

Help Us Grow by 100

There is hardly a month that passes that I do not hear of a dear saint that has transitioned to heaven. Some of these folks were campers at Victory Cove. They showed their support in giving up their roots and legacy at Victory Cove to move to a brand new piece of property 17 years ago (Trinity Pines).

Time has taken its toll and now we need to add to our base of Camp Partners for the future financial success of the camp. Those Baby Boomers are moving through the years and the generations that have followed—Y, X and Millennial— will need to assume responsibility for the sustainability of the camp.

I enjoy reading and studying about the characteristics of various generations. Many recent studies have been released on the strengths and weaknesses of each generation group. However, throughout the various generation groupings there seems to be a common theme – belief in something that brings results. Therefore, Trinity Pines meets and exceeds that requirement for any generation. Trinity Pines is about an experience – a unique experience that is hard to find anywhere else. Trinity Pines impacts lives! A course correction for a child, teen, or adult can take place while attending Trinity Pines. We welcome everyone reading Camp Monthly to help us increase the base of Camp Partners by 100 new partners in 2017. Please share this opportunity with those in your sphere of influence

To Contact the District Camp Office:

Association Management Group
55 SW 5th Ave., Suite 100
Meridian, ID 83642
208-888-0988 208-888-4586 (fax)
rick@amgidaho.com

Trinity Pines Camp & Conference Center
PO Box 1269, Cascade, ID 83611
Physical address: 349 Cabarton Road
208-382-6200

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR

Feb 10-13	The Rock C & MA Men's Retreat
Feb 10-12	NNU Junior/Senior Retreat
Feb 17-19	Honor Bound Men's Retreat
Feb 24-26	BSU Catholic Retreat
Feb 27-Mar 3	Treasure the Valley Pastor's Prayer Summit
Mar 2-4	Tetelestai Retreat
Mar 13-17	Pastor Randy & Kathy Bynum
Mar 16-18	Treasure Valley Southern Baptist Men's Retreat
Mar 20-23	Garden Valley Quilters Stitch 'n Snip
Mar 24-26	Intermountain District Men's Retreat
Mar 31-Apr 2	Mt. Home 1st Southern Baptist Ladies Retreat

For reservations, call 208-888-0988
Ask for Kyrá

and join those who have gone ahead of you—and those still in the trenches and faithful to the mission—in supporting our District Camp facility. We look forward to adding your name to the list.

Rick Waitley, Executive Director

Cascade, Idaho

Camp Monthly

Trinity Pines Camp & Conference Center

February 2017

Celebrate the Accomplishments

Reflections on 2016 bring back great memories of wonderful times at Trinity Pines. Celebrate with me these great accomplishments:

- We increased the number of college staff to 9 this past summer giving us extra manpower and assistance with camp programming. Manager Ron Manley also instigated a new rotation which resulted in the college staff spending a week in the kitchen. The consistency and help were a great benefit to operations.
- We ended the financial year in the black.
 - The fiscal year for camp is different from the churches and the district. We operate from January 1- December 31. Therefore, we have already closed our books for 2016 and are started with our new budget going forward.
 - We were able to provide financial assistance to all campers who requested it. Praise the Lord!
 - \$20,000 was moved from Share the Dream into the ongoing Maintenance Reserve fund which is now over \$60,000. This fund is used for sustainability of camp operations
- Speaking of sustainability, we are working to maintain the investment. This past year one of the cottages was repainted and minor repairs made. A furnace was replaced in another cottage and continued maintenance of other buildings kept volunteers and staff very busy
- We added to our physical equipment list: additional golf carts, the new Razor (donation), and enhanced our AV equipment to meet the requests of more rental groups
- Monthly payments were made on the debt reduction of the second staff house throughout the year
- The rental calendar was as full as we have seen for several years. Thanks to the office staff (Ron and Kristen) in Cascade for booking many groups with Trinity Pines.

I could go on and on but those are just a few of the many blessings that found their way to Trinity Pines. Some of you witnessed these things first hand and may have even had a role in helping them to be accomplished. We are excited about what lies ahead for 2017 and hope that you will continue your loyal support and investment in Trinity Pines.

Rick Waitley
Camp Executive Director

New Board Member

Steve Laird, Nampa First Church, has taken the place of Bob Bullock on the Camps Board. Bob resigned because of his move to the Tri-Cities area. We are pleased with the gifts of leadership and personnel experience that Steve brings to the Camps Board. He will serve as the Chairman of the Personnel Committee – a vital and important committee for our staff in Cascade. Welcome, Steve.

Retirement

We congratulate Keith Jones, Tree City Church, on his retirement as a Structural Engineer. He has been involved with the development of many of the buildings at Trinity Pines. Keith officially retired from his engineering company on December 31st to enjoy time with his wife, Sally. Several from Trinity Pines joined Keith at a special reception honoring his years of service. Keith will continue as a member of the Camp Property/Development Committee.

Have a Weekend Free?

We have several large rental weekends during the winter months and into the spring season. If you would like to volunteer to assist camp staff in the kitchen, housekeeping, etc., contact Manager Ron Manley at 208-382-6200.

New to the Property/ Development Committee

We welcome Molly Beech, Nampa First Church, as a member of the committee. Molly is a mom, retreat speaker, and former camper. Molly will bring a fresh vision and creative ideas to the board. Molly is following in the footsteps of her father and brother, Verne and Andy Ward, in giving her time and talents to Trinity Pines.

Former Cook

Many have enjoyed the food prepared by Bonnie Bate, Valley Shepherd, when she served as assistant cook at Trinity Pines. Bonnie and her husband, Lynn, were weekend cooks for a number of summers. In addition, the Bates traveled several seasons to Utah and cooked for the Utaba Camp for our NV and UT churches. Bonnie suffered a stroke in December and went to be with the Lord Saturday, February 4. Memorial contributions may be made in Bonnie's name to Trinity Pines Camp, 55 S.W. 5th Ave., Ste. 100, Meridian, ID 83642.

Assistant Cook

On January 1, we welcomed Barbara Chandler to our staff as Assistant Cook. You may recognize the name as she has been working as a kitchen helper. Barbara and her husband reside in Donnelly where he has retired from the US Forest Service. Barbara's son and daughter-in-law, Chris & Cherie (Ketchum) Reiter, served as pastors at Jacob's Well Church in Boise before their move to a church in Colorado.

College Staff for Summer '17

Applications are being received now for college summer staff for 2017. Applications are available online at tpines.org or by contacting Kyra Gibson in Meridian at 888-0988. This is a great opportunity for a fun, ministry filled summer. A stipend is paid, housing provided, and lots of growth opportunities for those who are selected. Please encourage college age students (those out of high school), who might enjoy a summer in Cascade, to apply.

Summer Camp Registration Materials

We are developing and preparing registration materials for summer camps. We anticipate these being in churches and homes of past campers who have requested them within the next 30 days. Early Bird Registration will be available through Monday, April 17. You will also be able to secure reservation materials online at www.tpines.org.

It Just Kept Coming

This winter we have had the most accumulation of snow that we have seen for several years at Trinity Pines. The staff and volunteers have worked overtime to keep the roads and paths accessible for campers. We love the moisture and the white stuff but have concluded it only snows hard on Fridays. Of course, just before groups start arriving for their weekend rentals!

District Men's Retreat March 24-26, 2017

Special Speakers:
*Rev. John Comstock &
Dr. Todd Bowman*
Music provided by:
*Lenny Spooner and friends from
across the district.*

Cost:

\$100.00 (before March 11)

Registration available online at:
www.tpines.org or
check with your church
for a brochure and registration form.

New Investors

Our goal is to add 100 new Camp Partners as investors in Trinity Pines. Since Share the Dream 9 in November we have added the following names as new camp partners:

Gary & Pat Bartlow
Brent & Nichole Deakins
Daniel & Lavone Edgar
Dennis & Camille Ellis
Ernie & Tami Gates
Grace Bible Church
Nate & Melissa Roskam
Jim & Pat Toney

We would like to add your name. If you want more information about giving to Trinity Pines contact Cindy or Rick at the Meridian Camp Office at 888-0988.