



The Notre Dame Academy Weekly
February 29, 2008

DRAGON BITES

At the beginning of this busy spring season, we are passing along this policy reminder to parents and students who participate in athletics and other extracurricular activities including music and drama. This policy is an important component of maintaining the integrity of both our academic and extra-curricular programs for all of our students. A copy will be posted near the sign-in/sign-out log in the Registrar's office. Please telephone or e-mail us if you have questions.

Arnold Klingenberg, Associate Head of School for Academics
Carla Adgate, Director of Athletics
Pamela Clifford, Registrar and Attendance

Participation Policy for Students

You may not participate in athletic practices and games or performances

- If you are tardy and sign in after 9:30 am.
- If you are dismissed early.
- If you leave school and then return.
- If you do not attend all your scheduled commitments during the day, including classes, meetings, and special programs.
- If you spend longer than one hour in the clinic.

Exceptions:

- A medical appointment, if you present a note signed by the medical services provider. The note must specify the date and time of your appointment.
- A funeral or similarly serious family circumstance.
- A family religious observance.
- A college visit, if you present a note signed by a college official. The note must specify the date and time of your visit.
- A field trip or other school-authorized activity on or off campus.

US NAVAL ACADEMY REPRESENTATIVE TO VISIT

Mr. Todd Severance, Notre Dame Academy's Blue & Gold Officer, will be at Notre Dame on Friday, March 7 at 10:30 am to speak with students about USNA and the application process. Students must get a pass to speak to Mr. Severance from Ms. O'Leary.

KELLY E. BAKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Seniors at Notre Dame Academy are invited to apply for the Kelly E. Baker Scholarship. To apply students must write an essay describing how they have developed spiritually, emotionally, artistically and scholastically while at Notre Dame Academy, specifically during their senior year. Essays are due to Ms. O'Leary by March 14 and will be forwarded to the Scholarship Committee. Please talk to Ms. O'Leary for more information or if you have any questions.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GALA AUCTION

On the evening of the Auction, we have a need for parent volunteers. Most of the assistance requires only a limited time, so you will still be able to fully enjoy the evening. There are some things where we would need parent volunteers for only 15 minutes, and some things that would take a little while longer. If you have wanted to help us in some way with the Gala Auction, here is your opportunity. Please contact Paul Goff at extension 3028 or email at pgoff@notredameva.org if you would like to volunteer

PAYING FOR COLLEGE WITHOUT GOING BROKE

The Loudoun County Adult Education Courses is offering a workshop titled "Paying for College Without Going Broke." The workshop consists of two 2-hour sessions and is being offered at Dominion High School in Sterling, Tuesday, March 4 & 11 from 7:00-9:00pm and a second offering will be held at Dominion High School Thursday, April 3 & 10 from 7:00-9:00pm. The cost of the workshop is \$40. To register please call (571) 252-2199

CHILI COOK-OFF AND BROWNIE BAKE-OFF A SUCCESS

Thursday night the Notre Dame Academy hosted its third Annual Chili Cook-Off and Brownie Bake-Off. The evening was a success and a good time was had by all.

Thanks to everyone who came and supported the event, and our judges too! To Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgibbon, and Mrs. Martha Mavrellis, thank you for helping us prepare, serve, and clean-up. A special thank you to Mary Ellen Giannini and Karen Fox for the delicious chili, salad, corn bread, and brownies that were enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to all the winners.

POP UPDATE

We will be having POP activities on Wednesday, March 5. This is our last session. We hope everyone enjoyed participating.

ACTIVITY BUS BEGINS

Monday, March 3rd the NDA Activity Bus will begin service.

Buses will depart from the front of the school at 6:00 p.m.

One bus will stop at the Purcellville Community Center, Leesburg - Loudoun

Government Building, Ashburn Bloom

The other bus will stop at South Riding McDonald's and the Bob Evans Restaurant -

Chantilly

Cost: One NDA Bus Ticket or \$6.00 cash to driver

Any questions, please feel free to call Mrs. Boger at ext. 3035.

SCHOOL VISITS

If someone you know is interested in attending Notre Dame Academy, now is the time to arrange a school visit. Loudon County and several other schools will be on Spring Break the week before Easter while Notre Dame is still in session. March 17, 18, and 19 are good days to schedule visits. Please co-ordinate all campus visits through Cathy Struder cstruder@notredameva.org in the admissions office.

THANK YOU TO OUR LUNCH VOLUNTEERS

Schedule for the week of March 3 – 7

Monday

Judy Taylor

Kim Thomas

Tuesday

Cheryl Alsalihi

Rose Quinley

Wednesday

Lind Blessed

Andrea Dulick

Thursday

Marilyn Heath

Kathye Taylor

Friday

Mary Sullivan

We still need one more volunteer for Friday, If you can volunteer, please contact Martha Mavrellis, 540-955-4480 or titamav@yahoo.com.

DRAGON EVENTS

SATURDAY MARCH 1

St. Jude's Lock-in

Notre Dame Academy's student council is hosting a lock-in to benefit St. Jude's hospital. Starting at 8:00 pm Saturday night and continuing till 8:00 am Sunday morning the students will dance, eat, play Guitar Hero, and scramble their way through a forty-foot obstacle course, all while raising money for a wonderful cause.

TUESDAY MARCH 4

Shenandoah Valley Regional Science Fair

Six students from Notre Dame Academy will attend this regional science fair on the JMU campus competing with up to four hundred other area students. Allison Fifer, Trevor Addie, Duncan Black, Ian Thomas, Bong Ju Lee and Janagale Moncriefe will be presenting their science research projects that they have been working on since last summer.

Notre Dame Academy Blood Drive

Approximately 95% of the population will need blood during their lifetime, and every two seconds someone in our region receives blood. Notre Dame Academy and the American Red Cross will be having a Blood Drive in the cafeteria on Tuesday, March 4 from 12:00-6:00 pm. Please contact Erin O'Leary, oleary@notredameva.org, to schedule your life saving donation.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

US Naval Academy Representative

Mr. Todd Severance, Notre Dame Academy's Blue & Gold Officer, will be here at 10:30 am. Students must get a pass from Ms. O'Leary.

RSVP Deadline for Stations of the Cross

Please RSVP to Mr. Peck jpeck@notredameva.org before the end of the school day.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

13th Annual Gala Auction: Seating is Limited

Seating is becoming very limited for the Gala Auction and we hope you will be able to join us for our 13th Annual Gala Auction, Caribbean Nights. The evening will include dinner, dancing, raffles, games, and a silent and live auction. All of this and more will be included in the Notre Dame Academy fundraiser and social event of the year. To make immediate reservations, please contact Paul Goff at extension 3028.

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NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

The 2008 NATIONAL LATIN EXAM will take place on Wednesday, March 12, 2008 at 12:25pm in the cafeteria. Students should bring #2 pencils with them to the testing period.

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

Living Stations of the Cross

The ninth Annual Living Stations Of The Cross will be presented on Friday, March 14 in the multipurpose room. A soup and salad supper will begin at 6:00 pm, followed by hymns and the presentation of the Stations. All are invited to attend and the event is free to all. If you would like to attend, RSVP Mr. Peck jpeck@notredameva.org with your name and the number of people no later than Friday, March 7 so that we know how much food to make. If you do not RSVP, food and seating will be available on a first come, first serve basis once all of the reservations have been seated. Please join us for this popular Lenten tradition here at Notre Dame Academy.

DRAGON ATHLETICS

The Girls Varsity Basketball Team ended their season with an 81-36 thrashing of National Christian Academy. Congratulations to the seven seniors: Mia Nickson, Azania Stewart, Morgan Wrightson, Kristen Coles, Kristen Brown, Chelsea McNamee, and Josette Campbell on their successful high school careers here at Notre Dame Academy.

The Spring Sports Schedules are now posted on the website. Please call or email Carla Adgate cadgate@notredameva.org if you have any questions.

This week's schedule:

Monday, March 3 4:00 pm Boys Varsity Lacrosse @ Good Counsel

Monday, March 3 5:30 pm Boys JV Lacrosse @ Good Counsel

Spring spirit-wear should be arriving next week.

The purpose of *The Notre Dame Academy Weekly* is to keep our school community informed of highlights and upcoming events throughout the year. If you have any questions regarding *The Notre Dame Academy Weekly*, please contact Rob Tharp @ (540) 687-5581, extension 3037, or rtharp@notredameva.org.