COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET January 29, 2017

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.

Monday, January 30: Sioux Center Pizza Ranch Tip Night at 5pm – 8pm. Come out to help a group of Dordt College students raise the funds needed to go and experience the land of the Bible during the month of May 2017. Led by Dordt professor, Dr. Benjamin Lappenga, the group will be able to experience places like Bethlehem, Nazareth, the Dead Sea, the Mt. of Olives, and much more. This course is designed to let students take in the experience in an informed and reflective way.

Tuesday, January 31: 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, January 31: The Grandmothers Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 of First CRC at 10:00am. New women are always welcome!

Tuesday, January 31: The College and Career Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 of First CRC at noon. New women are always welcome!

Tuesday, January 31: The sophomore class of Unity Christian High School will hold their annual soup/sandwich/dessert supper in the cafeteria, serving from 4:45-7:00 p.m. Free-will donation at the door. This is rescheduled from January 24.

Thursday, February 2: Sioux Center GriefShare Support Group begins at 6:45-9:00pm on Thursday evenings for 13 weeks at New Life Reformed Church. It is for anyone who has had a loved one die recently or long ago and could benefit from helpful information, lessons, and group support. Cost is \$20 or scholarships are available. To register, call New Life Church (712-722-3502) or Arlis De Boer (441-0217).

Friday, February 3 & Saturday, February 4: All women are invited to come to the 2017 local IF:GATHERING at Trinity Reformed Church (201 St. Paul Ave) in Orange City. This is a global gathering of women across denominations, generations and cultures via simulcast in the name of Jesus for an incredible time to disconnect and experience the Spirit of God. For more information and to register, go to https://register.ifgathering.com/event/iforange-city or contact the IF team at iforangecityia@gmail.com.

Friday, February 3: Homecoming 2017 will be held at Unity Christian High School. Unity alumnus from the class of 2007, Stephanie (Goslinga) Raih, will speak at the chapel at 1:30pm, followed by the Homecoming court presentation. Evening activities, beginning at 6:00pm, will include basketball games, presentation of Homecoming royalty, and dance team performances. All alumni and friends of UCHS are invited to these activities.

Saturday, February 4: Come to Dordt College's Day of Encouragement to be inspired, encouraged, and equipped as God's people. This year's keynote speaker is Ed Stetzer, a prolific author and well-known conference and seminar leader. A variety of breakout sessions will be offered throughout the day focusing on family, worship, youth, tech media, preaching, and shepherding. Late registration will be available through February 4.

Saturday, February 4: Come to the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra Guest Concert featuring the Lark Quartet at 7:30pm in the BJ Haan Auditorium on the campus of Dordt College. Advance tickets are available at True Vine Bookstore in Sioux Center and Jubon Juweelen in Orange City. Tickets may also be purchased at the door the night of the concert. For more information, contact the NISO office at 712-722-6230 or niso@dordt.edu.

Advance Announcements

Saturday, February 18: Don't miss the "Blessed and Unbreakable Tour" featuring Selah in concert, along with speaker Missy Robertson, at the new Western Christian Event Center at 7:00pm. Doors open at 6:15pm. All seats are reserved: \$25-theater seats; \$20-chair seats. Tickets are available at the Hull Chamber office (712-439-1513) or at http://www.itickets.com/events/371249.html.

Friday, February 24: Abuse of power within the church is real. Do you believe that? Judy De Wit, a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, is leading a session to better understand issues of abuse of power within the church and how to help those harmed by it. Training will be held 8:30am - 12 noon at the Sioux Falls Seminary in Sioux Falls, SD. Questions and/or to RSVP to: educator.84@hotmail.com about a week before the training.

Requested Announcements

Unity Christian High School is seeking applications for the following two positions for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year: 1) a part-time business teaching position. This position will likely include teaching classes in Accounting, Consumer Economics and Entrepreneurial Business; 2) a full-time music teacher. This position will likely include teaching several choral classes and a strings orchestra. For both positions we are seeking mature Christian leaders passionate about teaching teenagers their content in a transformational Biblical worldview. Candidates will need to be licensed in the State of lowa. A complete application consists of a cover letter, resume and three character references. Questions about either position, or an application, can be sent to Wayne Dykstra at wdykstra@unitychristian.net.

Unity Christian High School is seeking a JV boys' soccer coach for spring 2017. If you are interested, please contact Terry Schouten at tschouten@unitychristian.net or call the school at 712-737-4114.

Join the team out in the Hills! Inspiration Hills is looking for a Full-Time Building and Grounds Maintenance Assistant. Job description and application can be found at www.inspirationhills.org.

Are you or someone you know in need of a safe, decent and affordable place to live? Siouxland Habitat for Humanity is accepting partner family applications for our homeownership program for a home in Sioux Center. Application forms are available at the Sioux Center Library, Sioux Center City Office and online at http://siouxlandhabitat.org/our-programs/home-ownership/. Completed applications are to be returned by Feb. 10 to Siouxland Habitat for Humanity, 1335 Valley Drive, Rock Valley, IA 51247. If you have questions, please contact Kurt Franje, 712-476-2804 or email kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org.

Celebrate Recovery, a Christ centered recovery program similar to AA, meets each Monday evening at the Bridge of Hope Ministry Center at 7:00pm. This is a 12-step program to receive support, encouragement, and accountability from fellow believers. Contact Mark Buss for more information at 441-2339 or dad2hpl@gmail.com.

The Esther School in Zambia, Africa, is looking for a skilled contractor who would like to serve as our campus Facilities and Site Director. The full job description is available at estherschool.org. Contact Jill Postma by email, jill.p@estherschool.org, or phone (616) 241-5616 ext. 3040, to inquire. The Esther School opened in 2012 as an outreach of GEMS Girls' Clubs.