

2024 Annual Report

EWALU 
Camp & Retreat Center

ANNUAL MEETING

1 p.m. March 15, 2025

Ewalu Creation Center



CREATED

TO BE

“I PRAISE YOU, FOR I AM FEARFULLY
AND WONDERFULLY MADE.
WONDERFUL ARE YOUR WORKS;
THAT I KNOW FULL WELL.”

— PSALM 139:14

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AGENDA FOR CAMP EWALU ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, March 15, 2025 @ 1:00 p.m.

Camp Ewalu, Creation Center Chapel

Welcome & Opening Jason Martin-Hiner
Devotions Frank Johnson

Approval of the Minutes from the 2024 Annual Meeting

Ewalu Board President's Report Jason Martin-Hiner
Executive Director's Report Frank Johnson

Committee Reports:

Marketing/Development

Program

Property

Board Development

Endowment

Finance

- Financial Report
- Budget for Fiscal Year 2025

Old Business:

- Capital Campaign

New Business:

- Motion from the Board of Directors to make the following change to the Ewalu Articles of Incorporation, Article V, 2nd paragraph: Strike "18" and replace with "a minimum of 13." The new sentence would read: "**A Board consisting of 18 a minimum of 13 members shall be elected for three-year terms.**"
- Election of Board Members
- Election of Endowment Committee Members

Announcements:

- Thank You
- Spring Volunteer Work Weekend (May 3)
- 38th Annual Quilt Auction (Sept. 20)

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 15, 2025, 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-2025/> before the meeting. Should it be necessary to have a virtual/Zoom meeting this year (due to weather, etc.), 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 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 2024 Annual Report is available at <https://ewalu.org/annual-meeting-2025/> 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 15 at camp.

YOUR MEETING NOTES:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024-25

(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	2+	2027
Pr. Amy Eisenmann Cedar Falls	<i>Bethlehem Lutheran, Cedar Falls</i>	2023	1	2026 [#]
Amanda (Ace) Hoefs Spring Grove, MN	<i>Decorah Lutheran, Decorah</i>	Appt. 2022	1+	2027
Pr. Tyler Hoey Garnavillo	<i>St. Peter Lutheran, Garnavillo</i>	2024	1	2027
Lisa Kammerer Cresco	<i>Burr Oak Lutheran, Decorah</i>	2019	2	2025
Marissa Kolander Cedar Rapids	<i>Gloria Dei Lutheran, Iowa City</i>	2024	1	2027
Shawn Livingston Iowa City (<i>Past President</i>)	<i>Gloria Dei Lutheran, Iowa City</i>	2017	2	2025
Jason Martin-Hiner Decorah (<i>President</i>)	<i>Good Shepherd Lutheran, Decorah</i>	2022	1	2025
Maggie Monson Cedar Falls (<i>Vice President</i>)		2022	1	2025
Paul Rasmussen Monona	<i>St. Paul Lutheran, Monona</i>	2019	2	2025
Jan Rosauer Cedar Rapids	<i>Gloria Dei Lutheran, Cedar Rapids</i>	2024	1	2027
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
Mark Vaughan Waverly	<i>Redeemer Lutheran, Waverly</i>	2024	1	2027
Tim Wuest Cedar Rapids	<i>St. Mark's Lutheran, Marion</i>	Appt. 2022	1+	2026
Nathan Zietlow Le Claire (<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

[^] Served as Campaign Co-Chair for "Cedar at 60" capital campaign

[#] Resigned in October 2024 due to move out of area

2024-25 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 (Pam passed away in January 2025 after many years serving at Ewalu)</i>
Emily Tull	<i>Program Director</i>	Vickie Moyle	<i>Food service assistant</i>
Steph Boeding	<i>Marketing & Communications Director</i>	Val Timmerman	<i>Food service assistant</i>
Keith Heinze	<i>Bookkeeper</i>	Kathy Pickart	<i>Food service assistant</i>
Rosemary Godwin	<i>Program Intern</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.

Last year's Ewalu Annual Meeting Minutes

Meeting held in Creation Center Chapel, March 16, 2024

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

Devotions - by Director Frank Johnson, "Created to Be" theme for summer 2024

Approval of the minutes from the 2023-24 Annual Meeting - Motion to approve by Richard Tiegs, 2nd by Sandy Hyman, all approved - motion passed.

Board President Shawn Livingston gave a report of the highs during his time as president of the board.

Executive Director's Report by Frank Johnson: In 2023 Ewalu welcomed roughly 870 campers and 44 staff over the summer. Also served many Day Camps in communities across Eastern Iowa. In the spring and fall around 1,300 students were on site for environmental education. Retreats and rentals are happening year-round. Altogether, over 5,000 individuals connected with Ewalu.

Highlights from the year include the Quilt Auction, raising over \$60,000. Bookkeeper Ross Hardie left after 2 ½ years and we welcomed new bookkeeper Keith Heinze in December. Spring of 2023, new A-Frame Bridge was completed. The Cedar at 60 Campaign continues with our goal to raise \$2 million by the end of 2024. The solar array portion of the project has started as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Marketing /Development** - by Steph Boeding, Marketing and Communications Director: Added a new Trail Run & Walk event in the fall and Enrichment Events year-round to bring more people to camp outside of the summer season. Social media is being used as a core tool (Facebook and Instagram).

Doing more videos on YouTube and Tik Tok channels to reach summer staff as well. Great Give Day was a huge success in May, raising \$33,500 for the Cedar at 60 Campaign. The 2023 Quilt Auction broke a record number of items donated: more than 370 quilts and hand-crafted items. New professional videos have been done to help share Ewalu. Also, appreciation for the volunteers called the Holy Folders who help stuff mailings and save hundreds of dollars for the camp!

- **Program** - by board member and Program Committee member Amanda Hoefs: Summer registration numbers stayed steady. Staff grew compared to last summer, with 45 summer staff and 23 LT participants, including 4 international staff. We had 18 churches request Day Camps in 2023. Also held 3 weeks of Day Camp with Bremwood Residential Treatment Center in Waverly, an LSI affiliate.

Summer curriculum was "Holy Trinity, Wholly Love," provided by LOM. During the Spring of 2023, we had 17 Dirty Feet Retreat campers. Fall Dirty Feet Retreat had 62 campers. Also had 25 summer 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!

- **Property** - by Paul Frantsen, Property Manager: Highlights from 2023: A-Frame bridge was completed, new cabin was built in LT village with repurposed material, 1 acre of land was cleared behind the office for solar array to be installed, purchased 4 new mattresses for Hickory Lodge and 8 for the Stone Center, did some logging at the Stone Center and main site, many volunteers have come to work where needed. Spring Work Day had 45 people attend. Fall Work Days and Dirty Feet campers were a huge help, too. Thrivent Grants are a great help in getting projects paid for.

- **Board Development** - Shawn Livingston spoke about board development and that we were focusing on visioning for the future of the camp.
- **Endowment** - by Frank Johnson. given by Frank Johnson: The total amount distributed from the fund was \$55,828.80. These funds go to 3 main areas: capital improvements, elementary education and environmental programs.
- **Finance** - by Nathan Zietlow, board treasurer. Some highlights of the 2023 finances: Total Support Revenue of \$830,123.71, Total earned revenue of \$815,202.51, Total Operational expenses of \$175,372.10, total general expenses of \$88,723.29, total equipment expenses of \$8,442.07, and depreciation expense of \$149,487.62 leaves us with a net Revenue of \$362,258.33. Total Current Assets are \$1,999,210.66, Fixed Assets are \$2,307,742.59 and liabilities of \$44,976.53.
- **The 2024 Budget** was proposed at: \$320,500 for Support revenue, \$795,325 for Earned revenue with a total revenue budgeted at \$1,115,825. 2024 budgeted expenses are \$1,125,000 and \$150,000 for depreciation expense, showing a budgeted net loss of (-\$159,175) with depreciation. Motion was made by Richard Tiegs to approve this budget, seconded by Lana Ott, all approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Update on "Cedar at 60" Capital Campaign** - by Mark Davidson, campaign co-chair: \$1.25 million pledged, need \$1.5 million in hand and \$1.8 million pledged to begin project. Solar panels are in place. Frank has applied for some grants. Great Give Day will be May 15 and all proceeds will go towards the capital campaign.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Election of Board Members** - Richard Tiegs made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot, and cease nominations, seconded by Karen Franks. Those voted on were: Amanda Hoefs - 1st Term; Pr. Tyler Hoey - 1st term; Jan Rosauer - 1st term; Mark Davidson – 2nd term; Marissa Kolander - 1st term; leaving one open spot on the Board.
- **Election of Endowment Trustee** - No one volunteered/was appointed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Thank you to Shawn Livingston for being President of the board the last 2 years. Also thank you to everyone who supports Ewalu - financially, with their time, talents, volunteering, etc.
- Spring Volunteer Work weekend is May 3-4
- 37th Annual Fall Festival & Quilt Auction is September 21

Closing Prayer: Frank Johnson

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Richard Tiegs at 1:50 p.m. Vote: Approved

Minutes by Secretary Abbie Thompson

Executive Director's Report

Thanks be to God for a wonderful year of connecting the Word of God with the world of God through Ewalu!

This ministry continues to change the lives of campers and counselors, and increasingly often we see the effects on those we serve in a rental and retreat capacity, too. The Holy Spirit continues to show up in the sacred spaces created by intentional community in the natural world.

In 2024, nearly 800 campers participated in a camp week, half-week, or weekend program at Ewalu, learning about who they were Created to Be as children of God, guided by 41 summer staff, utilizing a theme that mirrored the summer's ELCA Youth Gathering. We built and renewed connections with congregations across Eastern Iowa through Day Camps and visits for worship or Sunday School. In the spring and fall, we had roughly 700 students on site for environmental education and ropes. Increasingly, we are finding there is not a quiet season at camp. Our retreats and rentals continue to grow, exceeding our record usage year after year.



Our annual Quilt Auction included both in-person and virtual bidding opportunities. The 2024 event broke our all-time record for gross proceeds, topping \$65,000 for the first time. The event also included a fall festival element for families to enjoy. Other highlights of the year were the 1st annual Winter Family Fun Day, 2nd annual Grotto Gallop Trail Run with over 60 participants, the launch of the camp garden greenhouse (thanks to a hunger grant from the NE IA Synod), the 1st Autumn Odyssey 55+ retreat, the Juneteenth cookout with TNT BBQ, and the construction of a solar array to power Hickory Lodge and Cedar Lodge.

Perhaps the more exciting news of the year came at the end of the year, as we hit our \$2 million goal for the "Cedar at 60" campaign to renovate Cedar Lodge. That renovation is scheduled to begin following summer camp in 2025, with the expectation that we will be ready for campers in 2026. The renovated Cedar Lodge will enhance our capacity for large events, including the Donor Dinner and weddings, and it will vastly improve our summer staff housing as well as housing options for rentals and retreats in the off-season. Thank you to all who have contributed, and especially to Harry and Elle Blobaum and Mark and Jill Davidson for serving as campaign co-chairs and making this campaign a huge success.

Ewalu continues to thrive thanks to a wide array of supporters, including congregations and individuals, as well as planned giving, for which we are incredibly grateful! In 2024, we were able to weather a major replacement of the geothermal system that provides heating and cooling for Barred Owl, Walnut Cabins, and Hickory Lodge, while we were in a capital campaign. We could not do this without your support. Thank you! We are so grateful for the cloud of witnesses who make this ministry possible.

Ewalu continues to be served by a dedicated staff who care for our mission to connect the Word of God with the world of God. In 2024, we added a Program Intern position, which has been staffed by Rosemary Godwin. We look forward to continuing to grow in our mission and our service to campers, to students, to adults, and to the wider church.

Rev. Frank Johnson
Executive Director

Property Report

It was another great year at Camp EWALU, thanks to the campers, counselors, staff, board, volunteers, and many others who show such amazing commitment, love, and service.

Highlights from 2024

- A new cabin was built to replace the old A-frame near the pool. We repurposed a door, windows, deck boards, metal roof, and a big pane of glass to provide a nice view of the woods to the south. The cabin was affectionately named “The B-frame Cabin.”
- A new geothermal system for Barred Owl lodge and cabins was installed this summer. It is running smoothly and efficiently, so no more ongoing headaches.
- Seven apple trees were planted at camp this year with the help of two Thrivent grants and generous donations. We now have a total of four trees by the solar array and four at the farm (one tree was already planted). We hope to see the first fruits from the growing apple orchards soon.
- We replaced eight more beds at the Stone Center with new mattresses. More to come!
- The solar array was connected to Cedar Lodge, cutting our energy costs significantly.
- We renovated the farmhouse bathroom this fall. No more frozen pipes!
- The pool ran great all summer. We painted and patched cracks, which reduced the pool water usage by 100,000 gallons. Go figure!
- Vehicles: Silverado truck donated by Iowa Fire Protection in Hiawatha (thanks to Emily’s father). Ford Expedition donated by Jim and Sarah Meehan (parents of counselors Rachel and Ruth Meehan), an ideal vehicle for our Day Camp teams.
- Many volunteers have come to work in the garden, split wood, mow grass, and enjoy the Ewalu community. Call the office if you’d like to help. Also, if you’d like to obtain a Thrivent grant for camp, please contact us. Details at www.ewalu.org/Thrivent



The Spring Volunteer Work Day on May 4 was attended by 45 people. Projects included the new “B-frame” cabin, splitting wood, gardening, trail trimming, setting up wagons, and more.

The Fall Work Day on October 26 was attended by 10 people. Projects included splitting wood, staining the A-frame bridge, and repairing picnic tables.

Spring Volunteer Work Day: May 3, 2025

Come and help prepare Ewalu for the summer camping season. Please call the camp office 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 2024

Summer Camp Staff

- 41 Program Staff (start of summer)
- 10 Session 1 — LTs
- 3 Session 2 — LTs

8 Weeks of Summer Camp

793 Campers

- 614 Youth Program Participants
- 135 Family Camp Participants
- 54 Grandparent Camp Participants

Day Camp Program

- 14 Churches
- 318 Participants (415 planned)

Campership Support Given

The full cost of providing a week of onsite camp at Ewalu was about \$800 per child in 2024, but thanks to the support of our donors we were able to provide our campers a week of camp for \$525. In addition, we gave \$17,395 of additional camperships to families of 49 campers in greater need (about \$1,500 less than 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 2024 we received donations totalling \$40,890.89 specifically for our Campership Fund from our Spring Appeal.

Events and Retreats in 2024

Enrichment Event: Seed Savers	1 Event	35 Participants
Volunteer Events	14 Events	188 Participants
Spring Work Day	1 Event	45 Participants
Fall Work Day	1 Event	12 Participants
Retreats at Ewalu's Main Site	37 Events	932 Participants
Retreats at Main Site - Family	26 Events	255 Participants
Retreats at Stone Center Site	28 Events	622 Participants
Retreats at Stone Center Site - Family	14 Events	500 Participants
Grotto Gallop Trail Run & Walk	1 Event	42 Participants
Ewalu Summer Staff Events	3 Events	95 Participants
Ewalu Donor Dinner	1 Event	181 Participants
Main Site School Groups (spring & fall)	21 Events	898 Participants
Quilt Auction	1 Event	190 Served on site
Quilters Luncheon	1 Event	82 Participants
Adult Out-Trip: Superior Hiking Trail (new!)	1 Event	4 Participants
Autumn Odyssey 55+ Retreat (new!)	1 Event	15 Participants
Winter Family Fun Day (new!)	1 Event	45 Participants
Reflection Cabin Use	14 Times	18 Participants
Campground Use	34 Groups	186 Participants
Camp St. George (Greek Orthodox camp)	1 Event	89 Participants
Royal Legacy Christian Academy (Waterloo)	1 Event	40 Participants
Hope Camp (Waterloo)	1 Event	48 Participants
Annual Meeting	1 Event	46 Participants

** Every effort has been made to list 2024 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 small decrease in camper registrations, coming in at 793 for 2024 vs the 866 we saw in 2023. We think this is largely due to the ELCA Youth Gathering that was held in New Orleans this summer, as we saw a decrease in the number of campers that fall in the age range for that event.

Our staff was a few members smaller this summer compared to last summer with 41 summer staff members and 13 LT participants. We welcomed 4 international staff members again this summer! They came to us from Mexico, Colombia, and Namibia, and we loved getting to know them and doing ministry alongside them! They brought new and fun perspectives to our community and we thank God for the opportunity we had to grow in community with them!



We had 13 churches participate in Day Camp in 2024. While we didn't have the chance to do Day Camp with Bremwood this year due to its closure, we were able to offer a day camp in partnership with a church in Waterloo that we hoped would help us reach a community that we aren't currently reaching. While it was small this year, we are making plans to hold it again in hopes that the numbers will grow.

For the summer curriculum, we used the theme and Bible studies provided by LOM. The theme was "Created to Be." This curriculum explored who God created us to be as individuals but also as a community of believers! We unpacked the ways we were created to be free, authentic, brave, disciples, and disruptive. The campers and staff liked the relatable theme and the ways they could see the message in action at camp.

As with most summers, there were a few challenges, but God provided in every challenge we faced and we are so grateful for the ways He worked through and amongst us this year. We are especially grateful for the community of Ewalu staff, families, campers, alumni and supporters who prayed for us and supported us throughout the summer.

The fall was full of ropes days, environmental education, events and rental groups. We also welcomed around 30 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 2025, and we anticipate a high rate of returning staff next summer!

Having now completed my second summer of ministry in this capacity at Ewalu, I continue to be amazed at the powerful community that surrounds this place. I feel very blessed to be part of it all and I'm so excited to see God's plan for us unfold! Big things are coming our way as we move into 2025!

Emily Tull

Program Director

Environmental Education Report

The Ewalu ropes course saw a drop in overall numbers in 2024 compared to 2023. Overall, in spring and fall (not counting summer camp), we saw 941 kids and adults across 20 different schools and organizations. We typically see that many combined in the fall itself. Most of this is attributed to the departure of Waterloo Community School District's 6th grade no longer being able to come due to budget cuts. This group usually brings about 700-750 students and teachers in the fall. What we *are* seeing, however, is an increase in schools coming to Ewalu that have never come to our site before. This winter, I am continuing to get calls from schools for the 2025 season that we haven't had before at camp.



The high and low ropes courses held up pretty well, and we're only needing to do typical repairs and equipment orders. The cost of the upkeep is going up but is overall pretty manageable.

A positive note from this year was the return of summer staff to the ropes course. In the four years since Covid-19 it has been pretty hard to get summer staff and alumni to spend a free day from their classes/jobs to come out. This year we saw the highest number of staff return in four years. I want to also thank the following people:

Pastor Kate Johnson
Pastor Tyler Hoey
Katie Harper

Max Versteegh
Schlee Gulrud
And our new intern, Rosemary Godwin

With their help, we were able to run the ropes course with far less help from the office staff than in years past. We are still, however, always needing more help on the ropes course! If you enjoy being outside and around kids, then feel free to reach out to the Ewalu office and ask for more information!

Maury Landt

Environmental Education Director & Food Service 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

Whenever anyone asks me what the "quiet" time is at camp, I say there really isn't one! We are blessed to be busy with events every season, and in 2024 we added even more new things: Winter Family Fun Day, an Adult Hiking Out-Trip, and the Autumn Odyssey 55+ retreat at the Stone Center.

Great Give Day, an online day of giving, was another big success in May 2024, with over \$70,600 raised for the "Cedar at 60" campaign in 24 hours! That was up from about \$33,500 raised with 160 donors in 2023 for the Cedar campaign. In 2024, we met several challenges from friends of Ewalu, worth \$34,000, added to the \$36,000+ from 140 online donations. We ended the big day ranked #1 in the number of unique donors and #1 in dollars raised among all 212 nonprofits participating in a seven-county area. Wow, what amazing support! Great Give Day in 2025 will be May 21.



Better parent communication was a big priority for us before and during summer camp in 2024, and survey results show that parents really appreciated it! We shared resources to help campers prepare for camp with answers to common questions. We sent emails to parents 2 weeks before camp, during the camp week, and a week afterward with information relating to each stage of camp (i.e. a packing list, post-camp survey, and a link to that week's photo album). We also created a monthly "Parents Newsletter" email that goes out in the months leading up to summer camp to promote registration and to share timely information.

The 2024 Quilt Auction was another record fundraising event this year, with over \$56,000 in net proceeds! 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 is a lot of work spanning many months! (See more information about Quilt Auction results on Page 21.) Our 2nd Quilters Luncheon was in March 2024 and is a special way to thank our supporters. Eighty people came to hear presenter Sarah Ottesen, and we treated our quilters to a lovely luncheon, door prizes, and flowers.

Special thanks to Josh Kreis-Voigt of Cedar Falls, who has helped us several times with filming and video production, and to Devin Grainger of Cresco, who took wonderful photos for a week this summer when our summer mediagrapher needed to be with campers. Their talents help tell the stories of camp.

I want to say a special thank you to our "Holy Folders." These faithful and joyful volunteers handle every envelope of our mass mailings, and their work greatly reduces the cost of our mailings. We continue to look at ways to save money in our mailings by re-evaluating our lists, printing and mailing fewer pieces, and using USPS online tools for bulk mail. This year, for instance, we didn't have to pay anything to renew our annual mail permit because we've done such a good job keeping our addresses sorted and updated.

In the first quarter of 2025, we are investing in Search Engine Optimization (SEO) after noticing our website was not showing up well in Google search results. We were approved for Google Ad Grants funding, which is like free advertising money online, and we are working with 1Vision Communications to set up and manage our Google Ads campaigns this winter/spring so that "Camp Ewalu" is showing up better when parents are searching for a summer camp in Iowa. Our press releases are also appearing more and more in area newspapers, radio and television coverage. News of Richard and Candy Altorfer's \$500,000 donation to Ewalu's campaign and endowment in May was covered by many press outlets.

Email and social media are the main tools for sharing what's happening at Ewalu. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram, and check out the growing library of videos posted on our YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/@EwaluBibleCamp.

Steph Boeding

Marketing & Communications Director

EWALU FINANCIALS

Income Statement & Proposed Budget

Ordinary Revenue/Expense	Jan - Dec 2023	Jan - Dec 2024	YTD Variance	2024 Budget	2025 Budget
Revenue					
301 Congregations	\$65,533.63	\$64,704.86	\$(828.77)	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00
302 Organizations	\$4,959.75	\$6,874.80	\$1,915.05	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
303 Designated Gifts	\$526,635.60	\$967,959.70	\$441,324.10	\$10,000.00	\$40,000.00
304 Individuals - Undesignated	\$93,821.74	\$134,696.04	\$40,874.30	\$100,000.00	\$135,000.00
305 Camperships	\$33,268.00	\$16,153.01	\$(17,114.99)	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
306 Estate Gifts		\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00		
307 Thrivent Funding - Choice & Gifts	\$13,434.00	\$23,009.02	\$9,575.02	\$15,000.00	\$16,000.00
309 Gifts in Kind	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$(250.00)	\$500.00	\$500.00
311 Matching Gifts-Other	\$1,000.00	\$5,100.00	\$4,100.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
313 Endowments Disbursements	\$90,970.99	\$127,308.76	\$36,337.77	\$92,000.00	\$130,000.00
Total Support Revenue	\$830,123.71	\$1,446,056.19	\$615,932.48	\$320,500.00	\$424,500.00
314 Business Rebates	\$902.11	\$299.73	\$(602.38)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
320 Youth Programming	\$6,865.00	\$-	\$(6,865.00)	\$7,500.00	\$5,000.00
321 Youth Summer	\$291,712.35	\$254,193.33	\$(37,519.02)	\$315,000.00	\$280,000.00
322 Campground Fee	\$3,940.00	\$3,219.00	\$(721.00)	\$4,500.00	\$4,000.00
323 Day Camp	\$32,257.27	\$21,040.00	\$(11,217.27)	\$32,500.00	\$23,000.00
324 Retreat - Ewalu	\$61,950.99	\$80,081.50	\$18,130.51	\$75,000.00	\$85,000.00
325 Retreat - Stone Center	\$66,677.25	\$75,045.80	\$8,368.55	\$67,500.00	\$75,000.00
326 Food Sales - Ewalu	\$9,302.50	\$20,481.50	\$11,179.00	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00
327 Adult Programming	\$20,080.65	\$24,343.50	\$4,262.85	\$22,000.00	\$24,000.00
328 Food Sales - Stone Center	\$17,197.25	\$12,677.45	\$(4,519.80)	\$20,000.00	\$15,000.00
330 Environmental Education	\$1,601.25	\$2,052.50	\$451.25	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
331 Canteen	\$26,884.98	\$19,587.46	\$(7,297.52)	\$27,000.00	\$23,000.00
332 Staff Sharing Income				\$31,125.00	\$18,000.00
335 Milk Refund	\$923.45		\$(923.45)		
336 Gas & Elec. Patronage Dividend	\$1,106.81	\$1,192.52	\$85.71	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
337 High-Low Ropes/Equip Rental	\$24,172.00	\$17,075.00	\$(7,097.00)	\$25,000.00	\$18,000.00
338 Land Rental/CRP Payment	\$18,238.00	\$19,228.38	\$990.38	\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00
339 Miscellaneous	\$2,944.98	\$383.12	\$(2,561.86)	\$56,000.00	\$8,000.00
342 Interest	\$21,789.40	\$13,992.39	\$(7,797.01)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
343 Quilt Revenue	\$58,598.52	\$64,246.74	\$5,648.22	\$55,000.00	\$60,000.00
345 Quilt Auction Country Store	\$1,918.75	\$2,130.75	\$212.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
347 Quilt Auction Worship	\$164.00		\$(164.00)	\$200.00	
348 Adventure Race Revenue					\$15,000.00
350 Logging Proceeds	\$145,975.00	\$36,150.00	\$(109,825.00)	\$5,000.00	
Uncategorized Income					
Total Earned Revenue	\$815,202.51	\$667,420.67	\$(147,781.84)	\$795,325.00	\$699,000.00
Total Revenue	\$1,645,326.22	\$2,113,476.86	\$468,150.64	\$1,115,825.00	\$1,123,500.00

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Income Statement & Proposed Budget (Cont.)

	Jan - Dec 2023	Jan - Dec 2024	YTD Variance	2024 Budget	2025 Budget
Expenditures					
411 Administrative - Salaries	\$188,327.88	\$187,548.88	\$(779.00)	\$183,000.00	\$192,000.00
412 Summer Staff	\$136,827.80	\$130,512.01	\$(6,315.79)	\$140,000.00	\$140,000.00
413 Program Staff	\$64,586.79	\$67,458.16	\$2,871.37	\$68,000.00	\$74,000.00
416 Maintenance Staff	\$57,034.40	\$58,908.73	\$1,874.33	\$59,000.00	\$60,000.00
417 Food Service Staff	\$30,659.37	\$34,105.71	\$3,446.34	\$34,000.00	\$35,000.00
418 Housekeeping Staff	\$33,887.28	\$35,294.08	\$1,406.80	\$34,000.00	\$36,500.00
Total Salary Expense	\$511,323.52	\$513,827.57	\$2,504.05	\$518,000.00	\$537,500.00
421 Medical/Dental/Life	\$79,996.01	\$66,248.58	\$(13,747.43)	\$80,000.00	\$73,000.00
422 Pension - Ewalu Pd (209 - emp)	\$29,663.86	\$27,486.74	\$(2,177.12)	\$31,000.00	\$30,000.00
431 Payroll Tax Exp.	\$35,819.90	\$37,133.08	\$1,313.18	\$36,000.00	\$38,500.00
433 Workers Comp	\$20,304.00	\$10,452.50	\$(9,851.50)	\$21,000.00	\$17,000.00
434 Educational Ben.	\$175.00		\$(175.00)	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total Benefits Expense	\$165,958.77	\$141,320.90	\$(24,637.87)	\$168,500.00	\$159,000.00
444 Contract Service - Ewalu	\$2,791.20	\$2,808.43	\$17.23	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
446 Leadership Training		\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00		\$500.00
447 Program Contracts	\$21,428.12	\$24,369.03	\$2,940.91	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
448 Adult Trip Expenses		\$1,292.01	\$1,292.01		
450 Credit Card Service	\$9,011.36	\$8,610.06	\$(401.30)	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
Total Contract Services	\$33,230.68	\$38,379.53	\$5,148.85	\$32,000.00	\$32,500.00
451 Office Expense/Supplies	\$2,265.40	\$3,313.19	\$1,047.79	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00
452 Maintenance Supplies	\$1,268.67	\$1,708.47	\$439.80	\$1,250.00	\$1,500.00
453 Health Supplies	\$1,144.30	\$1,039.44	\$(104.86)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
454 Pool Supplies	\$7,252.54	\$8,066.51	\$813.97	\$7,500.00	\$8,000.00
455 Food Supplies Ewalu	\$533.21	\$58,594.99	\$(5,694.31)	\$71,000.00	\$63,000.00
455-1 Food Supplies - Ewalu Summer	\$53,663.10				
455-2 Food Supplies - Ewalu Non-Summer	\$10,092.99				
456 Food Supplies Stone	\$13,576.28	\$12,877.06	\$(699.22)	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00
457 Program Supplies/Expense	\$10,367.84	\$11,199.19	\$831.35	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00
458 Canteen Supplies	\$16,819.75	\$16,685.06	\$(134.69)	\$19,000.00	\$19,000.00
460 Housekeeping Supplies	\$7,678.83	\$10,504.56	\$2,825.73	\$7,000.00	\$8,500.00
461 Kitchen Supplies	\$3,058.10	\$2,288.50	\$(769.60)	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
Total Supplies Expense	\$127,721.01	\$126,276.97	\$(1,444.04)	\$135,750.00	\$131,500.00

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Income Statement & Proposed Budget (Cont.)

	Jan - Dec 2023	Jan - Dec 2024	YTD Variance	2024 Budget	2025 Budget
471 Telephone - Ewalu	\$3,916.68	\$3,934.68	\$18.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
472 Telephone - Stone	\$719.40	\$719.40	\$-	\$750.00	\$750.00
473 Postage	\$5,774.57	\$2,990.07	\$(2,784.50)	\$5,500.00	\$3,000.00
474 IS/IT	\$16,784.33	\$10,141.66	\$(6,642.67)	\$13,000.00	\$11,000.00
481 Electricity	\$37,360.73	\$38,492.87	\$1,132.14	\$35,000.00	\$30,000.00
483 Heating Fuel	\$23,895.16	\$17,843.40	\$(6,051.76)	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00
485 Water Maintenance	\$5,607.77	\$7,805.62	\$2,197.85	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00
486 Improvement/Repair - Ewalu	\$17,960.34	\$66,324.45	\$48,364.11	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
487 Improvement/Repair - Stone	\$3,859.88	\$5,337.99	\$1,478.11	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00
488 Insurance	\$59,507.00	\$61,315.65	\$1,808.65	\$64,000.00	\$62,000.00
Total Operational Expense	\$175,385.86	\$214,905.79	\$39,519.93	\$167,750.00	\$158,750.00
502 Quilt Auction Expense	\$10,316.64	\$10,054.68	\$(261.96)	\$9,000.00	\$10,000.00
503 Adventure Race Expense		\$302.34	\$302.34		\$6,000.00
511 Program / Camp Promotion	\$16,398.13	\$20,137.10	\$3,738.97	\$16,000.00	\$18,000.00
517 Development Expense	\$604.14	\$1,972.89	\$1,368.75	\$3,500.00	\$500.00
518 Employee Relations Expense				\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
519 Vehicle Fuel	\$7,251.87	\$7,878.50	\$626.63	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
520 Vehicle Expense	\$7,724.95	\$9,839.04	\$2,114.09	\$8,000.00	\$9,000.00
521 Mileage	\$1,897.49	\$894.31	\$(1,003.18)	\$1,500.00	\$500.00
532 Training	\$5,131.47	\$1,749.30	\$(3,382.17)	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00
533 Employee/conference (Region 5)	\$3,374.76		\$(3,374.76)	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
534 Board Expenses		\$3,217.13	\$3,217.13	\$500.00	\$500.00
541 Recruiting	\$879.67	\$376.58	\$(503.09)	\$750.00	\$250.00
550 Finance Charge	\$649.84	\$344.72	\$(305.12)	\$250.00	\$250.00
551 Dues / Permit / License / Fees	\$9,184.47	\$9,579.80	\$395.33	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
552 Accounting Services	\$10,979.00	\$3,982.06	\$(6,996.94)	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00
555 Miscellaneous Expense	\$9,857.38	\$8,628.56	\$(1,228.82)	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
556 Interest Payment	\$4,473.48	\$2,995.20	\$(1,478.28)	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
Total General Expense	\$88,723.29	\$81,952.21	\$(6,771.08)	\$94,000.00	\$99,000.00
631 Tools/Equip		\$739.36	\$739.36	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
632 Office Equip - copier counter	\$1,165.80	\$1,017.65	\$(148.15)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
633 Furnishings				\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
635 Recreational Expense	\$7,276.27	\$4,956.97	\$(2,319.30)	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
637 Kitchen Equipment		\$3,233.83	\$3,233.83	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Total Equipment Expense	\$8,442.07	\$9,947.81	\$1,505.74	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
702 Capital Campaign Contracts	\$18,980.00		\$(18,980.00)		
881 Capital Campaign Expenses	\$3,828.83	\$123,349.00	\$119,520.17		
Total Expenditures	\$1,133,594.03	\$1,249,959.78	\$116,365.75	\$1,125,000.00	\$1,127,250.00
Net Operating Revenue (Without Depreciation)	\$511,732.19	\$863,517.08	\$351,784.89	\$(9,175.00)	\$(3,750.00)
495 Depreciation Expense	\$149,487.62	\$149,441.04	\$(46.58)	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00
Other Revenue					
902 Gain/Loss on Life Fund					
903 Gain/Loss - Fixed Asset Disposal	\$1,500.00	\$200.00	\$(1,300.00)		
Net Revenue (Including Depreciation)	\$363,744.57	\$714,276.04	\$351,831.47	\$(159,175.00)	\$(153,750.00)

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Balance Sheet—December 31, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
101 · General Checking -EWALU	33,837.27
105 · Petty Cash	1,199.68
110 · Capital Campaign	1,602,908.86
111 · Special Projects Savings	52,358.06
117 · Quilt Auction Acct	1,700.80
Total Bank Accounts	\$1,692,004.67
Other Current Assets	
112 · Endowment Fund	535,033.03
113 · Temp Restricted Endowment Fund	44,370.08
114 · Restricted Endowment Fund	559,779.84
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	\$1,206,302.29
Total Current Assets	\$2,898,306.96
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	140,369.89
167 · Pool	272,755.09
170 · Land - Ewalu	522,358.00
172 · Land - Stone Center	52,671.11
175 · Accumulated Depreciation	-2,883,629.66
185 · Construction in Progress	39,886.45
186 · Horse Facilities	18,358.23
187 · A-Frame Bridge	129,384.18
Total Fixed Assets	\$2,163,801.55
TOTAL ASSETS	\$5,062,108.51

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Balance Sheet—December 31, 2024 (Cont.)

	TOTAL
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
210 · Accounts Payable	0.00
Total Accounts Payable	\$0.00
Other Current Liabilities	
209 Emp Pension Deduct Payable	-2,128.55
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	15.09
253 Citizens Bank-Line of Credit	78,968.62
423 Flexible Spending Account	-295.30
426 Supplemental Life Insurance	-45.00
427 HSA EE Family	-2,177.09
428 Health Insurance Buy-Up	105.90
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$85,869.51
Total Liabilities	\$85,869.51
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	1,025,095.60
Net Revenue	714,276.04
Total Equity	\$4,976,239.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$5,062,108.51

EWALU FINANCIALS

Ewalu Endowment Report 2024

Camp Ewalu Endowment Report 2024

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Camp Ewalu Life Fund balance	\$1,142,185.91	\$1,265,390.04	\$1,015,626.68	\$1,095,076.01	\$1,269,429.93
Ewalu Fund with Dubuque Comm Foundation	\$199,489.21	\$225,935.74	\$183,296.92	\$201,290.17	\$206,367.84
Lybbert Fund for LVC held by DCF	\$326,824.70	\$361,833.39	\$306,211.46	\$329,119.29	\$335,268.04
Disbursements from Life Fund	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$53,138.70	\$53,829.00	\$55,828.80
Disbursements from Comm Foundation fund	\$7,100.00	\$7,350.00	\$8,950.00	\$9,250.00	\$9,470.00
Disbursement from Lybbert DCF held for LVC	\$14,800.00	\$14,980.00	\$0.00	\$15,530.00	\$15,610.00
Donations received for Life Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,794.05	\$123,556.27
Donations received for Comm Foundation fund	\$7,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$962.80	\$3,873.77	\$1,250.00
Return on investment for Life Fund	10.58%	10.79%	-15.54%	12.95%	9.74%
Return on investment for Comm Foundation fund	8.87%	15.69%	-15.34%	12.75%	6.61%
Return on investment for Lybbert DCF held for LVC	8.27%	15.29%	-15.37%	12.55%	6.61%

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 (DCF) include the funds held for the Lutheran Volunteer Corps (LVC) 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.

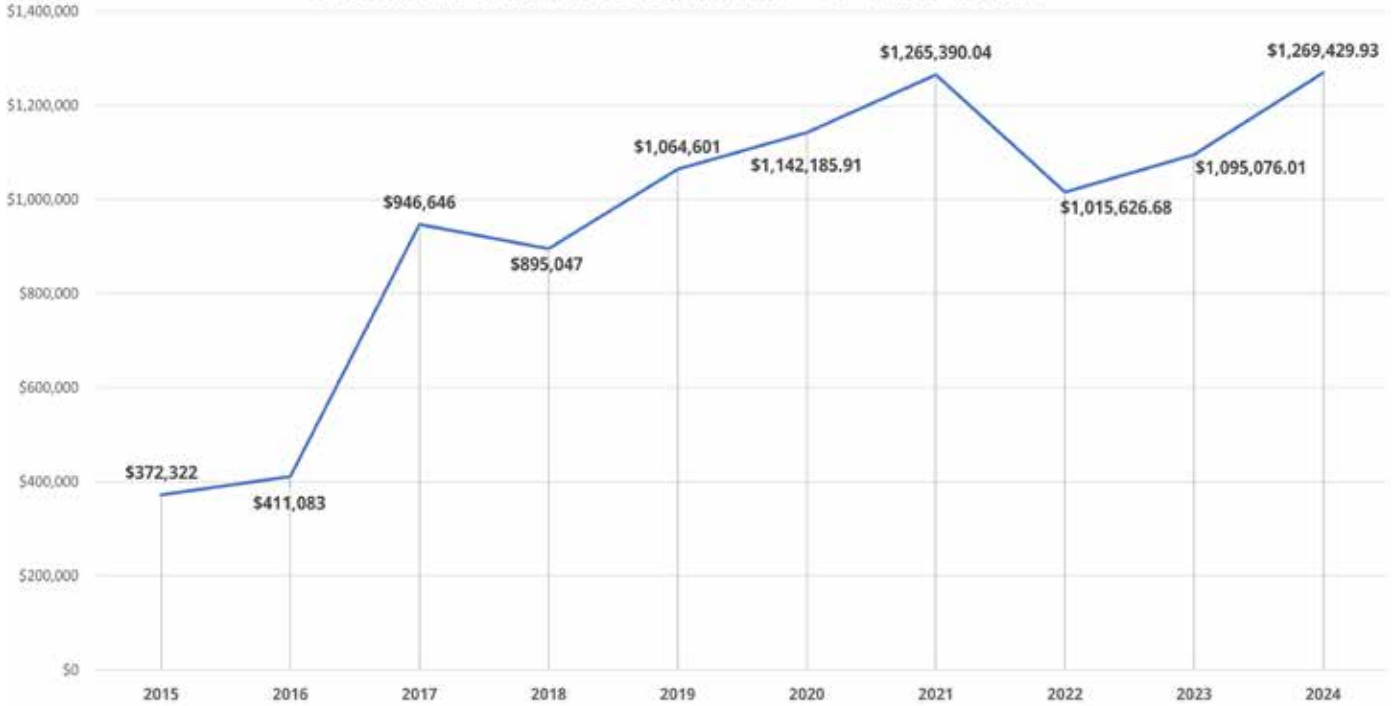
In April 2018, the endowment committee voted to have the Life Fund investments placed in a managed investment account with Thrivent Investments; Jeff Olinger is the fund manger for our Life Fund investments and is a certified fund manager. The cost of the managed account is comparable to, and in some 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 **\$57,877.09**. 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.

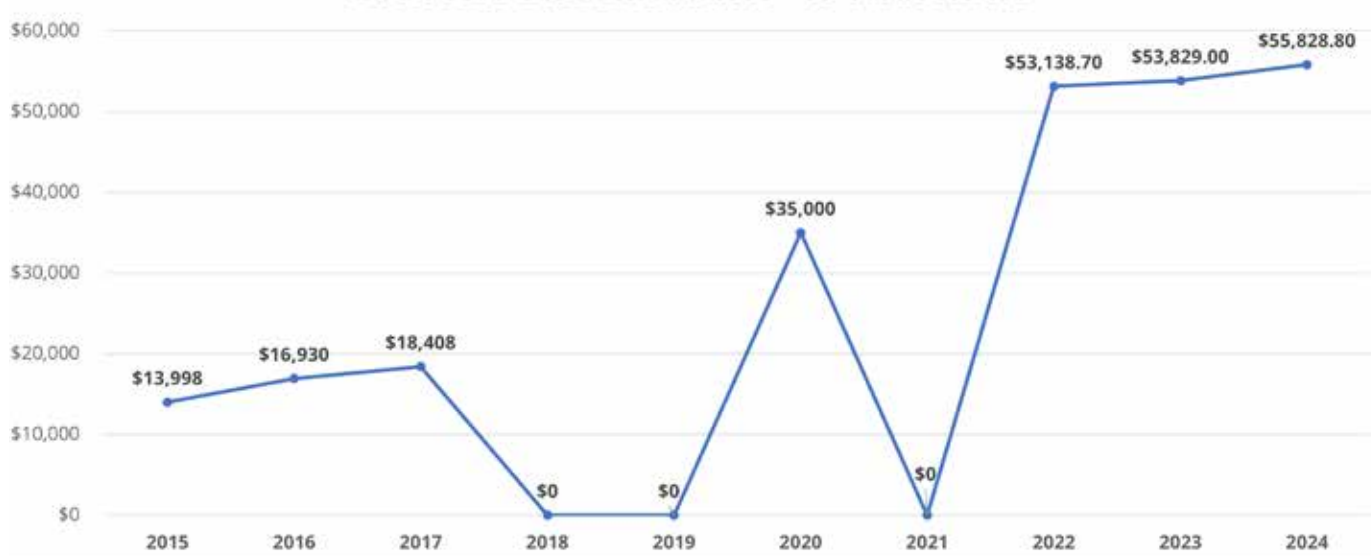
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Ewalu Endowment Report 2024

LIFE FUND YEAR-END BALANCE - 10-YEAR TREND



LIFE FUND DISBURSEMENTS - 10-YEAR TREND



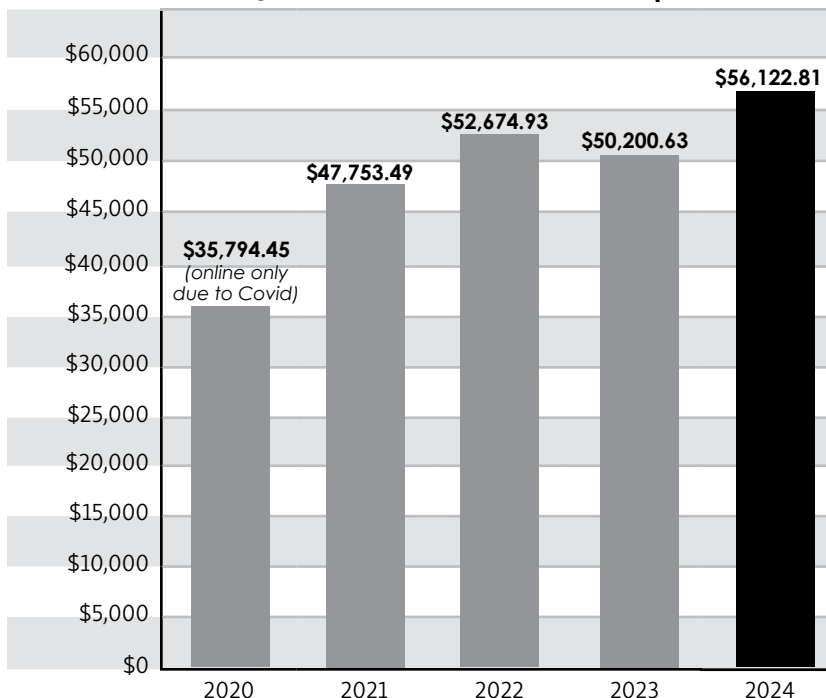
Quilt Auction Report

The Ewalu Quilt Auction, held annually in September, depends on involvement from members of many congregations and allows supporters and friends to enjoy time at camp. In 2024, we held a hybrid auction event for our fourth year in a row—you can see the success of that model in the chart below! This year, we had well over 300 quilts and handcrafted items donated for the event. With 124 quilts and items auctioned in person and about 200 additional items online, we had a new record for proceeds raised, and another great fundraiser that involves so many talented folks! Eighty quilters and crafters attended our Quilters Luncheon in March, which featured presenter Sarah Ottesen. *Watch for the next Quilters Luncheon in spring 2026, as our way of saying thank you.*

Quilt Auction Results 2024	
Online and In-Person Quilt Auction sales, plus Country Store	\$62,400.99
"In Lieu of Quilts" donations	\$1,325.00
Canteen Sales	\$942.50
Free-will Lunch Donations	\$1,509.00
(Quilt Auction expenses)	(\$10,054.68)
Net proceeds from Quilt Auction	\$56,122.81



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 2025 Quilt Auction: Saturday, Sept. 20

Quilt & item donations due to the Ewalu office by Aug. 22 to guarantee inclusion in booklet.

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD

2024 Congregations' Support & Usage Statistics

NOTE: "Camper Participation" totals reflect summer camp AND year-round retreat participation, for youth and adults. Monetary gifts may include gifts to the endowment and the capital campaign.

Congregation	Town	Camper Participation	No. of Retreats	Congregational Gifts	WELCA Gifts
St. James Lutheran Church	Allison			\$250.00	
Zion Lutheran Church (<i>closed in 2024</i>)	Alta Vista			\$4,000.00	
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church - One in Faith	Arlington	7	1	\$342.00	\$100.00
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Balltown				
Calmar Lutheran Church	Calmar	8		\$297.97	\$100.00
Zion Lutheran Church	Castalia				
Bethlehem Lutheran Church	Cedar Falls		3	\$1,525.00	
Fredsville Lutheran Church	Cedar Falls				
Nazareth Lutheran Church (<i>joined NALC in 2024</i>)	Cedar Falls	3			
St. John American Lutheran Church	Cedar Falls	8	2	\$2,500.00	
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Cedar Falls			\$178.00	
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				\$220.00
West Clermont Lutheran Church	Clermont	2	1	\$250.00	\$225.00
First Lutheran Church	Cresco	7		\$725.00	\$100.00
Immanuel Lutheran Church	Cresco	7		\$227.30	
Big Canoe Lutheran Church	Decorah			\$500.00	
Burr Oak Lutheran Church	Decorah	7		\$677.95	\$150.00
Canoe Ridge Lutheran Church	Decorah				\$150.00
Decorah Lutheran Church	Decorah	22		\$4,958.71	

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	23	1	\$5,160.00	
Glenwood Lutheran Church	Decorah	5		\$500.00	\$75.00
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Decorah	11		\$2,000.00	\$250.00
Hauge Lutheran Church	Decorah	3			\$250.00
Hesper Lutheran Church	Decorah	<i>(with Burr Oak, pg. 22)</i>		\$558.37	\$75.00
Highland Lutheran Church	Decorah				
Luther College	Decorah			\$10,314.21 <i>(memorial)</i>	
Northeastern Iowa Synod WELCA	Decorah				
Springfield Lutheran Church (Calmar)	Decorah			\$150.00	\$150.00
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church	Decorah				
Washington Prairie Lutheran Church	Decorah				\$200.00
St. John Lutheran Church (Maxfield)	Denver	1			
St. Peter Lutheran Church	Denver	10			\$100.00
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church	Dubuque	2			
Lord of Life Lutheran Church (Asbury)	Dubuque	1			
St. John's Lutheran Church	Dubuque				
St. Matthew Lutheran Church	Dubuque			\$459.80	
St. Peter Lutheran Church	Dubuque	6	2	\$2,077.50	
Wartburg Theological Seminary	Dubuque		1		
St. John Lutheran Church	Dundee	2		\$100.00	
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church	Dysart	1		\$2,000.00	
St. Peter Lutheran Church (West Union)	Eldorado	2		\$499.80	\$100.00
Elgin Lutheran Church	Elgin	3		\$300.00	
Highland Lutheran Church	Elgin				
Bethany Lutheran Church	Elkader	3		\$1,176.97	
Hope Lutheran Church (Littleport) - One in Faith	Elkader			\$100.00	\$130.00

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

Congregation	Town	Camper Participation	No. of Retreats	Congregational Gifts	WELCA Gifts
Zion Lutheran Church (Clayton Center)	Elkader				
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				
St. Peter Lutheran Church	Garnavillo		1	\$1,350.00	\$100.00
St. John Lutheran Church (Vilmar)	Greene				
St. Peter Lutheran Church	Greene				\$50.00
American Lutheran Church (3 Rivers Cluster Women)	Grundy Center				\$300.00
St. John's American Lutheran Church	Guttenberg	3		\$210.00	
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Guttenberg	1			
St. John's Lutheran Church	Hampton				
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Hampton	2		\$726.35	\$300.00
Trinity Lutheran Church	Hawkeye			\$135.00	\$200.00
St. Timothy Lutheran Church	Hudson			\$666.00	
Immanuel Lutheran Church Endowment Immanuel Lutheran Church Benevolence	Independence	21		\$1,000.00 \$2,554.00	
Bethany Lutheran Church	Iowa Falls	9		\$375.00	
Messiah Lutheran Church	Janesville				
American Lutheran Church	Jesup	8		\$1,031.00	
American Lutheran Church	La Porte City	2		\$1,000.00	
Zion Lutheran Church (Jubilee)	La Porte City	7		\$1,000.00	
Our Savior's Lutheran Church	Lansing				
Immanuel Lutheran Church (Crane Creek)	Lawler				
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Lime Springs			\$1,000.00	
St. John Lutheran Church	Luana				
Trinity Lutheran Church	Mason City	1			
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Maynard	3	1	\$750.00	\$400.00

NORTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD (continued)

Congregation	Town	Camper Participation	No. of Retreats	Congregational Gifts	WELCA Gifts
First Evangelical Lutheran Church	McGregor				
Faith Lutheran Church	Mitchell				
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Monona	6		\$1,070.00	
St. John Lutheran Church	Nashua				\$100.00
Trinity Lutheran Church	New Hampton	12		\$962.50	\$200.00
St. Luke Lutheran Church	Nora Springs				
Zion Lutheran Church	Oelwein	3			
St. Peter Lutheran Church	Oran			\$774.00	
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				
Peace Lutheran Fellowship	Parkersburg				
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Postville	13		\$485.00	
Madison Lutheran Church	Ridgeway				\$150.00
Orleans Lutheran (Cresco)	Ridgeway			\$50.00	
Peace Lutheran Church	Ridgeway				
Peace Lutheran Church	Ryan	1		\$1,750.00	\$500.00
Faith Lutheran Church	Shell Rock				
St. Petri Lutheran Church	Story City				
Emanuel Lutheran Church	Strawberry Point	16		\$1,000.00	
St. Sebald Lutheran Church - One in Faith	Strawberry Point			\$323.00	\$25.00
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church	Sumner	15		\$2,485.00	\$200.00
St. John Lutheran Church (Buck Creek)	Sumner			\$897.00	
St. Peter Lutheran Church (Richfield)	Sumner			\$240.00	
Grace Lutheran Church	Tripoli	5			
St. John Lutheran Church (Crane Creek)	Tripoli	1		\$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		\$551.14	
Our Savior's Lutheran Church	Waterloo				
St. Ansgar Lutheran Church	Waterloo				
St. John Lutheran Church (Bennington)	Waterloo	1			
Trinity American Lutheran Church	Waterloo				
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church	Waterloo	1		\$600.00	
St. John Lutheran Church (Stapleton)	Waucoma			\$400.00	
St. John Lutheran Church	Waukon				
Northeastern Iowa Synod	Waverly		1		
Redeemer Lutheran Church	Waverly	23	1	\$1,637.88	
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School	Waverly	23	3	\$2,478.04	
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Wellsburg	1			
Zion Lutheran Church	West Union	1		\$877.36	

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We passed the \$2 million goal!

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Help us go BEYOND the goal so Cedar can serve campers and summer staff for the next 60 years and beyond!

\$2 million goal

\$1.75 million

\$1.5 million

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\$1 million

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SOUTHEASTERN IOWA SYNOD

2024 Congregations' Support & Usage Statistics

NOTE: "Camper Participation" totals reflect summer camp AND year-round retreat participation, for youth and adults. Monetary gifts may include gifts to the endowment and the capital campaign.

Congregation	Town	Camper Participation	No. of Retreats	Congregational Gifts	WELCA Gifts
Bethesda Lutheran Church	Ames	4		\$1,929.00	
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Anamosa	2			
Faith Lutheran Church	Andover	2		\$500.00	\$50.00
Salem Lutheran Church	Andrew			\$500.00	
Zion Lutheran Church	Atalissa				
St. John Lutheran Church	Bellevue			\$250.00	
St. John/St. Paul Lutheran Church (WELCA Only)	Bellevue				
St. John's Lutheran Church of St. Donatus	Bellevue				\$50.00
Redeemer Lutheran Church	Bettendorf				
St. James Lutheran Church	Bettendorf				
Trinity Lutheran Church (Pleasant Valley)	Bettendorf			\$250.00	
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Bloomfield				
Calvary Lutheran Church	Buffalo				
Bethany Lutheran Church	Burlington	1			
Messiah Lutheran Church	Burlington	8			
Unity Lutheran Church (formerly Trinity LC & Faith LC, now combined)	Burlington			\$199.92	
Faith Lutheran Church	Calamus			\$100.00	
Our Savior's Lutheran Church	Calamus	2			
Immanuel Lutheran Church	Camanche				
First Lutheran Church	Cedar Rapids	6		\$500.00	
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church	Cedar Rapids	13		\$190.00	
Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church	Cedar Rapids			\$49.00	
Hope Lutheran Church	Cedar Rapids	3			
Our Savior's 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	2		\$375.00	
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Clinton	2			
Elvira Zion Lutheran Church	Clinton				
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church	Clinton				
First Lutheran Church	Conroy	1			
All Saints Lutheran Church	Davenport				
Grace Lutheran Church	Davenport	1		\$50.00	
St. Mark Lutheran Church	Davenport				
St. Matthew Lutheran Church	Davenport				
St. Paul Lutheran Church	Davenport				
Zion Lutheran Church	Davenport			\$300.00	
Capitol Hill Lutheran Church	Des Moines				
Grand View Lutheran Church	Des Moines				
Hope Lutheran Church	Dixon				
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church	Durant				
Faith Lutheran Church	Eldridge				
St. John Lutheran Church	Ely	3			
Ascension Lutheran Church	Goose Lake				
St. John Lutheran Church (Bliedorn)	Grand Mound				
St. Peter Lutheran Church	Grimes				
St. John's Lutheran Church	Grinnell				
Fjeldberg Lutheran Church	Huxley			\$600.00	
Palestine Lutheran Church	Huxley				
Redeemer Lutheran Church	Indianola				
Christ the King Lutheran Church	Iowa City	23		\$1,625.00	
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		\$3,423.00	
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		\$2,000.00	\$120.00
First Lutheran Church	Maquoketa	3		\$600.00	
Ascension Lutheran Church	Marion	6		\$485.00	
Faith Lutheran Church	Marion	7			
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection	Marion	18		\$6,468.81	
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			\$2,180.00	
Wayne Zion Lutheran Church	Monticello	1		\$840.58	
New Era Lutheran Church	Muscatine				
Shepherd of the Cross Lutheran Church	Muscatine	4			
Grace Lutheran Church	Muscatine	2			
Zion Lutheran Church	Muscatine	4		\$5,200.00	
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church	North Liberty	5		\$1,708.80	
New Life Lutheran Church	Norwalk				
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				
St. John Lutheran Church	Preston				
Zion Lutheran Church	Princeton				
Calvary Lutheran Church	Sabula	1			
Bethlehem Lutheran Church	Slater	5			
Swedesburg Lutheran Church	Swedesburg			\$600.00	
Trinity Lutheran Church	Tipton	1			
Bethlehem Lutheran Church	Vinton	3			
Trinity Lutheran Church	Walford	17		\$750.00	
Immanuel Lutheran Church	Washington				
Bethany Lutheran Church	West Branch				
Peace Lutheran Church	West Burlington				\$100.00
Lutheran Church of Hope (<i>left ELCA in 2024</i>)	West Des Moines	1			
Our Redeemer Lutheran Church	West Liberty				
Windsor Heights Lutheran Church	Windsor Heights				
Zion American Lutheran Church	Wyoming				\$50.00

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EVENTS & RETREATS IN 2025

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

APRIL 15 | Second Early Discount Deadline for Summer Camp

Register before April 15 for a \$20 early discount on week-long overnight programs, or \$10 off for Mini Camp, Farm Mini Camp and Day Camp. Go to www.ewalu.org/summer-camp to see options & sign up!

MAY 3 | Spring Volunteer Work Weekend

Great work projects for all ages and abilities. Help us get ready for summer! Come on Friday evening and stay overnight for free at Ewalu (RSVP for lodging by calling the office: 563-933-4700).

MAY 10 | Summer Camp Open House

Families are invited to Ewalu to see where their camper's summer program is located, explore camp and ask questions. A great way to ease anxiety about coming to camp! Watch for more details to come.

MAY 21 | 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 1 | 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 8 | First Day of Summer Camp

Register at www.ewalu.org/summer-camp! We have 8 weeks full of programs for Grades 1-12!

JUNE 13-15 | 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 Weekends: July 11-13, July 25-27**

JUNE 23-25 | 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 (designed for ages 4-12, but all ages welcome) **Additional Session: July 14-16**

SEPTEMBER 20 | 38th Annual Quilt Auction (live event)

Our largest annual fundraiser includes a live auction at camp and a separate online auction starting Sept. 15! To donate quilts and other quality handcrafted items, please mail or bring to the Ewalu office by Friday, Aug. 22, to make sure you are included in our auction booklet. Details at www.ewalu.org/quilt-auction.

OCTOBER 4 | Wild Driftless Adventure Race (NEW!)



Adventure racing is a bike-trek-paddle sport for teams (solo racers also welcome). In this new event, participants will navigate on trails and off-trail through the beautiful landscape of the Driftless Region in NE Iowa. Camp Ewalu is serving as the event host. 2 courses for teams and solo racers: The Wild Driftless Lite is a 4-hour race, and the Wild Driftless is a 9-hour race. New to adventure racing? Check out the website to learn more! The 4-hour race is a great way to give it a try. Details, costs and registration at www.WildDriftless.com. Proceeds to benefit Camp Ewalu and other area conservation nonprofits. *Volunteers needed—details at the website.*



www.WildDriftless.com

OCTOBER 13-15 | 2nd Annual Autumn Odyssey - 55+ Retreat

Enjoy a 3-day, 2-night retreat with other seniors at the comfortable Stone Center, with meals and hotel-style lodging provided along with time to relax, plus optional activities to enjoy the outdoors and the beauty of autumn in NE Iowa. Watch for details, featured speaker and registration later this year!