

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

May 7, 2017

**Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: [office@firstcrc.com](mailto:office@firstcrc.com) or 722-0717.**

**Tuesday, May 9:** Sioux Center Christian School Moms in Prayer Group will meet in the Council Room of First CRC at 9:00am. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein with questions at 722-0668.

**Tuesday, May 9:** Western Christian FFA Members would like to invite you to their second annual FFA banquet at 6:30pm in their Gym. They will celebrate the year's accomplishments, enjoy a meal together, and hear from past northwest state vice president, Josh Earl! If you are interested in attending please RSVP to [ffa@westernchristianhs.com](mailto:ffa@westernchristianhs.com).

**Tuesday, May 9:** Roseland Christian Ministries will celebrate its 40th anniversary with a meet and greet reception at the Dordt College Campus Center at 7:00pm with hors d'oeuvres, music, and an update on the ministry, and a time for fellowship with Pastor Joe Huizenga, Minister of Music David Walker, Development Director Jei Wilson, and Rev. and Mrs. Anthony Van Zanten. Please RSVP by calling Brian Feekes at (712) 441-0551.

**Thursday, May 11:** Everyone is invited to a Free "Community Unity Meal" at New Life Reformed Church from 6-7:00pm. Meal host: Christ Community Church and Christ the King Catholic Church.

**Friday, May 12 & Saturday, May 13:** Come to the Open House at Unity Christian High School's green houses for your chance to pick up some plants to use in your garden (with a donation toward the FFA program at Unity), and enjoy seeing the work of the students. Come on Friday at 4-6pm and Saturday at 9am-1pm.

**Friday, May 12:** Save the date for ATLAS of Sioux Center's Community Auction at New Life Reformed Church, with a Pizza Ranch sponsored meal from 5:30-6:30pm; the auction will begin at 6:30pm. To donate new items, please email [atlas@mtcnet.net](mailto:atlas@mtcnet.net) or call 722-4900. For more information and an updated item list, go to [www.atlasauction.blogspot.com](http://www.atlasauction.blogspot.com).

**Saturday, May 13:** Donations for our local food banks will be collected by our Sioux Center Post Office's Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Please leave non-perishable food items by your mailbox on Saturday morning or bring throughout the week before to the post office or our local Hy-Vee. All donations will be equally distributed locally.

**Saturday, May 13:** Auditions for membership in the Northwest Iowa Symphony Youth Orchestra (NISYO) will be held at the Dordt College Music Building. Now completing its tenth season, NISYO is seeking string players from middle school through high school to join all sections of the orchestra. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact NISYO conductor Dr. Christopher Stanichar at 605-929-3924 or [cstanichar@yahoo.com](mailto:cstanichar@yahoo.com).

### Advance Announcements

**Wednesday, May 17:** Western Christian High School Music Department will be performing their final concert of the year at 7pm in the Western Christian High School Event Center. Highlighting this concert will be performances by Concert Choir, Cantus, Orchestra, and Concert Band.

**Saturday, May 20:** The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Horse Ride-a-Thon will begin at 10:00am from Pipestone County Fairgrounds in Pipestone, MN to the New Life Treatment Center in Woodstock, MN. We held our first Horse Ride-A-Thon in 1980 and it continues to be a great opportunity for friends to meet and have fun together while raising funds for New Life. For more information, contact the New Life Treatment Center at 507-777-4321.

**Tuesday, May 23:** Western Christian High School will host its 95<sup>th</sup> commencement for 64 students at 7:00pm in the gymnasium. The graduation speaker will be Rev. Loren Kotman from First CRC in Hull. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

**Thursday, June 1:** Mark your calendar for Bethany Christian Services of Orange City's 22<sup>nd</sup> annual golf benefit at Landsmeer Golf Club. Entry fee is \$125 per golfer and corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Register before May 18 at <https://www.bethany.org>.

**Friday, June 9:** Hope Haven will hold its Annual Fishing Benefit at Lake Francis Case, Ft. Randall Dam, rain or shine, with proceeds to benefit Hope Haven Support Foundation. Registration fee is \$60 and is due by June 8, and includes evening meal, entry gift, and eligibility for weigh-in prize categories. Visit [www.hopehaven.org](http://www.hopehaven.org) to register or call Scott at 712-476-2820. Come enjoy a day of food, friends, fellowship, and fishing.

### Requested Announcements

Seeking Your Help: GEMS Girls' Clubs Leadership Conference is looking for volunteers to help make Conference a success July 26-30 at Dordt College. You do not need to be a GEMS counselor to volunteer. Any and all help is welcomed. Visit [goo.gl/6GjWcJ](http://goo.gl/6GjWcJ) to sign up or contact Rina Klynsma at [rnhytk@hotmail.com](mailto:rnhytk@hotmail.com).

The senior youth group class of Bethel CRC would like to extend an invitation to anyone that would be interested in a plot in our community garden. The garden will be located at 529 1st Avenue NE, right next to Central Park. If interested, please contact their leaders, Ted and Jackie Altena ([tialtena@hotmail.com](mailto:tialtena@hotmail.com)). Limited space is available.

Vacation Bible School: Maker Fun Factory will make its way to Bethel CRC July 24-27! There are a variety of factory jobs to sign up for! The factory volunteer sign up link is currently active on Bethel's website: [www.bethelsc.org](http://www.bethelsc.org) under the Ministry tab, Vacation Bible School. Thank-you in advance for answering our Maker's call to be a volunteer in His Factory! Registration for VBS will begin Monday, May 15.

Western Christian High School is conducting their annual spring drive. Spring drive gifts cover major needs of the school not covered by tuition. Western has had a couple of major needs arise in the last six months that need to be addressed as soon as possible. The walk-in cooler and freezer in the kitchen need to be replaced with a cost of \$40,000. Western also has an immediate need for \$90,000 to make the necessary roof repairs we need to complete this summer. Currently about half the funds have been raised. If you haven't made a gift yet, please consider making a gift soon as Western would like to conclude this drive by May 7. Thank you!