

Editor's Introduction

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Each year, *Juniata Voices* publishes a selection of the speeches, lectures, and presentations given on the campus of Juniata College, in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. The sixteen pieces that follow provide but a small sample of the dozens of “voices” that spoke during the 2017-2018 academic year. The talks include Juniata faculty members speaking at convocations and in the regular series of Bookend Seminars, a current student’s prize-winning speech at the Bailey Oratorical Contest, and visiting speakers addressing topics ranging from the water crisis in Flint, Michigan, to working with the Curiosity rover on Mars.

I want to thank the speakers for their contributions, and I especially want to thank the people who worked behind the scenes to make this volume possible. Catherine Adcock recorded and transcribed many of the talks, drafted abstracts, and completed a wide range of vital editorial tasks. Peter Goldstein continued to bring poets to our doorstep. Polly Walker and the Baker Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies played key roles in bringing several speakers to campus. Justine Black and the Video Production Team, especially Fisher Stroud, transcribed essays in the summer. Megan Neville provided additional administrative help. As always, *Juniata Voices* relies on the support of the Provost’s Office, namely Lauren Bowen and Joanne Krugh. Finally, with good cheer and high standards, the members of the editorial board put in countless hours of work—especially Jim Tuten, whose enthusiasm and commitment keeps this publication going.

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