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SUMMARY

Full Stack Web Developer, having completed a 24 week coding boot camp with a focus on the MERN stack. A passion for learning coupled with the ability to pick things up very quickly, made adding developer skills fun. Each new project to build or problem to solve is an opportunity to grow. Effectively combines creativity and problem solving to develop user-friendly, mobile-first applications. Detail oriented, and therefore able to focus on a whole application from the big features down to the smallest bugs regardless of the complexity of the project.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: JavaScript, ES6, HTML 5, CSS 3, Node JS, SQL (MySQL), NoSQL (Mongo)
Libraries and Applications: npm, Materialize, Bootstrap, Handlebars.js, Sequelize, Mongoose, Express, Heroku, React.js, Next.js
Concepts: MVC, responsive design, agile methodologies
Spoken Languages: English, Spanish, German

PROJECTS

MyLitLife | https://github.com/rsowald/MyLitLife **|** https://my-lit-life.herokuapp.com/
A web application to track reading lists and reading history. A user can find book recommendations as well as save reading notes, opinions, and ratings for each book.
- Collaborated closely with 5 team members to create a dynamic React user interface.
- Built reusable React components that could be used across multiple pages.
- Maintained a Mongo database with Mongoose models.
- Gathered, evaluated, and incorporated user feedback.
- Participated in code reviews to ensure high quality before changes were integrated.

Technology used — React, Firebase authorization, MongoDb, Heroku deployment, React Bootstrap, JS, HTML

Meal Planner | https://github.com/rsowald/MealPlanner | https://rsowald.github.io/MealPlanner/
Search for recipe ideas by meal name and save your recipe links to a built-in weekly calendar. Meal Planner also has a random cocktail button that will present you a cocktail recipe to go with your meal.
- Created a stable, collaborative and supportive work environment with 4 peers.
- Researched and implemented new technologies including multiple REST APIs.
- Daily troubleshooting issues and problem solving as necessary.

Technology used — AJAX, jQuery, client local storage, Materialize CSS, JS, HTML

I Blog Technically | https://github.com/rsowald/TechBlog **|** https://rhubarb-cobbler-10166.herokuapp.com/
Similar to WordPress, authenticated users can create, edit, or delete their own blog posts. They can also comment on other users' posts.
- Focused on the customer experience to create a streamlined UI with the Handlebars.js framework.
- Developed a robust SQL database utilizing Sequelize.
- Self motivated to meet and exceed expectations for the project.

Technology used — Node.js, Sequelize, Handlebars.js, Express, Heroku with Jaws Db, Bootstrap CSS,

JS, HTML

Stay-At-Home Parent, Bothell, WA   JUNE 2014 - PRESENT
- Gained the ability to handle multiple competing priorities in a fast-paced environment.
- Honed patience into a skill to succeed in tedious, difficult, or even uncomfortable situations.
- Developed a love for teaching with the ability to adapt mentoring style to different personalities and learning styles.

Pier 1 Imports, Bellevue, WA — *Sales Leader*   AUGUST 2012 - JUNE 2014
- Frequently led my team to sales totaling 20% over our target.
- Provided excellent customer service, specializing in service issues and time consuming design projects.
- Coached and mentored up to 5 employees at a time.
- Adapted corporate directives and strategies to practicable goals and guidelines.
- Completely set new displays 4 times a year, starting from scratch and finishing in 3 days or less.

EDUCATION

University of Washington Full Stack Web Development Boot Camp — *Certificate*

DEC 2020 - JUNE 2021
- A 24 week intensive program focused on gaining technical programming skills in HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, JQuery, Bootstrap, Node JS, MySQL, MongoDB, Express, Handelbars.js, and React JS.

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH — *BA History, BA English*

SEPT 2005 - JUNE 2009
- Magna Cum Laude GPA 3.84