

NAME DROPPING

Diffenbaugh named American Geophysical Union Fellow

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Former Watsonville resident Noah S. Diffenbaugh was recently named as a 2020 American Geophysical Union Fellow and recipient of the union's William Kaula Award, according to a release from Mount Madonna School.

Diffenbaugh is a 1992 graduate of Mount Madonna.

Diffenbaugh is a professor of earth system science at Stanford University, a senior fellow at the Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment, and an affiliate of the Precourt Institute for Energy. He is one of 62 elected as 2020 American Geophysical Union fellows.

James Zachos, distinguished professor of earth and planetary sciences and the Ida Benson Lynn Chair of Ocean Health at UC Santa Cruz, commented on Diffenbaugh's selection.

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lowship is in recognition of Dr. Noah Diffenbaugh's outstanding scientific contributions," Zachos said in a prepared release. "The William Kaula award is in recognition of unselfish service to the scientific community through extraordi-

nary dedication to, and exceptional efforts on behalf of AGU's publications program.

Education

The following students were honored for academic achievement:

- Kiana Gilbert, of Felton, was named to the dean's honor roll for the fall semester at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi.

- Katherine Kaminski, of Los Gatos, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee.



Nazareth

Kirby's Nazareth honored

Kirby School senior Michelle Nazareth has been named a semifinalist for the 2021 class

of the Coca-Cola Scholars Program, moving to the next round of the selection process to become a Coca-Cola Scholar and receive a \$20,000 college scholarship.

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