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## RADNOR ABC HOUSE NEWSLETTER

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### Meet Our 2017 -18 Scholars

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#### SCHOLARS

- Nicole Aboagy (2018)
- Mykael Cammorto (2018)
- Anthony Odum (2018)
- Jade Winn-McNeil (2019)
- Desyne Clarke (2020)
- Jeremy Glover (2020)
- Marcus Kiriago (2020)
- Caleb Jaramillo (2021)
- Zaiya Ngubeni (2021)
- Morgan Usher (2021)



Top Row, left to right

**Morgan Usher** ('21); Atlanta, GA  
Varsity Cheerleading, Black Student Union

**Zaiya Ngubeni** ('21); Atlanta, GA  
RHS Soccer, Delaware County Youth  
Orchestra, Art Club

**Desyne Clarke** ('20); Bronx, NY  
RHS Color Guard, Art Club, RadTV, Crew

Bottom Row, left to right

**Nicole Aboagy** ('18); Bronx, NY  
Yearbook, Theatrical Make-up,  
Black Student Union

**Mykael Cammorto** ('18); Teaneck, NJ  
Radnor Actors Workshop, Musical Theater,  
Black Student Union

**Jade Winn-McNeil** ('19); Upper Darby, PA  
Musical Theater, Black Student Union,  
Madrigals Singing Group



Top Row, left to right

**Anthony Odum** ('18); Philadelphia, PA  
Coding Club, Black Student Union,  
Anthony Wayne Theater

**Marcus Kiriago** ('20); Minneapolis, MN  
RHS Basketball, Rec Basketball

Bottom Row, left to right

**Jeremy Glover** ('20); Atlanta, GA  
Rec Basketball

**Caleb Jaramillo** ('21); Philadelphia, PA  
RHS Basketball



**Josie Rosario**  
2002 Radnor ABC graduate

### Radnor ABC Alumni Speaker Series

Josie received her BA from Columbia University and has worked in the education sector domestically & abroad for 10 years. She also holds a masters in Education from Relay Graduate School of Education and is currently pursuing a Master of Social Work at Columbia University School of Social Work. Josie is deeply passionate about education and mental health as vehicles for healing in communities of color and has graciously volunteered her time to speak to current scholars about her experience at the Radnor ABC House and the journey that has followed. *“High school was transformative for me in so many ways, but especially because of the formal & informal mentorships I had. I’m back at Columbia getting a second masters in clinical social work and when I read the research on the correlation between resilience, support, and achievement for at-risk youths I can’t help to think about my time at Radnor ABC.”*

The Radnor ABC Alumni Speakers Series is a forum to connect alumni and current scholars. It’s also an opportunity for alumni to share their experiences at Radnor, college and life beyond and to answer questions from current scholars.



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### *shop til you drop*

bellaDonna Gifts is generously **donating 20% of all sales proceeds on Wednesday, December 6th** to the Radnor ABC House – please join us for wine, hors d’oeuvres & sweets provided by *Sweet Jasmine*. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a difference for the ABC scholars...Be sure to bring along your friends and your holiday shopping list!

## Community service & donations

Volunteers from **Villanova University** teamed up with several Radnor ABC board members for a *Day of Service* which included much-needed landscaping, painting & cleaning. Everyone was helpful during a very long day of hard work. We cannot thank the Villanova volunteers enough for the tools, the labor, and the feeling of gratification we all experienced! *Our sincerest gratitude to Villanova and its generous volunteers!*



**Tim May**, a Radnor ABC board member has been recognized by Cigna as the Community Service Champion for Q3'17 with a \$500.00 donation for his continued service to the Radnor ABC House. Additionally, Cigna awarded **\$15,000.00** in Tim's name as the 2017 volunteer of the year. *Thank you Tim for your continued service!*

The **Neighborhood League Shops** generously donated **\$15,000.00** for outreach to identify & recruit academically gifted and motivated students from under-served communities to place them in outstanding schools across the US. Several ABC scholars & board members volunteer at the shops. *Thank you NLS for your continued support!*



### **The ABC ladies are ready for adventure!**

All five of our female scholars have joined the new *Radnor Venturing Crew 284*. While venturing is a 20 year old coed Boy Scouts of America program, the *Radnor Crew* is focused on promoting confidence and competence in young women through exposure to outdoor adventures (this is not a competitive sports team). The *Crew* is only a month old and already has 17 members representing five area schools. The first adventure was at Radnor's Gravity Vault rock climbing gym. **Nicole** stretched herself with this experience as she attacked the rock walls overcoming her fear of heights. **Way** to go **Nikki**! **November** will be seeing the young ladies doing high ropes and zip lining at the Elmwood Park Zoo. They'll finish off 2017 with Sporting Clays target shooting.



**GET INVOLVED!** Radnor ABC is in need of volunteer drivers and board members. If interested in supporting the Radnor ABC House, please email us: [abcradnorpa@gmail.com](mailto:abcradnorpa@gmail.com)