# **News Notes**

April 2020



#### **From Pastor Steve**



When life seems out to kick everyone's behind, just get out of bed, say a prayer, drink a glass of water, put on your boots and mash the

throttle. Trust me, you'll feel better!

#### **April Calendar**

April 1 Nominating Committee Elders'

April 2

Meeting

April 4 Speaker: Steve Hamilton April 7 Finance Committee

April 9 **Church Board** 

April 11 Speaker: Randy Waring April 18 Speaker: Garrison Chaffee

April 21 COAS/PAA Board

April 25 Speaker: Steve Hamilton



#### **Meet on Zoom**

PAC has just purchased a Zoom account that will be used for online staff, committee, and board meetings. It can also be used in youth and prayer

ministries. We will let you know how to connect! For now, download the app on to your computer or tablet.

#### **ABC Bookmobile**

The Adventist Book Center will deliver pre-ordered/prepaid books and



health foods from 11:00 AM to noon on April 7 at the Chico Church. You can place your orders by calling 800-765-6955 or going online to AdventistBookCenter.com

# **PAC Sabbath Worship Services**



Paradise Adventist Church members are still gathering for worship each Sabbath – around their computers, tablets, and phones. Each Sabbath at 11:00 AM one of our pastors or church leaders will share a live message of encouragement on our PAC

Facebook page.

# **Taking Care of Each Other**

If you need someone to talk to, or for someone to pick up medications, food, or other essentials for you during this time of COVID-19 Shelter in Place, please call us at the church office



- 530.877.4454 - and leave a message. While the church office is closed, we are checking voice messages every day.

If you would like to volunteer to help those who are homebound at this time, you too can leave a message at the church office.

## **PAC Youth Ministries**



Paradise and Chico Youth are meeting on Zoom for vespers every Friday evening at 7:00. Our PAC youth ministries

team is developing ways to stay connected through online gatherings, Bible study, and games.

Youth from across Northern California Conference are meeting on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 on Zoom and Facebook.

Online Youth Sabbath School programs will soon be available from sister youth groups here in Northern California. Details to follow.



# We Are the Pathfinders Strong!

The NCC
Pathfinder
Ministry Team is
rising to the
challenge and are
starting a
conference wide



pathfinder club. At this point, we know the start date: April 2, 2020 at 6:45 p.m. and we will be meeting weekly until there isn't a need to meet.

Our goal is to provide a safe online place where Pathfinders can continue to learn valuable skills, interact with other Pathfinders who are going stir crazy, and discover meaningful insights on how to have a vibrant relationship with God during stressful times.

Club Meetings will be very much like a normal club meeting, but it can be done from the comfort of backyard, living room, hallway, and many more places within the home.

There will be:

Interactive Games Worship Honors Prizes

How does one participate:



Every Thursday at 6:45 p.m., each Pathfinder or leader who wants to participate needs to

login: classroom.google.com

code: vihbd4r

We will be sending out a few more instructions as the day gets closer, but we wanted you to know about this cool opportunity and let your Pathfinder know!

# **School Recovery Update**



The damaged wood and concrete flooring in the gym has been removed. Once the downstairs has been

braced, a whole new gym floor will be installed.

The whole new kitchen and multipurpose room will be complete next week. There will be new wiring, new flooring, new walls, new ceiling insulation, and new kitchen appliances.

The music room has been painted and insulated. The new ceiling is up and receiving its finishing touches. Once the new carpet is laid and new shelves installed, this room will be complete.

In the elementary classrooms the internet lines are in place, the new insulation in the ceilings is complete, and the first coat of paint is on the walls.

# **PAA/COAS News**



Our school is providing a distance learning program for our students that will likely continue for the duration of the 2019/2020 school year. Please keep our teachers, students, and their families in your prayers!

#### **Sound of Music**

The PAA presentation of *The Sound of Music* has been rescheduled for May 30



and 31 at the Paradise Performing Arts Center. Tickets can be purchased at the school office or on the school website.

# **Fund Raising**



When getting ready to launch a fund-raising campaign for your church/school class, club, or ministry – be sure to get it pre-approved by the PAC finance committee. Requests can be processed through Kathy McFarland at kathy@paradiseadventist.org

# Paradise Adventist Elementary Opens in August 2020!

PAC has been moving forward on providing Adventist education for an elementary

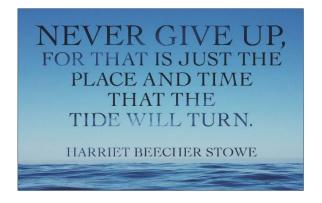


school (K-8) in Paradise for the 2020-2021 school year. Plans are being laid for how the school will operate and function, with many of the recent meetings happening virtually in order to keep everyone safe and healthy.

"Our school board group has been meeting regularly to work through all the various elements of school operations," noted Rich Cochrane, chairman of the school board for PAE. "We have been rapidly making decisions to support the need for Christian education here in Paradise, including extending contracts to teachers for the upcoming school year."

PAE will start school this fall on August 19 and will operate with the same calendar for school days and the same tuition schedule as Chico Oaks Adventist School. This allows for continuity for parents and students, and supports consistency with vacation days.

PAE will have enrollment packets available soon, and a website is in progress as well. Thank you for your patience and your support of PAC and Christian education!



# **Church Giving**



During this time of distance, we can stay close to God and close to His mission here on the Ridge with our giving. Currently we have three giving

options to offer:

**Give Online**. Go to our website paradiseadventist.org on look for the Online Giving button in the top menus

**Give Through the Adventist Giving App.** You can download this app to your phone or device from Apple or Android App Store and set up your own giving kiosk.

Mail Your Check. You can always mail your check to the church office – Paradise Adventist Church, PO Box 1266. Paradise CA 95967-1266.

# **Shed Project Update**

The past several weeks have created an extraordinary time as the world grapples with the ever-changing circumstances of COVID-19. The virus



has had a wide-spread impact on the operation of organizations across the globe, including ours.

The safety and wellness of everyone involved with this project, as well as our community at large, is our highest priority. We have been carefully monitoring reports and recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), state and local governments, and the World Health Organization, and based on guidelines recently issued, we have made the difficult decision to postpone the Camp Fire Shed Project (originally scheduled from April 12 to May 1) for a later

date that will be determined as the situation evolves.

The Camp Fire Shed Project was planned to meet a very urgent need among those recovering from catastrophe. This delay is a heartbreaking setback, so we ask you to continue to include this project in your prayers, and we thank everyone who has been willing to help us throughout this journey. We will communicate with you as we have more information. May God bless and keep you all.

On a side note, we are almost fully funded for the shed project, just sent the last grant request to NAD. Please pray that those promised funds will get to us before another disaster hits.

Other development issues: The Annual Report is at the printers. Please pray that hearts will be happy to donate despite our everchanging life.

## **Adventist Health: Feather River**



On March 21 Adventist Health launched Immediate Care in Paradise, a new service that provides a convenient way for patients to access care seven days a week without an appointment for treatment of non-lifethreatening illnesses and injuries.

Located just ten minutes from both Magalia and south Chico, Immediate Care allows patients to get treatment for



such conditions as allergies, burns, animal bites, cold and flu symptoms, falls and sprains, ear infections, sinus issues, headaches, fevers, urinary tract infections and more, without an

appointment. The team is made up of physicians, advanced practice providers and nurses who stand ready to treat patients immediately upon arrival.

"Adventist Health is thrilled to launch this service," says Tim Williams, Administrative Director of Physician and Outpatient Services. "We are excited for what this means for the community. This provides residents with a healthcare solution that will help them access high quality care that is convenient, affordable and efficient."



Given the recent COVID-19 pandemic, the opening of Immediate Care is very timely. The team at the Immediate Care center

are monitoring and working closely with Butte County health officials and are prepared to implement additional procedures that may come recommended by the State or through the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) as it relates to COVID-19. If a patient shows up at the Immediate Care center with symptoms of novel coronavirus (COVID-19), they would be taken immediately to an isolation room to prevent any exposure or spread of the disease. Once they have been isolated, appropriate testing would be performed and the patient would receive further instructions about treatment while remaining in isolation.

Adventist Health has several clinics located in Paradise, Chico and Corning. Services available include anti-coagulation, behavioral health/psychiatry, dental, endocrinology, gastroenterology, gynecology, nephrology, oncology, pain management, palliative care, pediatrics, podiatry, and primary care. This is in addition to a host of other services available throughout Butte and Tehama Counties, including home health, hospice, pharmacy, laboratory and medical imaging services.

The new Immediate Care center is located at the Feather River Health Center at 5125 Skyway in Paradise and is open Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 12 Noon / 1:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday – 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. They accept all forms of insurance. To learn more, go to AdventistHealth.org /ImmediateCare.

## **Resources for Home-Bound Families**



Free Stories from Your Story Hour https://www.yourstoryhour.org/

**Kids' Sabbath School** http://ukidsministry.com/home

Kids' Club for Jesus https://kidsclubforjesus.org/

Gracelink Sabbath School Lessons <a href="https://vimeo.com/gracelink">https://vimeo.com/gracelink</a>

**Discovery Mountain**(Voice of Prophecy for Kids)
https://www.discoverymountain.com/

Adult Sabbath School https://ssnet.org/

Adult Sabbath School Podcasts
<a href="https://soundcloud.com/sabbath-school-podcast">https://soundcloud.com/sabbath-school-podcast</a>

Family Worship Memories
<a href="https://family.adventist.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/001Fun-Easy-Family-Worship-Brochure.pdf">https://family.adventist.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/001Fun-Easy-Family-Worship-Brochure.pdf</a>