

LET'S GO FOR IT

Each week, we are monitoring a number of items to make the best decision we can for moving forward related to opening up Trinity Pines for rental groups and specifically for the summer camping season. We have one group who used the camp in March (over 100) and we have several groups that are scheduled for April and May. We are watching carefully any guidelines from the Health District - a key factor for us.

Now, the next big hurdle is recruiting volunteers to staff the operations at our summer camps. We know that in a typical summer, we need around 300 volunteers to serve in various areas: cabin counselors, crafts, recreation, activities and support. We understand that everyone has a different viewpoint on the virus, vaccine, and protocols and recommended guidelines. But, at the same time, we recognize the mental health of children and teens has been greatly impacted in the past year with online learning, disruption of the normal school routine, sporting events, family vacations, celebration of holidays, church services, youth group activities, etc, etc. etc. The list could go on and on. We believe one of the most redeeming opportunities for young people is a week at camp, somewhat shutting out the world and spending a week at Trinity Pines. However, that is only going to work if we have an army of folks ready to step up and volunteer for one of the summer camps.

Listed in this Camp Monthly are the dates for summer camps for our children and teens. If you are interested in serving as a staff member for one of those camps, please reach out to Cindy or Kyra in our office for more details - 208-888-0988 or cindy@amgidaho.com or kyra@amgidaho.com. Speaking of mental health, it would do any adults' heart and soul good to spend a week with us at Trinity Pines investing in young people and encouraging them in their personal journey with Christ.

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CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

MARCH 2021

2021 REGISTRATION

The Camp Executive Committee will meet on Friday, March 26. At that time, they will address the issue of District Summer Camp registration. This is our dilemma. At the current time, Central District Health has okayed us for serving food to 85 individuals. However, there are a couple of exceptions if we adhere to the health guidelines for COVID. They have allowed the District Men's Retreat to go from 85 to 115 in attendance in April, which means we are moving in the right direction to accommodate our larger summer camps. It is a balancing act between enough volunteers to staff the summer camps, space to meet guidelines for feeding campers and staff, and getting registration into the office for processing. Welcome to our daily world as we try to navigate all of these issues. As soon a date is set for the opening of registration, we will alert former campers and churches. Thank you for your patience.

Genesis Girls Camp	June 7-9
Genesis Boys Camp	June 9-11
Senior High Camp	June 14-18
4th-6th Grade Boys Camp	June 21-25
4th-6th Grade Girls Camp	July 12-16
Middle School Camp	July 19-23
Men's Retreat	April 9-11
Camp Meeting	August 6-8
Senior Adult Retreat	Sept. 13-16
District Women's Retreat	Sept. 24-26

CAMP CALENDAR: Losing almost nine months of camping in 2020 has resulted in some changes in the camp scheduling calendar. There were churches that actually ceased to exist during the pandemic that had been rentals with us in the past as well as some rentals that have restrictions on group activities that are driven by their institution, company or agency. Therefore, there is room in the calendar and we encourage you to contact the camp (208) 382-6200 to see if a date might work for your event or activity.



FOR A SMOOTH RIDE: Thanks for your help in January and February. Our goal is to generate \$65,000 before June 1 to meet the request by the donor who has offered \$130,000 toward the project. In turn, we would continue the process already started for a grant from the Murdock Foundation in hopes of paving the interior roads during the fall of 2021. **NOTE:** Please see the enclosed list of project investors for January/February and the total amount that has been generated toward the goal. Your support is greatly appreciated.



SUMMER INTERNSHIPS: Trinity Pines is actively looking for graduates from high school that would like to work as Summer Interns. There are a variety of activities including challenge course, water activities, archery, games, camp store, housekeeping, kitchen support. An application is available online at www.tpines.org/apply. If you have questions, please contact Kyra at 208-888-0988. Students would be employed from late May through mid-August.

VOLUNTEERS: For years, Trinity Pines has enjoyed having retired or semi-retired seniors join us for volunteer service. Bob and Marilyn Swartzentruber coordinate this group and keep projects lined out. This might include: mowing lawns, weed eating, dishes, serving meals, laundry, housekeeping, painting, and minor repairs. There is never a shortage of tasks. You can volunteer for a week, a few weeks, a month or for an entire season. Because we have limited housing available, it is desirable that you have an RV. However, this summer we may have some extra space where we could accommodate some volunteers that join us. You can find an application for this position at www.tpines.org/apply or give Bob and Marilyn a call at 208-989-9534 to discuss some options.



PAVE THE WAY

PAVE THE WAY: We continue to add pavers to the walkway leading into the west entrance of the Conference Center. If you haven't gotten a paver, you can still get your name engraved on a stone that will be placed later this spring. Each paver costs \$250. It is a nice long-lasting tribute to your support of Intermountain District Camping.

MANAGER SEARCH: We continue our process in the Manager search. Over 40 applications are being processed. An interview with one candidate was held but the offer was turned down because of the great distance from family. Two more initial Zoom interviews took place this past week and proposals have been given to each candidate to determine if they are interested in an Idaho visit.