

Highlights on Harborlight Alumni - October 2008

An Interview with Nick Kasarda, Class of 2007



Nicholas Kasarda
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Nick rappelling down a castle tower in Wales

Fondest Harborlight Memory: “yogurt squeeze” – A yogurt that exploded during class in first grade and adorned the ceiling tiles for years to come!

Nicholas Kasarda, a sophomore at St. John's Preparatory School and member of the **National Honors Society**, has a full course load of Honors and College Prep 2 classes but still finds time to visit Harborlight now and again. According to Nick, his favorite class these days is Accelerated Chemistry. But, to those who know his talents in the area of art are not surprised to learn that he won the 3-D art award with his submission from Ceramics class and this year is working on an embossed copper relief of Shakespeare's house in his Printmaking class.

This summer Nick demolished his own artwork that was consigned by Harborlight during his Eighth Grade Project- Subject: Contemporary Urban Art. Why? Well, Nick left his mark on the cinderblock wall of the old art room and then one year later hauled it off in a pile of rubble to the dumpster during his summer work on the Harborlight construction team. But there was more to his summer than work - there was an eighty foot repel! (see photo insert) Nick traveled to England, Ireland and Wales on his third tour with **People to People Student Ambassador Program**. On this tour Nick's favorite part was visiting Ireland, seeing Blarney castle and exploring the peat fields. Other tours have included California, Fiji, Australia, and New Zealand and the next stop- **The White House!** As a member of People to People with outstanding character and notable success, **this Harborlight graduate was recently honored with an invitation to attend the Inaugural Ball.**

What's in store for this student in the future? When Nick isn't in the flight simulator during **Aviation Club** at SJP, or playing Rugby at SJP (Nick made the **Junior Varsity Rugby team** as a freshman and will tryout for the Varsity team this spring), or hanging with friend and fellow Harborlight alum/SJP class of 2011, Zack Whitten, you will find him studying for his classes and enjoying his hobbies. Nick has sights right now on **pre-med at Boston University, University of New Hampshire, or Northeastern University.**

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