### A Safe Place

After the passing of my Mom several years ago, a wise person shared with me, "Find a place that you can go to be by yourself and just lose it." It was some of the best advice, I ever had. My spot (not to be disclosed) was a great place for me to go, sit, and remember times with my Mom. I could cry, talk, and remember. Each time as I approached the spot I could feel my emotions begin to rise and knew that I was in my "safe place."

Trinity Pines is that "safe place" for many of our children, teens, and adults. It is not unusual to hear someone make remarks like the following:

I feel so much closer to God when I am at Trinity Pines.

This is where I made my commitment to Christ and I never will forget that.

One of those stakes is mine. It is a constant reminder of my commitment.

I know this is where I can be real before God.

I served as a Youth Associate for a while in a local church. I witnessed firsthand teens that basically lived their spiritual life from summer camp to summer camp. It was where they drilled down with God, where they sorted and tossed through things in their personal life, and where they knew they could be real before our Heavenly Father.

I hope you will join us as part of the team to have every child and teen experience a week at Trinity Pines – the safe place to meet and share with Jesus.

> Rick Waitley Camp Executive Director

#### To Contact the District Camp Offices

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

#### TRINITY PINES CALENDAR

Mar 13-17	Pastor Randy	& Kathy B	ynum
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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-Ap 2 Mt. Home 1st Southern Baptist Ladies Retreat

Apr 7-8 Vida Nueva Board Retreat

Apr 18-21 Pinehurst Quilt Club

Apr 21-23 Canyon Hill Ladies Retreat

Apr 21-23 Grace Bible Ladies Retreat

Apr 21-23 Vida Nueva Ladies Retreat May 4-5 Cascade High School Jazz

Concert

May 12-13 DUO Group

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

### **GENESIS CAMPERS** (1st—3rd Grade):

Campers that are going into 1st or 2nd grade this fall must be accompanied by an adult for their camp experience. A camper who is going into 3rd grade is not required to have an adult attend with them.



March 2017

## A Summer Camp Experience for Every Child and Teen

The goal of Intermountain District Camps is to offer a camp experience during the summer for every child and teen on the Intermountain District. For some of our potential campers, this means an investment by family, local church, and support networks to accomplish this goal. The District Camps program annually sets out to generate \$5,000 in financial support for campers who might need assistance. Over the years, local churches have also been creative in helping to raise the money needed for the registration fees for campers.

There are some great ways to help campers be able to attend camp. Be sure that campers are registered by the Early Bird deadline (April 17). Their registration serves as an initial commitment. There is also the program of inviting a friend which offers a \$15.00 reduction to either their registration or their friend/s registration. Payments can be made on the remaining amount, keeping in mind that the total remaining balance must be paid on the first day of the camper's camp. If there is a prevailing situation where financial assistance might be of value, visit the website and complete the necessary financial form and return it to our office for consideration.

No child or teen should be denied the opportunity to attend summer camp. In 2016, 26% of the campers attending one of the Intermountain District Camps were from churches other than Nazarene affiliated churches. This is great outreach but Trinity Pines was secured, built, and is maintained by Nazarenes for Nazarenes and we encourage every Nazarene Church on the Intermountain District to make a concentrated effort to have your children and youth at a summer camp. It is an experience that will be a highlight of their summer.

I hope each of you will ask the teens and children of your church if they are planning to attend summer camp. If they answer "yes", tell them you will be praying for them and find out which camp they will be attending. If they respond "no" or "maybe", then encourage them to plan to attend a camp and to get their application filled out and submitted.

Rick Waitley Camp Executive Director

### **New Camps Board Member**

Welcome to the Camps Board Zach Schulz, Tree City Boise. He will be serving as the NYI Representative.

## **Camp Directors**

The district-sponsored summer camp directors have started their monthly meetings. They are involved in the process of planning and preparation for the summer ahead. We have some new faces around the table. Here is a current list of the directors of the various camps:

#### Genesis Camp:

Kym & Scott Slater (Nampa Bethel) Sara Ross (Valley Shepherd)

Senior High Camp:

Matt Cochern (Eagle)

James Shepherd (Payette)

Kim Glenn (Ontario)

4th-6th Grade Girls:

Stephanie Austin (Nampa First)

4th-6th Grade Boys:

Grady & Jessica Harmon (Boise New Hope)

7th-8th Grade Camp:

Matt Cochern (Eagle)

Jayson Martindale (Homedale)

Zach Schulz (Tree City)

Rich Vasquez (Canyon Hill)

Please pray for these folks as they begin to pull together staff, themes, ideas, and activities for their camps.

#### EARLY BIRD DEADLINE FOR CAMP REGISTRATION IS: April 17

Online registration available at: www.tpines.org

### Thank You

The District NYI Retreat weekend in January may have been one of our largest rentals in the off summer season, 360 plus. We also have had some other very large retreats this winter. A special thanks to those who showed up to help with food, washing dishes, cleaning, and serving:

Ray & Star Gartman Glenn & Donna Mumford Jim & Ardis Quick

## Work Week 2017-May 25-28

Now is the time to circle these dates on your calendar for Work Week '17 at

- Trinity Pines. Housing and food are provided as long as you are giving back in volunteer labor. Registration
- materials and information about the upcoming Work Week will be available at your local church very soon. If you
- are an able bodied adult or teen, we
   welcome you to be part of our Work
   Week Team.

### **Recovery Time**

Josh Miller, Program and Guest Service Director, had double hernia surgery on February 24. Josh has an estimated six week recovery time. His wife, Kristen, has indicated that recovery is going well but is both physical and mental: Physical for Josh as he adjusts to stairs, etc.; mental for Kristen as she copes with Josh being immobile and housebound for a while!

## College Staff for Summer '17

We are looking for applications for the summer staff to help with a variety of tasks at Trinity Pines. Our goal is to hire nine college age students (must have graduated from high school). Housing and food will be provided along with a stipend made available for your service. This opportunity looks great on a resume. If you are interested, contact the camp office in Cascade or secure an application off the Trinity Pines website at tpines.org.

### **Camps Board Member**

Doug Hagemeier has chosen to not allow his name be placed in nomination for another term on the Camps Board. The board has identified a strong list of candidates and are working their way through the process in preparation for District Assembly in May when the position will be placed on a ballot from the District Nominating Committee.

# District Men's Retreat March 24-26, 2017

Special Speakers: Rev. John Comstick & Dr. Todd Bowman

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 Volunteer Position**

The camp store (Jubilation Station) is a major highlight in the life of any camper. The money in your pocket can almost burn a hole clear through until the doors of the camp store are opened.

We are looking for a volunteer couple to move to Trinity Pines for the months of June - August to handle management of the camp store. This is primarily a volunteer position; however, there may be a small stipend given at the end of the summer camping season. Management will include stocking supplies, reporting inventory needs to the Meridian office, handling the cash each day, maintaining the cleanliness of the camp store, displaying inventory, and serving the needs of campers and guests. This position does require that you are able to stand, move about, and lift items under 50 pounds.

The camp store is a popular hang out location for all camps and is usually open in the afternoons and sometimes in the evenings. The management couple will have some assistance from college staff and from other volunteers at the camp, if necessary.

If you are interested in this position, please contact Rick Waitley. Experience in retail is always a good skill as well as serving people and, of course, "loving campers." RV housing must be provided by the applicants. Meals at the camp are provided. You do not have to reside on the Intermountain District to be involved with this ministry.