

From the Principal

As we conclude 2008-2009 school year, I want to thank our faculty and staff, our parents, and most importantly, our students for a successful year. Ursuline Academy is greatly blessed with the efforts and support of so many groups and individuals.

We say a fond farewell to three Ursuline staff members:

Evelyn Dietz who taught AP Biology for the last 18 years,

Barb Buckley, our school nurse, for the last three years

Kaitlin Connelly who taught Math and Technology this past year.

We thank them for the excellence with which they contributed to our school community. We wish them every happiness and will keep them in our prayers.

Important dates for end of the year are:

June 3,4,5,6 – Exams, end of 4th quarter

June 9 – teacher in-service

June 14th report cards will be mailed

Please note the main office's summer hours:

June - 8:30-3:30

July - 9:00-1:00 (or 8:00-12:00.) *

Closed July 4th

August - 8:30-3:30

From Mary Bender, Assistant Principal

FINAL UNIFORM REMINDER – If you do not your uniform kilt, please order immediately to ensure delivery before the beginning of school. Contact Schoolbelles, 9695 Kenwood Road, 921-3458. All students are expected to be in uniform when the new school year begins.

My personal good-by to the class of 2008. The senior video showed some dramatic changes that have taken place between freshman year and senior year. But as I watched, I thought about other changes I have observed that are less visible. I have witnessed many subtle changes in you as well. For some it is the poise that you have acquired. For some it is the self-control you have gained. For others it is the emerging of self-confidence. For some it has been a gradual acceptance of responsibility. For others the letting go of those perfectionist tendencies. As I have watched you these last weeks, I believe that for most of you, it has also been a time that you have formed invisible bonds with people you didn't know four short years ago. Bonds that will last a very long time. Some of you said it. Some of you felt it. All of you experienced it. You are beautiful women. Treasure your time here. My prayers go with you on your journeys wherever they may take you. And enjoy a college career out of uniform.

Religious Studies

The students in **Mrs. Kristof's** Christian Ethics classes analyzed various films through the lens of Catholic Social Teaching. Film topics included: violence, war, peace, racism, prejudice, and the inspiring lives of individuals who worked for justice. Some of the student film choices included Hotel Rwanda, Schindler's List, Letters from Iwo Jima, Crash, and Erin Brockovich.

Seniors in **Mrs. Kristof's** and **Mrs. Herring's** Literature for the Spirit class studied the theme of hope by engaging in interfaith dialogue with guest speakers from the religious traditions of Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and Islam. Each speaker talked about the basic teachings and beliefs of their religion with an emphasis on how their religious tradition encourages peace among individuals and nations.

The Teens for Life club's mission is to promote the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death, through prayer, education, service and social action. Club activities this year included the annual baby and maternity drive, sponsoring *Respect Life Week* at UA, making blankets for Project Linus, guest speakers on various issues, planning the Ash Wednesday all school Mass, and writing letters to legislators.

Travels to Germany

On June 10th bright and early, nine UA students, together with **Frau Hoffman-Jeep** and **Frau Ruthanne Palmer** will take off for Aachen to visit our sister school *St. Ursula Gymnasium*. Students and teachers will be hosted by families. Some of our highlights in Aachen, in addition to attending school every day, will be a guided tour of the city, a visit to the historical Cathedral where Charlemagne's throne still stands. We will go to a bakery shop that has been in the family for over four generations, making the famous Aachener *Printen*, a fat free spice cookie developed during the crusades that would last for a year (if you weren't tempted to eat them all in a few days!) We will also travel to Cologne to visit the Cathedral and a Chapel dedicated to St. Ursula who is the patron saint of the city. Our last five days will be spent in the capital Berlin. There we will stay in a youth hostel and have many adventures: museums, opera, cake, monuments, a tour of the city by boat and movies. We return on July 1st. *Auf Wiedersehen*

French Club

Twenty-six members of French club enjoyed a wonderful end of year feast at La Petite France on May 16. The three course meal was delightful and delicious and even more enjoyable when Daniele Sueur Crandell chatted with each of the girls in French while they ate their *crème brûlée* or *crêpe au chocolat*.



Athletics

Congratulations to Freshman **PAM SHOWMAN** who placed 2nd at the Regional Track Meet and will compete at State on Saturday June 7th at noon.

Congratulations to **Molly Basch, Alex Cobb, Kelly Davidson, Aly Eagan, Mackenzie Harrell, Annie Lennon, Marisol Mason, Missy Mauntel, Kiondra McGee and Pam Showman** who qualified to the Regional Track and Field Meet.

Congratulations to the following spring athletes who were named GGCL All-Stars:

Track and Field

Field Event Athlete of the Year: **Alex Cobb**

Coach of the Year: **Lindsey Biddle**

First Team: **Alex Cobb, Kelly Davidson, Annie Lennon, Marisol Mason, Missy Mauntel, Kiondra McGee and Pam Showman**

Honorable Mention: **Molly Basch, Aly Eagan, Mackenzie Harrell, Nicole Vice and Kelsie Walker**

Lacrosse:

First Team: **Tara Lynch, Alex Hill, Jordan Keller, Mary Ross**

Second Team: Jenna Griffith, Julia Tasset, Sarah Kessler and Caroline Tobin

Softball:

First Team: **Brianna Eve**

Second Team: **Mary Myers**

Honorable Mention: **Mel Schaub**

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT:

Attention parents of the class of 2009!

Mark your calendars now for the senior parent breakfast on **August 22nd** from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. A detailed letter will be sent with your daughter's 4th quarter report card explaining this important meeting. The three college counselors will present information as it relates to the college application season and the procedures unique to Ursuline Academy.

The counselor divisions for the **class of 2010** will be as follows: **Andrew Holmes** will work with **Abbate** through **Hamilton**; **Amy Hermanns** will work with **Hammann** through **Norris**; and **Jan Abernathy** will work with **O'Neill** through **Zins**.

Class of 2008 College Selections ...

*Natalie Ann Adler, University of Dayton; Veronique May Allaer-Fugitt, American University; Andrea Elaine Amaya, Kenyon College; Michelle Marie Amriott, Loyola University (IL);

*Elizabeth Carman Bailey, Denison University; Laura Ann Bange, University of Cincinnati;

*Caitlin Patricia Bauer, Oberlin College; Lauren Elizabeth Becker, Miami University; Vanessa Anne Becker, Miami University; Emily Caroline Berg, Xavier University; *Megan Patricia Betz, Miami University; Kirsten Lee Bladh, University of Cincinnati; *Natalie Catherine Blizniak, Northeastern University; *Lindsey Marie Brockman, Loyola University (IL); *Jenifer Fallon Brokamp, The Ohio State University; Anne Christine Busam, Wittenberg University; Morgan Elise Busam, DePauw University; Stacy Leigh Buschhaus, Hanover College; *Katherine Leigh

Butherus, Duquesne University; *Rebecca Jane Carman, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Ogbitse Otunuya Charles, Northeastern University; *Julie Shannon Chase, University of Cincinnati; Joan Marie Cleary, Miami University; Carolyn Jean Cone, Indiana University; Stephanie Nicole Conklin, University of Cincinnati; Andrea Marie Corker, The Ohio State University; Hillary Elizabeth Dale, McGill University; Margo Stefani Dearnorff, University of Cincinnati; *Audra Claire DeChristopher, The Ohio State University; *Katherine Elaine Doellman, University of Notre Dame; Amy Kathleen Donelan, University of Tennessee; Chelsea Alyse Donnellon, University of Cincinnati; Margaret Laughlin Donovan, Furman University; *Sara Grace Doyon, The Ohio State University; Elizabeth Anne Egbers, University of South Carolina; *Heather Elefante, University of Cincinnati; Elizabeth Marianné Ellerbrock, Xavier University; Brianna Michelle Eve, The Ohio State University; Kelli Elaine Ficke, University of Dayton; *Anna Elizabeth Finke, Clemson University; Alexandra Marie Folzenlogen, Auburn University; *Anne Colleen Foos, Saint Louis University; *Nicole Elizabeth Ford, Indiana University; Mary Kathleen Frazier, Xavier University; *Ellen Mary Funk, Centre College; Katelyn Marie George, United States Naval Academy; *Kathleen Rose Geyer, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Katherine Suzanne Giuliano, Xavier University; *Allison Brinkworth Glockner, Loyola University (IL); *Alyssa Faith Marie Goard, University of Cincinnati; Megan Marie Gorman, Ball State University; Jenna Nicole Griffiths, Saint Francis University; Kaitlin Ruth Groneman, Indiana University; Margaret Elizabeth Grumbley, Wittenberg University; Greta Grace Gunther, University of Cincinnati; Sarah Elizabeth Hackett, Hanover College; Amy Elizabeth Hagner, University of Dayton; Katelin Elizabeth Hanes, University of Dayton; *Elizabeth Cleveland Hauser, Columbia University; Katelyn Elizabeth Haverland, The Ohio State University; Brynne Carolyn Henderson, Middle Tennessee State University; Marcie Marie Hetterich, The Ohio State University; *Alexandra Marie Hill, Duquesne University; Mary Catherine Hill, The Ohio State University; Stephanie Lynn Holtgreffe, University of Cincinnati; *Jennifer Anne Honerlaw, Miami University; Emily Elaine Howett, University of Alabama; Emily Christina Imwalle, Xavier University; Karen Marie Inkrot, University of Dayton; Katelyn Rebecca Ishee, Indiana University; Kurstin Helen-TeCora Jones, Berea College; Lauren Elizabeth Kanitz, Ohio University; *Anuja Kapil, Miami University; Jordan Elizabeth Keller, University of Cincinnati; Jazmoné Elisse Kelly, Xavier University (LA); Kari Grace Kempf, Miami University; Chelsea Marie Kessler, University of Dayton; AnnaLivia Clara Kissel, Indiana University; Elise Marie Kitchen, University of Iowa; Jessica Lynne Kline, University of Akron; *Erika Donath Kohnen, Brown University; Krista Maria Korneffel, University of Dayton; *Kaitlin Elizabeth Kuvin, The Ohio State University; Michelle Elise Laing, Auburn University; Maura Eileen Lang, Loyola University (IL); Kimberly Jean Lillie, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology; *Caroline Margaret Linke, The Ohio State University; Olivia Corinne Lohr, Miami University; Andrea Elizabeth Lutter, University of Dayton; Tara Kathryn Lynch, Fairfield University; Margaret Anne Lytle, University of Cincinnati; Kelly Morgan Maglocchi, Miami University; *Marie Catherine Magner, Loyola University (IL); Brooke Katelyn Maher, University of Evansville; *Melissa Justine Mauntel, The Ohio State University; Kiondra Chanté McGee, University of Kentucky; *Chelsea Marie McGill, Denison University; Kelly Christine McGraw, Ohio University; Kate Marie McGreevy, Miami University; Alexandra Helen Mechley, University of Dayton; Erin Elizabeth Mullin, New York University; Madalyn Marie Myers, College of Wooster; Mary Elizabeth Myers, Kenyon College; Leah Suzette Noumoff, other; Courtney Elizabeth O'Neill, Saint Mary's College; Joyce Nerry Ogban, Columbia College; Mary Margaret Paxton, University of Cincinnati; Molly Shea Perdrix, University of Cincinnati;

*Chelsea Rebecca Pflum, The Ohio State University; *Michelle Quynh Dao Phan, Loyola University (IL); *Tessa Marie Polakowski, Case Western Reserve University; Kathryn Olivia Price, Northeastern University; *Jennifer Danielle Prows, University of Cincinnati; Sarah Marie Radke, Miami University; Elizabeth Lynn Ripberger, Miami University; Kelly Ann Ritz, University of Cincinnati; Sarah Marie Robinson, University of Cincinnati; *Kathleen Jeanene Robison, Miami University; Lauren Elizabeth Rolfes, Ohio University; Amanda Marie Rom, Bowling Green State University; *Mary Katherine Ross, Miami University; Lindsey Ann Roy, University of South Carolina; Andrea Michelle Russell, The Ohio State University; *Nida Shahzad Safdar, Vanderbilt University; Kristin Marie Satterwhite, University of Toledo; *Melissa Anne Schaub, University of South Carolina; *Emily Claire Schmitt, Saint Mary's College; Elaine Schomaker, University of Dayton; Lisa Marie Shank, University of Dayton; Mary Katherine Sherman, Ohio Wesleyan University; *Erin Elizabeth Shuba, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Cassandra Jaclyn Siegel, Capital University; *Rachel Christine Soltys, The Ohio State University; Jessica Anne Spurlock, University of Kentucky; Claire Ann Stall, The Ohio State University; Abigail Elizabeth Stein, Miami University; Catherine Ann Stein, University of Cincinnati; Claire Marie Stephenson, Miami University; *Erika Lynn Sterusky, University of Virginia; Jordan Elizabeth Stevens, University of Cincinnati; Maria Andrea Stowell, University of Dayton; Suzanne Nicole Strachan, Savannah College of Art and Design; Erica Lynne Stubbers, University of Dayton; Jahmi Angel Dent-Swain, Georgia Perimeter College; *Sarah Elizabeth Tanner, University of North Carolina; Megan Elizabeth Tassone, Wittenberg University; Lisa Celeste Taylor, Ohio Wesleyan University; Molly Kathleen Tefend, Ohio Wesleyan University; Emily Gibson TenEyck, Washington and Lee University; *Courtney Helen Thomas, Case Western Reserve University; *Livia Brigit Thomas, The Ohio State University; *Margaret McDonough Tobin, University of Chicago; Allison Marie Turner, Michigan State University; Jennifer Ann Tussey, The Ohio State University; Emily Louise Voss, University of South Carolina; Hannah Elizabeth Wallach, Miami University; Erin Lisa Walsh, University of Dayton; *Allison Marie Webb, Marquette University; Madeleine Christian Wenstrup, Brown University; Sarah Elizabeth Wenstrup, Miami University; Sarah Marie White, Ball State University; Jennifer Ann Wiener, Miami University; Kathleen Elizabeth Woods, The Ohio State University; Emily Kathryn Woodward, Miami University; *Sarah Marie Zorko, The Ohio State University.

**Indicates that the graduate is a member of the Ursuline Honor Club. This honor is given to those students who have maintained a grade point average of 3.9 for seven semesters.*

Class of 2008 College Acceptances

American University, Appalachian State University, Auburn University, Baldwin-Wallace College, Ball State University, Bellarmine University, Belmont University, Beloit College, Berea College, Boston College, Boston University, Bowling Green State University, Bradley University, Brown University, Butler University, Capital University, Case Western Reserve University, Catholic University of America, Centre College, Clark University, Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, College of Charleston, College of Mount Saint Joseph, College of Wooster, Columbia College, Columbia University, Columbus College of Art and Design, Cornell University, Creighton University, DePaul University, DePauw University, Denison University, Drexel University, Duke University, Duquesne University, Earlham College, East Carolina University, Eastern Kentucky University, Eastern Michigan University, Eckerd College, Elon University, Emerson College, Fairfield University, Fordham University,

Franklin and Marshall College, Furman University, George Washington University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia Perimeter College, Georgia Southern University, Gettysburg College, Hampton University, Hanover College, Hillsdale College, Hiram College, Hollins University, Hope College, Howard University, Indiana University, Jacksonville University, James Madison University, John Carroll University, Kalamazoo College, Kansas State University, Kent State University, Kenyon College, Lehigh University, Lipscomb University, Long Island University, Loyola College (MD), Loyola University (IL), Marquette University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, McGill University, Miami University, Michigan State University, Middle Tennessee State University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Muskingum College, New York University, Northeastern University, Northern Kentucky University, Northwestern University, Oberlin College, Ohio Dominican University, Ohio Northern University, The Ohio State University, Ohio University, Ohio Wesleyan University, Otis College of Art and Design, Otterbein College, Purdue University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rhodes College, Rockhurst University, Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design, Rollins College, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Saint Francis University, Saint Louis University, Saint Mary's College (IN), Saint Mary's College (CA), Samford University, Savannah College of Art and Design, Spring Hill College, Syracuse University, Pennsylvania State University, Towson University, Transylvania University, Tulane University, United States Military Academy, United States Naval Academy, University of Akron, University of Alabama, University of Findlay, University of Iowa, University of North Carolina, University of Scranton, University of Tennessee, University of Chicago, University of Cincinnati, University of Dayton, University of Delaware, University of Denver, University of Evansville, University of Illinois, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, University of Maryland, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of New England, University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, University of Rochester, University of San Francisco, University of South Carolina, University of South Florida, University of Toledo, University of Utah, University of Vermont, University of Virginia, University of Wisconsin, Valparaiso University, Vanderbilt University, Villanova University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Wake Forest University, Washington and Lee University, Webster University, West Virginia University, Western Carolina University, Western Kentucky University, Wittenberg University, Wright State University, Xavier University (OH), Xavier University (LA).

Guidance Groups

Freshmen guidance groups discussed four of the most important assets that will help them throughout life: self-esteem, integrity, responsibility and honesty. As the students defined how each of these can affect their livelihood, they understood the importance of practicing them on a daily basis. Students then saw several public service announcements that were about underage drinking, one of the issues that is a challenge to them today. They talked about the correlation between having positive assets and being able to reject this dangerous risky behavior.

Sophomore guidance groups were visited by a member of the Northeast Community Challenge Coalition. The mission of the NECC is to mobilize all sectors of the community to work collaboratively in promoting healthy lifestyles for a healthy community, positive community values and positive youth development. The student members discussed the ramifications of underage drinking by presenting the facts about how it affects you physically, legally,

academically, athletically, and socially. They also talked about how colleges and universities are concerned about this issue and how underage drinking can possibly affect your selection into a school or in a profession.

Both groups addressed how the access of the internet and cell phone cameras puts everything that they do on display. Students were encouraged to have conversations with their parents to make plans on how to remove themselves from any situation that could lead to bad consequences.

Diversity Department

Hands Across the Campus will start the school year with a student board. The officer positions will be filled by the following: Co-presidents **Alexa D'Sa and Katie Florez**; secretary - **Kourtney Parchment**; treasurer - **Rachel Fogg**; activities director - **Julia Tasset**. Committee chairs are the following: interfaith friends - **Julia Dalia and Colleen McCroskey**; Mix It Up Day - **Alexandria Abbate, Laura MacMorland** and Molly Paquette; jewel families - **Abby Tennant**.

The students involved in Hands Across the Campus plan to fulfill the mission of the organization by promoting an understanding and appreciation for all types of diversity.

The second annual Lions in Waiting Learning to Lead Summer Camp will be held June 9th-12th and 16th-19th. "Going Green" is the theme for this year. Forty 5th through 8th grade girls from many of our under-represented groups, who are passionate about school will be attending. They will be taught by a wonderful staff of UA teachers and assisted by a great group of UA students. Activities will be educational and fun in areas of math, science, art, geography, drama, English, research, music, leadership skills and team building. The word is out about what a fantastic camp this is because it filled up quickly!