



Notre Dame Club of Southeastern Virginia

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NDSEVA Hosts Region 12 Annual Senior Alumni Meeting

NDSEVA was the site of this year's annual Region 12's Senior Alumni meeting. On May 1-2, senior alumni coordinators from clubs throughout our area came to Virginia Beach to discuss the programs of the Notre Dame Alumni Association. Several of our own Senior Alumni joined in the various events.

Mark Checchia, our own Senior Alumni Coordinator, arranged for a series of events to conduct the business of the Seniors as well as tour our area. Guests staying at the Virginia Beach Resort and Conference Center, were treated to the sights of Chesapeake Bay from their rooms.

The meeting began with a Welcome Reception at Shorebreak Pizza. The meeting on Saturday included a "call-in" from ND's Alumni Office representatives. The meeting covered all Senior Alumni Programs, as well as an briefing to update the many changes on the university's campus.

Following the meeting, we toured the US Navy's newest aircraft carrier, the USS GEORGE HW BUSH. For many seniors, the "new" Navy was an enlightening experience. After Saturday mass, we convened at Hot Tuna for dinner and a superb lecture on Islam by Dave Fautua '76. Those who stayed Sunday enjoyed

the Azalea Festival's Taste of NATO and International Tattoo at Norfolk's Scope.



NDSEVA shared some of our local Naval traditions— above, a young sailor explains the working of a modern aircraft carrier bridge to Senior Alumni during a tour of the USS GEORGE H W BUSH, the Navy's newest carrier. Below, the Seniors are introduced to the mysteries of the flight deck "Ouija Board", which was of great interest to Coach Weis during last year's visit.



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Special points of interest:

- God, Country Notre Dame Host ND Navy
- Everyone into the Pool!



- Fr. Hesburgh Lecture Series Scheduled for Granby HS in October

Universal Notre Dame Night to Feature Mr. John Affleck-Graves, University Executive Director

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Mark your calendar and save the date. Universal Notre Dame Celebration will be held 6:30 the evening of **Thursday July 30th** at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott.

The club is proud and excited to announce Dr. John Affleck-Graves, Executive Vice President of Notre Dame will be our speaker at this year's UND Celebration. He was elected to the position on April 30, 2004, by the Board of Trustees.

He also holds the Notre Dame Chair in Finance and previously served for three years as vice president and associate provost.

Dr. Affleck-Graves' responsibilities include administra-

President's Corner

The Six "C's of the Notre Dame Alumni Association's" form the basis for our Programs and our new webpage:

- Camaraderie
- Community Services
- Current Students
- Catholic Spirituality
- Continuing Education
- Communications

We have a new look for two of our primary communications tools— this newsletter and the webpage. If you regularly check our web page you'll note that we've redesigned and reorganized its content.

Our website's Home Page at www.ndseva.com provides links to the major pages within our site. Information about our club, mission and contacts our detailed in "About NDSEVA". Current news and events are found on the "News" page, which will enable all our program managers a single location to provide you current information.

We'll capture the impact and the fun of our events on the "Photos" page, which will allow you, your family and friends to share the memories of past happenings. Check out the 2009 Shamrock photos to see how NDSEVA members participated in this major community event and en-

joyed a day of camaraderie at the same time.

Our NDSEVA club membership includes alumni, students, families, friends. Yet, within our club, we have additional social communities. The Young and Senior Alumni are the two largest communities. The Notre Dame Alumni Association also have programs for the Black, Asia Pacific Alumni, Hispanic Alumni and Native America Alumni. Our coordinators for these programs will be able to post news and updates for these communities on their own pages.

The "Calendar" will prove to be a useful way to keep abreast of events. The calendar offers searchable features for the various ND communities as well as the programs as connected to the Alumni Associations' Six "C's". So, if you are interested in Community or Continuing Education programs, viewers can search

on those.

The info is downloaded to your PDA of Outlook.

Information on all our Programs offers you insight to how we accomplish those Six "C" missions.

Finally, you can find information on our membership programs. You will be able to note those current paid members, update membership information, and pay annual dues or provide other donations.

As you read this newsletter, I hope you will find that it delivers our club's information in a more useful format. Thank you, I hope to see you all at Universal Notre Dame Night, Student Sendoff, the Pool Party or Gamewatches!

Mike Carlson '80
President



Mr. John Affleck-Graves, Executive Vice President of Notre Dame, is the Guest Speaker for NDSEVA's Universal Notre Dame Night

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tion of an annual operating budget of more than \$900 million and an endowment of more than \$5 billion. He also oversees human resource activities for a work force of more than 4,000 employees – the largest in St. Joseph County – and directs the University's construction program.

Chairman:
Kevin Zywna '89

July 30
Norfolk Waterside
Marriot

235 E Main Street
Norfolk, VA 23510
(757) 627-4200





Young Alumni News: Amy Holcomb '01 (Continued on Page 7)

Please join us for the following upcoming events :

Norfolk Tides Game (Sunday, July 12, 2009)

Bring your families and friends and join the NDSEVA Young Alumni club for a Tides game on July 12th at 1:15 pm. Ticket prices are \$11/each and kids under 2 are admitted free. **Please RSVP to me at ua@ndseva.com by July 5, 2009** so we can get our seats reserved! .

For those that have their

tickets from our May 17th game that was rained out, please also RSVP to me by July 5, 2009 if you'd like me to exchange your tickets for tickets to this game so your seats can be near the other young alumni. If you'd like exchange the tickets yourself, additional information can be found at the Tides webpage.

Stay tuned for more upcoming Norfolk Tides events - the NDSEVA YA Club is hoping to organize a fundraiser by working the Tides concession stand to

support our local scholarship drive!

Virginia Winery Tour (August - Date TBD)

I am trying to gauge interest in having an event at the Williamsville Winery. The event would involve wine tasting, a tour of the winery and lunch. The price for the lunch, tour and wine tasting is \$30. If we have a fair amount of interest, we can also look into getting a chartered bus to take us from the Norfolk area to the winery and back. Please let me know by **July 12**, if



Young Alumni events include community service, Happy Hours, sporting events.

Senior Alumni News: Mark Checchia '74

NDSEVA Senior Alumni programs in support of the ND Senior Alumni include:

- "Bat for the Cure": Prostate Awareness Cancer Education (PACE) booth at the Norfolk Tides- look for details as to our date for 2009's season
- Hospital Ministry Pro-

gram: Dr. Pat O'Connell offers his help to any Notre Dame family member in our area finding themselves in need of guidance on an emergency.

God, Country, Notre Dame: Mike Carlson annually hosts a Navy NDSEVA-ND NROTC Midshipmen barbeque with our students

doing their orientation tour. Other NDSA programs we hope to include are:

- Tax Assistance Program (TAP)
- Corporate Volunteer Program
- Student Mentoring

Mark Checchia '74

"As alumni enter into the senior age bracket (over 55), for a variety of reasons, many tend to become less active in traditional alumni programs. ND Senior Alumni develop events, activities, and programs of special interest to seniors, but open to all alumni and friends."

Contact Mark Checchia '74 to support this effort at sa@ndseva.com

Black Alumni News: Stephanie Welch '00

Stephanie Welch has served as both the Regional and NDSEVA BAND representative.

My term as Regional Director for BA of ND ended July 1, 2009.. I want to take the time to express my gratitude to the members

of the BA, The Minority Alumni Network and the Notre Dame community as a whole. I leave the board with a plethora of fond memories.

Each member has influenced my life and enhanced, if possible, my love for Notre Dame. While I am no longer on the BA board,

I will remain active in our local club and in assisting the new Regional Director in Southeastern Virginia, Richmond and the Roanoke area. Please keep in touch and let me know if you need my help in any way.

Stephanie Welch '00



Calendar of Events

July 7: NDSEVA Board Meeting
4176 Cheswick Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23455
RSVP: President@ndseva.com

July 12 Young Alumni Norfolk
Tides Game
Harbor Park, 150 Park Ave
Norfolk, VA 23510-2712
Norfolk VA
RSVP: ya@ndseva.com

July 25 Pool Party
1604 Bay Point Dr
Virginia Beach, VA
RSVP: perry@lmssi.com

July 30: Universal ND Night
Waterside Marriott
235 E. Main St
Norfolk, VA 23510
RSVP: Kevin Zywna, c/o Universal
ND Night, 2257 White Dove
LN, Virginia Beach, VA 23455
Or scholarship@ndseva.com

August 29: Young Alumni Deep-
Sea Fishing Trip
Lynnhaven Inlet
Virginia Beach, VA
RSVP: ya@ndseva.com
NLT **July 31**

Aug TBD: Young Alumni Winery
Tour
Williamsburg Winery
5800 Wessex Hundred
Williamsburg, VA 23185
(757) 258-0899
RSVP: ya@ndseva.com

Sep 8: NDSEVA Board Meeting
4176 Cheswick Lane
Virginia Beach, VA 23455
RSVP: President@ndseva.com



The Soup Kitchen lunch volunteer program is held quarterly and have become exceptionally popular with our Young Alumni as a means to reach out to neighbors.



NDSEVA Serves Portsmouth Community Again During Month of May Soup Kitchen

Community Service is a cornerstone of our club's mission. Soup Kitchen support in both Norfolk and Portsmouth have become popular events that manifest our commitment to our community.

In May we dedicate this community event to Fr.

Hesburgh, joining the entire ND Alumni Community is a global tribute to the spirit of our President Emeritus.

This month, we were supported the Portsmouth Oasis Soup Kitchen by serving hundreds of meals to those in that community. Holding it on Mother's Day

added even more purpose for alumni of Our Lady during the Marian Month of May. Kate Wilttrout '95 and Amy Holcomb '01 (who became a mother just a few days later!) coordinate these events. Look for the next Soup Kitchen in newsletter updates and on the web or contact Kate at vicepresident@ndseva.com

The GCND cookout is an unique NDSEVA program to mentor to midshipmen, offering an informal and social event to learn about a Naval career as they decide their future.



"God, Country, Notre Dame": NDSEVA Provides Mentoring, Hospitality to Navy Midshipmen

NDSEVA is one of the few locations where the Notre Dame NROTC midshipmen can meet with club members. We take advantage of that with a unique program – a evening barbeque held on a Saturday half-way through the midshipmen's summer cruise.

The program begins with

coordination meetings at the NROTC office at Notre Dame. This year, Mike Carlson talked to sophomore-to-be midshipmen during April as part of the Summer Cruise All Hands briefing.

When midshipmen reconvene in Norfolk from Camp Lejuene, Kings Bay and

Oceana, they are able to join us as NDSEVA Navy veterans of all various communities, many outside the norm, offer insights to a Navy career and the variety of opportunities. Plenty of food and the chance for midshipmen to swap their first "Seas Stories make this a popular memory!



Treasurer; Todd Parker '89

As you can see, it has been a good year for us. Most notably is that we have been able to donate \$9000 to our endowed scholarship account at Notre Dame, and will likely be able to donate more at year's end when final income/expenses for the year are known. Your annual membership dues fund allow us to provide a four-year \$1,000 scholarship to an incoming student each April.

YTD Income Statement

<u>Jan 1, 2009:</u>	<u>\$ 9504.24</u>
<u>2009 Income:</u>	
Donations:	\$ 200.00
Members Dues	\$ 4735.00
Football Tix Sales	\$ 5720.00
ShamrockMarathon	
Winnings	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Income	<u>\$ 10855.00</u>

2009 Expenses:

Regional/National	
Meetings:	\$ 1081.11
Newsletter	\$ 300.00
Paypal Fees	\$ 46.76
Current Student	
Support	\$ 280.00
Football Tix	\$ 3576.00
Xfer to ND Fund	\$ 9000.00
Website	<u>\$ 773.60</u>
Expenses	<u>\$ 15057.47</u>
July 1, 2009	<u>\$ 5301.77</u>

Please remember that when making your annual donation to Notre Dame to designate "Notre Dame Club of SE Virginia Scholarship Fund" on your donation! It still counts toward your minimum donation for football tickets, and helps our scholarship fund grow to ultimately reach our goal to fully fund the unmet financial need of one local student every year.

Membership: Tom Rumely '81

As of the middle of our year, we have 66 paid members:

Gold	36
Blue	10
General	14
Young Alum	3
Emeritus	3

Please join your fellow club members who have donated to support our scholarship fund:

GOLD Memberships

Al Abiouness
 Kate Wiltrout and Aaron Apple-gate
 Robert Ballard
 Matt and Theresa Bannon
 Mike and Sue Carlson
 Martha Cloudsley
 Mary Ellen Cullom
 Matt Falvey
 David Fautua
 Greg and Mary Fick

John and Barbara Hamilton
 Perry and Theresa Hohman
 Richard and Amy Holcomb
 Tom and Suzanne Hubbard
 Joe and Eileen Hurlay
 Andre and Tana Hutchinson
 Brendon Johnson and Amaia Diaz
 -Zubillaga
 James and Patricia Kramer
 Cathy and Joe McDermott
 George Jr and Kim Melnyk
 George Melnyk Sr
 T.H. and Jacqueline Meurer
 Pat and Susan O'Connell
 Mary and James Oliver
 Todd and Joanne Parker
 Sean and Karen Pieri
 Mark and Catherine Pittman
 Timothy and Lorrie Reid
 Sylvia Ross
 Thomas and Astrid Rumely
 Debra Boyer Sager
 Paul / Barbara Schellhammer
 Josh Smith and Nicole Smith
 Nicole Smith
 Michele Solaroli
 Kevin and Debbie Zywna

BLUE Memberships

Ronald Blake
 Gene and Barbara Gerloff
 John and Betsy Looney
 Marie Meehan
 Charles O'Neill

Mary and Jay Rubino
 John Russo
 Mary Russo
 Mark and Sharon Shofner
 Thomas and Charlotte Spivak

GENERAL Level

Anne and John Carvil
 Michael Feld
 Fred Ferrari
 Michael Gilman
 Paul Graziano
 Fred and Joan Kunzinger
 Roger and Elaine Morgan
 Barbara and Jeff Raliski
 Dick and Joanne Rentner
 Rachael Semcheski
 Ron and Susan Smith
 Maria Toneatto
 Stephanie Welch
 James Wheaton

YOUNG and EMERITUS Levels

Robert and Marie Hull
 Ed and Rita Ianni
 William and Joyce Jonak
 Kate and Patrick Hagan
 Carlin Hebert
 Charles Smith

Did you know that you can pay your annual dues online using secure PayPal at our NDSEVA webpage? You can even set up annual renewals to simplify your payments!

“Everyone Into the Pool”: Hohman Family Hosts Annual NDSEVA Pool Party



Future Domers enjoying a earlier Pool Party at the Hohmans’.

The NDSEVA Annual Pool Party is one of several club programs supporting family events— and a premier activity for families with young children.

One of the most popular family-oriented events of the NDSEVA program calendar of events is the Hohman’s annual Pool Party.

Last year, Perry and Teresa’s suffered a house fire that nearly forced us to cancel this event. Thankfully, the O’Connells stepped in to volunteer his hospitality and the party went on without skipping a

beat.

This year, the Hohman’s have again graciously offered their home, pool and beverages, and barbeque grill for our club’s party. It will be held on 25 July at 2:00.

Everyone is requested to bring a dish to share. Contact Perry or Theresa at

Perry@lmssi.com if you and your family would like to attend.

The address is: 1604 Bay Point Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Students new and current are welcome!

Bring your swim gear and side dish to share with your fellow club members and families!

NDSEVA Welcomes Incoming Student and their Families:

The NDSEVA area had a large number of applicants for the University this year, as we have in the recent past. This was another record-breaking competitive class. As of this time four of the seven high school seniors in our area who were accepted to ND have given their confirmation that they intend to attend ND.

The new students for the Class of 2013 are:

- Katheryn Bodie, - Kecoughtan HS
- Laura Fernandez- Pen.Catholic HS
- Erica Ridion - Frank W. Cox HS
- Mary Wheaton- Norfolk Academy

Economics are clearly impacting this Freshman class as Notre Dame accepted

more applicants this year than in many years past expecting to have a lower commitment rate due to tuition and the school is still going through the waiting list making additional offers. Please take the time to say hi to our new incoming freshman and their families if you attend our student sendoff in August.

Joe Hurley ‘72

Alumni Schools Committee Supports Local College Fairs

The Alumni Schools Coordinator serves the NDSEVA and local community by providing information to local students, school counselors and others regarding the Notre Dame educational opportunities, programs, admissions, etc.. Would you like to share your Notre Dame experi-

ence with young women and men in our region? In the early fall probably sometime around mid- to late October there will be college fairs for high school students in James City County, Hampton/Newport News, Chesapeake, Virginia Beach and Norfolk. Help be part of the next Fresh-

man class at ND by staffing a booth at these college fairs. Look out for information in newsletter updates on dates, times and places. . For more information you can contact Joe Hurley’72 our Alumni Student Coordinator at JNDHurley@cox.net

Granby High School to Host NDSEVA's 2009 Fr. Hesburgh Series Lecture

Since 1986, the Hesburgh Lecture Series has brought a taste of Notre Dame's academic excellence to alumni and their local communities. The lectures, hosted by ND clubs, have perpetuated the example of Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh as a lifelong learner.

The Hesburgh Lecture Series for 2010 will be held at Granby HS on Oct 21 and feature professor of biological sciences and director of the human genetics program at the University of Notre Dame Dr. Harvey Bender. Professor Bender

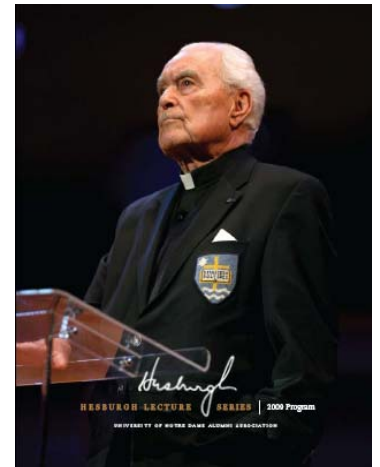
will address the students of the International Baccalaureate programs of Granby, Princess Anne and Oscar Smith HS.

Professor Bender's topic is "Genetic Enhancement and the Brave New Millennium: Science, Politics and the Human Genome." The event will be open to parents, faculty and of course ND Alumni. Dr. Bender is tentatively scheduled to arrive in the mid morning of 20 Oct into Norfolk International.

His itinerary is being devel-

oped "as we speak" and will include options to address different venues in the late afternoon on the 20th, providing more opportunities to hear Dr. Bender's talk. An informal social gathering is being planned for the evening of the 20th. A full agenda will be posted on the club website once the details are confirmed.

Points of contact for this event are Hesburgh Lecture Series co-chairs David T. Fautua '76 (david.fautua@jfc.com) and Phil Russo '80 (phil@philrussojrlaw.com).



"Questions and problems continue to challenge us, and given the excellence of today's faculty, it is a true blessing to have them stimulate and provoke thoughtful dialogue in your communities"

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh,
C.S.C., President Emeritus

Young Alumni News

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you are interested.. I can provide further information. Please include in your response the Saturday's in August that may be available to attend this event

NDSEVA Deep Sea Fishing Trip (August 29)

I am also trying to gauge if there is any interest in having a young alumni deep sea

fishing excursion event. Prices depend on the size of our party, but generally range from \$25 to \$100 per person depending on whether we'd like a private boat or not. Please let me know by **July 31**, if you have any interest in attending the event, and whether you'd have a preference as to whether the event is on a private boat (would be

more expensive). Further information will be provided as we get closer to the event

Contact Us

Young Alumni Coordinator
- Amy Holcomb (Milcetch '01)

Email address - ya@ndseva.com

Join Us: NDSEVA Programs Offer Opportunity to Serve in a Variety of Roles

We host numerous events throughout the year, as well as help students from our area while supporting our local communities.

The many NDSEVA Pro-

grams offer our members an opportunity to share in their common love of Notre Dame with each other and the community. You are invited to check out these Programs on our web page, and to serve in a

variety of capacities— from leadership to volunteering at the event itself. See www.ndseva.com for information and contacts, or send an email to Mike Carlson (president@ndseva.com) to volunteer.



The fall football Gamewatches are a popular program bringing our club together. Join us a Shorebreak for every game!



Notre Dame Club of Southeast Virginia

We welcome Alumni and Friends to enjoy the benefits of a paid membership...first access to Notre Dame football tickets, discounts at partners Shorebreak Pizza, Taylor's Party Rentals and Keagan's Restaurant at Town Center Virginia Beach

Gold: \$100/year
Blue: \$50/year
Regular: \$25/year

Emeritus (over 50 years of graduation): \$10
Young (within 5 years of graduation) \$10
Religious: \$10

Renew online or with check payable to:
Notre Dame Club of Southeastern Virginia
c/o Tom Rumely
1201 Banister Ct.
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

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for the latest news
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Football Game Watches: Join Us at Shorebreak Pizza

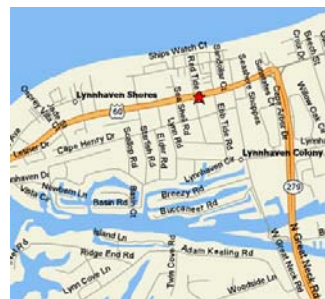
NDSEVA holds Game-watches at Shorebreak Pizza on Shore Drive in Virginia Beach. This popular smoke-free restaurant has a large food menu, and family atmosphere with dozens of large screen TVs and games for fans of all ages.

We are looking for opportunities to hold Game-watches on the Peninsula. If you know of a location where ND fans can gather and celebrate the traditions of ND football together, please contact me at president@ndseva.com.

Shorebreak sets aside a section for NDSEVA for each game. You are requested to contact Shorebreak to make a reservation



within the section to ensure we have sufficient space available. Shorebreak is a popular sports restaurant—plan to arrive 10-15 minutes before gametime to ensure the best seats and parking.



Shorebreak Pizza

2941 Shore Dr # 107,
Virginia Beach, VA
shorebreakvb.com
(757) 481-9393

2009 Notre Dame Football Schedule

Sept. 5
NEVADA 3:30 ET
Sept. 12
at Michigan TBA
Sept. 19
MICHIGAN STATE 3:30 ET
Sept. 26
at Purdue 8:00 ET
Oct. 3
WASHINGTON 3:30 ET
Oct. 17
USC 3:30 ET
Oct. 24
BOSTON COLLEGE 3:30 ET
Oct. 31
vs. Washington State 7:30 ET
(at San Antonio, Texas)
Nov. 7
NAVY 3:30 ET
Nov. 14
at Pittsburgh TBA
Nov. 21
CONNECTICUT 2:30 ET
Nov. 28
at Stanford 5:00 PT (8:00 ET)