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Ruth Wehage Schroer '38  
A Woman Making a  
Difference in the World

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Greetings Alumnae, Parents, and Friends of Notre Dame Academy,

*"There must be nothing little about us; we must have hearts of apostles."*

St. Julie Billiart

St. Julie's words provide an excellent introduction to this issue of the Notre Damian as we celebrate the many accomplishments of our school, the generous hearts of our donors and the inspiring stories of women whose lives exemplify our mission. I like to think St. Julie would read these stories and be greatly pleased.

In this annual report issue, we provide a summary of our past year and look to the future as we announce our *Excellence Without Boundaries* Campaign (pg. 4). This ground breaking program includes much needed renovations to our 20th century building including a 21st century collaborative learning center, an expanded and renovated chapel, a café and student commons area and a new elevator.

The smiling face of our benefactor and alumna Ruth Wehage Schroer '38 on the cover of this issue, introduces a woman who certainly embraced the words of St. Julie and has had a significant impact on our campaign for the future of NDA. Ruth's love for her faith led her to be a founding member of a new church in her community and her love for books brought new life to her local library. She met astronauts, watched the moon program come to life, walked the sandy beaches of Cocoa Beach with her beloved husband Ralph, and served her local community well into her 90's. Today we benefit greatly from her love for our school and her sense of purpose and vision in her historic gift of nearly \$2 million! What a difference Ruth has made.

With the announcement of our Women Making A Difference (WMAD) award recipients, this issue celebrates others with hearts of the apostles as we honor the contributions of women who have dedicated their lives to educating others. Our WMAD and Sr. Reina award recipients are educators who have embraced their love of knowledge, employed the art of innovation, and shown an abiding love for their students. Their lives embody the maxim 'teachers change lives!' I cannot think of a more noble and lasting way to make a difference in our world. What an honor it is to celebrate Penny, Linda, Katrina and Sr. Rita! I look forward to sharing their stories at our annual WMAD luncheon on March 16, 2017.

In this issue, we also share the good news of our 2015-16 school year. This includes the many accomplishments of our students and teachers and as well as the generous contributions of our donors. We continue our record of excellence in the classroom and on the stage, field and court. The numbers speak volumes, they measure the multitude of student accomplishments and record the generous philanthropy of our community. Your many contributions help to maintain an affordable tuition while offering a quality Catholic education for so many young women in our community.

I hope you enjoy the 2016 Fall/Winter edition of the Notre Damian. May it fill your hearts with God's goodness realizing that this alone means there can "be nothing little about us."

May you know God's goodness each day,

Dr. Laura Dickman Koehl '75

# Historical Alumna Bequest Honors the Mission of NOTRE DAME ACADEMY



**RUTH WEHAGE**

*She has a mind which happily blends  
Good sense and fancy light.*

Ruth, the studious, clever blond, divides her time between hiking and driving. She loves those "georgeous" books written by Emily Loring. Her alertness, grace, and animation make her one of the most popular seniors. Ruth wishes to become a successful private secretary.



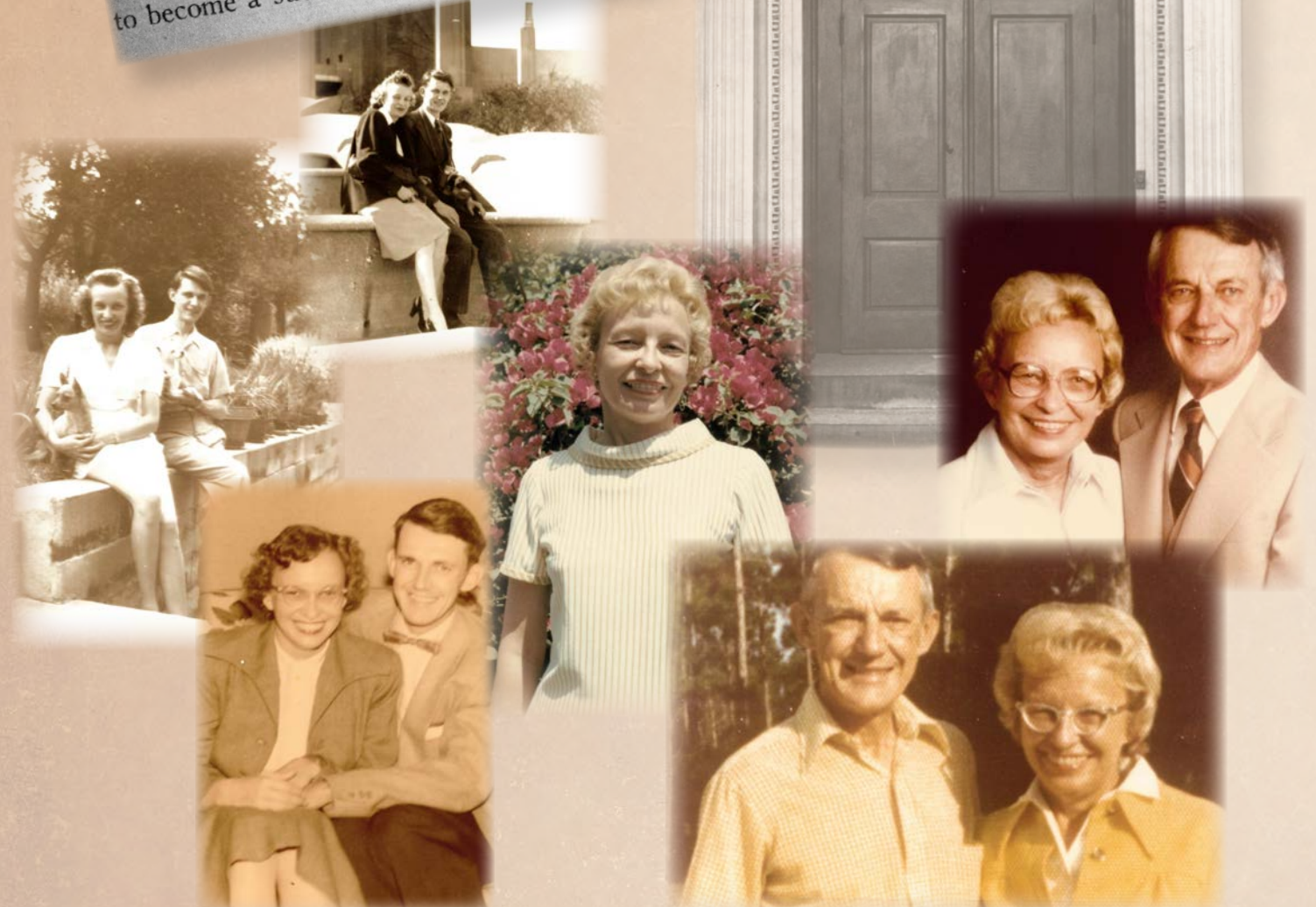
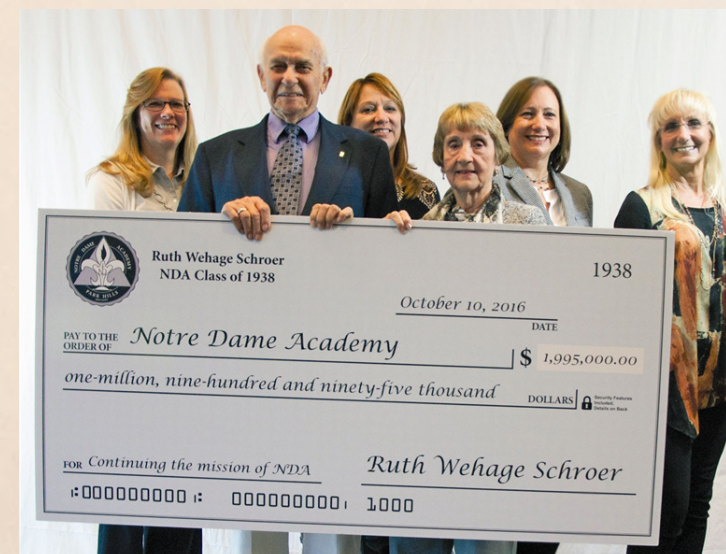
At Notre Dame Academy, we are blessed with many grateful alumnae who are strongly committed to our mission and our legacy. Ruth Wehage Schroer of the class of 1938 is the epitome of a devoted alumna whose dedication to NDA is unprecedented. Notre Dame Academy recently received a \$1.995 million bequest from the estate of Ruth Wehage Schroer '38. With the exception of previous gifts made to Notre Dame Academy from the Sisters of Notre Dame, this is the largest individual gift ever made in support of our school. The gift will support our *Excellence Without Boundaries - Empowering 21st Century Women* Capital Campaign and will establish the Ruth Wehage Schroer Scholarship.

Notre Dame Academy invited Ruth's surviving family members to a special ceremony where NDA President Dr. Laura Koehl announced the news of the \$1.995 million bequest to the NDA community. "As Notre Dame Academy alumna, Ruth Wehage Schroer clearly lived the mission of her alma mater by making a difference in the world," said Dr. Koehl. She added, "Ruth's generous gift will help generations of students receive an NDA education in a 21st Century learning environment."

In line with Ruth's enthusiasm for education and libraries, her gift will support the addition of NDA's 21st Century Collaborative Learning Center. This collaborative learning space will support the new and innovative ways that NDA students utilize a library to access online resources and collaborate with others to problem solve and create new ideas.

Ruth Wehage Schroer graduated from Notre Dame Academy in Covington, Kentucky in 1938 and attended Xavier University evening college. Ruth married Ralph Schroer in 1942 and the couple moved to Cocoa Beach in 1958. As an executive secretary for NASA during the years of the moon program, Ruth was part of a historic time for our country. She worked with the pioneers of that era and Ruth was a pioneer in her own community of Cocoa Beach, Florida through her support of the development of a public library and helping to found a new church in her community.

As Ruth lived our NDA mission of making a difference, she remained deeply committed to ensuring our future. Through her generous gift to NDA, she continues as a pioneer, now helping our school respond to the challenges of the 21st century. "During Ruth's life, her love of God and her love of literature brought opportunity to those in her local community," said Dr. Koehl. "And now this is made evident in her amazing gift to NDA – ensuring our vision to create spaces for worship and study that will impact young women for years to come."





# SOMETHING BIG

## Notre Dame Academy Announces \$7 Million Campaign

Notre Dame Academy has announced the launch of a \$7 million capital campaign to renovate its 20th century building into a 21st century environment where it will continue to serve as a premier Catholic high school, providing excellent academic and co-curricular programs that prepare graduates to be outstanding female leaders serving the world.

Thanks to a strong leadership team, the campaign is well on its way to reaching the \$7 million goal for the **Excellence Without Boundaries - Empowering 21st Century Women** capital campaign. The campaign has already raised \$5 million, over 70% of the \$7 million goal in the campaign's initial phase, a six-month period of intense internal planning and preliminary gift solicitation behind the scenes. The initial phase ended in October with the public announcement of the campaign at a special ceremony honoring NDA alumna, Ruth Wehage Schroer '38, who bequeathed \$1.995 million to NDA that will support the campaign. NDA's goal is to secure the remaining \$2 million over the course of the next twelve months.

In light of NDA's tradition of holistic education, the campaign will support four funding priorities: Chapel Renovation; a 21st Century Collaborative Learning Center; a new Food Court and Student Commons; and an Elevator and ADA compliance.

With its Catholic identity at the heart of a Notre Dame Academy education, the chapel has long been an important space within NDA's school building. Having a special place where students can go for quiet reflection or to pray and honor God is increasingly important in this technological age. With a focus on the spiritual formation of its students, Notre Dame Academy plans to renovate and expand its chapel so that it will hold at least one full grade level and their teachers.

The centerpiece of the **Excellence Without Boundaries** campaign is a 21st Century Collaborative Learning Center. For several years, Notre Dame Academy has led the way in educational technology and STEM related fields. Educators at NDA believe that fundamental skills such as collaboration, communication, creativity and critical thinking, are required for success in today's global community and they have integrated core competencies that have enabled students to thrive in the 21st century. NDA's 21st Century Collaborative Learning Center will support the new and innovative ways that NDA students utilize a library to access online resources and collaborate with others to problem solve and create new ideas.

Social engagement is an important element of the Notre Dame Academy experience. The goal for NDA's new Food Court and Student Commons is to create a space that will serve as a home away from home for students. It will provide an environment that is conducive to quiet study time and accommodates small or large group events, as well as the entire NDA student body for assemblies and presentations.

A second elevator in NDA's school building will provide equal access for all. Half floor areas will be renovated into classroom spaces that will be fully accessible to provide equal access.

"This is an exciting time for Notre Dame Academy," said NDA President Dr. Laura Koehl in the announcement of the campaign. "Through our **Excellence Without Boundaries** campaign, we have embraced the bold vision God has for us, equipping our students to lead the way as Catholics in this globally competitive information age." Dr. Koehl added, "This campaign powerfully supports NDA's commitment to academic excellence and mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world."

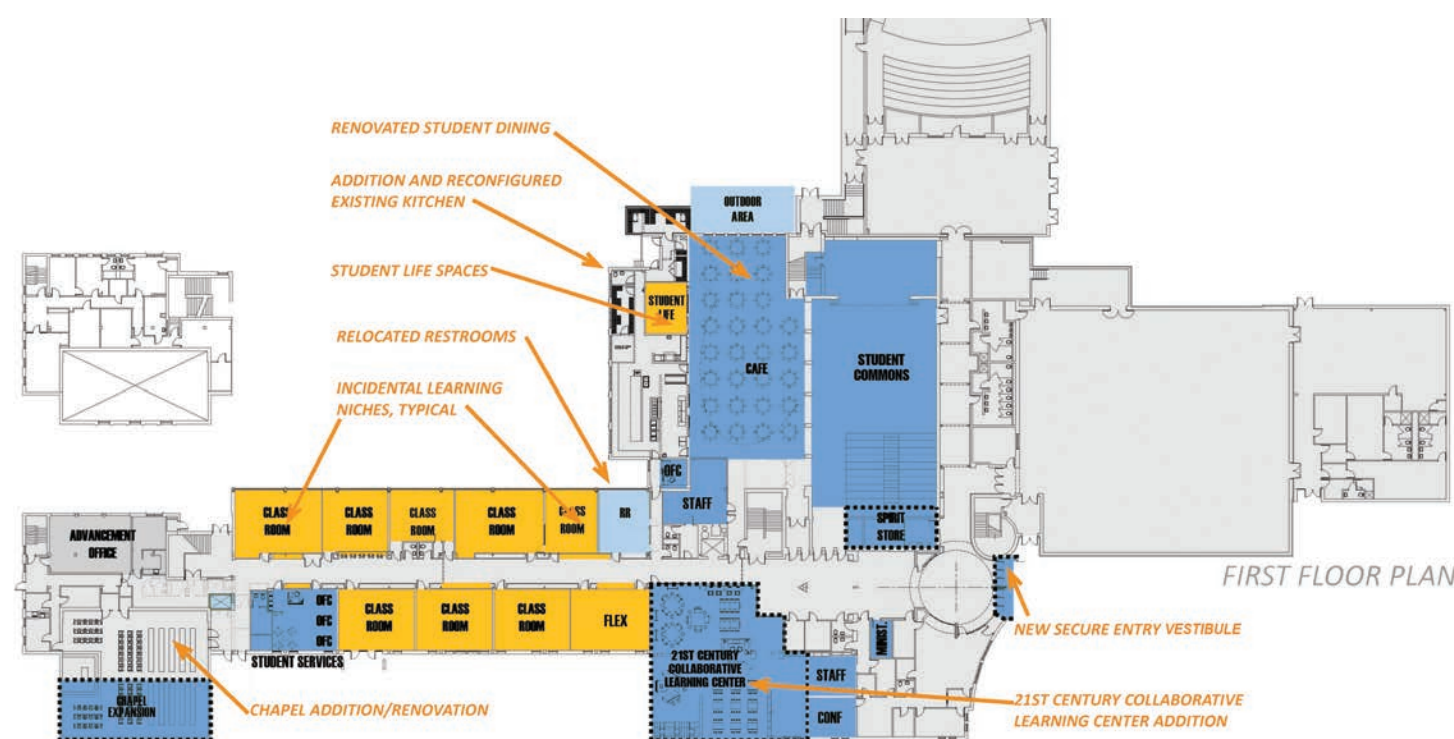


**EXCELLENCE WITHOUT BOUNDARIES**  
**EMPOWERING 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY WOMEN**

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY



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**providing excellent academic and co-curricular programs**  
 that prepare graduates to be outstanding female leaders  
**serving our world.**



# Women Making A Difference Recognition Award Luncheon

Three Notre Dame Academy alumnae along with Sister Mary Rita Geoppinger, SND will be honored at the annual *Women Making A Difference* recognition award luncheon, scheduled for Thursday, March 16, 2017. The Women Making A Difference honorees for this year's event are: **Penelope Bayless Rogers '60**, **Linda Scully Bricking '65**, and **Katrina Wagner Brown '86**. Also during the luncheon, **Sister Mary Rita Geoppinger, SND** will be receiving the *Sister Mary Reina Arlinghaus Award*.

The ceremony, to be held at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington, will begin with registration at 11:00 a.m., followed by the luncheon at 12:00 p.m.

The *Women Making A Difference* award program, now in its sixteenth year, recognizes Notre Dame alumnae who have made significant contributions to their families and their communities through service, professional, and philanthropic efforts. It honors these women for living out NDA's proud heritage and for the difference they continue to make in the world.

The luncheon also provides much needed funds for the Notre Dame Student Tuition Assistance Program. A reservation form, ticket information, and sponsorship opportunities can be found on page 27. For further information, please contact the Notre Dame Advancement Department at 859.292.7729 or visit the NDA website at [www.ndapandas.org](http://www.ndapandas.org).



## Sister Mary Rita Geoppinger, SND To Be Honored at the *2017 Women Making A Difference* Recognition Award Luncheon

Sister Mary Rita Geoppinger, SND, a woman of rich faith and prayerfulness, has dedicated herself to serving others, educating young women, and enriching the lives of many. She will be presented the Sister Reina Arlinghaus Award at the annual Women Making a Difference luncheon to be held on Thursday, March 16 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington.

The Sister Reina Arlinghaus Award was created in 2010 to honor individuals or couples who exemplify the mission of Notre Dame through their service, community involvement, and philanthropic endeavors. Former recipients of the award are Robert Stevens, Richard and Jeanne-Marie Tapke, and Bill and Sue Butler.

Sr. Rita devoted her life to teaching students the importance of self worth, determination and a life deeply rooted in faith. She encouraged her students to go beyond the classroom to educate themselves and to find the deeper meaning of life. With over 50 years as a teacher and administrator, Sr. Rita truly captured the essence and charisma of the Sisters of Notre Dame.

Sister wanted young people to take responsibility, to be accountable for, and proud of who they were, and to see that their lives were meant for more than just their own personal success. She writes, "I hope throughout my 50 years as an educator, I have given students, teachers, staff members, and parents some of the vital life skills they need for true happiness here and hereafter."

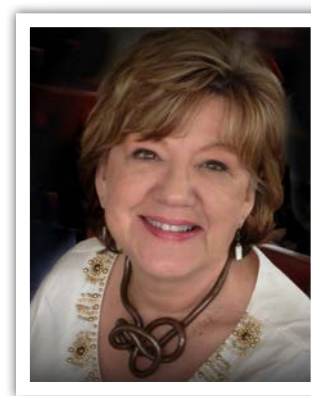
When Sr. Rita announced her plans to go to Africa in 2001 to lay the groundwork for Notre Dame Academy in Buseesa, Uganda, many were surprised. With such a long and energetic career already behind her, one might have expected her to begin winding down instead of gearing up for such a courageous endeavor. For Sister Rita, however, her actions demonstrated her faithfulness to her religious vow of obedience. She always understood that this vow meant saying, "yes" to whatever her community asked of her. Even after her retirement, Sr. Rita continues to support NDA through mission advancement, working as a substitute teacher, volunteering in local school libraries, and serving on various committees.

The Women Making a Difference luncheon is open to all alumnae, corporate representatives, parents, and friends of Notre Dame. For information regarding the luncheon, please contact the Notre Dame Advancement Department at 859.292.7729 or visit the NDA website at [www.ndapandas.org](http://www.ndapandas.org).



### *Penelope Bayless Rogers*

Penelope (Penny) Bayless Rogers, class of 1960, is known by her peers as a selfless giver. As a wife, mother, and grandmother, she truly values her Catholic beliefs, and her life is a testament to her strong faith in God. After graduating from Notre Dame Academy, Penny received her degree and Master's as a Specialist in Education. She has spent countless years mentoring her students and teaching them the importance of a solid academic foundation. During her tenure, she received many awards for her commitment to education excellence, including the Bellsouth "Teacher of Excellence Award" and the Atlanta Braves "Excellence in Education." Since retiring in 2011, Penny has continued her outreach as a servant leader. She has assisted many schools with the development of their parent volunteer programs and is deeply committed to her church, its ministries, and its congregation. She has been involved with RCIA programs, and has been an active leader in Parish Councils, Women's Clubs, and outreach ministries. Because of her tireless commitment and dedication to others, she is truly making a difference.



### *Linda Scully Bricking*

Linda Scully Bricking, class of 1965, is a legend among her fellow colleagues, students, alumnae, and friends of Notre Dame Academy. For almost 50 years Linda Bricking has been educating young adults to make a difference in this world. Linda's teaching career spans many generations, having begun at Highlands High School, St. Joseph Cold Spring, and Covington Catholic. However, in 1994, she began her tenure at Notre Dame, having taught all levels of English from college prep to AP. She dedicated her efforts to her students through Shakespearean competitions, the Mentor Center, and Speech and Drama. She is renowned for her direction of numerous school plays involving thousands of students. Linda credits her passion for teaching and her love of her students to the Sisters of Notre Dame, acknowledging them as her first and most inspirational instructors and mentors. Throughout her career, Linda has received countless awards and accolades, her most recent being the Outstanding Educators Recognition Award. This award is given to the teachers who went above and beyond, and Linda does just that. As a master educator, wife, mother, and grandmother, Linda continues to inspire and impact each life she touches. She is truly a woman who makes a difference in this world.



### *Katrina Wagner Brown*

Katrina Wagner Brown, class of 1986, continues to make a difference by instilling in young women the importance of education, self worth and dedication. Having received her doctorate in Physics from Vanderbilt University, Katrina inspires and challenges her fellow educators that physics can be fun and does not have to be intimidating. Her hands-on interactive approach allows students to grasp concepts such as momentum conservation, stellar physics and natural sciences. Katrina has spent countless hours volunteering and presenting educational techniques at the National Science Teachers Association on the UPG Physics Outreach Team. Over the past years, Katrina has shared her love for science and teaching all over the world. She was invited by the Center for Excellence in Education to teach physics at a summer program for high school girls in Saudi Arabia and Botswana, Africa. Katrina's dedication to young women and science is a powerful testament to the person she is and the difference she is making in this world.

# From the Principal



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

In August, I had the pleasure of welcoming nearly 600 students to our campus. Some of these young women were entering Notre Dame Academy for the very first time and others were returning as seasoned Pandas. As with the beginning of most school years, there was great energy and enthusiasm and a variety of other emotions: curiosity and courage, fear and hope, wonder and expectation. The underlying feeling, however, was positive and inspiring. Whatever anxieties our students might have been experiencing, it was clear that they were ready to learn, grow, excel and succeed.

That shared eagerness and excitement is a testament to our students and their freethinking spirit, their dedication and their passion for excellence. Their desire to excel is not fully inherent. It is a reflection of previous achievements, the successes that led them to Notre Dame Academy and the successes of the tens of thousands of students who came to NDA before them. It is also an indication of the many gifts given to them by their parents and families. I am grateful to our NDA parents and families for their commitment to educating their children in the Catholic faith. Their dedication inspires us as educators to persist in being good stewards of our faith to our students.

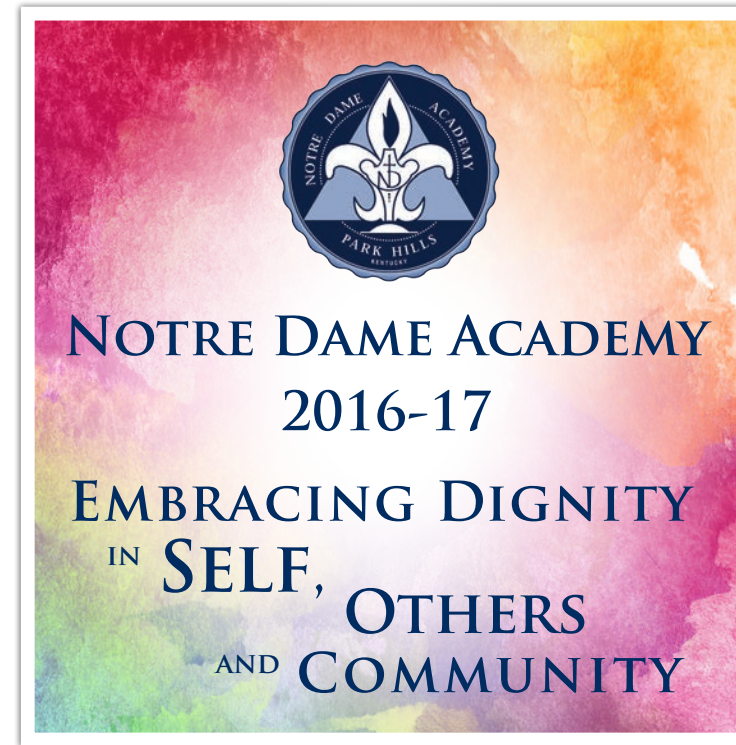
In honor of the second educational principle of the Sisters of Notre Dame, our 2016-17 school theme is *Embracing Dignity in Self, Others and Community*. This theme provides many opportunities for our students to foster an atmosphere that highlights how we are all worthy of respect and to find ways to celebrate human dignity and the inherent goodness in each person.

Our students have made a conscious effort to embrace dignity this school year in our classrooms, on our fields, in our theatre and in service to others. It is a privilege each day to see them thrive as they come to understand the true purpose of an NDA education. As they come to know what it means to be young women making a difference in the world, they are inspired to share their God-given gifts and talents more freely. They are also motivated to serve others.

During this time of Thanksgiving, I am grateful for the many graces I see each day from the young women of NDA. The energy and enthusiasm they exhibit on the first day of school continues to prevail throughout the school year as they engage in the service work that is so much a part of NDA. From collecting canned food items for local food pantries to organizing a shoe and purse drive in support of the Sisters of Notre Dame mission in Uganda, our students find great joy in their service to others. These are incredible moments of grace that inspire us all to continue to educate young women to make a difference in the world.

In Notre Dame,

Jack VonHandorf



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY  
2016-17

EMBRACING DIGNITY  
IN SELF, OTHERS  
AND COMMUNITY



She is clothed with  
strength & dignity  
& laughs  
without fear of the future.

PROVERBS 31:25



## Upcoming Events

### December

- 2-4 Christmas Play - Theatre Showcase
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (No School)
- 9 Christmas Choral Concert
- 10 High School Placement Test
- 11 NDA/CCH Band Christmas Concert
- 16 Advent Prayer Service
- 19-21 Exams
- 22 Christmas Break Begins

### January

- 5 Classes Resume
- 6 New Year's Mass
- 13 Father-Daughter Dance
- 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)
- 20 Silver Bells Dance
- 27 Life March/ Penance Prayer Service
- 30 Catholic Schools Week Begins

### February

- 1 NDA/CCH Charity Volleyball Game
- 3-4 NDA/CCH Student-Directed One-Acts
- 20 Presidents' Day (No School)

### March

- 1 Ash Wednesday
- 9 NDA Athletic Hall of Fame Induction
- 10 7th Grade Olympic Day
- 13 Professional Development (No School)
- 16 Women Making a Difference Day-Career Fair
- 30 Alumnae Dinner Theatre
- 31 Spring Play - Jane Eyre (thru April 2)



## NDA RECEIVES NATIONAL MERIT PROGRAM RECOGNITION



Notre Dame Academy is pleased to announce that eight of its students have been recognized in the 2017 National Merit Program.

Four Notre Dame Academy students have been named National Merit Semifinalists in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship competition. NDA seniors, Claire Morgan, Brooke Schulte, Abbie Guard and Paige Montfort, are among the 16,000 Semifinalists named in the 62nd annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

These academically talented high school seniors now have the opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$33 million that will be offered next spring. To become finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program these young women must now submit scholarship applications that include information about their academic records, co-curricular activities, leadership abilities, honors, awards and employment.



Four NDA seniors, Julia Mathew, Emma Duerstock, Jo Meyer-Hogan and Julia James, were among the 34,000 Commended Students named in the 62nd annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Commended Students place among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million high school juniors who entered the 2017 competition by taking the 2015 PSAT/NMSQT.

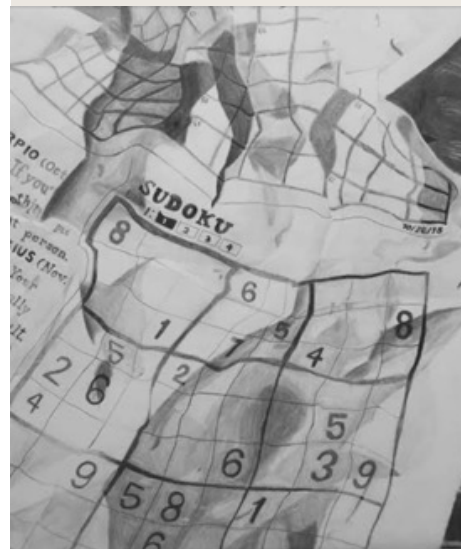
"We are very proud of these NDA scholars and their selection as National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Students," said Mr. Jack VonHandorf, Principal of Notre Dame Academy. "They are to be commended for their commitment to academic excellence and diligence in the classroom. We congratulate these young women and their families as we celebrate this honor."



Jordan Kruetzkamp

## ART STUDENTS EXHIBIT AT XAVIER UNIVERSITY

Congratulations to NDA Art teacher Matt Eckerle and his students: Jordan Kruetzkamp, Rachel Massie, Elizabeth Womble, Amanda Sauer, and Paige Brunson. These students were chosen to have their artwork juried and selected to show in the Xavier University Biennial Regional High School Juried Exhibition. Over 400 pieces were submitted from high schools in the Greater Cincinnati area, with over 100 pieces selected to show and these students were some of the few who earned this opportunity. The show opened Friday, November 4 through November 18. Notre Dame's Visual Arts Program is always well represented by the talent and hard work of our students.



Rachel Massie



## NDA Community Inspired by Common Reader Experience

In August, the community of Notre Dame Academy took time out to celebrate the school's annual Common Reader Day. This school year, the assignment was *A Pearl in the Storm* by Tori Murden McClure, who is best known as the first woman and first American to row solo unassisted across the Atlantic Ocean.

The day began with small group discussions about the book, followed by a special presentation by the author. The students, faculty and staff at NDA were not only inspired by McClure's amazing story, but also by her insights into humanity. McClure stressed that, "Failure is not a person who falls down, failure is a person who does not get up again." She told the students, "Get in the habit of doing your homework. Don't fake your way through life." She shared many other personal thoughts and beliefs with the audience including, "In order to be successful, you must have tolerance for adversity and comfort with uncertainty."

The day continued with a special presentation by WLWT meteorologist, Randi Rico, and afternoon breakout sessions. The sessions ranged in topics from boat building to protecting human dignity.

"It was one of those days where everything came together beautifully," said NDA Principal, Jack VonHandorf. "We celebrated our school year theme of *Embracing Dignity in Self, Others and Community* and we lived our mission by educating young women to make a difference in the world. It was a very meaningful intellectual experience for our entire school community."



## Making a Difference With Shoes & Purses



In October, NDA's Uganda Pandas hosted a shoe and purse drive to benefit the Sisters of Notre Dame Mission in Uganda.

The donated items are sold to people in developing countries who fix them up to fund small businesses. The mission uses the money received to help replace unsafe but necessary water equipment. There was such an overwhelming response from the students that the Uganda Pandas were able to fill over three barrels with donations.

(Pictured: Uganda Panda Club Leaders: Cara Burke, Jessica Schumacher, Olivia Cooney, Madeline Deye and Sarah Draud)

## A Passion for Technology and Innovation



NDA's SWAT team (Students Working to Advance Technology) recently attended the region's inaugural innovation and technology summit – ComSpark.

This summit was perfect for the SWAT Pandas because it was designed for people with a passion for tech and innovation. The goal of the ComSpark Summit was to help attendees of the event grow as professionals, provide opportunities to meet and learn from industry leaders and celebrate how innovation and technology are impacting the world today.

At the event, SWAT team members joined CEOs, executives, developers, entrepreneurs, innovators and dreamers with a passion for tech during our region's landmark celebration of technology and innovation. They experienced top-quality tech programming, interactive experiences and demonstrations and educational opportunities that surely inspired their passion for innovation and technology!

## Golf Team Earns Trip to State

The Notre Dame Academy golf teams ended the season with a trip to the KHSAA State Golf Championship at Bowling Green Country Club in early October. The team qualified for the state tournament with a runner-up finish at the Region 6 golf championship behind Ryle High School. Lauren Bracken was the low medalist with an amazing score of 70 which was 2 under par. She was also the runner-up champion in the Northern Kentucky Athletic Conference Tournament. Lauren completed her senior year season with a 26th place finish at the state tournament. The other members competing at state were Abby Bricking, Natalie Snyder, Katelyn Egbers, Annie Gronotte and alternate Lauren Abner. The JV team had a very successful season and NDA looks forward to these golfers filling the void left by the four graduating seniors on varsity.



## Soccer State Regional Champ 6 Years Straight

At the beginning of the season, the soccer seniors chose the motto "Perfect Effort" to propel the soccer Pandas through the 2016 season. The varsity team started off strong in the beginning of the season, including a huge win over perennial Ohio powerhouse Mason.

The varsity team finished their regular season with 14 wins, 1 tie, and 6 losses. Although their record may not have been perfect, their effort was exceptional. During the regular season, the varsity Pandas scored 78 goals while only giving up 15 goals. The varsity Pandas only had one loss by a margin of more than one goal and two of their losses came in penalty kick shootouts.



Soccer won their 6th consecutive Regional title this year beating Highlands. They fell in the sweet 16th in penalty kicks to West Jesamine. Christin Sherrard was named to the 1st Team All State, Ellie Vandergriff was named 2nd Team All State and Macey Tranter was named All State Honorable Mention.

The Junior Varsity and Freshman squads also had good seasons finishing with 8-2-6 and 5-4-6 records respectively.



In addition to their achievements on the pitch, the Soccer Pandas have accomplished even more off the field. Inspired by the mission of Notre Dame Academy to form young women who are committed to serve as witnesses to the teachings of Christ, the soccer team has utilized the sport they love as a platform to spread their faith and service. One way they have done this is by starting the tradition of a prayer circle. At the conclusion of each game, the NDA soccer teams invite the opposing team players and coaches, as well as the game officials, to join them in the center of the field for a prayer.

This moment of reflection has been extremely well received. Additionally, the Soccer Pandas co-sponsored the Kickin' Homelessness event to raise awareness for the homeless in our community and to raise money for the Center for Respite Care. There is no doubt that the Soccer Pandas gave perfect effort and are leaving their mark on the soccer program, NDA, and the community.

## Volleyball Ends Great Season

The volleyball team returned only 2 starters from last year's State Semi-Finalist team. They had new faces in new places on the team. The schedule started tough and they learned a great deal about themselves and their teammates. The gelling process continued throughout the season as their hard work started to show on the court. They had a strong 4th place finish at the prestigious Asics Challenge in Chicago and pushed their record to 73-0 versus teams in Northern Kentucky.

The volleyball Pandas beat St. Henry to capture their 6th consecutive Regional title this year. They fell in the sweet 16 to Mercy from Louisville.

Congratulations to Natalie Hardig on being named 1st Team All State!



## Cross Country Finishes 11th at State

The Cross Country Pandas put in many miles this summer to prepare for the 2016 season. All those miles definitely paid off. The Pandas won 3 invites this season with one of those being Diocese, with Elly Piatt the overall winner. Elly is one of the top girls in NKY helping NDA's strong pack continue to get better at each meet. The success of NDA's JV athletes has been a tremendous contribution to the overall spirit and success of all of NDA's cross country athletes.

Cross country came in a close runner up for the region title and sophomore Elly Piatt won the Region. Cross country finished 11th at the state meet with Elly Piatt finishing in the top 25 at 23rd with a time of 20:00.29.



## Notre Dame Academy Athletic Hall of Fame Call for Nominations

Notre Dame Academy is pleased to announce that the next NDA Hall of Fame Induction will be March 9, 2017. If you know any former NDA athletes, coaches or supporters that deserve the opportunity to join the NDA Athletic Hall of Fame, please take a moment to nominate them. You can find an online nomination form at [www.ndapandas.org](http://www.ndapandas.org) under Athletics>Hall of Fame. NDA Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form nominations are due December 10, 2016. If you have questions, please contact NDA Athletic Director Myanna Webster at [websterm@ndapandas.org](mailto:websterm@ndapandas.org).



# 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:

Marie Langenbrunner Grever 1934  
Elizabeth "Betty" Harvey Dabbelt 1936  
Anna Mae Burr Hiance 1944  
Ruth Keating Durstock 1947  
Mary Margaret Steenken Johnson 1947 (2015)  
Bernice Krebs 1947  
Norma Jean Willen Calderhead 1949  
Blanche Stamm Kuchel 1951  
Joan Vogel Wehrman 1951  
Mary Holzderber DiLillo 1955  
Sara Fischer Kennedy 1959  
Eileen Finke Carr 1964  
Helen Kamp Ruschman 1969  
Mary Knochelman Kunz 1971  
Michele McMahon Menninger 1972  
Dianne Schabell Raum 1975  
Mary Beth Huneke Rizzo 1979  
Jami Thelen Leininger 1980  
Alayne Housely 1984

## Husband of:

Mary Ann Meiman Studer 1948  
Carol Ebel Whelan 1949  
Mary Ann Haverbusch Brown 1950  
Betty Baumann Verst 1951  
Margie Kuchle Hartman 1953  
Suzanne Kenney Scheck 1954  
Kathryn Meyer Bitter 1962  
Jan Lewin Studer 1976  
Peggy Pauly Bellew 1978

## Mother of:

Caroll Haskell Barton 1963  
Mary Ann Dietrich Fedders 1965  
Carol Dietrich Vogel 1966  
Joyce Hunt Fay 1966  
Suzanne Finke Kiley 1966  
Diane Droege Rumer 1967  
Kathleen Vitt 1967  
Mary Ann Meyer Myers 1968  
Kathy Dietrich Schummer 1969  
Peggy Dietrich Wilkerson 1970  
Terri Droege Goetz 1970  
Lynn Durstock Beck 1971  
Terri Naber Isetti 1972  
Debbie Behne Cassidy 1972  
Linda Naber Mikhail 1973  
Mary Jo Gross Stroup 1973  
Holly Droege Hagedorn 1974

Joanne Dietrich Beiting 1976  
Beth Gross Shumate 1978  
Rebecca Rehtin Brophy 1980  
Lisa Heringer Donmez 1980  
Laurie Klare Shields 1981  
Jan Johnson Currin 1981  
Sue Wehrman 1981  
Rita Rehtin Burnett 1982  
Sr. Mary Judith Niewahner, SND 1982  
Susan Heringer Sparks 1982  
Jenny Klare Banta 1983  
Angie Niewahner Weller 1983  
Amy Kennedy Neltner 1985  
Deanna Niewahner Stouffer 1986  
Kristen Klare Mollner 1986  
Melissa Schultz Krumpelman 1987  
Michele Finke Rittinger 1987  
Marci Finke McNay 1987  
Amy Wehrman 1988  
Tricia Gross Gribben 1989  
Melissa Scott Werner 1990  
Carrie Hickey Fugazzi 1991  
Jennifer Heringer Vires 1992  
Jennifer Kennedy Roose 1993  
Molly Menninger Geiger 2003  
Emily Drees 2007  
Lesley Drees 2010  
Isabelle Leininger 2012  
Regina Menninger 2012

## Father of:

Carol Studer Becker 1970  
Karen Whelan Leibel 1972  
Lyn Giglio Crawford 1976  
Laura Haas Pesek 1976  
Mary Lynn Scheck Hearn 1976  
Lynda Broering Saathoff 1976  
Jane Fangman Moore 1977  
Lisa Fangman Willmes 1978  
Tina Scheck Koch 1978  
Marguerite Mando Haas 1978  
Peggy Pauly Bellew 1978  
Lynn Brown Case 1979  
Julie Mando Heidrich 1980  
Nancy Rosing Pugliano 1980  
Marianne Giglio Dammert 1981  
Jackie Sturer Herzog 1981  
Tara Irland Davidson 1982  
Tricia Scheck Zimmerman 1983  
Nancy Brown 1984  
Grace Giglio Neltner 1984  
Kathy Rosing Crowe 1984  
Jennifer Lubrecht Weinberg 1985  
Laurie Kreissl Sanregret 1986  
Melissa Scott Werner 1990  
Vicki Bitter 1991  
Carrie Hickey Fugazzi 1991  
Rebecca Kreissl Gearing 1992  
Kera Fugazzi Studer 1997  
Mary Beth Beil Endres 1997  
Maria Fugazzi James 1998  
Heather Bellew Montgomery 2006  
Rachel Hardin Jessee 2014  
Savannah Hasenkamp 2016  
Chole Hasenkamp 2019

## Sister of:

Marian Krebs Pedicone 1945  
Mary Stamm Appel 1946  
Sr. Mary Elaine Krebs, SND 1948  
Mary Jane Burr Hiance 1951  
Beatrice Krebs Dickhaus 1951  
Mary Carol Vogel Havlin 1953  
Jane Fangman 1954  
Sr. Mary Janet Stamm, SND 1958  
Carol Fischer Smith 1961  
Carol Holzderber Memering 1957  
Carol Kamp Baker 1963  
Joyce Stumpf Veleno 1964  
Suzanne Finke Kiley 1966  
Virginia Kamp 1966  
Mary McMahon Mathews 1967  
Beth Fischer Rogers 1967  
Margaret Knochelman Baker 1967  
Cathleen McMahon Quenten 1968  
Peggy Schabell Raum 1972  
Mary Elizabeth Kamp 1972  
Joanne Huneke Tudor-Kiser 1974  
Sandra Huneke Driehaus 1975  
Nancy McMahon 1976  
Margaret Huneke 1977  
Rose Knochelman Young 1978  
Barbara Knochelman Jones 1980  
Patricia Knochelman Williams 1981  
Jean Huneke Roth 1982  
Jody Thelen Fahey 1983  
Juli Thelen 1987  
Marci Finke McNay 1987  
Michelle Finke Rittinger 1987

## Brother of:

Margaret Seiler Heyl 1940  
Sr. Mary Henrietta Seiler, OSB 1946  
Nancy Becker Morwessel 1947  
Martha Weibel Stauber 1952  
Phyllis Haas Megerle 1957  
Jo Ann Weibel Enzweiler 1954  
Ruth Hanneken Bahr 1956  
Joyce Verst Franzen 1959  
Carolyn Sensel Zink 1961  
Linda Sensel Kunkel 1972  
Caroline Kuhlman Halloran 1984

## Son of:

Ruth Scheve Schnurr 1946

## Honorariums

In honor of **Vivan Bramlage Jacobs '41** by: Susan Rae Quirk '24

In honor of **Martha Meyer Witt's 80th Birthday** by: Friends of Martha Meyer Witt '54

In honor of **Bob Stevens** by: Chuck and Linda Fieger

In honor of **Thelma Back Brunson '45** by: Mary Ann Brunson Fey '68

In honor of **Tess Endler, daughter of Emily Meyer Endler '98** by: Dave and Marianne Meyer

In honor of **Sr. Elaine Marie Winter, SND '64 Jubilee** by: Robert and Cathy Stevens

## Special Intentions

Special Intention by:

**Betty Lou Saalfeld Huelskamp '51**

## In Memoriam

In memory of **Sr. Mary Reina Arlinghaus, SND** by:

Barb Benkert  
Mary Pat Hanneken Carter '69  
Barbara Buescher Erpenbeck '58  
Adam and Sherri Feinauer  
Ken and Marlene Fiehrer  
Mary Zalla Forgiel '82  
Cheryl Garnett '66  
John and Betty Jo Janszen Ginn '65  
Kim Gunning  
Tom Jacober  
John and Michele Revell Johnson '71  
Sue Hackman Sturgeon '64  
Barb Nader Wallet '69  
Dr. Pricilla Waynant  
Bob and Diane Wigger Wilson '80  
Shannon Wilson '15

In memory of **Sally McGinnis Monahan '75** by: Mary Lee McGinnis

In memory of **Shirley Plummer '50** by: Caryl Schuett Hinkle '49

In memory of **Judith Kuhlman Bihl '49** by: Caryl Schuett Hinkle '49  
Joe and Nancy Stratman

In memory of **Maria Schaffstein '10** by: Krista Noll '10

In memory of **Jean Hegge Baur '45** by: Barb Baur Baker '74  
Mary Whelan

In memory of **Dr. Howard Heringer, M.D.** by: Dr. Robert T. and Jean Schmidt Longshore '50  
Dr. and Mrs. Robert Weber

In memory of **Dick Schieman** by: Nancy Stratman

In memory of **Mary Fielding Sauser** by: Paul and Connie Sorg

In memory of **James Schrand** by: Dr. Robert T. and Jean Schmidt Longshore '50

In memory of **Martha Jacober Velton '52** by: Nancy Black Kuchle '52

In memory of **Sr. Mary St. Clare, SND** by: Mary Clare Schramm Duhme

In memory of **Charles Macke** by: Abby Macke Sommerkamp '87

In memory of **Sara Fischer Kennedy '59** by:

Jack and Mary Jo Anderson  
Howard Anneken  
Barb Baur Baker '74  
Margaret Butler  
Ralph and Marianne Carr  
Thomas and Allyson Cooper  
Joyce Johannemann Evans '68  
Karen Floyd  
Mary Zalla Forgiel '82  
Jim and Carole Ginney  
Tom and Terri Lankheit Haas '72  
Ann Kennedy Hub-Hardin '61  
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Thomas Kearns  
Daniel and Margaret Kennedy  
Kathleen Kennedy  
Rosie Kennedy  
Dave and Jane Kennedy Kleier '83  
Thomas and Mary Lux  
Lance Neal  
Dr. Garry and Janice Glindmeyer Neltner '58  
Scott Neltner  
John and Kathleen Koors Niederegger '59  
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Elaine Semancik  
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Gerry and Bonnie Thelen  
Beth Warning  
Kristin Welch  
David and Kris Appelman Wigger '86  
Kay Willenbrink  
Anne Roebker Van Kirk '84

In memory of **Sr. Mary Josette Wager, SND '34** by: Maryann Devore Jefferies '60

In memory of **Ruth Keating Durstock '47** by: Ethel Mae Bohman Brungs '47

In memory of **Alayne Housley '84** by: Anne Roebker Van Kirk '84

In memory of **Norb Sr., Alice, Norb Jr., Bob, Richard, Jack and Larry Franxman and Ben F. Harney** by: Patricia Franxman Harney '53

In memory of **the Bramlage and Jacobs families** by: Vivian Bramlage Jacobs '41

In memory of **Judy Niewahner** by: Lillian Apted  
Vince and Monica Lonnemann  
Rose Klatte Wilson '57

In memory of **Deborah Thelen Ellis '68** by: Mary Ann Brunson Fey '68

In memory of **Bernice Krebs '47** by: Ethel Mae Bohman Brungs '47

In memory of **Blanche Kenney Shields** by: Judy Shields  
Katie Shields '95  
Kerry Shields Kuebler '97

In memory of **Jeanette Blanchard** by: Katherine Dietrich

In memory of **Betty Baute** by: Chris Middendorf

In memory of **Dorothy Wiltkamp Jones '49** by: Mary Rita Vieth Ware '49

In memory of **Jami Thelen Leininger '80** by: Beverly Jo Graven Bramlage '76

In memory of **Jim Brown** by: Judy Miller Fischer '53

In memory of **Marian Jugas Hellmann '26** by: M. J. Wainscott Murray '86

In memory of **Laura H. Woeste '96** by: Emily Halpin Woeste '94

In memory of **Charles LaFever** by: Mark and Cathy Wilcox

In memory of **Catherine Vitt** by: Lee and Martha Weibel Stauber '52

In memory of **Mary Beth Hueneke Rizzo '79** by: Loretta Scherder McKinley '45

In memory of **Joan Vogel Wehrman '51** by: Mary Kay Widrig Kenning '51  
Margie Schroder Urlage '51  
Judy Wiechman '51

In memory of **Ann Fox** by: Suzanne Robbins Tegge '64

In memory of **Shirley Anne Bramlage '51** by: Vivian Bramlage Jacobs '41

In memory of **Robert Hartman** by: Margaret Lickert Parks '53

Please note that this compilation is from June 11, 2016 - October 19, 2016. 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](http://www.ndapandas.org) or email [notredamian@ndapandas.org](mailto:notredamian@ndapandas.org).

# Advancement

## NDA Welcomes New Director of Development

Notre Dame Academy is pleased to announce that our new Development Director, Ms. Denise Bowman, has joined our Advancement Team at Notre Dame Academy. Denise is a graduate of Northern Kentucky University with degrees in Speech Communication, Public Relations and Journalism. She has experience as a small business owner and as a high school teacher and development professional at Holy Cross High School. Denise and her husband are members of St. Agnes Parish and have two children in school there. Please join us in welcoming Denise to the NDA community.



## Would You Like to Be a 2017 NDA Corporate Sponsor?

Special thanks to the many business and organizations who participated in the 2016 Corporate Sponsorship Program at Notre Dame Academy. This program continues to provide successful partnerships between NDA and the local community and allows the corporation or business the opportunity to support NDA on an annual basis.

As a partner with us, you will gain year-round advertising opportunities through our website, publications, and signage. As a corporate partner, you can showcase your product or service and gain exposure to local consumers. You will also experience important business and networking opportunities with other professionals like yourself.

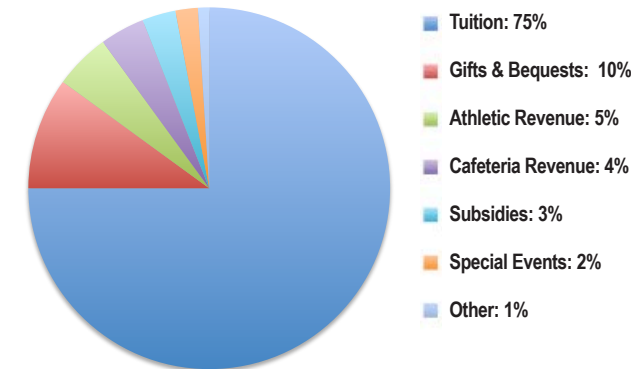
The Corporate Sponsorship Program offers four different sponsorship levels: **Diamond, Platinum, Gold, and Silver**. The cost for each sponsorship varies. Each level provides attendance, advertising incentives and other benefits for the annual **Women Making A Difference Luncheon**, the **NDA Golf Outing**, and the **Autumn Gala**.

You can see the complete list of 2016 NDA Corporate Sponsors at the end of the 2015--16 Year in Review. To request a brochure or to get further information about becoming a 2017 corporate sponsor for Notre Dame, please contact Nancy Goeke, Major Gifts Coordinator, at goeken@ndapandas.org or 859.292.1851.

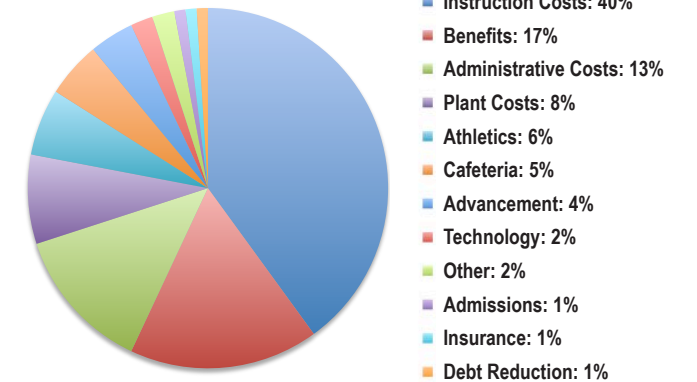
# NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

2015-16 YEAR IN REVIEW

## Income



## Expenses



## 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 of a Notre Dame 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 2015-16 school year, over 33% of our students received some form of tuition assistance. Your Annual Appeal dollars help make that possible.

Tuition Assistance: \$355,248.00

Work-Study Program: \$155,402.00

Academic Scholarships: \$68,600.00

Endowed Tuition Grants: \$72,400.00

NDA/CCH Siblings & Multiple Daughters Programs: \$96,240.00

Renewable Grants: \$46,331.00

## Have you considered making a gift to the



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

*Educating Women to Make a Difference in the World*

2016-17 ANNUAL APPEAL

While our NDA community is very blessed, we need your support. The 2016-17 Annual Appeal will help to bridge the gap between what is generated in tuition and what it costs to educate each of our young women. **This gap currently stands at \$1,500 per student.**

Notre Dame Academy's tuition assistance program benefits one-third of our students. Over \$850,000 was dispersed this school year at NDA in tuition allowances including financial assistance, need based grants and scholarships, and work study. Your donation to the Annual Appeal keeps tuition at an affordable level and allows us to continue to work with any young woman who could benefit from an NDA education.

We are grateful for your support and we thank you in advance for your commitment to help us carry out the mission of Notre Dame Academy.

Please use the gift envelope bound into this issue's centerfold to make your gift by mail, OR join us in making a difference on Giving Tuesday by making a donation online on November 29. We are grateful for your support and we thank you in advance for your commitment to supporting the mission of Notre Dame Academy.

## FAMILY/NAMED SCHOLARSHIP Creating a Legacy

Scholarship donors are highly valued members of the Notre Dame community. Not only do they provide scholarships and grants to extend educational opportunities at NDA; they also create a legacy to preserve their names in grateful memory.

A named scholarship may be established with a minimum gift of \$10,000. These monies become part of the Endowment Fund, which is invested to generate income. Annually, four percent of the scholarship fund is disbursed as scholarships and grants or is applied to programming, as determined by the donor at the time of the gift. This disbursement method ensures that established scholarships will continue to benefit both current and future students.

The endowment allows Notre Dame Academy to provide more need-based tuition assistance and to make an NDA education more possible for all who wish to attend. For further information about endowments and establishing a scholarship, contact NDA Major Gifts Coordinator Nancy Goeke at 859.292.1851 or email [goeken@ndapandas.org](mailto:goeken@ndapandas.org).

### Scholarship Donors

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

Ruby F. Afterkirk Scholarship	Dr. Robert T. & Jean Schmidt Longshore Scholarship
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Sr Shauna Bankemper Leadership for Excellence Scholarship	The Milbery Family Scholarship
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Rosemary Kahmann Scholarship	The VonLehman Family Scholarship

### Matching Gifts Companies

Abbott Laboratories	Illinois Tool Works Foundation
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GE Foundation	UBS Foundation
GENEX	US Bancorp Foundation
Humana Foundation	US Bank
IBM	Wells Fargo

## Academics

**Class of 2016:** 122 Graduates

- College Acceptance & Enrollment Rate: 100%
- Enrolled in 4-year College/University: 120
- Enrolled in 2-year College: 2
- Average Cumulative Weighted GPA: 3.570
- Average Cumulative Unweighted GPA: 3.463
- 346 Scholarships offered to 96 seniors (79% of Class), valued at over \$12.3 million (This is not including KEES Scholarships)
- Average ACT Composite: 26.2
- Average SAT Scores: (Verbal/Math: 720/640.9) (Composite: 2065.7)
- National Merit Finalists: 4
- National Merit Commended Students: 4
- National AP Scholars: 1
- AP Scholars with Distinction: 7
- AP Scholars with Honors: 9
- AP Scholars: 10
- Kentucky Governor's Scholar Recipients: 7
- Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts Recipients: 3
- Kentucky Governor's School for Entrepreneurs Recipients: 2

### Student Awards

#### English Department Awards

- NKU Creative Writing Contest
    - 1 Second Place Creative Nonfiction
    - 1 Third Place Creative Nonfiction
    - 1 Third Place Poetry
  - Mt. St. Joseph Creative Writing Contest
    - 1 First Place for Poetry
    - Honorable Mention for Personal Essay
    - Honorable Mention for Poetry
- NDA Students won a total of 137 Scholastic and Writing Competition Awards:
- 25 Gold Key Awards
  - 55 Silver Key Awards
  - 57 Honorable Mention Awards
- 1 Scholastic Writing American Voices Award, Short Story

#### History Department Awards:

- National History Day KY Competition,
  - 3 - 1st Place for Group Exhibit
  - 3 - 1st Place for Group Performance
  - 2 - 2nd Place for Group Documentary
  - 2 - 2nd Place for Group Performance
  - 2 - 3rd Place Group Documentary
  - 1 - 3rd Place Individual Website
  - 2 - Robert Micou Award

#### Religion Department Awards

- Children's Inc, Service Learning Book Award
- Fireside Essay Finalist

#### Mathematics Department Awards

- 1 Catholic Math League, Division 3 Third Place for Advanced Math

#### Business Technology Department Awards:

- FBLA, KY State Conference
  - 1 Personal Finance—3rd Place
  - 2 Social Media Campaign—5th Place
- 1 FBLA, Region 4 Leadership Conference
  - 1 Business Calculation - 1st Place
  - 2 Entrepreneurship - 3rd Place
  - 1 Intro to Business Procedures - 2nd Place
  - 1 Personal Finance - 2nd Place
  - 1 Public Speaking I - 2nd Place
  - 2 Social Media Campaign - 1st Place

#### World Language Department Awards:

- 63 NDA Students received recognition for their excellent performance on the national language exams
- 1 KY Junior Classical League, Latin Vocabulary 3rd Place

#### Science Department Awards

- 8 2016 TSA TEAMS Competition, 1st in State, Division II
- 8 2016 TSA TEAMS Competition, 2nd in State, Division II
- 8 2016 TSA TEAMS Competition, 3rd in State, Division II
- American Meteorological Society Award
- ASM Materials Science Award
- CINSAM Integrative Science, 1st Place Award
- Genius Olympiad Award
- Genius Olympiad Award
- KYScience & Engineering Fair, 3rd Place, Earth & Environmental Science
- Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers Award
- KY Science and Engineering Fair, US Geological Award
- KY Science and Engineering Fair, 2nd Place in Biomedical and Health Sciences
- Mu Alpha Theta Award, Mathematics Honor Society
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association Award
- NKU Department of Biological Sciences Award, 2nd Place
- NKU Department of Math and Statistics, 1st Place
- NKU Tri Beta Kappa Excellence in Research Award
- Ohio Valley Society of Toxicology Research Excellence Award
- Ricoh Corporation Sustainable Development Award
- Science & Engineering Fair of No. KY
  - 1st Place Geology and Engineering
  - 1st Place overall in Life Sciences
  - 1st Place overall in Physical Sciences
  - 1st Place, Electrical & Mech. Engineering
  - 1st Place, Environmental Science
  - 1st Place, Mathematical Sciences
  - 1st Place, Physics and Astronomy
  - 2nd Place in Medicine and Health
  - 2nd Place Overall, ISEF 1st Alternate
  - 3rd Place, Computer Science
  - 3rd Place, Medicine and Health
- Stockholm Junior Water Prize Regional Award
- Thomas More College Scholarship Award
- 5 United States Air Force Certificate of Achievement
- US Metric Association Award for Best Use of SI
- US Navy Science Award
- US Navy Science State Award

## Service

### Served 50 agencies

(17 weekly through junior service program)

### 16,597 hours of service completed

### Types of Service

NDA service includes working with young children, tutoring grade school students, visiting with the elderly, working with those who are mentally and physically challenged, working in emergency assistance shelters and agencies, rehabbing homes, baby-sitting at Madonna House, cleaning up public areas, assisting with parish festivals and religious education classes, assisting in the voter registration office, and much more.

### Grade Level Report

- Freshman completed 450 hours of service at the following agencies: BeConcerned, HONK, Brighton Center, Rose Garden Home Mission, Madonna House, James E. Biggs, The Point, Prince of Peace, St. Vincent DePaul, United Ministries, Providence Pavilion, St. Charles Community, Redwood, Action Ministry. (This fulfilled their requirement)
- Sophomores completed 2500+ hours of service at local non-profit agencies.
- Juniors completed 3600+ hours of service at the following agencies: Redwood, The Point, St. Charles Community, Providence Pavilion, Sonshine Pre School, Holy Spirit Early Childhood Center, St. Augustine, St. Pius X, Beechgrove Elementary, John G. Carlisle, St. Pius X, St. Agnes, Latonia Elementary, BeConcerned, Action Ministry, Guardian Angel School, Blessed Sacrament School, St. Joseph School, Lakeside Presbyterian PreSchool.
- Seniors took part in the Magnified Giving Program, which resulted in a \$1000 grant being awarded to Epic House and a \$700 grant being awarded to Pink Ribbon Girls.

### Student Fundraising

Students collected over \$25,000 that was donated to various international, national and local agencies/causes.

Students collected over 14,000 items for donations to various local and international agencies.

## Fine Arts

- 2 Cincinnati Shakespeare Company Project 38 Playwright/Director Awards
- 2 College of Mount St. Joseph Art Show
- 1 English Speaking Union Shakespeare Competition Regional Finalist
- 7 students accepted to Governors School for the Arts
- 5 NKU Honors Band Symposium
- Scholastics Gold Key for Visual Arts
- 2 Scholastics Honorable Mention for Visual Arts
- Scholastics Silver Key for Visual Arts
- 3 Thomas More College Juried High School Exhibition Award

## Guidance

- 2 Drug Free Club of America Scholarship Essay, Scholarship Award
- 2 Drug Free Club of America Scholarship Essay, Top Ten Essay
- University of Kentucky Book Award
- University of Louisville Book Award

## Athletics

- 13 Sports, 334 participants
- 17 students receiving athletic scholarships
- 6 Regional Championships
- 1 State Runner Up
- Average GPA 3.637

# THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

Thank you to everyone who generously supported our 2015-2016 Annual Appeal and other NDA funds throughout the year. Thanks to you our goal was exceeded. Every year we seek to raise funds that supplement the difference between tuition and the cost of educating each student (approximately \$1500 per student). Through your generosity and support, you have helped us ensure that a Notre Dame education is available to any and every young woman who aspires to be a part of the Notre Dame Academy community. We are truly grateful for the important role you have played. Your participation and support make all the difference!

Please note: Names listed are those who gave to the Annual Appeal and other NDA funds between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, NDA's fiscal year. Gifts received after June 30, 2016 will be recognized in next year's Annual Report. Since the *Excellence Without Boundaries: Empowering 21st Century Women* campaign is still in progress, those pledges will be recognized at a later date.

## Marian Circle Heritage Society

*The Marian Circle Heritage Society recognizes those individuals and Corporate Sponsors who have been donors at the Marian Circle level or above for the past consecutive five years. We sincerely thank them for their continued generous support to Notre Dame Academy.*

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Dr. Emily Halpin Woeste  
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wolnitzek  
Gary and Gina Wulfeck

## Legacy Circle (\$5,000 and above)

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Cindy Cleves  
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Gary and Gina Wulfeck

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## The Secret of Life

### From One of NDA's Oldest Living Alumnae

Betty Deye graduated from Notre Dame Academy in 1932. She grew up in an era when most homes did not have electricity, central heat or indoor plumbing. She lived on a dairy farm with her parents and seven siblings. Betty attended a two-room schoolhouse before becoming a student at Notre Dame Academy. After graduation, she went on to earn a degree in cosmetology and worked as a hairdresser until she retired at the age of 65. Betty never married but has always been very close to her family. She has lost track of exactly how often she moved around the country to help them.

For the past 30 years, Betty has made Pittsburgh her home, where her niece Jeanne also lives. She enjoys people and places and continues to stay very active. Betty offers no magic formula for a long and healthy life, but recalls a rural lifestyle that might hold part of the answer such as eating products from the farm, meat cured in the smoke house and only fresh vegetables or what they canned themselves. She follows other lessons from growing up on a farm staying in tune with nature. She enjoys sitting on her porch with her dog Lois, continues to maintain a garden in her backyard, and makes certain her birds never go hungry.



Betty Deye '32 pictured with one of her nieces, Susan Flannagan '74.

Pausing for a reflective moment at the age of 102, Betty says, "I look back and I can say I enjoyed all that was life." Offering a few words for maintaining happiness, she suggests, "If you can change what is not good, change it. If you can't change it, learn how to put up with it."

## Alumnae Dinner Theatre: Jane Eyre, The Musical



Mark your calendars and send in your reservations for 2017's annual Alumnae Dinner Theatre, scheduled for Thursday, March 30, 2017. Charlotte Bronte's great love story comes to life with music to lift your heart and set your spirit soaring.

This beloved tale of secrets and the lies that secrets create, of unimaginable hope and unspoken passion, reminds us what it is to fall deeply, truly and completely in love. Jane's story begins in Gateshead, where she is in the unfortunate care of her cruel Aunt Sarah and cousin John, as per her uncle's dying wish. The miserable young orphan is finally rescued when she is sent away to attend Lowood School for Girls. After six years, Jane leaves Lowood and is shortly after hired as a governess at Thornfield Hall. There she meets Mr. Edward Rochester, thus beginning her passionate and heart-wrenching journey of love, loss and the struggles of morality.

This evening of entertainment will begin with drinks and dinner at 5:30 p.m. in Alumnae Hall. The play will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Frances Kathryn Carlisle Performing Arts Center. Tickets for Alumnae Dinner Theatre are \$25 and include drinks, dinner, dessert and admission to the performance.

Please send the completed reservation form on page 26 to the Notre Dame Academy Advancement Office. The deadline for reservations is Thursday, March 23, 2017. For additional information, contact NDA Alumnae Coordinator Emily Berling at 859.292.1852 or berlinge@ndapandas.org.

## News for Alumnae

### NDA Heritage Blog Updated



Did you know that this is the 91st year for The Gavel? Take a look back to see what interested, moved, inspired, and excited the students of Notre Dame Academy in 1926-27 in the latest installment of the NDA Heritage blog. <http://ndaheritage.blogspot.com>. You can also enjoy the latest issue of The Gavel at [www.ndapandas.org](http://www.ndapandas.org).



### Class of 2016 Welcome Back Night

The Class of 2016 is invited to NDA's annual Welcome Back Night on Wednesday, November 23 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Alumnae Hall. Join your class for some pizza and drinks and reunite with your classmates. Most importantly, you can pick up your yearbook. We hope to see you back at NDA for this special alumnae gathering!

### Class of 1977

Your reunion has been set! Mark your calendars for September 7, 2017. If any classmates have not received emails about the reunion, please forward your email address to Kim Bessler at [mkbessler@yahoo.com](mailto:mkbessler@yahoo.com).

# Recent Reunions



The Class of 1951 celebrated their 65th reunion at Greyhound Tavern.



76th

The Class of 1940 attended one of NDA's Decade Days this summer. They enjoyed sharing their special memories and celebrating 76 years as NDA alumnae!



40th

The Class of 1976 celebrated their 40th reunion on October 1 at Five Seasons.



30th

The Class of 1986 celebrated their 30th reunion at JerZee's Bar and Grill on September 30.



60th

The Class of 1956 celebrated their 60th reunion at Summit Hills Country Club in September.



55th

The Class of 1961 celebrated their 55th reunion on September 16 at Summit Hill Country Club.



35th

The Class of 1981 held their 35th reunion in NDA's Alumnae Hall on October 1.



45th

The Class of 1971 celebrated their 45th reunion at Summit Hills Country Club on September 9, 2016.



50th

The Class of 1966 became the newest NDA Golden Girls this year. They had a wonderful time Saturday night in Alumnae Hall and all returned on Sunday October 9 for The Golden Girls Mass and luncheon. During their reunion, the class raised \$6600 on behalf of the Notre Dame Academy Endowment Fund and the the Notre Dame Urban Education Center. Thank you Class of 1966 for your generosity and continued support!



25th

The Class of 1991 celebrated their 25th reunion at the Metropolitan Club in August.



5th

The Class of 2011 held their 5 year reunion at Molly Malone's on August 13.





## The Lasting Legacy of the Sisters of Notre Dame

As a fourth generation Notre Dame Academy alumna, Cheri Rekow '81, knows well the story of Sr. Mary Agnetis and her appeal to Conrad Hilton in the early 1960's to help the Sisters of Notre Dame build a new school. The 50th anniversary of NDA in 2013 compelled Cheri to memorialize this legacy of divine intervention so that Sr. Mary Agnetis and all of the Sisters of Notre Dame can continue to inspire the NDA community for generations to come.

Coincidentally, the dedication for the new school in Park Hills in 1963 corresponded with the year that Cheri and her classmates of '81 were born. Recently, at their 35th reunion on October 1, Cheri reminisced with many of the class of 1981 who also attribute their NDA-rooted academics, faith, and friendships, as having a profound impact on their family lives, careers and recreational activities.

"We often struggle with finding balance in our lives, as we strive to give the utmost to our family, friends and communities, parents, siblings, spouses, children, co-workers, neighbors, and organization members," says Cheri. "Hopefully, we are lucky to still have a bit of time to nurture our inner souls. Art is what I do to decompress. I am so grateful that God gave me a love for art and that He put Sister Mary Reina in my life. She played an unbelievable role in nurturing my love and talents."

During the past 35 years, Cheri applied Sister Reina's inspiration and assistance, professionally, philanthropically, and leisurely. She also credits many at her recent reunion with helping her to parlay her gifts into a tribute to repay Sister Mary Reina, and all of the Sisters of Notre Dame, who gave so selflessly to develop the young women at NDA. She is grateful for more than an education, including priceless 39-year friendships and many life lessons she received at NDA, made possible by the artful prose of Sr. Mary Agnetis.

Cheri sculpted a portrait of Sister Mary Agnetis by looking at a few photos and meeting periodically with Sister Mary Reina and Sister Dolores for guidance. Cheri's mother, Carol Elsener Rekow '61, also a student of Sister Mary Reina and a Sister Mary Agnetis primary source historian, helped critique the likeness and provided more photos. Along the way, many stories were shared that helped to capture Sister Mary Agnetis's spirit in a 3D image, where photos did not do justice. From the clay, she made a mold and cast the piece in resin, to which she made more modifications to improve the habit, and from which more great stories emerged.

As a gift to Notre Dame Academy and the Sisters of Notre Dame, Cheri had the sculpture cast in the lost wax method at a local foundry. The bronze bust will get a patina to compliment the base materials. The base is envisioned to showcase the history, to be written by the Sisters as they wish to pass on for future generations. It will be designed in collaboration with former NDA art classmates: Chris Dickman Huskisson '81, who is gifting the pedestal fabrication, and Seana Dahlenburg Hue '81, also a fellow UC DAAP grad, who will apply her graphic design skills to type and layout.

At her recent reunion, Cheri thanked Melissa Lueke '81, and reunion committee members: Janet VonHandorf Schmidt, Laura Petroze Hehman, Kelly Quinn Hitter, Laura Ayres Hoppius, and Seana Hue for helping to unveil this physical tribute, as a work in progress and element of NDA's 2016 Capital Campaign. The Sister Mary Agnetis memorial will be installed in the future Collaborative Learning Center. Dr. Laura Koehl stopped by the reunion to thank the class of 1981 for all of their contributions, including the Class of 1981 Fund, noting that they chose 'Founders' Day' to celebrate their 35th reunion.

Cheri's time and talent in creating the sculpture of Sister Mary Agnetis are greatly appreciated by the Notre Dame Academy community and the Sisters of Notre Dame. "My hope is that the memorial will not only venerate Sister Mary Agnetis, but all of the Sisters of Notre Dame who contributed to NDA alumnae's entwined legacies beginning with St Julie," says Cheri. She adds, "Above all, this labor of love is dedicated to our Blessed Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ."



## Celebrating the Mission of Notre Dame Academy

On September 24, Notre Dame Academy hosted our annual fall fundraiser, the *Autumn Gala*. The gymnasium was transformed into a beautiful ballroom filled with autumnal decorations, silent auction items and wonderful music. There were also many generous parents, alumnae, and friends of NDA who shared the evening to support the mission of our school.

This year's Gala featured cocktails, a gourmet sit-down dinner, specialty raffles, a Bourbon Tasting Bar, Keepsake Photos, Signature Cocktail, and enhanced Live and Silent Auction items. This year the Gala committee tried something new: electronic bidding. NDA supporters were able to bid from anywhere and anytime before the close of the auction from their own devices.

The event was very successful and received a great deal of positive feedback. The "Raise Your Panda Paw" raised over \$30,000 in memory of Sr. Mary Reina and will go a long way in updating the NDA Art Room. Many working hours went into planning the Gala to help keep tuition low at NDA. Thank you again to co-chairs Nancy Goeke and Taffy Hebbler, all the volunteers, faculty, staff, students, and loyal friends of NDA. To those who attended, our sincere appreciation for your support of Notre Dame Academy.



## THE NOTRE DAME ACADEMY TRADITION



Mary Lou Webster Bosch 1962  
Christine Bosch



Martha Meyers Witt 1954  
Tess Witt



Our apologies for the omission of these 2016 graduates and their family members from the Summer 2016 *Notre Damian*.

## Births

Leonardo "Leo" Edward to Denise Vallandingham Fritsch 1996  
Elizabeth Grace to Amy Fillhardt McHugh 1996  
Julia Brynn to Andrea Aureden Hatridge 1996  
Luke Beckett to Elizabeth Edmondson Evers 1996  
Kendall Marie to Erin Zilliox Baker 1997  
Logan Joseph to Dianne Joseph Tuminello 1997  
Bryce Timothy to Kerri Shields Kuebler 1997  
Alice Claire to Tina McPhillips Linnemann 1997  
Grant Thomas to Shannon Kennedy Tucker 1997  
Charlie Lynn to Danni Menne Piccinin 1997  
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Keenan Hobson to Meghan Roedig-Grundvig 2001  
Ava Marie to Sarah Heringhaus Albanese 2001  
Conrad James to Kristen Zembrodt Imbus 2001  
Beckett Lee to Laurin Hilgeford Spear 2002  
Grayson Paul to Andrea Schultz-Duncan 2002  
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Edith Frances to Tiffany Pangallo Chalk 2003  
Charlotte Michele to Molly Menninger Geiger 2003  
Hannah Jubilee to Lisa Arlinghaus Wallace 2003  
Joseph Robert to Erica Wagner Betz 2004  
Reagen Marie to Katie Theissen Cook 2005  
Tanner James to Marcy Woods Sparks 2005  
Norah Marie to Ashley Flannery Barczak 2006  
Noah Adams to Erin Otte Pittman 2006  
Isla Marie to Jill Muck Tanner 2007  
Aidan James to Meghan Hoefinghoff Sellers 2008  
Emilia Jane to Sarah Klensch 2009  
Lorelei Prudence to Kaitlin Wilson 2012  
Camden J to Maggie Harrigan Kays 2004

## Engagements

Stefanie Arlinghaus 2009 to Curtis Oberschlake  
Megan Kirn 2010 to Alec Liszy  
Gina Palazzo 2010 to Zachary Slayton  
Erin Stoeckle 2011 to Tyler Knauf

## Marriages

Denise Zumdick 1966 to Leopoldo Gonzalez  
Sarah Murdock 1999 to Phil Thompson  
Jennifer Leibel 2004 to Andrew McGill  
Amanda Jones 2007 to Brad Arlinghaus  
Rachel Schilling 2008 to Benjamin Kotchish



*The Sisters of Notre Dame*  
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*Ash Wednesday - Day of Recollection*  
*Journey with us for a day of spiritual inspiration*  
*and personal reflection*

**March 1, 2017**

**9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

*(Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.)*

**Sisters of Notre Dame Provincial House**  
**1601 Dixie Highway, Covington, KY 41011**  
**with Speaker Sister Marla Monahan, SND**

Sister Marla Monahan, SND, has been a Sister of Notre Dame since graduation from Notre Dame Academy. She has served as a teacher, formation director, and in the ministry of leadership for the Sisters of Notre Dame. Currently, she is the national novice director for the SND's. She holds degrees in Mathematics and in Pastoral Studies. Sister Marla will lead us in reflection on "Deepening our Love for Jesus and His Mission."

In addition to the presentations by Sister Marla Monahan, the day will include: personal reflection time, lunch, the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass and distribution of ashes.

If you would like to attend, complete the registration form on page 27 and mail to:

Sister Jean Marie Hoffman  
1601 Dixie Highway  
Covington, KY, 41011

Please make checks payable to: Sisters of Notre Dame (Prepaid reservations only.) For more information: contact Sister Jean Marie Hoffman at (859) 392-8239 or email her at: JHoffman@SNDKY.org. Information is also available on the Sisters of Notre Dame website – www.sndky.org. (Entrance is through the glass doors in back of the Provincial House across the parking lot from NDA.) Cost: \$20.00 (includes retreat & lunch)

## Class Updates

### 1966

**Anita Rust** writes, "I am married to Allen (Al) Rust. It will be 47 years in November. We have four kids, David, Jason, Ryan, and Kara. We also have 14 wonderful grandchildren. The oldest, Andrea, will be 14 in November and the youngest, Embry, is 16 months and number fifteen is due to arrive in February 2017. I think this one will be named Finis! Al is a retired teacher but still works part time with NKU and the state mentoring new teachers and supervising teacher interns. I retired once the kids were out of high school. I love to bake and I read all the time. I lament now that I will not live long enough to read them all. I have so many and I keep buying them. I am addicted. And, of course, we enjoy the grandchildren. It is happy chaos when we are all together."

### 1969

**Carol Trimpe Bogaczyk** writes, "After 44 years living in New York, Virginia and West Virginia, Jack (Covington Catholic Class of '68) and I are returning to Northern Kentucky. Jack and I are retired and looking forward to many new adventures."

### 1986

**Kristi Korfhagen Goins** writes, "My oldest daughter, Jillian Goins '12 graduated cum laude from NKU in May 2016 and is excited to be moving to Hiroasaki, Japan, as a JET (Japanese Exchange and Teaching Program for US citizens) participant. Julia Goins '16 is heading to Michigan State University and looking forward to being a Spartan and studying abroad. My husband and I are very proud of their hard work and accomplishments! I would love to hear from any NDA alumnae who might be located near these areas."

### 2002

On June 10, 2016, **Anna Delaney** married Naresh Krishnamurthy. All the bridesmaids were Notre Dame Academy graduates: Ashley Ives '02, Kathleen Sweeney Siegrist '03, Rebecca Delaney Unger '98, Anna Delaney Krishnamurthy '02, Megan Guenther Lawrenz '02 and Sarah Goeke Klayer '02.



### 2003

**Lauren Schawe** and Johnny Sullivan, a 2003 Covington Catholic graduate, were married on July 9, 2016. They honeymooned in Bali and are living in Ft. Wright with their dog Oliver.

### 2004

**Shannon Turney Vossler** wanted to share some exciting news. She says, "Although I currently work at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital as the in-house Media Producer, my work last year with *This Old House* won a National Daytime Emmy Award for Outstanding Lifestyle Series. I got a shiny statue and everything! It was an amazingly emotional project that highlighted a fantastic non-profit Homes for Our Troops that builds specially-adapted homes for disabled veterans. We traveled to Florida to meet recipients of some of these homes (and their families), and our hosts actually helped build one of the homes in New Hampshire. It was an incredible experience and it's very humbling that the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences appreciated our work so much to award us an Emmy."



### 2007

**Amanda Jones** writes, "I married Brad Arlington in July. Four alums stood by me as bridesmaids and countless Pandas from multiple decades were there to celebrate. Love the sisterhood and school spirit that lasts a lifetime!"

### 2008

**Rachel Schilling Kotchish** was married in June with many NDA Pandas in attendance at her reception. Many NDA alumnae, including nearly the entire wedding party, her mother, four aunts, and friends, were all a part of Rachel's big day.



### 2008

**Melinda Ruberg**, a University of Louisville Medical School student, was recognized during the 2016 Kentucky Medical Association Annual Meeting held in September. Melinda was recognized as a member of the first class of graduates of the Medical Student Outreach and Leadership Program. The class included 13 other U of L medical students and from UK. This program is designed to promote community involvement as well as give students an opportunity to learn more about the political, social, and economic issues in the health care system.

### 2008

**Megan Kirn** and Alec Liszy are engaged to be married September 23, 2017. They met at Ohio University while studying animation and game design.

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**WHERE IN THE WORLD!**  
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In April, Cindy Kling Burke '72 visited Christ the Redeemer statue with her daughter Seana and husband Tim.



Sarah Stegman '13, Annalise Stegman '15, and Bridgette Stegman '18 visited France, Italy, and Greece over the summer with their parents and Memi. This photo is from a gorgeous day in Santorini.



Three generations of NDA Pandas celebrated 4th of July weekend with family and friends!

Front: (L-R) Julie Whittle Lothar '77, Amy Whittle Brophy '81, Michelle Williams Schulte '85, Susan Schulte Hara '87, Stephenie Cassidy '01.

Back (L-R) Harriett Gorman Schulte '60, Connie Sander Williams '64, Betty Schulte '65, Shelia Gorman Steinberg '69, Michele Gorman Weber '75, and Mary Gorman Breslin '73.



Jan Ebel Klocke '54 visited Scotland and Wales with her husband recently. Here they are on the Isle of Canna in the Inner Hebrides islands of northern Scotland.



Some members of the Class of 1963 took a trip to Charleston, SC to celebrate turning 70 in 2015. They spent a week on James Island and had a wonderful trip. (L-R) Cookie Kinkade Timmerding, Diane Burkhardt Rizzo, Donna Verst Kramer, Lee Brauch Bamberger, Sylvia Hartzel Sweeney, Sue Mueller Rauf, Rosie Rolfes Wormald, Joanne Batagelia Chalfant, and Pat Morrison Geller.

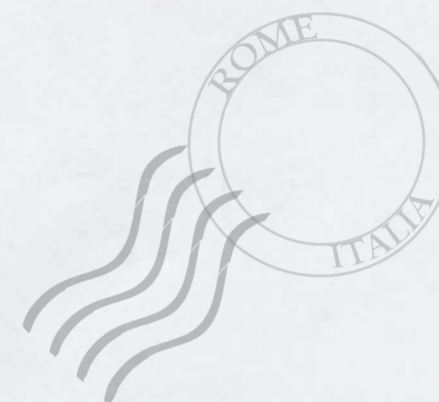


In July, on a trip to Baltimore, these Class of 1988 friends took time to celebrate mass together at The Shrine of St. Anthony. Susan Hentz Neuhaus, Amy Verst Wagner, Lori Toebe Doughty, Meg McGinnis Piatt, and Laura Hegge Hafer



The Class of 1980's "Fab Five" went to Boca Raton, FL for a well-deserved vacation!

(L-R) Jamie Brawley Galbraith, Kelly Ziegler Kuhnell, Julie Hinzman Auvil, Gaye Whittle Durrett, and Carol Abraham Christopher.



Don't Stop Believin'! The Class of 1982 took a trip down memory lane and attended the Journey concert at Riverbend Music Center on July 29, 2016. (L-R) Donna Edbers Durnwald, Robin Gearding Kremer, Patty Bayer Suckow, Chris Jacobs Dunlevy, Peggy Carroll Nowak, Kelly Kerns Eisenman, Karen Hill Grimes, Dana Stephens Wall, Lisa Warning Lange

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