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Life lessons in a life jacket

It was late when the Valor students from Norwich U rolled in to the campground. Roudy and sarcastic, throwing the f-word around and keeping up the tough guy image, Dan lay in his tent listening and praying, "Oh, Lord, are these students even interested in you?" But the next day on the river as Dan led a program about showing your true self, they began opening up. One of the men was a Christian, and one of four seniors leaving to be lieutenants in the army. "It is a risk just going to Bible study," he admitted, explaining the reactions guys give him, "Not everyone thinks it's a cool thing." Others chimed in about the risks they would have to take to know who God is. Pray that they continue to open their hearts to Him.

Please pray our way through October

Oct 16-18

Women's Retreat

We are hosting a retreat for UMaine women based on "real relationships"

Oct 21-25

AEE Conference

This experiential ed conference in OR will hopefully help us better train staff

Oct 23-25

Internationals trip

We are hosting a camping trip for international students at UNH

BU: rafting evangelism

Annual Lifelines attendees, Boston University brought up 27 students to raft with us this fall, and one talented student created a youtube clip of the experience, so I am adding the link for your viewing pleasure! This video is something students will share with their friends and post on all their media, and when asked about it, they will point to Lifelines and to Cru. God does not need our publicity, but he uses it anyway, and in this technical age, these posts have a way of pointing back to him.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yKvimJJebcQ&feature=youtu.be>

You're Invited!

I have been making plans for our Facilitator School, where we train Cru staff, pastors and lay people in group facilitation skills and in using experiential learning for ministry. This year we will host the event in Bradenton, FL from Feb 1-6. The cost including food and lodging is \$450. If you are interested in attending, please let me know! Heather.Litchfield@cru.org

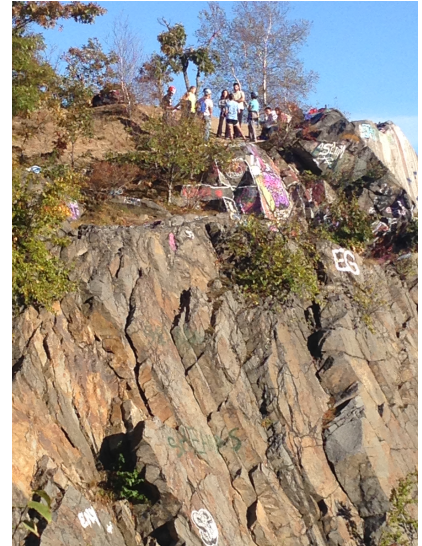
Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth

Psalms 98:4

A City Climb with MIT

Of the ten students on the rock climbing trip, 7 were non-believers and two were Muslim. They came from as far away as Guam, and all of them heard the gospel on the trip. When asked how he heard about the trip, one student said, "I've been getting the Cru emails all year but this is the first time I have ever done something."

What a privilege to be the catalyst that draws students into the Body of Christ. By the end of the day students were exchanging emails and making plans together.



UNH makes a splash

The four rafts crashed their way through the gorge, carrying 24 exuberant UNH students. Many of these were first-year and international students trying to find out where they belong. We believe God hand selects those who attend our trips and that He is daily revealing *who* they belong to. Our programs are one way of opening students' eyes to that truth.

What Jesus can do with a boat

Jesus spent lots of time in a boat with his disciples. This fall we did to. It all started with 26 UMaine students on a high water release. The draw for white water is huge. Students from all over the globe came for a fun day where each hear the Gospel and experience the way Bible truths apply to their lives. We have created over 340 Gospel Experiences so far!



UMASS communicates

"Go over there" Dan pointed from the back of the boat. Students struggled to paddle together with the vague instructions, a particularly difficult task since some were holding paddles upside down! They were doing a program on communication and experiencing the frustrations of poor communication. The UMASS staff were delighted to work on this with their group and are eager to go back and apply what they learned in evangelism on campus.