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Camp Fire USASM

Wathana Council Annual Meeting

May 3, 2006

Marriott Laurel Park

Our Mission: To develop caring, confident youth and future leaders.

Special Events 2005

Thank you Michelle Koch for chairing this year
Tupperware Fund Raiser

Thank you to Mr. Pete Lyders, Sundance Inc for running a Taco
Bell Campaign for our summer camp programs

Thank you to Linda Tarjeft and her family for hosting the
Fun Run at Camp Wathana

Thank you to all the members and volunteers who participated in
this years Annual Candy Sale

Upcoming Events

Campership Campaign	May through August
Mix N Fix at Camp Wathana	May 20 & 21
Fly Up	June 3
Fun Run	June 4
Little Brown bear House	July 29 - August 4
Days of Caring at Camp Wathana	September 8 & 9
Board Strategic Planning Retreat	September 27
Friends & Family Weekend	October 13-15
Camp Wathana Halloween	TBD
Camp Wathana Volunteer Day	Last Sat each month Apr-Oct

Wathana Council

Annual Meeting Agenda

May 3, 2006

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Welcome.....	Linda Tarjeft
President Report.....	Shirley Williams
Secretaries Report	Lisa Schmidt
Treasurer Report	Pamela Sherry
Executive Director Report.....	Linda Tarjeft
Action Item	Lee Burton
Elections.....	Julianne Phillips
Awards and Recognition.....	Linda Tarjeft

Camp Fire Law

Worship God
Seek Beauty
Give Service
Pursue Knowledge
Be trustworthy
Hold on to Health
Glorify Work
Be Happy

A special thank you to the following:

- United Way Southeast Michigan for sponsoring the Days of Caring
- Dr Pete Esterline for the volunteer hours he gave to Camp Wathana
- Sue Julian, for Supervising the WAM Volunteers at Camp Wathana
- Kathy Nestell, Sharon Pierce, Mary Ellen Bennett for volunteering during special events at Camp Wathana
- American Airlines for the household donations
- Office Depot in Woodhaven & Livonia for all the wonderful office supplies and day camp supplies donated through the In-kind International Retail Donation Program
- Kohl's for all the stuffed animals and books donated to Camp Fire to assist us with teaching the fundamental of reading with preschool kids
- Valerie Pleimann for all the wonderful program and Camp Wathana nature pictures she takes for our scrap books

Thank you to the following for use of you facility during our 2005 day camp:

- Taylor Ponds Apartments, Taylor
- Arthur Lesrow Community Center, Monroe
- Lincoln Elementary School, Monroe

Thank you to the following for your Donations to help ensure Camp Wathana is safe for our summer camp program

- Iverson Drywall for Drywall & Exterior Doors
- Home Depot for the Grass Seed; Home Depot of Burton for Winnaki Cabin renovation, Home Depot of Fenton for Odakota Cabin renovation, Home Depot of Flint for the Mumega Cabin renovation, ceramic floor tiles and a hot water tank, Home Depot Managers from Genesee County for Ottawatega renovation
- Rockford Construction for Kiawita roof, wall and flooring
- PPG Inc for the paint donation
- Rick Colon from RC Drywall for the installation of our drywall
- Oakland County Food bank for the freezer they donated
- Capelli Spa for the number of linen and cabinet donations

Thank You to those organizations who have made contributions to Camp Fire

Untied Way Community Service	Holden Foundation
Visteon Corporation	Kronlund Foundation
Monroe Public Schools	Lazy Boy Foundation
Arthur Lesow Community Center	Hess Foundation
Kern Road Veterinary Clinic	Whitney Foundation
United Way of Monroe	Colina Foundation
Charter One	Lathrup Village of Women

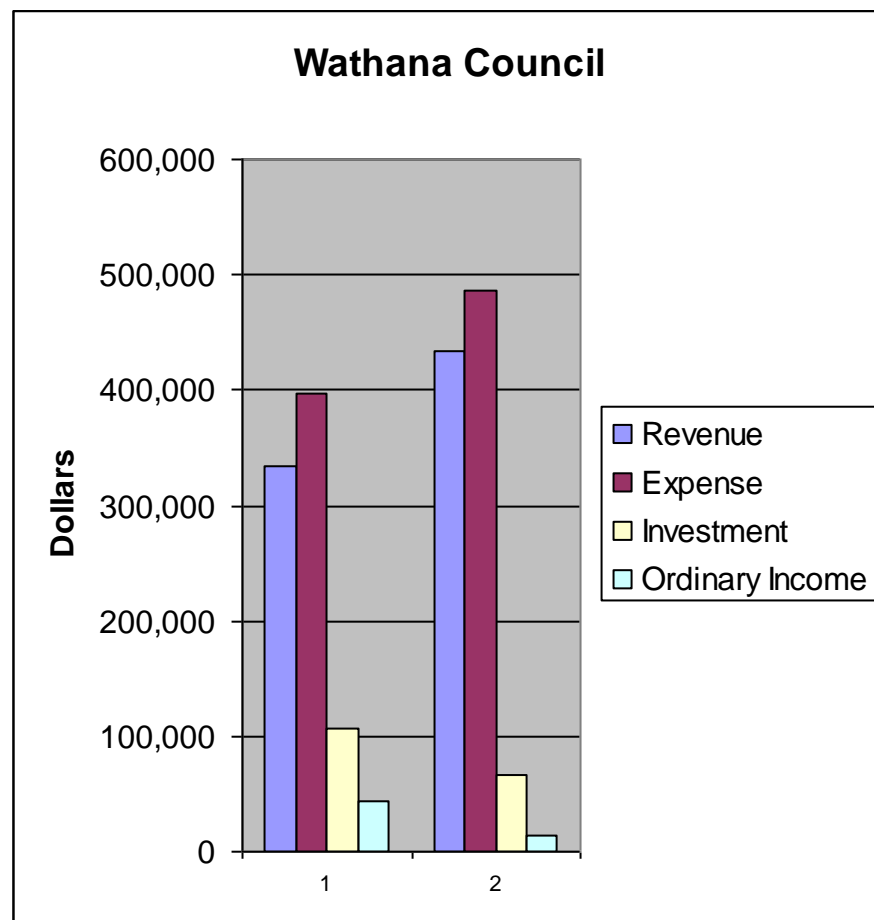
Thank You to those individuals who have made contributions

Bill & Nancy Murray	Susan Jensen
Edwin Chapman	Amy Morgan
James North	Delores Czach
Sidney Newhouse	Mary Paule & Lori Bierlein
Linda West	Dorothy Vencelov
Thomas Blaser	Patricia Jensen
Janet Rex	Dolores Gross
Patricia McCarthy	Jacqueline McCarroll
Pamela Sherry	Susan Moore
Lee Burton	Karen Koss
Shirley Williams	Sandra Detrisac
Lisa Schmidt	Gloria Gregory
Terry Curry	Susan Balturis
Greg Marcotte	Valerie Pleimann
Danielle Lenker	Susan Edwards
Sandra Griffin	Mary Bennett
Rose Korson	Steve Riga
Burton Share Mgt	Susan Moore
Dorothy Warren	Daniel Share
John Sheehan	Carlton Stewart
Virginia Becker	Donald Stewart
Lisa Ruthledge	Margaret Kohn
M Ann Farrington	Lawrence Dickens
Doris Edwards	Teresa Higgins
June Detrisac	Terry Reiley
Anthony Burton	Julie Kroflick

Camp Fire USA History

- 1910 Camp Fire Girls was founded
- 1926 Camp Fire and Girl Scouts purchased 151 acres in Oakland County near Rose Center to establish a permanent camp site. 75 acres became the property of Camp Fire and was named "**Wathana**"- Place of Beauty, the balance become Girl Scout Camp Innisfree.
- 1926 Sequoia, Sunset and Winakee cabins were built
- 1931 The process of separating Camp Fire and Girl Scouts began
- 1952 Paheeloh was built
- 1962 Camp Wathana First Annual Mix n' Fix held
- 1968 Membership Hit 10,000!
- 1982 Dwayne X. Riley and his TV crew filmed resident camp for airing on Channel 4's "Riley's World."
- 1986 Totem pole erected by the Tom-Owe-Aga Horizon club.
- 1987 Kiawita was moved to be farther from the main road and to add a basement, but due to transit and neglect was found unsafe for housing and turned into office space, it is now used for storage.
- 1996 Camp Wathana received an all "A" rating on its inspections.
- 1996 Club membership doubled last year in Livingston County.
- 1997 Council named officially changed to Camp Fire Wathana Council to reflect our growing area.
- 1999 The Skillman Foundation granted the Wathana Council \$330,000
- 2001 Camp Fire Boys and Girls became Camp Fire USA
- 2002 Camp Wathana receives new swimming dock
- 2004 Kikewagan received \$20,000 Energy Efficiency grant from Non Profit Facilities Fund. Wathana receives new fire system from Visteon
- 2005 Camp Wathana Kiawita receives new roof, floor and wall by Rockford Construction, Four Sequoia cabins completely renovated by Home Depot; Wathana Lodge painted inside & out by PPG Inc. RL Polk laid brick pavers throughout camp.

WATHANA COUNCIL FINACIAL CHART



WATHANA COUNCIL FINACIALS

	audited	unaudited
Annual Meeting 2005	2004	2005
United Way	\$129,600	\$113,007
Contributions/Grants	\$4,970	\$3,455
Corporations	\$17,915	\$1,177
Foundations	\$45,345	\$28,555
Product Sale	\$4,197	\$4,857
Program Revenue	\$93,296	\$73,675
Membership Due	\$2,530	\$1,361
Special Events	\$11,334	\$10,122
Miscellaneous	\$1,450	\$2,008
In-kind Donations	\$24,060	\$195,144
Total Revenue	\$334,697	\$433,361
Program Expenses	\$54,845	\$22,706
Supporting Services	\$38,405	\$21,642
Mgt & General	\$277,654	\$243,009
Fundraising	\$3,572	\$4,320
in-kind donations	\$22,560	\$194,556
Total Expenses	\$538,833	\$486,143
Investment Income	\$30,058	(\$28,306)
Total realized gain/loss	\$57,066	\$105,519
Net unrealized gain/loss	\$18,894	(\$10,583)
Total Investment gain	\$106,018	\$66,630
Ordinary Income	\$43,679	\$13,848

Camp Fire USA Wathana Council 2005 Programs

Summer Day Camp	125
Clubs	95
Self Reliance	539
Resident Camp	45
Outdoor Programs	429

Camp Fire USA Wathana Council 2006 programs:

Summer Day Camp

Enables youth K-6th grade to enjoy development activities, build confidence, and experience culturally diversity, and many other activities such as creative arts, field trips, sports and games, journal writing, other educational activities- all while in a safe, supportive environment.

Clubs

Club membership offers youth from K-12 a chance to gain positive identity and a sense of community in which they can grow. The Club program, which children enjoy at every age, offers a mix of fun activities, indoor and outdoor projects, events, planning, leadership, and responsibility. As the members become older their programs become more complex and challenging. Teens in Action clubs are the older, more mature clubs who are heavily involved in community service projects.

Self Reliance Courses

Teaches youth safety and baby-sitting skills, how to handle peer pressure, develop positive friend-ships, self-esteem and self-awareness and facilitate service learning projects through interactive courses.

Resident Camp

Develops self-confidence, problem-solving and cooperation skills during one week stay away from home- through involvement in swimming , hiking, archery, nature discovery, canoeing, creative arts, games, and much more.

Letter from the Executive Director

Camp Fire is celebrating its 96th Birthday this year, only four years away from our 100th Birthday. This year our goal is to increase participation and resources. Last year was a great year for Camp Wathana, it seen over \$200 thousand dollars worth of in-kind supplies and services. The name Wathana means "A Beautiful Place" and so are the people who volunteered to help us bring back the beauty to Camp Wathana, Thank you! This year we will focus on increasing participation and resources in our program area, this will be a vital step in rekindling the Camp Fire flame.

We believe that all youth can and should be served, regardless of race, creed, gender, national origin, religion, sexual orientation or ability to pay. We encourage respect for and acknowledge the environment which encompasses an appreciation and awareness of our outdoors. We support a lifetime commitment to learning and we believe that learning should be challenging and fun. I want to ask everyone to consider participating in this years Camp Fire Campership campaign. Camp Wathana is in its 80th year serving youth throughout Southeast Michigan and has great summer programs. Thousands of children have left camp with ever lasting memories. Our Campership campaign has allowed us to support less fortunate children, both girls and boys through scholarships funding. Now along with the Summer Dreams program we can increase the number of scholarships. The Summer Dreams program allows us to match your donated dollars. How does the Summer Dreams program work? The Summer Dreams program is supported by the Detroit Free Press Charities Foundation and together with the Skillman Foundation matches all donated dollars up to \$1500 per donation. If you donate between May 1 and August 1st and write your checks to "Children First" your donated dollars will be doubled.

In closing, I want to remind you Wo-He-Lo it is our watch word and a good word to live by.

- **Wo (Work)** Many adults, from all walks of life and in many capacities, work together to fulfill Camp Fire's mission of **Building Caring, Confident Youth and Future Leaders.**
- **He (Health)** The great outdoors plays an important role in our pursuit of a healthy life.
- **Lo (Love)** Camp Fire holds a special place in our hearts. With love we remember a child sleeping under the stars or helping seniors play bingo. As an adult we remember watching a child's eyes light up when the dinner they cooked over a fire tastes great or their arms shoot up when asked who'd like to go canoeing.

One Person makes a difference and together we can make a change!

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Linda Tarjeft, MSA
Executive Director

Wathana Council Members

Board of Directors

Shirley Williams, President
Lisa Schmidt, Secretary
Pamela Sherry, Treasurer
Sue Edwards-Haesler, VP of Program & Planning
Pauletia Afful Laura Baucus
Lee Burton Randy deMatas
Shane Ferguson Michelle Koch
Greg Marcotte Julianne Phillips
Joe Rochester Roger Werling
Barb Zdan

Today's Camp Fire Leaders

Charline Adrian Lenawee
Jan Culbertson Washtenaw
Cyndee McEwan Lenawee
Gladys Knox Oakland
Julie Morgan Monroe
Ken Masty Macomb
Melissa Bunt-Nyounai Washtenaw
Maria Corral-Rivard Oakland
Teresa Rostron Oakland
Sandy Schrade Macomb
Misty Stace Lenawee
Leah Tremonti Washtenaw
Patricia Wells Washtenaw

At Large Membership

Teresa Higgins Pat Jensen
Diana Wagner Sue Jensen
Valerie Pleimann Jerutha Kennedy
Karen Koss Mary Paule & Lori Bierlein
Sue EdwardsHaelser Delores Czach
Donna Copeland Laura Matauch
Sue Julian Dr Pete Esterline