

WE HAVE GONE FROM DIFFICULT TO CRISIS

You don't have to drive very far in your community until you see "Help Wanted" signs posted everywhere. Businesses have adjusted to endure this shortage by closing early, eliminating some services, and -- sadly enough in some cases -- closing their doors. Trinity Pines books reservations at least a year in advance in many situations. The guests come expecting to be treated as guests, with clean accommodations, good food and support staff to make their visit a positive experience. We are so thankful for the volunteers who stepped forward this summer and lived at camp helping fill in the employee gap. But, these folks need a rest from the endurance run of the summer and have returned to their homes in the valley. Students have gone back to school and the help wanted signs remain very prevalent throughout Cascade.

We need employees and/or volunteers to help us bridge this crisis time and to give our guests the experience they are anticipating when they stay at Trinity Pines.

Here is a list specific to Food Service:

- **October 14-16:** Assemblies of God - expect over 200 - NEED 4 VOLUNTEERS
- **October 21-23:** Two groups - expect 90 - NEED 2 VOLUNTEERS
- **October 26-30:** Quilting Group - expect 50 - NEED 2 VOLUNTEERS
- **November 11-13:** Two groups - expect 150 - NEED 4 VOLUNTEERS

In Camp Monthly, you will find a list of the upcoming rentals. We are pleased that people want to spend their time at Trinity Pines; in fact, we have rentals following Thanksgiving and into the month of December. But we have to have personnel in order to provide them a quality experience.

We can provide you a place to sleep if you are willing to come and help. Most weekends you would need to arrive on Friday evening and remain through lunch on Sunday.

If you can assist, please contact the camp office at 208-382-6200 or call the Meridian Camp office and we will get in touch with Trinity Pines to contact you to schedule your availability.

We appreciate you spreading the word to help us recruit folks to help us bridge this situation.

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Timberline High School Leadership	Oct. 3-5
The Journey Women's Retreat	Oct. 7-9
Revolution2 Women's Retreat	Oct. 7-9
Nampa Modern Quilters	Oct. 10-13
Assemblies of God Women's Retreat	Oct. 14-16
IMD Pastor's Prayer Summit	Oct. 17-18
Calvary Chapel Buhl Women's Retreat	Oct. 21-23
Euclid Nazarene Women's Retreat	Oct. 21-23
Claudsen's Sew & Soak Quilters	Oct. 26-30

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

OCTOBER 2022

A NEW MODEL OF LEADERSHIP



On October 31, John and Lois Theien will arrive at Trinity Pines from Wisconsin. These are the parents of **Andrew Theien** who has been employed in the area of maintenance and facilities for the past two seasons. John and Lois will be taking on new roles at Trinity Pines. **John Theien** will be serving as Camp Administrator overseeing the day to day operations, staffing, and working closely with the various Directors in food service, housekeeping, programming, maintenance, etc. **Lois Theien**, who has a degree in finance, will become Office Manager. **Tyler Luschen**, who has been at camp since April 2021, is taking on a new role as Camp Program Director/Guest Services. Tyler will be sent to Oregon for Challenge Course training to become certified and will make his services available to other camps in Idaho. Tyler will also

be given the responsibilities of visiting churches, colleges, and universities with the goal of attracting summer and extended summer interns at camp. This past summer we had no college staff (need an average of 6-8) after failed attempts at recruiting at NNU, BSU, and through social media. John will also be mentoring Tyler as Tyler continues to develop his skills in camp leadership. The Theiens come with many years of experience in camps throughout the Pacific Northwest. It is an interesting story how this all came together and, for sure, is a new model of leadership for Trinity Pines. The Theiens will reside on camp in the second staff house. We welcome John and Lois and are anxious for you to meet this wonderful couple.

IT IS DONE! Phase II of the “For a Smooth Ride” paving was completed in the past few days. Now, the parking lot at the Conference Center is totally paved, as are the roads on the south end of the camp property. Thanks to those who helped to make this possible. Also to the Murdock Foundation for a grant matching the funds raised by Trinity Pines partners. We are off for a smooth ride around camp.

BUNKHOUSE REMODELS: A committee has been appointed: Ed Krantz (Idaho Falls), Roger Pipkin (Nampa), Jon Fivecoat (Nampa), and Andrew Theien (Manager of Maintenance & Facilities) to come up with a plan to finish off the seven bunkhouses at Trinity Pines. The committee is also developing plans for a new bathhouse in the lodge area of the camp that will be available for guests in the bunkhouses. The finishing of the bunkhouses will make them more comfortable in the summer months and extend their availability for use in the spring and fall. The committee is working with Kendra Dustin for some grant support for the construction and remodel costs.

MEMORIALS: Recently, we were asked again, “Does Trinity Pines receive memorials for special events in people’s lives or when a friend or loved has passed away?” The answer is a resounding, “Yes!” Throughout the camp, you can find signage in various areas, buildings, and projects that represent funds generated through a memorial. Memorial donations should include the name of the person being honored so we can track that in our donor records. Memorials given to Trinity Pines are tax deductible. If you need more information, please reach out to Rick Waitley at 208-888-0988.

TELLING THE TRINITY PINES STORY: Executive Director Rick Waitley is always willing to come and visit a Sunday School Class, be a guest at a special event, or ministry opportunity to share what is happening at Trinity Pines. If you would like to schedule a presentation on Trinity Pines please contact Rick at 208-888-0988 or by email at rick@amgidaho.com.



CIRCLE THE DATE: Put Thursday, December 1, 2022 on your calendar for Share the Dream at Valley Shepherd Nazarene Church. The event begins at 6:30 PM. This is an evening you will not want to miss. It is an opportunity to invite friends to learn more about the past, present, and future of Trinity Pines. No admission fee and a great dessert buffet is included in the evening activities. Watch for RSVP information in the coming weeks.



WEDDING BELLS RANG

for Bob Swartzentruber and Faye Cummings (next door neighbors) on Saturday, September 24. The couple was married in their Sr. Living Clubhouse in Nampa. Witnesses to the wedding were volunteers Ray and Star Gartman; officiating the wedding was Rick Waitley; handling refreshments were volunteers Bob and Sandy Boyd. Many Trinity Pines friends were in attendance. Bob not only gained a great wife, but Trinity Pines gained a wonderful volunteer. Congratulations to Bob and Faye.