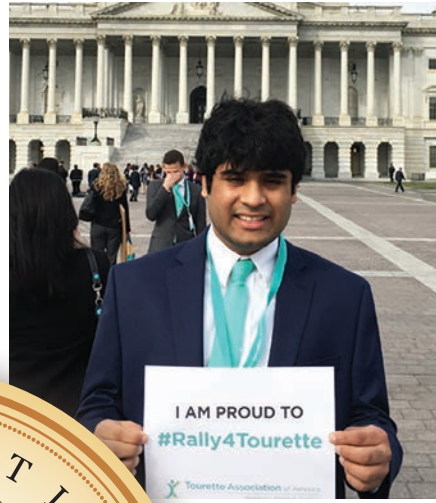




THE JOHN CARROLL SCHOOL



2018

# Senior Project 2018

**In keeping with the tenets of The John Carroll School Mission Statement and institutional philosophy, the Senior Project seeks to:**

- provide a year-long, in-depth educational opportunity for the members of each graduating class,
- provide a venue for critical thinking, independent expression, personal responsibility, individual and educational growth,
- empower each senior to explore a passion, to stretch as a learner, and to foster the ability to design and execute independent choices,
- encourage seniors to strive for excellence and a sense of a job done well rather than to settle for mediocrity in any endeavor they pursue,
- serve as a synthesis of the educational opportunities to which students have been exposed and solidify a desire to be lifelong learners who possess a sense of community and global awareness as well as a heightened sense of self-confidence and worth.



## Reflecting on the Reservation



Paige Marie Alban  
*Towson University, MD*

The time I spent in Oklahoma was life-changing. I bonded with my fellow students and my teacher, Gary Scholl. I learned from the Cheyenne culture that we must love one another and embrace new beginnings and live life in the utmost ways. Life is short and we must live it in the fullest possible way.

## Does This Career Suit Me?



Joshua Ryan Andrychowski  
*Towson University, MD*

Warren Buffet said, Rule No.1: Never lose money. Rule No.2: Never forget rule No.1. I believe this statement to be a motto that I can follow. After my job shadow experience, I have now decided that my life plan will be to complete my Bachelor's Degree in Economics, then my Master's and venture into the field of trading stocks.

## Awareness for Diabetes



Laura Marie Amrhein  
*Salisbury University, MD*

Besides learning more about Type 1 diabetes, I learned that I am able to make a positive difference for a child and her family's life. I also learned from Mia, the girl with diabetes who I babysit, that with a positive attitude, any difficulty in life can be managed or overcome.

## Compassion for Kennady



Megan Nicole Andrychowski  
*Harford Community College, MD*

The inspiration for my project was a two-year-old girl named Kennady Rose Chamberlain who has neuroblastoma, a form of childhood cancer. She was happy and strong and battled as hard as she could. There are many other children at Johns Hopkins fighting and I hope my letters help the children and their families to stay positive.

## Welcome to Sweden



**Hannah Elisabeth Antic**  
*Husson University, ME*

The biggest obstacle I faced for my Senior Project was reading a children's book in Swedish. It was very frustrating trying to figure out the simple words in the book. I thought I knew most of the Swedish language already, but I realized I was far from knowing it.

## Josh Hamer Scholarship



**Grant Pons Astle**  
*Wilson College, PA*

The person who was most inspirational to me is Ms. Jen Hamer, Josh's mom. Knowing her since childhood and seeing the struggles she has been through, then seeing how happy she was after we raised money for Josh's scholarship fund has truly changed my outlook on life.

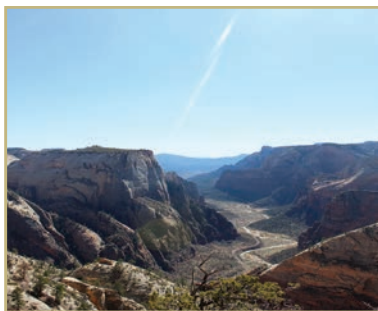
## Josh Hamer Tournament



**Ryan David Archibald**  
*University of Arizona, AZ or MLB draft*

Nobody should ever have to bury their child. In this case, Ms. Jen Hamer had to bury her son Josh Hamer, who died in a car crash in 2017. I wanted to help raise money for the Josh Hamer Memorial Scholarship fund. We raised over \$14,000 which was an amazing boost to the fund.

## A Bug's Life



**Tucker Wilson Bailey**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

This project allowed me to use what I already know and apply to a new situation. I discovered that there is also more that I need to learn.



## From Student to Worker



**Robert Martin Baranoski, Jr.**  
*Community College of  
Baltimore County, MD*

Electrical Engineering is the career which I explored for my Senior Project, that I now plan on pursuing in the future as a result of my project.

## Building an Arm and Connections



**Chesca Jean Basilio**  
*University of Delaware, DE*

I created a prosthetic arm for Gigi, who wrote about her life growing up without a left arm. Gigi is an inspiration to me who taught me so much about myself. I want to be like her and be able to make people more confident in themselves, just like she has done for me.

## Trip to Haiti



**Marko Gabriel Bateson**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

Traveling to Haiti meant a great deal to me as I have family that came from there. I enjoyed interacting with the children and discovering part of my cultural heritage.

## Conquering a Fear



**Jessica Kaitlynn Bauer**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

While doing my Senior Project, I was able to see just how many people are afraid of public speaking like I am. I learned a lot of tips to help ease my fear along the way, which was very helpful when it came time to present my project in front of my evaluators.

## Sports Picture Edits



**Liam John Beard**  
*Towson University, MD*

"Sports photography isn't something you just pick up overnight. You can't do it once a year for fun and expect to do a good job. And I take pride in what I do." -Drew Carey. This quote explains what I spent the past year doing. I improved my graphic design skills and showcased the JC Varsity Basketball team.

## Forging My Future



**Lauren Michelle Becker**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

My plans for the future are much clearer than they were before I started my project. I learned that I like the faster pace of working in a hospital rather than the calmer, more predictable pace of a lab. Both experiences were interesting, but currently a career in surgery is what I am leaning toward.

## Into The Wild



**Adam Michael Albert Berg**  
*Gettysburg College, PA*

I took an “Into the Wild” approach to a standard camping trip. I was excited to see what my capabilities were and if I was able to be self sufficient. It was a good gauge for me to tell just how independent I could be.

## Sigma Phi GRANDMA



**Natalie June Berkey**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

My project meant a great deal to me because it was about my grandmother, a person I admire very much. She inspires me to work hard and commit myself to whatever I do by being such a strong role model.

## A Mental and Physical Journey



**Dalen Sean Berry**  
*Alvernia University, PA*

My goal was to use my life journey to inspire others to keep moving forward no matter what obstacles they face.

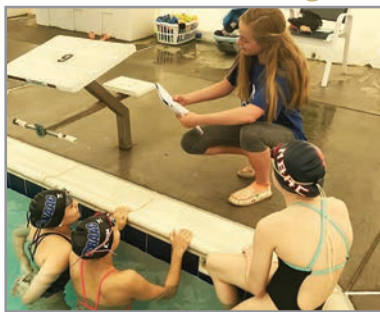
## Sforzando



**Andrew Joon Boeren**  
*Elizabethtown College, PA*

My curiosity and passion for music pushed me to search for a further understanding beyond the classroom by transcribing and analyzing my favorite songs, then using that knowledge to compose a piece of original music.

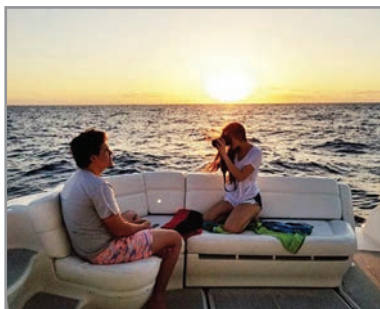
## The Science of Swimming



**Amelia Louise Bothwell**  
*Franklin and Marshall College, PA*

The focus of my Senior Project was to create a non-fiction book educating younger swimmers about the science involved in swimming. This can be anything from changing head position in order to limit resistance, to making sure that larger muscles are used as opposed to smaller ones.

## Capturing the Stages of Life



**Kelsey Elizabeth Boyle**  
*Towson University, MD*

By doing this photography project, I witnessed how beautiful all stages of life are and captured the magnificence of people at every age. I am proud of how well my photos turned out because they are so much better than the amateur pictures I used to take.

## Camping Trip



**Aidan Glynn Boyle**  
*McDaniel College, MD*

I participated in a group camping trip. This was an experience that I had never previously had. I learned a lot about myself and I am most proud to have come out of my comfort zone.

## An Unforgettable Relationship



**Katherine Adare Brinegar**  
*Delaware Valley University, DE*

My project gave me an opportunity to look at myself and the world with a fresh perspective.



## My Work with Anna's House



Noah Ennis Brock  
*Bryn Athyn, PA*

This project helped me to connect with my past because I was able to work with the less fortunate.

## A Day in the Life of a Doctor



Isabella Marie Brooke  
*University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA*

The focus of my Senior Project was deciding if I wanted to pursue a career in medicine. I learned through my project that becoming a surgeon is truly what I want to do with my life. I was most proud of myself for persevering through my anxiety and meeting dozens of people who opened my eyes to the world of medicine.

## Reynolds Memorial Tournament



Jude Alexander Brown  
*High Point University, NC*

I have learned a lot about myself throughout this project. Being able to work with younger children and inspire them to love the game of lacrosse has always been a dream of mine. Now that I have completed my dream, I want to continue to do this because of how much I love it.

## Lending a Hand to Help a Paw



**Peyton Elizabeth Brown**  
*University of Maryland  
College Park, MD*

My end goal was to bring light to the animals in shelters and give them a voice. I hope that with this awareness, people will be more likely to rescue an animal.

## Glazed Ceramics



**Abigail Leigh Bryant**  
*Towson University, MD*

"There is absolutely nothing more exhilarating than glazed ceramics coming out of the kiln! It is truly exciting to see a project you have been working on for a week to come out perfectly." This quote explains exactly the way I felt about my ceramics-based Senior Project.

## Soccer Field Makeover



**Francesco Nicolas Buontempo**  
*King's College, NY*

I am passionate about the game of soccer and am pleased that I could help provide an improved soccer field for the John Carroll community.

## JC Madness



**Sherea Cenice Byers**  
*University of Cincinnati, OH*

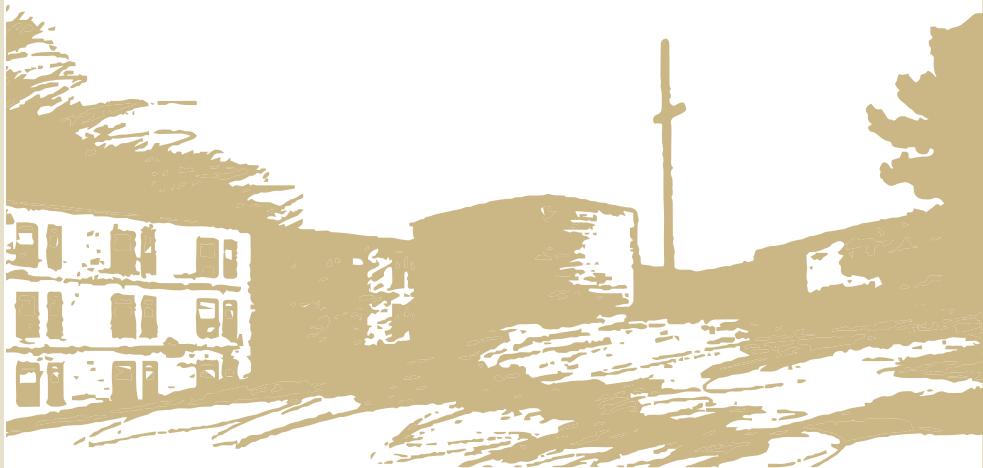
The purpose of my Senior Project was to see if a pep rally for the Varsity Boys' Basketball team would add excitement and hype for the season. My project consisted of holding a JC Madness event before the basketball season started. I learned that planning an event takes a lot of time and organization and nothing can be done at the last minute. I owe my greatest gratitude to Mrs. Géczy and Mr. Robert Goyena II. I learned that anything could happen at any point in time and you should always have a backup plan.

## JC Pop Rosaries



**Taylor Ann Bynion**  
*Notre Dame of Maryland University, MD*

When I first began my Senior Project, my hope was to comfort the marginalized with rosaries that reminded others that no matter what their situation is, God is always right by their side to guide and support them. I never imagined how my project would expand or the way individuals' faces lit up upon seeing a unique and hand-made gift just for them or the inspiring pictures I received from individuals in other countries. I never could have imagined how my life and my faith would change and grow throughout my Senior Project.



## Hurricane Destruction



**Branyelle Taimyr Carillo**  
*United States Coast Guard  
Academy, CT*

I am proud of myself for getting into a military academy and to begin getting my degree in engineering while saving lives.

## The Magic of Theatre



**Christopher Charles Cerra**  
*PACE University, NY*

Theatre saved my life. I wanted to share my theatre experience with others to inspire children like me who feel like their talents aren't appreciated in other venues a place to call home. I wanted others to know that there is a world out there that is waiting to hear their voices. All they have to do is say the first word. Theatre provides a family who will embrace you and lift you up.

## Delicious Cuisine from China



**Zhili Chen**  
*Boston University, MA*

I wanted to share my hometown cuisine and recipes with others to bring them recognition about Chinese cuisine through my Senior Project.



## A Day in the Lab



**Chika Chuku**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

I was privileged to have the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of science and learn more about the world through research. I shadowed in a research lab at Johns Hopkins. This project helped me to determine my future career path.

## Baton Twirling Clinic



**Megan Elizabeth Cleary**  
*Towson University, MD*

## Pottery for Pets



**Gabriella Rose Cirincione**  
*Loyola University, MD*

My Senior Project was one of the greatest experiences I have had at John Carroll. I interacted with different people who love their dogs as much as I love mine. I am proud that I was able to make a positive impact on animals in the shelter and hope to do similar things in the future.

## We Need Your Organs Here



**Carly Elizabeth Cobo**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

I organized a fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald House to help people understand the importance of organ donation and also to give back to an organization that helped my family when my brother received a heart transplant which changed his life.

## A Different Perspective



**Josephine Windolph Cohen**  
*Fordham University, NY*

I traveled to the Southern Cheyenne Native American Reservation in Oklahoma and created a book that detailed my experience and certain aspects of Native American culture. My experience changed my outlook on life and my involvement with the Native American people and culture.

## Enhancing the Dugouts



**Nicholas Joseph Collier**  
*Towson University, MD*

I was really excited to do this project because I believed it would help better the baseball team and their facilities, while also making the baseball field look more professional.

## Girls on the Run



**Emma Quinn Coliano**  
*University of Delaware, DE*

I worked with the Girls on the Run program because their goal is girl empowerment. Although my role was to teach them, they did their fair share of teaching and inspiring me.

## Dancing into the Future



**Olivia Renee Collins**  
*Duquesne University, PA*

I have always had a passion for service and for medicine, so I wanted my Senior Project to involve both. I shadowed pediatric physician assistants and also hosted JC's first Children's Miracle Network Dance Marathon to raise money for the Johns Hopkins Children's Center.

## Helping Those in Need



**Ariana Tasia Conits**  
*High Point University, NC*

Stepping outside of my comfort zone was a challenge, but I'm so glad that my partner and I chose to reach out and help others who needed someone to care about them and the problems they were facing.

## Baking Memories with Yia Yia



**Dimitra Eleni Conits**  
*High Point University, NC*

I had a great time creating my Senior Project because I worked with my grandmother. I could not wait to share her recipes with everyone. They are amazing. I now know that keeping my family's ethnic heritage alive through food is important to me.

## Reaching Out to Others



**Jamison Marie Cooney**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

Helping children was a powerful experience for my partner and me. I discovered that reaching out to others and giving is a very moving learning tool.

## A Career Beginning



**Cody Christopher Copinger**  
*Indiana University of Pennsylvania,  
PA*

Through doing this project, I learned to dream big and then do even bigger.

## Everyone Has a Story



**Callie Antonia Courtalis**  
*Randolph-Macon College, VA*

By sharing my cousin's story and giving back, I have learned how willing other people in the community are to help those in need. I was able to see many sick children fighting for their lives. My faith grew and I became closer to God. This project altered my views of the world. We should never judge others because you never know what someone might be going through.

## The Journey



**Curt Brandon Craig II**  
*Millersville University of Pennsylvania,  
PA*

The journey is the greatest adventure. I am happy that I decided to share my life journey to help inspire younger children to stay strong, never stop believing in themselves, and believe in their future.



## A Day 2 Play



**Madison Dailey**  
*Loyola Marymount University LA,  
CA*

I am most proud of the smiles on all of the children's faces as we played with them. I will never forget this experience.

## New Opportunities



**Rashaud Monroe Dawkins**  
*University of Maryland  
Baltimore County, MD*

Medicine interests me because the body is the most intriguing possession every human has.

## Finding My Career Path



**Sarah Elena Decker**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

Through my Senior Project, I learned that physical therapy is something I want to pursue throughout my life. I realized that even though I thought I wanted to do mainly physical therapy with athletes, seeing the patients with other issues interested me more.

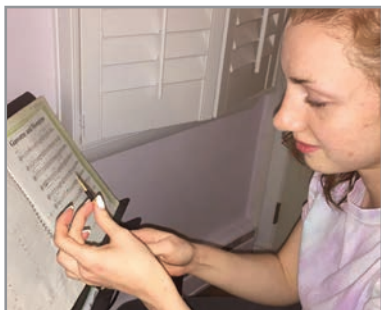
## Fiddlestick Tournament



**Nicholas Joseph DeLoriers**  
*McDaniel College, MD*

Jude Brown and I created a mini lacrosse stick tournament for a scholarship in memory of our coach Don Reynold's father. Coach Don described his father as the most selfless human being on the planet, so it was only right that we did something in his name to help other people.

## Musical Exploration



**Lillian Raye Derickson**  
*Loyola University, MD*

I learned about patience and the value of hard work throughout the course of my Senior Project. I was most proud of being able to grow as a musician and share my knowledge of music with others.

## Soaring



**Paul Michael Diehl**  
*The Citadel Military College, SC*

I wanted to understand the characteristics of flying and how to prevent mistakes. I learned that every error decreases your altitude and can't be saved by an engine, as in conventional flight. I strive to become confident with the g-force that comes with flying.

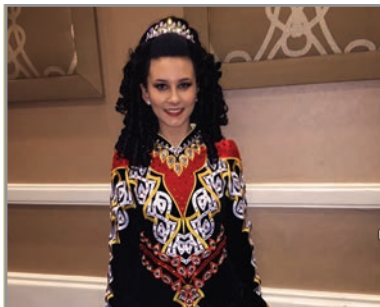
## To Defend or Not To Defend



**Marisa Isabella DiFonso**  
*Seton Hall University, NJ*

What I have learned about myself by implementing this Senior Project is that I love exploring different professions and I have been open to all of the things that this Senior Project has shown me.

## Irish Dance Documentary



**Alexa Brielle Dillon**  
*University of South Carolina, SC*

The impact competitive Irish Dance has had on my character and the person I've become is the reason I chose to pursue this project. Irish Dance and the lessons it has taught me in discipline, commitment, and perseverance will hopefully inspire others to find something that teaches them these qualities.

## Sharing Hope



**Erin Louise Disney**  
*Quinnipiac University, CT*

The Haiti mission trip was life changing for me and the group with whom I traveled. I saw and experienced a different world and life style and learned as much about myself and my perspective as I did about the people and place I visited.

## Honduras Mission Trip



**Adam Stuart Dobson**  
*Roanoke College, VA*

Honduras challenged me to go outside of my comfort zone, to look at the world from a new and unique angle, and to become more aware of the struggles others go through on a daily basis.

## Mechanical Furniture



**Nathan Michael Druelinger**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

I enjoyed doing my Senior Project because I was doing something I love and that I am really passionate about. I like the satisfaction of doing my own work and saving money, too. I like creating unique objects out of car parts.

## Helping Hands



**Gabrielle Katlyn Durastanti**  
*Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, PA*

“Be the reason a child smiles.” This quote describes my project perfectly. I was able to reach out and help children at the Ronald McDonald House, which in turn helped me.

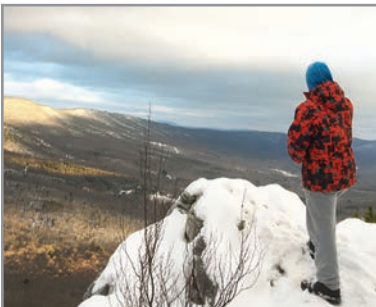
## Trip to Haiti



**Samantha Lee Edwards**  
*St Mary's College of Maryland, MD*

Traveling to Haiti changed my perspective about how to go about my everyday life. The children there made me realize that you do not need to have a lot in life to be happy.

## Nature Book



**Leigh Kathleen Watson Engelhaupt**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

The nature that surrounds us is important and something we should all care about.



*If you planted hope today in any hopeless heart,  
if someone's burden was lighter  
because you did your part,  
if you caused a laugh that chased some tears away,  
if tonight your name is named  
when someone kneels to pray,  
then your day has been well spent.*

-Unknown

### Step Towards a Pawfect Life



**Meredith Anne Watson Engelhaupt**  
*Florida Southern College, FL*

Through visiting shelters and spending time with rescue dogs, I have learned that even if it's just something small, I can make a difference. All I have to do is set my mind to it. The biggest problem I encountered throughout the project was making sure that the dogs in the book were consistent with the dogs that remained in the shelter.

### Guide to Successful Camping



**Luke Mitchell Ensor**  
*Stevenson University, MD*

I truly enjoyed my Senior Project and the experiences I had during the completion process of my project. The thing I am most proud of is that I had never gone camping before this experience. It was not easy for me, but I was very proud of myself for living in the wilderness for several days.

## Under the Sea



**Veronica Lynne Ewing**  
*University of Miami, FL*

Because of my Senior Project, I learned that, no matter how many obstacles come my way, I will never give up on something about which I am truly passionate.

## Corny Corn Snakes



**Reece Joseph Falter**  
*Elizabethtown College, PA*

I have learned a ton about the benefits of our relationships with reptiles, both environmentally and personally. I have found that I am responsible enough to take care for another life and the benefits of this responsibility. I am proud that I actually followed through with my work. The biggest obstacle I had to overcome was raising a snake that had been abused and rehabilitating it to the point where it trusted humans.

## The Perfect Career



**Haley Elizabeth Ferguson**  
*Delaware Valley University, DE*

Since I was very young, I wanted to become a veterinarian. Throughout this project, I experienced so many amazing things, and learned so much. Even though this project started out rough and at times became difficult, I was able to learn so much about myself, and what I want to do with my future. I am so thankful for the opportunities I had with my shadowing experiences. I will never forget these moments.

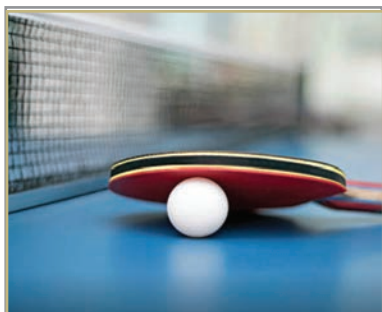
## Healthier Lifestyle, Longer Life



**Jayla Patrice Ferguson**  
*McDaniel College, MD*

Growing up I was not one of the healthiest individuals, but with help I have pushed myself to change my lifestyle. My project did take a toll, but my mentors pushed me to do my best and helped me physically and mentally.

## A Sense of Community



**Benjamin Matthew Florio**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

My partner and I had a lot of fun staging the first JC ping pong tournament. It was a good deal of work, but also a great way for people to have fun and challenge themselves.

## JC Rugby Awareness Game



**David Joseph Fetcho**  
*James Madison University, VA*

We wanted to spread the game of rugby in the best way we could and reintroducing rugby to JC was the best way to do that. This has been a dream of ours since freshman year.

## Politics From the Inside



**Drew William Forthman**  
*Saint Vincent College, PA*

The world of politics is very intriguing to me, so spending time working with politicians during the recent legislative session in Annapolis was an amazing experience. I learned about how the process works, networked, and discovered a good deal about myself as well.

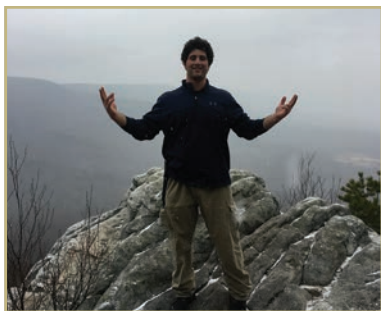
## A Rugby Game



**Matthew Ryan Foulk**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

This project presented me with numerous complications and forced me to roll with the punches. Alumni Coach Powell was a major turning point in the success of this project. He connected me with numerous past players and helped support me and my project.

## Living In the Wilderness



**Michael Angelo Gerace, Jr.**  
*University of Maine, ME*

The focus of my project on going camping was inspired by when I was younger and always wanted to go camping. I never had the opportunity to go, so going on Mr. Del Puppo's trip was an activity I had been looking forward to for years.

## JC Dance Marathon



**Mary Adele Fraiji**  
*Pennsylvania State University, PA*

Olivia Collins and I hosted the first dance marathon on the high school level for Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. We raised \$5,000 for Johns Hopkins. It was an opportunity for the John Carroll community to come together, have a fun night, and support an excellent organization.

## Camping With Friends



**James Homfray Gillam**  
*Frostburg State University, MD*

Doing this project was a lot of fun and I learned a lot about camping. I also learned that I do not sleep well outside.



## Thriving on Thin Ice



**Rosemary Virginia Georgia Gillam**  
*Wilmington University, DE*

My project answered my essential question and more. I decided not to quit ice skating next year for college and instead to continue to pursue it more aggressively than ever.

## A Trip Into the Unknown



**John Joseph Golumbek**  
*Shepherd University, WV*

The end goal of my project was to help me see how lucky we are to have all the things that we have, and also to help me build relationships with the children and impact their lives as much as I could.

## Exploring Architecture



**James Michael Gorschboth**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

I knew from a very young age that I had a fascination with architecture and a reverence for those who have designed the buildings which impact all of us. We have the opportunity to make a difference. We have the opportunity to impact people's feelings and emotions through the designs of our buildings.

## A Season to Remember



**Robert Charles Goyena III**  
*Washington College, MD*

I hope to go into the family business when I get older, so this project gave me an idea of what to expect. I wanted this year to be special, but I also wanted this year to set a precedent for years to come. My goal was that this event would become a tradition at John Carroll even after I graduated.

## The Bosnian War



**Scott Patrick Gray**  
*Stevenson University, MD*

I have found out that my political views and my moral compass should always influence each other. I used to not care about the effects of radical and exciting politics, but after researching the Bosnian War, I have learned that you always need to think about the best for a country and not just a party.

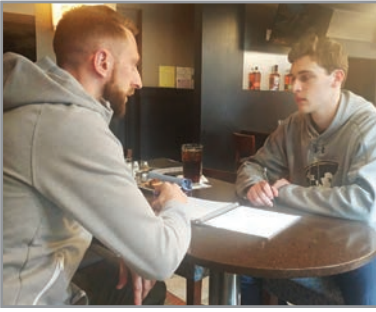
## The True Meaning of Charity



**Ryan Patrick Griffin**  
*United States Military Academy  
at West Point, NY*

I learned that I love helping people and what I can do to help others, especially those in poverty.

## How To Make Money Fun



**Jacob Matthew Haney**  
*Hood College, MD*

This project was extremely important to me because I have relatives who struggle to stay financially stable and I have a hard time saving and wisely spending money, so I wanted to provide others the chance to create a solid foundation on which they could start building their financial futures.

## Future Business Opportunities



**Nigel Anthony Haughton**  
*South Kent School, CT*

According to Gary Player, "The harder you work, the luckier you get." Through the job shadow I did at Wells Fargo, I have discovered that in the world of finance this is absolutely true.

## A Drive For Books



**Sophia Marcellas Hashim**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

Ever since I found out my mom was having my brother 12 years ago, I fell in love with caring for children. Completing this project has opened my eyes regarding what career I want to pursue in a few years.

## Conflict - China and Taiwan



**Jiangyue He**  
*School of Visual Arts, NY*

Taiwan does not belong to China. Through my Senior Project, I learned the truth of the history between China and Taiwan.

## Dance Choreography



**Trish Tran Ho**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

This Senior Project gave me the opportunity to present and express my creativity through hip hop dance. I created dance choreography for a group of people with a variety of skill levels and knowledge about this type of dance.

## Showcase Camp



**Bradley Clasing Hock**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

Baseball is my sport. I love the game, so being able to share my passion for the game with younger players was something that I found both fulfilling and fun.

## Clean Water, Grow Stronger



**Kathryn Rose Hodges**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

This project has inspired me to pursue public health science in the next years of my life, and proceed on my mission to change health care around the world.

## Playgrounds Not Battlegrounds



**Grace Marisa Hollin**  
*Stevenson University, MD*

The refugee crisis cannot be solved by the work of one person. The refugee crisis cannot be solved without the work of one person. People are people and refugees need love and support.

## The Festiworld



Renjunyu (Iriski) Hu  
*Pepperdine University, CA*

Different festivals in different countries show the diversity that exists throughout the world.

## Ancient Chinese Buildings



Renjunyu (Jocelyn) Hu  
*University of San Francisco, CA*

I decided to create this model because I am interested in Chinese architecture. Many ancient Chinese buildings are wide, which is hard to see in a panoramic view. A 3D model shows a building's structure, and that is what I wanted to show people.

## My Senior Year



Nicole Jasmine Hunter  
*Salisbury University, MD*

Capturing moments is one of my favorite feelings. Going back and looking at the memories made me realize why documenting moments is so important. This will be a keepsake for all the people that I love and something that I will remember forever.



## Getting to Know My Culture



**John Chukwuma Iheoma**  
*University of Maryland  
Baltimore County, MD*

Learning about how there was war in Sierra Leone, and about the many languages of Nigeria interested me - this project gave me more knowledge about my background than what I had previously known. I now realize that it is never too early to learn about one's own culture.

## Curtain Up



**Joseph Ishak**  
*Coastal Carolina University, SC*

This project helped me with my social skills and I learned better communication, how to advertise and how to fundraise successfully.

## Inside the Business Brain



**Qadir Joseph Ismail**  
*Villanova University, PA*

The focus of my Senior Project was to gain more of an understanding on how to become a successful business person by learning the nuances of the business world from two of the most successful people in their respective fields.

## Thankful Portraits



**Taemin Jeong**  
*School of Art Institute of Chicago, IL*

It is very hard to adapt when we meet new people or enter a new environment. However, we get used to this new and get to know more about it. Art is also the same; using new materials is hard and you cannot be perfect at first. However, when you get used to whatever is new, you are able to use it well, and will be close to perfect.

## My Journey in Long Boarding



**Safi Kalenda**  
*University of Colorado at Boulder, CO*

I do not see a future for myself with longboarding, but I love having something that I designed and created.



## The Reality of Recovery



**Nicole Kanaras**  
*University of San Diego, CA*

I learned from my Senior Project that I am more resilient than I knew possible. I didn't know how much this project would affect me, but I am so excited and proud I was able to complete something so important.

## Exploring the Great Outdoors



**Dylan Scott Karr**  
*East Tennessee State University, TN*

I learned from my Senior Project that camping can be a lot like life. I faced many adversities and struggles while I was camping and I realized that this is a glimpse of how my whole life will be and how I will have to adapt and overcome. I have learned to keep my head more on a swivel, to stay strong and to persevere.

## Military and Law Careers



**Jonathan Glenn Kaufman**  
*Christopher Newport University, VA*

My project consisted of learning about the life of individuals who pursued careers in law, law enforcement, and the U.S. Coast Guard. I learned that I want to join the Coast Guard Reserves and either become an intellectual property business attorney or work for the FBI as a cyberist agent.



**This quote sums up my wish for each of you:**

*Don't just go through life, grow through life. Don't just be good; be good for something and someone. Goodness heightens beauty. Become who you are, who you were meant to be. Seek out knowledge and experience. The more we see, the more we are capable of seeing. The more we do, the more we are capable of doing. If you want change, BEGIN IT. If you want love, embody it. Start immediately and do it flamboyantly. Once you've begun, don't turn back. Change and growth can be painful and challenging at times, but life is about choices, growth and taking chances. It is about pushing through and moving forward. It is about loving courageously and not holding back. It is about finding a brighter, better way. You owe it to yourself and to the world to make the most out of the stuff that's in you. Bloom into your incredibly, gloriously, brilliantly beautiful selves. The world is waiting. –Anonymous*





So, go forth and bloom. Find yourselves and then enjoy what you discover. I hope you are each able to find someone to share your journeys who appreciates your strengths and tolerates your weaknesses and that you end your days with fewer regrets than satisfaction with what you have accomplished. Each of you has left your mark on me and contributed to who I am. It has been said that the heart needs the warmth of memory to keep it going on the long winter nights that occur with age. Thanks for adding to my memories. I hope that wherever your life journeys take you, they will turn out to be grand adventures. I hope you will continue to open doors and not close yourselves to all the opportunities you will encounter. No matter what you ultimately chose to do, you are about to begin an exciting and invigorating portion of your life adventures. There will be as many possibilities out there in the post-JC world as you choose to explore. I hope that each of you will remain true to yourselves and the potential you have shown me. -lbg



## Automotive Restoration



**James Keller**  
*West Virginia University, WV*

I wanted to do this project because of my lifelong love of cars. As a child, I joined my father in the garage helping out wherever I could. I am most comfortable laying under a rusty car or covered from head-to-toe in grease.

## Bring Back the Music



**Connor Harrison Kiss**  
*Towson University, MD*

Music is a passion for me, so I loved pursuing a Senior Project that allowed me to share something I love and to encourage others to also explore the field of music.

## How to Do a Tattoo



**Sophie Ann King**  
*Ringling College of Art and Design, FL*

I decided to be an apprentice at a tattoo company because I wanted to expand my horizons in the art field. I have learned a lot from my experiences at Catbird with help from Scott Clayton.

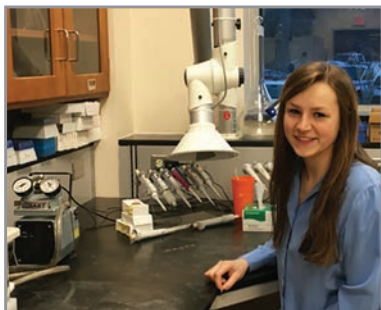
## Race Ready Revolution



**Ashlee Hoffman Kothenbeutel**  
*Saint Louis University, MO*

My inspiration for raising money was my dad, because of all the work he does with organizing races.

## A Murder Mystery



**Anna Marie-Elizabeth Kotula**  
*West Virginia University, WV*

For my Senior Project, I shadowed a forensic scientist in the hope of discovering whether a degree and career in forensic science is fitting for me. Because of the experiences I had, I will attend West Virginia University and complete a forensic science major.

## Beyond No Means No



**Alyssa Lynn Kraus**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

I am so thankful that I was able to create a Senior Project that could potentially impact someone's life. Sexual assault is a topic that many people are afraid to talk about, and that means students are not educated on how to help themselves or victims around them.

## Cosplay Culture: Unmasked



**Kayla Ann Kozak**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

My goal for this project was pretty simple: Make Geeky Look Good. By shedding light on this wonderfully weird hobby, and sharing the stories of myself and others, I hoped to teach others about its values and why it is important to so many people.

## Restoring the Soccer Field



**Jacob Tyler Krieger**  
*Mount Saint Mary's University, MD*

Learning what it takes to complete a long-term project is the best way to sum up my Senior Project.

## My Day in Court



**Cassidy Ann Kupchinskaskas**  
*St. Mary's College of Maryland, MD*

What I have learned about my life plans since completing my Senior Project is that I would like to pursue a career in law after college. I have decided to major in political science. My project focus was mainly on constitutional law, but after job shadowing in a courthouse and with a criminal defense law firm, I do not want to get into constitutional law, but rather practice entertainment law.

## Haiti and Oklahoma Differences



**John Franklin Kyburz**  
*American University, DC*

My experiences in Haiti and Oklahoma showed me the disconnect between affluence and happiness.

## Cheyenne Culture



**Teresa Dolores Langbein**  
*University of South Carolina, SC*

Every culture has its own backstory, you just need to go out into the world and find it. Sometimes, you can learn more about history from listening to what people have to say than from any textbook.

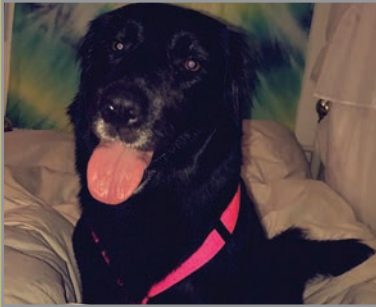
## Dance and Performing



**Karson Olivia Langrehr**  
*Towson University, MD*

Working with young children was both challenging and rewarding. I loved their enthusiasm and how working with them made me feel.

## Fostering Animals



**Mackenzie Blair Lawry**  
*Delaware Valley University, DE*

Fostering animals can be very challenging, but it can also be rewarding. If the circumstances are right, then I think everyone should have a pet.

## Skateboarding Documentary



**Gunter Leatherman**  
*Towson University, MD*

I am thankful for the friends and family who supported me in completing my project. I hope that my documentary clears up some of the misconceptions about skateboarding.

## Ministry of Caring



**Hadley Anne Leishman**  
*Costal Carolina University, SC*

According to Brother Ronald Giannone, “the poor should never be treated poorly.” This was the focus of my Senior Project. I learned a lot about myself and about how we should all treat each other.

## A Product for Public Use



**Keiron Joseph Leonard**  
*The University of Tampa, FL*

This project challenged me in multiple ways, but it also filled me with a great deal of satisfaction because I discovered that I can face and overcome challenges.

## Service Trip to Roatan



**Stephen Lawrence Lutche**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

I was very excited to help build an addition to a school for the children on Roatan at The Sandy Bay Lighthouse Ministry. I was also very excited to spend time with the children while doing activities with them.



## Preparing for Adversity



**Molly Cecilia Lynch**  
*Towson University, MD*

I was extremely excited to honor my grandparents because I wanted to show them how much they mean to me. I think that understanding what they went through with cancer and talking about their experiences was extremely important. Their stories helped shape and prepare me to face adversities that may be thrown in my direction.

## The Perfect Electric Skateboard



**Natalie Majerik**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

“A million tiny failures are worth one big success.” This quote identifies my project experience.

## Law and Order



**Isabel Soyoung Marhoun**  
*The University of Tampa, FL*

I discovered after my internships that I want to major in English and become a lawyer.

## The Book of Mathis



**Montez Aaron Mathis**  
*Rutgers University, NJ*

I learned that I have really matured over my four years of high school. When I put my mind to something that is very challenging, I know I can push through adversity and get through any situation.

## Braving the Cold



**Emily Paige McGuirk**  
*Randolph-Macon College, VA*

I never thought that I was brave enough or athletic enough to go ice climbing. I was very intimidated at first, but as soon as I got on the ice, that all faded away. It was perhaps the best week of my life being in Colorado surrounded by beautiful scenery and wonderful people.

## Exploring Orthopedics



**Caitlin Rose McLaughlin**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

I am thankful I had the opportunity to work with a doctor at such a young age. I gained lots of useful knowledge and was educated on many topics that cannot be taught in the classroom. I look forward to continuing to pursue the medical field as a career path.

## Through the Years



**Alayna Sophia Meekins**  
*McDaniel College, MD*

I am most proud of my Senior Project because it is a legacy project. I love knowing that I have done something that people in future generations will be able to see and that I have created something that will leave a lasting impression about my school on those people.

## The Napkin Project



**Sahil Verma Menon**  
*University of Southern California, CA*

Many people have had a positive influence on me overcoming my Tourette's, and now it was my time to pay it back and spread awareness about this disorder for future generations.

## Senior Video



**Katie Nicole Mills**  
*University of Maryland, College Park, MD*

Doing the Senior Video, I first needed to film every member of the class of 2018. This was my biggest difficulty all year, but it is also what I am most proud of regarding my project. It paid off when the video was finished.

## Man vs. the Wild



**Ryan William Muhlenfeld**  
*Lycoming College, PA*

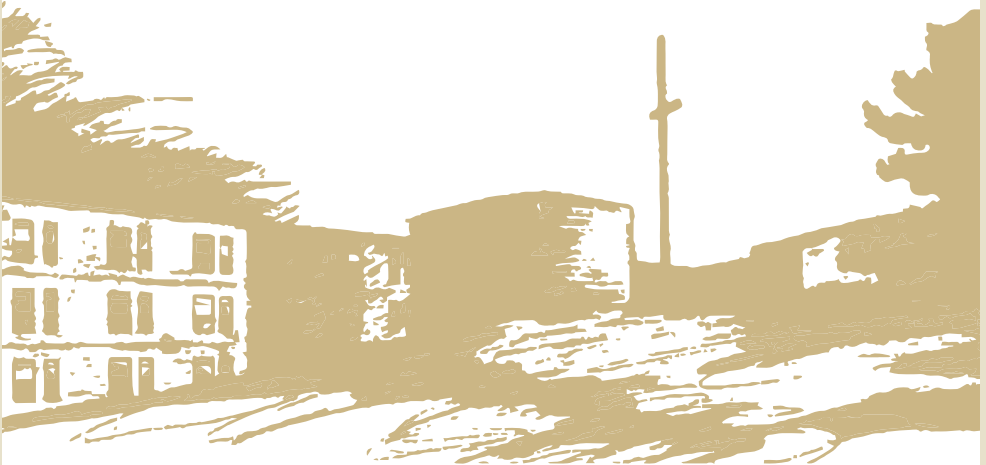
I have learned from this project that the terrain in Forest Hill, Maryland is inferior to anything in the mountains of Lost City, West Virginia.

## Welcome One



**Natasha Parvez Multani**  
*Towson University, MD*

“We can’t help everyone, but everyone can help someone.”  
*-Ronald Reagan*  
This is what I learned from my Senior Project experience.



## Bwose Dan Ou (Brush Your Teeth)



**Kacey Nicole Newman**  
*James Madison University, VA*

“Help others and give something back. I guarantee you will discover that while public service improves the lives and the world around you, its greatest reward is the enrichment and new meaning it will bring your own life.” -Arnold Schwarzenegger  
This quote sums up the meaning and intent of my Senior Project.

## Vietnam's Culture and History



**Long Gia Ngo**  
*Community College of  
Baltimore County, MD*

The truth of history must be told in the most accurate and true way; it gives a country a self-esteem, pride and respect. Vietnam is a powerful country and the Vietnamese people are very proud of their heritage. Vietnam is a large land filled with human life, that is a source of ethnic pride which has had profound implications for the citizens of South Vietnam before 1975.

## Bringing Back a Classic



**Brandon Michael O'Neill**

My Senior Project was about bringing history back to my family. We have owned an antique snowmobile for many years that has not run, so restoring it meant a lot to all of us. This project was one thing that I really enjoyed.



## Science with Girl Scouts



**Reiley Kristine Overend**  
*Elon University, NC*

I went into the room thinking I would have to drag the girls through all the experiments, but I could not have been more wrong. When I walked in, all their faces were beaming with excitement, and they couldn't wait to get started.

## Plastic Oceans



**Melissa Noel Paradiso**  
*Coastal Carolina University, SC*

I looked at the effect of pollution in ocean water on the sea animals and humans alike. Going through this project, and seeing these issues regarding the health of our food and the effects on humans after their bodies get these toxins in them has me thinking a lot more about the health of the world and ways to fix it.

## Appalachian Work Camp



**David Michael Pajeroski**  
*Towson University, MD*

The biggest obstacle I had to overcome throughout my Appalachian Work Camp was not having any past building experience. I had to learn how to use many different tools and techniques to be able to build a deck.

## Discipline of Movement



**Joshua Chandler Pattisall**  
*Towson University, MD*

Teaching the Discipline of Movement is one of the best ways to express yourself; it is infinitely customizable to the smallest details of each individual move. I derived the greatest inspiration for my project from Jake, the boy to whom I was teaching Parkour and Free running.

## A Bite of China



**Shiqi Pei**  
*Fordham University, NY*

Chinese people living in different areas enjoy different but rich, staple foods. From the south to the north, these diverse staple foods provide energy for human bodies. Moreover, they influence people's feelings towards the change of seasons and enrich the lives of the Chinese.

## Experience at Apricot Lane



**Amabel Lee Perri**  
*Warren Wilson College, NC*

I learned so many new things at Apricot Lane Farms, but one thing that stood out to me was the way that biodynamic practices mimic the earth's natural ecosystem. This is the whole idea of regenerative biodynamic farming. I was forced to reach inside myself for the strength and independence I needed to persevere.

## Humble Hiking



**James Edward Pennington**  
*Cecil Community College, MD*

I am proud to say that this project has helped me connect with God in many ways.

## Cancer Through Different Eyes



**Anastasia Alise Petro**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

I owe my inspiration to my late mother. Through the tragic events I have experienced, I was inspired to create this video to show people the different stages of grief, and how they got through tragic events. I hope my video will help anyone who is struggling from a loss of a family member from cancer to show it does get better.

## Non-Conventional Farming



**Winfield Hunter Peverley**  
*Warren Wilson College, NC*

I am excited to see where the future of farming goes and whether aquaponics is part of that future.

## Soccer Saves Haiti



**Adrien Philippe-Auguste**  
*Rutgers University, NJ*

Haitians are a very proud people, and I love and embrace my cultural roots. These programs allow me to help Haitian children in an effective way in their time of need by providing them with an outlet, despite their difficult circumstances.

## Helping Exchange Students



**Giulia Pizzato**  
*Liceo G. B. Brocchi, Italy*

Before starting a new experience, what scares us the most is being left alone. If you are going to live for years in a place extremely far away from home, it is especially hard. People need guidance in these moments. My video guided others by telling my story. This video was a journey for me, just like reading an old diary and finding yourself completely changed from it.

## BRAnanza



**Emma Kathleen Potthast**  
*Flagler College, FL*

I learned so much about myself during my project that surprised me. I realized how much I liked being on camera while filming testimonials. I also learned that you really could make a difference and help people during a hard time. While working on a display window in a mall, I realized how much I enjoyed working on things like marketing and may change my college major.

## Bonding with Love



**Ryan Dean Price**  
*Washington College, MD*

I have learned that people's moods, feelings, and way they think for the day can completely change for the rest of the day after interaction with a service dog.

## Helping Kids Be Successful



**Immanuel Jaylen Quickley**  
*University of Kentucky, KY*

I learned through completing this project that it is most important to put others first, as well as show children what is right. When you put children first, they look up to you, and showing them what is right and what is wrong will only better our future as well as theirs.



## Internship With CBRE



**Parker Stanley Rajewski**  
*College of Charleston, SC*

What I learned from this project is that being a broker is not very easy. It is a lot of work and not an easy job. However, if you manage to keep your focus and make good decisions and the right calls, you can be very successful at being a broker. It is all about having a plan.

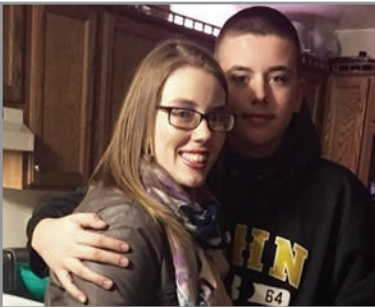
## Making People Move



**Brett Andrew Raynor**  
*Merrimack College, MA*

In doing this project, I learned that my entire college course is going to change. I was always unsure about doing Physical Therapy but after doing this project, I found out that this is what I plan on pursuing in and after college. I want to one day achieve my PhD in Physical Therapy.

## Teaching at Glenmar



**Zackery Vincent Reed**  
*Community College of Baltimore County, MD*

“Been changing the lives of children since Day One,” Zack Reed. This is what I learned from my job shadow at a local middle school.



## My Trip to Haiti



**Henri Jeremiah Rosser**  
*Temple University, PA*

My mission trip to Haiti showed me that poverty does not equal unhappiness. Even if you do not have many material things, you can experience a good life.

## Discovering the Sciences



**McKenna Rae Rukowicz**  
*Stevenson University, MD*

I enjoyed reflecting on my time spent working with these intelligent men and women and learning more about the subject about which I am passionate. I am excited to share my experience with others.

## Cambiando Vidas DR Film



**Matthew Blair Runyeon**  
*James Madison University, VA*

Throughout the completion of my Senior Project, I have learned that serving others is a true passion of mine and that even if you are only one person you can make a difference.

## Happiness is...



**Angela Jixiang Rusek**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

Talking about what makes people happy makes people happier. I learned a lot about myself while conducting my project. I learned that there is so much happiness in the world and in people if you take the time to look for it.

## Exploration and Discovery



**Alyssa Irene Ryerson**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

I have discovered that it is important to take advantage of any opportunity I am given to explore the world in a different way.

## Community Through Ping Pong



**Antony Qwentin Saccenti**  
*Cecil College, MD*

I am most proud about the number of positive responses that I got from many people when they found out that I was hosting a ping pong tournament for my Senior Project.

## Native American Culture



**Delaney Reed Samons**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

Not only have I been opened up to a whole new culture, but I have been opened up to a new side of myself that I love. This trip taught me to be more outgoing and just be myself. I've learned that I love meeting new people and I love learning about new cultures, so I am thankful for the opportunity I had to go on this trip.

## How to Master MGCC



**Pierce Bennett Sanders**  
*James Madison University, VA*

I made a video giving tips and strategies to help other golfers successfully play the challenging course of Maryland Golf and Country Club. I am proud that I was able to successfully complete my video and Senior Project to help improve the scores of golfers while playing at MGCC.

## A Tribute to John Jackson



**Myah Priscilla Savage**  
*Community College of Baltimore, MD*

I have learned that I am stronger than I thought. Dedicating a whole project to my deceased grandfather was hard, but having the right people surrounding me made it a little easier.

*"It's the little things that mean the most...  
kindness really does matter—you should  
always be yourself, do what you love, & try  
to make the world a better place."*

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### Darkness in Space



**Filippo Savoia**  
*Gap Year*

The immensity of the universe will always overwhelm our thoughts, by making us realize how powerless we are in relation to all of existence.

### Get Outside



**Daniel Paul Schall**  
*Towson University, MD*

In my Senior Project, I have learned that I have a true passion for film making. I discovered this through the countless hours I spent perfecting my video.

## A Step to a Pawfect Life



**Delaney Alexandra Schutz**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

From completing this project, there are many things I learned about myself. My passion for helping animals has grown and I cannot imagine not helping in my future. I have seen things from a different perspective, and I have learned that there are things that I can do to make a difference.

## Hope for Haiti



**Sydney Madison Sebour**  
*University of St. Thomas, MN*

Traveling to Haiti changed my life for the better. I was able to reach outside of my comfort zone and help others.

## Making a Mark in Haiti



**Meghan Grace Sheehan**  
*University of South Florida, FL*

I set out to spread color and creativity in the St. Rose of Lima School in Haiti, but in the end those children gave me more than I could ever give them. God sent me to Haiti, so that I could meet those beautiful children and their families and continue to make a difference in their town for the rest of my life.



## Making it to the Top



**Savannah Monai Simmons**  
*Kansas State University, KS*

I learned different people's perspectives about how to make it to the highest level as an athlete and what I can do differently to better my game.

## Nursing Career Exploration



**Mallory Anne Smith**  
*Harford Community College, MD*

Spending time in a hospital setting job-shadowing nurses confirmed for me that this is the career path I want to pursue.

## John Carroll Tree Survey



**William Collin Smithmyer**  
*St. Mary's College of Maryland, MD*

This was important to do because trees on the school grounds are slowly falling apart. My project was to locate the trees and discover their problems and how to help them survive longer.

## Let's Bake



**Skylar Makenzie Smoot**  
*Coastal Carolina University, SC*

This project gave me an opportunity to work with my father and pursue a project involving food that really interested me.

## Cheerleading Through My Eyes



**Gabriella Marie Spilker**  
*University of Central Florida, FL*

I really enjoyed my time going over the past 13 (almost 14) years of my life and how I have grown as a person because of cheerleading. I also looked forward to hearing people's opinions on cheerleading and expressing my own and what it means to me.

## Journey to a Healthy Lifestyle



**Abigail Angeline Stepanian**  
*West Chester University of Pennsylvania, PA*

Starting high school and being told you cannot lift more than 10 pounds because your heart could give out was scarier than high school itself. After four years of doctors' appointments and trying to better my health, I am now able to engage in any physical activity. My Senior Project was to get back into shape and learn how to go about my life in the healthiest way possible.

## Re-Birth of Speech and Debate



**Charles Hayes Stancliff**  
*University of Maryland, College Park, MD*

I learned that my love and passion for the Speech and Debate program will carry on past high school, and that this is something which I would like to integrate into my future career. I am most proud of my ability to adapt and improve my Senior Project in the face of challenges.

## Honduras Service Trip



**Luke Gerard Strappelli**  
*James Madison University, VA*

I gained a better understanding of the world from this experience and better understood what less-privileged countries looked like. God used Mr. Hollin and Mr. Maynard to guide me to help others while having fun with my peers.

## Special Needs Prom



**Anna Christine Sullivan**  
*University of Mary Washington, VA*

While organizing and planning my Senior Project, I was surprised to see how generous and charitable people were with their time, skills, supplies and services, to help make the prom such a success.

## Off to Honduras



**Benjamin Blair Sullivan**  
*University of Kentucky, KY*

I never traveled much out of the States, so I never had a more worldly perspective. Through this trip, I gained exactly what I was looking for, I saw a part of the world most people would rather ignore and pretend did not exist and gained a different point of view.

## Boyeramah Public School



**Robert Johnson Temeh**  
*Neumann University, PA*

My experience with education as a child and visiting my home village in Liberia where there is no school gave me the thought that I could do something to help my home brothers and sisters. "A man's true wealth is the good he does in this world."  
(Muhammad 570-632 CE)

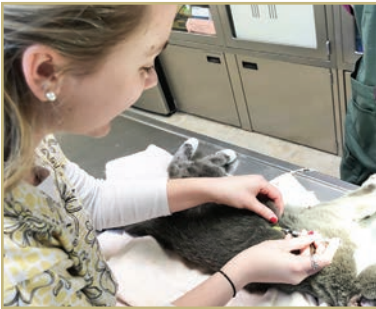
## Career Exploration



**Brandon Michael Tenaglia**  
*Salisbury University, MD*

I have learned the major I will pursue and have learned to take risks, even if they are out of my comfort zone. This project altered my world view because of the advice I got from people with successful careers.

## Exploring Veterinary Medicine



**Caitlyn Elizabeth Trent**  
*Delaware Valley University, DE*

I owe the debt of gratitude towards the two extremely talented veterinarians with whom I was able to work. They allowed me to gain a multitude of valuable experiences. I discovered a passion that I never would have if it was not for Senior Project.

## An Original Album



**Evan Bartlett Tridone**  
*University of Delaware, DE*

I am most proud of being able to record, mix and master an album of my own. I had the concept for this record for a while, and to see it become a reality was very fulfilling.

## Hope Comes in All Sizes



**Alyssa Mackenzie Ullrich**  
*Towson University, MD*

I derived the greatest inspiration for my Senior Project from my niece, Mackenzie. My project focused on her epilepsy and telling her story of living with it. Mackenzie has shown me what it takes to be strong enough to not let anything get in your way, no matter what the obstacle. I am so inspired by this little girl, and she has truly shown me that “hope comes in all sizes.”

## Bay Awareness Through Art



**August Campbell Van Dalsum**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

It was cool to discover all the different ways to express this type of ceramic art. I want to thank Mr. Gaudreau for being such a good mentor and giving good tips and guidance.

## Honduras Service Trip



**Rory Stafford van der Steur**  
*University of North Carolina, NC*

My knowledge that grew about the culture in Roatan, Honduras made me realize how fortunate I am.



## Helping Our Veterans



**Andruw Michael Van Der Werff**  
*Stevenson University, MD*

I wanted to help veterans so that what happened to my Uncle Danny would not ever happen to anyone else. No one should be that alone. All our vets should know that if they need help it is available.

## Curtains Up!



**Zachary Daniel Vest**  
*James Madison University, VA*

Through the completion of my Senior Project, I learned that sharing your passion with others is an incredibly joyful, rewarding feeling.

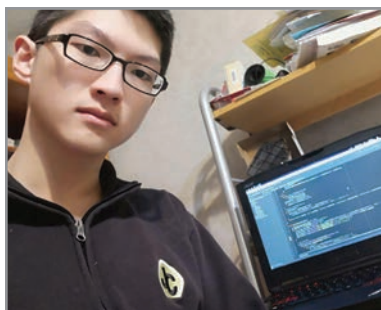
## Backpacking and Fly Fishing



**Jared Paul Vogel**  
*University of Maryland,  
College Park, MD*

Participating in a group wilderness trip provided opportunities for me to test my outdoor and fishing skills.

## Chrome Extension for Veracross



**Yinxuan (Owen) Wang**  
*University of Washington, WA*

I am most proud of my project because among all the programs I have made, the extension for Veracross has the largest number of users that are truly using it in their daily lives.

## Creating a Chain Reaction



**Zhengyang Wang**  
*University of Washington, WA*

I learned that the chain reaction is not the goal. It is about the fun I had during the process of building the reaction and my sense of accomplishment.

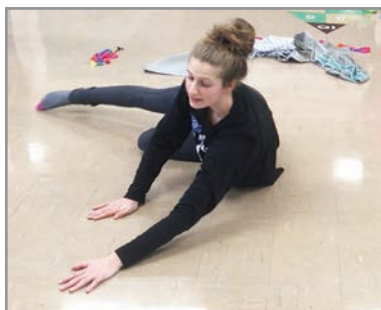
## A Day in Sandy Bay



**Kyle Jacob Wedemeyer**  
*James Madison University, VA*

I chose to do this project to showcase the daily lives of the children of Sandy Bay Lighthouse Ministries and to share their lives with people who do not know about their struggles.

## Music Theater Dance



**Amelia Catherine Wickham**  
*Liberty University, VA*

The focus of my Senior Project was to choreograph a musical, and then teach the dances to children. I learned how to improve my teaching and dancing skills. I also was able to broaden my dance styles because of the diversity of the music within the show.

## John Carroll Through the Years



**Isabella Maria Wilson**  
*Eckerd College, FL*

The focus of my Senior Project was John Carroll's history. My family has an extensive history with the school; my mother, father, aunt, uncle, and cousins have all attended John Carroll! This project was a way for me to add to my family's legacy at John Carroll.

## More Mental Than Physical



**Dorian Sevonte Woody**  
*Mercersburg Academy, PA*

Anyone can get you tired, but can they get you better? I owe the greatest debt to my former coach, Jamaal Johnson. He is the one that has taught me the most about staying strong and helped me better myself as a person and player.

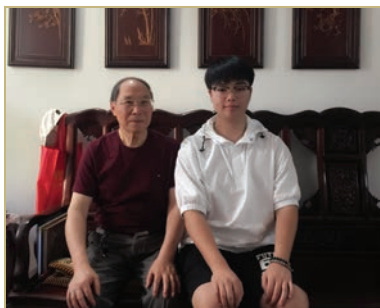
## Pay It Forward



**Jordan Nicole Wrzesien**  
*Merrimack College, MA*

The aspect of my Senior Project that I am most proud of is the fact that I could honor my dad in a way that truly attests to who he was as a person, helping others. Nothing feels better than to be able to truly lift someone up when they are feeling low, and that is exactly what I have been able to do with this scholarship.

## The Life of Bingsong Wu



**Chengyun Wu**  
*Illinois Institute of Technology, IL*

I am most proud of my Senior Project because the book I made is extremely meaningful for my family and me. It is about my grandfather's life and dedicated to him because he and I were very close, and he always supported me.

## Building My Own Guitar



**Rongke (Ryan) Xu**  
*University of California Los Angeles, CA*

I am very proud of my project. I learned more about music, creating something from nothing and myself.

## Mission at Battle Monument



Luke Ivan Zagurski  
*McDaniel College, MD*

“A person’s a person, no matter how small,” says Doctor Seuss. This sums up what I learned from doing my project with elementary-aged children.

## A Leap in My Musical Journey



Yichi Zhang  
*University of Washington, WA*

From this project, I have learned that it is okay to make mistakes on the stage. Before, I was being very hyper-critical about myself and I always strived for perfection. As a result, I was so afraid of stepping out of my comfort zone that I intentionally held back some of my chops. However, from my experience at Music Land, I realized that without mistakes, no one can ever improve.

## Endangered Turtles in Maryland



Sarah Christine Zoll  
*Coastal Carolina University, SC*

After completing this project, I have learned that I am open to being a teacher one day. I have learned that I am a determined person, I care about the earth and preserving its health. The greatest debt of gratitude for my project is to Mrs. Géczy.



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- achieving a 10th anniversary milestone with Senior Project, which is one of my proudest achievements as an educator

*"Go confidently in the  
direction of your dreams.*

*Live the life  
you have imagined."*

Henry David Thoreau

