NORCO CHURCH TIDINGS

NEWSNOTES FROM THE NORCO SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Our Church Family Newsletter

May—June 2017

Church is Filled for Annual Riverside Area Pathfinder Sabbath





If you were not here on April 23 for the annual area-wide Pathfinder Sabbath you missed a real blessing! Our church was full, the youth from various clubs led out in the programs, we enjoyed some wonderful music, and the potluck on the lawn even included icing on the cake!

Special thanks to our own Frances Racobs, Area Coordinator, for facilitating the event.





Adventurer Club Fun!



The Norco Adventurer Clubsmay be small in number of members, but we are BIG in participation!

The Adventurer Fun Day on April 23 was just that! A day filled with fun and fruit cups sold to benefit our club!

We are blessed to have dedicated, loving leaders. Many thanks to Juliana and Gary Smith and Cindy Rivas for all they do for these little ones!









Pathfinders On the March!

In May our Pathfinders participated in the annual SECC Pathfinder Fair at the Conference Office. What a joy to see these kids having fun, learning about Jesus, and sharing their skills and talents.

This club would not be possible without the ministry and leadership of Susan and Jaime Sanchez and the encouragement and support of Frances and Jim Racobs. Many thanks for all you do for these young people in our community.

Special thanks to all those who contributed funds for the Pathfinders' new Sabbath outfits. These young men are our official junior deacons now!









Church Board and Business Meeting Report

At the June Church Board Meeting the following items were presented:

- Each church department presented a brief report of recent activity for their area.
- Julie Roth presented the first draft of the pictorial directory and noted that it will soon be ready for distribution.
- Bryan Donker reported that Dr. Eric Walsh will be the guest speaker on June 24 and will be presenting a health seminar in the afternoon after potluck.
- Marc Thomas noted that further study is being conducted on replacing the children's play equipment in order to meet risk management standards. Donations are needed to help cover costs.
- Pablo Diaz shared that he has been gathering input on establishing a Spanish Language Sabbath School in the Chapel. The sub-committee established at the May Board will discuss and report at the next meeting.
- Pastor Rob shared some preliminary findings from an analysis of our Norco Church Family giving trends over the past few years. He will be presenting a sermon series, "Give Like Jesus," to highlight the joys and rewards of giving to the Lord and His church. The slides below and at the right show the giving trends for various church funds from 2012-2016 as well as 2017 year-to-date. Church Budget is not meeting expenses.



2017 – Year-to-Date \$ 37,715.55 Tithe Goes to the Union for support of pastors and teachers 2016 \$80,648.80 2015 \$63,882.22 2014 \$73,633.58 2013 \$65,466.79 2012 \$58,475.00

2017 - Year-to-Date

\$ 11,777.96 Ancillary Funds

Local contributions for flowers, children's projects, VBS, sound system, building fund and other special projects

2016	\$13,296.60	
2015	\$70,565.14	+
2014	\$106,926.27	*
2013	\$19,134.44	
2012	\$35,051.31	

2014 and 2015 show larger than usual amounts due to insurance reimbursements for damages to facility

Pathfinder Fundraiser!! Sabbath, July 15

6:30 p.m. Vespers and Dinner
Proceeds will support club trip to the
Camporee at Lake Skinner



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Prayers, Praise and Thanksgiving!



Delia and Nelson Santana are praising the Lord! Nelson has completed the proton therapy treatments for his cancer, and they are so grateful for the Lord's leading and the prayers of their church family. Let's all continue to pray for continued health and healing for our dear Brother Nelson!

Pastor Pressley's cat, Max, has been very ill and Pastor was afraid he would lose his faithful feline companion. After much prayer and some wonderful veterinary care, Pastor shared the following update:

At one point, the doctor called me in to express that she was not certain he would make it through the day. I knew Max had many people praying for him and his medical team. I encouraged her to forge ahead using every resource available and said I expected a positive outcome. I also asked her if she thought it would be a miracle if he made it through the day, and she said "yes."

Praise God He's still in the miracle-working business. When I called her eight hours later to check on Max, his doctor was amazed at his progress. She said he had stabilized, he was eating, and he was flirting with the staff. Only God could have brought him through this ordeal. Please keep the prayers going up for him and all the other animals in that facility.

