

# **NDSA CHAIRMAN REPORT**

**MONTH: SEPTEMBER 2007**

**September 17, 2007**

**To: NDSA Board Members**

**NDSA Executive Committee**

**Tom Monaghan, Alumni Office**

**Jim Keegan, NDSA Senior Alumni Director**

**Bill Sexton, Advisor**

**Fr. Paul Doyle, Chaplain**

**From: Paul Scagliarini**

**The purpose this report is to communicate Executive Committee decisions and highlight activities. Please be advised of the following:**

**A. Current Month Activities –**

**1. Executive Committee –**

- **Made a trip to the University on August 30, 2007 to meet with the Alumni Office and Dick Nussbaum Chairman of the NDAA Alumni Board. The purpose was to discuss the role of the NDAA Senior Alumni Director on the NDAA Alumni Board's role in NDSA. We have this as an agenda item for our fall meeting on September 24<sup>th</sup>.**
- **We continue to work with the Alumni Office on the Fall meeting. The draft Agenda was sent to all Directors on September 12, 2007. Please review the operational plan and budget handout material sent to you with the agenda. In August we asked for additional discussion topics for the fall meeting without any response. The offer is still open. Email me at [goirish60@comcast.net](mailto:goirish60@comcast.net) if you want something added to the agenda.**

**2. NDSA Committees – Phil Roehrig of the Clubs**

**Committee has completed a draft of the “how to” guide for club on the Diocesan initiative. Hope to have it ready for distribution and discussion at the fall meeting.**

**3. Alumni Office – Tom Monaghan provided the following:**

- **We have several Affinity Group staff updates. First, Andrea Swanagan starts August 14 as our new**

**Director of Clubs later this month. Meeghan Mousaw gave birth to a healthy baby girl last month (July 4). Finally, Melonie Rhodes is now working with us full time and will be spending more of her day supporting the NDSA.**

- **Tom wrote “Most of our days are being spent supporting the new Irish Online. We’ve been holding dozens of training sessions for our club and class leaders so they can get into the system to manage their membership. Your board, for the first time ever, will be able to get direct access to your data using Irish Online. Finally!”**

#### **4. Initiatives –**

- **This is really good news. We sent a formal request to the Alumni Office regarding the inclusion of three of our initiatives on the 2007 club report. Tom Monaghan has confirmed; the Hospital Support initiative, the Diocesan support initiative, and the Career Mentoring Initiative will be on the club 2007 report. This visibility and exposure to clubs is huge. You all need to be sure all your clubs are aware of this change in their annual report.**

#### **5. Budget –**

- **In the August 2007 report I told you about the 2 MSU football tickets from the Alumni Office. Well. the Alumni Office did donate 2 MSU football game tickets to NDSA and we put them up for auction on the Alumni Association Ebay page. They sold for \$465 (less fees and the face amount of the ticket) for 2 tickets, and our budget for 2007 – 2008 was increased by \$320. If any of you have additional tickets you would like to donate to NDSA let me know as we can use this auction facility through out the football season.**

6. **NDSA web page:** [www.ndsenioralumni.org](http://www.ndsenioralumni.org)
  
7. **Other items:** We have submitted two former NDSA Directors names to the NDAA Alumni Board for nomination for the position of Senior Alumni Director on the 2008 ballot. We will discuss at the fall meeting.
  
8. **Reminders:**
  - **We are still missing several Regional Plans which were due last month to your Executive Committee member. We need to quantify our progress in 2007 – 2008 in our initiative penetration in clubs. We need to know which clubs you plan to start an initiative and which ones this year. Please get them completed.**

**Yours in Our Lady's University**

**Paul Scagliarini  
NDSA Chairman**