
The Almanac

THE HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER FOR MENLO PARK, ATHERTON, PORTOLA VALLEY AND WOODSIDE



JOURNALISM INTERNSHIP 2020

*"I never could have guessed what an incredible experience I'd have at The Almanac. I couldn't have guessed that the editor would be one of my favorite people I've ever met, let alone worked for. I couldn't have guessed that the culture of this local paper, which has only three incredibly dedicated staff writers, would be such a breath of fresh air compared to the high-stress corporate and academic environments I'm used to. But above all, I couldn't have guessed how many opportunities I'd have to do the real work of journalism—finding stories, writing, interviewing, and getting published." ~ **Matthew Vollrath, Rebele Intern***

*"I can't tell you how wonderful my experience at the Almanac was this summer. I came without a lot of news writing. That first day, I wrote two news stories! Renee Batti, my editor, was so patient showing me the ropes, and so encouraging as I began to find and pitch stories: an investigation of the local food movement in the Almanac's distribution area; a local lesbian couple prepar(ing) for their newly legal marriage after 30 years together; chlamydia and the demographic it affected most – adolescent girls; a local man who started a nonprofit to bring Israeli Jews and Palestinians to a sports camp in Pennsylvania. I got tons of news writing experience under my belt, practical experience learning AP style, and even got to publish a few photos. I (now) feel ready to take on any potential careers in the next few years with the confidence I gained at the Almanac." ~ **Selena Simmons-Duffin, Rebele Intern***

*"My summer at the Almanac was—and will always be—one of the most vital experiences to my growth as a writer. The passionate, tight-knit staff not only took the time to help me improve through their thorough edits and lively conversations, but also welcomed me as an integral part of their team. At the Almanac, you aren't simply an intern. You're a reporter. By writing everything from cop logs to features, business briefs to cover stories, I was able to truly experience the rewards and challenges of community journalism. The lessons I learned, the people I met, and the stories I heard in those ten weeks are truly unforgettable." ~ **Natalie Jabbar, Rebele Intern***

The Almanac is the community newspaper and online news service for four towns near Stanford: Portola Valley, Menlo Park, Atherton and Woodside. The staff has won numerous awards for public service, environmental reporting, feature writing and general excellence.

News interns work with experienced editors and writers, and have the opportunity to write everything from breaking news to cover stories, depending on skill levels and drive. Photojournalism interns work closely with staff photographers, shooting a broad range of stories and editing on deadline.

Almanac interns have gone on to work for major news services such as Time Magazine, the Wall Street Journal, and National Public Radio.

Summer internships of up to 40 hours a week are unpaid, but the intern may be eligible for Rebele stipends of up to \$7,200. We are flexible on schedules. Internships are also available for other times of the year.

To apply: Send a cover letter, resume and two samples of your journalistic work to
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