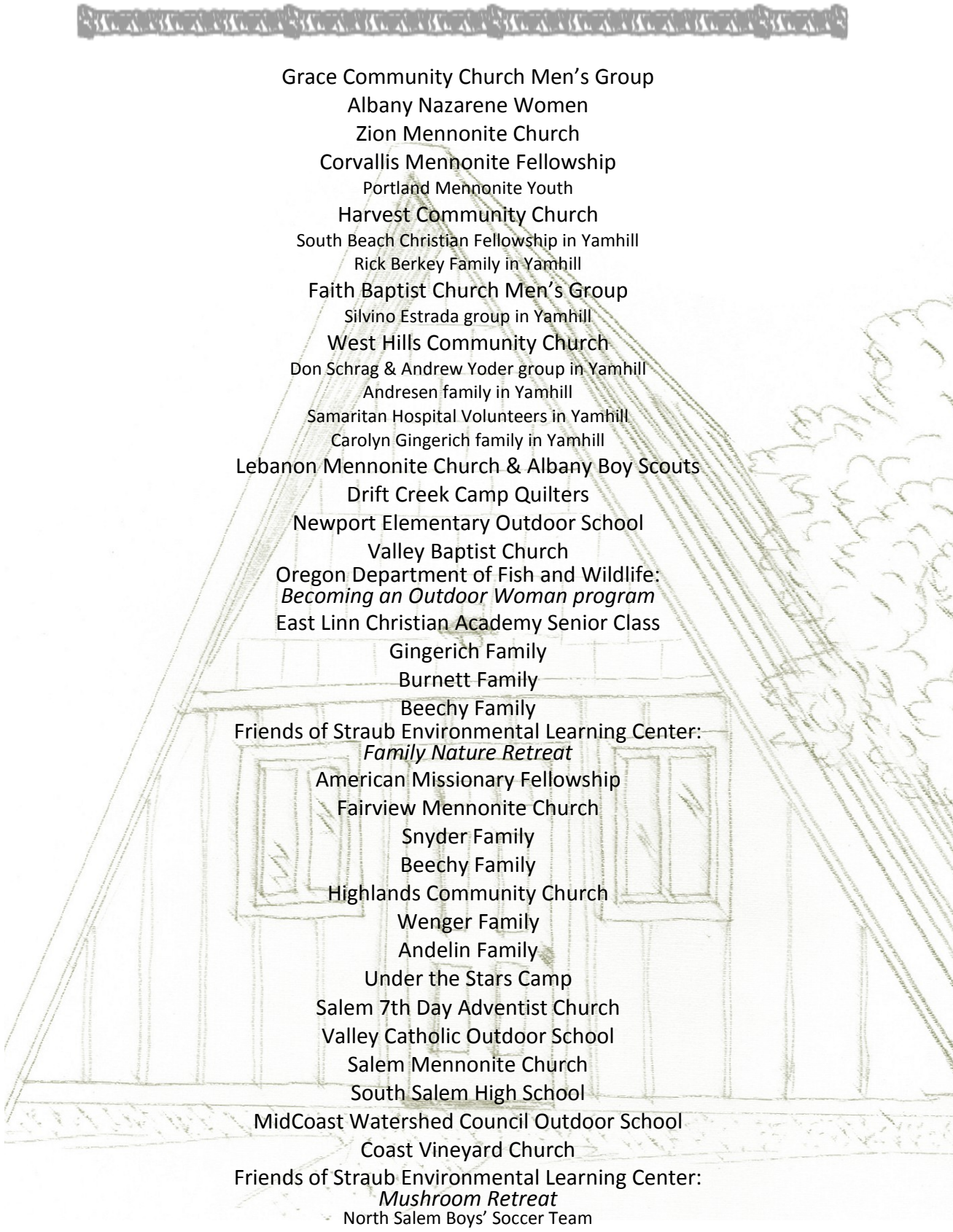


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2010 Annual Report

2010 Rental Groups



Grace Community Church Men's Group
Albany Nazarene Women
Zion Mennonite Church
Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship
Portland Mennonite Youth
Harvest Community Church
South Beach Christian Fellowship in Yamhill
Rick Berkey Family in Yamhill
Faith Baptist Church Men's Group
Silvino Estrada group in Yamhill
West Hills Community Church
Don Schrag & Andrew Yoder group in Yamhill
Andresen family in Yamhill
Samaritan Hospital Volunteers in Yamhill
Carolyn Gingerich family in Yamhill
Lebanon Mennonite Church & Albany Boy Scouts
Drift Creek Camp Quilters
Newport Elementary Outdoor School
Valley Baptist Church
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife:
Becoming an Outdoor Woman program
East Linn Christian Academy Senior Class
Gingerich Family
Burnett Family
Beechy Family
Friends of Straub Environmental Learning Center:
Family Nature Retreat
American Missionary Fellowship
Fairview Mennonite Church
Snyder Family
Beechy Family
Highlands Community Church
Wenger Family
Andelin Family
Under the Stars Camp
Salem 7th Day Adventist Church
Valley Catholic Outdoor School
Salem Mennonite Church
South Salem High School
MidCoast Watershed Council Outdoor School
Coast Vineyard Church
Friends of Straub Environmental Learning Center:
Mushroom Retreat
North Salem Boys' Soccer Team
Albany Mennonite Church
Fath family in Yamhill
Faith Baptist Church Women's Group

2010 Camp Staff



AARON & SARA GIBSON: Similar to the actual road to Drift Creek, the path that led the Gibson family to care-taking at Drift Creek was precarious, often fraught with obstruction, and full of twists and turns. God was able to pick up our needs, knit them together with our interests and create a beautiful solution for our family. Through Drift Creek we have had the opportunity to experience the multifarious blessings of the family of God and we are abundantly thankful to be serving here. Our family sincerely hopes that we can reflect on the visitors the kindness and compassion that we have received.

Aaron and Sara live in the caretaker cabin along with their 4 children, Tobias (13), Talitha (9), Barrett (6) and Aravis (2).

DAVE NAFZIGER: I returned after a year here in 1977. I have vivid mental videos of that year that have served me well. Yesterday I walked through the lodge and marveled at how this all came to be. A charter board member told me that in the early years, most of the meetings were taken up deciding which creditors to pay. This was twenty-some years from the start, and the support was strong, even after the monumental visionary period that had drained resources into the red for years.

In the last year, I see more individual and small groups working on projects and strong interest in maintaining facilities. I have loved the increased presence of board members and have had much affirmation from a wide variety of Drift Creek people of all types. Some years ago as I was journaling I felt impressed to write, "I will send my mentors ahead of you." And He was faithful. I was watching, and they indeed came, as if on cue, when needed. I have been more attentive of the natural aspects of Drift Creek than before. In particular I have spent hours up and down the stream and have enjoyed putting together a theory of "The Loop" and how God gave us Drift Creek Camp in the geological sense. Why was the old growth timber cut on one side of the stream, but not the other? I feel sure that this is hallowed ground, watched over for many millennia.

Dave lives on-site in the Sitka cabin above the bathhouse.

KAYLA MAST (summer camp program director): ***Camp is a place where you can finally breathe.*** Once you drive up that long winding road you leave the distractions of the world behind and you are able to "just be." Camp is a place that you are not distracted by anything in the world and you can focus on your relationship with Christ. ***At camp, life makes sense and you can swim in the love of Christ.***

Kayla lives in Canby with her brother, Kyle.

KRISTEN LEICHTY (summer camp activities director): What a great year! Each week was exciting in its own way. I can remember the astonished faces of high school campers when we told them they had to bob for foosballs in a mixture of corn and fruit cocktail. ..Or look of joy when a camper carried the flag to their side during epic games of Capture the Flag. But camp is more than just fun. One thing that impressed me was the commitment of the staff. They proved over and over that they were here for the campers. They became advocates for each child; listening to their stories, no matter how painful they were to hear. Amazing friendships and mentor relationships occurred. This year, it was the stories that I heard, the stories that I was so blessed to be a part of, that made camp so meaningful to me. I look forward to seeing what next year brings!

Kristen recently made the move from Albany to Portland.

GLEN OESCH: "Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers we were able to serve many meals to guests. Because volunteers make it possible for camp to provide food service, we encourage you to come for a weekend and be part of the kitchen fun!"

Glen and his wife, Lois, live in West Salem.

BRENDA & TONY KAUFFMAN: As we reflect over the year, we confess that there were many challenges. We started off the year knowing that Alsea would need to be replaced before spring. Then a tree fell on Clackamas, leaving a gaping hole and expensive repairs. *Suddenly there were two major projects on the agenda!* Furthermore, none of us could anticipate such a wet & cold winter which resulted with a significant mold issue in the cabins; requiring much time bleaching, painting and scrubbing! Meanwhile there were major personnel changes. By the end of January the entire on-site staff was new and we were going into summer camp with a new program director as well. On top of facing facility repairs and orienting new staff, DCC hosted its first benefit dinner in the spring. Looking back on the year, though it required much planning and attention to detail, the event was certainly a highlight! The support camp received both financially and through volunteers was a testimony of how near and dear Drift Creek is to many. The evening brought in much needed funds and support in the midst of a challenging year. And because it was a tough year, we are so grateful for the many volunteers who helped with endless work projects, cooking, cleaning, splitting wood, folding newsletters, filling potholes, etc. ***Each of you play an important role in keeping operations running.*** We are also forever grateful for the grace and patience of the staff. When our plates felt like they were full and running over, the staff has been there to help pick up the pieces and lend a hand whenever needed. ***Thank you for your creativity, flexibility and tenacity!***

Tony, Brenda, Shanti (9) and Saroj (8) live on the Hostetler Christmas tree farm outside of Sheridan.

2010 Board of Directors



2010 DCC Board: *All of us are grateful for the additional year that Ken Snyder served as Board Chair. In a year with many challenges and transitions, his leadership has been valued deeply. Each board member makes significant contributions to operations and gives generously of their time and talents.*

We are so grateful to each of you for your commitment to serve.

Officers: *Ken Snyder, Chair; Charlene Schrag, Vice-Chair; Anna Williams, Treasurer; Louise Gingerich, Sec.*

Members: *Pedro Olvera, Myron Shenk, Verle Dalke, John Gingerich, Special thanks to outgoing members Gerald Mast & Curt Weaver. Verle Dalke has accepted a new role as president. We welcome new member, Dave Detweiler to the DCC Board.*

In addition to regular board service, each member also sits on special committees which include but are not exclusive to board participation. The working committees include: Nature Center, Facilities, Finance, Program, Volunteers.

2010 Nature Center Board:

DCNC COMMITTEE: *John Gingerich, President; Bruce Flaming, Vice-President; Louise Gingerich, Secretary; Ken Snyder, Tony & Brenda Kauffman; Joe Ebersole; Jon Yoder, and Glen Oesch. Dennis Rothrock will join the committee in 2011.*

Honorar Members: Larry and Mary Jane Eby and Anna Williams

BIODIVERSITY SURVEY: Interest in our biodiversity survey continues. We now have 590+ species identified; a gain of 60 this year. A complete list is posted at www.driftcreeknaturecenter.org/biodiversityDB.htm.

NATURE INFORMATION CENTER: This valuable resource continues to develop through the generous contributions of many. 2010 additions include:

- Cabinet door installation by Tony
- Pacific Northwest butterfly slide show photographed by Jake Hurlbert from the collection donated by David McCorcle. Laura Sigmans developed a set of ID cards from the photos.
- 12 orienteering compasses donated by Bruce Flaming.
- DeLorme Earthmate GPS unit donated by Kendra Snyder.
- 3 William Sullivan Hiking Guides donated by the author.
- A set of Bird ID Cards has been developed with photos of 55 species identified at DCC.
- A DCC Weather page has been developed for the website.
- Professional Weather Station donated by WeatherConnection.com.
- Numerous printed resources have been donated bringing our total to 500+, with over 120 children's books, 90 field guides, and 20 unique pocket guides. There is a complete inventory in the Nature Information Center and on the website.

NEW PROGRAMS:

- Drift Creek Camp hosted a FAMILY NATURE RETREAT in partnership with Friends of Straub Environmental Learning Center (FSEL) in Salem. Seventeen adults and 17 children in 11 different family units participated. *Another Family Nature Retreat is scheduled for the second weekend in July, 2011.*
- Drift Creek Camp hosted a FALL MUSHROOM EVENT in partnership with FSEL as well. Expert instruction and identification was given by Jake Hurlbert. The enthusiastic group toured the grounds seeking mushrooms and learned from Jake and each other through the identification process. All who participated enjoyed the opportunity to visit Drift Creek and they were satisfied with their discoveries. All present enjoyed in a tasty sampling of chanterelles.
- Participants in both programs expressed interest in repeat events and expressed interest in a subsequent SPRING WILD FLOWER & MUSHROOM EVENT.

LOOKING FORWARD: The Nature Center Board is working on plans for the following projects:

- Promoting DCC for hosting Outdoor Schools and other Environmental Education Programs
- Development of a Forest Monitoring Project for summer camp, outdoor school and other guest participation.

2010 Programs

MUSIC RETREAT ~ JANUARY 29-31: The Music Retreat marked the end of *Director Russell Adrian's* service at Western Mennonite School. Many students as well as recent grads participated in the event which enriched the program significantly. As to be expected, Russell did a wonderful job directing and led the choir beautifully in the performance of "Celebrate Life" by Buryl Red. The Sunday afternoon performance at Salem Mennonite culminated the program in a festive manner. There will not be a Music Retreat in 2011. Ideas are being explored as to how to best plan the program. Every other January a music program is held at Portland Mennonite Church. We hope to alternate every other year with the PMC event in order to offer a music-related opportunity at the same time each year. Hopefully the DCC and PMC programs can be mutually supportive.

OREGON MENNONITE WOMEN'S RETREAT ~ APRIL 23-25: The weekend was planned by Patricia Hersberger, Esther King, Claudia Beechy and DCC. Teresa Moser was guest speaker and Juel Russell contributed with discussion groups. Volunteers led elective activities while Gail Manickam led worship and Pam Fahndrich led get-acquainted games. Many women shared their skills, interest and talents such as sisters Jaqui Eicher Forney and Marisa Eicher Demassi facilitated writing and art workshops. The Saturday evening talent show was hosted by Hannah Field who shared her hilarious take on learning American idioms as a British immigrant.

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT ~ APRIL 30-MAY 1: The Young Adult retreat was delightful with a small but diverse and intimate group of about 20 people. The group gathered to join in fellowship and worship, and engage the topics of Mennonite theology and identity. Shanda Hochstetler (Portland) and Kristen Leichty (Albany/Portland) organized for worship and prayer, Joseph Penner (Salem) presented on themes from Anabaptist history, Meghan Good (Albany) gave a keynote presentation on John Howard Yoder's "The Politics of Jesus," and Ben Deumling (Salem) organized food service. Present were the Albany Service Adventure & Micah House (Lebanon service unit), plus a variety of young adults from across the valley.

WORK WEEKEND ~ MAY 21-22: The spring event was packed! Area youth participated so there were plenty of hands pitching in! Projects included: painting bunks; clearing trails; chipping piles of debris and junk wood for mulch; exterior painting at the Activity Center; removal of concrete chunks around Yamhill; painting Alsea and preparing it for summer; organizing the pantry and deep cleaning the lodge. After most of the volunteers departed the youth groups remained and gathered for worship in the chapel. The group offered DCC staff an anointing with mud and prayed for the upcoming summer camp season.

SUMMER CAMP ~ JUNE 14-JULY 23: *Summer Camp was terrific!* Of course there were challenging issues, hick-ups along the way, and campers with emotional/spiritual needs bigger than what a week at camp could fill, but overall, it was a great season! With a staff that was almost entirely new, we weren't sure what to expect, but overall, things went smoothly. The majority of the counseling staff came from other parts of the country; as well as 3 International Volunteer Exchange participants (Anna from China, Kamel from Egypt and Sok Eng from Cambodia. We also enjoyed volunteer support from Derek & Ana Hostetler who were home on leave from MCC service in Vietnam and office support from Dora Ivanitsky and Nature Center volunteer John Gingerich.

Kayla embraced Summer Camp with grace and thoughtfulness and Kristen brought her gifts of creativity and on-the-spot problem solving! Experienced staff members such as Mike Ross, Tsid, Nissi and Ropheka Gershom brought a welcome calm and steady presence. Together the team created a memorable program that truly led campers to "Meet God on the Mountain." Camp attendance was good and for the second consecutive year, high school camp grew the most! We are very grateful to Merv Kropf for his willingness to direct Surf Camp. The week was fantastic and his passion and experience proved again, to be invaluable! Tsid, Ropheka and Nissi made giant contributions, as did Maggie Gilman, who was a 2010 participant in Goshen College's Ministry Inquiry Program at Portland Mennonite. The church gifted DCC with a week of Maggie's service at Surf Camp.

Thanks to each camp pastor who gave generously of his/her time and energy to serve each week! We recognize that with life's craziness, it is a lot to give a week to serve. The role of camp pastor is huge! We've been so blessed to have good people willing to fill this giant role; and fill it well! Next year, we *hope* to add school counselors, at least for the first two weeks. This added professional experience will be helpful in addressing emotional needs of young teens.

2010 SUMMER CAMP ATTENDANCE:

<u>GRADE LEVEL:</u>	<u># of CAMPERS:</u>
High School	78
7th and 8th Grade	59
5th and 6th Grade	76
3rd and 4th Grade	82
Surf Camp	18
Parent and Me	25 campers + parents

SUMMER CAMP NEEDS:
 Cooks, teen volunteers, counselors, transportation services, office volunteers, weekend hosts for out-of-state staff, folks to lead crafts, folks to teach special activities—even if for a day—you could come share your interests & abilities and enrich the experience for campers!

FALL QUILT & SCRAPBOOK RETREAT ~ OCTOBER 7-10:

There was a small crowd, but those who attended had a great time and accomplished much work on their individual projects. A highlight was Saturday’s fun in the craft room as Sara Gibson, Brenda Kauffman and Laura Lehman (Art Teacher at Western Mennonite) provided a time for guests to experiment with a variety of art techniques which included everything from creating lanterns from oiled paper, folding books and boxes and tinting photographs with oil pastels. Meanwhile male guests worked outside in the COLD RAIN to clear trails and move firewood. Thank you to each participant and volunteer for making the event fun and worthwhile. Thank you to the kitchen volunteers who made the event even more enjoyable!

LOOKING AHEAD:

- January 21-23, Zion Mennonite Church Retreat
- February 18-20 Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship Retreat

February 26, 2011: DCC Benefit Dinner at Albany Mennonite Church, 6:30

- March 10-13, Drift Creek Quilters
- April 1-3, Oregon Mennonite Women’s Retreat
- April 7-8, Mennonite Choir Festival participants at DCC (Volunteers needed!)*
- May 20-22, DCC Work Weekend
- June 13-17, Summer camp orientation
- June 17-19, Parent and Me Camp
- June 19-24, High School Camp
- June 26-July 1, 7 & 8 Grade Camp
- July 3-8, 5 & 6 Grade Camp
- July 8-10, Family Nature Retreat
- July 10-15, 3 & 4 Grade Camp
- July 17-22, Surf Camp
- September 23-25, Salem Mennonite Church Retreat

November 4-6, 2011 Annual Meeting

Please consider volunteering for summer camp! We always need cooks, nurses, adult volunteers, teen volunteers, etc. It takes a lot of hands to pull off 5 weeks of programming, and we could certainly use yours! Help is needed for rental groups on weekends as well.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! We will be looking for volunteers to help cook for the large group of choir festival participants coming in April. The entire lodge will be full so we’re also hoping to find a house in Lincoln City that could be used to house food service volunteers. If you have a beach house available and are willing to let adult volunteers stay there, please let us know as soon as possible. If you are interested in helping cook that Thursday night and Friday morning, please let us know as well. If you have extra bedding that you would allow camp to borrow for out-of-state guests, please notify Florence Gingrich at >>>>>>.*

2010 VOLUNTEERS!

Camp Pastors:

Parent & Me: Tom & Ann Zelenka
High School: Eric Ivanitsky
7th & 8th Grade: Charlene Schrag
5th & 6th Grade: Phil Rempel
3rd & 4th Grade: Kevin Headings

Camp Nurses:

Parent & Me: Millie Medlin
High School: Bonnie Heppner
7th & 8th Grade: Denise Diller
5th & 6th Grade: Alicia Beachy
3rd & 4th Grade: Dawn Headings
Surf Camp: Claire Yoder

THANKS
to
GLEN OESCH
for another
fantastic year
of food service!

Camp Cooks:

Parent & Me: Ron, Rich & Karen Kropf, Kim Arredondo, Trina & Jesse Fitzpatrick, John & Nancy Hestand,
High School: Karlene MacGregor, Sheryl Mast, Luanne Berkey, Cheryl Garber
Grades 7/8: Karlene MacGregor, Sheryl Mast, Charyl Garber, Stan, Vonnie, Jared & Jason Oyer
Grades 5/6: Kari Stutzman, Ruth Hopkins, Kelli Bacher, Jan Wilson and Marla Hopkins
Grades 3/4: Kelli Bacher, Urszela Balenkowski, Louise & John Gingerich and Tiffany Olivier.
Surf Camp: Ropheka and Nissi Gershom

Teen Volunteers: *(some volunteers served multiple weeks)*

Parent & Me: Brandon Conrad & Kevin Bontrager
High School: Megan Leatherman, Tyler Birky, Shaina Cornwell, Amy Martin, Rebekah Miles
Grades 7/8: Ropheka Gershom, Hilary Garman, Casey Berkey, Bethany Chupp, Karli Mast, Ana Smith, Hunter Gutierrez, Katie Mckinnerl
Grades 5/6: Nissi Gershom, PJ Miller, Kaeli Stutzman, Janessa Roth, Katie Chupp, Josh Gershom, Kaitie Moyano, Jesse Stutzman
Grades 3/4: Alec Hibbard, Lilly Kauffman, Maria Koshkarov, Ryan MacGregor, Jessica Gomez, Kelsey McKinnell, Tyler Roth, Peter Schultz

LIFEGUARDS:
Kaitlyn Hershberger,
Tsid Gershom
Nissi Gershom
Ropheka Gershom-
THANK YOU!!!!

Summer Staff: Kristen Leichty (Activities Coordinator); Mike Ross (Adult volunteer and all-around help-whenever needed guy!) Tsid Gershom, Brian O'Leary, Ben Climer, Matt Yoder, Kamel Rezkalla, Sok Eng Khat, Kayla Jantzi, Nissi Gershom, Ropheka Gershom, Laura Bowman, Lacey Wisseman, Ria Jewell, Emily Chupp, Hilary Garman, Alison Reist, Anna Wang, Kyler Lehman, Kirsty Martin, Luke Martin, Gabe Barnes,

Summer Staff Volunteers: Dora Ivanitsky, Dave Engle, Seth & Brie Ediger, Laura Schlabach, Kristen Ramsted, John Beechy, Tom & Gayleen Golden, Maggie Gilman, Merv Kropf, all the local folks who made Surf Camp GREAT!

Year-round Volunteers: *We sincerely apologize if we missed anyone. Each volunteer is important and we are forever grateful for your service!*

COOKS: Cathleen & Dave Hockman-Wert; Jim Anderson & family & Christine van Belle; Kevin and Sarah Nichols; Virg & Gordon Anderson; John & Louise Gingerich; Claire Yoder & PMC youth; John & Claudia Beechy; Lois Oesch; Kirsty & Amy Martin; Urszela Balenkowski; Joan Imhoff; Ruth Kauffman; Melvena Hostetler; Jerry and Nancy Friesen; Sheldon and Janice Burkhalter; Randall Toews; Kurt & Evy Kristenson, Norm & Phyllis Lind, and The Mandate School. (Some volunteers came multiple weekends!)

CONSTRUCTION & GROUNDS: Carl Snyder, Al Lind, Norm Lind, Larry Graber, Jerry Friesen, Byron Gardner, Dennis Rothrock, Gerald Mast, Tim Martin, Carl Newswanger, Del Snyder, The Mandate School, Andrew Yoder, Chris Lehman.

GRAPHIC DESIGN: Kristen Leichty, Vanessa Kauffman, Wilbur Kauffman, Mervin Kropf and Trudy McKinnell—Thanks also to Pioneer Printing for their help with so many printing needs!

BENEFIT DINNER: Thank you Shirley Martin and the ZMC volunteers who prepared a delicious meal AND cleaned up! Thank you Craig & Jana Gingerich for coordinating. Thanks to the youth & parents who served from ZMC, PMC, SMC and AMC! Thank you to Brie & Seth Ediger, Bob Bontrager & Les Kropf for sharing and to Luke Gascho for a fantastic presentation. Thank you to the CMF ensemble for providing music. Thank you Chris Lehman for the fabulous hosting! **We could not have pulled off the event without the help of many volunteers!** Thanks to John and Louise Gingerich; Karen Kropf; Denise Lapp; Judy & Gene Gascho; Jaqui Forney and Fry Nursery for you abundant contributions to decorating the tables and setting up. Thank you to Roger Oakes for running sound and photographers Ken Beachy & Doug Gingerich. Thank you Anna Williams & Bonnie Heppner for the camp photos and Bonnie's work on receipts.

Thank you SMC Youth and Mandate School for raking the ball field. Thank you to Gene Gascho, Gingerich Farms, Tom Brenne- man and Gale Gingrich for use of your equipment and Mike Baker at Pennington Seed for the new grass!!! We look forward to next summer and pray for fewer sprained ankles!!!

Volunteer needs: *Ever feel motivated to help out at DCC but not sure what would be helpful? Look here:*

- We need someone to take responsibility for the **ink cartridge program** through Staples. This would require collecting empty cartridges from individuals and churches and turning cartridges in to the store (maximum is 20 per month to any Staples store.)
- We need a volunteer to keep up the **camp scrapbooks**. We could send photos and provide all the materials; just need someone to keep things updated and put it together!
- **Come out and cook in the camp kitchen!** DCC's food service program is based on volunteer labor! It takes a lot of hands all year long to put tasty dishes on the tables for guests. When there are not volunteers camp staff adds this work to already full plates!
- **Come split wood or chop kindling.** This is always a need at camp! Let us know what works with your schedule and we'll make sure it works!
- **We send out 4-5 bulk mailings per year.** Might you be able to help fold/seal/label mailings? If you would like to help, please let us know and we can figure out the logistics.
- Would you be willing to put together a work team to help with facility projects? Due to a very tight budget and too many cancellations, the on-site staff will be smaller next year. **Please consider getting a crew together to come tackle projects on-site.**
- **Have skills in marketing?** A tough economy has taken its toll on Drift Creek operations. We need to expand our customer base in order to survive the recession. Do you have creative ideas that can help us maximize revenue and reach more prospective guest groups? Schools?
- **Are you a writer?** A **HUGE NEED** we have is to get the ball rolling with grant applications! There are still a few grants out there that DCC would be eligible for but we need a person experienced with grants to help out. We'd love to see energy conservation projects be funded through grants. Ideas include a micro-hydro generations system, additional batteries, new energy efficient windows for the lodge, etc.
- Beginning in 2011, we'll be back to one household for on-site staff. That means we will not have the flexibility of multiple caretakers to share the load of hosting. As the season gets busy again, **we'll be looking for folks to volunteer as substitute hosts.** *Might you be available to help in this capacity?*
- The spring **Benefit Dinner** will be here before we know it! There is a huge list of things to accomplish in order to pull off that event. If you are interested in assisting with **decorating, planning, organizing,** etc. please let us know! We'd welcome your help and will need many volunteers to pull it off.
- **Consider expanding your congregation's support of camp:** *host a benefit BBQ or initiate a campership program to send children to summer camp.*

Facilities Needing attention: *There are always more projects than there is time or resources, but here are few that need more immediate attention:*

- New roof on the generator shed & caretaker cabin
- Wiring for an outside pantry light
- Overhaul of electrical lines to cabins!!!
- Aging Sitka Spruce trees that need to be felled
- Replace shower in Yamhill and repair shower floor tiles in lodge second floor bathrooms
- Install private bathrooms on second floor of lodge and complete base-board project from rejuvenation.
- Finishing touches on Alsea
- Repair on lodge post
- Seal bath house floor and repaint interior
- Replace battens on Yamhill & complete new paint on interior (bathroom, back room & kitchen)
- Replacement of backstop
- Resurface lodge floor and kitchen
- Build storage in chapel for valuable sound equipment and extra tables
- Replace Yamhill's insulation
- Create a welcome sign for camp guests
- Etc., etc!

2010 Finance & facilities



PROGRAMS, RENTAL GROUPS AND FOOD SERVICE:

In addition to 5 weeks of camp, DCC hosted the Music, Women's, Young Adult and Fall Quilt & Scrapbook Retreats. Attendance for DCC programs, other than summer camp, is not where it needs to be. In order to be financially viable, program attendance needs to increase and last-minute cancellations decrease. Unfortunately, we face difficult decisions about whether to continue some programs. The Fishing Retreat has already been eliminated due to poor attendance. In terms of rental groups, there were 35 groups in the lodge consisting of family reunions, churches and outdoor education programs for both youth and adults. Fifteen were church retreats; 7 were family reunions and 6 were religious youth programs and 7 focused on outdoor education. The ODFW, *Becoming an Outdoor Woman*, was a well attended program and new to DCC. The event rotates locations around the state annually and ODFW has expressed interest in returning to Drift Creek in a few years. DCC is currently exploring the possibility of becoming the "Home Field" for Taft High School's cross-country meets. This partnership would result in Taft's team hosting "home" invitationals at camp as well as the potential for building a cross country running camp in late summer.

There were unexpected cancellations in 2010 which were cause for disappointment, frustration and revenue loss. The economy seemed to play the biggest factor. Even with the larger groups that did come, such as Fairview, Highlands and AMF, their attendance was down which in turn resulted in lower income for DCC. Some schools that have been coming annually have notified us that they will not be able to return due to budget cuts. *These are hard times and tough challenges for camp operations when reservations here are seen as a luxury for schools, churches, and even families whose members are struggling financially.* Therefore, we need to think even more creatively about potential partnerships for hosting events at DCC and getting people here. The key to staying afloat is to have people in the lodge as frequently as possible and maximize group size. ***Do you know a family, business, organization or educational group that would consider programming at Drift Creek?***

FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT AND FINANCE:

The beginning of the year brought several financial challenges: The Alsea cabin needed to be rebuilt and Clackamas needed major repairs after the 2009 winter storm left a gaping hole in its roof. Volunteers worked to remove the tree and install a new roof while others rebuilt Alsea just in time for spring reservations. There are still a few finish details to complete in Alsea, but it was successfully used all summer long. ***Thank you!***

New batteries and inverter capacity were added to include the well pump. Without this additional power, camp was constantly running out of water for rental groups. The hope is to increase the battery supply even more so that areas of the lodge (or anywhere on-site) can be used with out the generator running.

The old phone's landline was removed along with the old Siletz Road being decommissioned by the USFS in June. The new system is satellite-based and has steadily reliable. The project cost \$5000.

A new double-walled diesel tank, which was purchased last year for \$4000, was installed in 2010 for another \$4000, which included a new concrete pad. The old tank still needs to be removed, but there is increased peace of mind knowing that there is an extra layer of protection against the danger of a spill.

The aged cabin mattress covers were worn, unappealing, and unsanitary. This spring mattresses received a new, sealed, and easily washable cover. We hope guests found these to be more comfortable than the duct tape patched variety. The fresh covers also gave the cabins a clean cohesive appearance. (\$2800 expense.)

You will notice that the large playing field has been reseeded. Thank you to volunteer labor and donated seed, we hope that by next summer, the field will be less hazardous to play on and the number of sprained ankles will be reduced! Now, if we can just get rid of those pesky moles!!!

We are happy to announce that the Board has approved an endowment program. We hope that constituents will support this goal of moving DCC toward greater financial stability. Please consider DCC in your estate planning and commit to protecting the legacy of summer camp for your children, grandchildren and for generations to come.

Drift Creek Camp

2010 Actual

2011 Budget

	<u>2010 Actual</u>	<u>2011 Budget</u>
Income		
Annual Fund	43,006.98	52,520.00
Retail Sales	4,423.50	4,500.00
Miscl	990.00	0.00
Food Service	40,642.00	41,000.00
DCC Programs	66,007.77	65,000.00
Camp Rental	97,784.00	100,000.00
Interest	20.04	50.00
Dividend and capital gain incom	10.00	0.00
Total Income	<u>252,884.29</u>	<u>263,070.00</u>
Expense		
Wages and salaries	110,158.67	105,500.00
Payroll Taxes	8,904.24	9,000.00
Staff Brnfs	15,827.53	19,000.00
Purchases - Wares	3,654.46	4,000.00
Drift Cr Progr	22,732.78	21,800.00
Food Service Exp	10,142.75	12,000.00
Vehicles	8,923.05	9,700.00
Bldgs & Grnds - Rep and Maint	9,418.14	9,000.00
Water Testing	250.00	200.00
Propane	16,661.10	15,000.00
Janitorial Supplies	1,454.74	2,000.00
Insurance	12,675.00	14,000.00
Garbage	992.60	800.00
Firewood	0.00	100.00
Diesel	15,972.04	16,000.00
Bank Service Charges	2,310.50	2,500.00
Dues and Subscriptions	1,646.99	2,000.00
Licenses and Permits	9,515.00	10,000.00
Miscellaneous	165.95	200.00
Travel Reimbursement	0.00	300.00
Printing and Reproduction	650.57	1,000.00
Publ, Adv	675.00	500.00
Telephone	3,815.47	3,300.00
Office Supplies	1,197.40	1,000.00
Postage	429.89	650.00
PO Box - rental	116.00	120.00
Small Office Equipment	850.82	1,000.00
Professional Development	356.90	1,000.00
Professional Fees	1,350.00	1,400.00
Total Expense	<u>260,847.59</u>	<u>263,070.00</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-7,963.30</u>	<u>0.00</u>