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Happy Graduation and have a fantastic summer! ~The Tower Staff

CLASS of 2019 VALEDICTORIANS

CLAIRE STOWE - EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



Grace Beutter plans to join the Freshman class at the University of Notre Dame in the fall to study philosophy, psychology/ cognitive science, or film. While exploring her academic interests at Notre Dame, Grace hopes to continue to travel and "find success, but also enjoyment, in whatever I choose to pursue." Along with being on the Varsity Girls Soccer team for all four years of her high school career Grace also participated in National Honor Society [NHS] as the Secretary, Model UN, JAVA, Student Government, and other extracurricular activities. Some of her favorite memories from high school were the many experiences she had to bond with her teammates during her soccer career. For Grace, a defining moment was her decision to complete the Full IB program: "At times [Full IB] has been stressful, but I believe it has proven to be an incredibly beneficial experience." Grace recommends that underclassmen try to spend more time experiencing high school and bonding with their peers than worrying about grades. "I would advise students to enjoy their high school experiences, embrace the learning process, and appreciate the relationships that they build in high school."

Zoe Bonnell will be starting at Carleton College, studying either American Studies or Political Science. She plans to "examine the cultural, ethnic, and political fabric of the United States in college" and hopes to both work on a political campaign and study abroad in a Spanish-speaking country. During her Adams career she participated in the South Bend Youth Sympho-

ny Orchestra [SBYSO], Full IB, Model UN, and NHS, where one of her favorite memories was organizing the Christmas party for the Boys and Girls Club. She recalls working the polls on the night of the 2016 election to have been a defining moment during her four years of high school, and plans to continue with political involvement and advocacy throughout college and after.

Ariana Bordogna-Jurkowitz will be attending the University of Notre Dame in the fall to study Environmental Engineering. In college she hopes to participate in study and research on environmental science, and wants to attend graduate school to further her engineering undergrad and connect it with other fields, such as sustainability and ethics. Ariana was involved with so many organizations throughout her Adams career, including Model UN, Student Government, and Mock Trial, but her favorite memory is when the Adams Basketball team defeated Riley during her sophomore year Cheerleading season. As a Full-IB student, a defining moment of her high school career was "rising to the challenge of taking IB Mathematics SL with Mr. Bart as a junior" which helped her to "learn the true meaning of perseverance and open my mind to a more theoretical learning style."

Amelia Chuppe plans to attend Purdue University in West Lafayette to major in microbiology. She wants to pursue a future career in the healthcare field. Amelia participated in many Adams organizations, including NHS, JAVA, Orchestra, and Science Olympiad, in which she recalls her team placing fifth her junior year as a great

memory. Throughout her high school career, Amelia frequently volunteered with many of her friends which was a very significant experience, "contributing to the sense of community felt at Adams."

Lara Chuppe will be attending Purdue's Honors College with a major in Computer Science, with a goal to ultimately receive a PhD in Computational Biology. She hopes to participate in medical research, specifically cancer and neurodegenerative diseases. Lara was heavily involved in the Science Research program at Adams, and has been recognized nationally for her achievements. She also participated in Quiz Bowl and NHS, which a favorite memory was the holiday party they organized for the local Boys and Girls Club. She felt like her experiences tutoring the kids in the Boys and Girls Club "defined her more than any other" and have "influenced the outlook I will carry with me to college."

Grace Dawson attending Marquette University in the fall, will be majoring in Political Science and English. She wants to study abroad during her college career and possibly attend law school after graduating. An avid member of the cross country team for all four years, Grace's favorite memory from high school was the final cross country camping trip she attended, the summer before her Senior year. Grace also participated in Mock Trial, Show Choir, NHS, and Model UN. A defining moment of her time at Adams was the Mock Trial State Competition her Junior year.

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Allison Doctor will be joining the Freshman class of the University of Notre Dame with a plan to major in Biological Sciences and Spanish and hopes to study abroad and eventually attend medical school. As a full IB student, she participated in several clubs and organizations, such as Student Government, Dance Team, and NHS. She also was a member of the Adams Science Research program with Mr. Longenecker, with whom she fondly remembers "performing the 60+ labs [in his] honors biology class Freshman year with my lab partner Elizabeth." Allison was also awarded a grant from the American Association for the Advancement of Science to continue her research and competed in the Indiana Academy of Science Talent Search. David Engel will be attending the University of Michigan and hopes to get a degree in physics. One of his favorite memories was shooting the music video in Ms. Stanton's class and was heavily involved in Mock Trial, Tennis, Quiz Bowl, and Ski Club. For him, "writing the final paper for science research" was a vital moment, as it "took resilience and dedication and solidified my desire to pursue science." To underclassmen he advises to "make it a priority to be interested in something. Even though your interests might change, follow them. You never know where they could leave you."

Julia McKenna has plans to attend University of Notre Dame's College of Arts Letters and wants to help others through activism, as she is passionate about human rights and sustainability. Her favorite Adams memory were the two walkouts (DACA and "Enough is Enough") her Junior year: "I think they really showed the character of the Adams community and how dedicated we are to helping others." One of the most important moments for Julia during her high school career was when the "South Bend Common Council passed a climate recovery solution," something she has been working on all throughout high school. Julia has been an active member of the Adams community, participating in Model UN, NHS, and Social Action for Student Safety [SASS]. "Sleep more and be more positive," she says to underclassmen. "High school is challenging, but there are things you can do to make it somewhat easier and more enjoyable."

SALUTATORIANS



Amanda Abner will be studying science-business at the University of Notre Dame and hopes to work for a biomedical firm. Amanda's best memory is advancing to the national competition of Distributive Education Clubs of America [DECA], but she was

involved in several sports teams including football, soccer, and tennis, and she served as the Senior class president and participated in Future Business Leaders of America [FBLA], DECA, and Business Professionals of America [BPA]. A defining moment for her was "kicking for the football team in the first home game of the year. There was a lot of pressure to succeed, and the experience changed my mental game!"



Thomas Han will attend the University of Notre Dame in the fall with plans to study international relations or economics. Tommy hopes to walk on to the track team and join the Glee Club. An active member of the Adams communi-

ty, Tommy was the President of NHS, Quiz Bowl, Tennis, Track, and Show Choir. "I really hate being asked what my favorite memory from Adams is, since I have had so many great memories... discovering my love for pole vault is what I am most grateful for."



Stanley Rozenblit will be attending Cornell University to study business and entrepreneurship. One of Stanley's favorite memories was serving as a board member for NHS. Stanley founded several business clubs at Adams, includ-

ing FBLA, DECA, and BPA. He was also the Treasurer of Student Government, Co-Captain of Quiz Bowl, and involved in Model UN. A defining moment of his Adams career, however, was his recognition as a U.S. Presidential Scholar, "the cherry on top of my High school career."

The 2019 Tower Recap

CLAIRE STOWE - EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Tower is incredibly proud of our development this year, and grateful to all the students, teachers, parents, administrators, and community members that have helped our success. During the 2018-19 school year we launched our website (sbadamsthetower. com), as I'm sure many of you have heard me recite throughout the year. We are proud to report almost 40,000 views throughout the course of the year. We have covered crucial parts of the Adams and South Bend communities, and with our website we are now able to connect and collaborate with other news organizations.

This year, The Tower joined a consortium of 2500 student newspapers nationally and internationally, and has been recognized with an "Excellence in Writing" award. I am so proud and grateful for every reporter, writer, photographer, and editor that has helped build our online presence.

Next year holds something new, and I can't wait to tackle it (albeit I am a little jealous of all the Seniors graduating this year). In a time when the freedom of the press is constantly under attack and credible news can become "lies" from the click of a button, The Tower hopes to do its part in providing a balanced, clear, and full perspective of Adams, South Bend, and national news.

I can't brag about The Tower website without also mentioning our audio media department. The RadioTower podcast, developed and produced by Seth Kirkpatrick, thrived in its second year, with a huge variety of shows and topics. This year, the RadioTower submitted an entry to the NPR National Podcast Competition, featuring interviews of the two mayoral candidates running in the general election. This podcast, one of the first main collaborations between the audio and written aspects of The Tower is sure to be the first of many, as we all hope to continue this into next year and beyond.

For now, though, The Tower is signing off for the 2018-19 school year. On behalf of the entire staff, congratulations to the Seniors, and to all the underclassmen, see you next year.

Letters from the Seniors of The Tower

CLAIRE HARGIS - GRADUATING SENIOR

The past four years were a whirlwind of experiences. Collectively, they went by unbelievably quickly, but it would be a lie to say that there were not moments that dragged on. Over my time at John Adams, I have made numerous memories, more than I can count, and for the most part they are all good. However, there were times where I made mistakes and endured hardships, but I found this is what truly allowed me to grow.

The first two years were mostly about education for me, I was studious and completed all of my assignments on time. I went to sporting events, participated in showcases, and spent time with my friends all the while keeping up a pretty decent grade point average. It was not until halfway through my junior year where I began to sort of "slack off." Now I am aware that this may not seem like a good thing, and by no means do I recommend pushing the educational aspect of school to the side, but this time where I actually grasped some sense of who I was. I made mistakes, I didn't do some of the smaller assignments which at the time seemingly didn't matter but were actually crucial to my final grade. This was also the time when I discovered that I am a major procrastinator and that I wait to do every assignment till the last minute, no matter how important it may be. I learned all of this from my experience at John Adams, and because of these mistakes I made, I am now more prepared to find a solution to similar problems I may have in college or in the work field.

Yes, it is important to be aware of the mistakes one has made, but it is also important to not beat yourself up for it. When I felt like I did something wrong, I would be so upset with myself and honestly it felt like the end of the world, but another thing I learned was that life goes on. Your teacher will not always be mad at you for turning in that one assignment late, and you can get your grade up after failing one test you did not study for. Everyone is human and everyone messes up from time to time. When I leave John Adams I will not just be leaving with the knowledge gained from earning my diploma, but I will also be leaving with knowledge gained concerning myself and how to solve any sort of problem which may occur in my life. This is what makes the John Adams experience so great.

ASH VEAZIE - GRADUATING SENIOR

I've had such a wonderful two years in newspaper; I honestly wish I could do another school year just to take this class again. Unfortunately, we can't all be in high school forever, and everything comes to an end. My first year I was not very productive, but I formed some lasting bonds and began to flesh out my journalistic capabilities, developing a passion for journalism slowly but surely. I remember looking at the old newspapers in the back, antiquated slabs of paper detailing everything from World War 2 to 9/11. I was fascinated by reading the history of our country through the old copies of The Tower. I hoped one day that someone would look back on our little old newspaper and see something important about our history through an article I wrote.

My second year, on the other hand, I accomplished much more. Initially, I worked on the archives, admiring old newspapers and trying to put them on the Tower website. Then, on the side, I began writing about climate change, and decided to put my time into focusing on writing about the climate. I wrote a lot more impressive articles this year than last year, and my passion for writing has grown so much that now I plan on writing for the newspaper at IUSB.

While a lot of my classes started to become a bit of a drag, newspaper has always consistently been the highlight of my day. This is, for the most part, because of the wonderful teacher and the wonderful students that fill The Tower to the brim with character and personality. Seriously, why watch The Office or Parks and Recreation when you can take this class? And Mr. Nowicki was a critical but hilarious teacher who I looked forward to seeing and talking to, something I could never see myself doing until last year. If not for him, I might have just given up on trying to write articles and just looked longingly at the old papers, wishing someone could have drawn that talent out of me somehow.

~Twinkle Lightly

Happy Retirement to Mrs. Barbara Burns

ANNA TARNER - REPORTER

As the warm weather approaches (hopefully soon), we say goodbye to some teachers and staff that are retiring from John Adams. One of these people is Barbara Burns, our long-time secretary and the glue who has held this building together for almost 3 decades.



Mrs. Burns has been here for 29 years, but she wasn't always the secretary, she actually started out as a teachers aid. "I was the science aid and it was before I knew anything about computers, I didn't know anything at all! The only people that were at Adams when she started that are still here today were Mr. Longnecker and Mr Szucs. As she put it, "Mr. Longnecker taught me everything that I know now." She worked under the wing of the old secretary and bookkeeper for several years before she had the opportunity to become the secretary where she's been ever since.

Through the 29 years she has witnessed a lot. She's been through eleven principles, (one of them having gone from an office aid to our current principle) and some crazy senior pranks. One of the most memorable pranks was, "the class of 2000 decided they

wanted to have a picnic in Potawatomi park, but to add to the fun they removed all of the license plates off of every car in the student and teacher parking lot and put them into a pile. The fun quickly ended when I had to be the one to tell them they couldn't walk at graduation unless every license plate was returned to their car. It ended with random plates being assigned to any car that didn't already have one."

Mrs. Burns looks forward to being able to spend time with her already retired girlfriends (who have been giving her a hard time that she's always working) and her grandchildren.

Happy Retirement to Mr. Mike Szucs

ANNA TARNER - REPORTER

Mr. Szucs has been a teacher in the social studies hall here at Adams for 48 years. Students adore him for his calm demeanor and intelligence which keeps students engaged when learning about government. He started his teaching career at Jefferson Middle in 1969. He came to Adams in 1970 as a teacher and assistant football coach. He left temporarily in 1983-84 to become the assistant principal at LaSalle High School. "I realized how much I missed teaching and I returned to Adams the next year and have been here ever since." Mr Szucs was interested in teaching originally because of his interest in sports, coaching, and working with young people." This passion has continued through the years.

Throughout the past 50 years, Mr. Szucs has completed a variety of accomplishments, and made countless memories. "One of my favorite memories was winning the first Mock Trial State Championship in 1998. Along with judge Sanford Brook, we started the program in 1996." Mock Trial at Adams has gone on to win several more state championship and they have even been the National Champions. He states that he will miss many things, saying; "John Adams is a truly special place and I will miss almost everything; the students, the faculty, the administration, the environment, and the overall atmosphere of learning."

Mr. Szucs reflected on his career and memories. "My greatest hope is that I have helped change the lives of my students in a positive way. Starting the extremely successful Mock Trial Program and the Notre Dame Law School Street Law Program, as well as becoming the Social Studies Department Chair are accomplishments that I will remember."

His plans for retirement are fairly open as of now, stating that, "of course, being retired will allow me to spend more time with family, to travel, and to explore other options. I look forward to this next phase of my life, but I know I will miss John Adams."

Happy Retirement to Ms. Marilyn Arney

ANNA TARNER - REPORTER

Ms. Arney has been in the math department at Adams for 17 years, but she has taught for a total of 23 years. She actually started as an Adams parent, before becoming a teacher, because of her daughters being previous Eagles.

According to Ms. Arney, "I have so many memories of Adams, both as a parent and as a teacher. I have always loved the spirit and attitude of the students that I have met (under both circumstances). I have a reputation of being a "hard" teacher and so I have always said that my students either love me or hate me. Naturally I would prefer that they love me and over the years I have had students send me messages after graduation thanking me for being so tough, so I guess I did something right. My best memory is when a group of students sent a letter to the principal to tell him that they had decided I was the best teacher they had had during their stay at Adams. It made me cry and I felt like I had won an Oscar or Emmy."

Ms. Arney's retirement plans are "to spend more time with my family - working 60 - 80 hours a week for the past 23 years has made it difficult to balance teaching and family. My husband and I also plan to travel - we bought a travel trailer and plan on visiting all 48 of the continental United States. My daughter and I were doing a comprehensive family tree and I plan on finishing that."

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Sarcastic Senior Awards

Ian Barron - Best Dressed (nominated by Ethan Goodridge)

Julilla Baer - Most Tranquil (nominated by Madlean Koehler)

Mark Borkowski - Most Likely to vote Straight Republican (nominated by Natalie Holmes)

James Bramlett- Most Likely to go to Prison (nominated by Mateo Rey)

Sam Burns - Best Work Ethic (nominated by Kenny Weston)

Allison Doctor - Laziest (nominated by Maxwell Thompson)

Josie Garver - Best Memory (nominated by Sydnee Meredith, Ahjah Hayes)

Matthew Holmes - Most School Spirit (nominated by Madison Nemeth)

Cameron Mawhinney - Cutest Cheeks (nominated by Ashton Nothstine)

Julia McKenna - Biggest Climate Change Skeptic (nominated by Hannah Mihut & Allison Doctor)

Payton Niezgodski - Least Likely to Succeed (nominated by Payton Niezgodski)

Kate O'Brien- Most Relaxed (nominated by Ian Barron)

Tina Rea - Most likely to be a Supervillain (nominated by Ash Veazie)

Alyssa Sherman - Best sense of smell (nominated by Ethan Goodridge)

Brandon Tao - Best Attendance (nominated by Elizabeth Mellor & Marilyn Mutantika)

Maxwell Thompson - Least Opinionated (nominated by everyone that has ever met him)

Paige Varga - Best Driver (nominated by Sydnee Meredith)

Kenny Weston - Most Likely to be President (nominated by Ash Veazie)

Josette Wright - Most Genteel Laugh (nominated by Madlean Koehler)

Advice from the Class of 2019

Rosa Antillon

"My advice for ENL students would be to not give up on learning English, you just need to put in effort."

Heather Bowling

"If you are clashing with a teacher, it is completely acceptable to ask, if you can switch out. That's what I did, and for the last semester of my senior year, I'm thriving."

Vincent Calhoun

"(A quote from Mr. Ruml): 'Don't wait until college to light the fire under you and start working hard, it won't happen, start now."

Benjamin Foster

"Work hard from the jump - especially if you're an athlete."

Jazmin Gonzalez

"This advice goes to those who are Hispanic: if our parents cross the border, they deserve to see their kids cross the stage."

Nicholas Good

"Don't mess with Mr. Bart."

Ethan Goodridge

"IB isn't everything. Learn to relax and be humble. Try not to compare yourself to everyone else."

Natalie Holmes

"Try not to procrastinate - I know it's hard, but at least try, it feels so much better when stuff is done."

Stanley Rozenblit

"Take the hardest coursework possible. Apply for a lot of scholarships. Join clubs and if the clubs you want don't exist... start them."

Alex Sakaguchi

"It's perfectly okay to make mistakes, just learn from them and move forward. There is nothing more you can do than your best."

Maxwell Thompson

"Your teachers want to see you succeed - don't let that resource go to waste."

Deborah Washington

"Stay on top of your grades. Join a few clubs. Don't be afraid to try new things or meet new people."

Brielle Wilkins

"Go crazy, not stupid. Honestly, just do your best and stay out of trouble."

Senior Wills from the Class of 2019

Arianna Alvarez

I leave the countless inspiration to all my fellow classmates in ceramics. I leave determination for the kids that it's possible to accomplish anything, especially from not having much.

Amar Beganovic

I leave behind my absurdity to keep the school fresh.

Heather Bowling

I leave my love for my teachers that respected their students and the students that respected them back. I didn't know how rare that would be.

Novalí Centellas

My forensics cheat sheets for Science Olympiad, I put a lot in to those and hope they'll be useful in future years.

Josie Garver

I'm going to leave my tumor behind.

Zac Gray

I leave all my school spirit because the student section will need it when I'm gone

Kelli Haley

The calls home to my parents at 5:15pm telling them I wasn't in class.

Tommy Han

I leave nothing behind because the juniors are capable of figuring it out themselves.

Ahjah Hayes

We're leaving Josie's tumors behind - because we don't need that shiz.

Kyle Hooks

I'm leaving behind \$20 which I hid somewhere in the library.

Filomena Horvath

I leave the eight lunch boxes I lost over the years to the needy in the lost and found. I leave my fifty pound American Pageant textbook to the bottom of my locker.

Riley Jamieson

I'm leaving my hair to benefit Mr. Bart

Jackson Joyce

I leave behind the ability to block, because Ira will be running for his life next year.

Kara Kison

I leave my drip. Try not to slip.

Geniyah Long

I leave behind my trophy for winning the first African-American history club challenge.

Marcus Long

I'm leaving the teachers behind.

Angel Medina

I will leave my instructions on how to configure and enter to Rosetta Stone to Ms.Beatty. She needs a lot of help with electronic devices.

Marilyn Mutantika

I leave you my ball of tape from the past three homecomings.

Madison Nemeth

I leave my parking spot behind because someone loves to steal it already.

Kate O'Brien

I leave all my IB stress behind to next batch of diploma students. Good luck and drink coffee.

Marcos Quintero

I will leave my energy to help the Super Spirit Ball grow stronger!

Elizabeth Rangel Fernandez

I leave the shot put I couldn't get over the first line.

Leena Mariani

I leave my court behind to the next #1

Auldon Richmond

My lunch number.

Lauren Salas

I leave all my outfits behind because the school is going out of style when I'm gone.

Keion Taylor

Y'all ain't getting nothing.

Daylin Washington

I leave my silence behind, the teachers would want that.

Josette Wright

I leave my coping mechanisms behind for all the IB kids who may need them.

Siron Young

I leave all my leftover credits to the person who needs them most.