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## **ACE Mentor Scholarship Awarded**

Davis, Bowen & Friedel, Inc. (DBF) and the ACE Mentor Program of Maryland's Eastern Shore presented the 2018 DBF/ACE Gerald Friedel Legacy Scholarship to an outstanding ACE (Architecture, Construction, and Engineering) Mentor Program student. The scholarship, given in memory of DBF co-founder Jerry Friedel, was presented to Brandon Westerfield of Saints Peter and Paul High School during the ACE Mentor Program of Maryland's Eastern Shore's annual awards ceremony that took place in Easton: an event held to recognize outstanding members of the program.

"Add value to people's lives, and they will remember it." - Jerry Friedel, P.E.

These were not just words Friedel shared with individuals he mentored; it was the way he lived his life. The DBF/ACE Gerald Friedel Legacy Scholarship was established in 2016 to memorialize Friedel's dedicated efforts with the ACE Mentor Program on the Eastern Shore. Serving as a volunteer, treasurer, and board member, he was committed to sharing his engineering passion and knowledge with future architects, engineers, and construction professionals in the local schools.

The DBF/ACE Gerald Friedel Legacy Scholarship is a joint effort by DBF and ACE Mentor Program to ensure that Jerry's legacy of supporting tomorrow's industry professionals continues. The \$2,000 award was presented



to Westerfield by Susan Friedel and Michael Wigley, DBF's president. Westerfield, an Eagle Scout and National Honor Society member, plans to pursue a civil engineering degree as he moves on to college this fall. "Brandon is clearly a young man that exemplifies the mission of the ACE Mentor Program," Wigley acknowledged. "He has a bright future in the field of engineering and, I suspect, will serve as a mentor and ACE Program advocate in the years ahead."

Part of a larger national program established to engage and inspire students, the ACE Mentor Program of Maryland's Eastern Shore works with students in Talbot County. Program participants from both public and private schools are introduced to the various career opportunities which exist within the building industry. Special efforts are made to reach out to minority and female students or anyone else who may be unaware of the careers available in the engineering, architecture, and construction industries.

Davis, Bowen & Friedel, Inc., is a full-service architectural, engineering, planning, and surveying firm with offices in Salisbury and Easton, Maryland, and in Milford, Delaware. For additional information about DBF, visit www.dbfinc.com.

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