

making, Spanish, music (piano, voice, popular), jogging, and going to movies. Stephen will attend U-M with a focus on Business and Programming. Stephen has developed a few applications (a Tic-Tac-Toe game, a Magic 8-Ball game) and he really enjoys coding! He wants to bring technical and financial knowledge to an entrepreneurial endeavor, preferably one with a philanthropic orientation. At St. Nicholas Church School, Stephen learned about his faith and how important it is to stay true to it in life. This will help him in his relationship with God and keep him active in Church.



Jackie Stokes
Greenhills High School

Jackie Stokes is graduating from Greenhills School. She has been a member of the church since childhood and has participated in GOYA, the festival, and the church choir. She participated in the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical festival moving on to the Metropolis level in her sophomore year. At school, she is a varsity athlete competing in Field Hockey, Basketball, and Softball. She also is a member of the National Ocean Science Bowl, and Science Bowl teams. Her other hobbies include goat showing, her school choir, and playing the tuba. Next year, Jackie will be attending the University of Pennsylvania on a four year Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps scholarship.

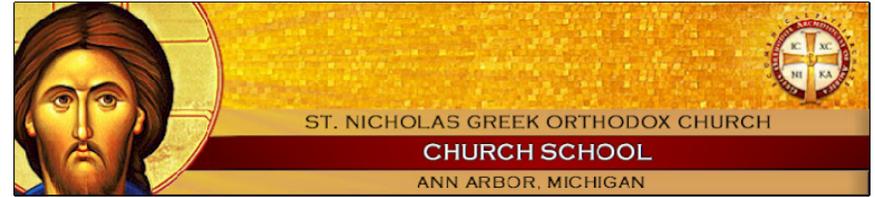
She intends to double major in Chinese and Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. She would like to thank her parents, as well as her church family for supporting her in all of her endeavors.



Katherine Maria Wardner
Huron High School

At Huron High School, Katherine is a member of National Honor Society and Class of 2015 Executive Board. She has sung in A Cappella Choir and also Bel Canto for two years, making two concert tours of Europe. She also sang with Chamber Choir for two years, the Raticals, and the Treblemakers for three years, serving as their director this year. Katherine has volunteered as a Group Choreographer for Tappan Players for four years, served as a Link Crew leader and tutored students at Clague Middle School. Katherine was active in Girls Scouts for 9 years, and earned her Girl Scout Silver Award.

Since she was 5 years old, Katherine has been swimming and diving. She earned Varsity letters in swimming and diving all 4 years at Huron, making it to Regionals in both swimming and diving every year. Katherine has earned Varsity letters in water polo for three years, being named Captain her senior year. Huron's water polo team has advanced to the State Title game the past 2 seasons, and is again competing in the State Tournament the last week of May this year. Katherine also made the Mid West Regional Olympic Development water polo team and competed in the National Tournament. Katherine has earned the Scholar Athlete Award all four years at Huron. At St. Nicholas Church, Katherine has served as a choir member for 10 years, a worker at the Ya'ssoo Festival, dancer with the GOYA dancers, a Holy Week reader, and has been a member of GOYA for 6 years. She attended Greek School for six years. In the Fall, Katherine will be attending Clemson University, SC, to study Special Education and Elementary Education. Katherine's upbringing in St. Nicholas Church has left her with a strong foundation of faith and reverence for our clergy, Church and Orthodox traditions. She also has an appreciation for the beautiful hymns of our Church. This will stay with her as she moves forward in life.



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Angelos D. Bairactaris
Dexter High School

Angelos will be graduating from Dexter High School. He has always been very athletic and has played many different sports throughout the years. He was most fond of Rugby and has played with the Dexter Devils Rugby Club for the last three years and went with the Devils to the State finals in 2013 and 2014. He has attended Church School and has also completed the St Nicholas Greek School Program. At St Nicholas, Angelos has been active as an Altar Boy where he has served as captain. As a member of Goya, he has served as officer and has participated in many activities including Greek dancing at the Ya'ssoo Greek Festival and multiple other festivals and locations. Angelos has attended the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit Summer Camp (MDSC) for many years. In his spare time, he enjoys playing the bouzouki. He has played the bouzouki since he was 10 years old and has performed at various venues. Angelos is planning on going to Washtenaw Community College in the fall.



Angelos G. Bairactaris

Saline High School

At Saline High School Angelos participated in Varsity Football, Varsity Wrestling, Ford AAA Auto Skills, Skills USA Auto Skills, SWWC Student Council, and High School Wind Ensemble (Tuba). Angelos has been recognized as a Solo & Ensemble Finalist, Varsity Letter Winner (4X), 4 Year Academic Honor Roll, SEC Scholar Athlete. Throughout his years at St. Nicholas, Angelos has served as an Altar Boy and participated in GOYA, where he served as President & Treasurer, and the Oratorical Festival, where he was Division Finalist in 2015. He has also danced with GOYA at the

Greek Festival and all other GOYA dance events, served as volunteer for the MDSC Summer Camp CIT, St Andrews Breakfast Crew, Habitat for Humanity, St Nicks Food & Faith Gardens, Saline Music Boosters Car-wash, Christmas Caroling for St Nicks Seniors, Salvation Army Bell Ringing. His summer jobs included TNT Trailer Sales (2014) and Dean's Lawncare (2011-13). Angelos plans to continue his studies towards a BA of Business and is considering MSU and WMU. "I would specifically like to thank Nick Chapekis and Deno Prokos for their spiritual guidance. They both constantly challenged me intellectually and spiritually through the years I spent with them in Church School. GOYA taught me to always appreciate my Greek culture and the people of our parish that I have had the pleasure of associating with."



Anastasia Gibson

Huron High School

Anastasia ("Tasia") Claire Gibson is graduating from Huron High School in the 95th percentile of class ranking with a final GPA of 3.96. While at Huron, she was active in choir, including Bel Canto choir (2011-2014) and Acapella Choir (2014-2015) as well as a member of two student-led acapella groups ("Treblemakers" and "Harmonics"). In sports, she was a member of the crew team from (2011-2015) where she specialized in being the "stroke" (the rower who sets the rate and rhythm for the other rowers in the boat). She was chosen as the Women's Varsity Co-Captain her senior year

(2014-2015). Tasia is also a member of GOYA, with whom she has participated in many activities. Her accomplishments include being: selected for the National Honor Society (2013-2015); awarded over 25 medals in Crew including 1 silver and 3 bronze at the 2015 Midwest Regional Scholastic Crew Championships; selected to receive the "Oar of Champions" award in 2014 (presented to the most dedicated rower each season); and winning a bronze medal at the Scholastic Rowing Association of America National Championship Regatta in New Jersey in 2015. Tasia's other awards also include being named as a Michigan History Day State Finalist (2013), AP Scholar, Scholar-Athlete for all four years, and St. John Chrystostom Oratorical Festival Runner-up (2012-2015). For the past few summers, Tasia has worked as a research assistant in the UM Psychiatric department. In the fall, Tasia will be attending the University of Michigan with a major in Biopsychology, Cognition and Neuroscience in the Pre Medicine curriculum. She is the recipient of a Regent's Scholarship from UM. Tasia has been coming to Saint Nicholas since she was a baby, and feels that it is her home; it has provided her with the foundation to leave high school with a strong sense of her faith, values and a big, fat, supportive Greek church family.

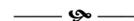


Christina Panagoulis-Triantafillopoulos

Greenhills High School

Christina is graduating from Greenhills where she organized the Red Cross Blood Drive, served as Vice President of the Student Council, and was Co-Captain of the Women's Varsity Tennis Team. While at Greenhills, Christina was a volunteer with Peace Neighborhood and tutored underprivileged students in mathematics. She plans to continue with Peace Neighborhood while she attends college this fall at the University of Michigan.

Christina has been admitted into the Residential College at the University of Michigan and is grateful that she will have the opportunity to remain in Ann Arbor and stay in touch with the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Community. While at St. Nicholas, Christina learned the importance of community support and involvement. This has influenced Christina in that she understands the importance of giving back to her church and the Ann Arbor community.

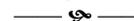


Juliana Patselas

Saline High School

Juliana Patselas will continue working towards her Associate's degree at Washtenaw Technical Middle College next year. She will receive an Associate's in General Studies in Math and Science and a Certificate in Web Design and Development in May 2016. In 9th and 10th grade, she attended Skyline High School where she lettered in orchestra, was a member of Tri-M music honors society, and won the Ann Arbor Area Piano Teacher's Guild competition. Since then, some highlights include starting, directing, and grant writing for the first student orchestra at WTMC, attending the Summer

Piano Academy at Indiana University, interning with the Community Music School and River Raisin Ragtime Revue, and placing third in the MMTA state concerto competition in Grand Rapids. She works as a tutor at the WCC Writing Center and plays ultimate frisbee on the Air Raid team. She enjoys singing with the church choir, dancing with the GOYA, and participating in the Oratorical Festivals. She has enjoyed learning in Church School and feels that her education at St. Nicholas has given her an identity that she has already started to share with her peers. After graduating next year, Juliana will continue to pursue piano performance and arts management.



Stephen Philippou

Huron High School

Stephen's activities as a "River Rat," included MReach, Detroit Entrepreneurship Network, and crew (rower, coxswain). He was awarded the Scholar-Athlete Award (9th, 10th grades) and the U-M Nanotechnology Infrastructure Network Award for his project on solar cells. He is member of the National Honor Society, the National Society of High School Scholars, and has received the AP Scholar with Honor Award. In GOYA, Stephen danced with the Yassoo dancers, marched in the Detroit parade, rang the bell for the Salvation Army, and has been instrumental with Good Friday

luminaries for five years. Stephen participated in the Oratorical Festival (4 years) and has been an Altar boy (8 years). He has served as a Clague Middle School Homework Help Volunteer and in Youth Volunteer Corps, working with Food Gatherers. Stephen's hobbies include learning about financial markets, developing applications, home movie-