

Indian Lake Nazarene Camp

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Thanks to supporters like you, ILNC is returning to health!

Your contributions have made a huge difference in the trajectory of our camp. It has supported numerous statistical increases, including the increase of 47 campers over the past two years for a total of 647 campers in our five Michigan District Nazarene Camps this past summer!

The camp increase came with the start of our first ever Olivet Nazarene University (ONU)/ILNC Intern Project. Camp Program Director, Jon Croft, selected 18 ONU students who served as our camp counselors for all of the five camps. What great results we had! Our children and teens reported great fun and spiritual connection. Many parents reported the impact these intern/counselors had on their children. We are so grateful to God for this result and grateful to Jon & Annie Croft for working together to lead this program.

Olivet Nazarene University provided \$1,000 scholarships for each intern and ILNC provided \$100 in weekly pay and another \$500 scholarship as well. Regardless of the financial commitment, money can't buy the love, care and prayer we witnessed from our interns toward our campers. We are indebted to their personal relationship with God and their commitment to serving God in this way. The ONU/ILNC Intern Project was such a success we plan to continue the program. Thanks to all of you for helping in the transition.

As you may recall, in 2013 ILNC had approximately \$1,100,000 in debt & annuity liability. We are pleased to announce the "Land Purchase Annuity of 1995" was re-negotiated and it is now completely paid off through a "one-time" payment of \$130,000. This payoff eliminates the potential of \$467,000 of additional payments over the next 15 years. We thank the holder of that annuity, Douglas Vallad, and the Michigan District Advisory Board for making this possible.

The other debt held by ILNC was the Wesleyan Investment Foundation loan of \$625,000 used to refinance the "Waterfront Project" of the early 2000s. This project provided our beautiful beachfront, marina and road (Southworth Lane). Thanks to the combination of individual donors, the "I Love My Camp" initiative, ILNC operating funds and generous contributions from the Michigan District, the principal balance has been reduced to approximately \$172,000 over the past two years! That represents a pay-down of \$453,000 dollars in just two years and five months. Let us celebrate the good that God and God's people are doing together.

However, it is not just financial support we are witnessing from the ILNC supporters. Our volunteer workers are tremendous! Our campus is looking great. Our snack bar has been

remodeled, the outdoor patios have been renovated, numerous electrical and water systems improvements have been made and our lawn-mowing volunteers are the best!

We can also rejoice with three major roof repairs. Thanks to Morrow Roofing of Jackson, MI and other individual volunteers we now have new roofs on the small bathhouse, the large bathhouse and the Tabernacle! The Tabernacle Roofing Project was accomplished “without borrowing any funds.” The labor was donated and the funds for materials were raised. Thanks to everyone who made this \$55,000 project possible! When you see the tabernacle you will note the new porch in front, the new siding on the backside, the new sound booth, the relocation of the information booth and the general cleanup and care of the tabernacle, including a new sign. Thank you!

You may have noted there are no individual donor names listed in this update. That is one of the most beautiful things I have witnessed over the past two years. We have so much happening and nobody seems to be asking for recognition. Evidently an Indian Lake donor doesn't let the right hand know what the left hand is doing. We give because we want the ministry of ILNC for God to continue. Our new logo of the descending dove in the flames, the cross as the wood for the fire and the slogan “Our Camp...God's Love...In Unity” is appropriate.

Much thanks goes to those of you who have chosen to make ILNC “Our Camp” and have chosen to share “God's Love” and have done so “In Unity.” The ILNC Governing Board desires for ILNC to be financially viable in perpetuity. We are still hoping to generate more revenue than expenses without needing donations. We are not there yet. Your donations have made the difference and we are hoping for a day all donations can be used for new development, rather than meeting expenses.

Let me end by reminding us all that God is in the reconciliation business. God is our Reconciler and Redeemer. We want people to live lives knowing they are at peace with God. This fact brings the ability to be at peace with each other. It is God's designed opportunity. Please don't miss it. Let's all continue sharing this good news through the way we live and through Indian Lake Nazarene Camp.



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