

Spring 2016



# The Pringle Press

George Pringle Memorial Camp • United Church of Canada • Shawnigan Lake, British Columbia



## Kezia's Korner Kezia Cowtan, Camp Director

Summer in 2016 will have a familiar feel with all the Senior Staff from 2015 returning. We welcome back our Program Coordinator Claire Friedrich, our Chaplain Sarah Prestwich, and our Waterfront Director Seth Jerome. We have created a paid Medic position and welcome last year's volunteer paramedic, Nate LaBine, to the team. We have two program leaders returning – Caelan MacEwan and Kyle Dong – for their second year on staff.

We have 6 new program leaders who are graduates of our youth programs and having volunteered as Co-Leaders in previous years. We have simplified the camp program to make it easier for parents to register – it's the rollback to **Classic Co-Ed Camp** all summer long. We are also offering a teen exclusive week featuring **Ultimate Adventure**, from July 3rd to the 8th. Day camps will be on-deck again.

New this year, camp will start on Sunday evenings at 7pm to pack in as much camp fun in our week. We've revamped the **Youth Leadership** (16-17 yrs.) camps for 2016. See our website at [CampPringle.com](http://CampPringle.com) for all the details.

Camp Pringle strongly believes that camp should be for everyone, so if cost is a concern, please apply for a **Camp Bursary**. *Don't delay – register for your favourite camps today!*

## Rebuilding the Waterfront at Camp Pringle!

Camp Pringle has partnered with HeroWork to rebuild our 25 year old dock in May 2016. We are thrilled to have this opportunity! To contribute to the project, please submit your capital donations to the Dock Project! You can donate using the form on the back or online through [CanadaHelps.org](http://CanadaHelps.org).

HeroWork is a charity that helps other charities thrive by renewing and refreshing their physical infrastructure through exciting events called Radical Renovations. Imagine a modern day barn-raising, where community comes together with massive cooperation and common vision. Money, resources, and people are leveraged to achieve exceptional transformations of charity buildings at a small fraction of traditional costs and time.

Shown left to right are Project Manager Peter Smither, HeroWork CEO Paul Latour, and Valerie Ziegler, HeroWork Intern and member of the Comox Nanaimo Presbytery



## Supporting Camp Pringle – Spring Fundraising

**Thank you for your support.** Camp Pringle exists to provide opportunities for campers of all ages to experience God's love in a close relationship with other people and the natural environment. At Camp Pringle we model ourselves on the Missionary work of George Pringle Senior himself – meeting youth wherever they are at in their spiritual journey and opening their life to new experiences through the words and actions of our staff. We are part of the United Church of Canada, and believe in our mission; we hope you do as well. Every year we operate summer camps at a loss in order to help more kids

experience the wonder of camp. We make up some of that loss through our winter rentals, but rely on you – our supporters – to help us keep up with the operational requirements, capital improvements and funding for bursaries to allow summer camp to happen. Your donations are an increasingly important component of Camp Pringle's overall budget and your contributions to our 2015 campaign brought Camp a much needed \$57,000 and already \$10,000 in 2016. You can donate to our Spring Campaign using the form on the back, contacting the camp office or online through [CanadaHelps.org](http://CanadaHelps.org).

### SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CORPORATE SPONSORS

The following companies have committed to supporting Camp needs for 2016 through partnerships, discounts and donations:

- Andrew Sheret Limited, Duncan
- Central Landscape Supplies Ltd.
- Corix Water Products
- Creative Pine Works
- Don Mann Excavating Ltd.
- Fisher Road Recycling
- Orchard and Co. Barristers and Solicitors
- Rona Cobble Hill

We are particularly grateful for the immediate support during our surprise flood in January.

Thank you Dan and Julie at Rona Cobble Hill for sponsoring camp with a compactor, pump, plumbing snake, two blowers, a heater and two dehumidifiers.

Thank you Don Mann Excavating Ltd. for sponsoring the use of an excavator for two weeks to remediate the Laura Butler Building foundation and to deal with the storm drain pipes throughout the property.



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### Welcome Our New Caretaker, **Christian Singer!**

Christian joined us in late 2015 as our new Residential Caretaker. Christian has been a casual employee with Camp Pringle since 2007 when he was hired to build our High Ropes and Low Ropes Challenge Courses, as well as our Climbing Wall, and was in charge of training our very first Challenge Course leaders. Christian has a background in Risk Management and Experiential Education, and has worked with several different outdoor leadership companies. He was a firefighter for the past ten years with the Victoria Fire Department. Christian has lived in Shawnigan Lake since 2006, and runs his own farm where he is a "Mr. Fixit" around his property and he also works for several home builders part time.

**Faith Program** Camp Pringle's United Church Faith Program offers year round faith programming including church staff workshops, ministry retreats, ministry workshops, congregational camps, inter-congregational camps, lay-leaders workshops, worship, mediation,



retreat, workshops, speakers, conferences, youth faith based workshops, and camp programming. Please contact the Camp Office at 250-743-2189 for more information regarding our faith programming.

**Spring Break Camp** As of this writing, Spring Break Camp 2016 is sold out! Take note so you can sign up early next year. Spring Break Camp is a whole different experience than summer camp. Heated rooms, a site where everything is green and growing, and a full week of Junior Co-Ed, Ultimate Adventure and Crew. We assembled a strong group of CIT graduates as leaders for this camp with direction from the returning Senior Staff Team. This camp will include your favourite spring activities: archery, low ropes, canoeing, climbing, wide games, skit night, and fantastic meals prepared by Chef Lorri.

**Summer Volunteers** We are still looking for some volunteer program leaders (youth 17+) for the first two weeks of summer camp. Why volunteer? "An experience that keeps bringing volunteers back year after year!" For more information please call the Victoria office. To register as a volunteer visit [CampPringle.com](http://CampPringle.com).

**Gift Certificates** Looking for a birthday gift? Surprise somebody special with the gift of camp. Gift certificates can be purchased in any denomination. Contact 250-743-2189 or [registrar@camppringle.com](mailto:registrar@camppringle.com).

### Rent Camp Pringle!

Every year Camp Pringle see many of our partner groups return for programming and recreation. Looking for a place to rent? Lots of open dates are still available. For information and booking, contact our Rental Coordinator Trina Burns at [rentals@camppringle.com](mailto:rentals@camppringle.com) or 250-743-2189.

### Current Rentals for 2016

- Children's Int. Summer Villages • Jan 1-2
- University of Victoria Student Music Educators' Association • Jan 8-9
- University of Victoria United Church Ministry • Jan 15-17
- St. Andrews School • Feb 2
- U. of Washington Rowers • Feb 4-6
- Children's Int. Summer Villages • Feb 26-27
- Christadelphians • March 24-27
- Table Church • April 1-3
- Mankind Project • April 7-10
- Anglican Women Group • April 15-17
- Rock Heights School • April 21-22
- United Church Island Times • April 22-24
- UVic Students' Society • April 25-27
- St Joseph School • April 29th
- Commencement Bay Rowers • April 29-May 1
- Youth In Change • May 4-7
- Children's International Summer Villages • May 13-15
- St Joseph School • 17-May
- Deep Cove School • May 19-20
- Herowork • May 20-22
- Sir James Douglas School • May 26-27
- Iron Man Shawnigan Lake Triathlon • May 28-29
- View Royal School • June 2-3
- Private Wedding • June 3-5
- St Patrick School • June 8-10
- Cadboro Bay United Church • June 10-11
- City of Victoria • May 14-16
- St. John the Devine • June 17-19
- Victoria Opportunities for Community Youth Leadership • June 18-19
- St Joseph School • June 22-24
- Day Apart United Church Women's Lunch • June 23
- First Metropolitan United Church • June 24-26
- Private Family Reunion • July 1-3
- Private Wedding • July 8-10
- Our Place • Jul 8-10
- Private Wedding • July 15-17
- St. Michael's University School • July 22-24
- Family Camp • Jul 29-31
- Private Family Reunion • Aug 12-14
- Canucks Autism Network • Aug 19-21
- Private Wedding • Aug 26-28
- Private Wedding • Sep 2-4
- Mt. Douglas Leadership • Sep 7-8
- Ethiopian Society Camp • Sep 9-11
- Comox United Church • Sep 9-11
- Mustard Seed • Sep 9-11
- Ready to Raise • Sep 14-16
- University of Victoria United Church Ministry • Sep 16-17
- St. Michael's University School • Sep 19-22
- Oak Bay School Band • Sep 23-24
- St. Michael's University School • 27-Sep
- Children's International Summer Villages • Sep 30-Oct 2
- St. Andrews School • 6-Oct
- Private Family Reunion • Oct 7-9
- Anglican Women Group • Oct 14-16
- Glanford School • Oct 16-17
- Central School Music • Oct 19-21
- Children's International Summer Villages • Oct 21-23
- St Joseph School • Oct. 27
- Westshore Quilters • Oct 28-30
- Victoria Folk Music • Nov 4-6
- Comox Nanaimo Presbytery • Nov 11-13
- University of Victoria United Church Ministry • Nov 18-20



## Yes, I'll help give a week that lasts a lifetime.

I wish to support **Camp Pringle** in the amount of:

- \$20     \$50     \$100     other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Please find a cheque made payable to: **Camp Pringle**

Send this form to: **Camp Pringle • 612 David St • Victoria, BC • V8T2E1**

### Thank You.

By providing your email address you are agreeing to receive emails from Camp Pringle. These may include e-newsletters, event invites, promotions and requests for support. You will receive an official income tax receipt for your gift of \$20 or more, unless otherwise requested.

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The Victoria Office is closed as of Jan. 1, 2016.

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