

Friday's Forecast



High – 83°F
Low – 60°F
Sun, sun, sun!



Elephants are very intelligent and loyal to their family group.



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Choral Camper braves poison ivy, saves bunny

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Have you seen a boy wandering around Choral Camp with red, splotchy spots all over his face? Well, if you have, you have witnessed a true hero. Jon Luke Blanton is a quiet, unobtrusive person, but he is one who steps up and saves the world when it is needed. His story is one we all need to hear.



Jon Luke Blanton

One day not too long ago, Jon Luke was enjoying a sunny afternoon on his front porch. He heard growling and barking, and THEN – a little bunny appeared.

Jon Luke was surprised that a rabbit could make noises like that, but, like the hero he was, he took it in stride.

And THEN – two great big dogs appeared, chasing after the bunny!



Jon Luke leaped up and overtook the dogs in a few quick strides. He caught up to the bunny in a few more, all the while running too near deadly poison ivy, his nemesis. He made a few grabs for the rabbit and caught it on the third try. Cradling it close to his chest, he spirited it away to a safe, safe place, never to be bothered again by hungry dogs.

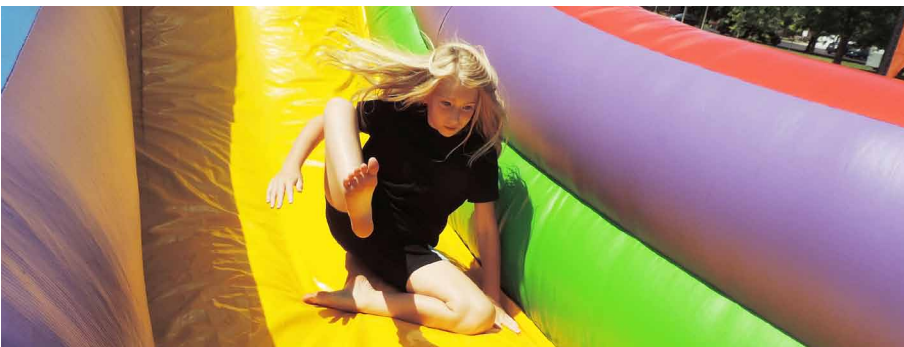


A cute little bunny – not the one Jon Luke saved, but cute, nevertheless. (Photo by Tanja Askani)

He laid it down by a tree and let it rest in peace.

At this moment, Jon Luke started itching all over! Though he had saved the bunny, he suffered dire consequences for his heroism. Poison ivy quickly spread all over his face and throat.

So you see, Jon Luke Blanton proudly wears the wounds that poison ivy has left him. It was a small price to pay for the long, happy life our bunny friend will now enjoy.



Privyet!

Katya & Masha say hi!



Katya Bowles is 11 and heading into fifth grade.



Masha Bowles is 8 and will be in third grade.

Katya and Masha Bowles are first-time Choral Campers who came to our sunny campus from Amelia Court House in Virginia, a pretty long way away from here. But they've traveled even farther than that! About six months ago, they came from Ukraine, a country in Eastern Europe. They became part of the Bowles family and now have seven new sisters and one new brother (nine girls and one boy total).

Here's what they like to eat: Masha likes Pepsi, ice cream, cake, potatoes, ketchup, hot dogs, and cheeseburgers; Katya likes sausage (but not a lot of meat), potatoes, broccoli, green beans, tomatoes, and ice cream.

Katya's biggest surprise since coming to the United States was her "happy birthday" on March 24. Masha expressed enthusiastic surprise about the size of a swimming pool she got to use. Her birthday is September 16.

Both girls are learning English from their Mama and Papa. They're doing so well they did this interview without a translator! They also speak Ukraine and Russian.

Katya likes reading Russian books about Jesus and loves art, while Masha really enjoys sports (but not American football). Both sisters have excellent taste in sports and like softball and baseball.

What's their favorite part of Choral Camp? Katya: "Shaving cream!" Masha: "Super Games!"

Thursday Room Awards

Best room awards go to:

Best of Bach

First Place: Room 9

Levi Carrington, Davis Bender, Kraig Lehman

Runner-Up: Room 8

Gregory Miller, Jonathan Swartz, Andrew Swartz, Joel Schrader

Beethoven's Fifth

First Place: Room 3

Logan Graber, Caleb Graber, Graham Lyndaker

Runner-Up: Room 7

Kelton Ebersole, Dawson Beitzel, Connor Martin, Tony Romero

Handel's Messiah

First Place: Room 3

Priska DiGennaro, Moravia Satterfield, Bethany Carrington, Rachel Bowser, Kristen Schlabach

Runner-Up: Room 5

Kaelyn Thoman, Kalvary Freed, Alisha Graber, Alinea Slabaugh

Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik

First Place: Room 7

Abby Weimer, Mackenzie Weimer, Natalie Lehman, Megan Bender

Runner-Up: Room 2

Jewel Byler, Emily Brobst, Natalie Guingrich

Strauss's Blue Danube Waltz

First place: Room 10

Rachel Sunderland, Tia Yutzy, Ruth Haldeman

Runner-Up: Room 10

Moriah Funk, Cassidy Ebersole, Annika Martin



FRIDAY'S MENU

Breakfast: Baked oatmeal, hard-boiled eggs, cereal, milk, juice, LOs.



Lunch: BBQ chicken sandwiches, corn, Mandarin oranges, LOs.

RECITATION!

- 7:30 Wake Up
- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 Session XVIII
- Y.O.R-Choose-a-Spot
- G.B.B.-Class
- 10:00 Chapel
- 10:30 Rehearsal
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:45 Rehearsal
- 1:15 Dorm Time
- 2:00 Recitation/Reception