

2023 Annual Report

EWALU 
Camp & Retreat Center

Annual Meeting
1 p.m. March 16, 2024
Ewalu Creation Center



*"I am the Alpha
and the Omega,
the first and the last,
the beginning
and the end."*

— Revelation 22:13

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AGENDA FOR CAMP EWALU ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, March 16, 2024 @ 1:00 p.m.

Camp Ewalu, Creation Center Chapel

Welcome & Opening Shawn Livingston

Devotions Frank Johnson

Approval of the Minutes from the 2023 Annual Meeting

Ewalu Board President's Report Shawn Livingston

Executive Director's Report Frank Johnson

Committee Reports:

Marketing/Development

Program

Property

Board Development

Endowment

Finance

- Financial Report
- Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024

Old Business:

- Update on Capital Campaign

New Business:

- Election of Board Members

Announcements:

- Thank You
- Spring Volunteer Work Weekend (May 3-4)
- 37th Annual Quilt Auction (Sept. 21)

Closing Prayer

Adjournment

ABOUT THE MEETING

Each member congregation (in the NE Iowa and SE Iowa Synods of the ELCA) may send two voting representatives to participate in the Ewalu Annual Meeting, which will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 16, 2024, at Ewalu's Creation Center, 37776 Alpha Ave., Strawberry Point, IA. Non-voting visitors also are welcome to attend the meeting.

A ballot to elect new board members and endowment committee members will be shared during the meeting, and online at <https://ewalu.org/annual-meeting-2024/> before the meeting. Should it be necessary to have a virtual/Zoom meeting this year (due to weather or Covid), we will notify churches and attendees via email, our social media, and on the website above. Instructions for how to participate will be included, should the need arise. For now, we are planning an in-person meeting only.

PDF AVAILABLE ONLINE

This year, we are mailing just one paper copy of the Ewalu Annual Report to each member church in order to use less paper and to reduce costs. A printable PDF of this 2023 Annual Report is available at <https://ewalu.org/annual-meeting-2024/> that anyone may access on a computer or mobile device. If you would like another paper copy mailed to you, please contact office@ewalu.org or call 563-933-4700. We will have additional paper copies of the Annual Report available at the Annual Meeting on March 16 at camp.

YOUR MEETING NOTES:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023-24

(listed alphabetically)

| NAME | CONGREGATION | ELECTED | TERM | EXPIRES |
|---|--|---------------|------|---------|
| Elle Blobaum Waverly | <i>St. Paul's Lutheran, Waverly</i> | Appt. 2019 | 2+ | 2026 |
| Aaron Cannon Cedar Rapids | <i>Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Marion</i> | Appt. 2020 | 2+ | 2026 |
| Mark Davidson Onalaska, WI | <i>First Lutheran, Onalaska, WI</i> | Appt. 2020 | 1+ | 2024 |
| Pr. Amy Eisenmann Cedar Falls | <i>Bethlehem Lutheran, Cedar Falls</i> | 2023 | 1 | 2026 |
| Blake Flores, Austin, MN | <i>St. Peter Lutheran, Eldorado</i> | 2021 | 1 | 2024 |
| Karen Franks Cedar Rapids | <i>Hope Lutheran, Cedar Rapids</i> | 2018 | 2 | 2024 |
| Dr. Randy Hinrichs Lisbon | <i>First Lutheran, Cedar Rapids</i> | 2018 | 2 | 2024 |
| Amanda (Ace) Hoefs Spring Grove, MN | <i>Decorah Lutheran, Decorah</i> | Appt. 2022 | + | 2024 |
| Lisa Kammerer Cresco | <i>Burr Oak Lutheran, Decorah</i> | 2019 | 2 | 2025 |
| Shawn Livingston Iowa City (<i>President</i>) | <i>Gloria Dei Lutheran, Iowa City</i> | 2017 | 2 | 2025 |
| Jason Martin-Hiner Decorah (<i>Vice President</i>) | <i>Good Shepherd Lutheran, Decorah</i> | 2022 | 1 | 2025 |
| Maggie Monson Cedar Falls | | 2022 | 1 | 2025 |
| Paul Rasmussen Monona | <i>St. Paul Lutheran, Monona</i> | 2019 | 2 | 2025 |
| Linnae Scheffel Maynard | <i>St. Paul Lutheran, Maynard</i> | 2021 | 1 | 2024 |
| Pr. Corey Smith Cedar Falls | <i>Redeemer Lutheran, Waverly</i> | 2023 | 1 | 2026 |
| Abbie Thompson, Strawberry Point (<i>Secretary</i>) | <i>Emanuel Lutheran, Strawberry Point</i> | Appt. 2020 | 2+ | 2026 |
| Tim Wuest Cedar Rapids | <i>St. Mark's Lutheran, Marion</i> | Appt. 2022 | 1+ | 2026 |
| Nathan Zietlow Pleasant Valley (<i>Treasurer</i>) | <i>Redeemer Lutheran, Bettendorf</i> | 2019 | 2 | 2025 |

+ Completing a vacant term or completed a vacant term prior to first elected term

2023-24 CAMP STAFF

| | | | |
|----------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| Frank Johnson | <i>Executive Director</i> | Ally Landt | <i>Housekeeping Director</i> |
| Diane Parker | <i>Receptionist & Registrar</i> | Jen Fuller | <i>Housekeeping/Food Service Assistant</i> |
| Paul Frantsen | <i>Property Manager</i> | Maury Landt | <i>Outdoor Education & Food Service Director</i> |
| Mark Klingner | <i>Property Assistant</i> | Pam Gordon | <i>Food service assistant</i> |
| Emily Tull | <i>Program Director</i> | Vickie Moyle | <i>Food service assistant</i> |
| Steph Boeding | <i>Marketing & Communications Director</i> | Kathy Pickart | <i>Food service assistant</i> |
| Keith Heinze | <i>Bookkeeper</i> | | |

Mission Statement

Ewalu serves all people as a place to connect the Word of God with the world of God.

Vision Statement

We envision a spiritual and physical sanctuary where people of all ages are welcome to flourish in God's Word together. It is our desire that those who engage with the Ewalu community are enriched and equipped to grow as Disciples of Christ, called to serve all of God's creation.

Statement of Core Values

Camp Ewalu, as an organization of people as well as a special place, called by God for this ministry, professes these values:

Faith Based:

In all its activities, Camp Ewalu follows a Christian-based mission, centered on the Word of God, for all who come to this place.

Community Building:

As a place to gather, Camp Ewalu provides a Christian-based environment in which to encourage relationship with God and with each other in community for all who come to this place.

Hospitality and Inclusivity:

In seeking to follow Jesus' great commandments, Camp Ewalu strives to welcome all who come to this place, inviting

relationship and caring for each other as God first loved us.

Grace:

Just as we find grace when we seek God, Camp Ewalu extends that same kindness, mercy, and blessing to all who come to this place.

Stewardship:

As part of God's creation, Camp Ewalu promotes care of the environment, the earth and the people in it, nurturing life in this place and all who come to it.

Leadership Development:

In aspiring to follow Jesus' great commission, Camp Ewalu commits to developing and encouraging leadership in all who come to this place to take the Gospel message to their homes and the world.

Ewalu Annual Meeting Minutes

Meeting held in Creation Center Chapel, March 18, 2023

Welcome & Call to order - by Board President Shawn Livingston at 1 p.m.

Devotions - by Director Frank Johnson, John 1:14 and Isaiah 54:12

Approval of the minutes from the 2021-2022 Annual Meeting - Motion to approve by Richard Tiegs, 2nd by Lana Ott, all approved - motion passed.

Ewalu Board President's Report - Shawn Livingston spoke on the high points and low points of 2022.

Executive Director's Report - Frank Johnson. In 2022 Ewalu had 886 campers onsite. Down from 2019 number, mainly due to loss of Ranch Camp. Summer staffing was a challenge. Returning to pre-pandemic numbers for retreats and rentals. The Quilt Auction brought in record proceeds. Financials were down due to decreased camper registration and a shift in donations from the general fund to the capital campaign. Inflation of expenses was felt across the board for fuel, electricity and food. Summer appeal was dedicated to the A-Frame Bridge project. Bank line of credit has a balance of \$35,000 on it. The 2023 budget takes into consideration raised camper rates and expenses. Capital campaign for Cedar Lodge has been a significant undertaking. Construction will not begin until we have 75% in hand and 90% pledged.

Staff is the primary strength. Ross Hardie, bookkeeper, is a 60% position - works remotely. Interim Program Director Ashley Gulrud resigned in August. Emily Tull was hired as new program director in November. We look forward to a great 2023.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Marketing /Development**- by board member Lisa Kammerer. Steph Boeding is the Director of Marketing. Working on Facebook posts, Instagram, website and mailings. Also invited all to checkout Camp Store after annual meeting to shop.
- **Program** - by Executive Director Frank Johnson. Camper numbers down to 886 from 929 in 2021 {mainly due to loss of ranch camp}. 19 churches had requested day camp in 2022; however, only able to do 14 due to a bout of COVID that went through the summer staff on week 1. The theme was "Boundless: God Beyond Measure." Were able to host the Dirty Feet Retreat and the Elementary Retreat.
Welcomed back 25 summer staff for the annual Winter Reunion. Transition of program director, from Ashley to Emily, has been smooth.
- **Property** - by board member Paul Rasmussen. Old A-Frame Bridge is down and gone, new one will be in place April of 2023. Spring Volunteer Work Day was attended by 35 people. 2 Volunteer Work Days were held in the fall. Thrivent Action Team grants helped with many projects in 2022. Air conditioning in Walnut Lodge was replaced, and kitchen at Stone Center was refurbished. A gift of \$10,000 was used to purchase a nice used minivan. Spring Volunteer Work Weekend is May 5-6.
- **Board Development** - Shawn Livingston reported this has been handled by the executive committee.
- **Endowment** - by Frank Johnson. The Endowment fund balance at the end of 2021 was \$1,265,390.04 and \$1,015,626.68 at the end of 2022. This committee has 5 members that are elected to a 5-year term and cannot serve 2 consecutive terms. Funds are managed by the Greater Dubuque Community Foundation, Invest in Iowa Foundation Fund, and the Life

Fund by Thrivent. 3 main areas receive disbursements: Capital Improvements, Elementary Education and Environmental Programs. Total distribution for 2022 was \$53,828.51.

- **Finance** - by Nathan Zietlow, board treasurer. Total revenue for 2022 was \$1,298,997.73. Total expenses for 2022 were \$1,028,176.47 for a net revenue of \$121,380.24. Current Assets are \$3,896,023.31 with total liabilities of \$50,797.64. Depreciation was \$149,441.02. We do have \$35,000 on LOC at bank. Chose not to pay off, due to slow income in winter months. Quilt Auction net proceeds of \$52,674.93, which is a record amount. The 2023 budget is set for revenue of \$1,079,000 and expenses of \$1,063,500. The capital campaign is not figured into the budget. A motion was made by Richard Tiegs to approve the 2023 budget, 2nd by Sandy Hyman, all approved - motion passed.

Giving has shifted to Capital Campaign, but reminder that the General Fund also needs support to make the camp work.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Update on "Cedar at 60" Capital Campaign** - by Mark Davidson and Harry Blobaum. Others on campaign committee are Elle Blobaum, Jill Davidson, Frank Johnson and Stephanie Boeding. Ewalu contracted with Jana Swenson of Kairos - a professional capital campaign consulting group. Our contract with Kairos ends in June 2022. As of March 2022, the grand total raised was \$251,082 and March 2023 grand total is \$717,303. The goal is \$2 million. The team has been busy making visits to churches and homes, phone calls and putting on enrichment programs. A letter was sent to former board members from over the last 60 years as well. May 17 is Great Give Day; all funds will go to the Capital Campaign. Steph Boeding, director of marketing, has done marketing and graphic design all in-house.
- **2022 Quilt Auction** - Shawn Livingston reported that \$52,674.93 was raised in 2022. This was a record amount. It was held hybrid style again - with "in-person" live auction and online auction.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Election of Board Members** - On the ballot for Board of Directors: Elle Blobaum - 2nd term; Abbie Thompson - 2nd term; Tim Wuest - 1st term; Aaron Cannon - 2nd term; Pr. Corey Smith - 1st term; and Pr. Amy Eisenmann - 1st term. A motion was made by Richard Tiegs for nominations to cease and to cast approval of a unanimous ballot, 2nd by Cheryl Wilms, all approved - motion passed.
- **Election of Endowment Trustee** - No one volunteered/was appointed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Thank you to all, especially outgoing board member Pr. Katie Lowe-Lancaster
- Enrichment Program - April 21 from 1-3 p.m.
- Spring Volunteer Work Weekend - May 5-6
- Donor Dinner - June 4
- 36th Annual Quilt Auction - September 16

Closing Prayer: Frank Johnson

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Karen Franks at 1:50 p.m. Vote: Approved

Minutes by Secretary Abbie Thompson

Executive Director's Report

In 2023, EWALU welcomed roughly 870 campers and 44 staff over the summer camping season with the summer theme of *Holy Trinity – Wholly Love*. We also served many Day Camps in communities across Eastern Iowa. In the spring and fall, we had roughly 1,300 students on site for environmental education and ropes. Our retreat and rentals are booming year-round as groups return from the pandemic and new groups are staying at Ewalu all the time. Altogether, over 5,000 individuals connected with our camp on-site or through Day Camp this past year!

Highlights from the year included our annual Quilt Auction, which included both in-person and virtual bidding opportunities. The 2023 event topped \$60,000 in proceeds for the second year in a row and included a fall festival element for families to enjoy. Our 2024 Quilt Auction will take place on Saturday, September 21.



We are thankful for the good work of Ross Hardie, who has served as Ewalu's Finance Director for the past two-and-a-half years. Ross's family moved to Wisconsin and he persevered working from a distance for a year before taking another job close to home. We are excited to welcome Keith Heinze as our new bookkeeper as of December 2023.

In spring of 2023, we built a beautiful, new A-Frame bridge across the Maquoketa River. Thank you to everyone who helped fund that project! The bridge replaces our old bridge that stood for nearly 50 years. The new bridge features much larger abutments and steel beams but maintains the wooden A-Frame exterior. One of the best features of the bridge is its location just down the hill from Cedar Lodge. You can spy trout year-round in the pools below. It is a beautiful setting!

Our biggest ongoing project is the *Cedar at 60 Campaign* to renovate Cedar Lodge. The updated lodge will have greater ADA-accessibility, remodeled bathrooms, a redesigned dining hall, air conditioning and HVAC, a new grand entry, technology upgrades, and green architecture including a solar array. This \$2 million campaign went public in July 2022, and as of the end of 2023, we have raised \$1.2 million in gifts and pledges. Our board of directors has pledged 10%, or \$200,000, and we have 100% support of the board and staff.

The solar array portion of the project is slated for completion in early 2024. We have sent materials to congregations across Eastern Iowa and look forward to engaging with all who are interested in supporting this project!

Blessings!

Rev. Frank Johnson
Executive Director

Property Report

It was a busy year at Ewalu with some useful projects being completed at camp. The campers, staff, board, alumni, and volunteers continue to make Ewalu an amazing place, thanks to their hearts and hands of service and love.

Highlights from 2023

- After two years of preparations, the new A-Frame Bridge was completed in the spring. We are looking forward to it being around for the next hundred years.
- A new cabin was built in the LT village for coordinators. We repurposed old rafters, windows, lumber, and metal roofing for the project. Two Thrivent grants helped pay for supplies, and Jason Martin-Hiner obtained another to purchase a solar panel for it.
- One acre of land was cleared behind the office for a solar array to be installed this year. It will provide clean power to Cedar Lodge and the office building.
- We purchased four new mattresses for Hickory Lodge and eight for the Stone Center.
- We did some logging at the Stone Center and main site. Income totaled about \$150,000.
- Many volunteers have come to work in the garden, paint cabins, mow grass, and enjoy being part of the community. Volunteers are always a highlight for us at camp.



The Spring Volunteer Work Day on May 6 was attended by 45 people. It rained, but a lot of work still got done. Projects included construction of a new cabin in the LT village, repair of the pony shed at the farm, trail maintenance, wood splitting, gardening, preparing summer villages, cabin cleanup, and stocking wood. A group of 1990s alumni had fun setting up Foresters village. Many volunteers helped with projects at other times during the year, too.

The Fall Work Days included a variety of projects on October 14 and prairie restoration work on October 21. The Dirty Feet Retreat campers were a huge help that day, too.

Thrivent grants (\$250 value each) have been used for many projects, including gardening supplies, lumber for cabins, new LED lights for Cedar Lodge, riprap around the A-Frame Bridge, picnic tables, Adirondack chairs, supplies for prairie restoration, and many other things. If you'd like to obtain a Thrivent grant for Ewalu, please contact the camp office or see details online at www.ewalu.org/thrivent.

Spring Volunteer Work Day: May 4, 2024

Jobs include building a new cabin by the pool, staining the A-Frame Bridge, and much more. Please call Ewalu to RSVP. Volunteers may come any other time, too.

Thank you for your support of Camp Ewalu.

Paul Frantsen
Property Manager

CAMP EWALU HIGHLIGHTS & STATISTICS FOR 2023

Summer Camp Staff

45 Program Staff (start of summer)
14 Session 1 — LTs
9 Session 2 — LTs

Day Camp Program

17 Churches
587 Participants

8 Weeks of Summer Camp

866 Campers

705 Youth Program Participants
116 Family Camp Participants
45 Grandparent Camp Participants

Campership Support Given

The full cost of providing a week of onsite camp at Ewalu was about \$755 per child in 2023, but thanks to the support of our donors we were able to provide our campers a week of camp for \$499. In addition, we gave \$18,962.50 of additional camperships to families of 63 campers in greater need (about twice as much as the previous year). Camp Ewalu has never had to turn a child away from camp because their family couldn't afford it. **Thanks to our donors for helping us uphold that commitment!** In 2023 we received donations totalling \$32,292 specifically for our Campership Fund.

Events and Retreats in 2023

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|---|----|--------|-------|----------------|
| Ewalu Summer Staff Events | 5 | Events | 156 | Participants |
| Ewalu Donor Dinner | 1 | Event | 148 | Participants |
| Ewalu Youth-Sponsored Events (ER, DFR) | 2 | Events | 78 | Participants |
| Volunteer Events | 21 | Events | 197 | Participants |
| Retreats at Ewalu's Main Site | 53 | Events | 1,053 | Participants |
| Retreats at Main Site - Family | 19 | Events | 311 | Participants |
| Retreats at Main Site - College | 3 | Events | 72 | Participants |
| Retreats at Stone Center Site | 26 | Events | 475 | Participants |
| Retreats at Stone Center Site - Family | 14 | Events | 459 | Participants |
| Main Site School Groups | 17 | Events | 1,215 | Participants |
| Campground Use | 40 | Groups | 318 | Participants |
| Quilt Auction | 1 | Event | 240 | Served on-site |
| Enrichment Events (geared for adults) | 3 | Events | 104 | Participants |
| Spring Work Day | 1 | Event | 45 | Participants |
| Fall Work Day | 2 | Events | 62 | Participants |
| Royal Legacy Christian Academy | 1 | Event | 25 | Participants |
| Hope Camp (Waterloo, IA) | 1 | Event | 39 | Participants |
| Grotto Gallop Trail Run & Walk (new!) | 1 | Event | 79 | Participants |

** Every effort has been made to list 2023 statistics accurately. If we have entered anything incorrectly, please contact us so that we can make the appropriate correction.*

Program Report

In comparison to 2023, participation at camp has stayed pretty steady in most areas. During our summer programming, we saw a slight decrease in camper registrations, coming in at 866 versus the 875 we saw in 2022.

Our staff grew this summer compared to last summer, with 45 summer staff members hired at the start of the summer and 23 LT participants. We welcomed 4 international staff this past summer, who proved to be valuable members of the community! They came to us from Mexico and Guyana, and we thank God for the ways they were able to contribute to Ewalu's ministry.

We had 18 churches request Day Camp in 2023, with one that ended up canceling due to low registration numbers on their end. We also held 3 weeks of Day Camp with Bremwood Residential Treatment Center in Waverly (affiliated with Lutheran Services in Iowa), where we were able to offer day camp on their site, as well as invite their participants to our site to go canoeing, try the high ropes course, and spend some time with God outside of their day-to-day experiences.

For the summer curriculum, we used the theme and Bible studies provided by Lutheran Outdoor Ministries (LOM). The theme was "Holy Trinity, Wholly Love." This curriculum explored the Holy Trinity and provided insight into how each aspect of the Trinity shows us a glimpse of God's love for us. It also explored themes about who we are as individuals, and what it means to be individuals in a community of faith.



Thankfully, we were able to avoid any bouts of Covid this summer and we had a relatively healthy summer amongst summer staff. We did, however, have other unique challenges, like the smoke in the air that came down from the wildfires in Canada during Week 3. As always, we adapted and God's plan prevailed despite any perceived challenges. We prayed and played alongside our campers through sunshine, storms, and everything in between and overall had a very successful summer.

Things didn't slow down much in the retreat season, either! During the spring of 2023 we welcomed 17 campers for the Spring Dirty Feet Retreat. Registrations for the Fall Dirty Feet Retreat saw a large increase, with 62 campers present! We also welcomed around 35 summer staff and graduating LTs back to site for our annual Winter Reunion. Many of them interviewed during the reunion to return as staff for summer 2024!

Having now completed my first full year of ministry at Ewalu has shown me again just how tangible God's love is here. I feel incredibly blessed to be part of this community and look to the future with anticipation for all that God will do in this place. Thank you for your continued prayers and support, and I can't wait to see you at camp in 2024!

Emily Tull

Program Director

Environmental Education Report

2023 saw another large year for our outdoor educational retreats. Spring and fall combined for 22 different schools, churches, colleges, and organizations totaling 1,428 kids and adults. This is a slight uptick from last year despite overall fewer groups.

Out of our available fall days, we were busier more than half the days during our fall season. To put that further into perspective, we'll see more kids on the high and low ropes course in fewer days than we will all of summer camp combined. The zip line is always the most popular activity for schools to participate in, which led to some unexpected expenses that we were able to take care of.

In addition to the office staff, I want to give a large thank you to Carrie Harper for coming in this fall for a number of days. When we're able to bring in people to help run the course it allows our office staff to focus on their own work projects, so thank you, Carrie!



If you are interested in seeing what makes this part of our outdoor ministry so important and impactful, don't hesitate to reach out to the office and ask! We are always looking for people to come out and help. If you want to be outside during normal weekday office hours (we're usually done by 3:00!) in beautiful spring and fall Iowa weather AND get paid for it, we would love to see you on the ropes course. It's easy to learn!

Maury Landt

Environmental Education Director



HELP NEEDED

Want to help out when groups come to use the ropes course? You get to enjoy the outdoors, and you get paid!

Call the Ewalu office at 563-933-4700 or email outdoor.ed@ewalu.org for more information.

Marketing Director's Report

So much is happening at camp at any time of year, we're never at a loss for news and events to share! We've added a new Trail Run & Walk event in the fall and Enrichment Events year-round that are bringing more people to camp outside of the summer season.

We continue to use social media as a core tool for sharing what's happening at Ewalu. Our main channels are Facebook and Instagram (be sure to "follow" us on both!). We are doing more with video on our YouTube channel and on our new TikTok account, where we know our campers and summer staff are more likely see our content.



Great Give Day, an online day of giving, was a huge success in May 2023, with over \$33,500 raised for the "Cedar at 60" campaign from 163 donors in 24 hours! That was up from about \$8,300 raised with 83 donors in 2022 for the A-Frame Bridge Project. In 2023, we met a \$6,500 challenge from the Ewalu Board of Directors and won \$1,500 in prizes from the Greater Dubuque Community Foundation, too. Special thanks to Emily Tull for spearheading our Great Give Day "booth" in downtown Dubuque. Great Give Day in 2024 will be Wednesday, May 15!

The 2023 Quilt Auction broke a record in number of items donated: more than 370 quilts and hand-crafted items! Thank you to the many volunteers and board members who helped us all summer to log, fold and photograph each item, and to those who helped out on the big day in September. It takes many, many hands! The hybrid auction (which is really 2 separate auctions: one live and one online) came close to breaking last year's record of funds raised. With so many items up for bids, my main concern is finding more bidders to help boost the bid prices on each item. Even with hundreds more dollars spent on advertising this past year, it is hard to attract more bidders and attendees; please help us spread the word about the wonderful items in our auction and bring a friend with you to the live auction!

We are blessed to have generous, talented friends of Ewalu who provide their professional services for a drastically reduced cost. Among them are Josh Voigt of Cedar Falls, a videographer who has helped us several times the past couple of years with filming and video production, and Devin Grainger of Cresco, who took wonderful photos for us in the summer and during the Quilt Auction.



I want to say a special thank you to Ewalu's Holy Folders (pictured above)! These faithful and joyful volunteers save camp many hundreds of dollars in postage and stuffing fees by helping with our mailings several times a year. We always have a great time of fellowship while we work!

Steph Boeding

Marketing & Communications Director

EWALU FINANCIALS

Income Statement & Proposed Budget

| Ordinary Revenue/Expense | Jan - Dec 2022 | Jan - Dec 2023 | YTD Variance | 2023 Budget | 2024 Budget |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Revenue | | | | | |
| 301 Congregations | \$73,101.36 | \$65,533.63 | \$(7,567.73) | \$81,000.00 | \$65,000.00 |
| 302 Organizations | \$5,287.43 | \$4,959.75 | \$(327.68) | \$5,500.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| 303 Designated Gifts | \$357,318.39 | \$526,635.60 | \$169,317.21 | \$70,000.00 | \$10,000.00 |
| 304 Individuals - Undesignated | \$130,990.92 | \$93,821.74 | \$(37,169.18) | \$140,000.00 | \$100,000.00 |
| 305 Camperships | \$25,465.00 | \$33,268.00 | \$7,803.00 | \$30,000.00 | \$32,000.00 |
| 307 Thrivent Funding - Choice & Gifts | \$12,521.00 | \$13,434.00 | \$913.00 | \$16,000.00 | \$15,000.00 |
| 309 Gifts in Kind | | \$500.00 | \$500.00 | \$- | \$500.00 |
| 311 Matching Gifts-Other | \$850.00 | \$1,000.00 | \$150.00 | \$750.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 313 Endowments Disbursements | \$8,950.00 | \$90,970.99 | \$82,020.99 | \$42,000.00 | \$92,000.00 |
| Total Support Revenue | \$614,484.10 | \$830,123.71 | \$215,639.61 | \$385,250.00 | \$320,500.00 |
| 314 Business Rebates | \$1,646.20 | \$902.11 | \$(744.09) | \$1,500.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 320 Youth Programming | \$2,315.00 | \$6,865.00 | \$4,550.00 | \$5,000.00 | \$7,500.00 |
| 321 Youth Summer | \$290,005.00 | \$291,712.35 | \$1,707.35 | \$335,000.00 | \$315,000.00 |
| 322 Campground Fee | \$2,370.00 | \$3,940.00 | \$1,570.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$4,500.00 |
| 323 Day Camp | \$22,865.27 | \$32,257.27 | \$9,392.00 | \$24,000.00 | \$32,500.00 |
| 324 Retreat - Ewalu | \$52,284.81 | \$61,950.99 | \$9,666.18 | \$55,000.00 | \$75,000.00 |
| 325 Retreat - Stone Center | \$50,696.00 | \$66,677.25 | \$15,981.25 | \$54,000.00 | \$67,500.00 |
| 326 Food Sales - Ewalu | \$25,679.35 | \$9,302.50 | \$(16,376.85) | \$28,000.00 | \$25,000.00 |
| 327 Adult Programming | \$19,604.00 | \$20,080.65 | \$476.65 | \$22,000.00 | \$22,000.00 |
| 328 Food Sales - Stone Center | \$9,823.71 | \$17,197.25 | \$7,373.54 | \$11,000.00 | \$20,000.00 |
| 330 Environmental Education | \$3,948.00 | \$1,601.25 | \$(2,346.75) | \$4,500.00 | \$2,500.00 |
| 331 Canteen | \$23,407.93 | \$26,884.98 | \$3,477.05 | \$27,000.00 | \$27,000.00 |
| 332 Staff Sharing Income | | | | | \$31,125.00 |
| 335 Milk Refund | | \$923.45 | \$923.45 | | \$- |
| 336 Gas & Elec. Patronage Dividend | | \$1,106.81 | \$1,106.81 | \$750.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 337 High-Low Ropes/Equip Rental | \$26,103.00 | \$24,172.00 | \$(1,931.00) | \$30,000.00 | \$25,000.00 |
| 338 Land Rental/CRP Payment | \$18,326.00 | \$18,238.00 | \$(88.00) | \$18,000.00 | \$19,000.00 |
| 339 Miscellaneous | \$10,921.89 | \$2,944.98 | \$(7,976.91) | \$20,000.00 | \$56,000.00 |
| 342 Interest | \$1,508.01 | \$21,789.40 | \$20,281.39 | \$500.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 343 Quilt Revenue | \$57,409.17 | \$58,598.52 | \$1,189.35 | \$50,000.00 | \$55,000.00 |
| 345 Quilt Auction Country Store | \$4,898.50 | \$1,918.75 | \$(2,979.75) | \$4,500.00 | \$2,500.00 |
| 347 Quilt Auction Worship | \$137.00 | \$164.00 | \$27.00 | \$500.00 | \$200.00 |
| 350 Logging Proceeds | | \$145,975.00 | \$145,975.00 | | \$5,000.00 |
| Uncategorized Income | | | | | |
| Total Earned Revenue | \$623,948.84 | \$815,202.51 | \$191,253.67 | \$693,750.00 | \$795,325.00 |
| Total Revenue | \$1,238,432.94 | \$1,645,326.22 | \$406,893.28 | \$1,079,000.00 | \$1,115,825.00 |

EWALU FINANCIALS

Income Statement & Proposed Budget (Cont.)

| | Jan - Dec 2022 | Jan - Dec 2023 | YTD Variance | 2023 Budget | 2024 Budget |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Expenditures | | | | | |
| 411 Administrative - Salaries | \$190,867.50 | \$188,327.88 | \$(2,539.62) | \$186,000.00 | \$183,000.00 |
| 412 Summer Staff | \$133,585.21 | \$136,827.80 | \$3,242.59 | \$145,000.00 | \$140,000.00 |
| 413 Program Staff | \$46,370.02 | \$62,749.29 | \$16,379.27 | \$56,000.00 | \$68,000.00 |
| 416 Maintenance Staff | \$51,652.81 | \$57,034.40 | \$5,381.59 | \$55,000.00 | \$59,000.00 |
| 417 Food Service Staff | \$25,026.06 | \$32,496.87 | \$7,470.81 | \$30,000.00 | \$34,000.00 |
| 418 Housekeeping Staff | \$24,742.98 | \$33,887.28 | \$9,144.30 | \$25,000.00 | \$34,000.00 |
| Total Salary Expense | \$472,244.58 | \$511,323.52 | \$39,078.94 | \$497,000.00 | \$518,000.00 |
| 421 Medical/Dental/Life | \$97,630.00 | \$79,996.01 | \$(17,633.99) | \$90,000.00 | \$80,000.00 |
| 422 Pension - Ewalu Pd (209 - emp) | \$29,163.52 | \$29,663.86 | \$500.34 | \$31,000.00 | \$31,000.00 |
| 431 Payroll Tax Exp. | \$32,058.08 | \$35,819.90 | \$3,761.82 | \$33,500.00 | \$36,000.00 |
| 433 Workers Comp | \$12,643.70 | \$20,304.00 | \$7,660.30 | \$15,750.00 | \$21,000.00 |
| 434 Educational Ben. | | \$175.00 | \$175.00 | \$500.00 | \$500.00 |
| Total Benefits Expense | \$171,495.30 | \$165,958.77 | \$(5,536.53) | \$170,750.00 | \$168,500.00 |
| 444 Contract Service - Ewalu | \$3,014.82 | \$2,791.20 | \$(223.62) | \$3,500.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| 447 Program Contracts | \$14,146.22 | \$21,428.12 | \$7,281.90 | \$13,000.00 | \$20,000.00 |
| 450 Credit Card Service | \$7,368.54 | \$9,011.36 | \$1,642.82 | \$8,000.00 | \$9,000.00 |
| Total Contract Services | \$24,529.58 | \$33,230.68 | \$8,701.10 | \$24,500.00 | \$32,000.00 |
| 451 Office Expense/Supplies | \$1,753.03 | \$2,265.40 | \$512.37 | \$3,000.00 | \$2,000.00 |
| 452 Maintenance Supplies | \$1,172.82 | \$1,268.67 | \$95.85 | \$1,250.00 | \$1,250.00 |
| 453 Health Supplies | \$467.72 | \$1,144.30 | \$676.58 | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 454 Pool Supplies | \$7,252.85 | \$7,252.54 | \$(0.31) | \$7,000.00 | \$7,500.00 |
| 455 Food Supplies Ewalu | \$- | \$533.21 | \$533.21 | | |
| 455-1 Food Supplies - Ewalu Summer | \$42,405.55 | \$53,663.10 | \$11,257.55 | \$45,000.00 | \$56,000.00 |
| 455-2 Food Supplies - Ewalu Non-Summer | \$13,856.95 | \$10,092.99 | \$(3,763.96) | \$15,000.00 | \$15,000.00 |
| 456 Food Supplies Stone | \$9,299.60 | \$13,576.28 | \$4,276.68 | \$9,000.00 | \$14,000.00 |
| 457 Program Supplies/Expense | \$13,805.02 | \$10,367.84 | \$(3,437.18) | \$10,000.00 | \$10,000.00 |
| 458 Canteen Supplies | \$14,707.81 | \$16,819.75 | \$2,111.94 | \$19,000.00 | \$19,000.00 |
| 460 Housekeeping Supplies | \$7,025.94 | \$7,678.83 | \$652.89 | \$5,000.00 | \$7,000.00 |
| 461 Kitchen Supplies | \$2,847.18 | \$3,058.10 | \$210.92 | \$2,500.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| Total Supplies Expense | \$114,594.47 | \$127,721.01 | \$13,126.54 | \$117,750.00 | \$135,750.00 |

EWALU FINANCIALS

Income Statement & Proposed Budget (Cont.)

| | Jan - Dec 2022 | Jan - Dec 2023 | YTD Variance | 2023 Budget | 2024 Budget |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 471 Telephone - Ewalu | \$3,850.73 | \$3,916.68 | \$65.95 | \$4,000.00 | \$4,000.00 |
| 472 Telephone - Stone | \$719.40 | \$719.40 | \$- | \$750.00 | \$750.00 |
| 473 Postage | \$4,829.85 | \$5,760.81 | \$930.96 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,500.00 |
| 474 IS/IT | \$10,984.07 | \$16,784.33 | \$5,800.26 | \$11,500.00 | \$13,000.00 |
| 481 Electricty | \$37,348.52 | \$37,360.73 | \$12.21 | \$37,000.00 | \$35,000.00 |
| 483 Heating Fuel | \$23,191.45 | \$23,895.16 | \$703.71 | \$20,000.00 | \$18,000.00 |
| 485 Water Maintenance | \$3,875.08 | \$5,607.77 | \$1,732.69 | \$4,000.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| 486 Improvement/Repair - Ewalu | \$13,385.53 | \$17,960.34 | \$4,574.81 | \$11,000.00 | \$15,000.00 |
| 487 Improvement/Repair - Stone | \$2,596.45 | \$3,859.88 | \$1,263.43 | \$8,000.00 | \$7,500.00 |
| 488 Insurance | \$50,643.96 | \$59,507.00 | \$8,863.04 | \$56,000.00 | \$64,000.00 |
| Total Operational Expense | \$151,425.04 | \$175,372.10 | \$23,947.06 | \$157,250.00 | \$167,750.00 |
| 502 Quilt Auction Expense | \$8,254.57 | \$10,316.64 | \$2,062.07 | \$8,000.00 | \$9,000.00 |
| 511 Program / Camp Promotion | \$17,047.68 | \$16,398.13 | \$(649.55) | \$16,000.00 | \$16,000.00 |
| 517 Development Expense | \$261.70 | \$604.14 | \$342.44 | \$1,000.00 | \$3,500.00 |
| 518 Employee Relations Expense | \$3,900.00 | | \$(3,900.00) | \$4,000.00 | \$4,000.00 |
| 519 Vehicle Fuel | \$10,337.74 | \$7,251.87 | \$(3,085.87) | \$10,000.00 | \$8,000.00 |
| 520 Vehicle Expense | \$2,680.38 | \$7,724.95 | \$5,044.57 | \$7,500.00 | \$8,000.00 |
| 521 Mileage | \$777.35 | \$1,897.49 | \$1,120.14 | \$1,000.00 | \$1,500.00 |
| 532 Training | \$3,575.46 | \$5,131.47 | \$1,556.01 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| 533 Employee/conference (Region 5) | \$1,721.92 | \$3,374.76 | \$1,652.84 | \$3,000.00 | \$3,000.00 |
| 534 Board Expenses | | | \$- | \$1,000.00 | \$500.00 |
| 541 Recruiting | \$275.00 | \$879.67 | \$604.67 | \$500.00 | \$750.00 |
| 550 Finance Charge | \$241.15 | \$649.84 | \$408.69 | \$250.00 | \$250.00 |
| 551 Dues / Permit / License / Fees | \$10,227.20 | \$9,184.47 | \$(1,042.73) | \$11,000.00 | \$10,000.00 |
| 552 Accounting Services | \$14,734.41 | \$10,979.00 | \$(3,755.41) | \$8,500.00 | \$14,000.00 |
| 555 Miscellaneous Expense | \$14,089.71 | \$9,857.38 | \$(4,232.33) | \$8,000.00 | \$8,000.00 |
| 556 Interest Payment | | \$4,473.48 | \$4,473.48 | \$2,500.00 | \$2,500.00 |
| Total General Expense | \$88,124.27 | \$88,723.29 | \$599.02 | \$87,250.00 | \$94,000.00 |
| 631 Tools/Equip | | | | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 632 Office Equip - copier counter | \$914.36 | \$1,165.80 | \$251.44 | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 633 Furnishings | \$45.00 | | \$(45.00) | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| 635 Recreational Expense | \$3,815.76 | \$7,276.27 | \$3,460.51 | \$5,000.00 | \$5,000.00 |
| 637 Kitchen Equipment | \$979.96 | | \$(979.96) | \$1,000.00 | \$1,000.00 |
| Total Equipment Expense | \$5,755.08 | \$8,442.07 | \$2,686.99 | \$9,000.00 | \$9,000.00 |
| 702 Capital Campaign Contracts | \$37,960.00 | \$18,980.00 | \$(18,980.00) | | |
| 881 Capital Campaign Expenses | \$6,371.96 | \$3,828.83 | \$(2,543.13) | | |
| Total Expenditures | \$1,068,790.92 | \$1,133,580.27 | \$61,079.99 | \$1,063,500.00 | \$1,125,000.00 |
| Net Operating Revenue (Without Depreciation) | \$169,642.02 | \$511,745.95 | \$345,813.29 | \$15,500.00 | \$(9,175.00) |
| 495 Depreciation Expense | \$147,515.00 | \$149,487.62 | \$1,972.62 | \$150,000.00 | \$150,000.00 |
| Other Revenue | | | | | |
| 902 Gain/Loss on Life Fund | \$(196,624.66) | | \$196,624.66 | | |
| 903 Gain/Loss - Fixed Asset Disposal | | \$1,500.00 | \$1,500.00 | | |
| Net Revenue (Including Depreciation) | \$22,127.02 | \$362,258.33 | \$343,840.67 | \$(134,500.00) | \$(159,175.00) |

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Balance Sheet—December 31, 2023

| | TOTAL |
|--|-----------------------|
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Bank Accounts | |
| 101 · General Checking -EWALU | 45,963.43 |
| 105 · Petty Cash | 402.49 |
| 110 · Capital Campaign | 800,993.13 |
| 111 · Special Projects Savings | 67,613.36 |
| 117 · Quilt Auction Acct | 1,492.23 |
| Total Bank Accounts | \$916,464.64 |
| Other Current Assets | |
| 112 · Endowment Fund | 535,033.03 |
| 113 · Temp Restricted Endowment Fund | 44,370.08 |
| 114 · Restricted Endowment Fund | 436,223.57 |
| 119 · Canteen Inventory | 8,775.81 |
| 120 · Prepaid Expenses | 11,748.50 |
| 122 · Payroll Credits Receivable | 46,593.69 |
| Payroll Refunds | 1.34 |
| Total Other Current Assets | \$1,082,746.02 |
| Total Current Assets | \$1,999,210.66 |
| Fixed Assets | |
| 155 · Buildings - Ewalu | 2,939,219.41 |
| 157 · Buildings - Stone Center | 668,481.16 |
| 160 · Equipment & Furnishings | 207,447.77 |
| 162 · Equip & Furnishings - Stone Center | 30,922.56 |
| 163 · Recreational Equipment | 25,577.36 |
| 165 · Vehicles, Tools & Equipment | 134,869.89 |
| 167 · Pool | 272,755.09 |
| 170 · Land - Ewalu | 522,358.00 |
| 172 · Land - Stone Center | 52,671.11 |
| 175 · Accumulated Depreciation | -2,734,188.62 |
| 185 · Construction in Progress | 39,886.45 |
| 186 · Horse Facilities | 18,358.23 |
| 187 · A-Frame Bridge | 129,384.18 |
| Total Fixed Assets | \$2,307,742.59 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$4,306,953.25 |

EWALU FINANCIALS

Balance Sheet—December 31, 2023 (Cont.)

| | TOTAL |
|--|------------------------------|
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | |
| Liabilities | |
| Current Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable | |
| 210 · Accounts Payable | -886.45 |
| Total Accounts Payable | -\$886.45 |
| Other Current Liabilities | |
| 209 Emp Pension Deduct Payable | -35.55 |
| 211 Payroll Payable | 4,728.11 |
| 215 Unearned Revenue-Sum Camp | 2,633.00 |
| 216 Unearned Revenue-Day Camp | 464.73 |
| 217 Deposits Payable | 3,600.00 |
| 24000 Payroll Liabilities | 5,376.70 |
| 253 Citizens Bank-Line of Credit | 28,968.62 |
| 423 Flexible Spending Account | -116.80 |
| 426 Supplemental Life Insurance | 3.00 |
| 427 HSA EE Family | 72.91 |
| 428 Health Insurance Buy-Up | 168.26 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | \$45,862.98 |
| Total Liabilities | \$44,976.53 |
| Equity | |
| 254 · Temporarily Rest Net Assets | 317,209.60 |
| 290 · Fund Balance - EWALU | 638,136.00 |
| 291 · Fund Balance - Stone Center | 299,482.97 |
| 292 · Endowment Fund - Restricted | 478,609.57 |
| 296 · Retained Earnings | 1,503,429.22 |
| 32000 · Unrestricted Net Assets | 661,351.03 |
| Net Revenue | 363,758.33 |
| Total Equity | \$4,261,976.72 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | <u>\$4,306,953.25</u> |

EWALU FINANCIALS

Ewalu Endowment Report 2023

Camp Ewalu Endowment Report 2023

| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Camp Ewalu Life Fund balance | \$1,064,601.00 | \$1,142,185.91 | \$1,265,390.04 | \$1,015,626.68 | \$1,095,076.01 |
| Ewalu Fund with Dubuque Comm Foundation | \$154,284.57 | \$199,489.21 | \$225,935.74 | \$183,296.92 | \$201,290.17 |
| Lybbert Fund for LVC held by DCF | \$277,637.88 | \$326,824.70 | \$361,833.39 | \$306,211.46 | \$329,119.29 |
| Disbursements from Life Fund | \$0.00 | \$35,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$53,138.70 | \$53,829.00 |
| Disbursements from Comm Foundation fund | \$7,000.00 | \$7,100.00 | \$7,350.00 | \$8,950.00 | \$9,250.00 |
| Disbursement from Lybbert DCF held for LVC | \$13,730.00 | \$14,800.00 | \$14,980.00 | \$0.00 | \$15,530.00 |
| Donations received for Life Fund | \$10,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$1,794.05 |
| Donations received for Comm Foundation fund | \$8,000.00 | \$7,000.00 | \$2,500.00 | \$962.80 | \$3,873.77 |
| Return on investment for Life Fund | 17.83% | 10.58% | 10.79% | -15.54% | 12.95% |
| Return on investment for Comm Foundation fund | 0.00% | 8.87% | 15.69% | -15.34% | 12.75% |
| Return on investment for Lybbert DCF held for LVC | 4.95% | 8.27% | 15.29% | -15.37% | 12.55% |

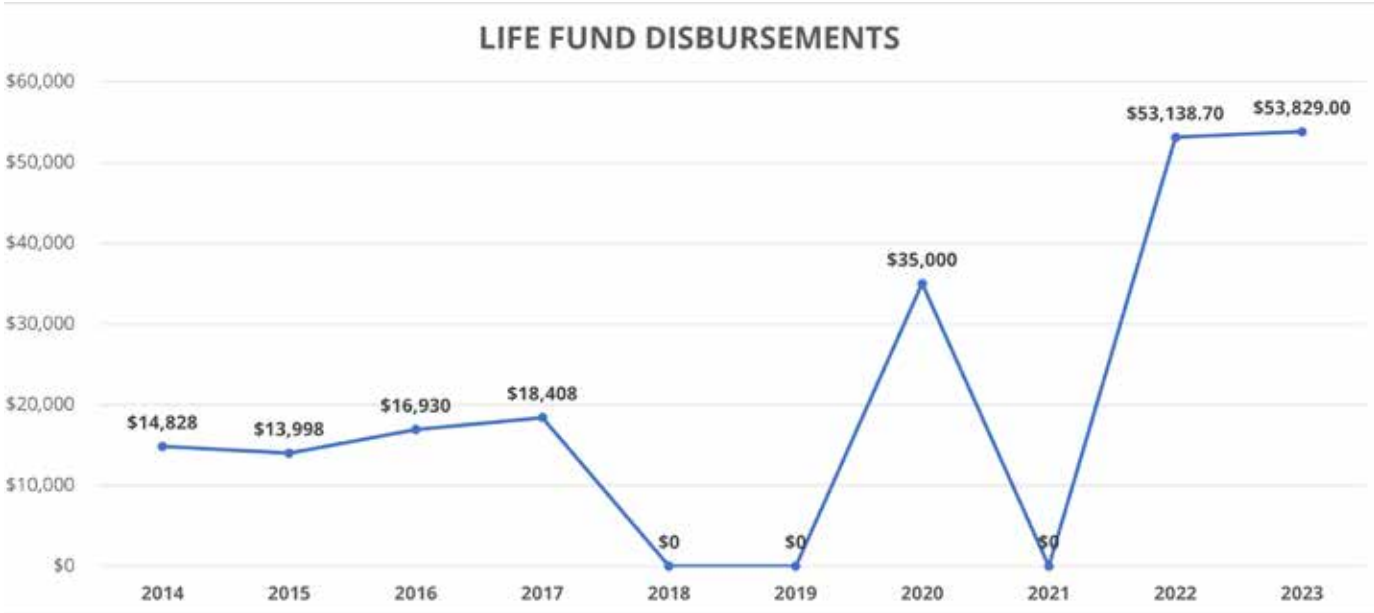
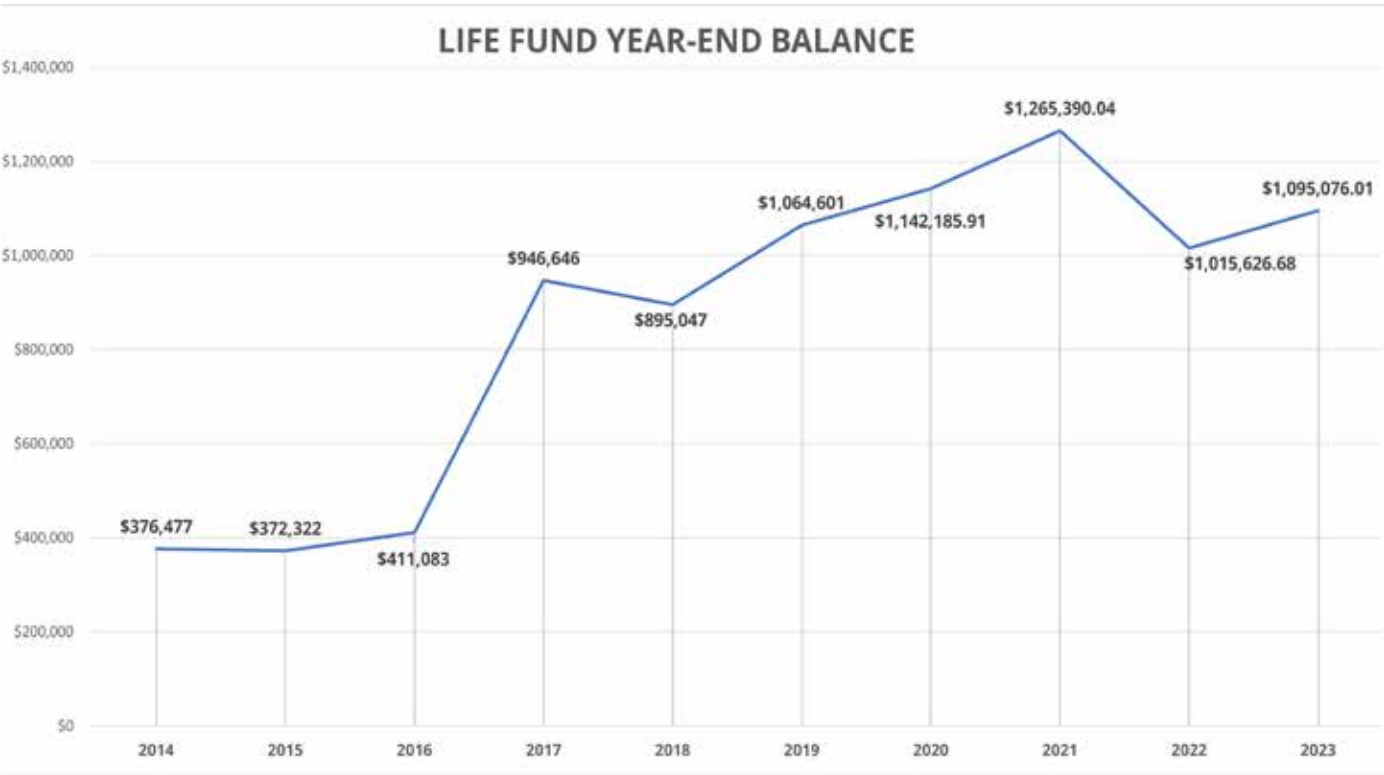
Camp Ewalu's Life Fund, which is controlled by the five members of the Endowment Committee, is the only endowment fund that camp has control over. The endowment funds managed by the Greater Dubuque Community Foundation include the funds held for the Lutheran Volunteer Corps and the Invest in Iowa Community Foundation fund. Distribution limits are set by the Community Foundation. The fund held for the LVC is designated as to purpose for any disbursements. Also, due to the designations by donors to the Life Fund, distributions are broken down into three main areas, which are capital improvements, elementary education and environmental programs.

In April 2018, the endowment committee voted to have the Life Fund investments placed in a managed investment account with Thrivent Investments; Jeff Olinger is the fund manger for our Life Fund investments and is a certified fund manager. The cost of the managed account is comparable to, and in some cases slightly less than, a non-managed account. Before placing the funds in a managed account, the endowment committee members themselves were making the investment decisions.

This year the total amount available for distribution is \$55,828.80. The Endowment committee members are currently: Marcia Rueber, Jack Dahlby, Glenn Fenneman, Linda Walter and Jim Meehan. Endowment Committee members are elected to a five-year term and cannot serve two consecutive terms.

EWALU FINANCIALS

Ewalu Endowment Report 2023



Quilt Auction Report

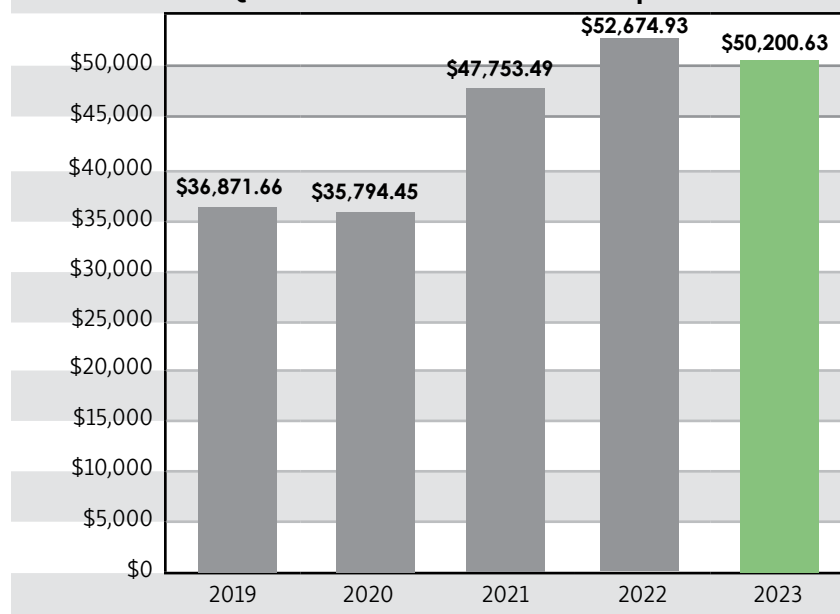
The Ewalu Quilt Auction, held annually in September, counts on involvement from members of many congregations and allows supporters and friends to spend time at camp. In 2023, we held a hybrid auction event for our third year in a row—you can see the success of that model in the chart below! This year, we had a record 370+ quilts and handcrafted items donated for the event. Wow! With 130 quilts and items auctioned in person and over 200 additional items online, we came close to last year's record of proceeds raised for another great fundraiser that involves so many talented folks! ***We are inviting church groups and individuals who donated quilts/items to our Quilters Luncheon at camp on March 25, as our way of saying thank you!***

Quilt Auction Results 2023

| | |
|---|--------------------|
| Virtual and In-Person Quilt Auction sales, plus Country Store | \$59,772.27 |
| "In Lieu of Quilts" donations | \$745.00 |
| (Quilt Auction expenses) | (\$10,316.64) |
| Net proceeds from Quilt Auction | \$50,200.63 |



Quilt Auction Net Proceeds Comparison



Thank you!

The Quilt Auction is supported by many individuals, volunteers, and congregations.

Thank you for supporting Ewalu!

Save the date for the 2024 Quilt Auction: Saturday, Sept. 21

Quilt & item donations due to the Ewalu office by Aug. 23 to guarantee inclusion in booklet.

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD

2023 Congregations' Support & Usage Statistics

NOTE: "Camper Participation" totals reflect summer camp AND year-round retreat participation. Monetary gifts may include gifts to the endowment.

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|--|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| St. James Lutheran Church | Allison | 2 | | \$300.00 | |
| Zion Lutheran Church (with Immanuel Crane Creek, Lawler, p. 24) | Alta Vista | 1 | | | |
| St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church - One in Faith | Arlington | 5 | 2 | | \$100.00 |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Balltown | | | | |
| Calmar Lutheran Church | Calmar | 7 | | \$153.00 | \$1,200 |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Castalia | | | | |
| Bethlehem Lutheran Church | Cedar Falls | | 1 | \$2,000.00 | |
| Fredsville Lutheran Church | Cedar Falls | | | | |
| Nazareth Lutheran Church | Cedar Falls | 5 | | | |
| St. John American Lutheran Church | Cedar Falls | 8 | 2 | \$2,500.00 | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Cedar Falls | | | \$171.55 | |
| Messiah Lutheran Church | Charles City | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Charles City | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Clarksville | | | | |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church of Peace | Clayton | | | | |
| East Clermont Lutheran Church | Clermont | 1 | | | \$120.00 |
| West Clermont Lutheran Church | Clermont | 1 | | | \$200.00 |
| First Lutheran Church | Cresco | 7 | | \$1,014.00 | \$100.00 |
| Immanuel Lutheran Ch Endowment Immanuel Lutheran Ch Benevolence | Cresco | 5 | | \$400.00 \$215.61 | |
| Big Canoe Lutheran Church | Decorah | | | \$700.00 | |
| Burr Oak Lutheran Church | Decorah | 6 | | \$1,278.00 | \$150.00 |
| Canoe Ridge Lutheran Church | Decorah | 1 | | | \$150.00 |
| Decorah Lutheran Church WELCA - Deborah Circle | Decorah | 24 | | \$6,888.00 | \$50.00 |

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|---|----------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| First Lutheran Church Trust Fund First Lutheran Church Benevolence | Decorah | 28 | 1 | \$5,000.00 | |
| Glenwood Lutheran Church | Decorah | 4 | | \$1,000.00 | \$75.00 |
| Good Shepherd Lutheran Church | Decorah | 7 | | \$2,750.00 | |
| Hauge Lutheran Church | Decorah | | | | \$150.00 |
| Hesper Lutheran Church | Decorah | (with Burr Oak, pg. 22) | | | \$75.00 |
| Highland Lutheran Church | Decorah | | | | |
| Northeastern Iowa Synod WELCA | Decorah | | | | \$1,000.00 |
| Springfield Lutheran Church (Calmar) | Decorah | | | \$150.00 | |
| St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church | Decorah | | | | |
| Washington Prairie Lutheran Church | Decorah | 1 | | \$300.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Maxfield) | Denver | 2 | | | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church | Denver | 10 | | | \$100.00 |
| Holy Trinity Lutheran Church | Dubuque | 5 | | \$758.29 | |
| Lord of Life Lutheran Church (Asbury) | Dubuque | 2 | | | |
| St. John's Lutheran Church | Dubuque | | | | |
| St. Matthew Lutheran Church | Dubuque | 1 | | \$389.00 | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church | Dubuque | 13 | 3 | \$3,000.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Dundee | 4 | | \$450.00 | |
| Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church | Dysart | 7 | | | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church (West Union) | Eldorado | 4 | | \$177.40 | \$75.00 |
| Elgin Lutheran Church | Elgin | 1 | | \$700.00 | \$100.00 |
| Highland Lutheran Church | Elgin | | | | |
| Bethany Lutheran Church (w/ Emanuel, Strawberry Point, pg. 25) | Elkader | | 1 | \$7,136.92 | |
| Hope Lutheran Church (Littleport) - One in Faith | Elkader | 1 | | \$265.00 | \$80.00 |
| Zion Lutheran Church (Clayton Center) | Elkader | | | | |

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|--|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| St. Paul Lutheran Church (Maple Leaf) | Elma | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Farmersburg | | | \$420.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Frederika | | | | |
| St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church | Garnavillo | 10 | | | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church | Garnavillo | | | \$2,074.00 | \$75.00 |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Vilmar) | Greene | | | | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church | Greene | | | \$274.50 | \$50.00 |
| American Lutheran Church (3 Rivers Cluster Women) | Grundy Center | | | \$150.00 | \$500.00 |
| St. John's American Lutheran Church | Guttenberg | 2 | | \$300.00 | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Guttenberg | 1 | | \$862.45 | |
| St. John's Lutheran Church | Hampton | | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Hampton | 2 | | | \$300.00 |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | Hawkeye | | | \$200.00 | \$75.00 |
| St. Timothy Lutheran Church | Hudson | | | \$1,000.00 | |
| Immanuel Lutheran Church Endowment Immanuel Lutheran Church Benevolence | Independence | 26 | | \$500.00 \$525.00 | |
| Bethany Lutheran Church | Iowa Falls | | | | |
| Messiah Lutheran Church | Janesville | | | | |
| American Lutheran Church | Jesup | 6 | | \$380.00 | |
| American Lutheran Church | La Porte City | | | \$500.00 | |
| Zion Lutheran Church (Jubilee) | La Porte City | 13 | | \$530.00 | |
| Our Savior's Lutheran Church | Lansing | | | | |
| Immanuel Lutheran Church (Crane Creek) (with Zion, Alta Vista, p. 22) | Lawler | | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Lime Springs | | | \$1,000.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Luana | | | | |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | Mason City | 2 | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Maynard | 12 | | \$1,000.00 | \$750.00 |
| First Evangelical Lutheran Church | McGregor | | | | |

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|--|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Faith Lutheran Church | Mitchell | | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Monona | 13 | | \$1,430.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Nashua | | | | \$100.00 |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | New Hampton | 8 | | \$1,943.00 | \$100.00 |
| St. Luke Lutheran Church | Nora Springs | | | | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Oelwein | 4 | | \$250.00 | \$100.00 |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church | Oran | 2 | | | |
| Our Savior's Lutheran Church | Osage | | | | |
| Rock Creek Lutheran Church | Osage | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Rock Township) | Osage | | | \$50.00 | \$50.00 |
| Stavanger Lutheran Church | Ossian | | | | \$25.00 |
| Peace Lutheran Fellowship | Parkersburg | | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Postville | 20 | | | |
| Madison Lutheran Church | Ridgeway | | | | |
| Orleans Lutheran (Cresco) | Ridgeway | | | \$75.00 | |
| Peace Lutheran Church | Ridgeway | | | | |
| Peace Lutheran Church | Ryan | | | \$2,723.00 | |
| Faith Lutheran Church | Shell Rock | 4 | | | |
| St. Petri Lutheran Church | Story City | 1 | | | |
| Emanuel Lutheran Church (with Bethany Lutheran, Elkader, pg. 23) | Strawberry Point | 11 | 1 | \$540.00 | |
| St. Sebald Lutheran Church - One in Faith | Strawberry Point | 1 | | \$246.00 | \$25.00 |
| St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church | Sumner | 19 | | \$2,000.00 | \$200.00 |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Buck Creek) | Sumner | 1 | | \$500.00 | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church (Richfield) | Sumner | 1 | | \$240.00 | |
| Grace Lutheran Church | Tripoli | 8 | | | \$40.00 |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Crane Creek) | Tripoli | 3 | | \$450.00 | |

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|--|------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| St. Paul Lutheran Church - One in Faith | Volga | | | \$340.00 | |
| Redeemer Lutheran Church | Washburn | | | | |
| Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd | Waterloo | 1 | | \$251.00 | |
| Our Savior's Lutheran Church | Waterloo | | | | |
| St. Ansgar Lutheran Church | Waterloo | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Bennington) | Waterloo | 2 | | \$4,800.00 | |
| Trinity American Lutheran Church | Waterloo | | | | |
| Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church | Waterloo | 1 | 1 | \$620.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Stapleton) | Waucoma | 2 | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Waukon | | | | |
| Northeastern Iowa Synod | Waverly | | 4 | | |
| Redeemer Lutheran Church | Waverly | 11 | | \$1,200.00 | |
| St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School | Waverly | 24 | 2 | \$700.00 | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Wellsburg | | | | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | West Union | 1 | | \$825.00 | \$500.00 |

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| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|--|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Bethesda Lutheran Church | Ames | 6 | | \$1,561.00 | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Anamosa | 2 | | | |
| Faith Lutheran Church | Andover | | | \$1,672.67 | \$50.00 |
| Salem Lutheran Church | Andrew | | | \$2,250.00 | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Atalissa | | | \$2,000.00 | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Bellevue | | | | |
| St. John/St. Paul Lutheran Church (WELCA Only) | Bellevue | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church of Saint Donatus | Bellevue | 1 | | | \$50.00 |
| Redeemer Lutheran Church | Bettendorf | | | | |
| St. James Lutheran Church | Bettendorf | | | | |
| Trinity Lutheran Church (Pleasant Valley) | Bettendorf | 3 | | \$250.00 | |
| Good Shepherd Lutheran Church | Bloomfield | | | | |
| Calvary Lutheran Church | Buffalo | | | | |
| Bethany Lutheran Church | Burlington | | | | |
| Faith Lutheran Church | Burlington | 4 | | | |
| Messiah Lutheran Church | Burlington | 19 | | | |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | Burlington | 2 | | \$199.92 | |
| Faith Lutheran Church | Calamus | | | | |
| Our Savior's Lutheran Church | Calamus | | | | |
| Immanuel Lutheran Church | Camanche | | | | |
| First Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | 13 | | \$500.00 | |
| Gloria Dei Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | 2 | | | |
| Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | | | | |
| Hope Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | 1 | | | |
| Our Savior Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | | | | |

SOUTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|--|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| St. Andrew Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | | | | |
| St. Stephen's Lutheran Church | Cedar Rapids | 1 | | \$750.00 | |
| Immanuel Lutheran Church (closed in 2022) | Clinton | | | \$2,813.95 | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Clinton | 1 | | | |
| Zion (Elvira) Lutheran Church | Clinton | | | | |
| Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church | Clinton | | | \$100.00 | |
| First Lutheran Church | Conroy | 3 | | \$1,975.00 | |
| All Saints Lutheran Church | Davenport | | | | |
| Grace Lutheran Church | Davenport | 2 | | \$100.00 | |
| St. Mark Lutheran Church | Davenport | | | | |
| St. Matthew Lutheran Church | Davenport | | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Davenport | | | | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Davenport | 2 | | | |
| Grand View Lutheran Church | Des Moines | | | | |
| Hope Lutheran Church | Dixon | | | | |
| Gloria Dei Lutheran Church | Durant | | | \$500.00 | |
| Faith Lutheran Church | Eldridge | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Ely | 11 | | | |
| Ascension Lutheran Church | Goose Lake | | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church (Blidorn) | Grand Mound | | | | |
| St. Peter Lutheran Church | Grimes | | | | |
| St. John's Lutheran Church | Grinnell | | | | |
| Palestine Lutheran Church | Huxley | | | | |
| Redeemer Lutheran Church | Indianola | | | | |
| Christ the King Lutheran Church | Iowa City | 33 | | \$1,632.19 | |
| Gloria Dei Lutheran Church | Iowa City | 4 | | | |

SOUTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|---|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Southeastern Iowa Synod | Iowa City | | | | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Iowa City | 7 | | \$1,875.00 | |
| St. James Lutheran Church | Johnston | | | | |
| Good Shepherd Lutheran Church | Knoxville | 5 | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | La Motte | | | | |
| Seeds of Faith Lutheran Church (Mount Vernon) | Lisbon | 4 | | | |
| Bethlehem Lutheran Church | Lost Nation | | | \$1,050.00 | \$120.00 |
| First Lutheran Church | Maquoketa | 13 | | \$600.00 | \$260.00 |
| Ascension Lutheran Church | Marion | | | | |
| Faith Lutheran Church | Marion | 9 | | \$600.00 | |
| Lutheran Church of the Resurrection | Marion | 23 | | \$3,500.00 | |
| Elim Lutheran Church | Marshalltown | | | | |
| Our Savior Lutheran Church | Marshalltown | | | | |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | Marshalltown | | | | |
| Immanuel Lutheran Church | Mediapolis | | | | |
| St. Matthew Lutheran Church | Monticello | | | | |
| St. Peter & St. Paul Lutheran Church | Monticello | | | | |
| Wayne Zion Lutheran Church | Monticello | 3 | | | |
| New Era Lutheran Church | Muscatine | | | | |
| Shepherd of the Cross Lutheran Church | Muscatine | | 1 | | |
| Grace Lutheran Church | Muscatine | | | | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Muscatine | | | \$4,600.00 | |
| Holy Trinity Lutheran Church | North Liberty | 12 | | \$2,332.00 | |
| New Life Lutheran Church | Norwalk | 1 | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Olin | | | | |
| St. Paul Lutheran Church | Ottumwa | | | | |
| St. Mark Lutheran Church | Oxford Junction | 2 | | | |

SOUTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

| Congregation | Town | Camper Participation | No. of Retreats | Congregational Gifts | WELCA Gifts |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Peace Lutheran Church | Pella | 1 | | | |
| St. John Lutheran Church | Preston | | | | |
| Zion Lutheran Church | Princeton | | | | |
| Calvary Lutheran Church | Sabula | 1 | | | |
| Swedesburg Lutheran Church | Swedesburg | 2 | | \$600.00 | |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | Tipton | 1 | | | |
| Bethlehem Lutheran Church | Vinton | 3 | | | |
| Trinity Lutheran Church | Walford | 6 | | \$774.00 | |
| Immanuel Lutheran Church | Washington | | | | |
| Bethany Lutheran Church | West Branch | | | | |
| Peace Lutheran Church | West Burlington | | | | \$100.00 |
| Lutheran Church of Hope | West Des Moines | 1 | | | |
| Our Redeemer Lutheran Church | West Liberty | | | | |
| Windsor Heights Lutheran Church | Windsor Heights | 1 | | | |
| Zion American Lutheran Church | Wyoming | 1 | | | \$50.00 |



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| Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque | St. Matthew Lutheran Church (NALC) - Readlyn |
| Crowning Revelations - Houston, TX | Swales Precast Inc., Roger & Alane Swales - Strawberry Point |
| First Evangelical Lutheran Church (NALC) - Manchester | T & T BBQ - Oelwein |
| Meyer True Value Hardware - Strawberry Point | |
| Nading's Service & Sporting Inc. - Strawberry Point | |

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 Joyce and Bill Steffenson
 Karen and Glen Steffenson
 Tim Steffenson
 Daniel and Kimberly Stieler
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 Heidi Sundet
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 Cynthia and George Swanson
 Sherri and Keith Swartz
 Jana Swenson
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 Darryl and Shelly Syverson
 Carrie and Jay Taylor
 Kathy and John Tegler
 Jon Tehven
 Joseph and Victoria Thoman
 Abbie and Nick Thompson
 Jean and Tom Thompson
 Jeremy and Trista Thompson
 Noah Tiegs and Grace Huber
 Richard Tiegs and Carolyn Laxson
 David and Shirley Titman
 George Tobiason
 Lindsay and Brock Toll
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 Lois and Pr. Larry Trachte

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 Will Versteegh
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 Josh Voigt
 Anabeth and David Voigts
 Ron Wahlberg
 Dr. August and Barb Waltmann
 Donna and Harry Walton
 Janell and Richard Wampler
 Ruth Warmanen
 Craig and LeAnn Watson
 Debbie and Jeri Watson
 Amy Wehe and Simon Lucas
 Catherine Weidler-Loney
 Shirley and Kenneth Wellnitz
 Noah and Erin Wendt
 Dr. Gilbert and Mary Wessel
 Arol Westervelt
 Charlotte and Duaine Westpfahl
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 David and Susan Whitebread

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 Mark Zellmer and Debra Daehn
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Sibling Discount
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EWALU Camp & Retreat Center
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TRIBUTES

*Celebrating the memories of those who have gone before us, and honoring those who journey with us! Camp Ewalu's tribute program is an opportunity to have loved ones and friends remembered and honored. Gifts in memory or honor of loved ones provide programs of life and promise in the name of Christ. Gifts given to Camp Ewalu during 2023 are in tribute of the individuals listed below (**in bold**).*

GIFTS HONORING:

2023 Camp Staff

Bishop Amy Current &
Dr. Samuel Giere

Beverly Lenore Ager

Marcia Adix
Pr. Clark & Shiloy Baldwin
Harry & Elle Blobaum
Katherine Gibson
Dale & Susan Goodman
Constance Hanson
Roger & Mary Knehans
Beatrice Koontz
Linda & Mic Martin
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Mandy Ohnstad, Kjerstin/Stokes
Darryl & Shelly Syverson
Richard Tiegs & Carolyn Laxson
Carl Wood

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Brian Ahlrichs

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Judy Cherry

Harry & Elle Blobaum

Connie Clifton

Carolyn Laxson & Richard Tiegs

David & Barbara Davidson family

Candace & Richard Altorfer

Pastor John Deines

Keith & Dawn Christensen

Rev. Dennis Bushkovsky, summer camp photographer in 1979

Carolyn Laxson & Richard Tiegs

Luverne Druecker

Roger & Mary Knehans

D'Elder Erickson

East Clermont Lutheran WELCA

Jerry Everitt and Gary Glawe

Marvin & Annette Dahling

Ewalu Staff of 1961-1966

Harry & Elle Blobaum

Ewalu - Merry Christmas

Tony & Marla Quinn

EWALU summer staff 1996, 1997, 1998

Lisa Smith Fiegel

Pat Fitzgerald

Marvin & Annette Dahling

Ray and Blondie Fliehler family

Ellen Fliehler

Fina & Fletcher Flores

Blake Flores & Kaela Bemis

Rachel Foelske

Melodie Foelske

Dale Goodman, past executive director & my brother

Sheryl & Vito Fabrizio

Rev. Bob Gremmels

Harry & Elle Blobaum

Dylan Hahn, my grandson

Bruce & Grace Maurer

Pastor Dennis Hanson - supervising pastor for Chris Anderson, lay minister

Peace Lutheran Church, Ryan

The Harper Kids

Jeff & Kristi Harper

Brad Hawkins

Everett & Jean Blobaum

Darrel Hicks

Marlene Hicks

Del and Elaine Hillery

Nathan Miller & Joann Hillery

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Delbert Hillery

Jean & Bret Wims

David Vaughn Hokanson

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Shirley F. Kleinlein, Diane**Parker's mother**

Roger & Mary Knehans
Richard Tiegs & Carolyn Laxson
Pr. Margaret & Rev. Dr. Mark Yackel-Juleen

Marcia Klinefelter, camp counselor 1973-1974

Janell & Richard Wampler

Art Krommings

David & Shirley Titman

Past Counselors: Barbara

Lehmann Nash, Mark Lehmann, Brian Lehmann, Grant Lehmann
Pr. Robert Lehmann

Lee Lenth

Roger & Mary Knehans

Love of Ewalu Summer Staff

Janice Rosauer

Kay Mase

Donna & Harry Walton

Demery (Little) & Caleb Maughan

Barb Peterson

William & Betty McKechnie

Doug McKechnie

Munson Family Foundation

Dennis & Jana Munson

My Favorite Volunteer

Thomas & Erica Gallant

Elaine Kay (Husman) Peterson

Diane Ackman
Joann Ackman
Terry & Karen Ackman
Karma & Kirk Bailey
Sherry Black
Duwayne & Jennie Davidson
Stuart & Lori Davidson
Faye Irene Gerner
Debbie & Dennis Green
Kristin Hale
Wilma & David Hammell
Lisa Hannon
Donald & Shirley Hanssen
Timothy & Diane Johnson
Roger & Mary Knehans
Patrick & Diana Knight
Tami & Roy Kolden
James & Amy Lansing
Bruce & Betty Lindholm
Carla & Al Ness
Steve and Mary Odegard
David Peterson
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Becky & Dave Wilke

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Betty & Gary Young

Mark & Lesley Pries

Keith & Dawn Christensen

Pastor Mark Pries

St. Peter Lutheran Church

In Memory of Dawn's father (Pastor John Deines)

Keith & Dawn Christensen

Raymond Henry Rieniets

David & Shirley Titman

Frank and Eulyn Frostestad's 80th Birthday

Kathy & Eric Frostestad

Steve Schreitmueller

Sarah (Schreitmueller) Starke

Marilyn Shaffer

Pr. Margaret & Rev. Dr. Mark Yackel-Juleen

Marion Skibbe

Crystal Nodurft

Barb Small

Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran
WELCA, Lost Nation

Amy & Dennis Smith

Nick Smith

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Nick Smith

Ron Spears

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St. Paul's School children

St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School, Waverly

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Pastor Keith Tomlinson

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Emily Tull

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Donna Walton's Birthday

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Lorraine Wangsness

Luther Anderson

Darlene Wood

Everett & Jean Blobaum

Carl Wood

Tim Wuest

Robin Brown

Youth growing in their Faith

Matthias Letsche

Rev. Edgar Arthur Zelle

Harry & Elle Blobaum

Rev. Richard & Minona Zellmer

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Kathleen Zwanziger

Cedar Lodge was built in the early 1960s



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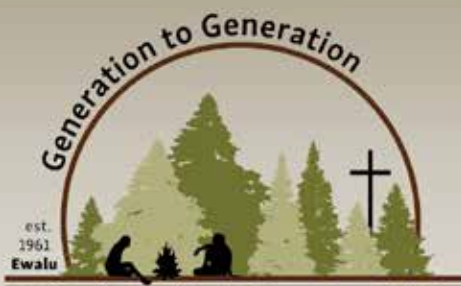
*Cedar Lodge needs some loving care so
that Ewalu can continue to minister to all
God's people for generations to come!*



Architect's rendering of updated Cedar Lodge, with new covered entrance

**WE'RE OVER HALFWAY
TO THE GOAL!**

*And we need YOUR HELP
to get to the finish line!*



CEDAR at 60

\$2 million goal

\$1.75 million

\$1.5 million

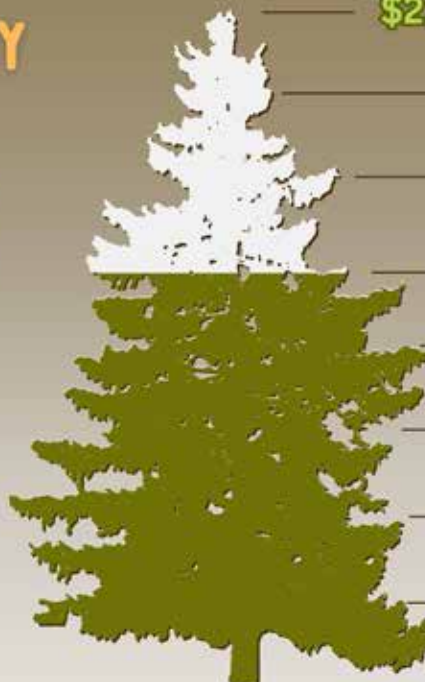
\$1.2 million

\$1 million

\$750,000

\$500,000

\$250,000



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2023 EWALU SUMMER STAFF

| NAME | POSITION | HOMETOWN | SCHOOL |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| Sam Anderson | Counselor | Dundee, IA | Wartburg College |
| Hannah Beckmann | Counselor | Cedar Rapids, IA | Linn-Mar High School/Winona State |
| Sonja Bloeser | Counselor | North Liberty, IA | Luther College |
| Gabby Brecht | Farm Coordinator | North Liberty, IA | Iowa State University |
| Eli Carr | Houseboating Coordinator | La Crosse, WI | Iowa State University |
| Manuel Carrillo | Counselor | Puebla, Mexico | |
| Delaney Caudill | Counselor | Chariton, IA | Chariton HS/Northwestern University (IL) |
| Cori Dahlby Albright | Out Trip Coordinator | Grinnell, IA | Wartburg College |
| Gabby Dahlby Albright | Explorers Coordinator | Grinnell, IA | California Polytechnic State University |
| Jack Dahlby Albright | Counselor | Grinnell, IA | Wartburg College |
| Emily Frey | Counselor | Postville, IA | Postville/Drake University |
| Marika Grimmond | Counselor | Berbice, Guyana | |
| Jackie Harris | Counselor | Coralville, IA | Grinnell College |
| Logan Hartwig | Counselor | Amana, IA | University of Northern Iowa |
| Lilly Hoefflin | Foresters Coordinator | Dubuque, IA | Wesleyan University |
| Alyssa Hoey | LT Coordinator | Jesup, IA | University of Northern Iowa |
| Kristin Hoey | Program Assistant | Jesup, IA | University of Northern Iowa |
| Rumen Hulmequist | Chaplain | Cedar Falls, IA | UNI/Wartburg Seminary/Luther |
| Nadia Johnson | Counselor | Ridgeway, IA | University of Minnesota-Duluth |
| Caleb Kammerer | Counselor | Cresco, IA | Wartburg College |
| Max Koeller | Arts & Crafts Coordinator | McGregor, IA | Luther College |
| Paige Lange | Counselor | Decorah, IA | Iowa State University |
| Sam Llamzon | Trailroom Coordinator | Singapore, Singapore | Luther College |
| Rachel Meehan | Night Camp & Intergenerational Camps Coordinator | Iowa City, IA | Luther College |
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| Nathan Ottesen | Counselor | Strawberry Point, IA | Starmont High School |
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EVENTS & RETREATS IN 2024

Visit www.ewalu.org/events/ for year-round event details!

MARCH 25 | Quilters Luncheon

This free event is especially for church groups and individuals who have donated quilts and hand-crafted items to Ewalu's annual Quilt Auction, and this special day is our way of saying thanks for supporting Ewalu with your talents! Quilting presentation by Sarah Ottesen (of Farmer's Daughters Quilts) will start at 10:30 a.m. in the Creation Center with luncheon to follow. RSVP by March 18 with the camp office.

APRIL 19-21 | High School Leadership Retreat

Calling all students in Grades 9-12! You'll have a time of intentional worship, Bible study, and faith discussions. There will also be fun camp activities like the high ropes course, hiking, games, crafts, and more, plus meals and snacks. High school students will learn what it means to lean into their faith and what their faith means to them away from their church and home setting. Details: www.ewalu.org/events.

APRIL 18 | Second Early Discount Deadline for Summer Camp

Register before April 18 for a \$20 early discount on week-long programs, or \$10 off on shorter (or non-overnight) programs for youth. Go to www.ewalu.org/summer-camp to see all the options for your family!

MAY 3-4 | Spring Volunteer Work Weekend

Free overnight lodging, food, and snacks; good fellowship with friends and great work projects for all ages and abilities. Help us get ready for summer! Come on Friday evening and stay overnight at Ewalu (RSVP for lodging by calling the office: 563-933-4700).

MAY 15 | Great Give Day (online)

This online giving event through the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque offers special bonuses as we raise funds for Ewalu over a 24-hour period. Watch our social media for details as the date approaches!

JUNE 2 | Donor Dinner

Our Donor Dinner is our annual event and meal to thank those who support Ewalu with their time and treasures! Watch for your invitation this spring so we can treat you to a special event in Cedar Lodge.

JUNE 9 | First Day of Summer Camp

Register at www.ewalu.org/summer-camp! We have 8 weeks of camp to fit your family's summer plans.

JUNE 14-16 | Family Camp Weekend

An opportunity to enjoy a weekend at camp with your family! Families can sleep in cabins, lodges, or settle into the campground. All types and sizes of families welcome. This is a Friday-Sunday camp.

Cost: \$130/Adult | \$105/Age 14 and under | FREE for ages 1-3!

Additional Family Camp Weekends: July 12-14, July 26-28

JUNE 16-21 | Inclusive Camp Experience (ICE)

Does your camper need a little extra support? Our ICE week is for you! We'll work with you to plan for a great week with extra support on site. Sign up for the youth program that fits your camper; no extra fee beyond regular program cost. Call our office for details at 563-933-4700.

JUNE 24-26 | Grandparent Camp

Grandparents and grandkids can experience camp together in this special program. Stay in the comfort of the Stone Center and shuttle to Ewalu daily for fun camp activities. This is a Monday-Wednesday camp.

Cost: \$180/Adult | \$155/Child (program designed for ages 4-12, but all ages welcome)

Additional Grandparent Camp Session: July 15-17

SEPTEMBER 21 | 37th Annual Quilt Auction (live event)

Our largest annual fundraiser includes a live auction at camp and a separate online auction! To donate quilts and other quality handcrafted items, please mail or bring to the Ewalu office by Friday, Aug. 23, to make sure you are included in our auction booklet. Details at www.ewalu.org/quilt-auction.