

A Kicking Adventure #25**
June 25-26, 2005

Harpers Ferry

**River Tubing,
Camping, Hiking,
Outdoor Jazz
Concert, Huge Ice
Cream Cones, and
More...**



Day 1...



Which way did they go?!?



I swear this chair was bigger when I bought it ... Now all I need is a mini tea set.

Setting up camp at Harpers Ferry Lodge Hostel Campground...

Hannah is the hands down winner of the tent set-up rodeo. Her competitors salute her.





Temporary residence established, Jordan and Nancy are ready for action.

Notable quotable by Derek Restivo, age 14:

“Hey Dad, can I play with the hatchet?”

(Dad said no.)

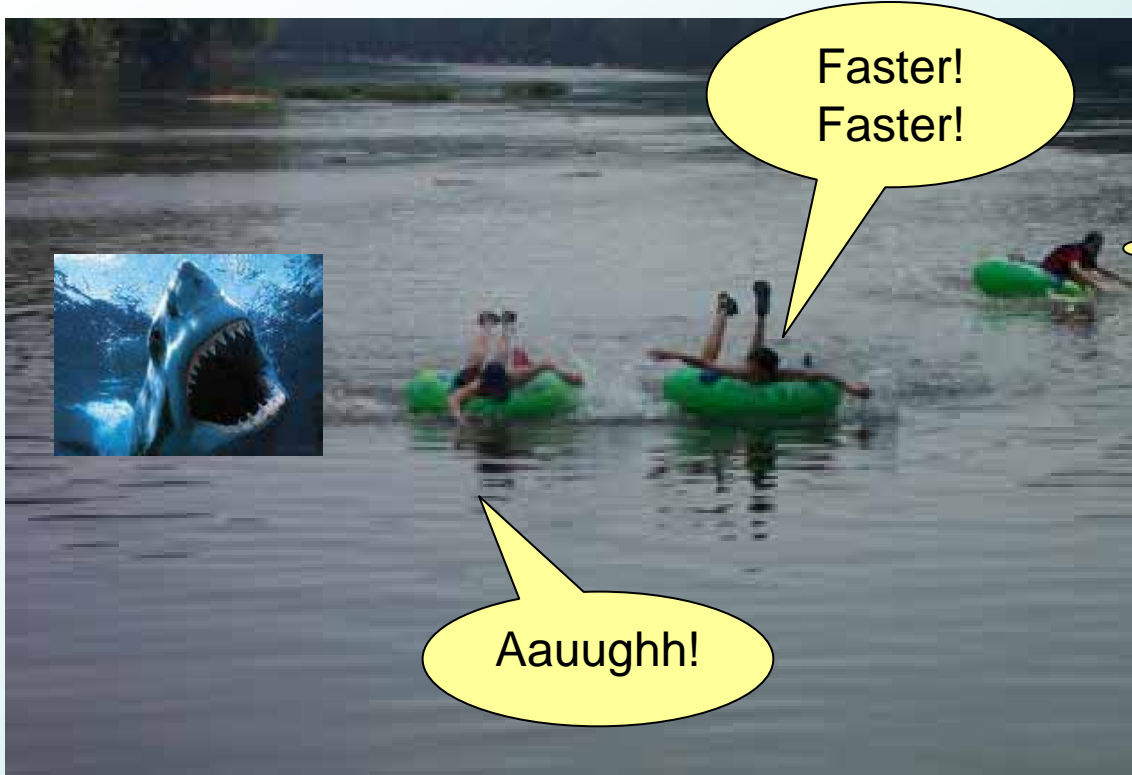
...And then some splishing and splashing in the Shenandoah River!

Group Yee hops on inflatable tubes for a leisurely float downriver.



(someone was even spotted reading a newspaper in his tube, but we won't name names)

Action shots from Group Yee



The Swamp Thing
emerges from the deep

Meanwhile, Group Ha takes the four-headed, I mean four-legged, companions, and goes for a dip at a public riverbank park, despite dire warnings by the locals (“There’s a lot of drinkin’ and drug dealin’ goin’ on there”). We are from DC, so we decide to “risk it.” Can’t be worse than Columbia Heights after dark...



One of the fearsome characters encountered by the riverbank. Lee very nearly took her home.





Whatever

Watch my karate
kick! HA!

Behold Captain Tube! Such
strength! Such grace!

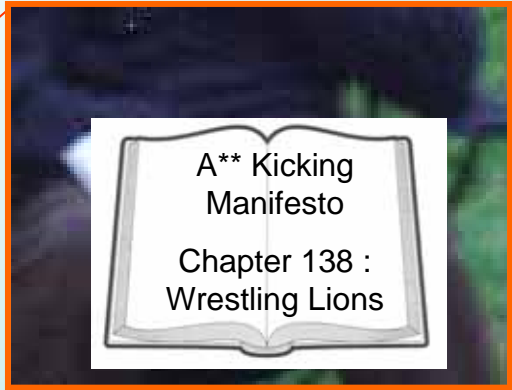
Happy tubers





Groups YEE and HA reunited after a fun packed afternoon

Back at camp, we rejoin our heroes...



Ludovic, caught on hidden camera reading AGAIN!

Hannah demonstrates the appropriate method of applying bug spray to one's hat



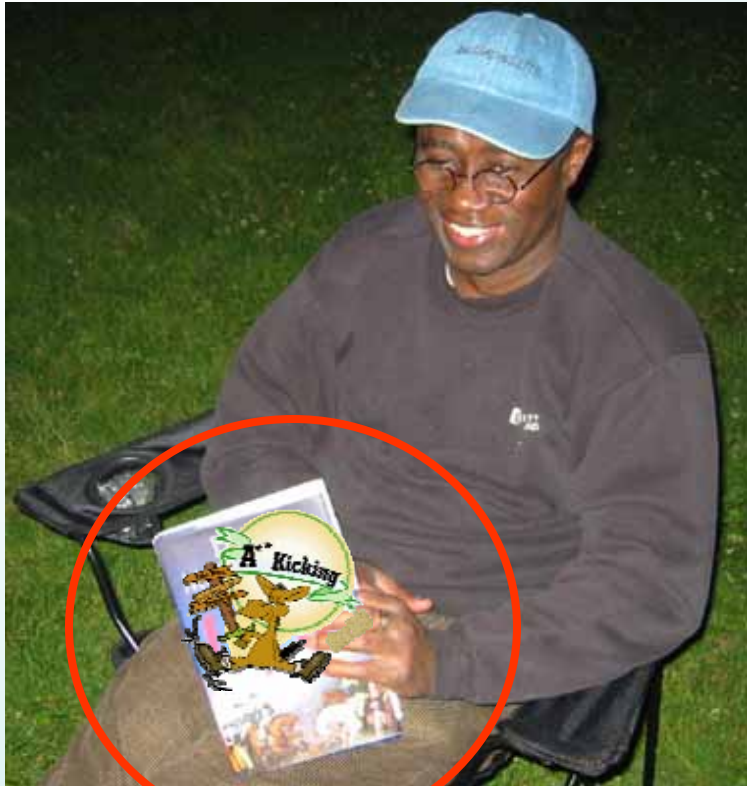


Dinner and games by the roaring campfire



Mm-hmm, yep...He's biting into the hot dog right now...Yep, okay...call you back.





Only the highest caliber reading materials are allowed on the trip.



"Let's play in the dirt!" says Annie.

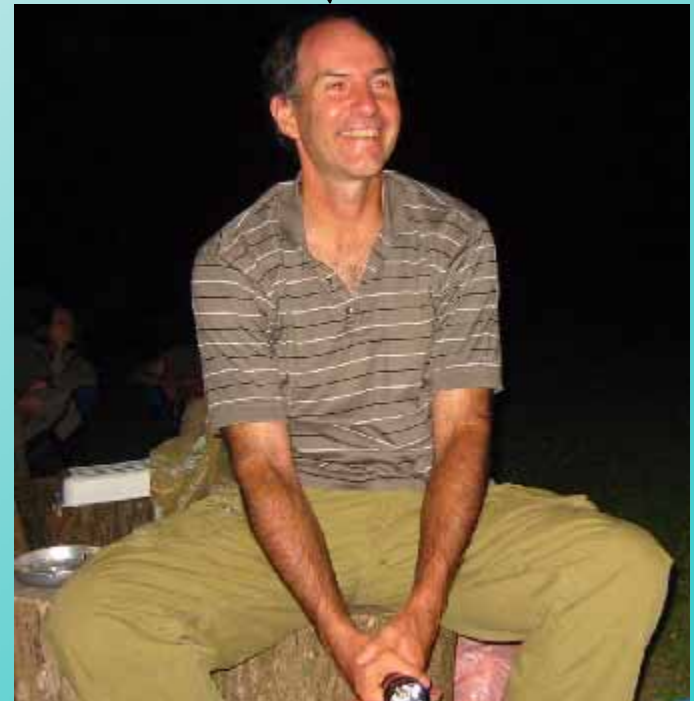


Cheers, big ears!



Um, no, actually,
I'm sharing with
Sarunas...sorry...

Notable Quotable by Chai:
“So, Jeff, are you sleeping alone in
your tent tonight?”



Day 2...

Hiking to town, eating ice cream, and swimming in the river!



Up early for a Pancake Breakfast at the hostel!!



Steph ponders a shortcut
across the railroad tracks...

Quit your whining and carry
your 60 pound dog up five
flights of stairs!



Beautiful, historic Harpers
Ferry, West Virginia



And its glorious
rivers

And its glorious ice cream shops!



“I’ll take a large cone...”



Contemplating the river



A** kickers kick back in the cool, refreshing Shenandoah River after the strenuous hike to town

We braved steep terrain to get there.



Back at camp Ma and Pa Kettle take a moment to relax before tearing down camp



Can I help you!



I'll take one of everything!

The End!

Before heading home, a quick stop at a local diner for some “delicious” food. Chai jumps behind the counter to help out.