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## **Address Service Requested**

Let the Process Begin! RTLC Another Step Closer to Owning Its Land

The land exchange process has begun! We want everyone to understand what a land exchange is all about, and where we are in that process.

Rainbow Trail currently sits on leased National Forest land and we are working to own our site. The Forest Service does not have the authority to conduct an outright sale of National Forest lands. A land exchange is the only method for acquiring federal lands such as the site upon which Rainbow Trail currently resides.

To complete a land exchange, Rainbow Trail needed to secure private lands on the San Isabel National Forest with high public values that the Forest Service is interested in acquiring. In 2014, Rainbow Trail purchased nonfederal land in the Locke Park area of the Wet Mountains. With the securing of this property, a formal land exchange proposal can now be submitted to the Forest Service, beginning the 64-step



Rainbow Trail staff explore RTLC's non-federal parcel with the Forest Service during recent visit in October

land exchange process. The process culminates in the Forest Service issuing a patent to Rainbow Trail and Rainbow Trail deeding the private lands it secured to the federal government.

The first three steps of the land exchange process involve a feasibility analysis of our land exchange to ensure that the exchange is good for the American people and for the Forest Service. In August, we met with the Forest Service to revise the collection agreement (the bill) for the feasibility analysis. We will receive the final version of the collection agreement sometime in the first two weeks of November. In late October, we explored the non-federal parcel that we bought for the exchange with the Forest Service in preparation for the forthcoming feasibility analysis.

Once the collection agreement is

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signed and the bill is paid, the work on the feasibility analysis will begin around December 1, 2018. The work on the feasibility analysis will run through the year of 2019. If we receive an affirmative response, the next step in the process would be signing the Agreement to Initiate the actual exchange with the Forest Service. Then the remaining 61 steps in the land exchange process, which includes legal notices, request for public comments, field studies, appraisals,

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# Congratulations, Thank You, and Good-Bye!

It is time for a new season at Rainbow Trail, and time for two much-loved people to move on from this place. Almost 28 years ago, Ben Jarvis came to the mountain for the first time at the age of 14 days. Since that time, he's spent every single summer there--as a toddler, as a "camp kid," as a camper, a summer staff member, and finally as a full-time director. He was blessed by the camp community in so many ways, and he has been a blessing in return! Then, six years ago, he brought the love of his life to the mountain. Since then, Jordan has been a full, loving, and vibrant part of the RTLC ministry as well. They were married in October, and now plan to move on to new beginnings in Des Moines, Iowa.



their faith journey. He has confidently approached mission ministries, and has led and arranged for dozens of groups to experience the body of Christ through missions in Mexico, Ecuador, the Dominican Republic, New Mexico, Texas, and elsewhere. And for the past two years, Jordan Jensen has embraced a brand new position at RTLC, that of Director of Retreat Ministries. Jordan has called upon her natural sense of hospitality and caregiving as she has warmly and genuinely welcomed people to Rainbow Trail... those who have come for years as well as those for whom RTLC is a new experience. She has created a consistency to the retreat experience, from the time of **CONGRATULATIONS, PAGE 2** 

For the past five years, Ben has

Photography Credit: Randy + Ashley Studios faithfully served as Rainbow Trail's Director of On-Site and Bridging Borders Ministries. His humor, his intelligence, his musical talent and his natural ability to engage and lead people have been monumental in the camp experience for not only campers,

but for staff and congregational leaders as well. He is willing at any time to humiliate himself in any skit or ridiculous costume if it will help lighten a mood or make others laugh. And he is willing to share deep thoughts and questions as he helps others explore

### **Rainbow Trail Mission Statement**

Through the ministries of Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp, God claims us, Christ transforms us, and the Holy Spirit sends us for faithful service.



## Trail Boss

By Dave Jarvis - Executive Director This fall has been a steamroller.

It has been so busy with all the camp preparations for 2019 - ambassadors retreat, printing the new brochures, postcards, updating applications, creating the 2019 budget, producing videos, and things like that. We have also had a very busy retreat season that has impacted all of our fulltime staff. In addition to all of that, Ben and Jordan's wedding was in early October which really forced me to finish things early so I could be fully present for those 5 days around the wedding. That included handing off the leadership for Grace Race this year. But all happened and went off without a hitch. But I am ready for the pace to slow down just a bit!!

We had yet another amazing summer. We lived most of the summer on fire ban,

but that is not what the campers or staff remember. Our summer staff was outstanding. There were a lot of new faces but they quickly became RTLC. They loved kids wholeheartedly and were faithful witnesses for Christ. I loved this group. I loved their energy, their persistence, and their sense of adventure and call. This group really knew why they were here.

There are so many people that helped make the summer of 2018 as powerful and successful as it was. We had an awesome Bible Study that helped us all understand how "Grace Changes Everything." We become humility, mercy, and generosity in the world and are fueled by grace to make the world different. The writers did an amazing job of creating a study that I believe touched not only our campers but also our staff. Remember, impossible just takes a little more time. Thank you to Pastor Vera Guebert-Steward, Pastor Nicole' Ferry, Pastor Dan Tisdel, Pastor Jane Jebsen, and Pastor Michael Tassler for all of the extra time you commit to our ministry to make our program better. You have been a blessing to this ministry and to me!

I also want to thank all of our partner congregations for their support of Rainbow Trail. These congregations have become the financial foundation upon which we are able to build this ministry. There have been several new congregations that have joined this group in 2018. They have given, and given very generously this year. Because of their support, along with our many donors, RTLC continues to grow and serve in new ways. We are also able to give over \$18,000 in camperships each year so money is never a reason a child doesn't go to camp. There are now over 70 partner congregations that contribute to this ministry. Thank you for seeing us as partners in your ministry and in the faith development of your youth and families. If your congregation is not a partner congregation with RTLC, invite them to be one!

I also want to thank our partners in the Rocky Mountain Synod office for supporting Rainbow Trail in so many ways. Pastor Leslie Welton joined us for our end-of-staff training banquet and worship service in which Leslie commissioned our summer staff for their ministry. She also spent a week as a camp Pastor for one of our On-Site weeks as well as for the week of RTLC South held down in Cloudcroft, New Mexico. Leslie also serves as the Synod liaison on the RTLC Board. Bishop Jim Gonia led our Lutheran theology session during staff training and truly captured the hearts of our staff. Bishop Jim also joined us to close out our summer at our closing banquet and to lead Eucharist at worship. Thank you both for knowing the power of outdoor ministry and seeing it as a vital part of the ministries of this Synod.

Finally, I want to thank our full-time staff for their incredible dedication and love for the ministries of Rainbow Trail. They give tirelessly and with a gracious sense of humor. There is nothing better than doing ministry with those that you love. And I love every person that is a part of this full-time team. Thanks for your vision and trust and faithfulness.

Registration for 2019 is already open and people are signing up! Churches of the Rocky Mountain Synod, ELCA have registration priority until January 1st. After that date it is open registration. Take advantage of this next two months of priority registration. This will ensure that your camper gets into the week of camp that they want to attend. If you wait until even late January, many camps will be full and your choices will be limited. Register today!!

The land exchange process is moving! All the extra work and time our staff has put into this is paying off. We will sign the Feasibility Analysis agreement in November and the actual work on the Forest Service Feasibility Analysis will begin in December and will run through the end of 2019. At that point, we should receive an affirmative result to the feasibility analysis and we will sign the Agreement to Initiate the actual land exchange. Keep this process in your prayers. We will keep you informed as things progress. For more details, read the lead article of this newsletter. This fall has been full of so many emotions for me. In October, Ben and Jordan got married and it was a real celebration. There were so many people we hadn't seen for a while that came to share that day with all of us and give their blessing on the marriage of these two. It was a truly magical day. But I also knew what came with that day was their decision to move back to Iowa at the end of the year. My heart aches some knowing that I will not get to work side by side with both of them much longer. It has been an amazing ride. As I said in my father of the groom toast at the wedding, it is dream of any parent to get to work with your child. But to be able to do ministry together for the last five years has been more than I ever could have imagined. This is a gift I will always treasure.

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and environmental reports, will get underway.

Rainbow Trail will need to provide additional funds to the Forest Service after the Agreement to Initiate the Exchange is signed. These funds will serve to cover the Forest Service's cost to process the land exchange. In order to have the needed funds to begin the exchange by January 2020, we are going to start raising the remaining balance we need to complete the land exchange process. We estimate the amount we still need to raise is around \$250,000. This will cover the Forest Service's staff, costs to process the exchange, consultant fees, biological and archaeological studies and reports, and appraisal reports. The good news is that we have already raised close to

### CONGRATULATIONS, CONT'D

booking and planning to the final farewells after a successful retreat. Her communication skills and her calm, yet fun personality have made her a joy for people to work with. She has been the voice and the face of Retreating at Rainbow Trail for the past two years, and she has done so with class and competence. \$125,000 of those remaining needed funds. We continue to ask for your prayers and your financial support for this process. If you gave to the land purchase before, I hope that you will consider giving an additional gift for the future of RTLC. Your contributions at this stage will help us see this process to fruition. If you haven't given yet, consider making a special gift for the future generations that will be a part of this ministry. I would love to have a more in-depth conversation with you and explain more about this once-ina-lifetime opportunity. You can reach me by email at dave@rainbowtrail.org or by phone at 719-429-1377. Help us make Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp our Home At Last!

And now we celebrate with them as they begin their life together in Iowa. We wish them all the best, we thank them from the bottom of our hearts, and we hold them in our thoughts and prayers as they find their way in the world! Go with God, Ben and Jordan!

# Register for 2019 Summer Camps Registration Opened November 1,2018

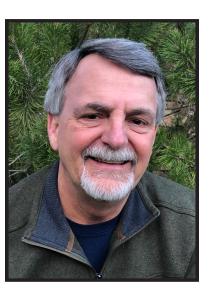


Registration for 2019 opened November 1, 2018 for Rocky Mountain Synod congregations. Register early as camps will fill quickly! We encourage you to register online at www.rainbowtrail. org even if you're outside of the RMS. You'll be put on the wait list in the order received until January 1st, when registration opens to all. You can also download the registration form and mail it in. A big thank you goes to Matt Olin who used his artistic gifts and creative talents to design an incredible brochure and postcard again this year! Brochures have been mailed to congregations and postcards were mailed to all who attended camp this past summer. Those interested in Family Camp and Labor Day can register online as well. Please don't wait to register! We look forward to spending summer 2019 with you!

### **12th Annual Grace Race a Huge Success**

The 12th Annual Grace Race was blessed with a cool but picture perfect day and an enthusiastic crowd. Those participating helped make a difference that day by raising funds for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. 163 participants and volunteers came out for the race. There was also a great post-race party with burgers and fabulous music. People stuck around and picnicked following the race. The top female was Amelia Stratton with a time of 26:01. The top male finisher and overall fastest time this year was Steven Kohuth with a time of 19:16. All the top times for all the age groups will be posted on our website. The final totals are not in but it looks like we will be able to send a check for about \$7,500 to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal. We wanted to extend a special thank you to the individuals who helped to organize this year's Grace Race. For years, Dave, the RTLC full-time staff, and other members of the Jarvis family have played a large role in the organization and leadership of the Grace Race. This year, many of these people were tied





Thanks again for the opportunity to continue to serve you through this amazing place. We are hoping that 2019 will be one of the best years yet for Rainbow Trail. Come join us for the journey!!

Until next time,

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up being a part of Jordan and Ben's wedding weekend. The time and effort that Dawn Meyer, Daniel Kirschbaum, Jonny Tippets, Cam Regennitter, Nathan Boykin, Carl Meyer, Maggie Smith, Kyra Jensen, Peter Meyer, Brent Meyer, Brad Wiidakis, Dave Fisk, Claire Fisk, Craig Twaddell, Kathy Twaddell, and Nicole Grinager put into this event was a true gift to the Jarvis and Jensen families and their guests. Thank you!!!

The 13th annual Grace Race is scheduled for the afternoon of Saturday, October 5, 2019 in Sloan's Lake Park starting at 4:00 pm. Put it on your calendars now! We look forward to seeing you there next year!

## **The Rainbow Connection: Bringing Camp Home & Into Congregations**

A challenge for most who have attended camp at Rainbow Trail or participated in one of RTLC's programs is often trying to understand how to "take it down the mountain." Time and again, we hear how our campers and retreaters want to tie their experience at camp to home or back into their congregation. Some congregations have even built their very own GaGa Pit after their youth spent a week at camp. It's a never-ending goal of ours to help others find ways to enrich their faith lives away from RTLC, so we decided to offer some options that you might not be aware of that might help in maintaining a connection to Rainbow Trail after the guitars stop strumming.

Rainbow Trail has a menu of downloadable resources available on our website.

Whether you are looking to listen to clean, upbeat Kitchen Party music while doing dishes at home or practice some line dances with RTLC Dance music, Rainbow Trail has created playlists on Spotify that we use On-Site year-round and linked them to our website so you can access them!

Did you know that we upload our summer Bible studies to the website for you to use away from RTLC? Surprise! We do! You can access multiple summers of Bible studies from camp to use at home or in your congregation! Tell your youth director about this resource!

Another staple of Rainbow Trail is coffee. You may be aware that Rainbow Trail has its own coffee blend that was created with Mission Coffee Roasters in Colorado Springs. What you might not know is that you can order this coffee through RTLC for your congregation or your home. Sold in 12oz or 5lb bags, whole bean or ground, every dollar of profit on these coffee sales goes toward helping people experience camp. Drinking Rainbow Trail Blend not only gives you a daily taste of camp, but it also gives every cup of coffee a purpose.

Rainbow Trail also has a brand new online Popshop system. With the holidays coming up, you can give your camper a sweatshirt or red mug that they'll love for years. Speaking of gift giving, if you shop for holiday gifts, or everyday items, on Amazon, you can use AmazonSmile to contribute a portion of your purchase to an organization of your choice, such as Rainbow Trail!

Find photos of the singing graces, congregational Retreat options, and even photos from weeks of camp online! We're continually adding resources to our website to help bridge the gap between RTLC and life down the mountain, so visit rainbowtrail.org, and bring Rainbow Trail home with you!

By Jordan Jensen - Director of Retreats

This fall has been a whirlwind up here at camp, retreats all over the place, Ben and Jordan's wonderful wedding and summer 2019 bookings in full swing. I can't believe the summer season has already come and gone here in Hillside, it feels like just last week we were preparing for staff arrivals and scheduling Day Camp teams and Compass Points trips. But here we go!

Simply Sam

This past summer was another one for the books. Our Compass Points program continued to offer kids and adults a space in God's wild country: exploring the trails, testing their limits and growing spiritually in a safe place, apart from everyday pressures and distractions. We ended up sending 8 trips out on trail in total, which was a smaller amount than usual due to it being a National Youth Gathering year. Regardless of



our smaller number of trips however, it was an incredible summer of God filled adventure and I'm so excited for the next one!

By Sam Berglund - Director of Compass Points & Day Camp

We currently have 20 trips booked for the 2019 season and still have some openings if anyone is interested in getting a group together for a week on trail! We also have some fantastic open registration trips this year that open up on November 1st, these trips are designed for kids or adults that want to experience a week on trail but don't have a group big enough to go! Come join us for a week in the mountains!

The Day Camp program this year was as full as ever, sending groups all across the Rocky Mountain Synod and beyond to provide the camp experience to a vast array of church communities. The Day Camp program provides a unique opportunity for churches to connect within their congregations and local communities with the energy and programming that come with camp staff. We are continually blessed with how many different church communities we get to be a part of every single year, and staff always return to us rested, well-fed and full of kid quotes and stories from the week. Although it seems that last summer just ended, our 2019 Day Camp schedule is nearly full already and we look forward to working with a vast array of churches again this summer.

After this past summer ended, I drove out to Arkansas to bring home my new puppy Tüka! She's a 4 month old Siberian Husky pup and she's the light of my life. She's loved being a part of the pack up at camp and continues to work on her howling performance when she doesn't get to come with me to yoga. As always, I am so blessed to get to work in a place that provides as many opportunities for God's work as this place does. Prayers for this busy time for all of us is greatly appreciated and as always thanks for a great summer and I look forward to seeing you up here on your next visit on the mountain!



# COLORAPO GIVES PAY IS COMING!



On Tuesday, December4, 2018, Coloradans will come together again to raise millions of dollars for non-profit organizations like ours.

Last year \$36.5 million was distributed to 2,411 different nonorganizations. Each organization involved will receive a portion of the \$1,000,000 based on their total donations that day.

Since we are still in the middle of the land exchange process, some

## Just Jordan



As I am writing this, snow is falling outside of our office window. It feels as if fall has come and gone in a flash. Although it will likely melt by the end of the day, the change in weather has me reflecting on what has been the busiest and most joy-filled season of my life.

This retreat season has welcomed groups from all over the great state of Colorado, with others traveling from as far as New Mexico and California! Knitters, soccer teams, school groups, confirmands, fly fishermen, and some amazing women and congregations have all

made it out to Rainbow Trail for one of our best retreat seasons ever! It has been a gift to partner in this ministry with such a variety of individuals. Thank you all who have joined us over the years.

On a personal note - Ben and I got married in Golden, Colorado at the beginning of October! It was overcast, chilly, and absolutely wonderful. Sharing our vows in front of the people who helped to shape us, was beyond special. We had family and friends from all over the United States travel to spend the weekend celebrating. The day was filled with dancing, eating, laughing, crying, and so much love.

Since the wedding we have taken a short trip to Monterrey, California and are planning our honeymoon to Switzerland this December! Our time in Monterrey was filled with wine-tastings, exploring different restaurants, walking on the beach, and visiting the famous Monterey Bay Aquarium. It was a short trip, but just what we needed before heading back into the busy-ness of the camp world. As we get closer to our big trip, please reach out if you have travel tips or suggestions for Switzerland and the surrounding countries. We would love to hear from you and are currently daydreaming of the snow-covered Alps and Christmas markets of western Europe.

After the return from our honeymoon, we will be spending Christmas with the Jarvis family down in Texas before making our big move back to the Midwest. Come the beginning of January we are packing up all of our things, including our two favorite dogs, and driving to Des Moines, Iowa. I will miss the mountains and gorgeous weather here in Colorado and the community of people we have developed even more.

I continue to see God in the moves that we make and hope to find another home just as special as this one has been.

Love,

profits throughout Colorado! RTLC raised \$77,266 in that 24-hour period. Our goal this year is to raise \$85,000. All funds raised will go toward the Annual Fund.

You may wonder why we do Colorado Gives Day every year. The answer is that every donation given to RTLC on Colorado Gives Day gives Rainbow Trail a chance at additional funds made available by Community First Foundation and 1st Bank. Every donor that gives to Rainbow Trail, no matter the size of the gift, puts Rainbow Trail in the drawing for monetary prizes. So, a \$10 donation could earn RTLC \$1,000 or more! Additionally, at the end of Colorado Gives Day, \$1,000,000 will be divided amonst the participating non-profit

people have shifted their annual fund donation toward the Land Exchange Capital Appeal. But we still need our annual fund to sustain day-to-day operations. You don't need to live in Colorado to give on this day! Anyone can give from anywhere! No matter where you live, mark your calendars for Colorado Gives!

Be sure to go to rainbowtrail. org/co-gives to donate! If you're worried about forgetting, fear not! You can pre-schedule your donation for Colorado Gives Day and make your donation go farther!

# Upcoming Events

## RTU Senior High Retreat November 16 - 18, 2018



Join us at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp on November 16-18, 2018 for a weekend in the wilderness filled with fun camp activities, a thought provoking study, enthusiastic RTLC staff, delicious home-made meals, and serenity that only the mountains can offer. Along with the Rainbow Trail staff, this weekend will be led by Deacon Erin Power who is the Assistant to the Bishop for Synodical Life in the Rocky Mountain Synod.

The theme, "Radically Relevant," asks the questions: What if we believed that the Church, and we as people of faith, had something radically relevant to offer to the world? What would it look like if we lived our lives believing that?

Together we will explore and

claim the gifts we as individuals and communities of faith have to offer for the sake of a world in need of love, grace, and healing.

Senior high youth will have the opportunity to dance, hike, craft, play, and laugh with each other as they learn and enjoy God's creation. Do not miss out on this opportunity to dive into meaningful time together. Sign up soon!

The retreat fees are \$135 per youth and \$100 per adult with a non-refundable \$35 per youth deposit. This all-inclusive fee covers, food, lodging, all activities, staff leadersip and an awesome t-shirt to take with you. You can find all the registration details and other information online at rainbowtrail.org/senior-highgathering. Register now to be a part of this unforgettable, spirit-filled weekend!



Don't get caught up in the hectic holiday hustle and bustle. Come get away and retreat to RTLC, and celebrate the real reason for the season: Jesus. Adventfest is a great way for families to prepare for the arrival of our Lord. The worship services will focus on the four Sundays of Advent and will be led by Pastor Chad Kohlmeyer.

Adventfest

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There will also be time for kids and adults to create great Christmas gifts. Adult crafts for this year include stained glass, woodcarving, dipped candle making, wooden lamps, pinecone Christmas wreaths, pottery glazing, aspen log candle holders, loom woven potholders, and woven baskets. Adults and kids ages 13 and older are able to participate in two crafts during the weekend. Each craft costs \$12.00 for instruction and materials. Kids' Korner includes a variety of things including sledding (weather permitting), crafts, cookie baking, and games! Kids' Korner is for kids ages 4-12. Babysitting will also be available during the weekend. The cost of both Kids' Korner and babysitting is \$15.00 per person for the weekend. In addition, you can cut your Christmas tree off of RTLC's site for only a \$10 Forest Service permit fee.

This has all the makings of a great family tradition!

Adventfest starts on Friday evening and runs through lunch on Sunday. This is a great weekend to relax and truly enjoy the season with your family. The cost of this weekend of fellowship and renewal is \$80 for adults and \$40 for kids ages 4-12. Kids 3 and under are free (crafts are additional).

Registrations are due no later than November 24th. Space is limited and a 50% non-refundable deposit is due with your registration. You can register online!



## Chris' Corner

Happy Fall to my RTLC family! It was a crazy wonderful summer this year! First and foremost I need to give love and thanks to my assistant Sherry Morris. If you didn't get a chance to have a conversation with her yet please make time to. Sherry is a most amazing woman!

We had the most awesome staff this year! Their joy and dedication were truly a blessing. I think the biggest problem the kitchen had this summer was our Reach In cooler died with 3 weeks of camp to go! Had to do some major moving and trying to figure out where to put everything. Where there's a will there's a way! The old girl still has some spark in her; I plugged her back in and said a prayer and Lo and Behold! Green line and holding; yay!!! Sad to say, I'm sure a replacement will be needed soon.

By Chris Seaman - Food Service Manager



### I feel the need to let you know that I will be going in for a complete hip replacement in the near future. My first visit with the surgeon was on 10/3. Your prayers for a speedy return to my second home would be greatly

## Be a Pifference Maker!

Trailblazers and Pathfinders are Rainbow Trail's annual giving clubs that sustain and allow our ministry to grow. Your gifts help us cover the expenses of the day-to-day operations of camp. For as little as \$10 a month, or \$120 a year, you can become a Trailblazer and make a huge difference in everything that happens here at camp! Pathfinders are those that would like to give a little more. For \$1,000 or more a year, you can become a Pathfinder and can make a bigger difference in this incredible ministry. From Day Camp to Bridging Borders to On-Site ministries to camperships to helping support our RTLC South week in southern New Mexico, Trailblazer and Pathfinder dollars help to make a difference in countless lives through wonderful faith experiences. We need your support



more than ever. Support from the Rocky Mountain Synod to Rainbow Trail has been reduced in recent years. You can join by simply making your gift to Rainbow Trail. If you are interested in knowing more about Trailblazers or Pathfinders, please contact Dave at the Canon City office (719-276-5233) or by e-mail at dave@rainbowtrail.org.

appreciated!

Ok, so let's get to the good stuff. Many of you have expressed your frustrations when it comes to altitude adjustments in baking. I would like to share with you some of the things that work for me. I have found when making cookies there's a significant reduction in spreading if you substitute Butter Flavor Crisco for ½ the amount of butter you use. For a better structure add 2 tablespoons of flour to each cup needed in your recipe, also add an extra egg. The reason we get that big divot in the middle of our cakes is not enough structure. When baking at high altitudes you are dealing with thinner air and no support. That is why we have to do these little tweaks. Another thing that you will need to do is reduce your baking powder and, or baking soda by 1/8 teaspoon per teaspoon. I hope these hints are helpful to you in your baking! What a beautiful fall we are having; the leaves are gorgeous; the temps are finally seeming more like fall, and we had our first bear show up at camp during the Men's Fly Fishing retreat! I have my house all decorated up! As always, I love to be able to share time with you in this format and look forward to the next time.

Always remember, God is Great!!!

Chris



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## Jam Session

By Ben Jarvis - Director of On-Site & Bridging Borders

I hope the fall season finds you enjoying warm beverages, cool weather, time with family and friends, and with great anticipation for the coming holiday season! In case you haven't read the preceding article in this edition of the newsletter, or haven't heard through the grapevine, this will be my last article in Rainbow Reflections. Jordan and I will be moving to Des Moines at the end of the year. This is an emotional time of life for me, filled with so much joy and love, wonder and questions, and a touch of sadness and nostalgia.

This October, I was fortunate enough to marry my best friend (I'm talking about Jordan). She blesses every day of my life and I'm so lucky to get to spend life with her. She makes me better, smarter, kinder, and more aware of how I can live out God's call for me to love people in this world. I'm excited for the adventures that we will go on together and for the opportunity that we've had to these past several years to work with her in a place that is so special to me.



Looking back on these past 6 years, I have so much to be thankful for. I'm thankful for the opportunity to lead staff and campers every summer with energy, music, experience, and passion. I've enjoyed exploring and growing in faith through challenging studies and intentional, thoughtful conversations. I've been blessed to spend so much of my time in the beautiful Sangre de Cristo mountains, which have become home for me in more ways than I can put into words. I feel grateful for every success and every failure, and how each of them have taught me valuable lessons and presented me with opportunities for incredible personal growth. I'll always remember the challenge of evacuating camp and seeing the incredible adaptability of our staff and our campers when we spent half a week of camp in a high school. I'll remember the energy of the first day of summer and the tears during the Song of Blessing. I'll remember creative VOD's and catching up with groups coming back to RTLC on a Friday night after Bridging Borders or other off-site adventures.

I am acutely aware that transitions are difficult. While I'm excited to embrace the challenge, I will greatly miss working alongside the full-time staff at Rainbow Trail. While I know these relationships will go long beyond the end of the year, and can withstand a move to Iowa, here are some reflections from my time here. Not everyone gets the opportunity with their parents, and I can only speak from my experience, but I've loved it. I've learned, laughed, and led with my dad in one of the places we both love most in the world. It's been an honor and a pleasure that I will love to look back on. Kyle Larson has become family to me. Thanks for the years of support, stories, late nights, laughs, ferris wheels, real talks, and fun. Sam has become a fast friend that always finds a way to make me laugh. I've loved the recruiting trail, creating album covers, and leading program throughout the summer with you. Of course, so many more people have been a part of my experience here as well. I've loved the sassy relationship I've developed with Chris. I've learned so much from Aurice and Ben. I've enjoyed my time with Sara and Tammi. While I will miss so much of what I've experience here, I'm excited for what I'm called to next.

Probably the greatest joy of working at Rainbow Trail is the people. I'm not the first person to leave this grace-filled place, and I won't be the last. What I know to be true is this:

Rainbow Trail is a lifelong community. I'm better because I've been here.

## HELP RTLC WITH YOUR THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

If you are a Thrivent Financial member, we need your help! We set a Thrivent Choice goal for 2018 of \$35,000 and we still think that goal is very attainable. With that kind of increase, not only can we continue to provide camperships but we can also possibly upgrade some of the equipment on our site.

Here is how you can help. You will need to go out to Thrivent's website each quarter to direct your Thrivent Choice dollars. This is the only way to ensure that your Thrivent Choice dollars will make it to Rainbow Trail each quarter. Go to http://www.rainbowtrail. org/donate/thrivent-choice/ and follow the steps to make your designation.

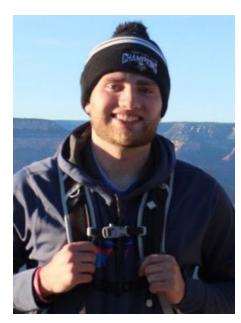
If you have friends that are Thrivent members and who have not designated their Thrivent Choice dollars, please encourage them to designate those Thrivent Choice dollars to Rainbow Trail. We heard that there was still close to \$1 million dollars in Choice dollars NOT distributed last year. Help us change that! You can make a world of difference!

## **GIFTS IN HONOR OF**

In Honor of the marriage of Kristi Koppel and Jan Bowers Kim Afinowich In Honor of the wedding of Ben & Jordan Jarvis Dave & Kim Guinn

# Rainbow Trail Welcomes Cam & Nathan!

This September, Rainbow Trail welcomed two new Program Assistants for the 2018 -2019 retreat season. We can't wait for you to meet them! They bring great passion to this ministry, valuable experience, and will be an asset to all we serve this retreat season. Come visit us this retreat season and get a chance to know these two!



Cam Regennitter

I grew up in the great town of Falcon, Colorado and I have a passion for seeking Christ my whole life. I have spent the last four summers working at Rainbow Trail and grew up attending camp as life long camper. Recently graduating for Colorado State University - Pueblo with an Exercise Science degree, I am excited to dive deeper and explore the great world of outdoor ministry. I love to hike Colorado 14ers and rock climb, compete in any sport that exists on planet earth, learn and talk about Jesus, watch scary movies and shred the gnar in the winter! I can't wait to see where God takes me in the years to come!



## Nathan Boykin

I am from Columbia, South Carolina. I am very excited to be living in and exploring the mountains of Colorado for the year. I spent the past four summers working for a Lutheran Camp in North Carolina and am interested in learning more about my faith and outdoor ministry.

The Program Assistant position is designed to give interested individuals a chance to experience full-time outdoor ministry. Program Assistants serve from September through May and help in all aspects of Rainbow Trail's ministry. If you would like more information, please contact the camp office.

## Help Us Light Up Our Site!

Retreating at Rainbow Trail has taken off in a pretty significant way since adding a Director of Retreat Ministries to the full-time team. While this is a great addition to the ministry happening here, it has shown us some of the needs that we have overlooked in some of our main buildings. The main room of Columbine is used often in retreat season as a meeting space, a game space, and as a worship space. The multi-use nature of this room is wonderful, but the lighting in this room lacks the same versitility. In an attempt for our site to provide our growing Retreating program every accommodation and quality space, the lights in Columbine will be changed to dimmers. But this project is a bigger undertaking than it may appear at first glance.

A few years back, all light bulbs on-site were changed out to CFL bulbs. As those bulbs start to go out, they are being replaced with LED equivalents that will last for years to come and cut down even greater on energy consumption. If we were to purchase LED bulbs for all of our buildings, it would cost between two and three thousand dollars! To help cushion the expense and to assist us in transforming some of our spaces at RTLC, we are asking for donations of dimmable LED light bulbs. In an effort to keep things consistent, we have selected two readily available light bulbs that can be donated and brought with you the next time you come to camp. Check out our Needs and Wish list either in the newsletter or online for more details.

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# Sight to Site

By Kyle Larson - Director of Site and Facilities

Like every year, summer comes and goes faster than the last. I can't believe that it's already November! Time at camp sometime seems to move too fast.

Fall is and continues to be a growing and busy season for us. It's great to reconnect with groups who use our site only during the fall and to make new relationships with groups new to our site. We always think things will slow down after summer but with retreating growing the way it currently is, we just roll straight into another busy season! Winter will be a nice respite from the craziness of the last six months.

Summer 2018 was absolutely one for the books. For me personally, I think it might have been one of the best. I had an incredible crew that helped move the site forward in a big way. Each year I'm in awe of how the spirit moves in our hiring process

and brings together the best possible team of people. Sands Simonton and Nick Hughes were an amazing team. Although they didn't have the opportunity to work together for the whole summer, the time that they spent together was a huge gift to Rainbow Trail and to me. Hoping that we all get the chance to work together again. Super fun. The camphand crew was one of the strongest we've had in years. It was a much more competitive interview process this year and that produced a great team that worked well together. I'm so thankful to have the fun loving and hardworking attitudes of that crew. Megan, Nick, Haylee, Kyla, Tommy, Levis, Nick, Abby, and Killy; thanks for all of your work and willingness to give of yourself this summer. It was great working alongside you! Hope to see you all throughout the year for retreats.

Leading into summer we always have our annual Memorial Day work weekend. I'm forever grateful for the work that is accomplished that weekend and for the insane amount of hours people put into our site to get it ready for summer. This year was nothing short of incredible. We took on a lot of projects but they all went great. This year we updated Blue Bells & Shooting Star, built a new playhouse, re-decked two of the Compass Points' tent platforms, started the remodel of the other ADA bathroom in Golden Banner, installed shelves in Penstemon, our new rec cabin, made new signs to be placed around the site, and expanded the terraces below the Fircle. Thanks to Phil Dorth, Bob Dugan, Bob & Holly Denning, and Jeff Spilker we made huge strides on our site once again this year. We were also blessed to have Lumen Electric back out to do massive electrical upgrades around our site during the weekend. Lumen updated a number of outdated panels, installed heaters in Eagle Peak Lodge, converted a majority of our fluorescent fixtures to LEDs and installed heat and lights in Blue Bells and Shooting Star. Thanks to all of our contractors and to all our volunteers for being willing to give of yourselves for those three days. What a gift you all are. See you next year!

As we close out another year at Rainbow Trail, we sadly say bye to both Ben Jarvis and (now) Jordan Jarvis. They have both been a huge part of Rainbow Trail for years and have no doubt left their mark on this ministry. More than that, they've become two of my closest friends and people that I'll miss having around and doing ministry with. I wish them both the best of luck in Iowa and will most certainly be annoyingly pressing them to move back to Colorado ASAP. Thanks for all the years of love and laughter guys. You'll be missed more than you know.

January starts my seventh year at Rainbow Trail. As always I just want to say thanks to everyone who has and continues to support me in my role. I wouldn't have been able to make it this far without the community that surrounds me.

If you're ever in the Hillside/Salida area, don't hesitate to call or stop by.

Till next time.

# Kyle 2018 Memorial Pay Work Weekend

Memorial Day has become as much a tradition at Rainbow Trail as anything else we do. We typically have over 125 people that come and join in this



Memorial Pay Ponor

Are you considering a yearly gift to Rainbow Trail but don't know where you'll see a tangible return? Look no further! Each Memorial Day weekend Rainbow Trail hosts roughly 120 volunteers to make major improvements to our site and prepare for summer. What some might not know is that Rainbow Trail spends around \$20,000 in materials for the weekend! With the help of experienced contractors and careful planning, we believe we receive between \$40,000 and \$50,000 worth of labor in just three days! Rainbow Trail is seeking donors that are passionate about site improvements and would be willing to fund part or all of our annual Memorial Day work weekend. If interested, email kyle@rainbowtrail. org or call (303) 902-5940.

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2019 Summer Schedule The Rainbow Trail summer 2019 schedule has been set. The fee will be \$455 for all youth camps, with the exception of Intro Camp, which will be \$235. The week of August 12-18 has a special rate of \$435. Family camp fees are \$455 for adults (ages 19 and older), \$345 for teens (ages 13-18) and \$235 for ages 4-12. There is no charge for kids under age 4. Be sure to register early! May 24-27.....Memorial Day Work Weekend May 27-June 8.....Staff Training June 9-15.....Junior High #1 June 16-19..... Intro To Camp #1 June 16-22 .....Junior #1 June 19-22.....Intro To Camp #2 June 23-29.....Confirmation #1 June 30-July 6.....Family Camp #1 July 7-13..... Senior High #1 July 14-20.....Confirmation #2 July 14-19.....RTLC South

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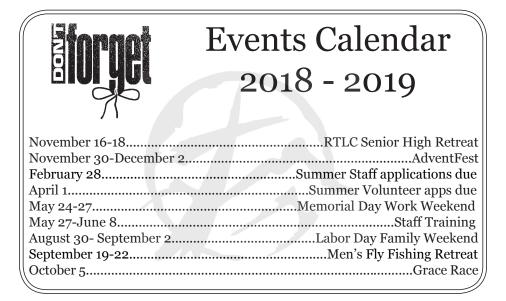
annual work weekend to get camp ready for summer. If the list of projects from last year is any indication (building a new treehouse/play area; installing log siding, new ceiling and new lighting on both sides of the interior of Blue Bells cabin and in Lupine; remodeling the handicap accessible bathrooms in Golden Banner; installing LED lighting in Holling Lodge and the Columbine offices; installing new windows in the indoor chapel and the Columbine apartment; finishing the new retaining wall by the volleyball court; rebuilding two tent platforms, and much more), we'll be sure to have another busy and memorable

weekend! The dates for 2019 are May 24 27, 2019. Call the Canon City office at (719) 276-5233 or email Dave at dave@ rainbowtrail.org to reserve your spot at this fun and rewarding weekend. This weekend does fill up quickly and typically has a waiting list. Reserve your spot today!

## 'Tis the Season to Give!

If you have ever wanted to make a difference... and contribute to a greater cause, Rainbow Trail offers a unique way to do so. Our Campership Funds help give youth needing financial assistance the chance to experience a week at camp. What a great gift: sending a deserving kid to camp to experience God and a lively faith community in this beautiful setting! Send your gift to RTLC marked "Camperships." You can also make your gift through the new donate button found on the banner photo of our Facebook page. Contact Dave at the Canon City office for more information. 719-276-5233 or dave@rainbowtrail.org

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## **Needs List**



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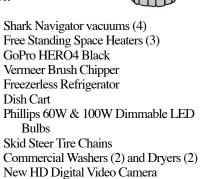
White 20# copy Paper (Laser quality) Reams of colored copy paper Avery 5366 Labels Avery 5164 Labels Masking tape Scotch Tape Duct Tape Packing Tape Postage stamps Long barreled fire lighters (Bic) 9x12 Manila envelopes (no clasps)
6x9 Manila Envelopes (no clasps)
10x13 Manila Envelopes (no clasps)
12 - 5 ft. round white Lifetime tables
Rain Ponchos
25-gallon Rubbermaid tubs (24)
On-Site and Compass Points Day Packs
Foam Brushes - 1"
Paintbrushes - all sizes, inexpensive
Wireless Microphones for Sound System

## Wish List

These are larger items that we haven't budgeted for, but would love to have. Contact us if you would like to donate any of these items, new or gently used. You can bring them to camp, or call to arrange a drop-off or pick-up. Thank you for your continued support.

Heavy Duty Cotton Work Gloves Industrial Mop buckets (call us first!) 12 Large Canvas Print Photos for BC Sturdy Wheelbarrows Two-Wheeled Dolly Jump Drives New Full or single mattress pads New Queen & Twin sheets – white New Queen mattress pads New 3-piece towel sets (20) 5-gallon shop vacuums (3)

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