

A VISUAL LEGACY - IF STONES COULD TALK

As Trinity Pines has opened the doors for guests this summer, it has been interesting to watch and listen to the comments as they approach the west entrance to the Conference Center. For the past two years, dozens of stones have been installed in a walkway leading up to the Center. The stones are engraved with names of people who wanted to leave a living legacy at the camp. I have heard many comments:

- “Those are my grandparents.”
- “There is my name - my parents told me they bought a stone.”
- “I remember when she was the nurse at the camp.”
- “That is my church that bought a stone.”
- “Just think my families name will be here for a very long time.”

While we have watched, each stone be engraved and moved to Cascade for placement in the path, there has been a host of memories shared. Each stone has a story about how that name is tied to camping on the Intermountain District. Some are back to Victory Cove days and others centered on experiences in the last 20 years at Trinity Pines.

No matter the reason, the name or the story, they are all centered around the value of Christian camping in the lives of people. We are prepared to expand the area where the stones are being laid. Enclosed is a card for you to purchase your Legacy Paver. We look forward to your next visit to Trinity Pines and seeing first-hand the impact on lives of people through their experiences at camps.

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Ten Mile Christian Church Kids Camp	Aug 2-5
Faith Community Bible Church	Aug 6-8
Because Kids Grieve	Aug 6-8
Eagle Christian Church Middle School	Aug 9-13
IMD Camp Meeting	Aug 13-15
Morning Star Christian Church	Aug 16-19
Karcher Church of the Nazarene RV Camp	Aug 20-22
NNU Faculty Retreat	Aug 20-21
Disciples of Christ Women's Retreat	Aug 27-29
New Creation Community Fall RV Retreat	Sept 3-6
NNU Freshmen Retreat	Sept 4-6
NW Church Leaders	Sept 7-10
NNU Basketball Team Service Project	Sept 10-12

TRINITY PINES CALENDAR "AT-A-GLANCE"

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP + CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO

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NU DONATION: NNU recently hosted a summer conference on campus. When the group departed, they left behind a number of items. Thanks to NNU staff for contacting Trinity Pines about donation of the following items: 25 air mattresses with pumps, 12 pillows, 12 sheet sets, and 25 blankets. We appreciate the great partnership with the University.

NEW ADDITION: When you enter the camp office through the main door you will be greeted by a flat screen TV and new shelving. A rolling PowerPoint shows pictures of all four seasons of activities and facilities at Trinity Pines. It is a great way for visitors to get a quick view of what is available at Trinity Pines. Thanks to the Ray Gartman's for donation of the screen, Jon Fivecoat for installation and Nic Gibson for providing the rolling PowerPoint.

SHARE THE DREAM 15: Grab your calendar and circle Thursday, December 2 as the date for the 15th Annual Share the Dream to be held at Valley Shepherd Church in Meridian. The evening will be full of reports, celebration, recognition and challenge as we reflect on the past year of operations at Trinity Pines. Come join us for a dessert fellowship and a great fast paced program highlighting the accomplishments and achievements of Trinity Pines.

SAYING GOODBYE: August always starts the attrition of summer staff and volunteers who have given of their time to Trinity Pines. It all starts with our summer college interns who are leaving for their next year in college. What a great group. Then we begin to say goodbye to volunteers, many of which lived weeks at Trinity Pines helping in so many areas. Next will be our hourly employees who return to schools or the next chapter in life. Eventually we will be back to the onsite staff that lives in the Cascade area.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FALL: We have greatly benefited from the volunteers who stepped in over the summer when we literally could not hire employees. We are still in that same situation over the next three months. Food Service Manager Carla Thompson has provided a list of the groups and the number of volunteers needed. If you are available and can assist, please call the Trinity Pines office at 208-382-6200. (We will provide housing.)

Liberty Ministries (Sept. 13-16): 2-3 needed
IMD Women's Retreat (Sept. 24-26): 2-4 needed
Assembly Women's Retreat (Oct. 8-10): 2-4 needed
Eagle Christian Women's Rt. (Oct. 14-16): 2-4 needed
AOII Beta Sigma Fall Retreat (Nov. 6-7): 2 needed

MEMORIALS: We are blessed to have memorials in honor of longtime friends and loved ones sent to Trinity Pines every month. Thanks to those who continue to support the camp with these memorial investments. It is a living legacy and we deeply appreciate you thinking of Trinity Pines in the time of a loss of a friend or family member. Memorials can be sent to the Meridian camp office.

NEW FLAGS: Next time you visit the Conference Center, please notice the two sets of new flags (American and Christian) that are in the building. The flag sets were a memorial honoring the life of Paul and Lucy Pusey, parents of Dr. Tim Pusey, pastor at Valley Shepherd. Chaplain (Colonel) Paul Pusey served the Lord in the U.S. Army.

SKID STEER NEED: The camp has owned a small skid steer for many years. The skid steer has been used for a variety of projects from assisting in putting up the worship tent, to moving dirt, and plowing snow in the winter. However, it is needing more and more repairs. In recent years, a generous friend of the camp has allowed us to use a larger skid steer for snow removal. It has been our salvation. However, we need to secure a larger skid steer as the existing one continues to age. Andrew Theien, Maintenance and Facility Director provided the following specs for a replacement skid steer:

- 75hp or larger
- Rated operating capacity around 2700 lbs
- High flow
- Wheels NOT tracks
- Enclosed cab is a plus

If you have access to a good used skid steer, please contact the Camp office in Cascade 208-382-6200.

RENTALS AND PROMOTION: Trinity Pines is a gem for sure. Many of our rentals come from people like those reading this Camp Monthly. You all have spheres of influence and connections that we may never know about where you can plant seeds to ask people if they are aware of Trinity Pines. We are more than just about summer camps and weekend retreats. We have a large amount of space that is conducive to getting away for planning retreats, team building and educational activities. The calendar has room to accommodate other rental groups so have people give the Cascade office a call (208-382-6200) for a quote on prices and availability.

MISSIONS OFFERING: District Summer Camps raised money for kids camps in the country of Myanmar. The camp is able to provide an opportunity for children to attend at a cost of \$5.00 per camper. This is an unbelievable cost. We will report at Share the Dream the total amount of funds that were generated through children and teen camps this summer to assist their camping program.

Please be in prayer for Myanmar. They are dealing with major issues of COVID outbreaks, as well as, a military form of government that has placed many restrictions, availability of oxygen for those sick and food for residents - specifically rice.

CAMP MEETING: There is still time to join us for Camp Meeting at the Camp Ground on August 13-15. You can purchase individual meals. If you are interested in staying at the camp or in purchasing meal tickets, please contact Cindy at the Meridian Camp office by calling 208-888-0988.

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT TRINITY PINES? We are soliciting questions that will be reviewed and selected to be part of the Share the Dream evening. Submit your question about Trinity Pines - no matter how hard the question is and we will put it with the others to make a selection of five questions to be answered during Share the Dream on December 2. Send your questions to rick@amgidaho.com.

INVENTORY: What a challenge these times are proving to be with keeping a good selection of items. We have had problems securing shirts for the store, as well as candy and many beverages. We learned the other day that there is a shortage of pepperoni so you better grab that pizza while you can. We appreciate everyone's understanding of the shelves not being full of your favorite items in the camp store this season.