

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF TRINITY PINES

A highlight of the 13th Annual Share the Dream on November 21 was the premier of a video entitled, "A Day in the Life of Trinity Pines." Thanks to the work of Brad and Alyce Elsberg, we took a behind-the-scenes look at what happens in a typical day at Trinity Pines. During Share the Dream after showing the video, I heard many positive comments about the staff, volunteers, and workers at camp and what they do to provide a clean, healthy, and safe environment for guests.

It is an interesting job. In the summer, the work at Trinity Pines is 24/7. A group comes on Sunday evening, stays until Friday mid-morning, then another group comes Friday evening and stays until Sunday morning. This leaves only a few precious hours for deep cleaning and what is called "turn over" to be ready for the next group. Therefore, many of the usual maintenance, record keeping, stocking of shelves, distribution of supplies, care of the property, and repairs to facilities have to happen while guests are present - without being an interruption to the experience of the guests. It takes skill, talent, and a great deal of coordination.

As Anthony Henry passes his one year mark as Camp Manager, the video depicted the role and heavy responsibility that the manager carries in executing the day-to-day planning and activities at the camp. It is definitely not a job for the faint of heart. As we just passed the Thanksgiving season, I know that everyone present at Share the Dream was very thankful for the dedication and passion displayed by each person shown in the video.

If you missed Share the Dream and would like to see what was shown, please visit www.tpin.es.org/share-the-dream or Trinity Pines' Facebook page and you can find the video displayed there for your enjoyment. I think you will agree: it takes a lot of work to make Trinity Pines run efficiently. Your prayers and support help to make this all happen. Thanks for being part of the team.

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Jan 3-5	Vineyard Boise Sr. High Winter Camp
Jan 9-11	Bishop Kelly High School Junior Retreat
Jan 10-12	Ontario Nazarene Teen Camp
Jan 17-20	Idaho National Guard Youth Snowbash
Jan 24-26	NYI Youth Retreat
Jan 31-Feb 2	Life Church Youth Retreat
Jan 31-Feb 2	Revolution2 Church Youth Retreat
Jan 31-Feb 2	Summit Church Youth Retreat #1
Feb 7-9	Bethel Nazarene Men's Retreat
Feb 7-9	Summit Church Youth Retreat #2
Feb 15-16	AOII Beta Sigma Retreat
Feb 21-23	Honor Bound Men's Retreat
Feb 24-26	Treasure the Valley Pastor's Prayer Summit
Feb 28-Mar 1	NNU-STCM Retreat

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

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NOVEMBER 2019



SCHMIDT VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD:

Congratulations to Mary Ann Lowe, Nampa First, who was presented the Schmidt Volunteer Service Award for her service to Trinity Pines. Mary Ann (pictured above) has been responsible for most of the curtains you will find throughout Trinity Pines. Plus, she has also used her talent to refurbish various pieces of furniture. For several years, her late husband, Bob, helped to design curtain rods and equipment to hang the current rods. Now that task has fallen to her brother-in-law, Marvin Schmidt. Mary Ann is a careful shopper for good buys on materials for fabric. Thanks, Mary Ann, for sharing your seamstress skills with Trinity Pines.

FOUNDERS' CLUB: It was indeed a pleasure to induct individuals and couples (pictured above) into the Trinity Pines Founders' Club for their service, generosity, and work on behalf of the camp. Please read through the enclosed page with write-ups about each inductee. When you see them, give them a pat on the back and say thanks!

WINTER VOLUNTEER KITCHEN HELP NEEDED: Food Service Manager, Carla Thompson, has asked for volunteers in the kitchen for some of the larger winter rental groups. Carla said extra volunteer power is needed on the following weekends:

- January 17-20
- January 24-26
- February 21-23
- March 13-15
- April 13-15

If you are available, please call the camp at 208-382-6200 and speak with Carla. You will need to work with camp staff about lodging unless you have housing available in the area.

SUMMER MISSION PROJECT: Each year, during district-sponsored summer camps, a mission project is presented to campers. The project is designated either as domestic or foreign. In 2019, the project was domestic and included raising funds for the Cascade School District to build an outside garden. At Share the Dream, we announced the total of \$3,316.84! These funds are raised by offerings from campers in the six district-sponsored camps. Thanks for giving to others. Manager Anthony Henry will present the check to the Cascade School District at a future School Board meeting. Way to go, Intermountain District Campers, for blessing the students in Cascade!

S.A.L.T.: Lincoln Langford, Valley Shepherd, shared a video testimony as to his involvement as one of the first participants in the S.A.L.T. program during Share the Dream. If you would like to hear and see Lincoln's testimony, please visit the website at www.tpines.org/share-the-dream or watch for it on Facebook. If you are over age 16 and would like to learn more about S.A.L.T., contact Anthony Henry at anthony@tpines.org or 208-382-6200.

LADDERS: Thanks to Larry Bishop, Valley Shepherd, and The Farm Store in Nampa, for responding to our request for step ladders. We were able to pick up two of the ladders that were requested.

BIG ANNOUNCEMENT

District Superintendent Scott Shaw made a major announcement related to debt at Trinity Pines during Share the Dream. If you were present, you would have heard the immediate burst of applause of celebration. If you were not present, then I am afraid that you will need to wait until District Assembly in the spring of 2020 when Superintendent Shaw plans to share this great news with the Intermountain District Family.

LEGACY INVESTMENT: Enclosed you will find a card that addresses Legacy Investments to Trinity Pines. Over the years, we have been asked about estate gifts to the camp and we have, in fact, received some very generous gifts. Trinity Pines is fortunate to have legal and accounting advisors available to answer any questions you might have about this opportunity. We felt we needed to reach out to others who might have questions or interest in legacy investments.

UNITED WAY: Enclosed you will find a flyer about how you can financially support Trinity Pines through United Way giving. Many companies and agencies offer United Way as a place for contributions. Trinity Pines qualifies for this program (only in Idaho). We are not registered with United Way in OR, NV or UT. Several companies will match your personal giving with an equal gift. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cindy at the Meridian Camp Office at 208-888-0988.

CLOSING OUT 2019

As we close out 2019, we are so thankful for each person reading this Camp Monthly. 2019 was a wonderful year for Trinity Pines. While the 12 months had their fair share of challenges, we also were faced with many great opportunities and victories. We sometimes get very centered on money, buildings, staff, and numbers. But in the end, each time I walk by Stake Garden and notice the number of freshly printed dates and disrupted soil by new stakes, my heart is encouraged. That is truly a measuring stick for success, as new lives in Christ are so important in what we do and we celebrate each stake.

We also have to stop and think that Trinity Pines provided an environment for many people to just slow down, shift gears, re-assess, and re-group in life. We have no idea what our guests are dealing with when they arrive at Trinity Pines. Our hope and prayer is that when they depart their burdens are a little lighter and they have a fresh new outlook.

Our God is a great God, and the business we are in is His business; we are just stewards and laborers. He has blessed us with a beautiful facility and wonderful people. Thanks for joining with us to make this all possible. Have a wonderful 2020!