Throughout the squirrel ecology project, I really appreciate the difference in the fox and gray squirrels. The questions that really interest me with this project are did the behaviors influence the traits or did the environment influence the traits and was there a common ancestor from which the fox and gray split. They both have the same food preferences, but the coloration, behaviors and traits are different. The research on this topic taught us that squirrels, and perhaps other animals, are fueled on their instincts and desires just like us humans. For example, college students want the best jobs out of college or immigrants want to come from desolate and perilous places for access to a better country. The fox and gray squirrels compete against each other for the same food and this may be why there are habitats. I understand the will of surviving because that is the algorithm for evolving better traits over generations. The catch to survival is impeding on someone else’s survival and many of us take the fact that we are the most dominant species for granted. This project taught me about habitats and understanding the power of survival.