

Thanksgiving

As we head into the week of Thanksgiving, my heart is blessed by the many things at Trinity Pines:

- ▶ *great rental groups in 2016*
- ▶ *additional stakes in Stake Garden*
- ▶ *first-time visitors and guests*
- ▶ *dedicated and hardworking staff*
- ▶ *over 300 volunteers as counselors and workers in our summer camps*
- ▶ *host of senior volunteers who worked hard over the summer*
- ▶ *nine college students who lived at Trinity Pines June -August*
- ▶ *dedicated directors of District-Sponsored camps*
- ▶ *parents who sacrificed funds and time to have their kids attend camp*
- ▶ *church support from across our district*
- ▶ *dedicated Camps Board and Camp Property/Development Committee who met and dealt with issues and the future of the camp over the past year*
- ▶ *camp partners who faithfully provided financial support*
- ▶ *the many gifts and items donated to Trinity Pines*

And the list could continue on for what we are thankful for at this time. The hand of God is so evident in all aspects of Trinity Pines and we appreciate those of you who read Camp Monthly and learn about the successes, needs, and goals. Thank you and may a special blessing of Thanksgiving be on you and your home and family at this time of the year.

Rick Waitley
Camp Executive Director

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TRINITY PINES CALENDAR

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| Dec 30-Jan 1 | Beech Family Winter Get Together |
| Dec 30-Jan 3 | Pastor Tim Gerdes |
| Jan 6-8 | Rock Harbor Winter Retreat |
| Jan 9-13 | Pastor Randy & Kathy Bynum |
| Jan 13-16 | ID National Guard Youth Snowbash |
| Jan 20-22 | Summit Church Youth Retreat |
| Jan 21-22 | Cub Scout Pack 77 Retreat |
| Jan 27-29 | Intermountain District NYI Retreat |

*For reservations, call 208-888-0988
Ask for Kyra*

**Mark Your Calendar:
Share the Dream 10
Tuesday,
November 29
6:30 PM**

Call 208-888-0988 to RSVP

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Share the Dream 10

It does not seem possible that Share the Dream has been going for a decade. On November 29 we will gather again, as we have for the past nine years, to reflect, recognize, and project what is on the horizon for Trinity Pines. This is the one time of the year that Trinity Pines is in the limelight and the center of attention.

The concept to begin Share the Dream was initiated by the Murdock Foundation out of Vancouver during some training they provided on making grant applicants for Christian camps. We had a team of five-six people who participated in the training and learned about holding an annual report back and project forward event for the camp. While Trinity Pines Share the Dream is now celebrating 10 years, there were camps present that had been doing a similar event for many years. The goals were basically the same—getting camp partners to buy into the future of the camp.

The major objective of Share the Dream is to generate pledges and contributions to assist in camp operations, camper scholarships, and building the maintenance reserve to protect the investment in Cascade. We need your participation. I encourage you to invite a friend or two who may or may not be affiliated with the Nazarene Church or Trinity Pines to attend with you and then call (208-888-0988) and make your reservation. The evening will include a time of fellowship, dessert, and we will tell the story, through the lives of people, about the impact of Trinity Pines. Who knows, members of your family and/or your church might be in our stories.

2016 has been a great year for Trinity Pines and we are anxious to share the highlights with you as we reflect on the past 12 months. We hope you will make it a priority to be at Valley Shepherd in Meridian the Tuesday following Thanksgiving and participate in Share the Dream 10. Let me assure you that you will not be disappointed in the evening and will leave with a renewed interest and dedication to Trinity Pines.

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Retreat and Camp Directors for 2017

The Camps Board met in October and approved the list of Directors for the 2017 year of operations for Trinity Pines. Congratulations to all of the following who have been selected:

Young Adult Retreat (Feb. 10-12):

Nate Roskam (*Nampa First*)

Men's Retreat (March 24-26):

Brian Bowman (*Harney County*)

Genesis Girls & Boys (June 12-16):

Kym Slater (*Nampa Bethel*)

Sara Ross (*Valley Shepherd*)

9th-12th Grade (June 19-23):

Matt Cochern (*Eagle*)

Zach Schulz (*Tree City*)

Rich Vasquez (*Canyon Hill*)

4th-6th Grade Girls (June 26-30)

Stephanie Austin (*Nampa First*)

4th-6th Grade Boys (July 10-14)

Grady & Jessica Harmon

(*Boise New Hope*)

7th-8th Grade (July 17-21)

Matt Cochern (*Eagle*)

Jayson Martindale (*Homedale*)

Rich Vasquez (*Canyon Hill*)

Adult Retreat (September 11-14)

Rick Waitley (*Valley Shepherd*)

Women's Retreat (Sept. 29-Oct. 1)

Bettina Bowman (*Harney County*)

New Six Passenger Golf Cart

Valley Shepherd Church recently donated a six passenger golf cart for use in transporting guests at Trinity Pines. This is a great donation and will add to our fleet of vehicles used for this purpose.

New Shirt Design

You asked for long-sleeve and polo-style adult shirts (men and women) with the Trinity Pines logo that can be offered in the Camp Store. The design has been settled on, style input received from the Camps Board, and the order has been placed. The goal is to have the shirts available for purchase at Share the Dream 10 and then available in the Camp Store starting in January. Thanks to everyone who has patiently waited for these new shirts.

Winter Clean-up

We would like to invite volunteers to help with our December deep-cleaning in the kitchen and dining room. Work will take place Tuesday – Thursday, Dec. 6-8. Housing and meals will be provided. Contact Ron at the camp (208-382-6200) or on his cell (899-7632) to make a reservation.

Donations

Trinity Pines recently received a very nice donation of items which included the following:

- Single fitted sheets to cover bunk mattresses as necessary
- Weed Trimmer
- Rototiller
- Chain saw
- Backpack Sprayer
- Air Compressor

Thank you for thinking of Trinity Pines. It is appreciated.

Wildlife Sanctuary

Trinity Pines has been host to a significant herd of elk who have found their way to the meadow in the evenings this fall. There are also the usual foxes, deer, wild turkeys, and other game animals that reside near the camp. The elk have been a delight to camp visitors and caught on camera to share with friends and family.

Looking to Schedule

Now is the time to consider a Family Camp or a retreat for men, women, or youth in your church. Bible Study groups or other smaller gatherings might also fit the Trinity Pines calendar here and there. Give Kristen a call at Trinity Pines (208-382-6200) and inquire about rates and availability of space for the coming year. The calendar fills fast so now is the time to act.

A Christmas Gift Idea



Do you have that person on your list that you are not sure what to buy? What about doing some of your Christmas

shopping at Trinity Pines? Contact the camp and inquire about availability and prices of shirts, sweatshirts, and other camp items that you may have seen when you have been at Trinity Pines. The office can be reached at 208-382-6200.

Rudimentary Cabins

The Camps Board has received clearance from the city of Cascade to move forward on their plans for building some small, simple cabins that hold 12 campers. These cabins will replace the tents that have been in use for several years. The board is now working through details of location and positioning of the cabins on the camp property. They will need to have close proximity to restrooms. Slowly over the years, the tents and their platforms have shown the effects of hot summer sun and cool nights. The plan is to replace the tents over a two-year period of time. The seasonal cabins will allow for additional housing of campers in our large summer camps.

Year-end Giving

December is a great time for end-of-the-year giving for Trinity Pines. Be sure all donations are carefully marked for Capital Campaign, Celebration Club, or for a memorial. All donations should be sent to the Meridian Camp office (55 SW 5th Ave., Suite 100, Meridian 83642) Donations must be postmarked by December 31 to be counted in the 2016 tax year.

Happy
Thanksgiving