

CLOISTERINN

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CLUB LIFE

At Cloister Inn, we take pride in our identity as a small and tightly-knit club. Cloister's motto for years has been "the club where everyone knows your name," and we are proud to say that we continue to live up to this mantra today. With members coming from across the country (and indeed, from around the world), Cloister prides itself in fostering an atmosphere of friendship-building and the forming of strong connections. We firmly believe that one should not have to jump through hoops to eat with their friends, and we are proud to say that our club culture also facilitates new, rewarding, and sometimes unexpected friendships that endure for years to come.

Following a successful first two weeks of this semester filled with numerous Street Week events (including our beloved Ice Cream Social, numerous sophomore open-house dinners, and a cozy "Dogs & Donuts" event in collaboration with the Seeing Eye), we are excited to be welcoming an energetic and engaged group of new members into the club this spring. Our current members have been extremely welcoming to the new sophomores and juniors, and our new members have already begun to embrace Cloister as their "home away from home."

AROUND THE HOUSE

Cloister members and alumni have generously contributed time and money over the past year to make numerous improvements around the house to heighten the member experience. To enhance leisure time, we have resurfaced our pool tables and acquired a new foosball table. Our first-floor Great Room and TV Room have been refurnished to make for a more enjoyable space for studying and socializing. Our dining room has been repainted for a more regal look and revamped with new, up-to-date appliances. Beyond our new improvements, Cloister members continue to enjoy the various other amenities around the house, including our fully-functioning and professionally cleaned hot tub.

SERVICE AND COMMUNITY PRESENCE

Recently, Cloister has been considering numerous different initiatives to improve our sustainability and service outreach. We continue to maintain a close relationship with The Seeing Eye, which is the oldest and one of the largest trainers of seeing-eye dogs in the country. We periodically host puppy study-breaks with their assistance during times of high stress on campus (such as midterms week and reading period) that are open to all students, and these visits can be highly beneficial for students' mental health during these times.

Cloister is also proud to be home to members of a diverse set of campus affiliations. We continue to foster our affiliations with the Swimming and Diving and Rowing teams, and our current membership is also involved in Princeton Running Club, as well as the Sailing, Figure Skating, Rugby, Football, Baseball, and Cheerleading teams. Members routinely turn up to support their friends when they compete on campus, and we regularly host watch parties to support members when they are competing away from Princeton.

Thank you for your time, and we look forward to a great year ahead!

Respectfully,

Finn Dowdall

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