

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

February 25, 2018

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

Sunday, February 25: All Nations City Church is a ministry in Sioux Falls that hosts gatherings of believers from all nations and welcomes you to a wonderful event at February's host, Church at the Gate, 6820 W. 26th St., Sioux Falls, SD! A potluck supper with various ethnic foods will be from 5-6pm. A worship time with a variety of music and cultural expressions will be from 6-7:30pm.

Tuesday, February 27: Sioux Center Christian School's Moms in Prayer group will meet at the First Christian Reformed Church at 9:00am in the Council Room. Childcare is provided. Contact Mel Klein with questions at 712-541-8694.

Tuesday, February 27: The Grandmother's Moms in Prayer group will meet from 10-11am in Room 3 of First CRC. All grandmothers and great-grandmothers are invited to come.

Tuesday, February 27: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will meet from noon-1pm in Room 3 of First CRC. Moms and grandmothers are invited to join us in praying for our college age and adult children.

Tuesday, February 27: A Junior High Choir Festival at Unity Christian's Knight Center will be held at 7:00pm and will include choirs from the surrounding middle schools of Rock Valley, Ireton, Sanborn, Doon, Inwood, Orange City, Sheldon, Hull, and Sioux Center Christian, as well as Unity's Chorale and Concert Choir. They will be performing five mass pieces, followed by the Unity choirs performing two individual pieces, and ending with a combined mass piece. The students are excited to share their music with you!

Friday, March 2: Dordt College invites you to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Agriculture Department with an open house in the lobby of the Science Building beginning at 7pm. Dr. Duane Bajema, who will be retiring this summer, will also be honored. Please join us for cake, ice cream, department updates, Science Building tours, etc.! Please RSVP to Helen at Helen.Zeutenhorst@dordt.edu.

Friday, March 2: Dordt College invites the community to attend a guest recital by German pianist Andreas Klein at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Klein will perform pieces by Beethoven, Debussy, Prokofiev, and Brahms. Klein will also present a piano masterclass on Saturday, March 3, at 10:00am in the B.J. Haan.

Advance Announcements

Sunday, March 4: Get a handle on your financial future! Beginning Sunday, March 4, Center for Financial Education (CFE) is hosting a Financial Peace University (FPU) class to be held 9 consecutive Sundays (skipping Easter Sunday). Attendees are invited to come to the Bridge of Hope Ministry Center at 43 2nd Street NE in Sioux Center from 1:30-3:30pm. (Please use SW entrance.) Materials cost \$109 per couple, payable to Center for Financial Education. Here is the class link to register <http://www.fpu.com/1061266>.

Tuesday, March 6: Dordt College's Instrumental Ensembles concert at 7:30pm at the B.J. Haan auditorium will feature the Campus-Community Band, Concert Band, and Jazz Band. Highlights include Ticheli's four-movement suite *Simple Gifts*, which features settings of various Shaker melodies, a jazz funk classic titled *Chameleon*, and Thomas Knox's stirring piece "...and grace will lead me home," which is a beautiful setting of the hymn "Amazing Grace," that premiered at the memorial service for the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995.

Wednesday, March 7: Three Dordt College Choral Ensembles will present a concert at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium, featuring Bella Voce, Kantorei, and Chorale. A wide variety of choral music will be performed, including deeply moving settings of Scriptural texts, energetic spirituals, vocal jazz standards, lyrical art songs, and fresh settings of old folk songs.

Thursday – Saturday, March 15-17: Unity Christian High School will present the musical, "Oklahoma" at 7:30pm in the Knight Center. Don't miss this fun and very familiar musical. Tickets go on sale in the school office beginning March 1 at 9:30am-3:30pm.

Monday, April 9: Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation would like to invite you to their Annual Benefit Banquet at 6:30pm at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley, IA. Enjoy an evening of fun, food and fellowship as we enjoy music by Valley Male Chorus and hear how the Holy Spirit is working in hearts and lives of inmates in the South Dakota State Penitentiary. More details to come!

Requested Announcements

The Bethel CRC Young Peoples is selling Pulled Pork (\$20 for 2 lbs.) to raise funds for their junior class service trip to Daytona Beach, FL this summer. Parents of the kids will be smoking the meat and preparing it for you to pick up at Bethel CRC on either March 24 or April 21. Email Nate DeWit, Nate.DeWit@ambankiowa.com, or Amy Westra, amy.westra@gmail.com, to place your order. Thank you for supporting these young people!

Interested in serving our international college student population? Dordt College Global Education is looking for families to be involved in their International Friendship Family Program. In this program, we match a family with an international student (or a few students, if they'd like) and the family spends time with the student 1-2 times per month. This can be anything from having their student over to dinner to inviting them to your child's sports game. It's a great way for international students to build relationships with families in the community and for community members to learn more about the diverse cultures of our international students. For more information, please contact Rebecca Tervo at Rebecca.Tervo@dordt.edu or 712-722-6273.

Unity Christian is seeking to hire a director for The Cast, our performing arts group, for the 2018-19 school year. The Cast consists of two groups: one group performing improvisation and one group performing a one Act play. Applicants must have a background in drama, improvisation, and directing of plays. To learn more about this position, please contact Terry Schouten, Activities Director, at tschouten@unitychristian.net or call [712-737-4114](tel:712-737-4114).

GEMS Girls' Clubs is celebrating its 60th birthday this year, and plans to kick off the celebration at the 2018 Conference. Any woman is invited to attend! You don't have to be a GEMS counselor to attend this conference. Will you help us celebrate? Join us in Ancaster, Ontario at Redeemer University College on July 13-15, 2018. You can find more details on the GEMS website: www.gemsgc.org. Discounted individual and group rates are available until March 10. Register soon!