

BYRON LAWRENCE



"I used to be in Cub Scouts when I was younger, and they made us do **wood carving** for badges. I could never figure out how to turn the piece of wood into a presentable drawing, and I would always be close to cutting myself. I'm glad I got into Boy Scouts a year later: I didn't have to do it again."

NAVNEET THANDI



"I begged my mom to take me ice skating, not knowing how bad it was going to be. At first, I thought I wouldn't fall, but eventually I fell so hard on my tailbone I turned pale. I don't want to go ever again."

ANDY ISMAIL



"This winter, I went to Yosemite with my mom. The weather was perfect, and it's what made our trip so memorable. We couldn't have planned the trip better, because we saw Yosemite's breathtaking views with and without snow."

ZOEY FREDERICKSON



"One thing I accomplished was **having a 16th birthday party**. Bringing all my friends and family together in one perfect day is something I won't be able to accomplish turning 16 again."

AMANDA MOY



"I went to Oahu, Hawaii over the summer with my family. My parents spent \$9,000 on the hotel, plane tickets, tours and food for the experience of a lifetime that we all enjoyed."

GRACIE FARRIS

"In middle school, I tried out for the volleyball team because I was pretty tall and enjoyed playing in P.E. When the roster was posted, my name was not on it. I realize now that I would never play a sport where an object could possibly come flying at me, and I will forever stick to dance."



SABA SADAT



"During fourth grade on my report card, I got all 100% for all of my subjects. I was living in Pakistan, and we had 17 subjects so it was extremely hard to achieve all straight A's. I don't think I will ever get that again."

LARA DE VALK

"Going to Ecuador with my mom and brother is an experience I will never forget. Meeting my mother's side of the family will always be one of my favorite moments."



AUBREY GILES



"As a sophomore, something I always looked forward to was getting my permit. Being able to drive on the road for the first time isn't something you can ever get back or accomplish again. The day I got my permit I was so happy. I knew I was one step closer to being able to drive on my own."

ISABELLA CIMROTH

"I tried to play the violin when I was 11 years old. I had only previously played sports, but in an effort to keep me active, my mother wanted me to do an instrument. In the end, I did not have the patience to work at it, and as a preteen I didn't have the motivation to keep going, so I quit."



DINA FENG

"As a self-proclaimed digital artist, I made fanart for YouTube in 2022. The YouTube liked my drawing so much that they set it as their profile picture. I was delighted to find out that someone I looked up to enjoyed my work so much. This is likely something that I will never be able to experience again."



LANEY NGUYEN

"This summer I got to go to a summer camp and to the Eras Tour in the same week which was exciting, but it was also chaotic."



DANIELA LIZAMA

"It was midnight, and I was bored so I grabbed my scissors and went into the bathroom and started cutting my hair. I immediately regretted it. I tried fixing it but I only made it worse."



COOPER SHANKLIN

"I will never go skiing again. Our family was a ski family. When I turned 5, it was my time. Needless to say, I was not a natural. When the day was over I vowed never to attempt it again."



KAILEY JACKSON

"I chose the clarinet and was excited to learn how to play it. However, I quickly realized that reading music was difficult for me."



DALILA KOMBO



"I tried cross country in my middle school year and it was one of the hardest things I've ever done in my life. After every race, I was on the verge of quitting, and the next season, I didn't sign up again. I am pretty sure I would never do it again."

OLIVIA BOYD

"I tried learning how to crochet. I used YouTube tutorial videos, but I was so confused. I could barely even figure out how to wrap the yarn around my finger."



"I took a class on computer science. I was intrigued by the way coding worked and how computers work. I would later come to find how much I didn't like coding for how incredibly hard it was to accomplish."



MADELYN CROW

ONCE AND ONLY

With such jam-packed lives, some experiences truly were **one-time moments**. And some things weren't worth repeating anyway. Growing up meant learning when to call it quits. Here are 24 people and something they did once.

ONCE

EMMA PHOMMORATH

"One thing I accomplished in my life that I'll never achieve again is getting promoted to point for basketball. I worked up to nine years to get to point and was super happy when I found out."



LULA COMBS

"I got my official license in refereeing a year and a half ago and started working my first real job. I had to take several tests to get my license, and since I passed all of them, I won't ever have to do that again."



"One event in my life that I got to experience once was going to the Drake concert with my brothers. I had saved up enough money to buy the tickets, even though it took me a long time. I knew the experience would be worth it, and I was right. It truly was a night to remember."

HENRY GIOIA

BAILEY NEWMAN

"I was reluctant to join ROTC, as my brother didn't enjoy it, but my dad really pushed me. I began to apply myself in that class and it led to me being the first sophomore in the history of the corps to earn a spot on Cadet."



"My family and I were on a trip to Maui, Hawaii, and we were on a boat to go free swimming in the ocean. I got extremely seasick to the point where I could only stay outside of the boat. To make matters worse, the ocean got even more choppy, so my stomach got even worse. I would never go on a boat in the ocean ever again, unless it's a cruise."



MAIRYNN OSECHECK