

# NDA CREW

## THE CREWLETTER

Newsletter of the "Think Pink" NDA Crew Team

July 13, 2008

Notre Dame Academy - Toledo, OH

"It wasn't only victories we experienced. All the outstanding coaches were building winning individuals for the competition of life." -- J.J Forster

### President's Message

Many thanks to the Riccio's for a fantastic end of the season party. The hospitality and setting could not have been better to celebrate such a successful season. We were sad to say goodbye to our four outgoing seniors- Teri Relation, Katie Fell, Andrea Bremer, and Whitney Brooks. The farewell speech given by Katie and Teri outlined the ups and downs of being a 4 year high school rower and how folks' lives were made better by having known them. I think we would all agree with that☺. Teri will be attending The University of Notre Dame. Not far from Teri will be Katie who will be taking up residence at Loyola University of Chicago. Whitney Brooks was not able to attend the party because she was attending basic training for the U.S.Coast Guard. We wish her the best. Andrea Bremer, who was not able to participate in spring rowing due to a medical condition, was our very talented resident t-shirt artist/designer. Andrea will be attending BGSU in the fall. We wish all our graduates "boatloads" of success in college. Don't forget to come back and visit!

Martha & Tom Farrell

### Coach's Corner

According to Coach Trevor, summer rowing is going very well. Not only are our girls getting a good workout and brushing up on skills, they are also able to show those SF boys a thing or two about rowing. Way to go, girls!

### Fundraising

Have you gone through the motions of pouring a cold beverage or reaching for the hotdogs in your sleep and then saying THANK YOU? That means you've been working your required 9 Mudhens game slots. That also means you are helping our girls continue their reputation of being among the **BEST IN THE MIDWEST** by helping us buy new shoes for the FOX, new backstays for the riggers, and NEW OARS! It takes a lot of money to maintain boats and their accessories. Everyone's help in this endeavor is very much needed and greatly appreciated. We are still in need of help for the games on August 9 and August 24. Email your "I'll help" response to Julie Lach at [jlach@bex.net](mailto:jlach@bex.net) as soon as possible.

### *A Reminder about Conduct at NDA Crew Sponsored Activities*

The Board of NDA Crew fully supports the Toledo Area Catholic High Schools Substance Abuse Agreement and expects our athletes to abide by this agreement at all times. This agreement states that students "showing evidence of" or "in the possession of" substances of abuse including tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs is not permissible. (NDA Student Handbook.) Any crew sponsored activity is an NDA sanctioned activity and this rule applies. Violations of this will result in immediate exclusion from the event and parents will be notified to pick up their rower at once. Please see the NDA Student Handbook for further explanations regarding school policy on this matter.

Returning to the Mudhens, thanks again to those crew families who are so helpful in this essential fundraising endeavor. Remember to **SIGN UP** - before the games by contacting Julie Lach; **SHOW UP** - on time and dressed to Mudhen requirements; and **ENJOY** the hard work that solidifies NDA's reputation, polishes student work ethic, and earns funds so important to the NDA Crew program

### **Greektown Bus Trip**

Looking for a way to pay this year's tuition? ☺. Buy your tickets for Greektown NOW! Mark your calendars for Friday, August 15. Be at NDA by 5:30 p.m. to get your seat because the bus leaves at 6:00 p.m! Invite your family, friends, neighbors, colleagues and coworkers to this fun-filled activity. Look for more to come in the next few days. Meanwhile contact Val Ullery for more information at [ValKimbul@bex.net](mailto:ValKimbul@bex.net).

### **It's Recruitment Time**

Know any new (or old) students looking for a way to get involved in NDA? Tell them about our **Information Night (IN)** that will be held on **August 7 at 6:30** at the boathouse. Tell them to get IN the boat this year! Postcards are going out this week to the incoming freshmen and sophomore classes to let them know we'd love to meet them!

### **Mark Your Calendars**

**Meeting for returning rowers and their parents**-----Thursday, July 31, 7:00 at NDA.

**Starting date for practice**-----Monday, August 4, 4:00 at International Park

**Swim test**-----Monday, August 18, 5:30-7:00 at Brandywine. (No practice this day.)

(Uniforms can be ordered this day and pictures will be taken for the directory.)

**Rowers bonding event**-----Weekend of September 6 and 7 (More to come on this later.)

**Parent Social**----- September 12 or 13 (More to come on this later.)

**Frogtown**-----Tell your relatives, friends and family to mark Saturday, Sept. 27 as the day to see your daughter and her team row on the Mighty Maumee.

**Regatta Schedule**-----September 20—Head of the Cuyahoga (Cleveland)  
September 27--- Frogtown Regatta (Toledo)  
October 11--- Columbus Fall Classic (Westerville)  
October 18---Head of the Charles (Possibly)  
October 25---Speakmon Regatta (Griggs Reservoir)  
November 2—Wyandotte (Michigan)

