

TWIN PINES CAMP

Twin Pines Camp, Conference and Retreat Center has been blessed with many opportunities to serve the Kingdom. In 2017, Twin Pines had the opportunity to provide retreat accommodations for groups seeking a place to get away and experience God. We are fortunate that year to year many groups choose to rebook retreats. The challenge is always to get groups to Twin Pines for the first time. In 2017, we began a focused effort to seek more new groups and opportunities to provide quality accommodations and programming. We are continuing to seek new groups from all over Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York, as well as new ways to serve our local community. As we identify the needs of the families and organizations in our area, we strive to be a part of fulfilling those needs.

Twin Pines has been working to expand the retreat programs in which we provide the programming. The Winter Thaw weekends saw almost 200 participants in two weekends, and there is potential for those weekends to continue to grow. Another programmed retreat in 2017 was Spring Fling for retreat guests in third through fifth grade. The inaugural retreat had over 30 participants. More and more we hear that leaders are looking for opportunities to take groups to retreats and have the programming done for them. This was not the traditional retreat method at Twin Pines, but it has been beneficial to groups and we are excited to continue these retreats.

Our summer camp program grew by 5% in 2017, and we are excited to see this growth continue. We continue to brainstorm new ideas for summer programming in order to attract more campers. In the summer of 2017, there were 35 campers who made decisions during the 8 weeks of overnight camping. The day camp program in 2017 also continued to grow, and we believe this is one of those areas where we can fulfill a need in the local community.

Throughout 2017, the staff at Twin Pines continued to hear from people in EC churches that they did not know the denomination was phasing out funding for affiliates like Twin Pines. There are still EC church websites that list Twin Pines as being owned and operated by the EC denomination. This is concerning because if individuals assume that their church is supporting Twin Pines at the same level, they are not making the adjustment to support the affiliate directly. We are thankful for the churches and individuals that do continue to generously support Twin Pines. This year an important step was taken by the denomination to put the deed for the property of Twin Pines into the name of Twin Pines Camp rather than the name of the Christian Education Society of the Eastern Conference of the Evangelical Congregational Church.

The Twin Pines staff desire to serve the people who come to camp and beyond. In 2017, we brought Twin Pines to people by holding hymn sings in various EC churches. These events will continue in 2018. Please join us at a hymn sing in your area. If you would like to host a hymn sing at your church, please contact Sam in the camp office.

In 2017, some staffing changes were made when Nicole Stuart was hired as the Guest Services Coordinator. Nicole grew up coming to Twin Pines and was excited to be a part of the team. She has jumped in and used her gifts to bolster retreat numbers and create new events like the Twin Pines Christmas Craft Show and Flea Market. There has been a real cohesiveness amongst the staff throughout 2017. This was needed during the summer as Property Manager Steve Kirk was not able to work for most of the summer after suffering a motorcycle crash in which he suffered several broken ribs, a broken shoulder, road rash, and a collapsed lung. The staff all pitched in and did jobs outside of our normal duties. Along with volunteers, we were able to keep camp up and running.

As the facilities at Twin Pines age, we continue to see a need for renovations. In the fall of 2017, Hemlock Lodge was renovated, including new paint, mattresses, and linens. Blue Spruce Lodge is next on the list, including the exterior of the building, replacement windows, and updated bathrooms as funds are available.

Every year people share with us that they didn't know about an event or retreat that is going on at Twin Pines. We are asking for your help in passing along information about the ministry of Twin Pines to the people of your church. We know that there is only so much time and space available to share information about events, but we need your help to spread the word about all that Twin Pines has to offer. There are also individuals on staff and on the Board of Directors who are willing to come to your church and share about Twin Pines. This does not need to be on a Sunday morning. We can come any time to share with a youth group, children's ministry, Bible study, or even your ministry council.

Twin Pines would also like to encourage you to hold a retreat or event at Twin Pines Camp. We hear year after year about events of the denomination and of local churches that could have been held at Twin Pines but are being held other places. Our roots are EC, and they are deep and strong. Twin Pines is incorporated and run by a board of directors, but it was founded by the people and churches of the Delaware and Susquehanna Regions. We know it may not always be possible to hold events at Twin Pines, but we would like the opportunity to discuss the possibility of holding the event at Twin Pines, or perhaps bringing an event to you! If you or your church have a retreat or send youth to summer camp, please consider Twin Pines. The reasons we hear for not using this ministry can often be overcome with a phone call; price and availability can be negotiated for you to use the facility.

If you have an idea, a question, or feedback, please share with the board of directors or give the camp a call and let us know how we can serve you!

WE WANT TO SEE YOU AT TWIN PINES!

Twin Pines has been and is a people-driven ministry. It takes each and every one of the people involved to keep the ministry of Twin Pines moving forward. There is not enough time or space to thank everyone personally, but the list below provides a small glimpse of the number of people it takes to keep building the Kingdom!

3 – Full-Time Employees	30+ - Retreat Hosts/Hostesses
14 – Part-Time Year 'Round Employees	20+ – Spring & Fall Work Retreat Volunteers
28 – Summer Staff	15+ – Committee & Task Force Members
30-35 – Summer Program Staff	8 – Twin Pines Board Members
7 – Week-long Nurses	100's – Financial and Prayer Supporters
2 – Sunday Afternoon Nurses	
6 – Summer Weekly Volunteers	

We want to say THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!! to all of those people who continue to support Twin Pines. We thank the National Conference and the leadership for their support. We would especially like to thank our supporting regions, Delaware and Susquehanna regions.

Please pray for the ministry of Twin Pines and what it has to offer to a hurting world. We ask that you also look for ways to utilize the facilities for your church.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawn Fetterhoff, Executive Director
For the 2017 Twin Pines Board of Directors

Mrs. Lois Matarazzi, President

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TWIN PINES BALANCE SHEET
For the Period Ending December 31, 2017

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash on Hand	19,276.30	
Petty Cash	300.00	
Cash in Savings	1,358.11	
Cash in Payroll Account	248.37	
Accounts Receivable	0.00	
Material Inventory	20,000.00	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		41,182.78

Fixed Assets:

Fixed Assets - Property	615,000.00	
Fixed Assets - Buildings	1,539,388.00	
Fixed Assets - Equipment	125,000.00	
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		2,279,388.00

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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Current Liabilities:

Taxes Withheld	2,871.03	
Open Invoices	41,407.42	
Notes Payable - Line of Credit	0.00	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		44,278.45

Long-Term Liabilities:

Notes Payable - E.C. Investment Pool	0.00	
Notes Payable - Board of Pensions	0.00	
Notes Payable - Demand Notes	5,000.00	
TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		5,000.00

Owner's Equity:

Retained Earnings	-109,373.19	
Gift Annuities	38,441.94	
Cash Reserve	-50,737.89	
Unpaid Open Invoices	-41,407.42	
Reserved Capital	2,428,212.20	
Net Income	6,156.69	
TOTAL OWNER'S EQUITY		2,271,292.33

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