

Meet the 2016-2017 Van Fellows



Name: Zach Bekken
Hometown: Birmingham, AL
High School: Briarwood Christian High School
Univ/College: University of Alabama
Major: Biology/Pre-Medicine

Zach has his student pilot's license and enjoys jumping out of planes as much as piloting them. Other hobbies include rock climbing, camping and playing the piano. He has served two summers at Sky Ranch and is looking forward to learning leadership skills in a community of devoted believers.



Name: Sarah Davis
Hometown: Plano, TX
High School: Shelton School High School
Univ/College: Baylor University
Major: Elementary Education

Sarah joins the Fellows program after serving for two summers as a counselor. Interesting and diverse facts about Sarah include that she has a fear of bikes, she still has a baby tooth and she doesn't like biscuits! Sarah's long-term plans are to be a teacher and to travel the world.



Name: Scott Ellis
Hometown: Dallas, TX
High School: Plano West High School
Univ/College: Texas A&M University
Major: Ag Economics

Following three summers as a Morph, Sky 4 and Quest Colorado Counselor, respectively, Scott is elated to be joining the Sky Ranch Fellowship. Scott enjoys drumming, listening to music, playing disc golf, grilling and hanging out with friends. He hopes to one day work for Sky Ranch.



Name: Abigayle English
Hometown: College Station, TX
High School: A&M Consolidated High School
Univ/College: Texas A&M University
Major: Elementary Education

A lover of all things A&M and of Sky Ranch chicken fried steak, Abigayle excitedly joins the Fellows Program after serving the past four summers at Sky Ranch as a counselor, COR, and most recently, Sky 1 & 2 Manager. She hopes to continue in ministry in some country around the world after the Fellowship!



Name: Annie Harrington
Hometown: Tulsa, OK
High School: Jenks High School
Univ/College: University of Oklahoma
Major: Communication & Non-Profit Management

Annie just spent her 'best summer ever' serving as a counselor for Quest Colorado. Although her favorite animal is a sloth, she isn't at all slothful, as evidenced by her love of coffee, shooting buckets, and SOONER sports. Annie is looking forward to learning what it looks like to be more like Jesus through the Fellowship.



Name: Caleb Haynes
Hometown: San Antonio, TX
High School: Brandeis High School
Univ/College: UT of the Permian Basin
Major: B.S. in Chemistry

Caleb continues his tenure at Sky Ranch, after being a counselor, in the Legacy Fellows program. He swam competitively in college and enjoys fishing, running, reading and League of Legends. He is looking forward to gaining spiritual growth, maturity, and life experience during the Fellowship.



Name: Sydney Hoffman
Hometown: Jonesboro, AR
High School: Jonesboro High School
Univ/College: Ouachita Baptist University
Major: Christian Studies

Sydney's history with Sky Ranch includes serving on the A-Team and at Horn Creek Family Camp in Colorado. Interesting facts about Sydney are that she can play four instruments and she lived in India for six months. She is looking forward to growing closer to the Lord and stronger in her faith through the Sky Ranch Legacy Fellows program.

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Name: Ross Jones
Hometown: Rockwall, TX
High School: Rockwall High School
Univ/College: University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Major: Psychology

After serving as a Launch Camp counselor for three summers, Ross is looking forward to the Fellows Program. He shares the interesting fact that he participated in a male pageant at UMHB! In the Legacy Fellowship, he hopes to hone his skills in having a better understanding of community, loving people well and being disciplined.



Name: Brittney Lowey
Hometown: Duncanville, PA
High School: Hollidaysburg Area High School
Univ/College: Grove City College
Major: Biblical and Religious Studies

Brittney has visited 37 states, including an 18-day backpack trip in the Collegiate Peaks Wilderness in Colorado. In addition to hiking, she likes to read, sing, ski and spend time with family. New to Texas, Brittney hopes to ultimately pursue her Master's degree and serve in Outdoor Ministry.



Name: Michelle Sanford
Hometown: Keller, TX
High School: Keller High School
Univ/College: University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
Major: Nursing

Michelle has mixed her love of nursing and camping ministry, working at Sky Ranch as both a Health Care Assistant and a counselor. A Registered Nurse, she enjoys traveling, Taylor Swift concerts, movies, roller coasters and tennis. She hopes to gain leadership and management skills in all areas of life in the Fellowship, before ultimately working in a pediatric hospital.



Name: Lauren Sarter
Hometown: Plano, TX
High School: Plano Senior High School
Univ/College: Oklahoma State University
Major: Recreation Management
& Therapeutic Recreation

Lauren is excited to be joining the Sky Ranch Legacy Fellows program, after four summers serving as a Sky Ranch counselor in both Texas and Colorado. Lauren loves to dig deeper in the word and wants to pursue camping ministry long term. She says that Ikea is her happy place – second only to Sky Ranch!

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Name: Morgan Alexander
Hometown: Ludington, MI
High School: Ludington High School
Univ/College: Ferris State University
Major: Integrative Studies

Morgan is new to Sky Ranch and is excited to gain experience in the camping industry this year while being a Horn Creek Fellow, as her long-term career plan is to be a Program Coordinator or Director at a camp. Morgan's hobbies include hiking, painting and sports.



Name: Maddy Andrews
Hometown: Lafayette, CO
High School: Peak to Peak Charter School
Univ/College: University of the Cumberland
Major: Business Administration

Maddy's history with Sky Ranch includes serving on POPS Staff at Cave Springs and as Camp Works Manager at Sky Ranch Horn Creek. Interesting facts about Maddy are that she can properly fold a fitted sheet and she was a sports photographer in college. After the Fellowship, she hopes to find a job in finance for a Christian non-profit.



Name: Heather Gage
Hometown: Great Falls, South Carolina
High School: Great Falls High School
Univ/College: Charleston Southern University
Major: Student Ministry

Heather is excited to be joining the Horn Creek Legacy Fellows program, as she is new to Sky Ranch. Heather hopes to gain awesome friendships, experience in how camp function, and better knowledge of who Christ is through her time as a Fellow. Her long term plan after the Fellowship is to work full time in camp ministry.



Name: Annie McMurray
Hometown: Lindale, TX
High School: Lindale High School
Univ/College: Ouachita Baptist University
Major: BM Worship Arts

Annie is no stranger to Sky Ranch, she has served in multiple roles from Retail to a Senior Assistant Counselor since 2010. Annie is a published writer, and she has been in London twice, once for the 2012 Olympics and again in 2015 for Wimbledon.



Name: Gretchen Nussbaum
Hometown: Bloomington, Indiana
High School: Bloomington High School South
Univ/College: Taylor University
Major: B.S. in Exercise Science

Gretchen is thrilled to be a Horn Creek Fellow. Her hobbies include being outdoors, reading, and most of all just being around friends. Through the Fellowship, she hopes take advantage of living in Christian community to learn how to serve as Jesus served – selflessly and out of unconditional love.



Name: Sarah Ortman
Hometown: Woodbury, Minnesota
High School: Stillwater Area High School
Univ/College: Minnesota State University
Major: Recreational, Parks, and Leisure Services

Sarah is new to Sky Ranch but has previously served at other camps. She is looking forward to serving along side a community of believers as well as having intentional time studying God and His word. Interesting facts about Sarah are that she helped start a marching band in college and she lived in Hungary for 7 years as a missionary.



Name: Chris Phillips
Hometown: Lewisville, TX
High School: Lewisville High School
Univ/College: Texas A&M University
Major: Sport Management

Following one summer as a Sky 3 Counselor, and two summers as Security COR in Van, TX, Chris is excited to be a part of the Horn Creek Fellowship. Chris enjoys sports, reading the Bible, and woodburning. After the Fellowship, he hopes to have a full-time career in sports or facilities management.