

A NEW SEASON

One of the benefits of living in Idaho is experiencing four seasons. Some might argue, with the weather we have had the past few weeks, that we went straight from summer to winter and skipped over fall, but I think we are going to squeeze it in again this year. The colors of the leaves, the freshness of the morning air, and the frost on the pumpkins indicate that fall is still in Idaho. Not only does the calendar go through seasons, but I believe that organizations like Trinity Pines go through seasons also.

In 2020, Trinity Pines will be celebrating 20 years of existence. This is exciting, but in order to remain relevant and prosperous we have to be aware of our “seasons as an organization.” In the next few months, you will hear a lot about the development of a Strategic Plan and Master Plan for the camp. To my knowledge, we have never had a Strategic Plan and the Master Plan written in the late 1990’s is in need of update and revision. I can remember meeting after meeting in the early days of Trinity Pines when the Master Plan, developed by Rick Conklin, was pulled out at City Council meetings, planning and zoning hearings, and board planning sessions. While many of the buildings and facilities on that plan have been built and are in use today, there have been modifications and this plan will not meet our needs going forward. This season of developing these two documents will be taxing and stretching for the individuals involved. It is hard to look into the future and predict where we need to be in 10, 20, and 30 years. The board leadership is holding preliminary meetings at this time attempting to chart a course of action.

Please join us in prayer for a clear vision of what needs to happen as we go forward. This is a critical season for Trinity Pines because it will impact the way we do business. The camp, now operating on a budget of excess of \$1 million dollars, is big business in Cascade and on the Intermountain District. Thank the Lord for wonderful leadership, who are blessed by God, to help direct the ship. Just like on any calendar, the season of developing these plans will be necessary to move ahead. Those future seasons will maintain the same mission - spreading the good news of Jesus Christ through Christian camping. It is a unique environment and one that will continue to be important to the transformation of lives in children, teens, and adults. Hang on for the ride - it will be a great season for our camp.

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Nov 2-8	Zeta Tau Alpha Lambda Omicron Fall Retreat
Nov 8-10	BSU Student Involvement & Leadership Rt.
Nov 15-18	Trinity Pines Fall Work Week
Nov 17-21	Pastor's R&R
Nov 17-21	Individual Rental
Dec 6-8	TVCC College Assistance Migrant Program
Dec 27-29	Family Rental

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

NOVEMBER 2019



HOLIDAY GETAWAY: Looking for a family getaway for Thanksgiving or Christmas? Trinity Pines is running a special for the five weeks from Thanksgiving to Christmas; we will rent a cottage for \$250/night with a three night minimum. The Conference Center and other facilities at the camp will be unavailable. Each cottage can sleep up to 28 and includes a full-size refrigerator, a stove, basic cookware, and utensils. There are limited plates, glasses, silverware, pots/pans and electrical appliances available.

SPECIAL THANKS: Thanks to David Ferdinand, Nampa First, for helping us secure an additional canoe with paddles and life jackets. Water sports are an important part of camp and we appreciate Dave thinking of Trinity Pines for this donation.

WE NEED TO CLIMB HIGHER: Manager Anthony Henry is asking for two 8' ladders and one 10' ladder (fiberglass) to have at camp. The ones that we have been using are needing to be retired and we have several projects that require a little extra height, so let us know if you have one to donate. Ladders can be dropped off at the District Office or at the Meridian Camp Office or, of course, at Trinity Pines.

2020 SUMMER CAMPS

Get these dates on your family's calendar!

June 8-10	1st-3rd Genesis Girls
June 10-12	1st-3rd Genesis Boys
June 15-19	9th-12th Senior High
June 22-26	4th-6th Grade Boys
July 6-10	4th-6th Grade Girls
July 13-17	7th-8th Middle High

MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN FOR CAMPER: The question has been asked about making monthly payments for campers to attend summer camps in 2020. Absolutely! We are more than willing to assist. Please contact Tammy at Trinity Pines by calling 208-382-6200 or email Tammy at office@tpines.org. You will need to provide the name of the camper for whom the payment is being made and also the camp they will be attending in the summer of 2020. This is a wonderful Christmas gift for campers by parents, grandparents and those who want to contribute toward their expense of attending summer camp. If this process makes it easier on the family budget, we are happy to assist you.

WINTER VOLUNTEERS: Trinity Pines still has need of volunteers to assist during the winter time with many camp operations: kitchen, laundry, housekeeping, and serving. If you are available to be an on-call winter volunteer, please let Anthony Henry know by calling 208-382-6200.

FALL WORK WEEK 2019

There is always a lot of preparation for the camp to be ready for winter, as well as a big transition between summer and retreat season.

Announcing a Fall Work Week:

Friday, November 15 - Monday, November 18

This involves cleaning, minor repairs, and other projects. One major project is removing carpet in the downstairs conference room and hallway and replacing it with carpet squares. We would welcome your help with this task!



SHARE THE DREAM THURSDAY, NOV. 21 AT 6:30PM

I hope you will be with us on the evening of Thursday, November 21 at Valley Shepherd Nazarene Church for the 13th Annual Share the Dream for Trinity Pines. We have a wonderful program planned and encourage you to fill a table - 8 people including yourself. Contact Cindy at 208-888-0988 or cindy@amgidaho.com and let her know who your guests will be. There is NO CHARGE for the evening. We would like the names of your guests so we can have nametags prepared in advance. This is how the evening will unfold:

6:15p Doors open - step to the registration table and pick up your name-badge and those for your guests

6:30p Locate your table and grab a hot or cold drink to start the evening

The evening begins with a welcome from District Superintendent Scott Shaw, followed by a variety of awards, presentations to be shared about real life experiences, and a special video called, "A Day in the Life of Trinity Pines," where you will have a peek behind the scenes of camp operations.

Break At some point during the evening, there will be a break and you can entice your taste buds at a full dessert buffet with sweet and delightful desserts and treats.

8:30p The evening will conclude around 8:30. I guarantee that your heart will be blessed, spirits lifted, and mind expanded by what is happening.

Please make this evening a priority! Help us connect with as many people as possible, for Share the Dream will be a night to remember.