

teacher housing project receives first green light

For many years Mountain View Academy has had difficulty recruiting teachers due to the high cost of housing in this area. The school board has talked for at least a quarter century about the need to acquire our entire city block and build reasonably-priced teacher housing.

A few years ago MVA was able to acquire the final lot on the block enabling that dream to come closer to fulfillment. In the past year, general plans were explored and a commitment for financing from the Pacific Union Conference was obtained. The school board then approved a concept plan that would provide seven townhome rental units and expand the length of the playing field. An architectural firm was retained and general diagrams produced.

Since these changes would not fit in with current property zoning, the next step would require presenting our ideas to the city council in what is known as a “gatekeeper” process. We needed permission from the “gatekeeper” to proceed with a request for a zoning change before the development design process is started. On December 8, that request was granted by the Mountain View City Council. Our project was the only one of eight projects presented that night to receive immediate permission to proceed. Due to the lack of Planning Department staff, no additional projects requiring zoning or use changes will be considered by the city for another year.

There is still a tremendous amount of work to do on this project before construction will proceed. However, progress is being made. What has happened so far is not just a result of good luck. Those of us who are involved in the project can see God’s guidance. We thank God for His continued presence in the Mountain View Academy program.



Three rundown or abandoned houses to be replaced by seven new condos and additional playing field area

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year-end giving to mva

Needy students, technology upgrades, physical plant restoration-- what kind of philanthropy gives you joy?

Private educational institutions do not operate on the basis of tuition alone, but rely on the generosity of parents, alumni and friends. We hope some will be inspired to include us in their charitable giving this season. Please call us if you have questions.

For gifts of stock or online giving please see the instructions on our website.

<http://www.mtnviewacademy.org/#/alumni-and-giving/>

academy day

All eighth graders and other interested students are invited to attend Academy Day on January 21.

holiday community service

Royalaires sang at the City of Mountain View Christmas Tree Lighting; Juniors and Seniors caroled at the firehouse across the street; and the annual Christmas party for needy students at Castro Elementary was held on the last Friday of the semester.

Full information about **Academy Day** and other enrollment information may be downloaded at <http://www.mtnviewacademy.org/>



january

- 5 second semester begins
- 5 basketball v alma heights
- 7 basketball v kehillah jewish
- 9-11 junior ski trip
- 9 sophomore lock-in
- 15-17 youth rally, cvca
- 18 MLK day, no school
- 21 academy day
- 21 PUC financial aid workshop
- 30 music department in a church

february

- 4 career day
- 8-12 international week
- 15 president's day, no school
- 16 pastor-teacher meeting day, no school
- 19 band to elementary schools
- 24-27 academy band festival
- 28-1 puc math science workshop

Two brand-new, nine-seater vans help us take students on field trips to Albion, PUC, basketball games, Prayer Conference and even the SA Christmas banquet. It's so nice to arrive home relaxed and with our hearing intact!



be filled with christ's joy

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