The Notre Dame Alumni Association (NDAA) works to further the University’s mission of FAITH, LEARNING, AND SERVICE by facilitating more meaningful lifelong relationships within the global Notre Dame family.

Established in 1868, the NDAA began just 26 years after the founding of the University of Notre Dame. Father Neal Gillespie, a Holy Cross priest, was elected the first president of the NDAA, which included just a few hundred graduates at the time.

TODAY, WE SERVE MORE THAN 130,000 ALUMNI.
Dear Alumni, Parents, and Friends:

This was a great year for the Notre Dame family. From South Bend to South Beach, from the Windy City to the Emerald Isle, and in communities across the globe, the University showed how it excels both on and off the field and is becoming the preeminent, global Catholic university of the 21st century.

Thank you for being the fuel behind our success. The Notre Dame name echoes around the world because of your work in your organizations and your communities. Thank you for your support of our students, our clubs, and our groundbreaking research.

Notre Dame is a place of kinship. It is a family dropping off their son or daughter and having throngs of older students present to carry suitcases on a hot August afternoon. Notre Dame is the “subway alumnus” who didn’t attend the school but shows up tirelessly for local club activities. And we are an intertwined family as we sway as one to “Notre Dame, Our Mother.”

The Notre Dame Alumni Association is a key part of the University’s journey. With programs on campus, on the road, and online, we bring to life what makes this place special for the Notre Dame family.

Maybe you stopped by our tent on a fall Friday before a home football game and saw an old friend. Maybe you came to a Hesburgh Lecture that made you feel like you were back in school. Or maybe you submitted a prayer request to us to have a candle lit for a loved one at the Grotto.

This Year in Review is a window into those efforts and more. Your Notre Dame Alumni Association each year addresses the intellectual, spiritual, and service needs of the Notre Dame community through projects, programs, tools, reunions, and communications, all ensuring the Fighting Irish spirit stays strong.

I welcome you to look at this celebration of our year and Our Lady’s University.

All the best,

Dolly Duffy ’84
Executive Director,
Alumni Association
Associate Vice President,
University Relations

It was an honor to serve the alumni, parents, and friends of Notre Dame for three years as a member of the Board of Directors and for the past year as its president. Seeing the passion and faith each member of the Fighting Irish family has in the University is humbling and made each day of the experience incredibly rewarding.

I would like to thank Dolly and the entire NDAA staff for their time and dedication to making this the best alumni association in the world. Notre Dame is in good hands under the leadership of Erin O’Connor French and the rest of the board.

John Calcutt ’79

The best thing about Notre Dame is that it is not complacent—and the same can be said of its alumni. The past year was a tremendous one for our alma mater, but we know there is plenty of great work left to be done.

Being president-elect alongside John was a great learning experience and I thank him for helping prepare me to lead the NDAA Board of Directors. I encourage all of our alumni, parents, and friends to be active and vocal in what we can do to better serve and represent Notre Dame.

Erin O’Connor French ’81
CARE PACKAGES
Continuing another successful exam-week tradition in the spring, we offered Notre Dame clubs the option to purchase care packages for their students. The care packages included finals-week essentials such as coffee, Emergen-C, and fun snacks. These items were collected in a Notre Dame-themed package, and students picked them up at their convenience in Recker’s. Sixty-nine participating clubs ordered 1,656 care packages for their students.

ALUMNI SPORTS WEEKEND
Hundreds of alumni and fans came back to campus in January to take in some basketball games and get a behind-the-scenes look at Fighting Irish athletics. Attendees of the annual Alumni Sports Weekend saw the men’s and women’s teams take on Connecticut and Rutgers, respectively, and had ice skating in the Compton Family Ice Arena, a breakfast buffet in Notre Dame Stadium’s press box, and a tour of the football locker room. The weekend also featured a Mass in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart and a reception at O’Brien’s club in the hockey arena.

FAMILY VOLUNTEER CAMP
More than 100 volunteer alumni and their family members visited campus in July 2012 for Family Volunteer Camp, which annually engages families in community service in the South Bend area and helps parents teach their children the value of giving back. The work included painting, cleaning, and gardening, as well as sorting clothes for a thrift store, visiting a homeless shelter, and serving a picnic lunch to moms and kids served by a day center. Participants celebrated Mass, toured Notre Dame Stadium, ate in South Dining Hall, and skated inside the Compton Family Ice Arena.

ENGAGEMENT ON CAMPUS

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION
More than 1,200 freshmen came out during last August’s Freshman Orientation to receive a gift from the Alumni Association. The students and their parents were invited to a welcome tent outside the Eck Visitors Center to pick up this gift, a bag labeled “Class of 2016.” NDAA staff welcomed the newest set of Domers to campus and gave out plenty of useful information, soda, and water.

We also continued the tradition of hosting a Legacy Reception for Notre Dame alumni and their families. Twenty-four percent of every first-year class is composed of legacy students, the highest in the nation—and a demonstration of the University’s ongoing commitment to its graduates.

ECK VISITORS CENTER
The gateway to campus, the Eck Visitors Center provides a daily welcome to the alumni, parents, and friends who visit Notre Dame. With memorabilia, an introductory video, and necessities such as campus maps, we saw 140,000 visitors last year, with 22,000 people attending more than 900 tours.

EXAM STUDY BREAK
Students traded in their books and notes for delicious food and relaxing activities when we held a study break during December’s finals week. We partnered with Notre Dame Food Services to provide more than 700 students with fun, late-night snacks, such as a nacho bar. Signs for each of the Notre Dame clubs participating with us were set at the tables and students were able to sit with fellow members of their hometown club.

FOOTBALL FRIDAYS AT THE ECK
The second year of this event saw more than 7,000 alumni, parents, and fans visit our hospitality tent near the Eck Visitors Center during the six Fridays before home games. Entertainment, drawings for pre-game sideline passes, and $1.00 hot dogs continued to draw crowds.

A new addition was NDAA’s Football Fridays Academic Series: On the Sidelines. This series featured faculty sharing their insights and experiences about Notre Dame and its place in the world.
SUMMER IN THE CITY
Service, networking, a boat cruise, and a baseball game drew hundreds of alumni to Chicago last July for the inaugural Summer in the City. The weekend included a service project together with the Notre Dame Club of Chicago to help out the Mission of Our Lady of the Angels on the city's west side. Attendees also had a welcome happy hour, a networking event at DePaul University with Notre Dame graduates and staff, a nighttime cruise from Navy Pier, and a gathering on two Wrigleyville rooftops to see the Chicago Cubs.

UNIVERSAL NOTRE DAME CELEBRATIONS
These events are held each year to provide a “State of the University” in local communities around the country, with speakers representing all areas of the school. This is an important way for the NDAA to thank alumni for their commitment to Notre Dame and get their feedback. More than 150 UND Celebrations were held in 2012, with 9,000 attendees.

HESBURGH LECTURE SERIES
As part of the NDAA’s goal of supporting lifelong learning, the Hesburgh Lecture Series gives Notre Dame clubs a chance to bring in faculty members and hear on topics ranging from government and science to spirituality. In 2012, there were nearly 90 lectures with more than 6,000 attendees.

CLUB VISITS
Notre Dame clubs were honored to host some of the most popular University leaders during the year. University President Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., ’76, ’78 M.A. went to the Gettysburg club in June to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. He celebrated a Mass, spoke to the group on the battlefield, and attended a luncheon. Head Football Coach Brian Kelly visited the Dallas, Greater Sarasota, Greater Boston, and Detroit clubs for their UND Celebrations.

EMERALD ISLE CLASSIC
The NDAA was part of the historic movement of Americans across the Atlantic when the Fighting Irish played Navy in Dublin, Ireland. In partnership with Anthony Travel, Alumni Association staff hosted more than 3,700 travelers on tours before and after the game, and held celebrations at the Guinness Storehouse and Jameson Distillery.

BASKETBALL GAMES
Football wasn’t the only Fighting Irish squad to have success this year, and teams from the NDAA also journeyed to destinations such as Iowa, Dayton, Norfolk, and New Orleans to help out with local clubs and cheer on the basketball teams during the NCAA tournaments.
ENGAGEMENT ON THE ROAD cont.

SHAMROCK SERIES
Thousands of Irish fans came out in Chicago as part of the football team’s “Home Away from Home” games known as the Shamrock Series. A Young Alumni event hosted more than 400 recent graduates and dozens of alumni helped turn an area near a Catholic school into a green space. On gameday, 1,600 people were at our tailgate along the shoreline before the Irish defeated the Miami Hurricanes.

BCS CHAMPIONSHIP
Notre Dame fans were out in force in Miami when the Irish made their first appearance in the BCS National Championship game. The NDAA helped host 30,000 people at the pep rally and 10,000 people at the gameday tailgate. For young alumni who traveled to Florida but did not secure a ticket, we hosted a game watch in South Beach.

More importantly, nearly 250 people, including volunteers from the University of Alabama, helped create a community garden in the historic Overtown neighborhood in Miami. Volunteers at the project, which was run in cooperation with local social service agencies, constructed raised beds for vegetables, put down sod, and harvested produce. By the end of the day, an empty lot with cinder blocks was transformed into rows of blue, gold, red, and white-lined garden plots.

ACADEMICS

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING
This annual conference hosted 135 teachers, 80 of whom were sponsored by 57 Notre Dame clubs. The main presenter was Ann Anzalone, an education expert who conducted workshops on effective learning and how to actively engage students in the learning process. Anzalone will be back in October 2013 with newly designed workshops helping educators build student achievement in the digital age.

ND CONVERSATIONS
Two sessions of this new academic program have had alumni, parents, and friends from around the world gather together online and discuss pressing issues facing society with Notre Dame faculty. Participants read an ethics-based case study and participated in a small group online chat session and then a large group audio/video conference with the faculty.
SPIRITUALITY

FAITHND
A new website called FaithND launched on November 1, providing a comprehensive and interactive resource for people of faith interested in exploring spirituality, prayer, service, and more. Through June 30, faith.nd.edu had received more than 120,000 unique visitors and almost 990,000 page views. More than 17,000 people receive the daily Gospel, reflection, and prayer service from the NDAA. General and Grotto prayer service requests numbered nearly 21,000.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS
The second year of this advent series brought a new group of video reflections to more than 17,000 viewers. Participants included Rev. Bill Lies, C.S.C., ’93 M.Div., the University’s vice president of mission engagement and church affairs, and Prof. Kathleen Sprows Cummings ’95 M.A., ’99 Ph.D., the director of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism.

NEW FAITH PROGRAMS
Other new spirituality programs included a Lenten Sunday Gospel Reflection, a Pondering the Parables Series, and a Lenten Practices Series.

TRAVEL
In addition to the Emerald Isle Classic, Notre Dame travelers went on 47 trips through our travel program, with more than 470 travelers on trip offerings that spanned all seven continents.

More than 40 trips are planned for 2014, including a long-awaited excursion to Cuba and a cruise of the Panama Canal to celebrate the 100th anniversary of its opening. Other planned trips include the beaches of Normandy and their surrounding sites for the 70th anniversary of D-Day and a wine tasting/bicycling trip with ND Women Connect through the Napa and Sonoma Valleys of California’s Wine Country.

AFFINITY GROUPS

SENIOR ALUMNI
This group continues to build its engagement with alumni and friends ages 55 and over. Its website was officially integrated into myNotreDame, the NDAA’s official online platform, and a Facebook page was started as well. The Golden Doner, the group’s e-newsletter, continues to be one of the most read publications among alumni.

The past two years have seen the first women join the NDSA board. Jack Leicht ’74 is the new chair of the executive committee, succeeding Tom Gordon ’63.

DIVERSITY COUNCIL
Following recommendations from a grassroots effort of committed minority alumni, a new Alumni Diversity Council was created to more effectively engage, recruit, and support the University’s ethnically diverse students and graduates. This council builds on the historic work of the Minority Alumni Network (MAN), which consists of Asian-Pacific Alumni, Black Alumni, Hispanic Alumni, and Native American Alumni.

The Alumni Diversity Council is a nine-member board, with one representative from each minority group and five selected at-large. This enables the individual organizations to maintain their unique identities while simultaneously providing a focused voice on diversity issues as a whole.

ND WOMEN CONNECT
In honor of the 40th anniversary of undergraduate coeducation at Notre Dame, ND Women Connect, the organization devoted to the needs of Fighting Irish alumnae, had local celebrations of this milestone. Groups of alumnae participated in communities stretching from Southern California to New York and Denver to Washington, D.C.

YOUNG ALUMNI
In partnership with Spirituality and Campus Ministry, we hosted a reception for 100 senior students and 12 alumni as a part of the annual Senior Retreat. The retreat focused on preparing students for graduation, particularly as this relates to their spiritual life.
THE OUTSTANDING CLUB AWARD is presented to one club in each size classification that has excelled above all others in support of the University’s mission and in service to its local constituents. The 2013 winners were:

- F Gettysburg
- E Vero Beach
- D Charleston
- C Memphis
- B North Florida
- A Cleveland
- AA Chicago

THE CHARLES F. LENNON, JR. AWARD is the highest honor a club can achieve and it is held for three years. The award recognizes Notre Dame clubs with such a consistent level of excellent performance in all areas of club activity that they would frequently deserve the Outstanding Club Award in their size group. The 2013 winner was Staten Island.

THE DIVERSITY AWARD is presented based on the recommendation of alumni groups. It is bestowed to recognize a club’s active engagement of minority alumni, family, and friends in leadership roles and club activities. The 2013 winners were:

- F Gettysburg
- E Starved Rock
- D Rockford
- C El Paso
- B North Florida
- A Lake Co.
- AA Denver

SENIOR ALUMNI AWARDS recognize a club’s outstanding service to senior alumni. The 2013 winners were:

- F The Villages
- E Vero Beach
- D Rockford
- C Greater Sarasota
- B South Jersey
- A Portland
- AA Denver

YOUNG ALUMNI AWARDS recognize a club’s outstanding service to young alumni. The 2013 winners were:

- C, D, E, F Greater Sarasota
- A, B North Florida
- AA Minnesota

CLUBS BY THE NUMBERS

47,372 Service participants
12,325 Hesburgh Month of Service participants
9,139 UND Celebration attendees
7,279 Club events
174 Club-sponsored Summer Service Learning Program students
162 Student Send-off events
155 Club Masses
136 Clubs raised $2.1 million in scholarships, helping 1,511 students
87 Hesburgh Lecture Series talks

NOTRE DAME CLUBS AROUND THE WORLD

Domestic: 220
International: 50
REUNION

Reunion is the NDAA’s premier event, gathering alumni of all generations back on campus. More than 3,700 alumni and family members attended Reunion 2013, which included undergraduate, graduate business, and law alumni with class years ending in 3 or 8; architecture alumni with class years ending in 4 and 9; the 50-Year Club of classes from 1930-62; and Hispanic Alumni of Notre Dame.

This year saw outstanding attendance. The 50-Year Class of 1963 brought 522 alumni and guests, and the Class of 2008 set the five-year reunion attendance record with 411 attendees.

HIGHLIGHTS IN 2013 WERE:

• A Town Hall meeting with Executive Vice President John Affleck-Graves and Provost Thomas G. Burish ’72.

• An All-Class Mass and program with an appearance from University President Emeritus Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., ’39.

• The Notre Dame Perspectives series with sessions on the changing nature of 21st-century media and how to navigate your financial future.

• Creating a Notre Dame Story: the Making of the Film Rudy, a seminar with the filmmakers of the historic movie.

• A comedy show by Michael Somerville ’94

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Each year, the NDAA invites club, class, and group volunteers back to campus for three days of leadership development and networking. More than 350 volunteers attended this year’s conference, formerly known as Alumni Senate but renamed the Leadership Conference for clarity and inclusion of non-graduates. Attendees went to workshops on topics such as an overview of the Alumni Association; social media and myNotreDame, the Alumni Association’s online platform; and the logistics of running Notre Dame clubs, from football tickets to the availability of academic and spiritual programs.

Speeches were given by Carolyn Woo ’11 (Hon.), the former dean of the Mendoza College of Business and the current CEO of Catholic Relief Services, and former Notre Dame football coach Gerry Faust. Two days before the annual Blue-Gold Game, Head Football Coach Brian Kelly also shared his own leadership insights.

The **HARVEY G. FOSTER AWARD** for distinguished service through civic or University activities: **Greg Meredith ’80**, former All-American hockey player and founder of the Meredith Family Foundation.

The **DR. THOMAS A. DOOLEY AWARD** for outstanding service to humankind: **Dr. Roy Seitz ’74**, former battalion surgeon with the U.S. Marines.

The **REV. ROBERT F. GRIFFIN, C.S.C., AWARD** for outstanding accomplishments or achievements in writing: **Bryan Gruley ’79**, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and novelist.

The **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD** for the “unsung hero” who continually goes beyond expectations to ensure success for their club, class, or group and the NDAA: **Mary Ellen Woods ’80**, class officer and Notre Dame Club of Chicago volunteer.

The **OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD** honoring Notre Dame graduates in elementary or secondary education who have distinguished themselves in educating students: **Julie Bernhardt ’89**, mathematics teacher at Millburn High School in Millburn, New Jersey
COMMUNICATIONS

We send newsletters to keep alumni, parents, and friends up to date on the latest campus news and programs. **ND Today**, our main publication, is a monthly e-newsletter sent to more than 120,000 readers. Features in the past year included interviews with coaches Brian Kelly and Mike Brey, stories on the Emerald Isle Classic and BCS Championship Game, and profiles of alums ranging from a founder of Keurig to a writer at Marvel Comics.

**Notre Dame Magazine** also runs articles on alumni and class notes in each issue.

Other publications include:

- **Travelin’ Irish**: Travel program e-newsletter with trip promotions and interviews.
- **Young Alumni E-News**: Features and event promotions for alumni who graduated within the past 10 years.
- **Onward to Victory**: A bi-annual newsletter introducing graduating seniors to the NDAA.
- **Golden Domer**: A quarterly e-newsletter that highlights news and programs for senior alumni.
- **ND Women Connect**: A quarterly e-newsletter for and about alumnae of Notre Dame.
- **International**: Publications for our audience in Europe, Asia, and Latin America.

ONLINE

- **myNotreDame**: The online platform for the Alumni Association continues to be the go-to resource for the University’s alumni, parents, and friends to stay connected.
- **Facebook**: The NDAA Facebook page has passed the 21,000 “Like” mark, continuing to provide friends with unique content.
- **LinkedIn**: The Notre Dame Alumni Network now has more than 32,000 members, providing thousands of connections for Domers in their professional careers.

AFFINITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Alumni Association carefully selects organizations to partner with to bring products, services, and savings to members of the Notre Dame family. These partnerships help support our programs and services and include:

- Bank of America: Credit cards, checking accounts, and debit cards
- Liberty Mutual: Home, auto, and renter’s insurance
- Collegiate Insurance Resources: GradMed short-term health insurance and term life insurance
- Lenovo Computers
- Several state license plate programs
The Board of Directors represents Notre Dame alumni in communicating with the University administration and setting policy for the NDAA. The board has 29 directors and a president.

Board members are elected by Notre Dame alumni for three-year terms, with the president serving a fourth year. Members participate in three regular meetings each year in the winter, spring, and fall, and represent different regions of the country or groups.

Primary responsibilities include preparing annual reports on clubs in each member’s region, assisting NDAA staff by connecting with local clubs, and keeping in regular contact with constituents. Representatives also work to nominate highly qualified candidates for awards and the board.

Beginning on July 1, 2013, Erin O’Connor French ’81 will serve as president. She will be succeeded in one year by James Zavertnik ’79, who was chosen by the board in April 2013 as president-elect.

**TERMS ENDING JUNE 30, 2013**
- President: John P. Calcutt ’79
- Asian-Pacific Alumni: Ronald M. Wong ’53
- International Alumni, South America: Pablo Iturralde ’86
- Native American Alumni: Elaine DeBassige D’Amato ’92
- Young Alumni: Lauren Fowler ’04
- Region 1 (AK, HI, ID, N. CA, N. NV, OR, WA): Anne Laflamme ’87
- Region 6 (IL, NW, IN): Robert D. Manning ’87, ’98 M.B.A.
- Region 8 (IN, KY): Christopher R. Putt ’94, ’98 J.D.
- Region 9 (OH, W. PA, WV): Thomas G. Tomasula Jr. ’90
- Region 13 (OK, TX): Erin O’Connor French ’81
- Region 16 (Cook County, IL): Charles R. Flood ’74

**TERMS ENDING JUNE 30, 2014**
- President: Erin O’Connor French ’81
- Hispanic Alumni: Rosey Valencia ’98
- International Alumni, Asia: David Wang ’92
- Senior Alumni: Bill Kreps ’55
- Young Alumni: Arienne Thompson ’04
- Region 2 (MT, UT, CO, WY, NM, Calgary): Dave Caron ’77
- Region 5 (IA, KS, MO, NE): Anthony Scotr ’83
- Region 11 (NH, ME, RI, MA, N. CT, VT): Susan Burke ’87 M.B.A.
- Region 12 (E. PA, MD, DC, VA, DE): Barry W. Ryan ’62
- Region 15 (NC, SC, GA): Steven Rudnicki ’81
- President-Elect, Region 17 (FL): James Zavertnik ’79

**TERMS ENDING JUNE 30, 2015**
- President: James Zavertnik ’79
- Black Alumni: Richard Ryans ’79
- International Alumni, Europe: Linda Robinson ’98
- Young Alumni: Caitlin (Burns) Piller ’07
- Region 3 (AZ, S. CA, S. NV): Manuel “Manny” Grace ’79
- Region 4 (MN, ND, SD, WI): Tim O’Neill ’94
- Region 7 (MI): Hugh Sonk ’77, ’79 M.A.
- Region 10 (NJ, S. CT, S. NY): Christina Smith ’83, ’87 M.B.A./J.D.
- Region 18 (N. NY, Toronto): Mark Wendel ’97

**TERMS ENDING JUNE 30, 2016**
- Asian-Pacific Alumni: Jaclyn Rey-Hipolito Santana ’02
- Native American Alumni: Elizabeth Bird ’91
- International Alumni, Latin America: Federico Barquero Tefel ’02
- Young Alumni: Shawrina Ferguson ’05, ’08 J.D.
- Region 1 (AK, HI, ID, N. CA, N. NV, OR, WA): Shawn Hoban ’88
- Region 6 (IL, NW, IN): Don Wittgen ’79
- Region 8 (IN, KY): Mark Raque ’89
- Region 9 (OH, W. PA, WV): Marty Foos ’92, ’95 J.D.
- Region 13 (OK, TX): Chris Avila ’01
- Region 16 (Cook County, IL): Bob Cronin ’82
ALUMNI DEMOGRAPHICS

Top ten most alumni populated states:
1. IL
2. CA
3. IN
4. NY
5. OH
6. TX
7. PA
8. MI
9. FL
10. VA

TOTAL: 134,016

11,925 minority alumni
39,626 alumnae
3,536 international alumni

DOUBLE DOMERS: 9,914
TRIPLE DOMERS: 643
QUAD DOMERS: 23

YOUNG ALUMNI
31,913
2004-2013

MIDDLE ALUMNI
55,614
1982-2003

SENIOR ALUMNI
46,489
1930-1981

Figures current as of June 30, 2013