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The Ladder Lowdown

A Climber Produced Newsletter

Senior Canoeing Expedition

This year for our senior trip, we went canoeing. The trip is for the seniors to learn about leadership, caring, gratitude, bonding, and the three R's (Respect, responsibility, and doing the right thing). It was very fun; we were out there for five days, without a bathroom, or a shower. During the trip, we found islands to set up our tents. While not on the water, we looked for dry wood to start the fires, cooked our own food, swam in the river, and hung out. Our days started early. In the mornings we got ready, packed up all of our stuff, put it in the canoe and left no trace. I'm not a water person, but when I went on this trip I began to realize that the water/river is not a bad thing (unless you find a snake or two.) I had a lot of fun on this senior trip and it was because my Jacob's Ladder Family was there.

> -Elodie Deneassembaye Senior Climber



Ubuntu. I am because we are

Ubuntu means, I am because we are. At Jacobs Ladder, I am everything I am today because of this amazing camp, and everything that it is. Here, every climber is a family that can always be depended on. We are not only 60 individuals, but one whole family. No matter what your year here is, everyone cares for one another. All climbers share such a kindness and love for each other. This camp has a bond that cannot be broken and will always stay that way. I am, because we are.

-Rylee Ocker, Super Sophomore

Save the Date!

Talent Show

July 12th A night full of fun and creatively gifted young people!

Anthem Lemon-Aid

July 18th

Come join us at the Essex County Women's Club, Clubhouse for fresh lemonade to benefit Anthem!



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Field Trips

My first field trip with Jacob's Ladder was to the Menokin house in Warsaw, Virginia. The house was interesting, ancient, and fun. It was also informational. We got to make a sculpture out of nature items we found on an hour long hike. We also made a floor plan of the original Menokin house and built the house out of wooden blocks. It was amazing.

-Matthew Price, New Climber



A Big Thanks To...

Thank you for sponsoring Jacob's Ladder. I am a junior and Jacob's Ladder has been a great experience for me so far. I love it here and I have an entire camp of friends and support. All day, every day is fun. Thank you for your donations, or I wouldn't have the chance to have this experience. Thank you again. - Kadosa Schaffer, Junior Climber

Climber Production of Tarzan

Here at Jacob's Ladder we are presenting a musical play called Tarzan. I just love this play! My teacher's name is Ms. Nicole she is really nice and fun to be with. The climbers in this play work really hard to remember their lines, dances, and the songs. We all get a week to learn our parts, and during that week we work really hard! My character in the play is an ape. I get to dance and sing all throughout the play. Everyone is putting a lot of effort into the play. Tarzan is great!

-Chrya Boyd, New Climber

Classes Snapshot

Hey Fish Face, Storytelling, Math on Fleek, Ocean Explorers, Full STEAM Ahead, How to Talk to a Computer , How to Interview like a Boss, Adventures in Japanese



Shyanne Cowan, Sophomore