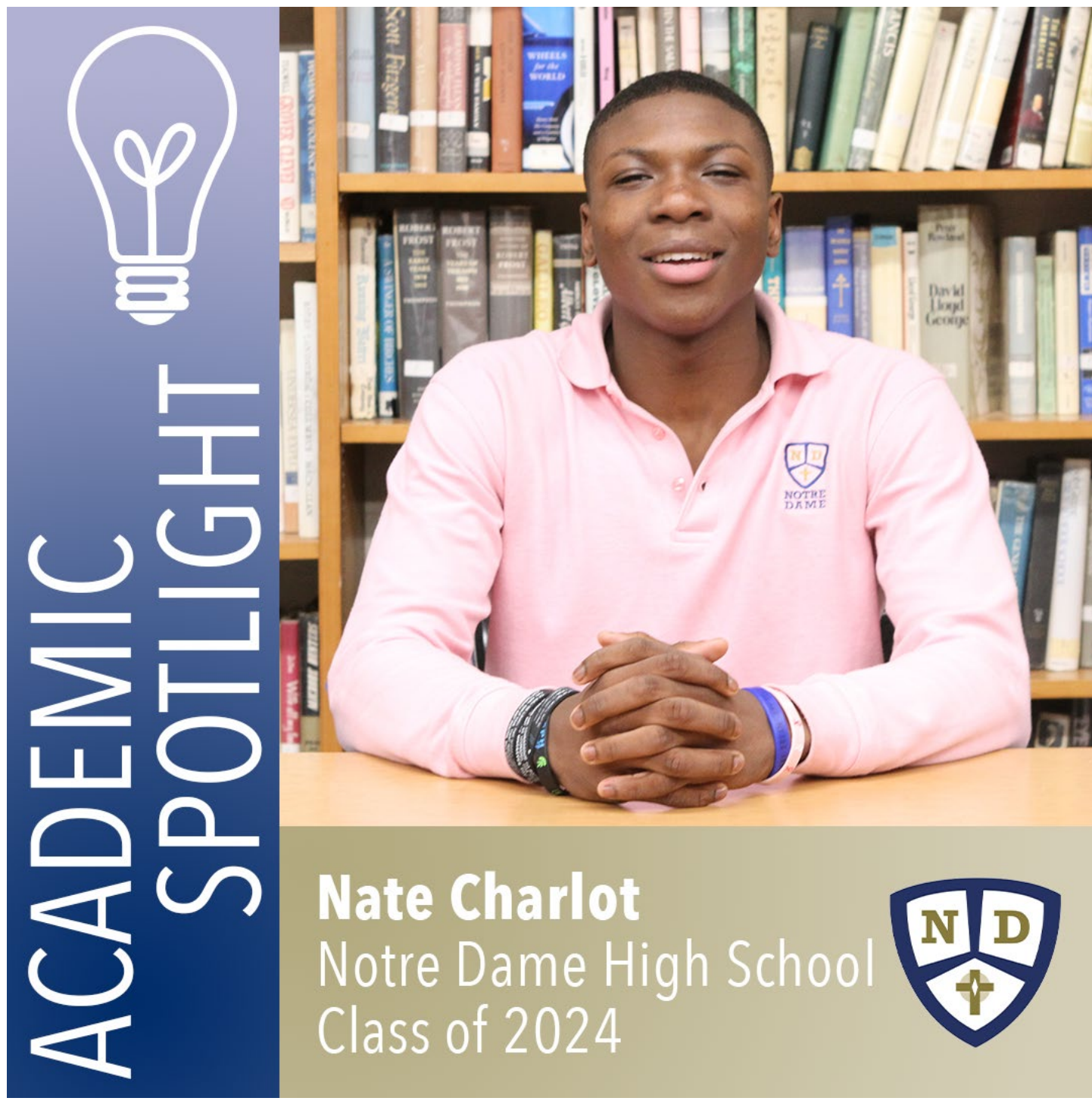


IN THE CLASSROOM



Nate Charlot '24 was recently nominated by Mr. Skawinski for his outstanding effort in both US History and Trending Topics!

Nate worked rigorously on his junior research paper for US History, spending weeks researching “A History of Slavery.” He then made edits and revisions in class and recently submitted his final draft.

In Mr. Skawinski’s Trending Topics class, Nate has been learning and commenting on current events and headline stories, including the recent reports on the rise of teen sadness and the Alex Murdaugh trial. He also completed a passion presentation on his personal history and love of the game of basketball, which was well received by his classmates. Well done!



French IV members recently completed reading their first French novel: *L'homme qui plantait des arbres*. As a grand finale to the work that was accomplished, each student had to create his/her favorite scene from the novel in diorama form. The results of their efforts truly helped to explain their interpretation of the story in great detail!



Students taking AP Environmental Science have been immersed in a series of STEM activities focused on alternative and renewable energy sources.

Each investigation challenges students to design, build and test an alternative energy source such as passive solar energy and solar cells, hydroelectric, geothermal, wind, and biofuels using the engineering design process, science and critical thinking skills!



Ms. Medoff’s junior theology students recently partnered with 5th and 6th graders from Assumption School for a service learning project on saints.

Each group had the opportunity to display their finished trifolds at the Notre Dame showcase on Monday, February 27.

Click [HERE](#) for a video recap of the event!



After studying issues of poverty and hunger, theology students have been contributing to both The House of Bread in Hartford and the Franciscan Center at St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church. For their service project, they have made sandwiches and snack packs with inspirational Bible verses attached to each food item. Classes are contributing to this on-going effort for the rest of the year.



Mr. Guerrero’s AP American Government and Politics class recently welcomed attorney James Pastore ‘23 to Notre Dame.

Mr. Pastore is the chief public defender in Bridgeport and spent an hour discussing law school, the structure of the CT court system and some of his previous cases!



Notre Dame’s AP Humanities students have been immersed in the thought and talent that characterized the European, English and Celtic Middle Ages.

Our seniors recently experimented with medieval art forms to learn what it was like fashioning everything by hand. Each student had the choice of decorative knot-making, calligraphy or various patterns of interlace. Their detailed and intricate designs are not only stunning but also a true testament to the time, patience and painstaking attention to detail that freehand work required! Perhaps not surprisingly, the students expressed genuine satisfaction in the care and creativity their finished products represented.



Spring is in the air! Students in the sculpture studio created these beautiful and intricate flower sculptures using a variety of wires. Each flower is wrapped around a stone and accompanied by a little wire critter!