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PRESS RELEASE

Town of Paradise Weekly Rebuild Update

Meetings:

Wed. Dec. 18th 6:30-9 pm PID Regular Meeting

PID Board Room

Location: 6332 Clark Rd Paradise, Ca

Events:

November - December Paradise Ice Rink Now Open!

Terry Ashe Recreation Center

Location: 6626 Skyway, Paradise

Sat. Dec. 14th 10-3 pm 4th Annual Kids on the Ridge Christmas Party

Paradise Veterans Memorial Hall Location: 6550 Skyway Paradise, Ca

Mon. Dec. 16th 3-5 pm

Camp Fire Construction Connection

Paradise Lutheran Church

Location: 780 Luther Drive Paradise. Ca

Dec. 20th, 21st, & 22nd 7:15 pm Northern Ca Ballet Presents: The Nutcracker

Paradise Performing Arts Center

Location: 777 Nunneley Rd

Thursdays 6 - 8:00 pm **Paradise Community Dinner**

Paradise Alliance Church Location: 6491 Clark Rd

Updates and Statistics:

Water Updates:

994 Water Advisories lifted

There are about 500 standing homes left to test, PID expects to complete testing to all standing homes by March 2020.

Building Updates:

- 560 Building Permit Applications Received
- 402 **Building Permits issued**
- 21 Homes Rebuilt (certificate of occupancy issued)

What's new:

- Paradise Ridge has officially hit 200 businesses open. For a list of all open businesses look on www.Paradisechamber.com/events/calendar/
- During the Council meeting on December 10th, Council voted to elect Greg Bolin as Mayor and Michael Zuccolillo as Vice Mayor. They will serve a one year term.
- The Town of Paradise hired two new police officers to the force. Welcome Officers Tatom and Wood to the Paradise Police Department!
- The 4th Annual **Kids on the Ridge Christmas Party** is upon us. This Saturday, December 14th between 10 am and 3 pm the Paradise Veterans group wants to create a special day for the kids on the ridge. They have put together this magical day that will include lunch and Santa with Mrs. Claus giving out presents. There will be games and of course the bounce house to entertain the kids. This is a free event for the whole family.
- Paradise residents interested in seeing the documentary "All Its Name Implies," created by one of our own Paradise High School graduate and four-time Emmy winner Ev Durán can do so in Chico. Durán will host a premiere of his newest film at the El Rey Theater on Friday, Dec. 20.
- PG&E has extended its date to file claims to 12/31/19 at 5:00 PM PST. There is no cost to submit a claim, an attorney is not required and there are only 11 questions that need to be answered. The claim process can be accessed at www.officialfireclaims.com or 1-888-908-0100.
- Northern California Ballet is proud to present the Christmas classic, **The Nutcracker at PPAC December 20th, 21st, and 22nd.** Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:15 and evening performances Friday and Saturday, 7:15.

Reserved seating \$20, General is \$15, Under 16 is \$12. Come and be enchanted by the music and dancing! Find tickets available at NCB Paradise, 872-1719, NCB Oroville, 680-5308, Music Connection Chico, 898-0110, and Nic's in Paradise. For more information visit https://northerncaliforniaballet.com/

- The Paradise Town Council and the Butte County Board of Supervisors passed ordinances requiring the removal of hazard trees damaged by the Camp Fire from private property that may fall into public roadways. Property owners may enter the Government Tree Program to have the trees removed by the State at **no out-of-pocket cost.** Enrollment in the Government Tree Program requires a Right-of Entry form. Property owners may also identify and remove hazard trees themselves but must submit an inspection form so an inspector may verify the removal of the hazard trees from the property. Property owners may also call the Tree ROE Center directly at (530) 552-3030 or submit Tree ROEs by email at TreeROE@buttecounty.net. The Tree ROE is available for download online at www.ButteCountyRecovers.org/treeremoval. ROE forms may also be picked up at the Tree ROE Centers when they open. Community meetings will be held at various locations throughout the county in an effort to provide information about tree removal programs. Meeting dates and times can be found here: http://www.paradisechamber.com/events/calendar/
 - Three Tree ROE Centers open at the following locations:
 - Community Employment Center: 78 Table Mountain Boulevard, Oroville Hours: Mon. Fri. 8 am 5 pm
 - Butte County Library, Paradise Branch Community Room: 5922 Clark Road, Paradise Hours: Mon.- Fri. 9 am 5 pm
 - **Butte County Library, Chico Branch:** 1108 Sherman Avenue, Chico Hours: Tuesday-Thursday 10 am- 6 pm, Friday-Saturday 10 am 5 pm

Holiday hours for the ROE Centers:

- Christmas Week: Closed Mon Wed, Open Thurs Fri.
- Closed New Year's Day
- Paradise on Ice: The ice rink is now open weather permitting! The Paradise Ice Rink is an outdoor seasonal ice rink that will be open daily (weather permitting). Public Skate, Adult Skate, Lessons, Private Rentals, and Party rooms are all offered.

- Regular Hours:
- o Sunday- Thursday: 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
- Friday 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. with teen skate night at 9:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. (additional charge)
- Saturday 12:00 -10:00 p.m. with skate lessons from 11:00 am to 12:00 p.m. (additional charge)

Weekly Q&A:

Q: Does the town have a time frame when they will start fixing public roads in town?

A: The Town did a study of the condition of public roads before and after debris removal for the purpose of documenting the damage done by all the heavy trucks through the debris removal process. Now that we have that information, the Town will prioritize the road repairs that are needed, and we have applied for funding to make those repairs. We do not have a time frame yet, as we have not yet received the funding for repairs. Once that funding is received, we will make a public announcement about when to expect road repairs in the Town of Paradise.

Q: Is the water safe?

A: Yes, the water in Paradise is safe. The source of our water (Paradise Lake), and the treatment plant were untouched by the fire. As a result, the water is clear and clean. There was some contamination in some of the distribution system (pipes), which caused testing done early on to show contamination. Paradise Irrigation District has tested and cleared 993 standing homes as of early December and has about 500 standing homes left to test. They expect to be completed with standing homes by March 2020. As for those who are rebuilding, when a building permit application is issued, the Town contacts PID to let them know we are working towards a new home. PID in turn begins their testing and clearance process to make sure that by the time the Town issues the Certificate of Occupancy, there is clean water available at the property.