small - let the revenue guide your business. If you have a passion for something and really work hard, the revenue will come. Don't let a lack of financial resources stop you either -- if you have a dream to try something, take a risk but be smart about it. Work overtime, take on side jobs and save to get there. Set a goal for something fun to look forward to like a trip and schedule it out. You can get caught up in running the business but if you don't have something to look forward to you can easily get burned out.

My advice to all the future NDA entrepreneurs is to lean into all your resources and find mentors to help you. There are so many resources in our NDA community don't hesitate to ask!

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We would love to have a conversation about how your business can engage with us as we strive for excellence in all we teach and do. Please reach out to Myanna Webster at websterm@ndapandas.org or 859-292-1851.



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Our corporate program works alongside you to customize a partnership that fits your goals while supporting NDA. We showcase your company for the calendar year at our three fundraising events, Women Making a Difference Luncheon, Annual Golf Outing and Light the Night for NDA.

Class Updates

1962

In June, Sister Marie Rose Messingschlager, CDP marked the 50th anniversary of her ministry among the Native Americans. She has ministered among the Navajo, Oglala Sioux, Anishinabe (Ojibwa), Acoma and presently with the Sicangu Sioux and serves on the board of directors of the Diocesan Sioux Spiritual Center.

1964

Mary Ann Egi Muck went skiing with her granddaughters, Audrey Muck 2018, Caroline Muck 2022 and Annie Muck 2018 in Breckenridge, Colorado. (Not pictured is Ella Petzelt 2026.)



1966

Sue Ellen Feldkamp was honored to be the keynote speaker at the 50th Celebration of Women's Athletics at Central Methodist University in March 2024. Sue Ellen started the Women's Athletic Teams that grew into the program that now has ten Women's Varsity Sports Teams and four Women's Reserve Sports Teams. Sue shared. "The 50 Years Celebration was a wonderful weekend for me, and it will remain a top memory. To see what became of an early foray into women's sports was amazing. To see the program now that grew up was very rewarding to me." More information about the celebration and Sue Ellen's impact on women's sports can be found here: https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/x0TgTUhd.



1968

Marlene VonHandorf Steele was interviewed by Enquirer staff writer Bebe Hodges on September 22. The interview focused on her twenty-one year career as a professional regional courtroom artist. In August, Marlene was also invited to speak at the 3rd Annual Ohio Regional Urban Sketchers Summit in Dayton, Ohio and presented on "Your Sketchbook: Thumbnails, Value Comps and Quickdraws" and featured examples from her sketchbooks, Why I love my inner urban studio! More information about Marlene's art can be found at http://marlenesteelefineart.com.



1969

Donna Eschen Wilmhoff was named the recipient of the Florence Rotary Club's 2024 Citizen of the Year Award. She has been described as "a pillar of our Northern Kentucky community, admired, and respected by peers for her unwavering dedication to volunteerism and selfless service." She is a longtime volunteer with the Boone County Arboretum and the Rose Garden Home Mission, Wilmhoff is equally at home helping neighbors and strangers who need a kind word or a meal in times of trouble.

1979

For 40 years, the Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America, located in Fairbanks. Alaska, has honored those who have made a substantial contribution to their community. This year, they are excited to honor Jo Kuchle, Notre Dame Academy Class of 1979, and her husband, Gene Therriault, as the 41st Annual Distinguished Citizens Award Honorees. Jo is a former law partner of CSG, Inc., where today she serves as Of Counsel. Jo has been engaged in numerous community organizations, including Junior Achievement, North Star Council on the Aging, Fairbanks Catholic Schools HIPOW "Head Waiter" for over 12 years, Rotary, Go Red Fairbanks, and the Golden Heart Community Foundation, among others. She is a past appointee of then-Alaska Governor Walter Hickel to the Alaska State Council on the Arts.

1981

Mary "Cathy" Rosing Snider beat her 5th cancer diagnosis on July 1, 2024! Mary is planning to retire in May 2025 as a school counselor in Alaska after completing her thirty-first year in education. Mary and her husband Jon are looking forward to retiring in Florida.



1994

Laura Wenderfer Dickman and Katy DiMuzio 2010 are two Pandas who love working side by side and sharing an office at Cincinnati Children's Hospital! Laura is the Clinical Manager and Katy is a nurse practitioner in the Interventional Radiology Department.



988



Annelies Marx Seiter and her husband Justin welcomed their sweet daughter Lavnie June in June 2024.

2005

Lillian Hope Simmons was born in May to Laura Stricker-Simmons and her husband Andrew Simmons. Lilly has been the perfect addition to complete their family with big sister Alexis being the best helper who absolutely adores her little sister.

2007

Lauren Smith graduated from SRCUS Southeast Management School on June 21, 2024 and earned her Certified Credit Union Executive (CCUE) Designation. Lauren is the Consumer Loan Manager for Enrichment Federal Credit Union in Oak Ridge, TN.



Hailey Fleury Kees and her husband Matthew welcomed their daughter Ellie Marie Kees in December 2023.

Gretchen Reinersman married Dominic Bezold on November 25, 2023 and are building a new home in California, Kentucky.

Members of the Class of 1988 who sponsor the Lori Toebbe Doughty Scholarship had a special morning together at the NDA Scholar-



2010, 2012, 2015

The Cooney Family Babies include (from left to right): Crew whose mom is Sydney Scheben Cooney 2012, Vivian whose mom is Emily Cooney Couch 2010 and Charlie whose mom is Caroline Cooney Delph 2015.





2012

Elizabeth Brannen celebrated her bachelorette party at a Cincinnati Bengals game prior to her wedding to Jason Holodook on October 4th, 2024! Fellow Pandas joined her to celebrate: Carley Scheper 2012, Haley Stansel 2012, Brittney Brohier 2012, Bridget Rice 2012, Lyndsey Molony 2000, Erin Gartrell 2011, Molly Molony Greene 2003, Laura Arlinghaus 2005 and Erin Koeninger 2012.



Class Updates Cont.

2012

Allison Cheesman Kinney and her husband John welcomed their daughter Claire in October 2023.



2014

Olivia Zimmerman Gregg and her husband Andy welcomed their first child, Margot Rose Gregg in July 2024.



2014

The Janszen and Schuh girls, along with some friends, gathered to celebrate Jacqueline Schuh Rafferty, who is welcoming her first baby in December!



2015 Gina Erardi married Brett Bauereis on April 13, 2024.



2018

Caitlyn Zieleniewski married Ryan Logsdon, in October 2023 at St. Monica St. George Church in Cincinnati



2018

Abby Livia Ganshirt has recently opened a retail boutique, Pop Cultur'd, in OTR Cincinnati. The boutique highlights the most current trends in pop culture carrying apparel, jewelry, stationery, candles, home decor and more as well as hosting special events. The shop has recently been featured in City Beat as well as the Cincinnati Business Courier. Pop in for a visit at 6 W. 12th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 or shop online @ https://www. popculturdco.com.

FAMILY LEGACY Updates and Corrections

We are pleased to share additional Family Legacy information for members of the Class of 2028 and to provide important updates. These corrections honor our alumnae connections and ensure accuracy in our records.

Class of 2028 Family Legacy Additions:

Taylor Brown 2028

Mother: Emily Hart Brown 1998 Sister: Madeline Brown 2026 Aunt: Lauren Mason 2000

Maura Dwyer 2028

Mother: Caitlin Shaughnessy Dwyer 2002 Aunts: Meghan Shaughnessy Van Sant 2006, Cristin Shaughnessy 2008, Catriona Shaughnessy 2013

Olivia Lange 2028

Great Aunt: Laurie Schroder Kuhlman 1977

Taylor Maynard 2028

Mother: Lyndsey Molony Maynard 2000 Grandmother: Maria Schuler Molony 1974 Aunts: Kara Molony Hussey 1997, Molly Molony Greene 2003 Great Aunts: Diane Schuler Brannon 1975, Janet Schuler Pemberton 1978, Joan Schuler Arlinghaus 1979

Corrections:

- Rebecca Brown Martin 1991: It was mistakenly noted that her mother had passed away.
- Joan Glindmeyer Fox 1968: It was mistakenly noted that she had passed away.
- Jo Ann Fox 1964: It was omitted that she passed away.

We extend our heartfelt apologies for these oversights and our appreciation to those who reached out to share updates. Thank you for helping us preserve and honor the Notre Dame Academy family legacy



ALUMNAE NEWSLETTER

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Dear NDA Alumnae,

As we continue to improve our communication and stay connected with our alumnae, we want to make sure you continue receiving all the latest updates, news, and events from Notre Dame Academy's Alumnae Office. If your email address has changed recently, or you do not receive our monthly email newsletter, please take a moment to update it with us so you don't miss any important alumnae communications!

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Thank you for helping us stay in touch and continue fostering the strong community that makes the Notre Dame Academy sisterhood so special.

> Warm regards, Lisa Willenbrink Mosley 1995 **Director of Alumnae Relations**



More Academy Archives

A Life of



"Face of Mary" now resides in the foyer of the chapel surrounded by icons of the patron saints of the NDA class families.



Jane Kleier and Jack VonHandorf accept the gift of a cross-stitched Face of Jesus from Peg Geaslen Kohl Class of 1950 in August 2024.



The "Face of Jesus" now resides in the chapel reflection space.

by Nancy Stratman, NDA Archivist

Quiet Devotion:



Peg Geaslen Kohl, Living the Gospel Through Service and Art

"Preach the Gospel at all times; when necessary, use words." This quote, often attributed to St. Francis of Assisi, could well be used to describe the life of Notre Dame Academy alumna, Mrs. Peg Geaslen Kohl, class of 1950. Throughout her life as a student, a wife, mother and grandmother, Peg has used her devotion to preach the gospel through her volunteer works and her interest in needlework and crochet.

During her four years at Notre Dame Academy, Peg was always described as "friendly" and "helpful" to her fellow classmates. She enjoyed expressing herself through her participation in the Choral Club, the Press Club and as a member of the Patrins staff. But her commitment to her faith and service grew through her involvement on the various committees that promoted faith and good works such as SDS, Eucharistic Vigil and Good Counsel. Especially during her senior year, Peg worked to promote decency in public newspapers, modesty in dress and civility in language through her involvement in SDS.





After graduation, Peg married Paul Kohl and moved to Villa Hills where they raised their family. Peg spent most of her life as a homemaker, but never forgot the teachings of service and the example of good works instilled during her years at NDA. While raising their two girls, Peg found time to participate in many volunteer activities for her parish church, St. Elizabeth Hospital and Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center, to name a few. At the same time, Peg found enjoyment in creating needlework pictures for others. This interest led to the creation of her own company where she designed counted cross-stitch patterns that were sold in needlework catalogs and craft shops around the world.

Over the years, Peg developed a passion for completing needlework pictures which featured religious images. Notre Dame Academy is blessed to have received two different needlework designs, one of Our Blessed Mother's face and one of the face of Our Lord, Jesus. Both now hang in the foyer of the school's chapel. In more recent years, Peg has taken up crochet and continues her dedication to service by making afghans which she donates to residents of Hospice, to provide comfort during their stay.

Throughout her life Peg Geaslen Kohl has continued to "preach the gospel" through her dedication to serve others through her volunteer activities and to spread her devotion to Our Lord through her beautiful artwork. She is truly sharing her gifts to make a difference in the lives of those she meets.

Honoring a Legacy of Excellence: Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott Scholarship Established at Thomas More University

Notre Dame Academy is excited to announce the creation of the Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott '69 Endowed Scholarship, a transformative opportunity for NDA graduates pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) at Thomas More University. This scholarship honors Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott, SND, a beloved science teacher at NDA whose dedication to education and pas-



sion for science have inspired countless students to pursue their dreams. This endowed scholarship was made possible through the generosity of Jeanne-Marie Tapke, Ph.D., and her husband, Richard Tapke, dedicated supporters of both NDA and Thomas More University. This milestone further strengthens the historic partnership between NDA and Thomas More University, while celebrating Sr. Mary Ethel's lasting impact on science education.

A proud alumna of both NDA and Thomas More University, Sr. Mary Ethel graduated from Thomas More in 1969 with a degree in physics before earning her master's degree in physics from the University of Kentucky. She returned to NDA as a teacher in 1972, dedicating decades of her life to inspiring young women to excel in the sciences and embrace their potential.

"Sr. Mary Ethel's name is synonymous with excellence in science education," said Jane Kleier, Interim President of NDA. "Her commitment to nurturing curiosity and fostering academic growth has profoundly shaped generations of NDA students. We are deeply grateful to Jeanne-Marie and Richard Tapke for their incredible generosity in endowing this scholarship, which will extend Sr. Mary Ethel's legacy for years to come."

The Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott Scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to NDA graduates pursuing STEM degrees at Thomas More University, ensuring they have access to high-quality, Catholic higher education. The scholarship will be awarded for the first time in fall 2025. To qualify, students must have a high school GPA of 3.0 or higher and maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA throughout their undergraduate studies.

"This scholarship uplifts and grows women in science, which is both exciting and a privilege," said Jeanne-Marie Tapke, Ph.D. "Blending the exceptional graduates of Notre Dame Academy with the academic excellence of Thomas More University creates an incredibly meaningful opportunity for future students."

Sr. Mary Ethel shared her heartfelt gratitude: "It has been an honor to teach at NDA and to see so many young women discover their passion for science. As a proud graduate of Thomas More University, I am thrilled that this scholarship will support future NDA students as they pursue their dreams in STEM."

The Sr. Mary Ethel Parrott Scholarship stands as a testament to the shared commitment of NDA and Thomas More University to empower students, particularly young women, to achieve excellence in STEM fields. Together, we celebrate Sr. Mary Ethel's extraordinary contributions to education and her enduring impact on the lives of students and alumnae.

Engagements

Noelle Phillips 2019 to Cole O'brien Gracyn Wyman 2020 to Brian Flynn

Marriages

Gretchen Reinersman 2010 to Dominic Bezold Taylor Bosch 2013 to Grant Schreiver Jamie Henn 2015 to John Paul Bosse Gina Erardi 2015 to Brett Bauereis Natalie Kleier 2016 to Oscar Ramirez Caitlyn Zieleniewski 2018 to Ryan Logsdon

Births

Laynie June to Annelies Marx Seiter 2003 Lillian Hope to Laura Stricker-Simmons 2005 Jack Robert to Rachel Schilling Kotchish 2008 Nora Sullivan to Caroline Wise Todd 2009 Ellie Marie to Hailey Fleury Kees 2010 Vivian Jane to Emily Cooney Couch 2010 Joslyn to Gabrielle Hummeldorf Ginn 2010 Claire Kinney to Allison Cheesman Kinney 2012 Crew Lee to Sydney Scheben Cooney 2012 Margot Rose to Olivia Zimmerman Gregg 2014



WHERE IN THE WORLD! The Notre Damian On The Road 1699 Hilton Drive Park Hills, KY 41011

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Terri Kohrs Birkenhauer 1974, Janet Kohrs Parnell 1982, Sarah Berkley 2001 and Anne Kohrs Berkley 1972 took a cruise through the Greek Isles and stopped in Italy, Greece, Montenegro and Croatia. They didn't leave home without their NDA jackets and the Notre Damian and posed at The Acropolis in Athens. Greece.



Dotty Funke Hayes 1972 and her husband Charlie along with their daughter Adrienne Hayes Demirelli 2005 and her family took a month long trip across Turkey. They had an experience of a lifetime and also were able to meet Adrienne's husband's family and were immersed in Turkish history and culture!



Mary Ellen Greene Meier 1971 and Terrie Meier Lonneman 1974 recently had a wonderful trip through the Austrian and Swiss Alps. They especially enjoyed visiting scenes from the Sound of Music in Salzburg views from Mt. Pilatus in Lucerne and walking through the Matterhorn Glacier in Zermatt, Switzerland; pictured here.



Claire Rosplock Bennett 2001 and Elizabeth Dansberry 2002 take a moment to pose with the Notre Damian during their best friends glamour photo shoot in Savannah, GA.



A few 1986 classmates including, Karen Becker Salyer 1986, Laure Boekley Esposito 1986, Jeannie Ward Maher 1986, Jenny Riesenberg Bent 1986, and Denise Bertsch Bosch 1986 enjoyed the WEBN fireworks together! Although they didn't have a copy of the Notre Damian with them, they improvised and included their senior yearbook!



Jo Kuchle 1979 traveled to Madrid and ran into a giant PANDA!



Mary Ann Egi Muck 1964 had a wonderful vacation in Seacrest, Florida this past summer with her granddaughters including Ella Petzelt 2026, Annie Muck 2018, Audrey Muck 2018, Caroline Muck 2022 and Kaylee Snider 2014.





Pam Buscher Schneider 1980, Linda Buscher Elliott 1981, Monica Buscher Hardcorn 1987, Jillian Schneider Valverde 2011 and Kiley Hardcorn 2018 had a wonderful family trip to Spain including a visit to the Cathedral of St. Mary of Toledo.



You never know when you'll run into a fellow Panda! While waiting for a ferry in Plitvice Lakes National Park in Croatia, Mary Beth Lucas O'Gorman 1981 and Julie Memering Zielinski 1981 met Jen Crawford Hayes 1996. What a great surprise for all of us!

Sharon Tobergte Harrison 1988, Sandy Tobergte Smith 1985, Susan Tobergte Kolkmeier 1981, Diane Tobergte Tuemler 1979, Angela Tuemler Staverman 2010, Melissa Tuemler Gilbert 2008 and Shannon Tuemler McDevitt 2008 enjoyed a special trip to Destin, Florida, with their families!



The Class of 1972 "Wild Gals" celebrated their 70th birthdays with a trip to the Cathedral-Basilica of Notre-Dame de Québec with their Notre Damian in tow! From left: Peggy McCord Maggio, Cookie Cahill Flower, Mary Lynn Rolfes Cropper, Margie Bessler Kuhlman, Peg Cannon Landwehr, Terri Naber Isetti, Cindy Kling Burke, Donna Schaber McCarthy and **Dotty Funke Hayes**



Dotty Funke Hayes 1972 had a rare opportunity to stand before the Holy Door located in the Notre Dame Basilica-Cathedral. The Holy Door of Québec City is one of seven such doors worldwide, and the only one to be found outside Europe. Holy Doors symbolize a passage between what one leaves behind to what one wishes to walk toward. There are six other such Doors around the world: four in Rome, one in Spain and one in France.

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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Wishing you a blessed and jayous Christmas. May the lave of the Holy Family fill your home with warmth and happiness.

The artwork on this year's NDA Christmas card was lovingly created by Marisa Bloemer, Class of 2025. We are grateful for her God-given talent and her joyful expression of the Christmas season.