2 Year Interns







Heber Martinez

Lilli Shepherd

Jimmy Snapp

You Make It All Happen!

Even though much of the information contained here is about numbers, those numbers represent lives. Lives that God brought under the influence of something that THE ARK planned, hosted, facilitated, or someone that THE ARK inspired, influenced, trained, or sent somewhere.

And none of that can happen without the partnership with people like you. Thank you so much for your ongoing support of the ministry and therefore each life that is touched by that which God continues to do here and through here.

THE ARK is a 70+ year old ministry that provides creative ways for people to grow and develop into healthy individuals who positively impact the world in which they live. We exist to create communities of grace wherever God leads.











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Annual Report 2018







Annual Review By The Numbers

34 Summer Camp Sessions

952 Summer Youth Campers

59 Guest Groups

378 Financial Partners/ Donors 7 school groups (K-12) = 598 students

300+ Faculty & 180+ Kitchen Volunteers Campers from 110 churches

Financial Highlights

	2017 - 2018	2016 - 2017	2015-2016
	Oct Sept.	Oct Sept.	Oct Sept.
Camper Fees	\$255,384.87	\$289,002.99	\$303,905.06
Contributions	\$427,961.47	\$415,687.08	\$351,223.25
Guest Group Income	\$96,839.81	\$109,617.51	\$79,851.27
Operating Expenses	\$890,975.82	\$927,004.59	\$810,629.01
Summer Missionary	\$ 14,655.81	\$ 16,567.40	\$ 15,335.49
Offering			
Net	\$41,489.26	\$74,434.41	\$49,544.13
Outstanding Mortgage	\$264,195.00	\$302,797.66	\$339,823.91





Staff



Bruce Cameron, Executive Director

Pamie and I have been at THE ARK for 29 years. I came in as the Associate Director and helped start the High Ropes, Wilderness, Jungle Huts, and Thai Hut Programs. I have been a dean, lifeguard, janitor, maintenance person, and executive director. I love working with kids and seeing them learn that following Jesus is full and rewarding. I love when these young people really begin to understand the unsurpassed grace of God. I also love the gaming and adventure that we get to experience with them.



Suzanne Smith, Registrar & Guest Services Manager
In summer 2018, I completed my 13th year at THE ARK. I am in
charge of Guest Services, Registration and I am a mentor for our 2 –
Year Interns. I love that we are mission minded and that many of us get
the opportunity to visit our partners all over the world. It is also exciting
to watch as people leave this property forever different because Jesus
has met them here.



Pamie Cameron, Administrative Assistant

I've been part of this ministry since October 1989. For eleven years I volunteered while working part-time at another job. I have done about every job there is to do here if I was physically able. Included in the long list would be mowing with the old blue tractor and transporting recycled cans to what used to be Omni Source in Marion. Life at THE ARK is never boring and no two days are alike. I deeply enjoy knowing the people that come and meeting new people. Seeing and hearing the campers' excitement in learning about Jesus is one of my favorite aspects of ministry here.



Larry Lipps, Director of Operations

I joined the staff in January of 2013 after 11 1/2 years of Children's Ministry at Bethany Christian Church in Anderson, IN which is where I was introduced to THE ARK by bringing folks from the church to camp sessions and events. I also served on the BOD for a few years before resigning that position to come on staff. My favorite way to describe my time with THE ARK is that there never is a day like the day before. God continues to use this place to do some amazing work in His Kingdom and I am so blessed to be a part of this ministry. My famous response to the question "How are you?" is "Living the dream!"



Amanda Bugos, Director of Development

In December 2016, I started on staff at THE ARK in the areas of Development & Marketing. Prior to that, I volunteered as a dean and in the Group Initiatives Program for many years while serving as a Children's Minister at Converse Church of Christ. It's a joy being part of a ministry where people of all ages hear about Jesus, experience His love, and build relationships with others who love and believe in them.



Linda Kidwell

Administrative Assistant & Housekeeping Manager
This is my 10th year at THE ARK. I must say I have learned so much
while I have been at my various jobs here. The people interaction has
been the highlight of my time. I feel so blessed to witness life changing
events daily here and to work with people that strive to make a



Donna Mitchell, Accountant

difference in a lost world.

I started working at Rainbow Christian Camp in April of 2007. I am responsible for all accounting functions for THE ARK. I have also acted as forwarding agent for some of our missionary interns during their time outside the US borders. My favorite aspect of working at THE ARK is feeling I am part of something bigger than just our organization. Being part of a team dedicated to serving God, no matter how big or small the task, humbles me on a daily basis.



Danny Wright, Internship Manager & Spiritual Direction

I started coming to camp as a speaker during Edge week. Bruce introduced me to Joe Wisley, and I ended speaking at camp for Joe, leading Bethany on a mission trip, and then leading the camp staff on a post-Katrina trip to Gulfport, Mississippi. I eventually joined the camp board, and even served as chairman for a couple of terms. I left the official board when I became the Staff Chaplain. I am also the Internship Manager. I love serving at a place that is committed to seeking God every day, willing to follow Jesus anywhere, and believes in the difference that the practice of Sabbath makes for us and everyone around us.



Karen Corn, Food Services Manager

I have served on staff at THE ARK for 16 years. The part I love most about my job is the people I work with every summer. I love my staff. Also, I love seeing the many volunteers that come to help each year. I have made many friends along the way.



Cody Isaacson, Guest Services Liaison

This is our 3rd year at THE ARK. Sharayah and I started out by coming here as 2 year interns. We wanted to see if missions is where God was leading us. We finished our 2 year internship this past summer. We are now partnering with THE ARK as we prepare for the mission field. Currently we take care of hosting guest groups and managing the High & Low Ropes and initiatives. One of our favorite things about THE ARK is the community of Grace. Working here has been an experience like none other. The other thing we love is the missions focus. It truly has been a wonderful place for us to grow and follow Jesus has we head to the missions field.