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CELEBRATING THE

Class of 2024

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The Class of 2024 went out with a splash on their last day of school at NDA!

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Blessings Alumnae, Families and Friends of NDA!

Welcome to the summer edition of the Notre Damian, a celebration of the remarkable achievements of our graduating seniors, the Class of 2024. It is with great pride and humility that I address you as the Interim President of Notre Dame Academy. Serving in this capacity is both an honor and a privilege. As an alumna of the class of 1983, I hold a deep and personal understanding of the transformative education that NDA provides.

As interim president, I had the profound pleasure of participating in this year's graduation ceremony. Witnessing the culmination of years of hard work and dedication of our graduates was truly inspiring. It was an honor to have the opportunity to wish each member of the graduating Class of 2024 well. To all our graduates, I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for your future endeavors as you now stand ready to embrace your futures with faith, hope and love.

This issue of our newsletter is particularly special as it highlights the remarkable achievements of the NDA Class of 2024. As the newest alumnae of NDA, these young women will continue the tradition of excellence established by the Sisters of Notre Dame 118 years ago. They join nearly 12,000 NDA graduates who have made a difference throughout our world. The achievements of this year's graduates reflect the enduring success of our educational mission rooted in Catholic values.

Additionally, this issue also highlights numerous recent accomplishments by our current students and faculty, showcasing the vibrant and dynamic faith community that is Notre Dame Academy. I hope you take pride in these achievements as much as we do.

Recently, I attended a function where Mr. Bill Butler, a prominent business leader and philanthropist and a staunch supporter of NDA, spoke about the true meaning of success. Mr. Butler defined success as a blend of personal perseverance, inner growth, and fulfillment that transcends mere achievements. His concept of success is deeply rooted in his Catholic faith, emphasizing service to others and the power of love. His words resonated deeply with me and align perfectly with our NDA mission of nurturing servant leaders.

While Notre Dame Academy is currently experiencing a leadership transition, it is essential to remember that our institution is far greater than any single issue. NDA has withstood the test of time, thriving through numerous challenges, and it will continue to do so. Every member of the NDA community remains committed to their roles, upholding the proud tradition of the Sisters of Notre Dame. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our Board of Directors, Mr. Jack VonHandorf and the entire faculty and staff at NDA for their unwavering support and dedication during this transition.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to Notre Dame Academy. Together, we will continue to uphold the legacy of excellence and faith that defines our beloved Notre Dame Academy.

In Notre Dame,

Jane Kennedy Kleier '83

Our Newest Alumnae

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

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| Heidi Elizabeth Abeln | Delaney Gray Gillum | Jackeline Alejandra Otto |
| Megan Danielle Ahern | Emery Lillian Graham | Lillian Iles Overbay |
| Madelyn Rose Armbruster | Sophia Corrin Graham | Anna Leigh Pohlman |
| Elise Marie Asch | Caroline Sophia Harper | Samantha Elizabeth Poulos |
| Kendall Michaela Aytes | Clara Mae Heberling | Kayleigh Grace Ransom |
| Isabelle Nicole Bailey | Brooke Rosemary Hollenkamp | Zoe Dharini Rassati |
| Lucy Anne Bailey | Hannah Elizabeth Holocher | Molly Ann Rawe |
| Gabrielle Estelle Baker | Jessica Lynn Igel | Hannah Faith Renaker |
| Ryan Elizabeth Baker | Brooke Lynne Inyart | Marlee Milstead Reynolds |
| Jasmine Marie Rosalie Barczak | Brooke Isabelle Jackson | MaryElle Kincaid Reynolds |
| Kacee Nicole Susanne Bennett | Kierstin Rae Jett | Nina Jaye Roedig |
| Amelia Frances Boerman | Caroline Cecile Joyce | Aislin Elizabeth Ross |
| Annabelle Claire Bowman | Nora Isabella Kampinga | Brooklynn Michelle Rump |
| Lauren Michelle Bowman | Annika Jaye Kastle | Sophia Elena Santos |
| Jacquelyn Elise Brueggemann | Mary Catherine Kelly | Paige Elizabeth Schroder |
| Caroline Elizabeth Calvert | Mia Katherine Kent | Tessa Elizabeth Schulte |
| Hailey Sophia Cogswell | Georgia Claire Kleman | Meghan Katherine Schwartz |
| Jamie Catherine Collins | Hannah Elizabeth Knapke | Emerson Grace Scott |
| Kendra Rose Collins | Allison Rose Knop | Clare Ellen Shay |
| Claire Joy Coppage | Emma Lynn Krallman | Brookelynn Michelle Smith |
| Nicolette Elise Cottingham | Keira Marie Laudick | Samantha Haley Spellman |
| Anna Price Cruse | Allison Rose Laws | Carissa Hope Stahl |
| Lindsey Ligia Davis | Tessa Clare Lenihan | Erica Jane Stith |
| Kristina Michelle Dawson | Carly Elizabeth Lewin | Paige Elizabeth Summe |
| Brooke Ann Donaldson | Carina Meladi MacDonald | Carlyn Lee Tranter |
| Elizabeth Irene Dowd | Lacey Katelynn Mack | Grace Ann Van Hook |
| Eva June Dozier | Allison Ruth Magary | Ava Grace Voelker |
| Lydia Grace Dusing | Jolie Michel Mangeot | Rylie Elisabeth Wald |
| Klaire Alise Eckhardt | Emmalyn Noell Martin | Mary Caroline Wall |
| Sophia Anne Ernst | Carys Rose Massie | Claire Lynn Weaver |
| Ava Elizabeth Erpenbeck | Alexis Leigh Mauller | Mary Eloise Weber |
| Isabella Marie Eubank | Megan Malloy McKeown | Kelsey Mae Weil |
| Anna Sophia Farro | Ava Grace McKinley | Gabrielle Marie White |
| Isabelle Patricia Fettig | Janie Marie McManus | Rebecca Marie Wirth |
| Layla LaVelle Ficke | Jessica Joselyn Mendez Quino | Carleigh Marie Witajewski |
| Ella Alexandra Flesch | Julia Grace Meyers | Kimberly Martha Woeste |
| Sophia Marie Franxman | Anna Marie Neubacher | Lea Jean Marie Youtsey |
| Lauren Elliott Futscher | Corinne Louise Nolting | Mackinsey Ann Marie Zemter |
| Kate Nicole Gallenstein | Grace Marie Nullmeier | |
| Anna Rosaura Gilbert | Heidrun Sophia Ochs | |



The Class of 2024 will be attending...

IN-STATE

- Eastern Kentucky University
- Morehead State University
- Northern Kentucky University
- Thomas More University
- Transylvania University
- University of Kentucky
- University of Louisville
- Western Kentucky University

OUT-OF-STATE

- Auburn University
- Ball State University
- Case Western Reserve
- Cincinnati State and Technical College
- Clemson University
- Cornell University
- Florida Atlantic University
- Florida State University
- Louisiana State University
- Miami University (Oxford)
- Middle Tennessee State University
- Mount Saint Joseph University
- Ohio University
- Santa Clara University
- Simmons University
- The Ohio State University
- University of Alabama
- University of Tennessee
- University of Cincinnati
- University of Dayton
- University of Miami
- University of Michigan
- University of Mississippi
- University of Nebraska
- University of Notre Dame
- University of South Florida
- University of Toledo

The Class of 2024 By the Numbers...



This year's graduates have distinguished themselves by receiving many awards and scholarships.

A total of 30 students, 25% of the class, received half tuition or more in scholarships.

- 118 Graduates in Notre Dame Academy's Class of 2024
- Performed 12,793 hours of service in four years at NDA
- Received \$18 million in the form of direct scholarships and grants
- Attending 34 different colleges, universities and professional schools in 14 different states
- 100% of 116 eligible KY residents qualified for the KY Education Excellence Scholarships
- 116 enrolled in 4-year colleges & universities
- 2 enrolled in a 2-year college
- 60 enrolled in out-of-state colleges or universities
- 58 enrolled in the state of Kentucky colleges or universities
- Average ACT score: 24.9
- 3 National Merit Scholars
- 3 National Merit Finalists
- 4 Kentucky Governor's Scholar Alumna
- 5 Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts Alumna
- 1 Kentucky Governor's School for Entrepreneurs Alumna
- 10 AP Scholar Award
- 6 AP Scholar Award with Honor
- 4 AP Scholar Award with Distinction
- 41 Outstanding Behavior Recognition Award
- 45 President's Education Award Outstanding Academic Excellence
- 63 President's Education Award Outstanding Achievement



THE NOTRE DAME ACADEMY TRADITION



Kendall Aytes
Grandmother: Gayle Kennedy-Aytes 1970



Isabelle Bailey
Mother: Julie Reeves Bailey 1994



Lucy Bailey
Mother: Jennifer Wischer Bailey 1987
Grandmother: Judith Capoccia Wischer 1962



Gabrielle Baker
Mother: Donna Bloemer Baker 1987
Grandmother: Nancy Due Bloemer 1965



Amelia Boerman
Mother: Stacie Sparks Boerman 1988

The graduates of Notre Dame Academy span many generations. The Class of 2024 includes 38 young women whose mothers, grandmothers and/or great grandmothers also graduated from Notre Dame Academy. What a tribute to Notre Dame Academy, its mission, and the fine Catholic education which it offers!



Hailey Cogswell
Mother: Tricia McCormack Cogswell 1995



Jamie Collins
Grandmother: Judy Berger Collins 1968
Great Grandmother: Maydie Mack Steltenkamp Berger 1943



Claire Coppage
Mother: Kristin Hummel Coppage 1990



Nicolette Cottingham
Grandmother: Betty Kroger Cottingham 1952



Eva Dozier
Mother: Emily Woltermann Dozier 1996
Great Grandmother: Helen Schneider Woltermann 1933



Klaire Eckhardt
Mother: Kellie Sassin Eckhardt 1995



Sophia Ernst
Grandmother: Ann Murphy Ernst 1954



Ava Erpenbeck
Mother: Mollie Weiler Erpenbeck 1994



Anna Farro
Grandmother: Joyce Flick Farro 1964



Layla Ficke
Mother: Susan LaVelle Ficke 1993
Grandmother: Cathy Toebbe Ficke 1969
Great Grandmother: Mary Jeanne Gastright Toebbe 1945



Sophia Franxman
Mother: Sara Ludwig Franxman 1998
Great Grandmothers: Marlene Logsdon Unkraut 1956



Kate Gallenstein
Mother: Carisa Johns Gallenstein 1994



Jessica Igel
Mother: Nancy Hils Igel 1985



Georgia Kleman
Mother: Karen Klaene Kleman 1995
Grandmothers: Marcia Adick Klaene 1961, Jane Koors Kleman 1965
Great Grandmother: Mary Lou Schuler Koors 1935



THE NOTRE DAME ACADEMY TRADITION



Keira Laudick
Mother: Nicole Smith Giancola 1999
Grandmother: Sharon Maifeld Smith 1968



Tess Lenihan
Mother: Jennifer Guenther Lenihan 1987
Great Grandmother: Georgette Fangman Lenihan 1947



Carina MacDonald
Mother: Jenny Salazar MacDonald 1989



Ava McKinley
Grandmother: Mary Ann Ackerman 1957

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Janie McManus
Mother: Kristie Thelen McManus 1990
Grandmother: Sharon Rueter Thelen 1967



Anna Neubacher
Mother: Julie Neubacher 1986



Corinne Nolting
Mother: Stacy Russell Nolting 1991



Grace Nullmeier
Mother: Adria Gassmann Nullmeier 1991



Samantha Poulus
Mother: Karen Annear Poulus 1997
Great Grandmother: Dorothy Rutemiller Annear 1941



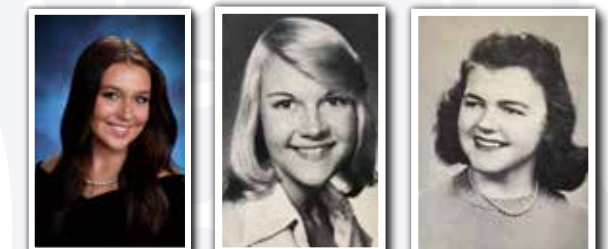
Tessa Schulte
Mother: Michelle Williams Schulte 1985
Grandmothers: Connie Sander Williams 1964, Harriett Gorman Schulte 1960
Great Grandmother: Norma Kendig Sander 1928



Emi Scott
Mother: Megan Scott 2000



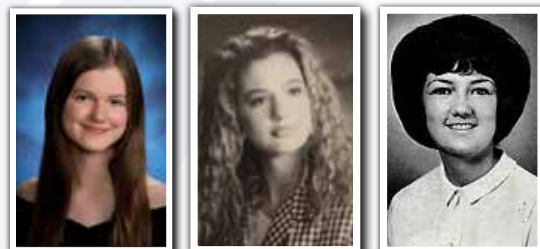
Clare Shay
Great Grandmother: Mary Margaret Hackman Riedinger 1933



Brookelynn Smith
Grandmother: Annette Beucker Vonhandorf 1977
Great Grandmother: Jean Glenn Vonhandorf 1944



Ava Voelker
Mother: Eileen Miller Voelker 1987



Mary Caroline Wall
Mother: Holly Drummey Wall 1993
Grandmother: Carol Huelsman Drummey 1968



Claire Weaver
Mother: Emily Butler Weaver 1995



Kelsey Weil
Mother: Cindy Stautberg Weil 1992



Becca Wirth
Mother: Theresa Molloy Wirth 1993



Kimberly Woeste
Mother: Emily Halpin Woeste 1994

Welcome

Notre Dame Academy acknowledges the importance of family connections and welcomes our Class of 2028 Student Legacies! NDA is proud to be an educational institution where family generations attend in part because of the incredible experience NDA has provided to so many young women over the years.

Macie Albers

Mother: Holly Grome Albers 2005
Grandmother: Joyce Wachs Albers 1969
Aunt: Erica Grome Scanlon 2003

Finleigh Anderson

Grandmother: Lori Ruehl Nurre 1979
Great Grandmother: JoAnn Guilefoile Ruehl 1956
Aunts: Rachel Gadberry 2007, Erin Nurre 2014, Emma Nurre 2018

Ava Arnzen

Mother: Sarah Hornsby Arnzen 1999
Grandmother: Dorothy Foltz Hornsby 1971
Great Grandmother: Dorothy Gerwe Foltz 1936
Aunt: Stephanie Hornsby Loftspring 2003

Kathryn Averdick

Grandmother: Ruth Appel Averdick 1969
Great Grandmother: Mary Stamm Appel 1946
Aunts: Christine Averdick Wilson 2005, Shauna Averdick Vogelpohl 1994, Monica Averdick Lowry 2001

Stella Berger

Mother: Allison Baugh Berger 1996
Grandmother: Betty Berling Nieberding 1971
Aunt: Amber Hanrahan Baugh 1993

Martina Bezold

Mother: Angela Kramer Bezold 1988
Grandmothers: Madonna Verst Kramer 1963, Mary Cecelia Kentrup 1956
Aunts: Diane Kramer Seibert 1986
Sisters: Mariah Bezold 2016, Megan Bezold 2019

Caroline Bohman

Mother: Heidi Whitford Bohman 1999
Grandmother: Melissa Mueller Whitford 1974
Great Aunts: Celeste Mueller Naber 1968, Debera Mueller Bertsche 1965

Molly Carnohan

Mother: Amy Lamb Carnohan 1998
Grandmother: Peggy Brueggeman Lamb Gamble 1972
Aunt: Laurie Lamb Fesmire 1996

Abigail Carnes

Mother: Kathy Annear Carnes 1994
Great Grandmother: Dorothy Rutemiller Annear 1941

Hannah Dettmer

Mother: Kimberly Kohlhepp Dettmer 1993
Aunt: Regina Kohlhepp Eckerle 1997

Ashtyn Dirks

Mother: Nicole Nageleisen Dirks 1995
Aunt: Noelle Nageleisen Setters 1997

Amelia Dreier

Mother: Janelle Steffen Dreier 1997
Grandmother: Gina Heist Steffen 1975
Great Grandmother: Loraine Buring Heist 1934
Aunt: Carrie Steffen McKinley 1995
Great Aunts: Lois Heist Knochelman 1959, Tina Heist 1965, Martha Heist Grout 1969, Cindy Heist Nehring 1973

Maggie Durrett

Aunts: Erin O’Gorman Manning 1993, Suzanne Durrett Ward 1995, Jennifer Durrett 1997

Ellie Fesmire

Mother: Laurie Lamb Fesmire 1996
Grandmother: Peggy Brueggeman Lamb Gamble 1972
Aunt: Amy Lamb Carnohan 1998

Marcella Franxman

Mother: Sara Ludwig Franxman 1998
Great Grandmothers: Marlene Logsdon Unkraut 1956, Marjorie Kues Ludwig 1956
Aunts: Sandy Schomaker Ludwig 2000, Karen Franxman Burke 1989, Kim Franxman Martin 1990, Kim Pulsfort Franxman 1999, Kristy Franxman Dailey 2001
Sister: Sophia Franxman 2024

Claire Gearing

Mother: Rebecca Kreissl Gearing 1992
Aunt: Laura Ann Kreissl Sanregret 1986

Gretchen Germann

Aunt: Carrie Germann Barlage 1992

Ava Gruelle

Mother: Sara Wurtz Gruelle 1997
Grandmother: Barb Vennefron Wurtz 1973
Aunts: Rachel Wurtz McAtee 2000, Danielle Wurtz Bonkowski 2007

Emma Gruelle

Mother: Sara Wurtz Gruelle 1997
Grandmother: Barb Vennefron Wurtz 1973
Aunts: Rachel Wurtz McAtee 2000, Danielle Wurtz Bonkowski 2007

Hollyn Harper

Mother: Heather Hoppenjans Harper 1996
Great Grandmother: Laura (Mildred) Leising Hoppenjans 1940
Aunts: Lauren Pettibone Brown 2000, Jennifer Pettibone Gasten-veld 2002

Maria Hauber

Mother: Anna Rottman Hauber 2001
Great Aunts: Mary Noel “Lucy” Rottman Reuter 1961, Beverly Rottman Youtsey 1976

Abbey Heyob

Mother: Susan Kampinga Heyob 1995
Aunt: Megan Kreutzjans Giger 2005
Sister: Ellie Elizabeth Heyob 2026

Ava Holocher

Grandmother: Aprille Ziegler Holocher 1971
Aunt: Laura Holocher Janszen 2000

Emma Holyoke

Mother: Yvonne Tuemler-Holyoke 1989
Aunt: Maria Elisa Tuemler 1994

Charley Koehl

Grandmother: Leslie Oberschlake Koehl 1965
Aunt: Anissa Koehl Morris 1987

Reese Kruze

Mother: Jennifer Reuss Kruze 1995
Grandmother: Laura Graham Reuss 1971
Great Aunts: Julie Graham Mersch 1975, Renee Reuss Knapke 1965, Barbara Reuss Cotter 1967, Shelly Reuss Sandfoss 1979, Becky Reuss Salchili 1982

Olivia Lange

Mother: Jody Rutterer Lange 2000
Grandmother: Lana Schroder Rutterer 1968
Aunt: Anne Rutterer Feldman 2003
Great Aunt: Melanie Schroder Boone 1972
Sister: Emma Lange 2025

Samantha Laws

Mother: Eleana Harmel Laws 1999

Elizabeth “Lizzie “ Lonnemann

Mother: Stephanie Kenning Lonnemann 1998
Grandmother: Mary Beth Zembrodt Kenning 1971
Great Grandmother: Rose Marie Boehmker 1943
Aunts: Kim Kenning Banham 1995, Kristi Kenning Aytes 2000
Great Aunts: Ellen Michaels Zembrodt 1980, Julie Zembrodt Kapur 1979, Jan Sterling Zembrodt 1976, Gemma Sterling Zembrodt 1970
Great Great Aunt: Mary Kay Widrig Kenning 1951

Chloe McCauley

Aunt: Erin McCauley 1996
Aunt: Amy Theissen Michael 1985
Sister: Madeline Harmon 2019

Brynn Murphy

Sisters: Britton Murphy 2023, Brooke Murphy 2021

Taylor Murphy

Aunts: Tammie Murphy Beckett 1989, Kerrie Murphy 1993
Sister: Samantha Murphy 2025

Leah Myers

Mother: Karen Kruetzkamp Myers 1995
Aunts: Sarah Kruetzkamp Speed 1997, Debbie Kruetzkamp Schultz 1989
Sister: Avery Myers 2025

Tessa Nader

Mother: Jill Vonderhaar Nader 1990
Aunt: Michelle Nader 1987

Lilian Olexia

Mother: Molly Kellner Olexia 1997
Aunt: Meredith Kellner Imbus 2000

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Clare Pelstring

Mother: Kristy Wilson 1999
Aunts: Meredith Pelstring Morgan 2000; Michelle Bleser LaFontaine 2015
Sister: Hayley Pelstring 2027

Isabelle Ramey

Mother: Shannon Griffin Ramey 2001
Grandmother: Jill Kunzelman Griffin 1977
Great Grandmother: Joanne Toebbe Kunzelman 1949
Great Aunts: Joan Kunzelman Hersh 1970, Jana Hagedorn 1981

Emma Redlinger

Grandmother: Donna Wagner Redlinger 1970
Aunts: Carrie Cogswell Weidinger 1985, Jillian Redlinger Markus 2007

Lauren Reeves

Mother: Ali McGreevy Reeves 1996
Great Grandmother: Dorothy Rutemiller Annear 1941

Caroline Rice

Great Grandmother: Mary McCafferty Rice 1926
Aunts: Aurelia Rice Theissen 1983, Shannon Boots Rice 1991
Sisters: Bridget Rice 2012, Katie Rice 2018

Makayla Roose

Mother: Jenny Kennedy Roose 1993
Grandmother: Sara Fischer Kennedy 1959
Aunt: Amy Kennedy Hoehn 1985

Maddie Speed

Mother: Sarah Kruetzkamp Speed 1997
Aunts: Karen Kruetzkamp Myers 1995, Debbie Kruetzkamp Schultz 1989

Gianna Stacy

Sister: Sophia Stacy 2023

Mia Summe

Aunts: Dorothy Terwort 1924, Krista Summe Wilmink 1980, Sheila Summe Cooney 1986, Betsy Summe Greenwell 1987, Jennifer Duncan Summe 1987, Jennifer Summe Long 1989
Sister: Grace Summe 2025

Lauren Thacker

Mother: Karen Webster Thacker 1999
Aunts: Kathy Webster 1985, Vicki Webster Reinhard 1989

Kaia Tilden

Mother: Amanda Groth Tilden 2003
Grandmother: Lisa Moser Groth 1975
Great Grandmother: Helen (Mickey) Witte Moser 1945
Great Aunts: Sally Moser Soderlund 1971, Claudia Moser King 1970, Melanie Moser Frey 1982
Sister: Ava Tilden 2025

Camilla Tranter

Sisters: Kara Tranter 2016, Anna Tranter 2020

Adelaide Voelker

Great Grandmother: Martha Ann Helfrich O’Brien 1925

THE CELEBRATION OF *Commencement* AT NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

by Nancy Stratman, NDA Archivist

Discover the journey of commencement at Notre Dame Academy, from its humble start in September 1876 on the 5th Street campus to today's grand ceremonies. See how this tradition has grown with each passing year, reflecting the essence of excellence and tradition at our esteemed school. Join us as we explore the evolution of graduation, from its modest beginnings to the significant milestone it represents for every NDA graduate.

To help celebrate the 60th anniversary of the move to the Hilton campus, the publications class was asked to think about the many “traditions” that are celebrated at NDA. Obvious ones came to their minds quickly: the gray skirt, the “wigalo” cheer, senior car painting, Halloween costume contest, “bucca” chicken for lunch, etc. But, as most “traditions” go, these experiences are time sensitive; celebrated events that can truly only be remembered through familiarity, not actually handed down through the ages. Perhaps unbeknownst to most current students, the history of NDA overflows with time-honored traditions that have been celebrated every decade since our founding and have been enjoyed by every generation of students that have entered the doors of NDA, be it on Fifth Street or Hilton Drive. These traditions have helped to create the template of the modern NDA student. A study into these events helps to provide the meaning behind and the importance of continuing these true traditions of NDA's heritage.

In the Spring 2024 edition of the Notre Damian we looked at the oldest NDA tradition- that of honoring the Virgin Mary. In this edition we will explore another one of the oldest traditions celebrated at Notre Dame Academy – the formal celebration of commencement exercises, commonly known as graduation.

In September of 1876, Notre Dame Academy officially welcomed their first students on the 5th Street campus. Classes were initiated for kindergarten and the first six elementary grades. There were 10 members on faculty and a total of 60 students (both girls and boys) enrolled. By the turn of the century, NDA had expanded both its number of students, and the type of educational programs that were offered. All students could now take a general curriculum of classes up through the junior high level, usually considered 9th grade. NDA also offered a two-year commercial program for young women who desired to obtain the educational background to enter the work force full-time by the age of 14 or 15. Soon afterwards, it was decided to expand the academic offerings to encompass a full four-year high school curriculum for girls only.

Prior to the establishment of the high school, NDA celebrated the end of the school year with a program of music, dance and recitations to showcase the talents of its student body. At the end of the program, certificates of achievement and awards for proficiency were given out to those students who had reached the end of their educational experience at NDA. These celebratory showcases continued until the close of the grammar school in June of 1937.

By August 1906, NDA was ready to implement a fully developed advanced program for girls beyond the 8th grade. By May of 1907, the Notre Dame Academy High School Commercial Studies Program was ready to graduate 4 students who had completed the requirements for the two-year programs: Matilda Wilke, Appolonia Smith, Mary Lubrecht and Mary Von Handorf*. Three years later, in May of 1910, Marie Hermes was the first scientific class graduate*. (*based on hand-written records)

During these early years, the commencement program remained similar to those of the past, incorporating musical selections by grade level, prose and dramatic readings, as well as a showcase of individual and group talents including song, dance and instrumental. At the conclusion of the program, medals of accomplishments for the elementary grades, and diplomas for graduates of the 8th grade, commercial, and scientific courses were blessed and presented to each graduate.

By 1912, enrollment in the high school program had grown to the point that the commencement program was split into the more traditional end of the year celebrations for the grade school (girls and boys K-7) and a more formal graduation program for the high school, including the 8th grade girls. These ceremonies then became the prototype for our modern commencement program.

A typical commencement program from 1918 well into the early 1930s included musical and choral selections performed by the school orchestra (or invited guest ensembles) and the school chorus and a reading of the prize-winning oratory. “There was an annual oratorical contest held in May. Topics from which to choose included “The Value of a Catholic Education,” “Economy as the Basis of Good Citizenship,” “Use of Leisure Time,” “Is Man a Machine,” and “What Does the World Expect of the US; What do We Expect of the World?”. According to tradition, each senior is required to write an oration of 1,000 words on one of the required subjects and to present it from memory to an audience composed of the faculty and the high school. The winner of the oratorical contest will deliver her address on the night of commencement.” (The Gavel, 1936) *continued...*

You can read the rest of this story on NDA's website at [www.ndapandas.org/News/Academy Archives](http://www.ndapandas.org/News/Academy%20Archives) or by scanning the QR code to the right:



From the Principal



Blessings Alumnae, Families, and Friends of NDA!

As we bid farewell to another school year and celebrate the accomplishments of the graduating class of 2024, I am honored to share some exciting news with you. While it was previously announced that I would be stepping down from my role as Principal at the end of this academic year, I am happy to inform you that I have been asked to stay on for one more year due to a transition in leadership at NDA.

As I reflect on this unexpected opportunity to continue serving the NDA community, I am filled with gratitude and joy. Notre Dame Academy holds a special place in my heart and the prospect of spending one more year at NDA is truly a blessing. The dedication, spirit and achievements of our students, faculty and staff make each day an enriching educational experience and I am eager to continue our journey together advancing the mission of Notre Dame Academy.

This past school year has been marked by growth, achievement and tremendous commitment from all members of our community. From academic successes to extracurricular accomplishments, the resilience and spirit of Notre Dame Academy have shone brightly at every turn. As we celebrate the achievements of our graduating seniors in this edition of the Notre Damian, I am reminded of the transformative power of a Notre Dame Academy education and the impact it has on shaping the lives of the young women we serve.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Sisters of Notre Dame, Mrs. Jane Kleier, our dedicated faculty and staff and the entire NDA faith community for their support and collaboration throughout the 2023-24 school year. Together, we have worked tirelessly to uphold the mission and values of Notre Dame Academy and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to continue this important work.

As we look to the upcoming school year, I am committed to serving the NDA community with the same passion, integrity, and dedication that I have brought to my role over the past nine years. Let us embrace the opportunities ahead and continue striving for excellence in everything we do.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable summer, filled with moments of reflection, rejuvenation and celebration. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to Notre Dame Academy.

In Notre Dame,

Jack VonHandorf



Campus Notes



Class of 2024 TOP HONORS

Each year at NDA's Senior Breakfast, a graduate is honored by the Sisters of Notre Dame with the Distinguished Graduate Award. This year, Mary Wall was the recipient of this special award.

The Sisters of Notre Dame Distinguished Graduate Award recognizes graduates in schools sponsored by or affiliated with the Sisters of Notre Dame National Education Partnership as being outstanding witnesses to Notre Dame education.

The names of the award recipients are recorded each year in a book kept in the Motherhouse (international headquarters) of the Sisters in Rome, Italy. Its place is on the altar dedicated to Sr. Maria Aloysia, the founder of the Coesfeld SNDs and an outstanding educator.



Clara Heberling



Lucy Bailey

Congratulations to Clara Heberling and Lucy Bailey. Clara was named valedictorian of the Class of 2024 and Lucy was named salutatorian.

Clara is the daughter of Rachel and Ken Heberling of Ft. Wright, Kentucky. Clara will attend the University of Louisville as one of only ten Mitch McConnell Scholars in the incoming freshman class and plans to major in political science and Spanish.

Lucy is the daughter of Jenny and Steve Bailey of Lakeside Park, Kentucky. She will be attending Miami University of Ohio this coming fall and intends to study Biomedical Engineering.

NDA Honors Patroness at MAY CROWNING



On Friday, May 3, our school community had the honor of celebrating our patron saint, Mary, Jesus' mother. As is NDA tradition, the seniors were offered the opportunity to write reflections regarding their love and devotion to Mary. These reflections were then read by various faculty and administrators. One student was chosen to crown Mary and to read her reflection as the Call to Worship prior to the liturgy. The other student was chosen to carry the crown during the procession at the start of the mass.

Sophia Ernst was chosen to crown Mary. Her reflection stated that she has turned to Mary in times of trouble, fear and anxiety. Saying the words to the prayer "Hail Mary" has become a very comforting and calming habit for her. She embraces the words, thinks about Mary's bravery and her "YES" to God.

As the liturgy continued, another Notre Dame Academy tradition was highlighted as well. New students and staff members were given the Miraculous Medal. The Sisters of Notre Dame were assisted by other faculty and staff in passing out the medals to each student and faculty member. As each new member of the NDA community received the medal, one of our devoted sisters said words such as, "Know always that Mary loves you very much." As the reflection that was read during the liturgy stated, the medals are not magic, but remind us of the power of God and the strength of Mary.

It was a wonderful liturgy highlighting the bravery and courage of our Blessed Mother.



46TH ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY Annual Academic Tradition

In May, our Notre Dame Academy community came together to honor the rich tradition of academic excellence at our 46th Academic Awards Ceremony. It was a special celebration to recognize the achievements of our freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.

The number of students acknowledged at this year's ceremony is a testament to the diligence of our students and the dedication and caliber of our faculty.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the young women recognized at this event. Their hard work, perseverance and commitment to use their God-given talents are commendable.

As we reflect on the accomplishments of our students, let us also express our gratitude to our faculty and staff for their strong support and guidance. Together, we continue to nurture an environment where academic excellence thrives and where our students are empowered to reach their fullest potential.



Class of 2024 Honored at ACADEMIC SIGNING



May 14 marked a momentous occasion at Notre Dame Academy as we celebrated the outstanding achievements of our seniors at the Academic Signing Ceremony. With pride and joy, we recognized 30 exceptional seniors who have exemplified academic excellence and dedication throughout their time at NDA.

What makes this ceremony truly remarkable is that each of these remarkable young individuals has received at least half the cost of tuition through scholarships and grants at the institutions they plan to attend in the fall. Their hard work, determination and commitment to their education have not only earned them academic accolades but have also opened doors to a brighter future.

Their achievements are a testament to their resilience, perseverance and steadfast pursuit of excellence. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to these seniors!

HONORING MRS. JOHNSON Celebrating 41 Years of Dedication and Service



This year's Faculty/Staff Send Off was a heartfelt event, filled with gratitude, nostalgia, and well-wishes as we bid farewell to a cherished member of our teaching community: Mrs. Michele Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson, an integral part of NDA for an incredible 41 years, is retiring from her roles as Psychology and Religion Teacher and Religion Department Chair. Her dedication and commitment to nurturing the minds and spirits of our students have left an enduring legacy on our community.

We extend our deepest gratitude to Mrs. Johnson for her years of service. She will always remain a part of the NDA family, and we wish her all the best in her retirement.

EMPOWERING VOICES INSPIRING LEADERSHIP

The NDA Student Council was awarded the 2024 National Gold Council of Excellence this week. This award is given to high school Student Councils that meet high standards and demonstrate evidence of student service, leadership, voice and engagement. When applying for this award, the council members worked collaboratively to create a detailed slideshow of their service projects, governing practices, election processes, school wide events and activities, and financial responsibilities. They then presented this slideshow to the administration who wrote recommendations for our council to receive this award. NDA's student council members strive to foster leadership and provide opportunities for developing leaders to learn and experience the skills and knowledge to be effective student council members, and to help foster a culture at their schools where student voice is valued and volunteerism is a norm.

Congratulations to all members of the student council on this well deserved award!



NDA Faculty and Administrators HONORED WITH PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS

We are thrilled to announce that several of our outstanding faculty and administrators have been recognized with prestigious awards, highlighting their dedication, excellence and inspirational impact within the Notre Dame Academy community and beyond. Their achievements serve as exceptional examples to our students and reaffirm our commitment to excellence and faith.

We are especially proud to note that Notre Dame Academy was the ONLY ministry of SND USA to receive all three of the SND awards this year. Our administrators, faculty, and staff at NDA are dedicated professionals who greatly deserve these accolades. Their achievements are a testament to the exceptional educational environment at NDA and serve as an inspiration to our students.



SND Transformative Leadership Award: Jack VonHandorf

This award recognizes employees and volunteers in the SND national network who inspire hope and excellence as they lead others to a fuller, freer life. As catalysts for growth, award recipients transform the lives of those with whom they minister. Nominees for the Transformative Leadership Award demonstrate vision, mission effectiveness, and exceptional, inspirational impact in relation to themselves, God, others, and creation. We are proud to honor Jack VonHandorf for his remarkable contributions.



SND Gospel Witness Award: Bridget Price

The Gospel Witness Award acknowledges those who reflect Jesus' spirit of compassion, hope, and joy, particularly to those experiencing poverty in its various forms. Recipients nurture the Notre Dame Charism, spirit, and mission within their professional communities and among all with whom they minister. Bridget Price exemplifies these qualities, and we are delighted to celebrate her dedication and service.



SND Father Bernard Overberg "Teacher of Teachers" Award: Molly Proudfit

This award honors educators in the SND national network who continue Father Bernard Overberg's legacy as a teacher of teachers. Overberg's vision emphasized helping children develop their God-given gifts and igniting a love for learning. Molly Proudfit has demonstrated exceptional impact on the formation and professional learning of teachers, making her a deserving recipient of this prestigious award.



2024 Outstanding Teacher/Catechist by the Diocesan Office of Catechesis & Evangelization: Megan Abbott

Nominees for this award have at least five years of experience and show a commitment to continuing personal education and spiritual enrichment. They maintain excellent relationships with students, parents, and colleagues. Megan Abbott embodies these qualities, making her an exemplary recipient of the Outstanding Teacher/Catechist Award.

2023-24 Spring Sports Update

TRACK & FIELD



The Track and Field team had one of its most successful seasons in a long time. The Pandas started the year strong by setting 5 Indoor school records and having every athlete in every event achieve her personal best at the Indoor State Championship in March. Their Outdoor season was even better. During the regular season they won major invitationals in Cincinnati and Lexington and the NKY Division 1 Conference Championship. The Conference Championship was highlighted by the 4x100 relay of Addi Frondorf, Hannah Holoher, Ella Long and Julia Grace setting a new school record of 49.67 seconds. The team ended their season winning their 15th Regional Championship in school history and finishing 13th place at the Class AAA State Meet in June. State medalists were the 4x400 relay (Ella Long, Norah Barker, Cam Kirtley and Kate Blettner) finishing 2nd place, 4x800 relay (Norah Barker, Kelsey Weil, Cam Kirtley, Kate Blettner) finishing 5th place, Brooke Hollenkamp finishing 5th place in Pole Vault, Kate Resing finishing 6th place in 100 hurdles and Kate Blettner finishing 8th place in the 400 meters. The Pandas are excited about next year as they plan to have another very strong team!

The Varsity Tennis Pandas finished their successful regular season at 10-2 and were undefeated in the region. They won the team regional tournament and were state quarter finalists. They entered the post season with doubles teams seeded at the #2 and #3. In the individual regional tournament, #2 Sam Spellman and Clare Shay made it to the finals and fell to #1 seeded Ryle. #3 Lucy Bailey and Bella McElwee fell to Ryle in the semifinals. Both teams qualified for the individual state tournament and made it to the second round. In the team state tournament, they defeated Ashland in the first round but fell to McCracken County in the second round.



TENNIS



LACROSSE

The lacrosse team finished the season ranked in the top 12 in the state for the 4th straight season. Led by 5 seniors, the team had 9 wins, finished 3rd in the Region and advanced to the Regional semifinals where the season came to an end with an 11-8 loss to South Oldham. The team was well represented in the state with two 1st Team All State selections in senior Keira Laudick and junior Hannah Powers and two 2nd Team All State selections in Juniors Georgi Kirtley and Hannan Dusing.

The NDA softball team had an outstanding spring season, finishing with a remarkable record of 19-8. The team clinched the title of district champions and earned the title of regional runner-up. They also demonstrated their dominance within the 9th Region, boasting an impressive 14-2 record against regional teams. Congratulations to our talented players and dedicated coaches on a fantastic season!



SOFTBALL



SWINGING INTO SUMMER A Perfect Day on the Greens for NDA

On Friday, June 7, NDA hosted the OrthoCincy Notre Dame Academy Annual Golf Outing at Kenton County Golf Course. It was a perfect day for our NDA community to join forces in support of the mission of NDA and our elite athletes. The atmosphere was filled with camaraderie and enthusiasm, leaving everyone with a sense of joy and pride for Notre Dame Academy.

Participants had the option to join the 18-hole challenge, which teed off at 8 a.m., or the Fun 9 Hole Social, which began at 10:30 a.m. Both choices offered a great mix of competition and fun, catering to both seasoned golfers and casual players. Many of our alumnae Panda golfers also joined the event showcasing their skills and performing exceptionally well.

Thanks to all of our wonderful supporters, the outing was a tremendous success, including a lively silent auction and an exciting prize draw. We are deeply grateful to everyone who participated and contributed to our student athletes, ensuring they continue to excel. Thank you for swinging into summer with us and making a meaningful difference!



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

NDA PANDAS VS. ST. URSULA BULLDOGS Flag Football Game for Childhood Cancer Research



The traditional Orange and White Flag Football Game between our NDA Pandas and the St. Ursula Bulldogs took place in April, benefiting the Giving Hope To Kids Organization at Children's Hospital. This organization funds research for childhood cancers and proper treatments.

To prepare our students for this meaningful event and emphasize the importance of service work, we held a Pep Rally the Friday before the big game. Mrs. Rita Bradley spoke to the students about her daughter Natalie's battle with leukemia. Natalie, a 2009 graduate of St. Ursula Academy, fought bravely and longer than her prognosis predicted. The Bradley family attended the game and highlighted its significance to Natalie, who "marched to the beat of her own drum." They expressed how honored she would be that an event like this supports others fighting similar battles.

Our Pandas and the Bulldogs entertained a large crowd with an exciting flag football game. The halftime show, choreographed by Bulldogs and Pandas, featured performances by boys from St. X and CCH. It was an amazing event that brought four schools together for a worthy cause. Although our Pandas did not emerge victorious, losing to the Bulldogs 19 to 6, they played with heart and determination, making it an enjoyable event for all!

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:

Millie Kilmer Hickman 1957
 Marianne Frohn Wall 1957
 Mary Ann Schumacher Mize 1958
 Joan C. Halpin McClure 1958
 Suzanne Robbins Tegge 1964
 Sharon Nuehaus Arlinghaus 1971
 Kimberley Borne Clarkson 1979
 Kelly Eisenman Kerns 1982

Husband of:

Ann Lee Murphy Ernst 1954
 Kay Koors Niederegger 1959
 Judith Vaske Tallarigo 1961
 Roselyn Fieger McPhillips 1971
 Susan Arlinghaus Hoffman 1975
 Donna Marie Broadstone 1981

Mother of:

Jill Bailer Winebrenner 1981
 Shannon Frohn Miller 1985
 Donna Anthe 1986
 Kelli Scanlon Flesch 1997
 Ivy Gerrein Flynn 1988
 Rebecca Brown 1991
 Christine Brown Frondorf 1995
 Rebecca Arlinghaus Lambert 1996
 Lisa Arlinghaus Wallace 2003

Father of:

Lee Ann Ernst 1980
 Susan Wullenweber Niederegger 1986
 Kate McPhillips Doucette 1994

McPhillips Linneman 1997
 Claire McPhillips Sullivan 2002
 Kristi Witemyre Jowsey 2010

Sister of:

Judith A. Bland 1960
 Elizabeth Schumacher 1961
 Margaret Schumacher Green 1965
 Karen Borne Bieger 1981
 Krista Borne Rapheal 1983
 Patricia Kerns Hudepohl 1985
 Kathryn Marie Borne 1986

Brother of:

Kim Hoffman Lawless 1974
 Reneee Hoffman Waymeyer 1978
 Carolyn Powers 1982
 Julie Powers Alig 1984

Daughter of:

Joan Blenke Borne 1956
 Mary Beth Messmer Heil 1980

Son of:

Mary Brauch Bamberger 1963

Honorariums

In Honor of **Sarah Beckham 2026**
 by: Grayson Beckham

In Honor of **Marilyn Slaughter**
 Happy Birthday April 19th
 by: Karen Slaughter Christophel 1975

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

In Memoriam

In Memory of **Hubert Asher**
 by: Mary K. Cooper 1972

In Memory of **Joseph Bamberger**
 by: The Class of 1963
 Mary Bamberger 1963

In Memory of **Sr. Mary Carmello, SND 1943**
 by: Marian Schneider Hoffman 1950

In Memory of **Jeanne McKinley Dressman 1948**
 by: Mary Sue Dressman 1967
 Don and Kathleen Kiely 1972
 John and Lori Knochelman 1981
 Jan Pettibone 1970 and Tim Mauntel
 Jeff and Fran Tarvin 1969
 Harriet Overmann

In Memory of **JoAnn Glindmeyer Fox**
 by: Jo's Club from Bellevue
 Martha Boh Kirby 1964
 Patricia Nieporte Nagel 1964
 Kathy Gorman McCann 1965
 Barb Brown
 Judi Dooley
 Mary Ann Hudepohl
 Shirley Schmitz
 Trish Smith
 Betty Wietholter
 Vern and Barb Nieporte

In Memory of **Kathy Cleves Hegge 1975**
 by: Deborah Jansen 1972

In Memory of **Margie Frommeyer Kaufman 1958**
 by: Joe and Kim Kaufman

In Memory of **Ted D. Kleier**
 by: Karen Wulfeck Schrantz 1981

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

In Memory of **Margie Louise Kruse**
 by: Sheila Hammons and Thomas Hammons

In Memory of **Margie and Tim Kruse**
 by: The Cain Family

In Memory of **Joan Halpin McClure 1958**
 by: Carol Schneider Smith 1958
 Sandra Kemphaus Konerman 1958
 Ann Knipper Farrell 1958

In Memory of **Della Mae Mueller 1950**
 by: Karen Wulfeck Schrantz 1981

In Memory of **Laverne Schneider Ober 1948**
 by: Marian Schneider Hoffman 1950

In Memory of **Betty Rose Holtman Rauon 1946**
 by: Ruth Schnurr 1946

In Memory of **Sue Overman Rice 1958**
 by: Ann Farrell 1958

In Memory of **Betty Scherrerr 1941**
 by: John and Sherri Wenderfer

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

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

In Memory of **Danielle Eldridge Steinmetz 1993**
 by: Angie Eldridge

In Memory of **Joe and Doris (Chappie 1944) Trimpe**
 by: Carol Trimpe Bogaczyk 1969 and Jack Bogaczyk

In Memory of **Nell & Stan, Bob, Mary Carol Vogepohl, and Eileen V. Hebbeler**
 by: Virginia Adams 1949

In Memory of **Sandra Hunter Walker 1988**
 by: Sherry Beckmeyer Conner 1988

In Memory of **Marianne Frohn Wall 1957**
 by: Carol Wulfeck Ruwe 1957

In Memory of **Janice Terry Wenstrup 1957**
 by: Dave Wenstrup

In Memory of **Ruth M. (Kreeb) Wiegand 1940**
 by: Elaine Groneck 1970

In Memory of **Angelo C. Bruno & Lori Bruno Winter**
 by: Sylvia T. Bruno (Beiting) 1955

Please note that this compilation is from March 2, 2024 - May 31, 2024. We apologize for any omissions or inaccuracies. Our expression of sympathies relies on notification from family and friends. To send information to the Advancement Office, visit the Alumnae section of the website: www.ndapandas.org or email notredamian@ndapandas.org



MAKING A DIFFERENCE Impacting our Region

This spring, Notre Dame Academy was honored to be selected as a finalist in the Large Business category at the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Business Impact Awards. These awards celebrate businesses - both small and large, new and established - that are making a meaningful difference in the Northern Kentucky community through innovation, creativity and strong business practices.

For over 118 years, Notre Dame Academy has been at the forefront of educational innovation and excellence in our region's competitive educational landscape. As the sole all-female college preparatory school in Northern Kentucky, NDA takes pride in its Catholic identity and its esteemed reputation as a leading educational institution in the area. With a vast network of over 10,000 alumnae, Notre Dame Academy has left a positive mark on the Greater Cincinnati region for more than a century.

"We are incredibly proud to be recognized as a finalist by the NKY Chamber of Commerce at the 2024 Business Impact Awards," expressed NDA Interim President, Mrs. Jane Kleier. "This nomination is a testament to the collective effort of our entire NDA community and their commitment to shaping the future of education in Northern Kentucky."

The Business Impact Awards, an annual event, presented by Huntington Bank, acknowledges local business leaders and innovators who are driving progress in Northern Kentucky through their dedication to innovation, customer service, employee-centric initiatives and more. Brent Cooper, President & CEO of the NKY Chamber, emphasized the significant contributions made by this year's finalists and expressed gratitude for their strong commitment to the region's prosperity and growth.



Advancing the Mission

CELEBRATING UNPRECEDENTED GENEROSITY:

A Landmark Year for NDA's Annual Fund

We are thrilled to announce that Notre Dame Academy has not only reached its goal of \$375,000 for this fiscal year, but has set an all-time new record of \$450,000, achieving 120% of our goal!

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to our alumnae, current and past parents, community members, friends of NDA and even current students for generously donating to NDA's Annual Fund this fiscal year. Your dedication to the premier Catholic education at NDA and partnership in our mission to educate young women to make a difference in the world is not only appreciated but deeply impactful.

This year, the collective generosity of our supporters has been remarkable. By contributing to the annual fund, you have played a crucial role in offsetting the cost of tuition. This financial support ensures that any young woman in our community who seeks an NDA education has the opportunity to pursue it, regardless of financial barriers.

The contributions received have helped sustain and enhance the high standards of education at Notre Dame Academy. They enable us to provide a holistic educational experience that nurtures the intellectual, spiritual, and social growth of our students. These funds also support various programs, activities, and resources that enrich the learning environment and foster the development of future leaders.

Thank you for your continued support and belief in the mission of Notre Dame Academy. Together, we are making a positive impact and shaping the future for young women in our community. We look forward to the ongoing partnership and the continued success of our students, made possible by your generosity.



Honoring the Sisters of Notre Dame

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY FOUNDATION DAY

OCTOBER 1, 2024

We invite you to celebrate Foundation Day by making a gift to NDA's Annual Fund in honor of the Sisters of Notre Dame. This special day allows our community to come together in gratitude for the countless blessings and educational opportunities the Sisters have provided.

We are profoundly grateful for the visionary spirit of our founders, Hilligonde Wolbring and Elisabeth Kühling, who in 1850 in Coesfeld, Germany, recognized the importance of providing young women with access to education. Their legacy lives on through the Sisters of Notre Dame in Northern Kentucky, who opened the doors to Notre Dame Academy on 5th Street in Covington in 1906. Today, their mission continues to thrive through the dedicated Sisters who enrich the lives of our students at our Hilton Drive campus.

Pictured here are just a few of the amazing Sisters of Notre Dame who have had a tremendous impact on students at NDA. Their dedication and service have been instrumental in shaping the lives and futures of countless young women.

NDA's Annual Fund plays a vital role in bridging the gap between tuition and the actual cost of educating a student. Your generous support ensures that NDA can continue to offer a premier Catholic education and a transformative experience for all our students.

Join us in honoring the Sisters of Notre Dame this Foundation Day with a meaningful gift to the Annual Fund. Your contribution helps sustain their enduring legacy and supports the future of our students.



TOP CLASS PARTICIPATION 1995

YOUR PARTICIPATION SUPPORTED ALL GIRLS CATHOLIC EDUCATION AT NDA!

TOP CLASS DONATION \$ 1990

thank you

FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Girls' Schools Unite!

ALUMNAE SPIRIT SHINES Girls' Schools Unite Campaign

Our alumnae made a huge impact on the annual fund during our Girls' Schools Unite Campaign, where we competed against other all-girls schools in the area for the coveted alumnae participation trophy. The campaign turned into a vibrant celebration of school spirit with alumnae from various class years coming together to show their pride and support for NDA.

During the few days of giving, the friendly competition between class years was both exciting and inspiring. Alumnae found creative and meaningful ways to contribute, such as donating amounts that included a 4 and 5 in honor of the five Sisters on the 4th floor. Others chose to donate their class year, adding a personal touch to their contributions.

The enthusiasm and generosity displayed by our alumnae were truly heartwarming. It was wonderful to see the strong sense of community and dedication to NDA's mission. Special congratulations go out to our top participation and donation classes of 1995 and 1990, who led the way with their outstanding contributions.

Forever NDA

PLANNED GIVING
FOR
NOTRE DAME ACADEMY

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

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

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

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



Become a Notre Dame Academy Corporate Partner

We invite all businesses to explore partnering with NDA as a Corporate Partner. Our Corporate Partner Program is a great way to support and align with the mission of educating young women to make a difference in the world. Your corporate partnership supports the growth of the next generation of female leaders in our community.

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

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

Diamond Corporate Partner



Platinum Corporate Partners



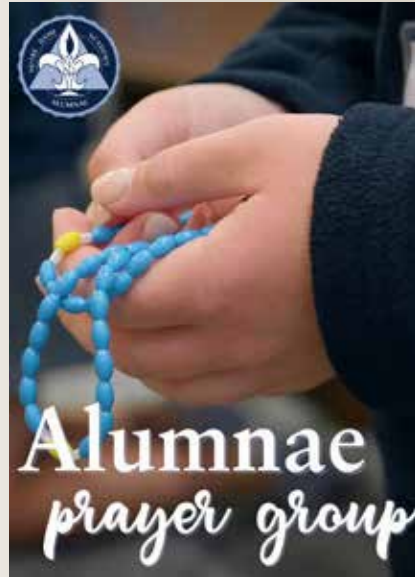
Gold Corporate Partners



Silver Corporate Partners



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Attorney at Law



JOIN US IN PRAYER NDA Alumnae Prayer Group

Please join your fellow NDA alumnae and The Sisters of Notre Dame in daily prayer. To join our prayer group or to submit your personal prayer intention, please visit www.ndapandas.org/alumnae. Your prayer intentions are included by our Sisters in their daily prayers, in the prayer intention book in the Mary, Mother of the World Chapel at Notre Dame Academy as well as prayed for at our monthly Alumnae Rosary.

HONORING THE GOLDEN GIRLS: Celebrating the Class of 1974

The Golden Girls celebration honors our alumnae who graduated fifty years ago or more from Notre Dame Academy. The Class of 1974 will be celebrated at this year's Golden Girls Mass and Brunch.

Members of the Class of 1974 and all graduates of 50 years ago or more are cordially invited to join us for the Golden Girls celebration on Sunday, October 6, 2024. A Mass will begin at 10:00 a.m. at Notre Dame Academy and immediately followed by brunch in NDA's Auditorium. Admission is free and we kindly request your reservation by September 20.

If you are a graduate of 50 years or more, please register using the registration form found on page 36 of this issue, by using the QR code to the right or online at www.ndapandas.org/alumnae/events/golden-girls.



If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Alumnae Relations, Lisa Willenbrink Mosley at (859) 292-7729 or mosleyl@ndapandas.org.




SENIOR LUNCHEON Welcomes New Alumnae

Notre Dame Academy welcomed its newest alumnae, the Class of 2024, at the annual Senior Alumnae Luncheon on May 16. The seniors each received a small gift from the place they called home for the last four years.

The delicious lunch was catered by NDA Alumna Diane Wurtz Smain 1985, owner of Smain Family Catering and dessert by our very own wonderful NDA cafeteria staff! After lunch, several faculty and staff members that are also alumnae, shared touching stories of how through their years since graduation, the connection to their classmates and the panda sisterhood remains strong.

Congratulations Class of 2024! You have joined nearly 12,000 alumnae who have previously graduated from Notre Dame Academy and we all look forward to seeing how you will make a difference in the world in your next chapter and beyond!



ALUMNAE DINNER THEATRE The Sound of Music

The NDA/CCH production of the Sound of Music received 5 star reviews from our alumnae at this year's Alumnae Dinner Theatre!

We had a record sold out crowd for our annual Alumnae Dinner Theatre on April 19, 2024 and what a night it was! Our alumnae had a wonderful time together celebrating the NDA sisterhood and enjoyed a delicious dinner catered by NDA alumna Michelle Henn Faris 1995, owner of Be Creative Catering. Be sure to join us next year!




PANDA PERK

Thank you for joining us in April to celebrate the Panda Sisterhood at our first Panda Perk coffee!

ALUMNAE

Stay tuned for more alumnae Panda Perk coffee mornings later this year!

#PANDASISTERHOOD

#NDAPANDAS

Births

- Julia Anne to Erin Flanagan Laytart 2003
- Emma to Catie Ammerman Meier 2010
- Henry Michel to Ashley Robinson Zimble 2010
- Camille Jean to Hannah Gronotte Ciuccio 2011
- Lincoln Michael to Kelsey Cummings Chandler 2011
- Leo Joseph to Rebecca Neltner Momper 2011
- Nora Christine to Molly McGee Olorunfemi 2011
- Amelia Marie to Michelle Wissman Read 2011
- Ellie Reen to Taylor Abner Rozanski 2011
- Dorothy (Dottie) Kendall to Molly Flanagan Wheeler 2011
- Kennedy Marie to Hannah VonHandorf Sorrell 2013
- David James to Tori Thaman Perkins 2013
- Norah Jean to Kelsey Fussinger Paden 2015

Engagements

- Gretchen Reinersman 2010 to Dominic Bezold
- Taylor Bosch 2013 to Grant Schreiber
- Taylor Berling 2015 to Ben Zumnick
- McKenzie Jacob 2016 to Nathan Myers
- Natalie Kleier 2016 to Oscar Ramirez
- Audrey Muck 2018 to Grant Dyer
- Kayla Torres 2018 to Erik Trentman
- Elly Piatt 2019 to Grant Neltner
- Maddie Ruthsatz 2020 to Clayton Rein
- Megan Seligman 2020 to Jacob Hayes

Marriages

- Shannon Thomas 2011 to Keaton Akers
- Alli Kindt 2012 to Nate Chipman
- Maddie Buring 2014 to Dylan Johnson
- Ellie Poulos 2016 to Grant Fuerstenau
- Malea Rolfsen 2016 to Jeremy Hill
- Meghan Greenwell 2018 to Alex Doss
- Bridget Wall 2018 to Joel Schneider
- Emma Scharstein 2020 to Cameron Vis

Name: *Andrea Davis*
 Graduation Year: *2016*
 College Attended: *University of Pittsburgh*
 College Graduation Year: *2020*
 Job/Career: *Mechanical Design Engineer, Lunar Rovers at Astrobotic*



Is your current occupation what you have always wanted to do? Not really! Since I was a kid, I've wanted to be everything from an artist to a construction worker, to an architect, chef, and everything in between. I only realized I wanted to be an engineer in late high school and only narrowed down to mechanical engineering after my freshman year of college. I started on the space industry path after an opportunity presented itself to work on a lunar rover project at nearby Carnegie Mellon University.

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

I've always had this itch to answer the question 'Why?' and understand how things really work. The space industry has endless whys, so it's been a match made in heaven (space?).

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

While I work in a very math and science heavy industry, the creative opportunities I had at NDA set myself apart from my peers and were critical building blocks for my career. Mechanical design draws from art, while writing and public speaking skills are critical for conveying technical engineering topics to a broad (think money-generating) audience. Shout out to Mrs. Bricking and Mr. Eckerle!

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

I've had multiple opportunities during my 3.5 years at Astrobotic to talk about what I do on social media or with the local Pittsburgh community at the Moonshot Museum, which operates inside of Astrobotic. I love to talk to kids about the art and writing skills I developed in high school. Writers, graphic designers, and lawyers, to name a few, are all critical to the commercial space industry, so it's important that students know that they can get into space without an engineering degree.

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

Keep your interests broad and be open to unexpected opportunities. I moved to Pittsburgh at 18 and immediately felt out of my element, but now it's my city! Don't feel discouraged when you get to college and realize others may have learned things you didn't or that their experiences were different than yours. Those unique perspectives and skills you bring are critical to the future.

*Andrea Davis
 Class of 2016*



Alumnae Rosary



All are welcome to join us for our next Alumnae Rosary in the Marian Circle at NDA. If you are unable to join us in person, please join us in prayer wherever you may be.

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

- Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, August 8, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 12:50 p.m.

In the event of inclement weather, we will pray the rosary together in the Mary, Mother of the World Chapel at Notre Dame Academy.



Marian Circle Commemorative

BRICKS AND THEATRE SEATS

Marian Circle Commemorative Bricks and Theatre Seats are both memorable ways to commemorate the special occasion of your new NDA graduate!

This summer, our NDA alumnae, including our 2024 graduates, have an opportunity to purchase a commemorative brick or theatre seat nameplate for a reduced price of \$150 each. If you are not an alumna, bricks can be purchased for \$300.

All of the proceeds from this program will be designated for the Sister Mary Agnetis Scholarship Fund. Please complete the form on page 37 and return it to NDA.

We are incredibly grateful for your support of Notre Dame Academy!



Upcoming Events

- July**
- 11 Alumnae Rosary
 - Freshman Service Day
- August**
- 6 Freshmen/New Student Orientation
 - 6 Freshmen/New Student Parent Night
 - 6-9 Bridge Program
 - 7 Sophomore/Junior/Senior Parent Night
 - 8 Alumnae Rosary
 - 12 First Day of School
 - 15 No School: Feast of the Assumption
 - 16 Opening School Mass
- September**
- 2 No School: Labor Day
 - 6 Picture Day
 - 7 Playing for a Purpose Volleyball Game
 - 12 Alumnae Rosary
 - 18 Donor Scholarship Breakfast
- October**
- 1 SND Foundation Day
 - 3 & 22 Information Nights
 - 6 Golden Girls Celebration
 - 11 No School: Professional Development Day
 - 11 NDA/CCH Freshmen Halloween Dance
 - 16-18 Senior Retreat
 - 18-20 Fall Play
- November**
- 1 No School: All Saints Day
 - 5 No School: Election Day
 - 10 Open House
 - 16 Light the Night for NDA
 - 18-20 Senior Retreat
 - 27 No School: Professional Development Day
 - 28-29 Thanksgiving Break

Class Updates

1954

Eunice Riesenbeck wanted to share that she still lives on her own and volunteers several days each week at the Diocesan Children's Home Flea Market. She's in good health and still drives. She enjoys having 8 of her children close by in Northern Kentucky as well as 23 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren!

1957

On May 16, Bishop John Iffert presented **Patricia Schnelle Popo** with the Sister Ann Adele Fritz Catechetical Award at the behest of the Office of Catechesis and Evangelization "for untiring efforts in the ministry of Catholic education in the Diocese of Covington." Patricia expressed her gratitude, saying, "I owe so much of this award to the Sisters of Notre Dame who were my teachers from Grade One at Sacred Heart School, Bellevue, to my senior year at Notre Dame Academy with Sister Mary Agnetis, as my homeroom teacher. I can still remember Sister Mary Agnetis having us make a novena to the Infant of Prague with the intention that Conrad Hilton would fund the new school and it worked!"

1968

Judy Berger Collins celebrated her granddaughter **Jamie Collins' 2024 NDA** graduation with Jamie's Aunt, **Jayne Collins 1995**.



1970

Karen Riedinger George's short story collection, *How We Fracture*, won the Rosemary Daniell Fiction Prize and was published by Minerva Rising Press in January 2024! In a ceremony at Frankfort's Capitol Rotunda, she was awarded first place in the inaugural Kentucky Visions Short Story Contest, sponsored by The Bluegrass Writers Coalition.

1998

Friends from the Class of 1998 had a fun night out together at the Alumnae Dinner Theatre and the NDA/CCH performance of the Sound of Music!

Front row: Heidi Metzger, Mara Schickling Kreiling, Sarah Detzel Davidson, Christy Roenker Schuler, Kate Moser Marx
Back row: Amy Kleier Pastura, Amy Lamb Carnohan, Jennifer Linneman Waltz



2008

A group of classmates from the Class of 2008 got together recently for a mini reunion!



2010

Ashley Robinson Zimble's baby boy, Henry Michel Zimble, was delivered by fellow NDA alumna **Kara Brinker Alexandrovic, M.D. 2000** on December 6, 2023 at Rose Medical Center in Denver, Colorado.



2011

Molly Flanagan Wheeler, her husband Dallas and siblings Annie and Jack welcomed Dorothy (Dottie) Kendall Wheeler born March 11, 2024.



2011

Hannah Gronotte Ciuccio and her husband Pat welcomed their daughter Camille Jean in May 2024.



2011

Taylor Abner Rozanski and her husband Brandon welcomed their daughter Ellie Reen in May 2024.



2013

Tori Thaman Perkins and her husband Blake Perkins, CCH 2012, welcomed their first child, David James Perkins, on January 25.

2014

Maddie Buring married Dyland Johnson on October 13, 2023.



2016

Andrea Davis, a mechanical engineer, Astrobotic Technology Inc., was named one of Pittsburgh's 30 Under 30 of 2024 for her contributions to Pittsburgh's lunar/space tech industry. In January, Astrobotic embarked on its maiden voyage to the moon, Peregrine Mission One, which while ultimately unsuccessful in delivering its payloads to the moon, experienced a successful launch into space and delivered invaluable data and information to the company. For the Peregrine mission, Andrea served as commander of the Iris Lunar Rover, one of Peregrine's payloads from Carnegie Mellon University, sending the command for Iris to wave goodbye before Peregrine entered into and burned up in Earth's atmosphere. Andrea had built and designed critical elements of Iris and led its assembly. She is now the primary mechanical design engineer for Astrobotic's next lunar rover that will fly on its next lander, Griffin.



2016

McKenzie Jacob was recently engaged to Nathan Myers.



2017

Hannah Rovito welcomed her daughter Charlotte Lynn in May 2024.



2019

Abby Jacob Haag and her husband Evan welcomed their son Walter Scott in May 2024.



2024 Reunions

Save The Date...
November 16
at The Grand
in Covington!

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LIGHT THE NIGHT FOR NDA: A CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

We are excited to announce our upcoming fall fundraiser, *Light the Night for NDA*, which will be held at The Grand Ballroom in Covington, Kentucky, on Saturday, November 16, 2024. This cherished event brings together our current and past parents as well as alumnae and community members for an evening of drinks, music, dinner and merriment.

This year, we are thrilled to welcome our new community partner and neighbor, Performance Lexus of Northern Kentucky, as our title sponsor. We extend our heartfelt thanks to them for their generous support, which helps make this event possible.

This year's event promises to be an unforgettable celebration of the excellence at Notre Dame Academy. With a long-standing tradition of providing crucial funds to support Catholic education at NDA, our fall fundraiser is a cornerstone of our efforts to continue offering exceptional educational opportunities for the young women of our community. Your presence, support and generosity are what make this possible and we are immensely grateful for the incredible support we have received over the years.

There are numerous ways to get involved and support *Light the Night for NDA*. You can host gift-gathering parties, explore sponsorship options, participate in online bidding, or simply attend the event. Each contribution, no matter the form, plays a vital role in helping us fulfill our mission to educate young women to make a positive difference in the world.

We look forward to seeing you on November 16 as we come together to celebrate the transformative power of Catholic education and the excellence that defines Notre Dame Academy. Your support ensures that NDA continues to provide an exceptional all-girls Catholic education, fostering the development of future leaders who will impact our community and beyond.

Join us for this fun celebration of our mission, and let's *Light the Night for NDA* together!

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The following class years are celebrating their reunions this year. For updated information regarding NDA reunions, please visit www.ndapandas.org/alumnae.

Class of 1964 - 60th Year Reunion

Date: Friday, September 27, 2024
NDA Alumnae Hall
Contact: Mary Ann Muck 859-653-3007 (text)
More details will be provided.

Class of 1969 - 55th Year Reunion

Date: Friday, August 30, 2024
The Class of 1969 is having their 55th reunion on Friday, August 30, 2024 from 5-10 p.m. (10-11 p.m. cleanup) at the Edgewood Liberty Hall (formerly Edgewood Senior Center). The cost will be minimal as the planning committee will provide the tablecloths, plates and napkins and everyone can bring an appetizer to share. More details will be provided.

Class of 1974 - 50th Year Reunion

Date: Friday, October 11, 2024
Contact: Facebook Group "NDA Class of 1974" or Reunion Committee Chairperson, Carrie Hills Hanscom (carriehanscom1@gmail.com). More details will be provided.

Class of 1979 - 45th Year Reunion

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. Band at 8:00 p.m.
JerZees Pub, 708 Monmouth St., Newport, KY 41071. More details will be provided.

Class of 1984 - 40th Year Reunion

Date: Saturday, November 2, 2024
5:30 p.m. Tour at NDA
7:00 – 11:00 p.m. Reunion at Pee Wee's, Crescent Springs, KY
Contact Lisa Hemmer Pieper with any questions at lisapeiper66@gmail.com or 859.512.3880. More information will be provided.

Class of 1994 - 30th Year Reunion

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024
Class of 1994 Ladies Night
Northern Kentucky Location TBD
Contact: Kathy Carnes at kathleen.carnes@dinsmore.com
More details will be provided on the class Facebook page and email invitations will be forthcoming.

Class of 1999 - 25th Year Reunion

Date: Friday, July 19, 2024
Queen City Riverboats
100 O'Fallon Avenue, Dayton, KY 41074
Riverboat cruise departs promptly at 7:30 p.m.! Don't be late!
Contact: Katrina Robke Holtmeier at 513-504-0280

Class of 2004 Reunion

20th Year Reunion
Date: Friday, September 6, 2024
The Class of 2004 Reunion will be held at Molly Malones (112 E 4th St, Covington, KY 41011)
Contact: Lindsay Brown at mckeown.lindsay@gmail.com or 859-512-0097.
More details will be provided on the class Facebook page and email invitations will be forthcoming.

The following classes will also be celebrating their reunions this year:

Class of 1949 - 75th Year
Class of 1954 - 70th Year
Class of 1959 - 65th Year
Class of 1989 - 35th Year
Class of 2009 - 15th Year
Class of 2014 - 10th Year
Class of 2019 - 5th Year

If you are interested in planning your class reunion or have updated information to share, please contact Lisa Willenbrink Mosley at 859.292.1852 or MosleyL@ndapandas.org.

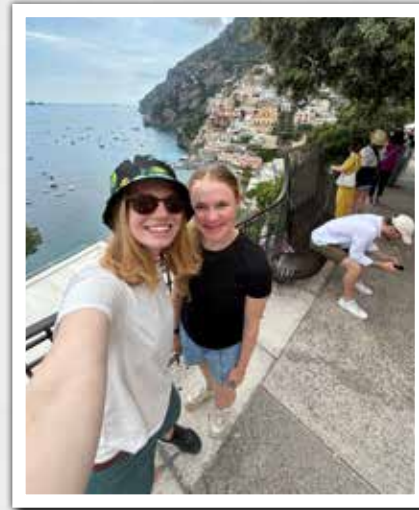
**ALUMNAE
MENTORING**

A special thank you to our Alumnae Mentors for your commitment to guide and mentor NDA students this year. As we work to continually improve the program, additional information will be provided this fall regarding next year's program.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding the Alumnae Mentor Program, please contact the Director of Alumnae Relations, Lisa Willenbrink Mosley at MosleyL@ndapandas.org.

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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Maddie Prospero 2020 and Laura Neltner 2020 recently traveled abroad together celebrating graduations from Purdue and the University of Cincinnati! They traveled through Italy and Switzerland.



A group of our students and recent graduates were very excited to begin their summer trip to France!

Front Row: Natalie Brockmeier 2006, Lucy Siegert 2026, Sydney Sheely 2026 Erica Otto, Diane Goldcamp Middle Row: Sarah Beckham 2026, CC Danneman 2026, Ryan Scheiner 2026, Bella Iles 2026 Megan Ahern 2024 Maria Earls 2025, Ella Walsh 2025 Maya Tully 2025, Eva Tully 2027, Sarah Day 2025, Madelyn Calvert 2026, and Chloe Schaeffer 2026 Back Row: Paige Haas 2027, Allison Laws 2024, Tessa Schulte 2024, Claire Coppage 2024, Carlee Overmann 2025, Grace Panko 2025, Sadie Hartig 2025, Emma Krallman 2024, Klaira Eckhardt 2024, Riley Herald 2025, Brooke Donaldson 2024, Jack VonHandorf



Becky Popham 2003 recently enjoyed a family trip to Aulani Disney Resort Oahu, Hawaii.



Several of our students and recent graduates recently went on the trip of a lifetime to Greece visiting Athens and the Islands. Here they are in Athens, Greece getting ready to attend Sunday Mass at Catholic Cathedral Basilica of St. Dionysius the Areopagite. Front Row: Pheobe Desch 2026, Hannah Renaker 2024, Jaqueline Brueggeman 2024, Lexi Mauller 2024, Josie Stallard 2025, Molly Mast 2025, Linda France 2026 Middle Row: Jamie Collins 2024, Megan McKeown 2024, Paige Pence 2025, Lucy Kleman 2026, Erin Paitt 2026, Camryn Perry 2026, Lily Atzinger 2026, Back Row: Greta Bitikofer 2025, Anna Blair 2025, Leah Hickey 2025, Riley Pope 2026, Maddie Brown 2026, Sophie Hollenkamp 2026, Ella Nienaber 2026, Kamryn Hopkins 2026



This summer the Sisters of Notre Dame are once again bringing together their schools from all regions of the country to offer them a healthcare experience at St. Claire Regional Hospital near Morehead University. Two NDA students were selected to be part of this amazing experience and explore the SND sponsored hospital of St. Claire (**Lydia Timmerding 2025 and Ellie Leen 2026**). They are pictured here with the group accompanied by NDA school nurse **Tina Sizemore** and NDA science teacher, **Lauren Meese 2019**.

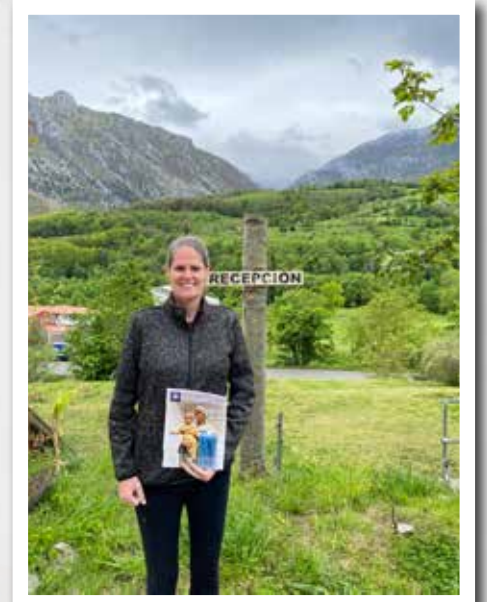


Anne Blenke 1949 had a great time visiting Mount Dora, Florida!



Classmates from 1972 had a wonderful time together in April at NDA. "We did not have to travel far for our monthly gathering in April, the NDA Alumnae Dinner Theatre wined, dined and entertained us! The performance of the *Sound of Music* was both entertaining and professional!"

Front row: Karen Scherder, Joanie Auer, Beth Wolf, Sandy Flynn VonHandorf, Mary Kathman Cooper, Karen Steffe, Terri Droege, Janet Lehmker, Marsha Bacovcin Blythe, Barb Hanneken Back row: Kathy McGill, Terri Lankeit, Debbie Rademacher Klare, Debbie Schrand, Judy Meihaus Fillhardt, Debbie Zembrodt Mauntel, Terri Loebker Schierberg



Tricia Purcell 1997 had an incredible trip hiking in Las Arenas, Spain in May 2024.



Joelle Michels 1986, Meleia Michels 2015, Megan Michels 2020 and Lindsey Foust 2018 recently traveled to Boston to see the sights and visit family!



Ava Hering 2021 and her sister Eily Hering 2025 enjoyed a trip to Vero Beach, Florida this summer!



Grace Caccavari 2020 stopped at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral before heading on a cruise to the Bahamas earlier this summer!



Do you have any news to share?

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

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We are currently offering NDA alumnae including our 2024 graduates a special price of \$150 per brick and theatre seat. If you are not an alumna, bricks and theatre seats can be purchased for \$300.

To purchase a brick or theatre seat, please fill out the form below and return it to
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 along with payment by **September 2, 2024**

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

NAME: _____ CLASS OF 2024

Brick: Inscriptions on the bricks should be limited to the names of individuals, dates, and phrases such as "in memory of" or "in honor of." Other personal messages, quotes, and/or titles such as class president are not recommended.

One Character (including periods, commas and spaces) per box.

Golden Girls Mass and Brunch October 6, 2024

REGISTRATION FORM

Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. at Notre Dame Academy with brunch immediately following

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

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Members of the
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colleges within

4 years

(6 year average at KY state public
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