

CELEBRATION OF DEDICATION PIONEER CROSS GARDEN

Intermountain District has offered a summer Christian camping program for almost 100 years. Much of the longevity and success has been due to pioneers who have helped to encourage, support and invest along the way. Arvid and Pearl Kreps were managers and cooks at Victory Cove for several seasons and they were the first to arrive on site to oversee the start of construction at Trinity Pines in the late 1990's. Jerry (1935-2023) and Dorine Nichols served at Trinity Pines as interim camp managers. They helped us through a difficult winter and provided excellent customer service to guests. Verne S II (1935-2023) and Vi Ward have been loyal supporters of Christian camping – no matter where they were in life's journey. Owners of Town and Country Electric, Verne and subsequent family members have invested many hours of service to Victory Cove and Trinity Pines. These three couples have truly been pioneer supporters of Intermountain District Camps success through the years.

During Camp Meeting 2024, those present and family members from each of the three being honored, gathered at Trinity Pines near the worship tent to dedicate Pioneer Cross Garden.

A beautiful wooden cross was constructed from wood in the area and set up with a beautiful landscape surrounding it. Behind the cross, with full view of the river and mountains, are the three benches honoring Jerry Nichols and Verne Ward II. The cross, landscape, and lighting were provided by Arvid and Pearl Kreps.



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Sept 5-8	Unconditional Love Retreat
Sept 6-8	Vale Christian Women's Retreat
Sept 6-8	Calvary Chapel Caldwell Women's Retreat
Sept 9-12	Liberty Mountaintop Retreat
Sept 13-15	Calvary Chapel Treasure Valley Women's Retreat
Sept 13-15	NNU Basketball Service Retreat
Sept 20-22	IMD Women's Retreat
Sept 23-24	IMD Pastor's Prayer Summit
Sept 26-28	Eagle Christian Women's Retreat
Sept 30-Oct 1	Timberline HS Student Leadership Retreat A
Oct 4-6	Sterry Memorial Presbyterian Women's Retreat
Oct 4-6	The Journey Women's Retreat
Oct 6-8	Timberline HS Student Leadership Retreat B
Oct 11-13	S ID Assemblies of God Women's Retreat
Oct 16-20	Claudson's Sew & Soak Quilt Retreat

"AT-A-GLANCE" TRINITY PINES CALENDAR

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

SEPTEMBER 2024

LOTS OF SMOKE AND SOME SLEEPLESS

NIGHTS: Labor Day Weekend was a little nerve racking when we were told that we were in SET mode for the Boulder Fire in the West Mountain Complex of fires near Cascade. Luckily, we had no guests at the camp. The volunteers and staff that were present were very diligent in what was happening in the surrounding area. The fire then moved west and south of an area where Blue Lake is located on the end of Cabarton Road. The City of Cascade provided some housing for animals, people and equipment that were in the path of the fire. The agencies fighting the fire re-assigned some personnel to the Boulder fire because of the threats to residents in the area. Smoke in Cascade is a little like smoke other areas of Idaho – it comes and goes with morning dew and changes between more and less intense throughout the day. Praise God that our property was protected. Thanks for the emails, texts and calls of concerned Camp Partners.

WELCOME WALTER WEST: Matt and Holly West now at Bonita Park Nazarene Camp in New Mexico celebrated the arrival of their son, Walter Ray West on August 28. Walter weighed in at 8 pounds and 5 ounces and was 21 inches long. Ray is Matt's middle name and Walter Ray comes from both Great Grandpa's names. Walter joins big sisters Nora and Laney. **Matt and Holly were the guest speakers at Share the Dream** last December. If you want to send Matt and Holly a note of congratulations, their address is 302 Mulberry Rd, Capitan, NM 88316.

FIRE MITIGATION: Randy Peterman, Eagle Nazarene, has been leading the charge on developing a fire mitigation plan for Trinity Pines. The plan includes clearing timber a certain distance from buildings and structures at the camp in order to help reduce the spread of any fire that might erupt on the property. A local forest planner has been recruited to help with the project. The proposal is going before the District Advisory Board on September 19 because technically Trinity Pines does not own the 200 acres of the camp. The 200 acres are owned and managed by Intermountain District Church of the Nazarene, which is governed by the District Advisory Board.

THIRD STAFF HOUSE: The third staff house (formerly known as the Farmhouse) is nearing completion. Thanks to the coordination and recruitment of volunteers, sub contractors and anyone Leigh Salisbury could find, we are finally in the home stretch. The flooring and countertops still have to be finished and then the house will be ready for John and Lois to enjoy. Thanks to those who have given funds to support the project and the many hours of work to complete the project. This may have been one of the oldest buildings on the property but will now service the camp for years to come.

ADDITIONAL PAVERS: Just recently we were able to install ten more pavers that were donated by Camp Partners. They are located at the West Entrance to the Conference Center. It is such an enjoyable experience to read all the names and have a flood of memories of individuals and folks that have been engaged in Intermountain District Camping throughout the years.



DID YOU KNOW: Did you know that McCall Nazarene Church has a new pastor – Rev. Grady and Jessica Harmon. Grady has ties to Trinity Pines having served as a summer intern, then later intern coordinator and most recently as the director of the 4th-6th grade boys camp which eventually became 4th-6th Grade Kids Camp. Jessica, his wife, was a camper at Trinity Pines and now their children are also campers there. The Harmon's are a camping family. Stop in and hear Grady preach on a Sunday when you are in the McCall area. He would welcome your attendance.

NEWS FROM CUBA: We heard from the leadership in Cuba that the summer camps offered to children, impart due to funds generated through the mission project at Trinity Pines (over \$3,300), were a huge success. Part of the funds went to purchase milk for each student and that was a rare and special treat, creating a highlight for the children attending. Additional funds have been received that will be sent later this fall to Cuba for their camping program. If you would like to donate be sure your check reads – **Cuba Project**.

VALLEY COUNTY TAXES: We have been in touch with our attorney working on this project. We are awaiting a court date. As soon as the summer season of camping was over for many of the camps, we started receiving more financial data, which has been added to the economic impact study that Dr. Crabb is working on. The number keeps climbing as we measure the economic value of the camps in the Valley County area. We will pay the taxes assessed and if we prevail in the court, there will be a refund coming our way.

THANKS NIC GIBSON: Nic Gibson grew up a camper on the Intermountain District attending Boise First Church. Nic worked as a summer intern and later married the intern coordinator Kyra Waitley. Nic joined the staff of AMG December 2010 as a graphic designer and handled social media for clients served by AMG. He graduated from NNU and played golf on the University Team. Nic joined forces with his wife Kyra and formed their own company, Gibson Associates. Nic has departed AMG and has continued to serve some clients from AMG and a majority of his time is spent with Lowe Family Farmstead. Through the years, Nic has designed many of the apparel wear at Trinity Pines, brochures, posters and flyers for various camps, retreats and promotional events. Thanks Nic for helping us tell the Trinity Pines story and making us look very professional.

SHARE THE DREAM PLEDGES: We are just a couple of months away from Share the Dream 2024. Perhaps you made a pledge at Share the Dream 2023 and need to catch up or make the investment to reflect that pledge. Enclosed you will find investment card to make the payment. We appreciate the support funds that come into Trinity Pines to continue to enhance and advance facilities, operations and programs.

DISTRICT WOMEN'S RETREAT: There is still time to sign up for the District Women's Retreat, September 20-22. You can find registration information online at www.tpines.org. This is a wonderful weekend to enjoy fellowship with ladies from across our Intermountain District. There is an electricity in the air when you bring together that many ladies for a weekend of inspiration, fellowship, great food and fun activities.

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