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Blessings Alumnae,
Families, and Friends of NDA!

There is something very special about the holiday season and there is certainly something exceptional about this blessed time of year at Notre Dame Academy. Our community is hard at work wrapping up the first semester of the school year while preparing their hearts and minds for the celebration of Christ's coming into the world.

As the new year approaches, we look back to the many wonderful stories and successes of the past year. We turn to God with grateful hearts for all of the blessings He has bestowed upon us. We pause from the usual hustle and bustle of our lives to calm ourselves and take in all that is around us. It is in those quiet, peaceful moments that we are able to focus on the light of Christ in our lives and truly understand the significance of His birth.

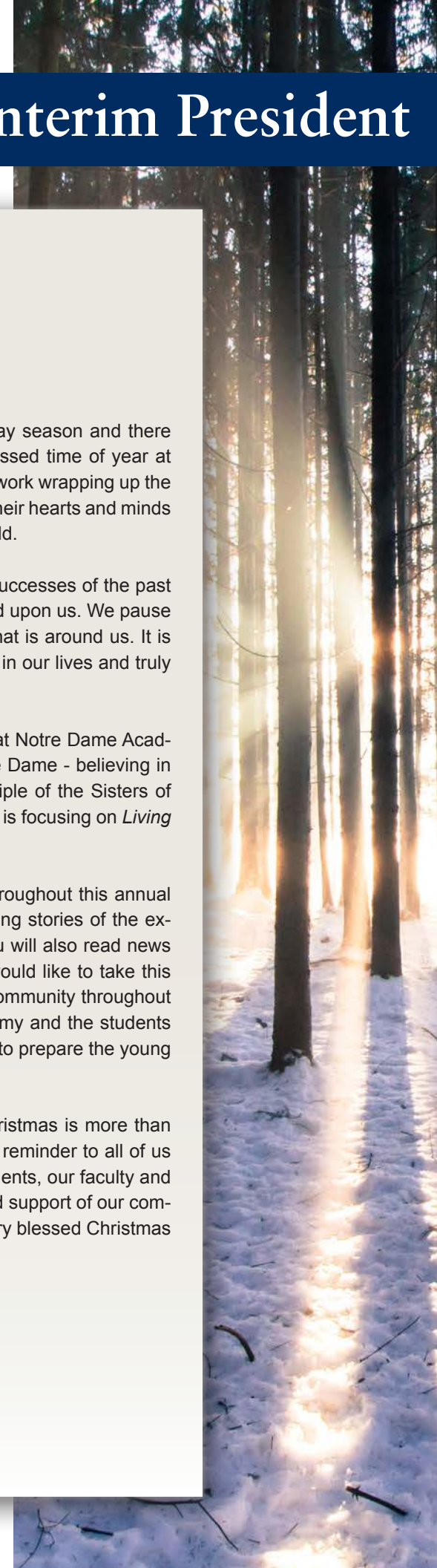
In our 116th year of educating young women to make a difference in the world at Notre Dame Academy, we continue to educate our students in the tradition of the Sisters of Notre Dame - believing in God's goodness and provident care. As we focus on the 3rd educational principle of the Sisters of Notre Dame, *The Notre Dame Educator as Gospel Witness*, our NDA community is focusing on *Living the Gospel with a Spirit of Compassion, Hope and Joy* this school year.

We have much to be grateful for at Notre Dame Academy, that is evidenced throughout this annual report edition of *The Notre Damian*. In the following pages, you will read amazing stories of the excellent educational experience that is our tradition at Notre Dame Academy. You will also read news of our alumnae and acknowledgements of our many generous benefactors. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincerest gratitude to all those who support the NDA community throughout the year. We are truly grateful for the many contributions to Notre Dame Academy and the students we serve. Your commitment to the transformative education we offer enables us to prepare the young women of NDA to make a difference in the world.

There is something very special about Christmas at Notre Dame Academy. Christmas is more than simply the celebration of God becoming Man in a historical moment; it is also a reminder to all of us that He continues to be present in our world today. I see God present in our students, our faculty and staff, and in all that we do at Notre Dame Academy. Thank you for your continued support of our community. On behalf of the faculty and staff of NDA, I wish you and your family a very blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year.

In Notre Dame,


Jack VonHandorf



PANDAS TAKE STATE!

A season for the record books for Notre Dame Academy soccer was capped by a 1-0 victory over South Oldham on October 30 for the KHSAA state championship, NDA soccer's fourth overall and first since 2013.

Here are just some of the many milestone moments in an unbeaten season, as recounted by soccer seniors (and Publications students) Amber Branum, Marina Ruthsatz and Emma Spivey.



1. NEW COACH SULI KAYED: The former Boone County and Kings Hammer coach took over as NDA coach after 2020-21 season. "At the beginning we were nervous about getting a new coach. Little did we know we would be living the best season of our high school soccer careers," Branum said. "The ability for us to adapt to the new coach and his staff showed us how easy it would be for us to get along as a team. We began to build relationships and understand each other's roles. After our first game we knew exactly what to fix and how to improve."

"Suli began to shape us into the team we are today. He didn't change anything about how an individual player performs rather how the team plays as a whole. He gave us the confidence we lacked and the ability to make changes throughout the season with any obstacle thrown our way. We would not be where we are if it weren't for the new staff and the heart of every player on the team."

2. WE'RE NO. 1 The Pandas were nationally ranked for much of the season by the web site Maxpreps, climbing as high as No. 1 in September (the Pandas would finish the season ranked No. 3 behind Homestead, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Cincinnati Mount Notre Dame). Being nationally ranked was a huge success for the soccer team, but also put a lot of pressure on the Pandas to uphold the ranking.

"The pressure of being nationally ranked definitely helped our team, because it pushed us to keep up with the expectations people have for a nationally ranked team," senior Natalie Bain said.

3. LIGHTS, CAMERAS, PANDAS! On September 20, the NDA soccer field lit up Park Hills. Light Up NDA was the official opening celebration to showcase the first-time-ever lights on the soccer field, synched to music. The Notre Dame varsity soccer team hosted Newport Central Catholic on a festive night featuring food trucks, fans, and recognition of all the fall sports teams. "My favorite part of Light up NDA was seeing the lights go on for the first time, and hearing the cheers from the student section," senior Jayden Otto said. The day-long rain showers even stopped right before the varsity game, and a rainbow appeared over *Mary, Mother of the World Chapel*. Senior Emma Spivey said, "It was truly a night to remember, and one of my favorite games ever played at NDA."

4. CLOSE CALLS: While this has been among Notre Dame Academy's most consistent teams ever, there were bumps along the way. The first was vs. Cincinnati St. Ursula Academy, a scoreless tie (and the only game the Pandas wouldn't win). Another was vs. Beechwood in the district finals at Holy Cross. The Tigers took advantage of a wet field and an off night for the Pandas for a 1-1 tie to send the game into penalty kicks. As darkness closed in, junior Ellie Greenwell's PK sent NDA into the regional round as district champion.

5. GOING 3-0 VS. HIGHLANDS: Highlands has always been one of Notre Dame Academy's biggest rivals, especially on the soccer field. The Pandas lost to Highlands in the 2018 regional finals, and also lost region the following two years. This season, the soccer Pandas faced the Bluebirds three times: in a tournament, during the regular season, and in the Ninth Region finals. NDA won 3-0, 3-0 and 4-0, and the Pandas were through to state for the first time since 2017.

6. STATE TOURNAMENT COMES TO NDA: On October 19, NDA hosted the first state game and it was one to remember. The Buenger Sports Complex was packed with fans supporting both Notre Dame Academy and Campbell County. Said Branum: "At first it didn't feel like a state game because we were playing on our home field. It felt like a regular season game, but feelings changed when it was time to walk out on the field. The referees led both teams towards the middle of the field to line up in the center of the NDA logo. As each of the starters' names were called, we stepped out and waved to our fans."

A 7-0 victory put NDA into the quarterfinals vs. Lexington Catholic two days later, also at NDA. And this time, the Pandas fell behind 1-0 quickly. Said Branum: "I didn't worry because I knew we would come back. Around seven minutes later, Kennedy Clark played a ball right through the defense with enough pace for me to one-time it into the back of the net."

About midway through the half, Clark found the left corner of the net to give the Pandas a 2-1 lead and we had 20 minutes left. As the clock reached zero, the whole crowd cheered and the team tossed water into the air. "Although the first two state games felt normal, the passion toward it was different," Branum said. "When we scored, the celebration was bigger. The cheering was louder. We played with our hearts."



7. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME: A scoreless first half didn't worry the unbeaten Pandas. On a corner midway through the second half, Greenwell served in a perfect ball for Bain to get her head on it, and Kentucky's Ms. Soccer delivered the only goal of the game. "The crowd and bench went crazy," Branum said. "It was the loudest I have ever heard the crowd cheer," Branum said. "We all took off toward Natalie to give her a big group hug. Every single player had a smile on their face."

"I could barely take my eyes off the scoreboard because I just wanted the game to be over. The score board finally reached zero. Filled with pure joy, we all dog piled on one another and cried tears of happiness. We grabbed our trophy and ran towards our fans to hold it up. All of our hard work had paid off."

The state all-tournament team included Bain (MVP), Branum and Clark. Spivey and Macie Feldman made the all-state first team. Feldman set school records for season and career assists, and senior Abby Breeze set state records for shutouts and fewest goals allowed. All became part of something bigger.

"We ended our season the best way possible," Branum said.

"Pandas finally took state."



Women Making A Difference

Congratulations to the following 2022 *Women Making A Difference* honorees: Laura Gausepohl Arlinghaus '81, Kristy Franxman Dailey '01, and Jo Ruwe Terry '81. The annual award luncheon to honor these women will be held Thursday, March 3, 2022 at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington. Networking will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by the luncheon at 12:00 p.m.

The *Women Making A Difference* award program, now in its twenty-first year, recognizes Notre Dame Academy 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 Academy Student Tuition Assistance Program. A reservation form, ticket information and sponsorship opportunities can be found on page 49. For further information, please contact the Notre Dame Academy Advancement Department at 859.292.7729 or visit the NDA website at www.ndapandas.org.



Laura Gausepohl Arlinghaus 1981

Laura Gausepohl Arlinghaus, class of 1981, is truly a perfect example of a Christian living her Catholic faith. She lives life to serve others, and her enthusiasm inspires her family and friends to also get involved in helping others in need.

Laura is a very community and charity-minded individual, and the organizations in which she has been involved are numerous. She continues to be an active member of St. Joseph Church, serving as the Outreach Chair on the Parish Council, teaching art classes and volunteering wherever needed. She has also served on the board for many years at the DCCH Center for Children and Families, and is currently serving as the HALO (Helping All The Little Ones) president, providing love and support for disadvantaged or abused children.

Laura's other philanthropic endeavors include organizing Appalachian mission trips to the Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd in Campton, Kentucky. Laura, her family, and friends have personally collected and delivered thousands of food items, clothing, bedding, furniture and daily living items to those in the impoverished Appalachian community. Her compassionate giving and sharing with others less fortunate in the world are also evidenced by Laura's mission trips to Haiti with members of the St. Joseph's Church community.

Where there is a need, she fills it. Despite some difficult challenges in her life, including health issues and a devastating home fire, Laura has not only remained steadfast in her faith in God and the Church, but she also reminds all of us that even when life is at its darkest, we are still blessed. Laura is truly a woman making a difference.



Jo Ruwe Terry 1981

Jo Ruwe Terry, class of 1981, is a loving mother of 4 children, adoptive mother of 2, doting grandmother, generous philanthropist, devout Catholic, and founder and previous owner of Progressive Rehabilitation, at which she was the chief clinician for over 20 years. But four years ago, Jo experienced first-hand how the effects of post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) would change her life and the lives of her family. Her husband, Chip, despite multiple treatment attempts, took his own life.

As a firefighter for the Covington Fire Department, Chip had been suffering largely in silence for far too long, battling demons in his mind due to horrific experiences that affect many first responders. Chip's death was crippling to Jo and her six children, but eventually, Jo's grief turned to action. She started researching about PTSD and was determined to make a difference going forward. She was ready to tackle the stigma, lack of diagnostic tools, and treatment options that have been hurdles facing those with PTSD.

She and her family founded the Chip Terry Fund, which in a short time has provided aid to over 80 individuals and families needing treatment and assistance. Whether it be classroom presentations, seminars, sharing her personal story or traveling to other regions at a moment's notice to offer assistance and support, Jo is committed to raising awareness about PTSD in the first responder community. She makes herself available to help anyone at any time. And in the process, she is shining a light on the devastating ills of PTSD. For her unwavering dedication and her commitment, Jo Terry is truly a woman making a difference.



Kristi Franxman Dailey 2001

Kristi Franxman Dailey, class of 2001, is a beautiful example of a giving and selfless individual. Never wanting to shine a light upon herself, she works quietly to share her gifts with others. She has a strong commitment to Catholic education and believes that Catholic schools have the ability to change a child's life. She donates her time in many capacities to the ACUE schools as a parent lead volunteer at her three children's elementary school. Her generosity of spirit is also evidenced by Kristy's coordination of programs and campaigns such as Go Pantry and Children's Miracle Network. She also secretly provides meals, gift cards and food to those in need.

When Kristy read on Facebook that there was a child who needed a kidney, Kristy's first reaction was that she was going to "give it a shot." When people would ask her why she was doing this, her answer was, "Why wouldn't I? I am going to save a child's life. I would hope that if I were in this situation, someone would do this for my child." After countless doctor appointments, tests, prayers and waiting, she selflessly donated a kidney to Lily. Unbeknownst to Kristy, Lily was the daughter of a former classmate, which made the gift even more special. Since her donation surgery, Kristy has continued to promote organ donation and mentor others through their own process of donation.

Because of her selfless desire to give and her example of true Christian leadership, Kristy is a truly a woman making a difference.



Presidential Search UPDATE

Dear Notre Dame Academy Community,

We would like to provide you with an update on NDA's presidential search but first we want to express our sincere appreciation for the support and consideration you have extended to the search process thus far. From the initial input sessions with our partners at Educational Directions to the parent forums and alumnae Zoom calls with candidates, your participation and contributions attest to your commitment to the mission of Notre Dame Academy.

The first round of the search process yielded three viable candidates with a broad range of experiences and expertise; however, after thoughtful consideration and deliberation by the Presidential Search Committee, this initial phase did not result in the selection of a new president. The Presidential Search Committee is deeply committed to finding the next president of NDA and with the support of Educational Directions, they are continuing with the search process. The goal of the Board of Directors and the Presidential Search Committee remains the same: to find an educational leader who is aligned with the mission and vision of Notre Dame Academy who will assume the position of president sometime prior to July 2022.

As a Catholic school sponsored by the Sisters of Notre Dame, we believe that our good and provident God is guiding us in this important search process. We know that with His agency, our search will be successful in finding a president who will continue to execute our strategic plan and lead and support the incredible work of our faculty, staff and administrative teams.

The Board of Directors would like to thank NDA's current principal, Mr. Jack VonHandorf, for serving as principal/interim president this school year. Mr. VonHandorf, along with NDA's administrative leadership team, is doing a wonderful job managing operations at NDA effectively during this academic year.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we again thank you for your commitment and support of Notre Dame Academy throughout this search process.

Sincerely,

Amy Quinn Dye NDA Board Chair Presidential Search Committee Member	Jeanne-Marie Tapke NDA Board Member Chair, Presidential Search Committee
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Upcoming Events

December

- 1 Sophomore Retreat
- 2 Alumnae Sips and Stems Event
- 7 Junior Retreat
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (No School)
- 10 Christmas Choral Concert
- 11 High School Placement Test (HSPT)
ACT at NDA
Silver Bells Dance
- 12 Band Christmas Concert
- 13 Advent Mass
- 20 Christmas Break Begins

January

- 3 School Resumes
HSPT Results Meeting
- 7 New Year Mass
- 17 Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)
- 18 Senior Retreat
- 21 Penance Prayer Service
- 28-30 Showcase
- 31 Catholic Schools Week Begins

February

- 4 Winter Pep Rally
Father/Daughter Dance
- 21 Presidents' Day (No School)

March

- 1 Sophomore Ring Ceremony
- 2 Ash Wednesday
- 3 WMAD Luncheon
- 5 8th Grade Conferences
Winter Sports Awards
- 12 8th Grade Conferences
- 22 Panda Preview Night
- 27 Orange and White Game



Campus Notes

Spirited Pandas Make a Record-Breaking Difference With Canned Food Drive!

Notre Dame Academy students raised the bar for making a difference when they broke the school's all-time record by collecting 17,394 canned food items in November. That is 1,644 more canned food items than the record set in 2010 when the annual canned food drive was established. Over the past 12 years, Notre Dame Academy students have made a significant difference by collecting a total of 108,080 canned food items which have been donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry in Northern Kentucky.

This annual service event began when Student Council leaders from Notre Dame Academy visited a local St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry and saw several empty shelves. The students were very concerned that those in need would go without during the winter months so they took action by organizing a canned food drive. They soon realized that by challenging students from another high school, they could double the difference they would make for the less fortunate of the community so they invited Covington Catholic High School to compete in a Canned Food War. That year the Pandas "Canned the Colonels" by collecting 15,750 canned food items.

Over the years, Notre Dame Academy's Student Council has changed the annual canned food drive a bit. This year they inspired students to participate with out-of-uniform days and weekly giveaway baskets. Some years they have repeated the canned food challenge to Covington Catholic and other years, like this one, the NDA Pandas challenged the St. Henry Crusaders. Although our Pandas hoped to "Can the Cru" as they have in year's past, St. Henry came through with more canned food items and won this year's canned food war.

"We not only congratulate our friends at St. Henry on the amazing number of canned food items they collected, but we also thank them for joining in the fun and helping us make a difference in the lives of those in need this winter," said NDA Principal/Interim President Mr. Jack VonHandorf. He added, "Everyone is a winner when our spirited students of the Diocese work together for a common good."

Students at Notre Dame Academy celebrated their record-breaking number of canned food items by gathering together and giving thanks to God at NDA's annual Thanksgiving prayer service. They also received the perk of an early dismissal the Tuesday before Thanksgiving break.



Notre Dame Academy Holds Annual Common Reader Day

By Josie Stallard and Leah Franzen

Notre Dame Academy held its Common Reader Day on September by having activities based on the book *I Will Always Write Back*, getting their books signed, and even getting to hear the author, Caitlin Alifirenka, talk about the New York Times best seller in person.

Each year, Notre Dame Academy hosts its own Common Reader Day. All of the students are required to read the same book during the summer and faculty, staff and administrators read the common reader selection as well. This year's book was *I Will Always Write Back* by Caitlin Alifirenka. This is the astonishing story about Caitlyn, a normal teenage girl, and Martin, a teenage boy in poverty in Zimbabwe, writing to each other explaining the differences in their culture and everyday life. Throughout their letters to each other, the two became the best of friends and Caitlin and her family make life better for Martin.

For the first time in a year, Caitlin Alifirenka was able to speak to students about her book in person. The day began with students in each homeroom discussing their opinions about the book. Afterwards, the entire school community met in the gymnasium where Caitlin spoke about writing her book. Students enrolled in a pen pal program, which allowed them to communicate with other students worldwide, and they participated in a poverty simulation. Students also learned about NDA's sister school in Uganda, Notre Dame Senior Secondary Academy in Buseesa, and learned about the student's daily schedule. To conclude the day, Bi-Okoto, an African music group from Cincinnati, performed for the students.

"Common Reader Day is a unique, shared experience for all members of the NDA community," said Mrs. Amber Grayson, Associate Principal of NDA. "Through literature and the example of courageous women in our world, both real and fictional, we, the readers, are able to learn, grow and celebrate. When we know better, we should do better, and I believe all Pandas learned something from *I Will Always Write Back*."



Seniors Named National Merit Commended Students

Four NDA seniors have been recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Program as Commended Students in the 67th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program, will be presented by NDA Principal Mr. Jack VonHandorf to Abigail Breeze, Macie Feldman, Grace Heberling and Samantha Mazzaro.

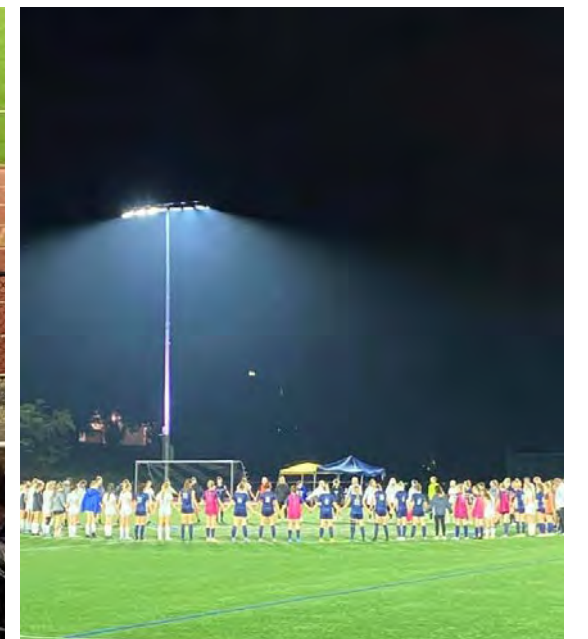
About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2022 competition by taking the 2020 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"The extraordinary academic opportunities for students at Notre Dame Academy give them the support and resources to be among the best and brightest in our state and nation," said Mr. VonHandorf. "Recognition as a National Merit Commended Student is one of the top academic honors a student can earn in high school. We congratulate these students on their commitment to academic excellence."



On Monday, September 20, the Notre Dame Academy community came together for Light Up NDA, an incredible night of soccer and Panda spirit under the dazzling new lights at NDA's Buenger Sports Complex. It was an exciting evening featuring NDA's fall athletes, Band, Dance Pandas and Honor Choir – not to mention NDA's nationally ranked Soccer Pandas!

NDA would like to extend a special thanks to everyone involved in making Light Up NDA such a fun and energetic evening for our community. There were many hands involved in making the debut of our new track and field lights such an incredible event for our NDA students, parents and grandparents. Thanks especially to the generous NDA family who donated the funds used to purchase our new sports complex lights. With this new light system, our student athletes are able to compete day and night and our fans are able to enjoy entertaining events at NDA – complete with cutting-edge special effects lighting and synchronized music. We look forward to seeing all of our students, alumnae, parents and friends at an upcoming evening event so we can light up NDA once again!



2021 Fall Sports Update

Soccer Takes State!

Soccer had an incredible season, going undefeated with a record of 28-0-1 and winning the KHSAA State Soccer Championship. They set KHSAA State records for most shutouts in a season, most wins in a season and fewest goals allowed in a season along with various school and individual records. Seniors Natalie Bain, Emma Spivey and Macie Feldman were all named to 1st Team All State and Region 1st team. Senior Eleanor Simkonis was named Honorable Mention All State and Region 1st Team. Senior Abby Breeze made the Region 2nd team. Natalie Bain was named Defensive Player of the Year for the Region and Head Coach Suli Kayed was named Region Coach of the Year. Amber Branum and Kennedy Clark were named to the All State Tournament team with Natalie Bain named the Tournament MVP.



SOCCER

Cross Country Team Makes Strides

During this cross country season everyone improved from the beginning. There were tons of PRs, and great practices. The team was dedicated and cared for one another and we are proud of the strides the team made this season. The team finished 7th at the Regional Meet with Adair Dooley and Clara Heberling qualifying for State. At State, both girls ran strong races! The course conditions weren't the best. It was a muddy mess, but the girls did not let that affect them. Dooley came in seeded 214 and finished 154. Heberling came in seeded 182 and finished 128. Congratulations on the season!



CROSS COUNTRY

Panda Golfers Make History

The Golf Pandas finished the season as the Region Runner up and 9th in the Kentucky All State Tournament. For the first time in school history all 5 varsity team members were named to the All Region Team! Hannah Rice, Clare Hooper, Natalie Lovell, and Didi Jiradamkerng all represented NDA at the KHSAA State tournament with Clare Hooper finishing tied for 39th.



GOLF



VOLLEYBALL

Successful Season for Volleyball

Volleyball finished the season as the Region runner up after falling to St. Henry in four sets in the Region Finals. Volleyball had a successful season finishing 3rd at LVIT and 2nd at the Asics McAuley Challenge. Junior Sydney Nolan was named to the 1st Team All State with Senior Emily Bently making 2nd Team All State.

“Playing for a Purpose” Takes Flight with Alumna’s Help

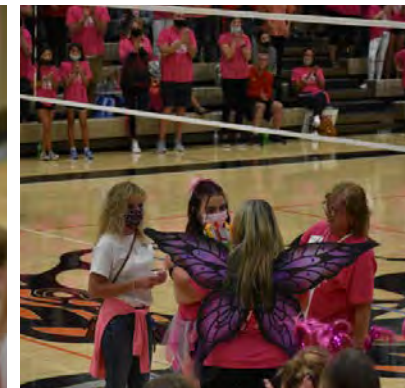
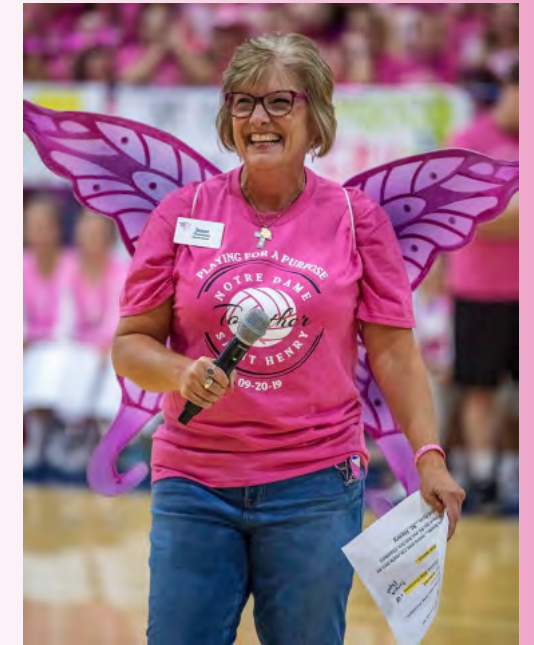
The NDA Pandas played the St. Henry Crusaders in the 14th annual *Playing For A Purpose* volleyball game on Friday, September 24, to a sold-out crowd at Ryle High School in Union, Kentucky. This game has benefited the *I Have Wings* Breast Cancer Foundation since its inaugural game in 2008.

Janet Annear Chambers, class of 1977, is the Executive Director and Founder of *I Have Wings*, which she started in 2002 after her own breast cancer diagnosis on her 40th birthday when she was a newlywed and mother of four children. Janet says her diagnosis brought her “a clear realization of her mission, vision and path on this earth.” Janet began the *I Have Wings* Foundation by reaching out to newly diagnosed breast cancer patients to provide emotional support. She also helped relieve burdens such as getting groceries, clothing, wigs and prosthetics. *I Have Wings* is dedicated to education and enriching the emotional and financial lives of those going through a breast cancer journey with various educational, speaking, and financial assistance programs.

Janet is a wonderful motivator at NDA's annual pep rally on the afternoon of the *Playing For A Purpose* volleyball game. She makes sure the students at her alma mater understand why playing this game means so much to those enduring breast cancer. She also makes the NDA students aware of breast care and prevention, important steps to help prevent a future diagnosis.

Janet has been recognized as a Breast Cancer Hero by Lifetime for Women and received the Marvin Lewis Survivor of the Year award in 2006, as well as the Power in Pink award in 2007.

One of the most significant awards for Janet was when she was named one of NDA's Women Making A Difference honorees in 2008, the year of the inaugural NDA vs. St. Henry *Playing For A Purpose* volleyball game. *I Have Wings* and NDA continually give back to each other as *I Have Wings* provides a scholarship to NDA each year that is given at the annual *Playing For A Purpose* game.



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:

Elizabeth Deye 1932
 Audrey Kathman Schmidt 1941
 Mary Jane Cardoso Buechel 1946
 Loretta DeJaco Tenhundfeld 1946
 Elizabeth "Betty" Jane Schultz Grollig 1947
 Ruth Sutton Mitchell 1947
 Jo Ann Fischer Mohr 1947
 Clara Betty Volpenhein McMannon 1948
 Margaret Molony Middendorf 1948
 Mary Kathleen "Kathy" Isphording Hanneken 1949
 Jacquelyn Kroeger Klaine 1949
 Joyce Beasley LeVan 1949
 Joan Hoepfner Schuck 1949
 Mary Cavanaugh 1950
 Margaret "Margie" Schroder Urlage 1951
 Barbara Goodwin Tuemler 1952
 Susan "Sue" Soden Korfhagen 1953
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 JoAnn Taylor Ballinger 1957
 Carole Moser Foltz 1957
 Mary Ruebusch Nagle 1957
 Bernadene Hempsted White 1957
 Susan Greis Lohre 1958
 Dianne Foltz Vollman 1959
 Joan Schreiber Pompilio 1961
 Kathleen Dunn Cahill 1963
 Carolyn Brandner Schmitz 1966
 Michele Sterling Williams 1968
 Deborah "Debbie" Tombragel Kasson 1969
 Sharon "Sharri" Ostendorf Singer 1981

Husband of:

Joan Schmeing Boehmer 1947
 Joan Evers Farmer 1949
 Catherine Doepker Grothaus 1951
 Patricia Kelley Kattenhorn 1953
 Joan Paolucci Ensminger 1954
 Joyce Kendle Fuller 1956
 Patricia Trenkamp Knapp 1961
 Darcy Alerding Doepker 1964
 Catherine Silbersack Erpenbeck 1964
 Linda Scully Bricking 1965
 Judy Zerhusen Schumacher 1966
 Cheryl Rechten Ankenbauer 1971

Mary Catherine Heringer Brooks 1971
 Rita Appel Smith 1971
 Erin Sweeney Janning 1975
 Natalie Foltz Deglow 1982
 Irene Boerger 1992

Mother of:

Mary Lee Mohr Schaffer 1970
 Pam Goetz Collett 1971
 Patricia Grollig Feldhaus 1971
 Jane Mohr Diamond 1973
 Donna Grollig White 1973
 Judy Lutz Helton 1974
 Dorothy Mohr Bhola 1975
 Julie Mitchell Haglage 1975
 Janie Lutz Behler 1976
 Annette Mohr Koehler 1976
 Lisa Mitchell Dorsey 1977
 Mary Bessler Murrin 1977
 Julie Rabe Glassmeyer 1978
 Linda Bessler Lorenz 1979
 Kathy Speakes McPherson 1979
 Maria Salazar 1979
 Susan Rabe Trenkamp 1979
 Nancy Hill Dowling 1980
 Andrea Foltz 1980
 Carolyn Mitchell Frondorf 1980
 Debbi Speakes Vogt 1980
 Amy Goetz Blanchet 1981
 Melinda Hegge Taylor 1981
 Julie Salazar Barnawi 1982
 Natalie Foltz Deglow 1982
 Susan Hemmer Neltner 1982
 Debbie Laker Sumpter 1982
 Sheryl Webster Watterson 1982
 Cindy Bessler Biecker 1983
 Maria Hegge Burquest 1983
 Laura Middendorf Niehaus 1983
 Lisa Hemmer Pieper 1984
 Stefanie Foltz Reid 1985
 Andrea Rabe Behne 1986
 Kristi Korfhagen Goins 1986
 Julie Pompilio Smith 1986
 Kara Benzinger Heck 1987
 Jean Pompilio Homes 1987
 Amy Foltz Chapman 1988
 Laura Hegge Hafer 1988
 Jenny Pompilio 1988
 Jenny Salazar MacDonald 1989
 Joanne Pompilio Russell 1989
 Gretchen Benzinger Traylor 1990
 Lisa Benzinger Atkins 1992
 Amy Schmitz Knuckles 1992
 Molly Middendorf Williams 1992
 Nicole Rabe Jordan 1994
 Molly Benzinger Murphy 1994
 Renee Williams Jones 1997
 Lindsay Foltz Link 2000
 Stacia Stroer 2000
 Amanda Nutini Hager 2009

Father of:

Christine Boehmer Hils 1971
 Paula Boehmer Adams 1972
 Paula Tipton Meihaus 1975
 Nancy Bertke Naber 1975
 Lynne Boehmer Stewart 1975
 Lisa Tipton Gillespie 1977
 Anna Rizzo Richardson 1977
 Debbie Deitschle Jones 1978
 Deana Deitschle Carnevale 1979
 Jenny Henn Quinlan 1979
 Rosie Rizzo Merkt 1980
 Monica Gieske Northcutt 1980
 Kim Tipton Worley 1980
 Mimi Gieske Pence 1982
 Tami Tipton Eckerle 1983
 Jill Gieske Shields 1984
 Lorrie Knapp Bosch 1985
 Kim Doepker Alford 1986
 Jane Donovan Daly 1986
 Jean Andrew Deters 1986
 Kathy Seggerson Gleason 1987
 Mary Lynne Donovan Hargan 1987
 Tanya Bricking Leach 1988
 Kristin Schumacher Salmons 1988
 Jennifer Andrew Wade 1988
 Anne Donovan 1989
 Carrie Doepker Harrity 1989
 Christie Doepker Ott 1989
 Julie Reinhart Turner 1989
 Tiffany Bricking Bennett 1992
 Veronica VanHerpe Parton 1992
 Janie Doepker Schwartz 1992
 Laura Krumpelman Schneider 1993
 Tara Bricking Carvalho 1994
 Missy Gish 1994
 Jamie Reinhart Gibson 1995
 Emily Brass Himonidis 1995
 Molly Donovan Holmes 1995
 Julie Seggerson Sisun 1996
 Teresa Roach Spencer 2003
 Stephanie Sonderman Mikalauskas 2005
 Mary Beth Smith 2009
 Claire Deglow 2012
 Paige Deglow 2016
 Skyler Campbell 2017
 Ana Kothandram 2022

Sister of:

Evelyn Kathman Lohr 1944
 Jean Schroder Melville 1950
 Ann Greis Fritz 1953
 Barbara Greis Hierholzer 1954
 Nancy Schroder Mallery 1955
 Verna Greis Haggerty 1956
 Sr. Mary Juanelle Thiel, SND 1957
 Rose Greis Kleier 1965
 Donna Taylor Mays 1967
 Mary Kay Sterling 1967
 Connie Schroth Drews 1969
 Michelle Greis Stallmeyer 1970
 Gemma Sterling Zembrodt 1970
 Nancy Schroth Hicks 1971
 Karen Schroth Washburn 1973
 Molly Cassidy 1974

Sister of (continued):

Peggy Schroth Graue 1975
 Jan Sterling Zembrodt 1976
 Theresa Schroth Cason 1979
 Lori Ostendorf Martin 1979
 Mary Pat Sterling Lewis 1980
 Linda Brandner Berger 1981
 Mary Jo Schroth Duffy 1981

Brother of:

Rita Sturm Blank 1949
 Dori Donovan Altenau 1954
 Annie Schumacher Mize 1958
 Blanche Donovan Glenn 1959
 Donna Middendorf McMurrer 1960
 Kathy Kohorst 1963
 Paula Middendorf Wood 1963
 Linda Zerhusen Bohart 1965
 Marcia Kohorst 1966
 Carol Zerhusen Holthaus 1967
 Charlotte Kohorst McDermott 1969
 Jean Bricking Wash 1970
 Kathy Lemker Wenstrup 1970
 Rose Toerner Orzali 1971
 Janet Lemker Arlinghaus 1972
 Julie Schaeper Thompson 1972
 Karen Arrasmith Baille 1975
 Susan Lemker Copenbaker 1977
 Denise Toerner Kersting 1979
 Kim Arrasmith Garnick 1980
 Linda Lemker Sherman 1984
 Paige Griffin 2019

Daughter of:

Debbie Barth Cahill 1972

Son of:

Barbara Johns Sutton 1955
 Nancy Klug Deglow 1958

Honorariums

In Honor of **Class of 1961**
 by: Pat DeVore Augur '61

In Honor of **Class of 1971**
 by: Patti Ann Hilgefert '71
 Sally Moser Soderlund '71
 Patricia Summe '71
 Lynn Rice Toner '71

In Honor of **Greg Cerimele and 25 years of band at NDA and CCH - Your Spirit Makes a Difference!**
 by: The Hehman Family - Luke, Laura Petroze '81, Louie, Hank, Maggie '13, Audrey '13 and Maria '13

In Honor of **My dear sweet sisters... May you continue to let your light shine bright**
 by: Erica Otto

In Honor of **Mick and Marianne Toebe Burke's '66 50th Wedding Anniversary**
 by: Greg and Kathy Toebe
 In Honor of **Sr. Mary Paul Ann Hanneken's, SND '50 Retirement**
 by: Nancy Berger Locke '78
 Colleen Read '67

In Honor of **Dr. Laura Dickman Koehl '75**
 by: Michele Revell Johnson '71

In Honor of **Kara Read Marino '85**
 by: Rick and Charlotte Read

In Honor of **Mary Ann Egi Muck's '64 Retirement**
 by: Sue Kremer Bennings '64

In Honor of **Janice Glindmeyer Neltner '58**
 by: Dr. Scott Neltner

In Honor of **Sr. Mary Rachel Nerone's, SND '54 Retirement**
 by: Nancy Berger Locke '78
 Colleen Read '67

In Honor of **Lauri Ann Read '83**
 by: Rick and Charlotte Read

In Memoriam

In Memory of **Living and Deceased Members of the Class of 1961**
 by: Marie Brue Shields '61

In Memory of Class of 1984: **Shelley Hou-sley, Jenny Janszen, Beth Kappes, Anne Roebker**
 by: Caroline Kuhlman Halloran '84

In Memory of **JoAnn Taylor Ballinger '57**
 by: Carol Wulfbeck Ruwe '57

In Memory of **Helen Harvey Barbara '40**
 by: Fran Barbara Nieporte '68

In Memory of **Linda Benzinger**
 by: Judy Berger Collins '68
 Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox '72

In Memory of **Gertrude (Trudy) Ruedebusch Bezold '55**
 by: Carol Vogt Dragan '55
 Arlene Bergfeld Sullivan '55

In Memory of **Madeleine Kohus Bond**
 by: Roger and Barb Luken

In Memory of **Tom Bricking**
 by: Michele Revell Johnson '71
 Ronnie Brandner Mitchell '61

In Memory of **Mary Jane Cardoso Buechel '46**
 by: Ruth Scheve Schnurr '46
 Joanne Brungs Schuler '46

In Memory of **Marilyn Vogelmann Butler '56**
 by: Ruth Ann Voet '56

In Memory of **Mary Cavanaugh '50**
 by: Elaine Bauereis '50
 In Memory of **Bob Cox**
 by: Dick and Jimmie Berger

In Memory of **Cindy Foltz Culbertson '71**
 by: Chris Foltz Middendorf '66

In Memory of **Jeff DeGlow**
 by: Sherrill Vocke Remke '63

In Memory of **Sr. Mary Emmanuel Ehman, SND '32**
 by: Richard and Barbara Ehman Zimmer '55

In Memory of **Anna Marie Evans '49**
 by: Sue Kremer Bennings '64

In Memory of **Lois Schuett Fahey '52**
 by: Perry Hinkle

In Memory of **Ruth Kleier Faragher '43**
 by: Sherry Edelbroich Himmeler '66
 Chip and Joyce Tappan

In Memory of **Carole Ann Moser Foltz '57**
 by: Sherrill Vocke Remke '63
 Carol Wulfbeck Ruwe '57
 Carol Schneider Smith '58

In Memory of **Janice Kuntz Gastright '55**
 by: Carol Vogt Dragan '55
 Arlene Bergfeld Sullivan '55

In Memory of **Christina Gerdes**
 by: Rita Gerdes Garrett '76

In Memory of **Mary Margaret (Margie) Geise Goetz '38**
 by: Judy Berger Collins '68
 Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox '72

In Memory of **Mary Kathleen (Kathi) Neil Good '69**
 by: Kathleen Noonan '69

In Memory of **Janet Kentrup Grimes '46**
 by: Leslie Grosser '77

In Memory of **Elizabeth (Betty Jane) Schultz Grollig '47**
 by: Ethel Mae Bohman Brungs '47

In Memory of **Olive Kentrup Grosser '53**
 by: Leslie Grosser '77

In Memory of **Mary Kathleen "Kathy" Isphording Hanneken '49**
 by: Anonymous
 James and Donna Bambach
 Charlotte Curl
 Robert and Heather Flick
 Neil and Jennifer Hanneken
 Sally Koester
 Bill Lammert Family
 Jenny Liming
 Ruth Blau McGoron '61
 Mary Ann Menke
 Mark and Patricia Mershon
 Jim and Linda Webster Niewahner '62

In Memoriam cont.

Michael and Beverly O'Brien
The O'Connor Family
Maryann Pietromonaco
Mark and Kimberly Pohovey
Bill and Mary Ellen Mohr Ries '54
Bonnie Robben
Thomas and Peggy Ruwe
Diane, Jake, Katie and Anna Schoster
Mark and Kim Schutte
Mark and Mary Schwager
Tim and Rita Spicker
Brian and Melissa Stautberg
Jay and Judi Stautberg
Jim and Anita Stautberg
Daniel and Patti O'Brien Steinmetz '70
Debbie Stemler
Bill and Pat Stetter
Norma Swink's Family
Thomas and Amy Swink
Joan Tollefsen
Mike and Anne Weyer

In Memory of **Paul and Mary Kathleen**
"Kathy" **Isphording Hanneken '49**
by: Joe and Nancy Stratman

In Memory of **Joan Hegge**
by: Margaret Butler

In Memory of **Mary Hemmer**
by: Betty Messingschlager Hummel '66

In Memory of **Caryl Schuett Hinkle '49**
by: Perry Hinkle

In Memory of **Deborah (Debbie) Tombragel**
Kasson '69
by: Carol Trimpe Bogaczyk '69
Shelley Wills Goetz '69

In Memory of **Carl Kattenhorn**
by: Marjorie Kuchle Hartmann '53

In Memory of **Susan "Sue Soden Korfhagen '53**
by: Sharon Allen
Dot Doehman Decker '50
George and Marcy Deitmaring
Tom and Sandy Bayless Gleeson '62
Marjorie Kuchle Hartmann '53
Chris Jacober '82
Gerry Kreutzjans
Esther McArter
Bob and Nancy Rece
Lois Rolfsen
Walter Witt
David and Carrie Wright
Pat and Charlene Zembrodt '70

In Memory of **Mary Laker**
by: Ann Boitman Cain '82

In Memory of **Helen Pauly Lampke '45**
by: Linda Lampke Gormley '70

In Memory of **Susan (Sue) Greis Lohre '58**
by: Bill and Elaine Kohlhepp
Carol Schneider Smith '58

In Memory of **Phyllis Haas Megerle '57**
by: Annette McNeill Berberich '57
Carolyn Stutler Braun '57
Carol Keuper '57
Rose Knochelmann Lankisch '57
Harriet Harms Mueller '57
Marilyn Meyer Richardson '57
Margaret Duval Schrimpf '57
Judy Toebbe Schulte '57
Mary Jo Suetholz Toebbe '57
Rose Klatte Wilson '57

In Memory of **Margaret Malony Middendorf '48**
by: George and Amy Wurtenberger Beck '78
Thomas Bischoff
Ken and Mary Ann DeGregory and Daughters
Dave and Karen Drees
Jeanne McKinley Dressman '48
Joe and Mary Ann Fischer
Jane Gillem
Stephen and Barbara Blanchet Goderwis '83
Gretchen Hils '77
Marian Schneider Hoffman '50
Marilyn McCabe
Stephen and Jane Meier
Stew and Joy Riche
Ray and Cathy Rueter
Greg and Mary Beth Ward
Maria Siemer Whitehead '78
Tom Wigger
Joan Deye Wurtenberger '48

In Memory of **Marlene Darpel Miller '66**
by: Sherry Edelbroich Himmler '66

In Memory of **Ruth Sutton Mitchell '47**
by: Ethel Mae Bohman Brungs '47

In Memory of **Jo Ann Fischer Mohr '47**
by: Ethel Mae Bohman Brungs '47
Martha Fielding Cicci '73
Rosemary Schreiber Fischer '73
Margaret Hardebeck '73

In Memory of **Kathryn Nutini**
by: Taffy Cahill Hebbeler '79

In Memory of **J. Christopher Pitstick**
by: Bryan Burke

In Memory of **Rosalie Ann Reid**
by: Don and Sharon Rueter Thelen '67

In Memory of **Marianne Scheper**
by: Nancy Berger Locke '78

In Memory of **Carolyn Brandner Schmitz '66**
by: Sherry Edelbroich Himmler '66
Betty Messingschlager Hummel '66

In Memory of **Ruth Finke Schulte '42**
by: Linda Schulte Haskins '66

In Memory of **Colette Stratman Sharp '56**
by: Ruth Ann Voet '56

In Memory of **Thomas Stanken**
by: Phyllis Nienaber Stanken '50

In Memory of **Loretta DeJaco Tenhundfeld '46**
by: Bill and Barb Miller
Ruth Scheve Schnurr '46
Joanne Brungs Schuler '46

In Memory of **Paul Tipton**
by: Bernie and Donna Schwartz Wessels '79
Walter and Martha Meyers Witt '54

In Memory of **Edward Vocke**
by: Barbara Vocke '59

In Memory of **Mary Fischer Wigger '43**
by: Connie Wigger Aylor '67

In Memory of **Michele Sterling Williams '68**
by: Judy Berger Collins '68
Jayne Collins '95
Barb Fritz '68
Steve and Carol Fischer Smith '61
Dick and Jeanne-Marie Tapke
Mark and Cathy Berger Wilcox '72
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Sports of All Sorts Pickleball Family
Steve Williams
Nick and Kathy Wolff

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June 1, 2021 - October 1, 2021. 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.

Advancing the Mission

Class of 1981 Empowerment of Women Scholarship Supports Student Programming at NDA



Photo left to right: Kelly Quinn Hitter, Sue Wehrman and Janet VonHandorf Schmidt

The NDA class of 1981 Empowerment of Women Scholarship, under the leadership of Kelly Quinn Hitter, Vicky Kathman Hartman, and Janet VonHandorf Schmidt, has continued to impact students and student programming since 2007. This student scholarship initially began as a tribute to their deceased classmate, Missy Montgomery Thompson. However, as time went by, the name was changed to honor all deceased members of their class.

In honor of their 40th class reunion, the scholarship team made the decision to broaden the scope of the scholarship fund. First, they wanted to partner with classmate, Sue Wehrman, who has developed and conducts an NDA Summer leadership workshop series. This scholarship will help to fund this series. In addition, the scholarship will help provide funding for other specific programming (Green Dot and Drug Free Clubs of America) in the Student Services Department.

"I am extremely proud of our class for working so diligently through donations and fundraising efforts to have brought this scholarship to fruition in 2007," said Kelly Quinn Hitter. "I think the changes to how we use the fund brings it into a better focus while keeping with the initial spirit of empowering all the students." Kelly added "I encourage and challenge other classes to start your own class fund!"

Each year, 4.25% of the interest generated in the fund is used to sponsor the identified needs. The balance of the fund remains and will live into perpetuity. If you or your class is interested in learning more information about creating or funding a class scholarship, please contact Nancy Goeke, Director of Major Gifts and Events at 859.292.1851 or goeken@ndapandas.org.

A Loving Legacy

The Melvin and Mary Lueke Family Scholarship

Providing their five children a Catholic education was very important to my parents, Mary and Melvin Lueke, even if that meant sacrificing to afford tuition. Because of my parents' strong commitment to Catholic education, I was the beneficiary of an outstanding Notre Dame Academy education. It was a wonderful experience that prepared me well for my future and nurtured friendships that have enriched my life for over forty years.

My mother continues to support Catholic education and it is important to me to carry on my parents' legacy by establishing the Melvin and Mary Lueke Family Scholarship at Notre Dame Academy. I hope the scholarship will enable future recipients to access NDA's outstanding Catholic education. I am filled with gratitude for my parents, the Sisters of Notre Dame, the many dedicated faculty and staff of NDA and my lifelong friends for making my time at NDA such a positive experience.

*Melissa Lueke
Class of 1981*



Won't You Consider... NDA's Scholarship Program

Have you ever thought of setting up a family scholarship? Scholarship donors are highly valued members of the Notre Dame Academy community. Not only do they provide scholarships and grants to extend educational opportunities to students at NDA; they also create a legacy to preserve their names in grateful memory. A family scholarship is a wonderful way to honor a loved one or family into perpetuity.

A named scholarship may be established with a minimum gift of \$20,000. These monies become part of the Endowment Fund, which is invested to generate income. Annually, 4.25 % 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. For further information regarding the establishment of perpetual scholarships and endowments, please contact Nancy Goeke, Director of Major Gifts and Events, at 859.292.1851 or goeken@ndapandas.org.

The following is a list of current endowed and pass-through Scholarships at Notre Dame Academy:

Ruby E. Afterkirk Scholarship
Sister Mary Agnetis Scholarship Fund
Art and Rita Arlinghaus Scholarship
Sr. Mary Reina Arlinghaus Scholarship
Sr. Mary Shauna Bankemper Leadership Scholarship Fund
Baumgartner / St. Paul Scholarship*
Thomas & Maydie Berger Scholarship
Dr. Carl and Carol Brueggemann Scholarship
Clem and Ann McCabe Buenger Scholarship Grant
Mary Burroughs Scholarship
Butler Family Scholarship*
Catholic Leadership Scholarship*
Emily Sin Man Chun Scholarship
Sr. Mary Clareta Memorial Scholarship
Class of 1981 Empowerment of Women Scholarship
Elmer B. and Ruth C. Maschinot Cleves Scholarship
Sr. Mary Virginia Ann Cleves Scholarship
Vivian C. and Laverne Patsy Maschinot Cleves Scholarship
Cindy Foltz Culbertson Scholarship Grant
Sara Tepe and Celia Deters Scholarship
Lori Toebbe Doughty '88 Scholarship*
Doyle Mother of God Scholarship
Ruth B. Earle Elan Scholarship
Eva G. Farris Scholarship Fund
John and Eva Goeke Scholarship
The Annie Gregory Scholarship
Molly Brennan Grosser Memorial Scholarship
Sue Gunkel Scholarship
Gary and Taffy Cahill Hebbeler Family Scholarship
Guy Hollenkamp Scholarship

I Have Wings Scholarship*
John Paul II Gospel of Life Scholarship
Rosemary Kahmann Scholarship
Kerl Family Scholarship
Dr. Robert T. and Jean Schmidt Longshore Scholarship
Annette T. Lucas Urban Education Scholarship
Melvin and Mary Lueke Family Scholarship
Katherine Lukey Melillo Scholarship
Gamel Otto Scholarship
Charles and Anna Bauereis Pulsfort Scholarship
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Catherine Northcutt Stratman Scholarship
George and Maureen Thelen Scholarship
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Anne Roebker Van Kirk Scholarship
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Robert and Loraine VonHandorf Scholarship Grant
VonLehman Family Scholarship
Zalla Scholarship Fund

*Denotes Pass-Through Scholarship

Become a Notre Dame Academy Corporate Sponsor

Would you or your business like to become an NDA Corporate Sponsor? As a sponsor of Notre Dame Academy, you are sending a message that your brand is strongly aligned with our mission to educate young women to make a difference in the world. Your corporate sponsorship supports and invests in the lives of young women and future leaders in our community.

As a corporate partner with us, you will also have the opportunity to showcase your product and increase exposure to local consumers. You will be featured at the three major fundraising events sponsored by Notre Dame Academy: The Women Making a Difference Luncheon, the Annual Golf Outing, and the Autumn Gala. Depending on the level of sponsorship, you will receive incentives such as foursomes of golf, tickets to the Women Making A Difference award luncheon and the Autumn Gala, and appreciation gifts.

Each level of sponsorship also includes marketing and promotional opportunities such as the NDA web page, the weekly parent newsletter, and various forms of social media. As a partner with Notre Dame Academy, you will experience important business and corporate opportunities with other professionals like yourself.

For more information about how you or your company can become a corporate sponsor for 2022, please contact Denise Bowman, Director of Development at 859.292.1849 or bowmand@ndapandas.org. Special thanks to our NDA Corporate Sponsors for 2021. You can find a complete listing of our 2021 NDA Corporate Sponsors on page 48.

Forever NDA

A LEGACY SOCIETY
FOR
NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

Leaving A Legacy... Forever NDA Legacy Society

While so many people generously invest in our students during their lives, a planned gift ensures an investment for the future. Leaving a financial gift to Notre Dame Academy is a wonderful way to leave a legacy.

The Notre Dame Academy Forever NDA Legacy Society is being established to recognize individuals who have included NDA in their estate plans. This can be done in the form of Bequests, Life Insurance, IRA's, Charitable Remainder Trusts, or Real Estate.

As a member of the Legacy Society, you can be assured that your gift will help secure quality education for future generations of NDA students. In addition:

- Your name will be included on a Legacy Recognition plaque that will be prominently displayed in Heritage Hall.
- You will receive a keepsake pin that you can wear proudly to display your membership in the Legacy Society.
- You will be recognized in the Notre Dame Academy Annual Report.
- You will be invited to Legacy Society and Marian Circle annual events.
- Above all, you and your family will be remembered in weekly Masses by the Sisters of Notre Dame.

If Notre Dame Academy is already in your will, trust or other estate plans, we humbly say, "Thank you!" Please let us know about your plans because it helps NDA plan for the future. Contact Nancy Goeke, Director of Major Gifts and Events at 859.292.1851 or goeken@ndapandas.org for further information about the Notre Dame Academy Legacy Society.

Is Notre Dame Academy currently in your will or estate plans?

Would you like more information regarding the Forever NDA Legacy Society?

Please fill out this form and mail it to:

Notre Dame Academy
Nancy Goeke - Director of Major Gifts and Events
1699 Hilton Drive
Park Hills, KY 41011

I have remembered Notre Dame Academy in my estate plans.

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

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY AUTUMN Gala

Celebrating the Mission of NDA

Special thanks to our Notre Dame Academy community for supporting this year's 2021 Autumn Gala! It was a wonderful celebration of parents, alumnae, business partners and friends coming together with one goal in mind - provide much-needed financial resources for Notre Dame Academy. It goes without saying that it takes many hands and countless hours to create and execute an event such as the Gala. Thanks to the amazing Executive committee who worked tirelessly for months. Thanks also to the generous donors and sponsors who supported the Gala through the Panda Paw, major raffle, online bidding, specialty raffles and games and more. We are truly able to make a difference in the lives of our young women at Notre Dame Academy because of their generosity.



A special thank you to our Event Sponsors and the over 200 individuals and businesses who supported the 2021 Autumn Gala.

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At Notre Dame Academy, our students are at the heart of all that we do. We are grateful to witness first hand the energy and enthusiasm they exhibit as they actively engage in their high school experience at NDA. In order for Notre Dame Academy to continue to be a successful student-centered community, we must ensure that an NDA education is accessible to all those young women who will not only succeed at Notre Dame Academy, but also use their Catholic education to make a difference in the world.

We recognize tuition is a significant, sacrificial expenditure for families; however, we ask for additional contributions to the school, specifically to the Annual Fund, because tuition is set at only 80% of the true cost of education. Each NDA student benefits from this tuition gap of \$2,420. Contributions to the Notre Dame Academy Annual Fund help fill this funding gap and allow us to continue to provide a premiere Catholic education to the young women of our community.

Please join us in our mission to educate young women to make a difference in the world by prayerfully considering a donation to the 2021-22 Notre Dame Academy Annual Fund. Visit www.ndapandas.org/support-nda to donate online, or use the remittance envelope provided in the centerfold of this issue of The Notre Damain.

Your gift will help “fill the gap” and ensure access to a Catholic education at NDA by directly supporting our students. The NDA community will feel the positive impact of your investment today for many years to come.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of Notre Dame Academy!

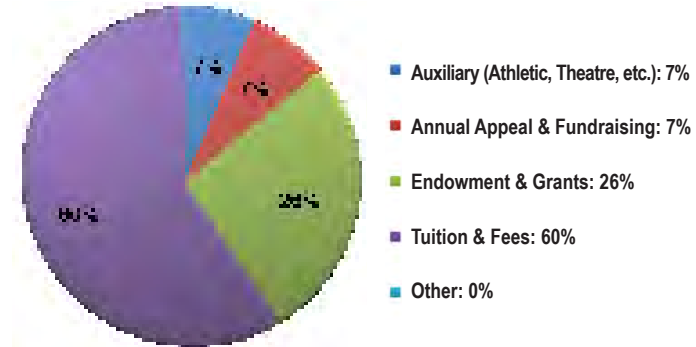
Help “fill the gap” and make Catholic education more accessible and available to students at Notre Dame Academy.
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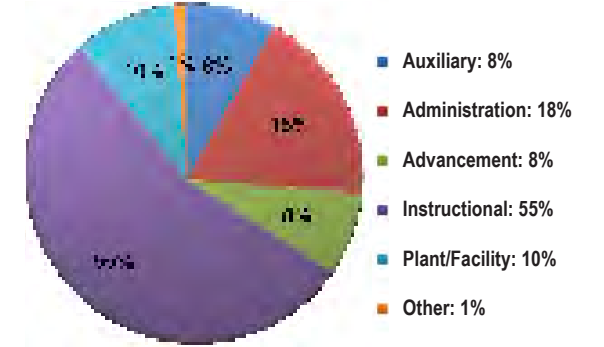
NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

2020-21 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 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 2020-21 school year, over 33% of our students received some form of tuition assistance. Your Annual Appeal dollars help make that possible.

Tuition Assistance	\$339,506
Work-Study Program	\$191,664
Academic Scholarships	\$87,250
Endowed Tuition Grants	\$127,650
NDA/CCH Siblings and Multiple Daughters Programs	\$81,350
Renewable Grants	\$55,000
Pass Through/Other Scholarships	\$30,459

FAMILY/NAMED SCHOLARSHIP Creating a Legacy

Notre Dame 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 more than 45 named scholarships and grants.

Establishing a named scholarship is a wonderful way to honor an individual or group, while at the same time, providing essential student tuition assistance through academic and need-based scholarships. Because our scholarships continue in perpetuity, every year deserving 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 Nancy Goeke, Director of Major Gifts and Events, at 859.292.1851 or goeken@ndapandas.org. The following is the list of scholarships currently established at NDA.

Scholarship Donors

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

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Academics

Class of 2021: 130 Graduates

- Graduation Rate: 100%
- Completed 9,013 hours of service
- Average ACT Score: 25.2
- Enrolled in 4-year College: 126 (97%)
- Enrolled in 2-year College: 3 (2%)
- Enrolled in Kentucky Colleges: 55 (41%)
- Enrolled in Out-of-State Colleges: 71 (55%)
- Offered a College Scholarship: 125 (96%) *Includes Scholarships from Colleges, Private Scholarships, Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarships
- Accepted a College Scholarship: 105 (80%) *Includes Scholarships from Colleges, Private Scholarships, Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarships
- Accepted Scholarship(s) covering at least half-tuition at college attending: 63 (48%)
- Total Scholarship Amount Offered : \$18,582,407
- AP Scholar: 6 (Scored 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams)
- AP Scholars with Honors: 6 (Received an average score of at least 3.25 or higher on all AP Exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on four or more exams)
- AP Scholars with Distinction: 1 (Received an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams)
- Kentucky Governor's Scholar Program Recipients: 4
- Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts Recipients: 3
- Kentucky Governor's School for Entrepreneurs Recipients: 1

Student Awards

- 4 National Merit Commended Students
- 7 Governor's Scholars Program (GSP)
- 9 Governor's School for the Arts in Visual Art (GSA)
- 3 Governor's School for Entrepreneurs (GSE)
- 1 - Commonwealth Honors Academy (CHA)
- 7 - Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY)
- 20 AP Scholar Awards
- 12 AP Scholar Awards with Honor
- 5 AP Scholar Awards with Distinctions

English Department Awards

NDA Students won a total of 18 Scholastic Writing Competition Awards:

- 1 Gold Key Award
 - 5 Silver Key Awards
 - 12 Honorable Mention Awards
- Mt. St. Joseph Creative Writing Contest
- 1 Honorable Mention in Fiction

History Department Awards

- 1 KY High School Mock Trial, State #1 witness
- 1 KY High School Mock Trial, State #6 witness

Business and Technology Department Awards

- 4 Governor's School for Entrepreneurs
- 2 First Place FBLA, Kentucky State Conference
- 3 Second Place FBLA, Kentucky State Conference
- 2 Third Place FBLA, Kentucky State Conference
- 1 Fifth Place FBLA, Kentucky State Conference

World Language Department Awards:

- 3 National Latin Exam National Level, Cum Laude
- 5 National Latin Exam National Level, Magna Cum Laude
- 3 National Latin Exam National Level, Silver Medal Maxima Cum Laude

*Please note: due to COVID-19 and remote learning, students were unable to take the National French and Spanish Exams in 2020-21.

Science Department Awards

- 1 Kentucky Science and Engineering Fair, 4th Place, Earth and Environmental Science
- 1 Kentucky Science and Engineering Fair, 2nd Place, Engineering Mechanics
- 1 SEFNK, Best of Fair
- 1 Mu Alpha Theta Award, Mathematics Honor Society, SEFNK
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place in Environmental Management
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place, Environmental Science
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place, Behavioral and Social Science
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place, Materials and Bioengineering
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place, Medicine and Health Sciences
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place overall in Life Sciences
- 1 SEFNK, 2nd Place overall in Life Sciences
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place overall in Physical Sciences
- 1 SEFNK, 1st Place, Microbiology
- 1 SEFNK, 2nd Place, Microbiology
- 1 Stockholm Junior Water Prize Regional Award, SEFNK
- 2 Thomas More College Scholarship Award, SEFNK

Service

Served 50 agencies
(15 weekly through junior service program)

3,440 hours of service logged into Mobile Serve from June 1, 2020 - June 1, 2021 (All grade levels included)

Types of Service

NDA service includes working with young children, tutoring grade school students, working with those who are mentally and physically challenged, 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

- Sophomores & Juniors completed a project of their own design that was between 3-5 hours of direct or indirect service work in the community.
- Seniors created their own service projects ranging from 2 hours to 50+ hours. They were challenged to find a way they wanted to make a difference in the world and then put it into action. Seniors created projects working with kids, people experiencing homelessness, Youth sports, Mary Rose Mission, Environmental justice projects, Notre Dame Urban Education Center and so much more.

Student Fundraising

- Students collected \$7,842.21 that was donated to various international, national, and local agencies/causes.
- Students collected over 3,706 items for donations to various local agencies.

*Please note: due to COVID-19 we were not in person in order to hold our normal collections at the end of 2020. Also, many of the non-profit agencies were not reopened to youth volunteers. While we encouraged students to take part in service projects that were not at non-profits (and many of them did) they didn't necessarily record them in Mobile Serve so the hours listed above only reflect what was logged - but most projects were not required to be logged on Mobile Serve as they were not with Non-Profit Organizations.

Fine Arts

- 10 GSA nominees (3 Architecture and Design, 2 Dance, 2 Drama, 2 Visual Arts, 1 Vocal Music)
- 1 GSA alternate (Visual Arts)
- 3 GSA alumnae (3 Visual Arts)
- 2 Scholastic Gold Keys for Visual Arts
- 1 Scholastic Honorable Mention for Digital Art
- 1 Scholastic Honorable Mention for Photography
- 2 Scholastic Honorable Mentions for Visual Arts

Guidance

- 4 National Merit Commended Students
- 20 AP Scholar Awards
- 12 AP Scholar Awards with Honor
- 5 AP Scholar Awards with Distinction
- 45 Outstanding Behavior Recognition Award
- 43 President's Education Award Outstanding Academic Achievement
- 59 President's Education Award Outstanding Academic Excellence

Athletics

- 13 sports
- 297 Student Athletes (**Total number of Athletes dropped during COVID-19 due to smaller rosters and some chose not to participate*)
- 9 students continuing their athletic careers in college
- 4 District Championships, 3 Regional Runners-Up, and 2 Regional Championships, 1 State Champion, 1 Individual State Champion
- Average Student Athlete GPA: 3.983

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Thank you to everyone who generously supported our 2020-21 Annual Fund, scholarship funds and other NDA funds throughout the year. Every year we seek to raise funds that supplement the difference between tuition and the cost of educating each student (approximately \$2420 per student). 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 participation and support make all the difference! (Capital Campaign funds are reported separately.)

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Earlier this year, Notre Dame Academy announced the launch of the *Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken and Sister Mary Rachel Nerone Fund: Serving Our Mission | Securing our Future*. This building fund is a central component of NDA's strategic plan: *Building Leaders Through Transformative Education*. This important fund continues NDA's legacy of responding to the needs of the time and planning for the future. This building fund includes an endowment which will protect tuition dollars and revenues in the future by enabling NDA to avoid deferred maintenance and capitalize on cost saving efficiencies. The fund will allow NDA to execute a 10-year plan to proactively address ongoing building updates and maintenance needs to ensure safe, clean and contemporary learning environments at Notre Dame Academy.

Sister Mary Paul Ann and Sister Mary Rachel are near and dear to the hearts of everyone in the NDA community and this building fund is an excellent opportunity for NDA alumnae, parents, past parents and friends to say "thank you" to these two very deserving women. Through the Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken and Sister Mary Rachel Nerone Fund, we will be able to ensure that Notre Dame Academy will continue to be in existence and to provide an excellent education for many generations of young women to come. This building fund powerfully supports NDA's commitment to academic excellence and mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world.

Thanks to the generous donors listed below we have reached 52% of our \$3 million goal of the *Sister Mary Paul Ann Hanneken and Sister Mary Rachel Nerone Fund: Serving Our Mission | Securing our Future* building fund. If you would like to honor Sr. Paul Ann and Sr. Mary Rachel with a gift to the building fund, please contact Nancy Goeke at 859.292.1851.

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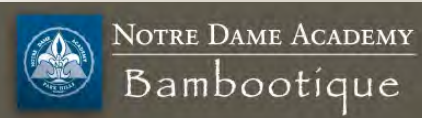
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Welcome Freshman Legacies

NDA is proud to be an educational institution attended by generations from the same family tree. Legacy students make up a sizable population on our campus in part because of the incredible experience NDA has provided to so many young women over the years. The Notre Dame Academy experience tends to be passed from mothers to daughters, from grandmothers to granddaughters and beyond. It is important to know that sisters, mothers, aunts, grandmothers and great-grandmothers all qualify as legacy connections at NDA. We welcomed several Class of 2025 Student Legacies to Notre Dame Academy in the Summer 2021 issue of the Notre Damian and we would like to extend a warm welcome to one more of our freshman legacies:

Morgan Russell Mom: Rebecca Thomas Russell 1999, Sister: Madison Russell 2023, Aunts: Elizebeth Thomas 1997, Michelle Thomas Joseph 2003, Julie Thomas 2007, Great-Aunt: Sr. Marla Monohan, SND 1967, Grandmother: Frances Monohan Thomas 1970



Online Bambootique

NDA's spirit shop, The Bambootique, is open for in-person or online shopping! In-person hours are 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Shop anytime online for Panda gear, apparel and specialty items at <https://bambootique.ndapandas.org/>

Look for special upcoming discounts and holiday hours for your Christmas shopping pleasure on the Notre Dame Academy and Notre Dame Academy Alumnae Facebook pages.

And the winner is...

Congratulations to the class of 1986 on winning the Alumnae Class Competition in this year's Autumn Gala Panda Payout Raffle! They won both categories of highest participation percentage of raffle tickets purchased per class and the highest dollar amount of tickets sold.

The classes of 1970 and 1968 stayed in first and second place for most of the competition in the category of highest dollar amount of tickets sold. The classes of 1940, 1946 and 1948 stayed in the lead for highest participation percentage. Both categories saw the class of 1986 come from behind during the final last days. Weekly tallies of the top 3 classes in each category were posted on the Notre Dame Academy Alumnae Facebook page.

The alumnae participants of the winning class of 1986 who purchased a raffle ticket on or before October 16 received a gift card which was mailed to each participant. This contest allowed our alumnae classes to enjoy a friendly competition while showing their class spirit and Panda pride.

Congratulations class of 1986!

ALUMNAE MENTORING

The 2021-22 Alumnae Mentoring Program began in mid-October with 73 student mentees being paired with 70 alumnae mentors. The student mentees are juniors and seniors who were accepted into this program based on an application they completed this past summer.

Each student mentee was paired with an alumnae mentor based on their top three career choices of a career industry they expressed interest. The alumnae mentors help guide these students as they navigate their college choices, their anticipated major, and the various career choices to which they are introduced. The mentors and mentees communicate monthly throughout the year. This year will be a bit more normal as in-person meetings per COVID-19 protocols are being followed. The same COVID-19 protocols apply for any job shadowing opportunities a mentor's place of business may allow this year.

The mentees enjoy getting to know the mentors and catching glimpses of how a typical day may occur in their career. The Alumnae Mentor Program also offers two Group Mentoring Sessions with presentations, interactions, and discussions of various workplace topics throughout the year.



Spreading Sunshine with Flowers

Emily Ryan, class of 2013, was recently featured on local TV and radio stations for spreading sunshine to many healthcare workers and patients by using leftovers from her business. She is the owner of Petal and Stem, a floral business dedicated to giving back. Her reason for creating her business was two-fold: she loves helping people and loves beautiful flower arrangements.

Her mom influenced Emily to start her own business since she grew up always watching her mom in the garden. Emily learned the "therapeutic art of gardening" and loved how her mom "could turn anything simple into something absolutely beautiful." She also witnessed her mom always going above and beyond for many people over the years, which Emily says was instilled in her at an early age.

Emily always has many leftovers after creating her bouquets throughout the day and wanted to give back to the healthcare industry which has done so much for her. She not only brightens the days of many healthcare workers, but hospital patients as well. She follows hospital rules, yet is able to personally deliver her flowers to hospital patients and visit with them. She wants "to bring a bright light to their hospital stay."

Emily understands a little about what patients are going through during hospital stays. She was diagnosed with a benign mass on her spinal cord at age nineteen which still requires ongoing medical maintenance. "I have met so many amazing caregivers from doctors to nurses and everyone in between. They always make my days brighter." Emily feels very blessed to have had such wonderful experiences with her health and wants to keep paying it forward. "I want to be a part of life's happiest moments for my customers and touch as many lives as possible. My love of gardening and flowers is now something that can reach people other than myself."

One visit she made while delivering her flowers still stands out to her. A woman had been in the hospital for almost a month with no visitors due to COVID-19. She told Emily that having someone to listen to her stories and sit with her was so touching. Emily recalls, "She wanted as many flowers as I could give her, so she ended up with two large vases in her room! It was so wonderful to see her smile and have a visitor." Emily realized that many patients don't have family in the area or visitors are limited to COVID-19, so it brings her great joy to brighten their hospital rooms. Emily's acts of kindness are truly making a difference in many lives.

The most rewarding part of Emily's Petal and Stem business is connecting to the community. She loves seeing so many NDA students and alumnae at various floral events she has held through her business. She looks forward to seeing many more alumnae out in the community.

NDA alumnae had the chance to learn the art of floral arranging directly from Emily just in time for the holidays. The NDA Alumnae Relations Office held its "Sips and Stems" event on Thursday, December 2. Emily taught attendees how to make various centerpieces, and other décor not only for the holidays, but for any occasion or season.





Reunions

Eleven alumnae classes celebrated their reunions this fall. The 25-year to 65-year reunions occurred from late August through mid-October and had anywhere from 7 – 47 alumnae attendees per class.

You can see in the various pictures on this page and on the two following pages just how much everyone enjoyed reminiscing and starting new memories! A few classes even celebrated Mass on a Saturday at NDA's *Mary, Mother of the World* Chapel to begin their reunion festivities.

Golden Girls

The Golden Girls Celebration returned this year on Sunday, October 3. Both the Class of 1970 and the Class of 1971 celebrated their 50-year reunions during the weekend and were recognized as our newest Golden Girls with a special video tribute. A total of 153 Golden Girls represented at least twelve alumnae class years. Two class of 1940 classmates were in attendance to celebrate their 80 years together.



20th



25th



30th

Here is a list of the classes that celebrated their reunions in 2021:

- 5th Year - 2015
- 20th Year - 2001
- 25th Year - 1995
- 30th Year - 1991 and 1990
- 35th Year - 1986
- 40th Year - 1981
- 50th Year - 1971 and 1970
- 55th Year - 1966
- 60th Year - 1961 and 1960
- 65th Year - 1956

For information regarding your reunion, please contact the Alumnae Relations Office at 859.292.7729.

More Reunions





NDA TENNIS STANDOUT INDUCTED TO UC ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Kara Molony Hussey, class of 1997, was inducted into the University of Cincinnati's Athletic Hall of Fame for women's tennis on September 10, 2021. A few of her induction highlights include the fact that she was UC's most outstanding women's tennis player during all four of her student years (1997-2001) and the first UC women's tennis player to qualify for the NCAA Championship in 2000. Kara still holds UC's single-season (36) and career records (106) for singles tennis victories which places her career mark 25 points ahead of second place.

Kara not only made her tennis mark at University of Cincinnati, but also while she played tennis as an NDA student. In her 1996 junior year, she was named Northern Kentucky Player of the Year, as well as Regional Champion while making the regional and state teams. NDA's 1996 tennis team record was 13-0. Her sophomore year led to her being named Most Valuable Player and the team won the Conference Championship. Kara would not even let a leg injury stop her during her freshman year on the team when she continued playing in a leg brace! Her father, Kevin Molony, coached NDA's tennis team during all four of his oldest daughter's NDA years.

Kara recalls her earliest memory of playing tennis as a young child in her basement with both of her parents (including mom Maria Schuler Molony '74) who used a balloon for her as a tennis ball. Kevin owned the Northern Kentucky Racquet Club in the 1970s and early 1980s when Kara said, "the tennis racket was being than me," but she was hitting tennis balls with it anyway. Kara played her very first tennis tournament at the age of 10 and doesn't recall if she won or lost, however she does remember that her opponent at that age was "way more into the match than I was!"



Kara was joined by her family at her induction to the University of Cincinnati's Athletic Hall of Fame. (Pictured front row L-R: Toni D'Ambrosio, Molly Molony Greene '03, Lyndsey Molony Maynard '00, Kara Molony Hussey '01, Blake Hussey, Maria Schuler Molony '74, Kevin Molony - back row L-R: Bobby Hussey, Austin Hussey, Emily Langkamp, Brady Hussey)

She always played both singles and doubles tennis throughout her life, especially in college and on the pro tour. She was lucky enough to get to play doubles with both of her sisters, Lyndsey Molony Maynard '00 and Molly Molony Greene '03. In fact, "winning state, the Cincinnati Met, college matches, and multiple pro tournaments with both of them as my partners are memories and experiences at the top of my list." If Kara had to choose her favorite memory of a difficult tennis match, it is beating The Ohio State University's number one singles player because it was her first college win over a top 20 nationally ranked player. That particular match gave Kara the ability to trust her belief in her own game enough to win and proceed to the next level.

Both of Kara's parents remained the most positive influences on her throughout her tennis career. Kevin and Maria both played on NKU's tennis team while in college. Her dad always took the lead in coaching and her mom always gave her good insight and tips to improve her game. Her parents taught her "the most important lessons... to work hard, be positive, have good sportsmanship, and that sports are something we do - not who we are. They instilled a love for the game and competition, and successfully rode that fine line of pushing me but not burning me out."

Coaching all three of their daughters while at NDA began to take much more time for her parents, so they asked coach Rob Hardin to take over in Kara's senior year. Kara credits each of them gratefully, "I had the best coaches!" She also credits NDA's Athletic Director at the time, Kim Gunning, with being a major influence on her to this day, always cheering her on throughout her tennis career.

Engagements

- Allison Kiefer 2011 to Kyle Dooley
- Jessica Nelms 2012 to Arayo Sokan

Marriages

- Natalia Gardner 2001 to Yunil McNeary
- Ally Westling 2010 to Evan Macht
- Abby Lukey 2013 to Alec Kaelin
- Hannah VonHandorf 2013 to Casey Sorrell
- Emily Walter 2016 to Joseph Hild

Births

- Anna Delores to Mehrin Doolin Kehoe 1999
- Louisa Kate to Christina Wagner Browning 2001
- William Richard to Emily Stover Garrison 2004
- Twins Camryn Kate and Paige Lillian to Katie Kubala Brown 2005
- Madeleine Ada Ruth to Lauren Garrett 2006
- Riley June to Erin Scott Gonzalez 2008
- Savannah Lynne to Morgan Ebner Howard 2010
- Reese Elizabeth to Anna Borchers Coffee 2011

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

My parents, and all NDA parents, "invested" in me and my classmates. I think if you asked them about their return on investment on NDA tuition, it would be a "no-brainer" to choose an NDA education over and over again. Knowing that I had that investment from my family, as well as having teachers and the Sisters of Notre Dame sharing in our success pushed me further. I proved to myself that I could handle swim practice, a math test, and a work shift all in one day. That drive to be independent and juggle multiple activities put me further ahead my freshman year of college and allowed me to hit the ground running toward medical school.



How have you made a difference in your community through professional, family, or community service?

I left Chicago for a rural hospital that was under served for neurosurgical care. Despite being in a highly specialized field, I see and treat dozens of diagnoses and none of this was being provided through my hospital, often forcing patients to drive hours away or skip health care altogether. Although there can be some challenges to being the "new doctor" in town and there are, even with some remaining growing pains, it truly feels like such a special time in my career. I am still in awe of medicine and God's role in my life here.

What advice or wisdom do you have for the current students of NDA?

Don't put your entire life on social media. Stay a student and admit you don't have all the answers. Try to balance God, friends, family and work. They're all important.

Melissa Hudson Stamates, M.D.
Class of 2003

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

Is your current occupation what you have always wanted to do?

I really wanted to be a teacher but felt like the kids in the inner city needed a counselor, too. I obtained my second Master's degree in Counseling in order to be able to provide this to the students.

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

My faith, along with Drs. Mick and Nancy Shaughnessy. They are the ones who really encouraged me to pursue a college degree.

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

I always wanted to have a life of service. Going to rural bush Alaska 9 years ago has really given me a chance to minister in a critical area of need with the Indigenous people.

How have you made a difference in your community through professional, family, or community service?

I minister daily in my work as a Counselor and a community member. I attend every school activity and have applied for numerous grants to provide clothing, food, and personal hygiene products which are all sorely needed in this area of Alaska.

What advice or wisdom do you have for the current students of NDA?

I was a late bloomer. Work hard, hold fast to your vision, and look to God to prepare a way to achieve what you want.

Cathy Rosing Snider
Class of 1981



Class Updates

1962

The Class of 1962 recently enjoyed one of their monthly luncheons at Greyhound Tavern in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky. Pictured (l to r) are: **Nancy Heideman LaFontaine, Rosa Hollis-Bird, Sandy Bayless Gleeson, Gerry Schneider Zembrodt (seated), Mary Lou Webster Bosch, Sr. Marie Rose Messingschalger CDP, Roberta Geiman Gamel, and Linda Webster Niewahner.**



1971

Cheryl Rehtin Ankenbauer has been retired for a few years and keeps busy with her gardening and quilting. She also does alterations and sewing as she makes memorial pillows and ornaments among other things. Her twelfth grandchild was born earlier this year.

1974

Debbie Harden recently retired after 43 years as a Pharmacist Buyer at The Christ Hospital. She now spends more quality time with her mom while also being more involved with her parish and The Cincinnati Zoo. She is looking forward to traveling to Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates to visit her brother and his family later this year.

1976

Nita Holaday Pflugh retired on June 30 of this year from her 25-year career with Fidelity Investments. She is excited to enjoy this next chapter of her life.

1980

Mary Miller Sargent had the honor of representing the USA as part of the Women's Football Alliance (WFA) USA All-American team in the "Tropic Bowl" played in San Juan, Costa Rica on March 13, 2021. They defeated the Costa Rican All-Stars with a score of 60-0. The USA team was referred to as the "Elite 18" after traveling with only 18 players. Mary plays for the local Cincinnati Sizzle WFA team and is #62.



1981

Mary Lu Jaber Reis had a very memorable year back in 2020 as she welcomed her first grandchild on September 23, then married Douglas Reis on October 31 with a Halloween-themed wedding. Dressing as Frankenstein and his bride made for a very memorable year in spite of COVID-19.

1983

Several early 1980s alumnae enjoyed gathering at the wedding of the daughter of **Mary Kennedy Louis 1983** in August 2021. Pictured (l to r) are: **Susan Purcell Wenk 1981, Sheila Kennedy Farley 1981, Maria Roebker Schaefer 1982, Melissa Lueke 1981, Mary Kennedy Louis 1983, Lisa Wintersheimer Michel 1981, and Kim Kelly (mother of Allison Kelly Roessler 2011 and Abby Kelly 2017).**



1995

Meggan Johnson was recently named the recipient of the "Dr. Lawrence C. Hawkins Educator of the Year Award" for 2021 by Western & Southern Financial Group. She has been an Intervention Specialist with Cincinnati Public Schools since 2001. Meggan was also honored with the Teacher of the Year award by the Rotary Club of Cincinnati. She says after more than 20 years, "this is like winning the Oscar of Education!"



1999

Anna Hehman was promoted to the role of Executive Director of the Cincinnati Observatory in August 2021. She has worked at the Observatory since 2015 in the roles of Development Director and Operations Director. Anna is the first woman in the Observatory's 178-year history to hold the title of Executive Director. Anna is also a co-host for the podcast 'Looking Up' on WVXU/Cincinnati Public Radio and serves in various leadership roles at several community organizations.

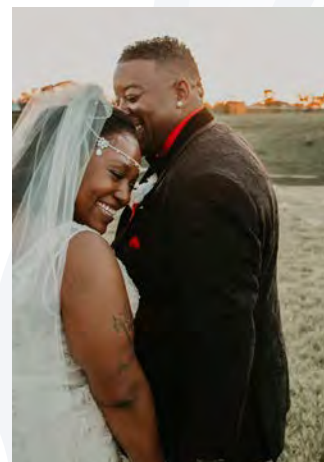
1999

Stephanie Suhr Franklin and husband Andrew welcome son Lincoln Fitzsuhr on August 20, 2021.



2001

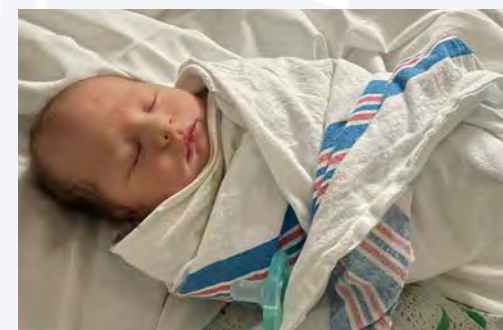
Christina Wagner Browning and her husband Travis welcomed daughter Louisa Kate in July 2021.



Natalia Gardner and her husband Yunil McNeary were married on May 1, 2021.

2006

Lauren Garrett and her husband Noah Welte welcomed their daughter Madeleine Ada Ruth on September 12, 2021.



2007

Emily Lineweaver has recently joined the health care law firm of Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs LLP in Louisville, Kentucky.



2009

Bree Popham Velazquez and husband Omar welcomed their son, Easton Crosley, on March 19, 2021.



2010

Ally Westling and her husband Evan Macht were married on June 19, 2021, in Ault Park in Cincinnati, Ohio.



2011

Anna Borchers Coffee welcomed daughter Reese Elizabeth on May 2, 2021.

Kate Metzger got married in June this year to husband Bobby Frizzell and is living in Wisconsin.

2012

Jessica Nelms became engaged to Dr. Arayo Sakan this summer. She recently graduated from University of Louisville Medical School and began her three-year residency in pediatrics at Norton Children's Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky.

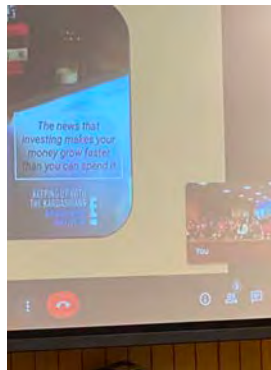


Class Updates Continued

2013
Alicia Reinersman married Michael Moore on June 12, 2021.



Katie Gatti presented a virtual session on September 24 for the NDA Seniors on "Things I Wish I Knew When I Was 18" during Miss Hilbert and Mrs. Middendorf's Personal Finance class. The students were intrigued as Katie spoke about not knowing how to handle money "and spending it like a Kardashian" as soon as she began earning her first professional paychecks after college, but then gratefully learned to invest.



Katie Bamberger and Patrick Allen were married on March 13, 2021, at Mother of God Church in Covington, Kentucky.



2014
Jessica Vogt finished her one-year Cardiopulmonary residency earlier this year at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System in Michigan. She quickly accepted her dream job as a Physical Therapist leading the VA's Pulmonary Rehabilitation program. Jessica obtained her Doctorate of Physical Therapy degree in 2020 from the University of Cincinnati and her Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology from the University of Kentucky in 2017.

2015
Erin Peck is enjoying her new role as Environmental Field Technician with Montrose Air Quality Services in Denver, Colorado this past summer. She obtained her Environmental Science degree from University of Cincinnati in 2019.

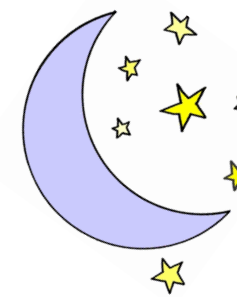


Jessica Peck spent the past couple years in Durango, Colorado and Madrid, Spain after graduating with degrees in both Information Systems Technology and Spanish. She is now happy to be the Marketing and Adventure Guide with New Treks in Denver (the same city as her sister Erin).

Hannah VonHandorf married Casey Sorrell on June 12, 2021. Their reception was held at The Grand in Covington, Kentucky, with several NDA alumnae, family, and friends in attendance.



2016
Emily Walter married Joseph Hild on September 4, 2021.



ALUM CUBS, Show Your Panda Pride!

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



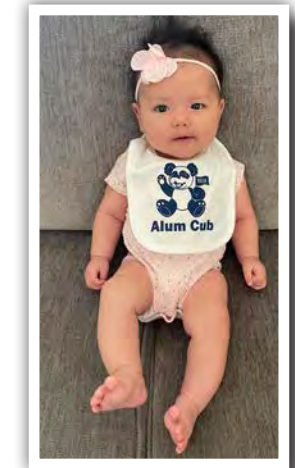
Savannah and big brother Dominic (born 6/1/19), children of Morgan Ebner Howard 2010, enjoy all their Panda gear!



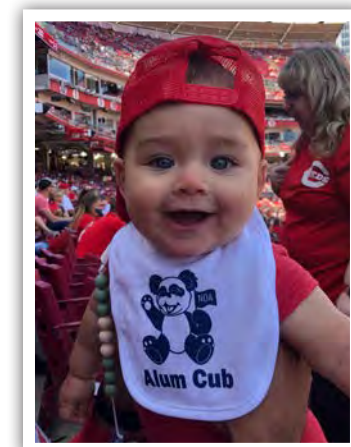
Kolby enjoys posing in his new bib with big sister Emery, son and daughter of Dr. Becky Popham 2003.



Will Garrison, son of Dr. Emily Stover 2004, is thrilled with his Alum Cub bib.



Reese, daughter of Anna Borchers Coffee 2011 is excited about being a future Panda!



Easton, son of Bree Popham Velazquez 2009, was excited to show his Alum Cub bib to Cincinnati Reds fans at a game this summer.



Riley, daughter of Erin Scott Gonzalez 2008, enjoys her new Alum Cub bib!

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

Would you like to see your picture in *The Notre Damian*? Take *The Notre Damian* with you on your next vacation, and have someone take your photo with it. Simply e-mail your .jpg format photos to *The Notre Damian* at notredamian@ndapandas.org or send prints (they will not be returned) to NDA Advancement at 1699 Hilton Drive, Park Hills, KY, 41011. The photos will be published in the order in which they are received. If you don't see your photo immediately, keep looking in future issues.

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Nothing like relaxing on the beach with a good book... or *The Notre Damian*! The Klocke family vacationed on Hilton Head Island in June which brought 22 family members together from Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan and North Carolina, including these four Pandas (l to r): Angela Klocke Forbes 1977; Janice Ebel Klocke 1954; Diane Klocke Kroger 1985; and Barbara Enzweiler Klocke 1978.



The Williams and Vogt families took a trip to Hilton Head this summer with 3 generations of Pandas! They all enjoyed reading *The Notre Damian* on the beach. Pictured are: Connie Sander Williams 1964, Michelle Williams Schulte 1985, Tessa Schulte 2024, Paige Summe 2024, Jenny Vogt Rensing 1987, Maleah Rensing 2020, Aimee Vogt Dickhaus 1992, and Morgan Dickhaus 2018.



Jennifer Quast Jacobs 1985 and daughter Ava Jacobs 2023 spent a couple of days hiking the Grand Canyon earlier this year after attending the Pandas' National Volleyball Tournament in Las Vegas, Nevada.



The Metzger family enjoyed vacationing together on Hilton Head Island this past summer. Pictured are Heidi Metzger Morrow 1998, future alumna Abby Price 2025 and Sophie Price 2031 with their mom Bridget Metzger Price 2000, and Amanda Metzger Able 2002.



The Tierney family alumnae sisters took their first ever vacation together this summer. They traveled to Virginia where they toured the homes of 2 former presidents, did a wine tasting tour and watched a polo tournament while partaking in stomping the divots! Pictured are (L to R): JoAnn Tierney Bryant 1969, Maureen Tierney 1974, Amy Tierney Allen 1985, Mary Kay Tierney Connolly 1978, and Diane Tierney Joice 1968.



Mary Runda Meyrose 1974 traveled to Kenya with a few family and friends in June 2021. She enjoyed seeing beautiful animals in their own habitat and visited the "Bead Ladies" whose work she admired. Mary recommends this trip to anyone and says it was a dream come true!



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