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Sisters4Sisters

A little rain didn't stop Notre Dame from celebrating the final day of classes! Students and faculty took to the mansion lawn for the return of Sisters 4 Sisters for the first time since the start of Covid. The event began with the senior championship kickball game and then students headed to the mansion lawn to enjoy face painting, a DJ, spikeball, water balloons, bouncy houses, and more activities. All money paid for tickets and T-shirts benefits the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Students and faculty alike had a great time celebrating with food and fun all that they accomplished this year!









Meet the 2022-3 Editorial Board!



The Gates will be in the capable hands of four amazing editors and writers next year, all of them veteran contributors to our pages! Congratulations to next year's Editor-in-Chief, Katie Onderdonk '23 (pictured at left)! Katie will be supported by a great editorial board, featuring Sydney Dalton 23 as Sports Editor, Fiona Amos '23 as Arts Editor, and Cameron Landers '24 as Student Life Editor. The other senior editors and I are all so excited to see what the future holds for The Gates, and all the great ideas that next year's editorial board will bring! Good luck, Girls! -Maddie Frank '22

Meet the New Five Main!



Congratulations to the newly elected Five Main for the 2022-23 school year. Everyone at Notre Dame knows that there will be a great school year ahead under your leadership and guidance. Presenting (from left to right): Treasurer Natalie Maye, Secretary Grace Kane, President Sadie Mordan, Vice-President Annie Herrin, and Athletics and Activities Director Jada Wade! So excited to see what next year brings!

Senior Words of Wisdom

(Parting advice for the rising seniors, from the Class of 2022!)

"Don't stress about things that you can't change." Grace Hannah

"Take as many pictures and videos as you can. Looking back at them and all the memories is such an amazing experience." Clare Rivers

"Follow your passions and believe in yourself." Emma Oyakhire

"Stay as close as you can with as many people as you can—the friends you keep senior year will be the friends you can come back to after graduation." Claire Chaplin

"Make friends with your teachers." Abby Rowley

"Don't be afraid to make friends with people in different friend groups." Sami Smoot

"Go to class (no matter how much temptation there might be to nap in the lounge instead)." Molly Hughes

"Do not put expectations on yourself to be someone you are not. You can let yourself make mistakes. That's how you learn from them."

Jordyn Williams



"Celebrate the little victories. Success looks different for everyone." Paige Shelton

Curious about where your favorite graduates are going to college? See the story on p. 2.

Notre Dame seniors are off to college!

On March 19, the seniors gathered on the mansion patio to celebrate sweatshirt day and their college decisions! All 108 members of the class of 2022 are heading off to college next year. We are all so proud of everything that the seniors have accomplished in their time at ND, and *The Gates* wishes them the best of luck as they take their next steps. So proud of the green class of 22! At right, check out where the seniors are heading to college to start the next chapter.



















Natalie Alexander: University of Delaware Antonia Almeida: Pennsylvania State University
Beatrice Aloi: University of Tennessee Aubrey Angle: University of South Carolina
Carlee Beck: University of Miami Olivia Brand: Fairfield University Marissa Bruno: University of South Florida Ava Cain: Temple University Kyleigh Calvert: University of Michigan Claire Chaplin: Northwestern University Catherine Chapman: College of William & Mary
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Phoebe Phillips: University of Notre Kate Ranaudo: Indiana University

Gabriella Recchilungo: Villanova University Alyssa Reilly: University of South Carolina Annabelle Reilly: Southern Methodist University Clare Rivers: Boston College Ciara Rogers: Catholic University of America

Madison Roselli: Purdue University

Julia Rossi: Florida State University Abigail Rowley University of Southern California Jessica Rowley: Boston College Bella Scarpato: University of South Carolina **Brigid Searing:** Fordham University Ellen Shank: Syracuse University Farrah Sheffer: University of Richmond Paige Shelton: Cornell University Isabel Smith:Fairfield University Reagan Smith: Southern Methodist University **Ava Smolizza**: Wagner

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Jordyn Williams: Syracuse University Bailey Wolfington: Southern Methodist University

The Pool Plunge is Back!

It is a tradition at Notre Dame for the senior class to leap en masse—and in perfect uniform— into the mansion pool. The plunge originally took place in the fall at the Mother-Daughter Picnic, but a new tradition began this year with the plunge taking place on the seniors' last day ever in their ND uniform. The class gathered together on May 31 for the plunge, and everyone had a great time celebrating their time together at ND.







Farewell, from the Editor

I am so grateful for my 7 years at ND, and my time with *The Gates* will always be one of my favorite aspects of my high-school experience. My 4 years with the newspaper were filled with so many great memories, and thank you to everyone who has been part of my journey!

I loved taking on the role of Editor-in-Chief this year, so a special thank you, Dr. DaCrema, for giving me a chance to take on this leadership position and a chance to explore my passion for writing! *The Gates* would not be possible without the support of so many. Thank you to my fellow editors **Charlotte Lignowski** (Arts Editor), **Molly Hughes** (Sports Editor), **Jordyn Williams** (Senior Editor), and **Ashley Kelly** (Middle School Coordinator)! The paper exists because of the hard work of so many, including all the Upper School and Middle School students in the club who provided their articles, photos, and creativity. I know the future for *The Gates* is bright after seeing all the talent in the club this year!

I can't believe my time here has gone by so fast; it seems like just yesterday I walked into my first *Gates* meeting as a nervous freshman. To anyone considering joining the newspaper, step out of your comfort zone and take a chance, because it just may become one of your favorite aspects of ND and give you some of your best friendships! I will miss the Gates so much, but I know the paper is in great hands with next year's editorial board.

Fondly.

Maddie Frank, Editor-in-Chief



