

News Notes

December, 2019



Chico Adventist Church | Paradise Adventist Church

Joint Constituency Meeting

Monday | December 9 | 7:00 pm | Chico Adventist Church



Please join us for this important meeting to review our shared school journey this year



News from Pastor Steve

The Chico Church has accepted the Paradise Church invitation to become a co-constituent church for Paradise Adventist Academy. They are also forwarding to the Paradise Church a proposal for the future of Adventist elementary education in our shared communities.

The student transportation project between Paradise and Chico is being coordinated by Dawn Horning and Joelle Chinnock. More help is very much needed. Interested volunteers can contact the church office for more information.

The Camp Fire Remembrance Weekend and Service was great! Thank you to everyone who participated to make it happen.

The COAS/PAA Fall Festival was awesome and enjoyed a packed house! Thank you for supporting our students and our schools.

Pastor Garrison and I made reports at the NAD Year-End Meetings and they went well. We not only told our story but asked for support and assistance for the long haul. I also spent some time with Derrick Lea (NAD ACS Director). The priority for advocacy is awareness. Hopefully that was accomplished.

3ABN was here again during the first weekend of November and shot another segment which aired on Thanksgiving Day. They will be calling for more financial support on our behalf. To see the show go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vGySudNyElw&fbclid=IwAR0Vu2rYAzZLjh1Lm3NrZOGXspblfjH2t7COLhc3Zy0ZtGpPbNX2fGkwe0s>

Caron Oswald, retired Vice President for Development in the Central California Conference, spent a week and a half with us. She has been helping us dream and craft a development

plan for the next few years. Alyssa Williams will also be helping us out by contract.

We have hired Brielle Tym as an intern, to help us in disaster relief as was voted in our April board meeting.

School Report from Monte Nystrom

We are grateful to all of you who completed the Paradise Adventist Academy Constituent Survey. You have provided useful information which will help us make informed decisions regarding the future of our education ministry. The results of the survey are attached with this newsletter. We continue to welcome your input as we seek to find the best way to provide excellent Christian education to as many in our community as possible.



As our boards and committees continue meeting and conducting their work, it is ever more apparent that the Paradise and Chico church communities are committed to maintaining a vibrant K-12 Christian education system in the region. They are not only committed to making a short-term plan (how to best operate the school for the next school year), they are also committed to a viable mid-range plan (how we will operate as we transition to a long-range plan), and a long-range plan (how we will operate our education system in five years and beyond).

The greatest desire of our board members, administrators, and church leaders is that we will be in tune with God's guidance as we engage in discussion and make plans for our education system. It would be most valuable to have our church and school community make this process a matter of consistent and united prayer.



Our students have had a number of opportunities to work and play together in Paradise during this last month. On Friday, October 25, we spend the day "Loving Paradise". This was a wonderful way for our students to work alongside church and community members as we beautified the town.

On Friday, November 8, we commemorated the one-year anniversary of the Camp Fire by spending the morning together (high school staff and students) on the PAA campus. Our ASB officers and Campus Ministry leaders planned the activities, and it was a meaningful time for all (including 85 seconds of silence at 11:08 am). Special thanks to Melinda Hillock and Lyndia Logan who provided a lunch for our students after some special activities for the students.

Several student groups have participated in the wonderful shed project. We are grateful to Maranatha, and to all who have participated in this ministry.

We continue to be grateful for all your support which enables us to provide excellent Christian education to our children. We thank you, and we wish you God's richest blessings.

Our Mission: To develop well-educated citizens who do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God

Restoration Continues at Paradise Adventist Academy



Significant work continues on the Paradise Adventist Academy campus, with a focus on restoring power to the facilities there. All the electrical panels are in. All the conduit has been run. We are waiting for the inspection that will allow PG&E to put in the new transformer and hook us up.

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The exterior of the school will soon be painted, and work is continuing in the gym. Progress reports will continue to update you on this important aspect of our church's ministry.

Maranatha Shed Project



Many thanks to the Maranatha volunteers who have traveled from near and far to help support this amazing project. Additionally, a number of students and staff from PAA and COAS

have helped keep the project moving along. In mid-November, a number of Cal Fire staff joined in with Capital City Church members to help build sheds. By November 21, 200 sheds had been completed and deliveries were being made throughout the Ridge.



December PAC Events

Dec 5 | 7:00 pm

Joint Church Board/Elder Board/Finance Committee
PAC Office

Dec 6 & 7 | 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Live Nativity at the Oroville Adventist Church

Dec 7 | 11:45 am

COAS/PAA Grades 5-8: *What Christmas Means to Me*
Paradise Church

Dec 9 | 7:00 pm

Joint Constituency Meeting

Location: Chico Church

Dec 11 | 11:00 – Noon

Adventist Book Center Food Delivery

Chico Church Parking Lot

Dec 13 | 7:00 pm

PAA *Carols by Candlelight*

Chico Church

Dec 14 | 11:45 am

Speaker: Brad Brown

Fellowship Dinner | Theme: Holiday Feast

Dec 17 | 7:00 pm

PAC Business Meeting

Location: CMA

Agenda: To review proposal from CAC regarding Adventist elementary education in our shared community

Dec 21 | 11:45 am

Speaker: Steve Hamilton

Dec 28 | 11:45 am

Speaker: Dan Martella

Year End Giving Supports Our Church Ministries



Thank you for your faithful support of our church over the past year. Another \$202,000 is needed to end the PAC Ministries budget year in the black. Your contributions can be made through the Adventist Giving App, the giving page on our PAC website, the offering plate, mail or hand delivery to the church office.

Finance Committee Reports Year-to-Date Giving Through October 31, 2019

Some important facts from the Finance Committee include the following items:



- PAC tithe is up 5%
- PAC Ministries giving is down 27%
- PAC Ministries expenses are down 26%

Additionally, the following actions were taken:

Pay half of the \$41,00 deficit in subsidy required from PAC and CAC. (The school leadership determined that they underestimated the amount needed in subsidy for PAA/COAS.) This recommendation will go to the Church Board in December and will bring the PAC portion of the school subsidy to \$270,000 for the 2020-2021 budget. Prior to the fire, the PAC school subsidy was \$335,000 per year.

PAC will cover the costs of gas and other expenses for the school vans with fire funds through the end of the first semester. This enables this service to be provided at no cost to families.