

VALLEY COUNTY PROPERTY TAX - UPDATE

The hearing before the Valley County Board of Examiners (BOE) took place on Friday, June 28. Attorney Randy Peterman was before the BOE for about an hour presenting the case of Trinity Pines. The County Assessor provided justification for the 157 days of rentals deemed as commercial for which property taxes (\$29,650) were assessed. The Assessor claims that unless the camp is being used by the owner (Nazarene groups), it is subject to property tax. When it was all done for the day, the BOE moved their final decision to Monday, July 8 and indicated they would like to consult with their legal team on the appeal. We cannot determine if this is good news, bad news or just a stall factor for further discussion. We appreciate your prayers in this matter. Our deepest appreciation to Randy Peterman and his staff at Givens Pursley Law firm for their work on this issue. You will read more about our efforts in this Camp Monthly.

Rick Waitley
Executive Director

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are still looking for volunteers to assist with camp operations for the following events:



3 Camps On-Site - July 11-14
3-5 helpers needed

Linder Church of Christ - August 2-4
2-5 helpers needed

Wesleyan Family Bible - July 23-28
4-6 helpers needed

IMD Camp Meeting - August 9-11
2-5 helpers needed

2 Teen Camps - July 29-August 1
2-3 helpers needed

2 Women's Groups - August 22-25
2-4 helpers needed

On-site housing is available at many of these camps if you do not have an RV available. If you are available, please contact our 2nd Wind Staff Coordinators: **Steve Haney** at 208-830-1005 or **Cheryl Haney** at 208-409-6680.

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	Camp Hope Teen Camp	July 11-14
	Church of God Idaho Family Camp	July 11-14
	Jr High Camp	July 15-19
	St Paul Baptist Men's Retreat	July 19-21
	Boise Five Mile Women's Retreat	July 20-21
	Nampa First 5th & 6th Lead Retreat	July 21-23
	Wesleyan Bible Camp	July 23-28
	Ten Mile Christian Church Pre Teen Camp	July 31-Aug 1
	Real Life Church Youth Camp	July 31-Aug 1
	Linder Road Church of Christ	Aug 2-4
	ID Conservation Officers Assoc Youth Camp	Aug 5-9
	Camp Meeting	Aug 9-11
	Youth Dynamics (Camp Lowry)	Aug 9-11
Calvary Chapel Eagle Men	Aug 16-17	

“AT-A-GLANCE” TRINITY PINES CALENDAR

CAMP MONTHLY

TRINITY PINES CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

CASCADE, IDAHO
JULY 2024

ILLNESS HITS KID'S CAMP: Trinity Pines had challenges the last week of June, which was the week of Kid's Camp. On Tuesday, students and paid staff at the camp became sick with a stomach flu. Several students were isolated and moved into a cottage that was designated for the sick students. Parents were called and some parents made the decision to drive to camp and take their child home. Others remained in sick bay for a couple of days and eventually returned to a full schedule at camp. Many thanks to Kris Duggan, Medical Staff person who led through the entire process and the leadership of Director Connie Blackstock, Ontario Nazarene, and Heather Pillers, College Church. In the end, the head cook, assistant cook, program director and several of the summer interns also became ill. This resulted in sending Carla Thompson, former food service director, to Trinity Pines to assist with a few meals mid-week until staff began to feel better. Special precautions were taken for extra sanitation of surfaces throughout the camp. Thanks to the on-site staff and volunteers who helped us through this difficult week.

FARMHOUSE PROGRESS: We now have the addition (living room and garage) fully framed and the sheeting on the roof ready for the roofing to be put into place once the inspections by the City and the electrical and plumbing are complete. **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS** to help with sheetrock, flooring and other details of the project. If you are available, please contact John Theien at 208-382-6200 to schedule when you and some of your fellow volunteers could come and work. Two contractors will be on site, July 11-12 and on those days, we could really use a crew of volunteers to assist them with projects.



ASSEMBLY OF GOD RENTALS: We are thrilled to host over 400 high school Assembly of God students. However, we also learned that they had to turn away around 150 campers who wanted to come due to limited accommodation at Trinity Pines. They are already inquiring about expanding their summer use and we will continue to explore our calendar to see what might work. The rental to the Assembly summer camps stretches over about 10 days for children and youth camps sponsored by their denomination.

NEW MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR: Administrator John Theien has hired **Ben Bruening** from Kuna Nazarene. Ben plans to start the position in mid-July. Ben has been working for Consolidated Supply in Nampa for over 23 years. Ben has a daughter that is a Senior at Kuna High and so the family will not relocate to Cascade until after graduation next spring. Ben will be commuting back and forth during the coming year. Ben has been a volunteer at Trinity Pines and has had a chance to see, first-hand, the work of caring for the property and facilities.

CAMP MISSION PROJECT: In June's Camp Monthly we shared with our partners the mission project of raising funds to sponsor two summer camps for the Cuba children's camping program. I am pleased to report we have raised a total of **\$3,037.60** in our first three camps and still have the Jr. High Camp in July. Thanks campers for loving on other kids around the globe.

JULY 16: This is the annual Tour to Trinity Pines Day. We will depart from Nampa College Church and stop by Boise Tree City before we make our way to Cascade. This is an excellent opportunity to expose new pastors, new associates and new people that have joined your congregation in the past year to our beautiful campground. We will have lunch with interns, volunteers and staff at the camp, tour the grounds and facility, make a stop at Jubilation Station (Camp Store) and then have some time to relax and enjoy Jr. High Camp, which will be happening during our visit. See the enclosed flyer to find more information. We will travel by tour bus which will make this a great event for a small group, Sunday School Class, Seniors in our Church or anyone who would like to see and experience Trinity Pines.

TRINITY PINES MEDIA TEAM ASSEMBLED: In an effort to layout a plan related to the Property Tax issue in Valley County, we have reached out to several media savvy folks to help us. Here is the list that has been assembled:

Dale Dixon, COO of Better Business Bureau and owner of Dixon Media

Angie Battle, Assistant to the Manager at KTVB

Dee Sarton, former anchor at KTVB

Dennis Johnson, former CEO for United Heritage Insurance and currently chairman of the board for Idaho Power

Holly Beech, former camper, and editorial staff at Idaho Press now working for a non-profit

Rod Gramer, former KTVB Director, currently on Statesman Editorial Board and CEO of Idaho Business for Education

Kendra Dustin, Grant Writer for Trinity Pines Camp

The Media Team has met once. During that time, they discussed a variety of approaches to spread awareness of this situation and heard and interacted with the attorney. They are still waiting for the Economic Report from Dr. Peter Crabb on the value camps are to Valley County.

DISTRICT CAMP MEETING: You will want to be at Trinity Pines, August 9-11 for the District Camp Meeting at the Campground. Rev. Bob and Colleen Skinner will be the guest speakers. Bob is a product of Intermountain District, served as a missionary for nearly 30 years and is the current District Superintendent for the Rocky Mountain Region, which includes churches in Montana and Wyoming. This is a fun packed weekend of relaxation, fellowship, good food, singing songs, activities for children, and great times of celebration in the worship tent. Registration for this is online at www.tpines.org. Space fills quickly, so get your reservations in as soon as the form is available. You can join us for the entire weekend or even just for a day. The final worship session will be Sunday morning and there will be a lunch option to follow that is available to all.

