

To: Adventures of the Mind

Thank you

Dear Vicky,

Thank you this amazing opportunity. Adventures of the Mind has exposed me to creative and innovative ways to live life to a greater potential. Initially I did not know what to expect but I came with an open mind to all the opportunities the program had to offer. I am glad I did so, for I have bonded with phenomenal mentors, met life-long friends, and obtained new ideas that will enhance the way of thinking. I feel a new, as though I can truly be a productive member of society to enhance the life of myself and others.

This program was a pure engaging experience. The speakers were inspirational as their knowledge, words of wisdom, and encourage resonated in my heart as lessons that I will never forget.

One of the speakers that spoke to my heart was Naomi Judd. She shared with me the importance of sharing your story. By sharing her story so openly and compassionately, it gave me a new way to view life. She said "Let your scars turn to stars". If I can positively impact someone's life by sharing my experiences with others, I would do so for it may be the thing that one needs to make it through the day.

Larry Gonick is such an inspirational figure as well. During one of the meal times, I got the opportunity to talk with him. He is so down to earth and told me that life is a sea of opportunities. Sometimes the water may look dark, cold, and scary but if you want to make it anywhere in life, you have to jump in and take risk.

I can go on and on about the great experience I had this past weekend for it was been the start of a new chapter in my life. I wish you the best Vicky and I sincerely can't thank you enough. I hope all is well and to please stay in contact. I look forward to getting involved with the 2011 Adventures of the Mind in Montana.

Thanks for everything!

Adrienne Batiste