

# Greg the Unicyclist

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Bicycling is a fun activity many like to do to stay active, but there was a bit of a different motivation behind why Gregory Miller decided to learn how to bike on one wheel compared to two. “I always like to challenge myself to do things or learn things that most people find too challenging.” His ability to adapt to his surroundings are impressive. He learned to ride on a whim while waiting around for a bus to take him to a youth camp. “I was watching my youth leader ride around on his unicycle, so I tried it a few times to see if I could do it” he said, “knowing I wouldn’t be able to do it successfully.” His resilience earned him a few new bruises and cuts though as he stated that, “When we got to camp in New York, I found a handrail and learned how to sit on it while slowly pedaling. After about

eight collective hours practicing with the handrail, I was able to let go and ride on my own.” This success inspired him to invest in his own unicycle with his friends and begin riding around where others wouldn’t expect to see unicyclists present. “We got a group of about eight people together to go and ride in places...mild hiking trails, First Friday in Lancaster City, and finally New York City once we realized it was fun to ride around through large groups of people.” Greg encourages others to take up unicycling as well. “As long as you want to do something unique that not a lot of other people can do, all you really need is \$100 to buy your starter unicycle and a handrail long enough on a flat spot for you to use as your training wheels. It’s really that simple.”



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