

ELK VALLEY PROJECT

We are off and running with the Elk Valley Project which has two phases:

Phase I is the remodel of the seven bunkhouses. Thanks to your faithful financial support and the support from local churches on the district, we have secured the necessary funds for the project (\$8,000 per bunkhouse). On Monday, May 15, the crews arrived to install insulation in all the bunkhouses. There are other volunteers coming behind them to do wallboard and other stages of the project. It looks like it might all come together and the bunkhouse remodel will be nearly complete by the time camping season begins.

Phase II is the construction of the restroom facility and a second floor providing additional staff/intern housing. We rolled this project out at District Assembly. We have already received some strong financial support towards our goal of \$600,000. Currently, we are seeing fluctuation in the price of construction materials and it is difficult to nail down a specific figure. In some areas we are noticing reduced costs and others are still on the high end. We will do our very best to steward the resources we have for the project. Our goal right now is to generate support for \$300,000 toward the project to start the process of applying for a Murdock Grant for the remaining amount. Please join us in prayer that God will provide the financial support needed to reach this goal. Enclosed is a pledge card for your response to help with the bathroom project. Currently in Elk Valley (perhaps our busiest valley at the camp), we are using portable restrooms for the amphitheater, worship tent, and bunkhouses. No matter how hard we try, it is difficult to find redeeming value in portable toilets. The new facility will eliminate these portable units and provide for year-round showers and restroom facilities in Elk Valley. We have been blessed by some special memorial gifts for this project, which are greatly appreciated.

Improvements and construction projects like these make the experience for our guests more enjoyable. Thanks to the leaders who have worked as a part of a committee to create a facility that will meet needs of the camp as we go forward.

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SDMI SPARK Retreat	May 18-20
IMD Work Week	May 24-29
Rise Inc	May 29-Jun 2
Camp Hope Kids	June 1-4
IMD Genesis Girls Camp	June 5-7
IMD Genesis Boys Camp	June 7-9
Tree City Men's RV Camp	June 9-11
Because Kid Grieve	June 9-11
IMD 4th-6th Grade Camp	June 12-16
IMD Sr. High Camp	June 19-23
S ID Assemblies of God Teen & Kidz Camps	June 23-July 2
The Church of God Caldwell	July 6-9
Camp Hope Summit Teen Camp	July 6-9

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"

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NEW FOOD SERVICE MANAGER:

We are excited to welcome Christiaan Goldberg (Texas) who will be moving to Idaho with her husband and four of their six children. Christiaan has been cooking in a District Camp in Texas for the past few years and will be working alongside Carla Thompson.

WORK WEEK: Work Week at Trinity Pines will begin on Thursday, May 25 through Sunday, May 28. The worship tent will be set up at 10:00 AM on Friday, May 26 (weather permitting). We can use all hands on deck Friday morning for this project. Lodging and food will be available for those who attend Work Week, but you do need to make reservations for housing and meals by calling Lois at 208-382-6200.

ARCHERY UPGRADE: Tyler Luschen, Program Director, requested \$3,000 for upgrades to our aging archery equipment and supplies. The archery range has grown in popularity. At the District Assembly we were selling 20 arrows representing \$100 each to add to the \$1,000 we had received prior to Assembly. I am pleased to report all 20 arrows sold. Thank you! The board will be meeting at the camp in early June and exploring options combining the BB gun range, archery range, and tomahawk range into one facility at a new location.

CAMP AMBASSADORS: We are slowly securing a contact in each Intermountain District church to serve as the Camp Ambassador. These folks will play a vital role in communication as we keep our local congregations informed related to activities, events, projects, and needs at Trinity Pines.

We are still looking for a contact in each of the following churches:

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| Buhl | McCall |
| Caldwell Canyon Hill | Mountain Home |
| Caldwell Ustick Rd | Nampa College |
| Council | Nampa First |
| Elko | Nampa Real Life |
| Enterprise | New Bridge (Richland) |
| Filer | New Plymouth |
| Gooding Desert Hills | Nyssa |
| Harney County (Hines) | Parma |
| Harper | Pocatello Rocky Mtn. |
| IF Crosspoint Community | SLC Central |
| John Day | SLC First Movement |
| La Grande | Twin Falls |
| Layton Rosewood Lane | Weiser |

All we need is for you to email rick@amgidaho.com the name of the ambassador, their email and a cell number for future communication.

THANKS FOR STOPPING: It was great to have so many of you stop by the Camp booth at District Assembly to meet John and Lois and to say hello and, of course, we always enjoy answering your questions.

WOMEN'S RETREAT BROCHURES: If you did not request the number of Women's Retreat brochures you want for your local church, please send an email to Sarah at sarah@amgidaho.com. We will print in June and want to be sure we have your church included for the retreat, which happens from September 22-24.

DISTRICT CAMP MEETING: Be sure you have August 11-13 in your calendar for District Camp Meeting. District Superintendent for the Washington Pacific District, Pastor Jerry Kester, will be the speaker. Jerry was a former youth pastor at Nampa First, then Senior Pastor for Twin Falls Nazarene before assuming his current position. We look forward to having Pastor Jerry with us. Registration materials will be mailed to churches in June and will be available on the Trinity Pines website.

SPRING MEANS... We can again appeal for the Pave the Way campaign. The bricks at the west entrance to the Conference Center which have names of individuals, couples, churches, families who have supported Trinity Pines. It has become a popular location for guests and visitors to stand and read through the names. Enclosed you will find a card that will provide you the necessary information for paving a paver placed in the walkway. Please return these cards to the Meridian Camp Office and we will work with you to get your paver installed. We are unable to install them during the wet, cold winter months so we open up the project again as we head into the summer.

CAMP BUS: A Camp Bus will be provided from Meridian to Cascade on Monday and from Cascade to Meridian on Fridays for the following camps: Sr. High, Jr. High and 4th-6th Grade Camp. If you have not made a reservation please contact Lois in Cascade and get your name on the list. Cost is \$35/camper round trip or one-way. With the price of gas and the time to travel to and from Trinity Pines, this is a great service. The bus will originate out of The Village in Meridian. Space is limited so be sure you have your name on the list.

WHAT IS THE 150 CLUB? The 150 Club provides full support for a camper to attend one of the District sponsored summer camps. However, the student must be unchurched and a recruit for the local church to invite to camp. This applies to the Genesis through Sr. High Camp. Regular financial assistance is available for other campers on the Trinity Pines website. All 150 Club applications and financial assistance applications are available on the website. If you have specific questions for either program, contact Kyra Gibson at 208-888-0988.

HOUSEKEEPING NEED: The Suburban that we have been using for several years in housekeeping to transport supplies, linens and cleaning equipment is in need of replacement. We are looking for a hatchback, small van, or something similar. It is important that the vehicle have front or all-wheel drive.

INSURANCE UPDATE: In the April Camp Monthly, we reported that we had been dropped by our current insurance firm that carried the fire insurance on the property. After our local agent did a great deal of searching and being turned down by several companies we have good news - we have coverage. However, we also received some bad news with that announcement. Our coverage for fire had been around \$13,000/year and the new coverage is \$28,000/year. At Victory Cove, the lake was our greatest liability; now, it seems to be the fact that we have trees on our property. Although we do enjoy the shade and beauty of a pine tree, this is a tough cost of business.