



news nuggets

Friday, February 15, 2019

BREAKING NEWS

The North American Division experienced a 59 million dollar tithe gain in 2018. Even in difficult times, members of the North American Division are supporting the mission of the church.

-- Ed Barnett, RMC President

Remarkable Performances Highlight Senior Class Benefit »

Campion Academy's annual auction and talent show, benefitting the senior class, featured ten acts split by an intermission that included everything from a breathtaking piano piece and skillful violin stunts to mind-boggling magic tricks and audience-interactive comedy.



The first--place act by Pastor Michael Goetz featured an Egyptian-themed tomb exploration using randomly-chosen Campion students as part of the act. "I was terrified," said Fabiola, a junior, "because I thought random people were going to push me over or something. When he made me touch the "eyeball," I was [again] terrified because I didn't realize it was just jelly."

Seniors made out financially from the concessions as well as the blind auction. One senior, Christian Carr, explained, "I was working most of the time as cashier, making sure people got the right amount of money back while answering questions they had."

"God teaches us to love by putting some unlovely people around us."

-- Rick Warren

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Cade Lukens, who bought pumpkin bread at the blind auction, said, "I thought the blind auction was pretty cool. The only thing I might change was a limit on the amount of times people can write their names [for the blind auction] and [provide] a list of ingredients for the different items up for auction."

-- RMCNews with Lee Beckermeyer; photo by Jordi Morales

Student Pursues Her Passion in the Real World

» Real World Learning is part of the curriculum at Mile High Academy, but once students have experienced the RWL model, it is hoped that they will apply it to their own lives.



For one MHA student, this meant pursuing her passion for law.

Seventh-grader, Elise, applied and was accepted into the Denver District Attorney's Office Youth Advisory Council just two weeks ago. Wanting to be a lawyer someday,

Elise decided it's never too early to begin researching her future career and she saw the Council as a good way to go. As a Council member, she will be able to "discuss issues regarding juvenile justice, youth-centered public safety and ways to improve the system," the Council's mission.

Working directly for the Denver DA, Beth McCann, Elise is part of a group of young people ages 11-18 who come together to review policies, discuss current issues, and make their voice heard.

Elise is engaged in making change in her community because she cares. As she sees it, "it's all of us coming together with different points of view, maybe seeing things from a new perspective, but with one purpose, to make change."

When students see how engaging in real world learning means engaging in real world change, they just may find a real world passion.

<https://www.denverda.org/youth-advisory-council/>

-- Agape Hammond; photo supplied

Campion Scholars Honored at Brunch » More than 250 students, parents and alumni came together to celebrate student academic achievement on Sunday, February 10, gathering in the cafeteria during Senior Recognition Weekend. Fourteen of those students received scholarships



Upcoming Events

President's Day -- Office Closed

January 18

GVR Board

February 19

RMC Property and Trust

February 20

Executive Committee

February 26

Staff Meeting

March 5

NAD Treasurers Council

March 27 - 28

**Town Hall Meeting --
Casper Church**

March 30

**Town Hall Meeting --
Denver South Church**

March 31

**Wyoming Taskforce
Meeting**

March 31

Staff Meeting

April 2

**RMC Women's Retreat
Wyoming**

April 6-7

**Town Hall Meeting -- Grand
Junction**

April 6

**Town Hall Meeting -- Pinon
Hills Church**

April 7

Executive Committee

funded by Campion alumni who were in attendance to present the scholarships and share their stories.



Alumni stories spoke of legacy, commitment, and pride in their school. There was a scholarship in memory of Campion's first principal, whose family attended Campion for four generations. Another spoke of a family whose five children all attended Campion and whose mother served as a much-beloved school nurse for many years. One heart-warming story told of a sponsoring alumnus who wanted to give back to students after his life was changed more than 70 years later when he came back to Christ because of seeds planted at Campion Academy and during subsequent alumni reunions.

With parents and families watching, 76 Campion Academy students were honored for their academic achievement of a 3.5 or higher GPA for the first semester of this school year. Sixteen seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society and 10 juniors were recognized as provisional National Honor Society members and four students explained the meaning of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

Principal Don Reeder and Vice-Principal Kent Kast spoke on the meaning of the honors and Campion Academy's pride in the hard work and dedication of both students and staff.

Lonnie Hetterle, RMC's Education Director, commended students on their hard work and encouraged them to persevere, sharing stories about Michael Jordan and Walt Disney and the perseverance they exhibited.

The homemade crepes were delicious. The flowers were beautiful. The music, brought by students, was delightful. But the absolute highlight of the annual Scholars and Alumni Scholarship Brunch was watching students honored for their hard work and seeing alumni show their support.

RMCNews with Darcy Force

Arvada Church Helps Hurricane Victims -- Again

» When Hurricane Michael devastated Panama Beach and

April 9

Town Hall Meeting -- Campion Church

April 13

Town Hall Meeting -- Colorado Spr Central Church

April 14

GVR Board

April 16

MAUC Presidents Council Board

April 17-18

Property & Trust Committee

April 17

NAD Human Resource and Secretariat Conference

April 21-23

Native American Camp Meeting

April 27-28

RMC Women's Retreat -- GVR

April 26-28



Story Guidelines: We want to share your news! »

News Nuggets is your publication. We strive to provide news and information expressing our church life. Every church, every family, every individual has a story to tell. We are inviting pastors and secretaries of churches and

surrounding area last fall, Florida panhandle inhabitants found themselves living in the Stone Age, That's when the Arvada Church filled a trailer with necessities and delivered it to them, hoping to alleviate some of the suffering. Weeks later, those inhabitants were forgotten as new natural disasters arose.



Today, they are still in dire need as rebuilding takes time. So, Arvada Church again filled a trailer with dry foods, toiletries, hygiene products, blankets and new clothes and made a second delivery. Along with these supplies, members collected toys and kids' games, hoping to divert the minds of the kids from the grim reality of their lives.

Filling the trailer was made possible by those sitting in the church pews and beyond.

-- Milos Tomic; text and photo

La Vida Mission Academy Students Featured in Church Services »

Traveling in a recently-donated coach, La Vida Mission students visited the Aztec and Farmington churches On January 26, where they presented the worship services in both English and Navajo. The students from Grades 3-12 sang for church members in their Native tongue and in English and presented the Scripture reading also using both languages. They were accompanied by Warren Begay, a graduating senior. The sermon, presented by upper grades teacher and principal Gary Kaufman, followed.

After the service at the Farmington Church, staff and students dined with the church members before returning to La Vida.

Reflecting on their experience, students made the following comments:

Aridawnn: "I liked how we all communicated and laughed together." Harmony: "I liked how the people were so nice. A little girl even came up to me and gave me hugs."

Vanessa: "I loved the church and the food."

Izea: "I liked meeting new people."

institutions within the Rocky Mountain Conference to share with us relevant information -- about developments, issues, notable events, as well as experiences of church members.

Please email your story to nuggets@rmcsda.org so we can share how God is working through His people in your territory. When submitting your story, please include the following: the Ws (who, what, where, when, why...also how), a personal quote, a photo and the name of the photographer.

Please consider time constraints and always send in fresh new stories instead of outdated ones. Submission deadlines are Wednesdays by noon.

Anna: "It was fun singing."

La Vida Mission staff plan do even more traveling with their students, including going to El Paso, Texas this month. They will also be going to Albuquerque churches in March and to Las Lunas in April.

You can read all about the adventures of La Vida Mission in their online newsletter at <http://lavidamission.org>.

-- RMCNews

YouTube Channel Features Plant-Based Scratch Kitchen »

Fort Morgan member Eric Aakko believes the essence of the gospel is about restoration. God wants to restore our relationship with Him, he believes, including healing our mental and physical state.



A certified, plant-based chef educator, Eric Aakko teaches that eating plant-strong is one way to help bring mental acuity and physical well-being back to our bodies and has reached more than 1,000 people from Campion to Grand Junction to Yuma and beyond with his Plant-Strong seminars.

Last month, he launched a new YouTube Channel--the Plant-Based Scratch Kitchen (PBSK), to further assist people with their plant-based wellness journey.

"My seminars and the new PBSK are designed to reach people where they are in life's wellness journey. It's about empowering people with simple recipes and know-how." Eric plans to add another 40 videos over the course of 2019 (20 are already published with more than 500 views). To see the plant-based channel, visit: <https://youtu.be/Jfl0S3WssXU> or for the latest cooking demo: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFKJWUKo3Z0>. To watch the creation of the pictured vegetable curry, go to <https://youtu.be/RwvXJ0PAigg>

COMMENTARY

Because we live in the South, a phrase like "soakin' prayer:" isn't all that unusual. But let me explain how it became very

real to us.

A lady we know well began to notice that she was beginning to see double. It was a nuisance around the house, but when she ventured out on the highway, it would create some significant complications. At times, it seemed there were two cars coming toward her, but she couldn't tell for sure which one was real.

It got serious enough that her doctor made an appointment with a neurologist who scheduled her for an MRI so they could determine the cause. The report came back that there was a small tumor--a meningioma--behind her right eye. Ninety percent of such tumors are benign, but still . . . We saw the pictures--the meningioma was plain to see.

Kay (I'll call her) was scheduled for more pictures on a more sophisticated machine for the next Tuesday. On Monday, a close friend from a nearby church phoned and said, "Kay, on Monday night every week, we have what we call a 'soakin' prayer meeting' at church. We meet for the specific purpose of praying for the sick and other acute needs in our community. We call it that because we just come together and kind of soak in the presence of God. We'd love to invite you and your husband." So they met with a small group--a dozen or so--that very evening.

It was a unique event. Quiet, solemn, reverent. One of the group led in a brief devotional on the subject of God's desire to be a God of healing for His people. Then those wishing to be prayed for sat quietly and those who felt led came and stood behind them. Placing their hands on their heads, they prayed, silently, in turn. There was not a word spoken audibly in the worship center. No music. Just the unmistakable sense that the entire group was "soakin' in prayer." When it was over, they left. Later, Kay would say that in spite of the uncertainties ahead, it gave her the most extreme sense of peace she had ever known.

The next morning, Kay and her husband kept their appointment with the neurologist. Carefully, he and his team took her through the series of procedures they had scheduled. Within a couple of hours, they were on their way home.

Late afternoon, Kay's cell phone rang. It was the neurologist. His first words were, "It's gone!" "Pardon?" Kay responded. "It's gone. The meningioma isn't there. I looked at the pictures we took earlier and anyone can see it. But it's not there now!"

Can God do that? Of course. He is identified after all as the Great Physician. I sense He may be eager to do it even more often than we ask. Remember, it was Jesus Himself who said, "You have not because you ask not." I see that as an

invitation.

-- **Don Jacobsen** is a retired pastor, seminary professor, conference president and former president of Adventist World Radio who writes for HOPE: Houses of Prayer Everywhere, a prayer ministry service of the North American Division.

UPCOMING ORDINATIONS/COMMISSIONING

Don Reeder	February 23	Campion Church
LeeLee Dart	March 9	The Adventure
Daniel Birai	March 23	Fort Collins

TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Casper Church	Sabbath, March 30
Denver South Church	Sunday, March 31 (new)

Grand Junction Church	Sabbath, April 6
Pinon Hills Church	Sunday, April 7

Campion Church	Sabbath, April 13 (new)
Colorado Springs Central Church	Sunday, April 14

All Town Hall meetings begin at 6 p.m.

CAMP MEETINGS

Native American -- La Vida Mission, April 26-28, Speker: Ed Barnett

NE Colorado -- June 7-8, Speaker: Dan Jackson

Cowboy -- Location TBA, July 10-14, Speaker: Ed Barnett

Wyoming -- Casper, July 16-20; Speakers: Ron Halvorsen Jr. (adults); Joe Martin (youth).

Western Slope -- Montrose -- July 31-August 4, Speaker: Pastor Rodney Palmer, undergrad teacher at Andrews University

ANNOUNCEMENT

Franktown Church » John Bradshaw, host of It Is Written, will present Revelation Today at the Franktown Church beginning at 7 p.m., **February 15** and continuing to the 23rd.. Find biblical answers to life's most perplexing questions each night, including "Can God be Trusted?," "Seeing the Signs," and "Hope for a Planet in Crisis." Everyone is welcome; admission is free, and childcare is provided for ages 2-8. The church is located at 905 CO-83, Franktown CO 80116 (near the corner of Russellville Road).

Denver South Church » "Fully Alive: A Practical Approach with Jesus as the Catalyst" is coming to Denver South Church starting **February 15** with Daniel and Patsy Towar, RN, BSN. Dan is a retired evangelist and pastor and loves sharing the Good News with his audiences. Patsy will present practical health nuggets each evening. Enjoy inspiring music with every presentation from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.. The schedule follows:

Friday, February 15, 6:30 p.m. - "Who You? Never Called to Rule"

Saturday, Feb. 16, 11 a.m. - "Why Testing? Always a Test" **luncheon to follow*

Saturday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m. - "99% Good Enough?"

Sunday, Feb. 17, 6:30 p.m. - "Set Your Mind"

Monday, Feb. 18, 6:30 p.m. - "Victory Minute by Minute"

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 6:30 p.m. - "The Upward Gaze"

Friday, Feb. 22, 6:30 p.m. - "Addicted to the Wrong Movie"

Saturday, Feb. 23, 11 a.m. - "Battle Ready"

Dwayne Lemon to Preach in Area Churches »

Dwayne Lemon, director of Bible-based ministry, Preaching, Teaching, and Healing, will speak at three churches in Denver **February 22 and 23**. Helping people have a real, dynamic, and fully-consecrated life in Jesus is his greatest desire..

Denver West Church: 7 p.m., Friday, February 22. The church is located at 290 S. Quitman Street, Denver.

Golden Church: 9:30 and 11:00 a.m., Sabbath, February 23. Fellowship meal to follow. The church is located at 3101 S Golden Road, Golden.

Lakewood Fellowship Church: 4 p.m. Sabbath, February 23. Sale items available after sundown. The church is located at 8001 W. 23rd Avenue, Lakewood.

Children's Ministries Training »

Children's Ministries training and certification, offered in English and Spanish, will take place **March 15-16** at Westminster Hispanic Church. Friday's meeting runs from 7 - 8:45 p.m.; Saturday's training runs from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Norma Rocio Rojas is the guest speaker for the English class. Ana Maria Benzaquen is the guest speaker for the Spanish class. Both are official trainers from the North American Division of Children's Ministries. Register at <https://www.rmcsda.org/childrens-ministries>. Registration deadline is March 4.

For more information, email Patty Rivera at patty@rmcsda.org.

The church is located at 7979 Meade Street, Westminster CO

80030.

Vacation Bible School Training » A free VBS training will take place on **March 16** at Westminster Hispanic Church from 5-6:30 p.m. *Jamit Kingdom* will give kids the opportunity to have fun exploring an African savanna while making friends and learning how we are all part of God's big family. Register by visiting <https://www.rmcsda.org/childrens-ministries>. Westminster Hispanic Church is located at 7979 Meade Street, Westminster 80030.

The Mountains are Calling! » All women and teen girls (13-17) are invited to attend **Cozy Mountain Lodge Women's Retreat** April 6-7 at Hampton Inn in Buffalo, Wyoming. For more information and registration, go to www.rmcsda.org/women.

The Beach is Calling! » All women and teen girls (13-17) are invited to attend our **Anchored in Christ Women's Retreat** April 26-28 at Glacier View Ranch. We'll have workshops and gatherings especially for teens sponsored by the Youth Department. Don't miss it! Follow the link at www.rmcsda.org/women to register.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Glacier View Ranch » GVR is seeking a qualified applicant to fill a full-time, food service coordinator position in the heart of the Rocky Mountains. Applicants should have a passion for camp ministry, ability to manage a kitchen, and experience cooking for large groups (200+) in a commercial/cafeteria environment. For additional information regarding job duties and position requirements and information about how to apply, see the following posting on the RMC website: <http://www.rmcsda.org/hr-foodservicecoordinator>. You can also contact Dan Hansen, Camp Ministries Director, for more information.
Mobile: (989)745-3888
Office: (303)459-0771
E-mail: info@glacierviewranch.com

AdventHealth University » The Denver site of AdventHealth University seeks a Nursing faculty member to teach full-time. Qualified person with an MSN, DNP/PhD in Nursing preferred. Simulation experience and Med/Surg practice background preferred. To apply, visit www.adventhealthcareersgreaterorlando.com and search for Job #274310. This position is located in Denver adjacent to Porter Adventist Hospital.

Mile High Academy » Immediate openings are available for substitute teachers for all grade levels at Mile High Academy. Applicants should have experience working with children and be able to maintain a positive classroom environment while carrying out the teacher's lesson plans in classrooms as assigned. High school diploma required. Bachelors or some college preferred. Days/hours are on an as-needed basis. For more information, please contact Brenda Rodie at 303-744-1069. For an application, send an email request to HR@rmcsda.org.

HMS Richards Elementary » Part-time preschool teacher needed at HMS. We are growing and looking for an enthusiastic teacher to lead our preschool program. Must be ECE teacher certified. Do not need to be director certified. Please contact Davin Hammond or Kari Lange for more information @ [\(970\) 667-2427](tel:(970)667-2427).

ESL Teacher Needed for Mile High Academy Sister School China Campus » Mile High Academy still has a position available on their extended campus at the Guangdong Experimental Shunde - **ESL Teacher Needed**

This is a unique opportunity to serve as a teacher in Shunde China at Mile High Academy's extended campus at the Guangdong Experimental Shunde. Please see link below to <http://www.gdsysd.com/Home/IndexEnglish> explore the school:

Contact Principal Toakase Vunileva at tvunileva@milehighacademy.org for questions or to submit your resume.

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The *NewsNuggets* archive is now online, and can be found at <https://www-rmcsda-org.netadvent.org/newsnuggets-archive>.

FROM THE EDITOR

We want to share your news -- Change is a part of the communication age. With online media experiencing constant evolution, the *NewsNuggets* is also experiencing an increased access from our readers and contributors. We will continue to encourage news sharing from our churches, institutions, and individual church members.

In order to make our eNewsletter accommodate an increased volume of announcements, our editorial work

proposes to present information in a more efficient approach, ensuring that all timely promotions and announcements be included in a weekly, Friday release of *NewsNuggets*. **Submission deadline for stories, news, and announcements is at noon on every Wednesday. Please send all your submissions to nuggets@rmcsda.org.**

Thank you for your contribution, but also comments, as *NewsNuggets* continues to serve the church in an efficient and effective way.

NOTE: Questions are being raised regarding guidelines for the Announcement section of the RMC *NewsNuggets* newsletter. After a review of the guidelines, the following few points should be considered when sending announcements or promotional materials:

- The newsletter has been established primarily for news sharing within the conference, though selected general church news stories are also considered for publication.
- The primary readership of the newsletter are church members within the Rocky Mountain Conference.
- When submitting an announcement, consider that local Sabbath events may be drawing members from other local churches.
- Promoting evangelistic meetings in *NewsNuggets* is not attracting potential attendees for whom the meetings are primarily advertised.
- Due to space constraints, *NewsNuggets* will not publish posters and other large photos or images. However, information from the text will be used.
- Announcements will not be repeated more than twice, and they should be concise. Web page links or phone numbers should be provided for additional information.

We are inviting all correspondents and contributors to follow a general Adventist News Network *Style Guide*, including glossary. For guidelines,

see: <http://news.adventist.org/styleguide/>

--Editor

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