

CLOSING OUT 2017

Dear Camp Friends,

Thanks to the nearly 200 friends and guests who joined us for the 11th Annual Share the Dream event. What a great evening of reflecting on what happened in 2017, looking ahead to 2018, and recognizing the investment by so many. It is funny how you go along, week-by-week and month-by-month, and just handle all of the little things that are in your path - victories and disappointments. Then, when you pause and try to capture an entire year in an event like Share the Dream, it really reminds you just how blessed we are. Thanks to each of you for what you do to help us reach our goals - in property, facilities, and people.

One of the exciting thing that happens at Share the Dream is recognition of people who have invested in Trinity Pines. Included you will read about those inducted into the Founders' Club. Congratulations to each of them for the role they have played in helping us along the journey.

As we get ready to close out 2017, I wanted to remind all of our Camp Partners that Trinity Pines is a great place to make a year-end investment or gift. It has been rewarding over the years to have individuals write and say, "I am making this investment as a Christmas gift to Trinity Pines on behalf of..." and list the name of a family member or friend. We appreciate the faithful monthly investments made by many Camp Partners. However, end of the year gifts are also a special way to add to the investment bucket.

May the spirit of Christmas be very real in your home with family and friends. What a blessed time for Christians to celebrate the birth of Christ - a birth that changed the destiny of humanity forever. We look forward to our continued relationship with you as Camp Partners as we roll the calendar over to 2018. We hope you make a visit to Trinity Pines in 2018 and witness first-hand the results of your investments.

Have a blessed Christmas,

Rick Waitley, *Camp Executive Director*

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January 12-15 Idaho National Guard Youth Snowbash
January 19-21 Summit Church Youth Retreat
January 20-21 Cub Scout Pack 77
January 26-28 NYI Youth Retreat

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"



CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

DECEMBER 2017

PAVE THE WAY

As we progress toward the expansion of the Conference Center for the office space and new entrance to the building, we are pleased to introduce a new program for your consideration. Pave the Way will allow you to purchase a paver to be placed in the pathway leading to the entrance. You select the inscription that goes on the paver. This is a very nice way to honor family members who have played a role in the development of Trinity Pines; in fact, you can consider it as a Christmas gift for that “hard-to-buy-for person” on your list. This is the first time we have had an opportunity like this since we moved to Trinity Pines. Enclosed you will find a response card if you want to be included in this project. Deadline for submitting a card to secure a paver is July 1, 2018.

CCCA: Manager Ron and Nancy Manley are off to Colorado Springs to attend the National Conference for Christian Camp and Conference Association. Trinity Pines holds membership with the national group. CCCA has been an invaluable resource in many areas over the years. Ron and Nancy will divide and conquer, attending workshops and sessions on Christian camping. It is a good opportunity for the Manleys to recharge their batteries for another year of service.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS: If you are still in the business of sending Christmas cards, I encourage you to remember the staff at Trinity Pines. Throughout the year, they make many friends with rental groups and guests. I know they enjoy hearing from you. The mailing address for the camp is PO Box 1269, Cascade, ID 83611. A special Christmas employee appreciation dinner is planned on December 15 at the home of Manager Ron and Nancy Manley.

SUMMER PROGRAM STAFF: Christmas break is when many college students are home and begin the search for summer employment. Consider Trinity Pines as a possibility. If you need more information, contact Josh Miller at 208-382-6200 or Kyra Gibson at 208-888-0988 or kyra@amgidaho.com to learn more. Our goal is to hire nine college students for summer 2018, which spans basically from late-May through mid-August. You do not have to be affiliated with the Nazarene Church to be on summer staff. You may have relatives or connections with individuals who would like to explore this opportunity. Please help us spread the word.

2018 IMD DATES & RATES: The calendar has been set for Intermountain District camps and retreats. Please visit our website at www.tpines.org for detailed information and pricing.

SCHMIDT VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

Russell Andrews, Mountain Home, was recognized with the Schmidt Volunteer Service Award. Russell has been a volunteer at the camp for a number of summers. You can find him working in the kitchen and serving on the food lines at meals. But, he also is our “official bus driver” since he has his CDL. Russell frequently brings a granddaughter with him to Cascade for part of the summer. Russell has done tons of dishes each summer and always completes any task he is asked to do with a smile. Thanks, Russell, for being part of the team. The Schmidt Volunteer Service Award was established in honor of Marv and Linda Schmidt, the first Volunteer Coordinators at Trinity Pines.

VOLUNTEERS PLAY A VITAL ROLE:

At Share the Dream, we reported the total number of hours worked by volunteers. Thanks to Marilyn Swartzentruber for maintaining these records. We thought you might like to see the numbers and the various areas where volunteers provided leadership and service:

Kitchen:	2,217
Maintenance:	894.5
Housekeeping:	309
Laundry:	206.25
Bus:	117
Vehicles:	222.5
Grounds:	980.5
Snack Shack:	278
Dry Cabins:	1,407.5
Pole Barn:	224
Other:	882.5
TOTAL:	7,698.75

NOT JUST IN THE SUMMER: We need volunteers for many of our winter rentals. We have some large groups who rent on weekends during the winter and we would welcome extra hands in the kitchen. If you are available, please contact Ron Manley at 208-382-6200.

Happy Holidays!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the staff at Trinity Pines. We hope to see you during 2018.

*Ron & Nancy Manley
Ernie Gates
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