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Dear DS Families:

The Board of Trustees has initiated a strategic planning process that will chart and guide our course for the next several years. They have asked the administration to gather input and produce a draft of a strategic plan in a timely manner. They of course want to be sure that as we go forward we maintain academic excellence; promote our interfaith belief; and continue to emphasize both integrity and mutual respect. The mission of the school remains unchanged.

The mission of Doane Stuart is *education for students from every quarter. In a college preparatory context, where the joy of discovery is valued, Doane Stuart emphasizes serious study, educates to social responsibility, and lays the foundation for a strong faith.*

Every member of the community likely has a list of ideas and wishes for Doane Stuart; I propose to collect as much opinion as we can and to use that information to inform the plan. The faculty is paramount in the process, and we want to hear from Alumni/ae, Parents, students and friends as well.

The first collection of information from parents will come in the form of a survey to come to you electronically via SurveyMonkey. The results will be synthesized by a group of parents and returned to the school. Tami Cole, President of the Parents Association, will oversee that task. I hope for unvarnished and thoughtful responses and invite you to come in and discuss your opinions as well.

As we head into the Thanksgiving season, I want to tell you how very grateful I am for the

trust you place in my faculty and the School, and I wish you all the best of family during the holiday. Of course, I hope to see you all at our Pot Luck Thanksgiving meal on November 13 at 5:30. Know too that we will present the music group, THE FLAME, at 7:00 pm following our dinner.

All the best,

Ral
Pam

Next PA Meeting:
November 18, 2015 @ 8 AM

The Doane Stuart School
Corning Conference Room

Join Us! DOANE STUART

invites you to a special evening with **guest speaker**

DR. MICHAEL THOMPSON

"Eight Things You Cannot Do for Your Children (but wish you could)"

**Monday,
November 9
7:00 PM**

@ THE DOANE STUART SCHOOL
Golub Interfaith Chapel

— THIS EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC —

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40th
Anniversary
Speaker
Series

Upcoming Speakers

Excellence in Science Night
with **Peter Neill**
MARCH 14, 2016

Guest Speaker
Dr. Nina Marinello
MAY 9, 2016



WELCOME Grandparents AND SPECIAL FRIENDS

Lower and Middle School students welcomed grandparents and special friends to the Golub Interfaith Chapel for Doane Stuart's annual Grandparents Day celebration.

After being welcomed to Doane Stuart by **Mrs. Clarke**, Lower School students and the Middle School choir performed a selection of songs, including "Grandma, Grandpa We Love You" and "Dites-Moi Pourquoi," a special selection from the musical *South Pacific*.

Mrs. Brown discussed Doane Stuart's 40th Anniversary and shared a short slide show about the School's rich history and continued dedication to education. Following the Chapel, students invited their guests to their classrooms for activities and to see some of the work they have been doing in School this fall.

A special thank you to **Dawson Stone '18** for his piano playing prior to the Chapel, to **Kate Hassett '22**, **Rowe Davenport '22** and **Veronica Murray '21**, for their opening and closing prayers, to **Dalton Hanaway '17** for his impressive bagpipe playing and to **Mrs. Pflegl** for her work with the Lower School and Middle School to prepare for their musical performances.

NOVEMBER

COLLEGE VISITS

October brought more colleges to our campus. I am so thrilled that students have taken advantage of this opportunity and attended many of these meetings with admission representatives. In an era in which students are applying to upwards of 25 schools (which is not recommended!), demonstrating your interest in a school becomes such a critical factor.

SENIORS

Release Test Scores

All Seniors who have applied early action, early decision or rolling admissions should have released test scores to their colleges through the College Board and/or the ACT. Listing them on the Common Application is insufficient. Please stop by Ms. Bracken's office for assistance in doing this.



DAN LUNDQUIST

Visits Doane Stuart

Doane Stuart hosted a College Counseling program for students and families with guest speaker, Dan Lundquist, who spoke to families about college admissions, fit and affordability.

Mr. Lundquist has worked in admissions at a variety of institutions including the University of Pennsylvania, Union College and the Sage Colleges. He is uniquely qualified to address questions about many types of schools, and he was able to speak from his perspective as a parent who navigated the process.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

November 5

Deadline to register for the December 5 SAT

November 7

SAT Testing Day for Seniors

November 13

All applications with 12/1 through 12/14 deadlines due to Ms. Bracken for proofing

November 30

All applications with 12/15 through 1/15 deadlines due to Ms. Bracken for proofing

DOANE STUART WELCOMES BACK

Adam Sax '09



We were thrilled to welcome Adam Sax '09 back to Doane Stuart to meet with students on behalf of Oxbridge Academic Programs. After graduating from Doane Stuart, Adam attended Tufts University and then spent two years in Austria as an English Teaching Assistant through the Fulbright and Austrian-American Educational

Commission. Adam now serves as the Marketing Coordinator for Oxbridge and travels throughout the country to visit schools to discuss and promote summer opportunities with interested Upper School Students.

THANKSGIVING POT LUCK DINNER

On **Friday, November 13 at 5:30 p.m.**, the Doane Stuart community will celebrate the spirit of Thanksgiving with our traditional pot luck dinner, as well as a special performance by the music group, THE FLAME, at 7:00 pm following our dinner. Please bring a favorite family dish. Watch for more information.

RSVP Mrs. Segerstrom at ext. 240/ lowerschool@doanestuart.org or Ms. Koethen at ext. 208 / upperschool@doanestuart.org. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Tammi Schillinger (Olana Schillinger '24) at (518) 928-8837 or schillit@strose.edu, Suzanne Nye (Hannah '18) at (518) 334-2287 or snye@nycap.rr.com, or Lisa Brown, ext. 227 or lbrown@doanestuart.org.



CORN Roast

School spirit was ringing high at this year's Corn Roast, Doane Stuart's version of Homecoming. Students and faculty in the Upper School joined together to cheer on the boys varsity soccer team as they defeated Berlin. Then we all gathered around the fire to feast on corn and s'mores and prepare for the picking and sorting of new students and faculty into Blue or Green teams and for the playing of our traditional game of Loup (a unique and wonderful game played in teams of blue and green based on a simple game of hide and seek).



Corn Roast brings together some longstanding traditions from both Kenwood and St. Agnes, and is a favorite event among students past and present.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Please continue to collect Box Tops for Education. Go to www.boxtops4education.com for information. The class that collects the most box tops will receive an ice cream sundae party at the end of the year! Thanks to Kindergarten teacher Sandy Cassant for her leadership of this yearly fundraiser and to all of the Doane Stuart families who have participated over many years, helping us to get computers, printers, a laminator and Lower School science equipment.

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

November 11: Veterans Day

November 25 - 27: Thanksgiving Break

NOVEMBER DRESS UNIFORM DAYS

For Students in Grades 2 - 12

Tuesday, November 24 - Thanksgiving Chapel

Please check your Handbook for dress uniform requirements.

THUNDER CHICKEN *Update*



The boys varsity soccer had a great season, ending their regular season 7-4-1 and finishing just behind the co-champs Berlin and Loudonville Christian in the CHVL. They capped off the season playing extremely well against a talented Mayfield High School team in a losing effort in the opening round of Sectionals.

The girls finished their regular season with a 5-9 record and are headed to Fort Ann for the opening round of sectionals. All -Stars will be announced in the coming weeks for both the boys and girls soccer teams. The girls also played in this year's **Pink Game**, Doane Stuart's annual Breast Cancer fundraiser and defeated Lansingburg New Lebanon.

The inaugural season for boys JV Soccer ended with a double over time tie with Lansingburgh, which left them 1-5-1 for the season.

This was a re-building year for the Middle School soccer with many younger players this season. Despite this, it has been a productive season so far with 3 wins and 4 losses. The final game will be played at home against St. Gregory's on Oct. 29.

HAT TRICK DUO LEAD THUNDER CHICKENS TO *Sectionals*



A hat trick in soccer or hockey is the ultimate accomplishment. To score 3 goals in a game is a tough but not exactly rare feat. But to have two players score a hat-trick in the same game for the same team is almost unheard of. For comparison purposes, the English Premier League, viewed by many to be the best soccer league in the world, has recorded over 200 hat tricks since the its formation in 1992. In that time (1992 to present day) only ONCE has a team had two players score a hat trick for the same team in the same game. Louise Metz '17 of Troy (midfield) and Antonia DiPreta '18 of Clifton Park (sweeper) amazingly completed a double hat trick during a 6-0 victory against Rensselaer on October 7. This marked Antonia's first hat trick of her DS career and lifted her total to 7 goals on the season. When asked to describe one of her goals from the game, Antonia deferred and shared the credit with her teammate, "[The goal] came off a beautiful cross and I made a run to the near post. When Louise crosses it over, I usually know where the ball is going."

Louise had a second hat trick two days later in their next league game, this time in a 5-0 victory over New Lebanon. Scoring back-to-back hat tricks is also a rarity (achieved only 4 times in the premier league). For Louise, this gave her 11 goals on the season and 5 career hat tricks. Not too shabby for someone who normally plays defense on her club team!

Visit DOANESTUART.ORG

for updates regarding games that will be played after the publication of the Calendar News and Notes as well as for news and information about other Doane Stuart's other fall sports: Cross Country runners, Volleyball team members and Tennis players.

FOR THE FUTURE

Dates of note for the upcoming months:

8th GRADE VISITS UPPER SCHOOL
Thursday, December 3, 2015

PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING
Corning Conference Room
Wednesday, December 16, 2015
@ 8:00 AM

CHRISTMAS CHAPEL
Golub Interfaith Chapel
Wednesday, December 16, 2015
(Snow Date - Thursday, December 17)
@ 5:30 PM

HOLIDAY VACATION
NO SCHOOL
December 21 - January 4
Classes Resume January 5

A ROOFTOP PARTNERSHIP *Sprouts* IN RENSSELAER



On a sunny, windy October day, students from Doane Stuart and Rensselaer Junior High School gathered on our green roof overlooking the Hudson River and downtown Albany. The seeds of this collaboration were planted this past summer when Karen Urbanski, Principal at Rensselaer Jr/Sr High School, and Lisa Brown, Associate Head of School at Doane Stuart, talked about starting a partnership involving Doane Stuart's green roof. Rensselaer science teacher Adrienne Ladd was interested and

brought the 30 students in her 7th Grade Life Sciences class to Doane Stuart to meet with Doane Stuart 7th graders in Rachel Morgan's science class. Mrs. Morgan's students discussed the five categories of plants found on the green roof, which comprise over 70 species and 60,000 individual plants! Students enjoyed the peaceful space, took in the sun, talked about science and even taste-tested some of the chives that are growing on the roof.

Doane Stuart and Rensselaer students partner together in a number of ways – they compete on combined athletic teams, including last year's record-setting Track and Field team – and the plan is to have more green roof/science collaborations in the future, at all different grade levels. Head of School Pam Clarke has enjoyed the neighborly, community-focused atmosphere; "In my first year here I came to appreciate Rensselaer's collaborative spirit; I love working with 'Mayor Dan' and being a part of this positive community."

Funded by a \$1.4 million grant from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, the roof reduces stormwater runoff, improves insulation and decreases energy use and expenses. As such, the green roof is yet another example of Doane Stuart's commitment to sustainable practices. Language in the grant states that the roof is expected to be a living, learning space that is an enhancement to the City and County of Rensselaer.



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CALENDAR
News & Notes
NOVEMBER 2015



We will be celebrating
Doane Stuart's
40th Anniversary
throughout the
2015-2016 School year.
Keep a lookout for
events and updates so
you can *join us!*

~ JOIN US ~
November 21, 2015
OPEN HOUSE
Register at
DoaneStuart.org/openhouse



Doane Stuart

students of **all** ages
know the **joy** of
discovery,
the **importance**
of *inquiry* and the
power of
understanding.

Learn more about
becoming
Doane Stuart's
partner in the
critical work
of preparing your
child for a life
of **meaning** and
purpose.

Doane Stuart's Traditional Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner!

Friday, November 13, 2015 @ 5:30pm

Gather with family and friends, and welcome the warmth of the holiday season with our traditional Potluck Dinner.
After dinner, enjoy a concert by FLAME, with thanks to the Kroll family for sponsoring the performance.

Bring a dish to share!

-Early Childhood, Kindergarten, and Grade 1: Desserts

-Grades 2-11: Hearty main dishes and side dishes
(casseroles, meat dishes, vegetarian dishes, salads, vegetables)

-Grade 12: Desserts

RSVP by Tuesday November 10, 2015

Please return this form to Mrs. Segestrom in the Lower School Office, or to Ms. Koethen in the Upper School Office.

You can also email your response to lowerschool@doanestuart.org or upperschool@doanestuart.org

Name_____ Grade_____ Number Attending_____

I will bring the following dish_____

All food must be ready to eat. Please include serving utensils and label non-disposable cookware. Thank You!

I would like to help! Check one: Set Up _____ Clean Up _____

Questions - Please contact Tammy Schillinger at schillit@strose.edu / (518) 928-8837
or Suzanne Nye at snye@nycap.rr.com / (518) 334-2287



Dear Parent/Guardian,

It's the time of year again when we offer our After School Winter Enrichment Program. This year due to popular demand by our children we are offering a new enrichment opportunity. Below I've included some additional information on the Science Club - a fantastic educational and fun club where every child who participates takes home a part of their experiment. We're still providing our regular clubs – Chess, Gymnastics and Zumba!

These clubs are on a first come first served basis. Also please note that if demand for a particular club is not enough we will have to cancel the club completely (You will be fully refunded if this is the case). If your child is attending a club they will not be charged for After Care for the time period in which they are at the enrichment (you will be charged the regular rate for any additional time they are in After Care before or after their session).

Please talk to your children and complete the attached form returning it no later than **Tuesday, November 10th**.

Kind Regards,

Alison Kaplan
After Care Program Director

(SEE REVERSE FOR SIGN UP FORM)

After School Enrichment Programs 2015/2016

Chess Instruction with Todd Benton (starts 11/30/15)

Grade: 2nd – 7th
Day: Mondays 3:30pm- 4:30pm
Length: 12 sessions
Cost: \$80 per child

Gymnastics with Todd Benton (starts 11/30/15)

Grade: EC-2nd and 3rd-6th
Day: Mondays 4:35pm -5:00pm
and 5:05pm -5:35pm
Length: 12 sessions
Cost: \$50 per child

Mad Science (Starts 12/1/15)

Grade: K – 5th
Day: Tuesdays 3:45pm – 4:45 pm
Length: 8 sessions
Cost: \$112

*Latex gloves will be used. Please note if your child has an allergy to these.

Zumba with 'Zumba Jay' (Starts 12/3/15)

Grade: EC – 2nd and 3rd – 6th
Day: Thursdays 4:45pm -5:10pm
and 5:15pm – 5:45pm
Length: 12 weeks
Cost: \$80 per child



Taste Buds - Learn about the biology behind your “buds” and take home your very own **taste test kit!**

- Magnificent Magnets - Experiment with magnetic fields and build an electromagnet.

- Sound Basics - Surf sonic sound waves in this “off-beat” program.

-Decomposers – Discover the amazing world of worms.

- Che-Mystery Learn about Physical and Chemical Changes. Make your own **Super Ball**

- Science of Magic. Learn about the Science behind magicians.

- Wacky Waves – Investigate ways to clean up an oil spill and make your very own **super diver** to take home.

- Optical illusions – Build your own periscope while learning about optics, reflection and sight.

-Fun-damental Forces- Find out what makes the world go around in an entertaining introduction to the basic concepts of forces. A **Gravity Game** is a fun way to bring this workshop home!

- Slime Time - Ooze into a gooey hour of sliming around! Create slime using the Mad Science recipe, and then enter the Slime Olympics! Take home your own concoction of **Mad Science Slime!**

- Chem in a Flash - Hop on board the chemistry express for a high-speed science experience! Perform instantaneous experiments in this fast-paced class on split-second reactions that go like mad! Pick up an **Action Flask** and have a blast !

-The Glow Show - Discover amazing things that glow bright in the dark and come to light! Probe the properties of light and explore some unusual applications of glow-in-the-dark technology! Use your **Blacklight Writer** to make secret messages that only you can see!

Registration Form- Please Detach & Return with Payment

(Complete for Each Child)

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Please check your selections. Payment must accompany this form. Make checks payable to: The Doane Stuart School.

_____ Chess \$80

_____ Gymnastics \$50

_____ Mad Science \$112 Please list any allergies including latex:

_____ Zumba \$80

Return to Alison Kaplan (After School Director) no later than Tuesday, November 10th.

A portrait of Doane Stuart, a man with grey hair and a beard, smiling. He is wearing a dark suit and a light blue shirt.

Join Us!

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DR. MICHAEL THOMPSON

"Eight Things You Cannot Do for Your Children (but wish you could)"

**Monday,
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7:00 PM**

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Golub Interfaith Chapel

Michael G. Thompson, Ph.D. is a consultant, author and psychologist who specializes in children and families and has worked in more than seven hundred schools across the United States and Central America, Europe, Africa and Asia.

Dr. Thompson has written nine books that focus on the emotional lives of adolescents, friendships, social cruelty in childhood, the impact of summer camp experiences on child development, the tensions that arise in the parent-teacher relationships, and psychological aspects of school leadership. His most recent book is *Homesick and Happy*.

A dedicated speaker and traveler, Michael Thompson has appeared on *The Today Show*, *The Oprah Winfrey Show*, *ABC 20/20*, *CBS 60 Minutes*, *The Early Show* and *Good Morning America*. He has been quoted in the *New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Newsweek*, *Time* and *U.S. News and World Report* and has been a guest on NPR's "Morning Edition" with Susan Stamberg, "Talk of the Nation" with Ray Suarez and the *Diane Rhem Show*. He wrote, narrated and hosted a two-hour PBS documentary entitled "Raising Cain" that was broadcast nationally in 2006.

We look forward to welcoming him back to Doane Stuart; he was here for Pam Clarke's installation and introduced her to the community at that event.

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40th
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Speaker Series

November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 8:15 AM All-Parent Mtg. with Mrs. Clarke (Golub Interfaith Chapel) 5:00 PM All-Parent Mtg. with Mrs. Clarke (Golub Interfaith Chapel)	4	5	6 MS Community Service 8:20 AM LS Morning Mtg. (parents invited)	7
9	9 7:00 PM 40 th Anniversary Celebration with guest speaker Dr. Michael Thompson	10	11 VETERANS DAY NO SCHOOL OFFICES CLOSED	12	13 5:30 PM Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner and musical performance by FLAME	14
15	16 	17	18 8:00 AM Parents Association Meeting (Corning Conference Rm.)	19 4:00 PM FULL BOARD MEETING JOHN B. ROBINSON, JR. BOARD ROOM	20	21 10:00 AM Admission Open House
22 1:00 PM Admission Open House SNOW DATE	23	24 10:00 AM All-School Thanksgiving Chapel (Dress Uniform)	25 NO SCHOOL OFFICES CLOSED	26 THANKSGIVING DAY NO SCHOOL OFFICES CLOSED	27 NO SCHOOL OFFICES CLOSED	28
THANKSGIVING VACATION						
29	30 Classes Resume					

All parents are invited either to the 8:15 AM or 5:00 PM parent meeting with Head of School, Pam Clarke, on **November 3, 2015** in the Golub Interfaith Chapel.

LUNCH

November 2015

The Doane Stuart School

Early Childhood and Kindergarten lunches are a blanket cost of **\$3.50 daily**.
An average lunch with drink for all other grades will be between **\$5.50 - \$6.00**.

The rest of the offerings are A la Carte.

All beverages cost \$1.00 each, with the exception of milk cartons at \$.50 each.

No soda is sold. A large variety of snacks is available.

Items available daily include: Home-made Soup, \$2.00 a bowl | Chicken Nuggets or Patties with vegetables and starch, \$4.00 | Pasta and home-made marinara sauce, \$2.00

Home-made cheese pizza, \$2.00 a slice | Vegetarian patties \$2.00 each

✿ Monday

✿ Tuesday

✿ Wednesday

✿ Thursday

✿ Friday

2
All beef hotdogs with
Kraft style mac-n-cheese

3
Chicken Spiedie
Sandwich & soup or
small tossed salad

4
Cold subs with salad
or soup (ham, turkey, roast
beef, vegetarian)

5
Pizza
Palooooza Day!

6
Build-a-burger

9
Fish & Chips:
battered Atlantic cod
and waffle fries

10
Soft Side Tacos with
Beef, Chicken, and/or Rice
with Beans: VARIOUS

11
No School
Veterans Day

12
Chicken Spiedie
Sandwich & soup or
small tossed salad

13
Basic Burger Day
and Jumbo Beef/Pork
Hot Dogs

16
Sloppy Joes and Fries

17
Pizza
Palooooza Day!

18
Jumbo Hot Dogs with
Bush's Baked Beans

19
Meatballs and Pasta

20
Fish & Chips:
battered Atlantic cod
and waffle fries

23
Pasta And Meatballs
with Garlic Bread

24
Thanksgiving Lunch!

25
NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break

30
Sloppy Joes and Fries

