## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET March 5, 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.

**Tuesday, March 7:** 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, March 7:** The Grandmothers Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 of First CRC at 10:00am. New women are always welcome!

**Tuesday, March 7:** 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, March 7:** The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 - 9pm. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are invited to join us. For information, call Shirley Matheis at 722-4462.

**Thursday, March 9:** Everyone is invited to a Free "Community Unity Meal" at the New Life Reformed Church from 6-7:30pm. Meal host: First Christian Reformed Church.

## **Advance Announcements**

**March 16, 17, 18**: "You have been my friend," replied Charlotte. "That in itself is a tremendous thing...after all, what's a life anyway? We're born, we live a little while, we die...By helping you, perhaps I was trying to lift up my life a trifle. Heaven knows anyone's life can stand a little of that." One of the most beloved children's stories will hit the Unity Christian stage at 7:30pm. *Charlotte's Web*, a love story in many ways, teaches us all about friendship, the tough times of life, and the love of a community. Tickets are on sale - \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for k-12 students.

**Friday, March 17**: The Dordt College Chamber Orchestra and Concert Band invite you to a free concert at 7:30pm at the B.J. Haan Auditorium which is part of their spring tour with performances scheduled in Illinois, Michigan, Ontario, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Ohio, Wisconsin and Iowa. Directed by Dr. Bradley Miedema, the ensembles will perform a wide variety of instrumental selections, ranging from orchestral works by Boccherini, Holst, Järnefelt, Quantz, and William Grant Still to contemporary wind band pieces by Arnold, Grainger, Hearshen, Markowski, and Peter Graham. A freewill offering will be taken to help defray tour expenses.

**Saturday, March 18:** A seminar--*Gospel Outreach to People of Other Faiths*--will be hosted by New Roots Ministry from 10am - 2:15pm in the Community Room of the Sioux Falls Ministry Center (225 E. 11th St., Sioux Falls, SD 57104). Speakers will include Salom Silwal, formerly a Hindu and now a Christian pastor, and Aaron Myers of the Crescent Project. Come to learn, to be inspired, and to enjoy an ethnic meal! There is <u>no</u> cost, but free-will donations can be given. <u>Please RSVP by March 13</u> if you will attend by calling or texting (605)376-6330.

**Wednesday, March 22:** The community is invited to attend Ag Summit 2017 "Thou Shalt Not Kill-What's the Christian Response to the New Food Movement" from 8:15am to noon, beginning in the Dordt College Campus Center. The event features keynote speaker Kevin Murphy, owner and founder of Food-Chain communications. The event will consist of a breakfast, a 9am presentation by Murphy in the Campus Center, a panel discussion at 10am in B.J. Haan Auditorium, and a final presentation by Murphy at 11am in conjunction with Dordt College's Chapel Series. Ag Summit 2017 is presented by Dordt College and the Sioux Center Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee. Tickets are \$15 and registration is appreciated by Thursday, March 16, by contacting the Chamber Office at 722-3457 or admin@siouxcenterchamber.com.

**Wednesday, March 22:** Girls and women, ages 8-88+, join the GEMS Girls Clubs for an evening of REFIT fitness and fun in the Hull Christian School gym. Check-in is 6:30pm; workout from 7-8pm. Goodie bags will be given along with door prizes! Reserved tickets are \$5 or \$8 at the door. Contact Valerie for tickets at <a href="mailto:northstar\_gems@hotmail.com">northstar\_gems@hotmail.com</a>; 712-449-8150. Micah 6:8 t-shirts will be for sale - \$10. Bring along a water bottle.

**Thursday, March 30**: Do you want to "Make a Difference" in the lives of others? Bethany Christian Services staff & volunteers strive to help children find their forever families, we support families in need through Safe Families for Children™, we counsel mothers experiencing an unplanned pregnancy, and we serve adoption minded couples through the complete adoption process. Thanks to our supporters we have been blessed to serve kids and families for more than 40 years. We invite you to join us for an evening of praise and recognition of God's work in our ministry at the Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center with punch at 6pm; a complimentary meal served at 6:30pm; and a brief program including real and heartfelt stories. RSVP for the meal by March 20 to Bethany Christian Services at 712-737-4831 or bcsorangecity@bethany.org.

**Thursday, April 6:** Western Christian High School invites all eighth graders, regardless of their high school plans, to visit Western Christian on Eighth Grade Day at 3:00pm. Western will provide transportation for all the students to attend, and parents are asked to join their eighth grader at Western at 5:30pm for a free meal, displays, and tours. If parents are not able to attend, we would be glad to arrange transportation home for any student. Call Western Christian at 439-1013 if you have guestions or need additional information.

**Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8:** SAVE THE DATES! The Sioux Center Christian School musical theater production of *The Lion King, Jr.* will be performed each night at 7:00pm at the TePaske Theatre in Sioux Center.

**Monday, April 10:** The Cornerstone Prison Church Council, Board and Congregation invite everyone to their Annual Benefit Banquet at 6:30pm at Trinity Christian Reformed Church in Rock Valley. Doors open at 6:00pm. Make reservations with Trinity CRC at 712-476-5292 or go to <a href="www.cornerstonepcsd.org">www.cornerstonepcsd.org</a>. Gale Van Engen & Arlyn Boon will perform. Hear how the hope of Jesus Christ is working in hearts and lives of inmates in the South Dakota State Penitentiary.

## **Requested Announcements**

The 2017 International Cadet Camporee is in the Black Hills this summer (July 12-19) and our local cadet council (Three Rivers) is helping to plan it. Volunteers are needed to help set up July 8-12 and tear down July 19-22. Men and women 18 or older are welcome; you do not need to be there the entire time. If interested, please go to <a href="https://www.campelkrun.com">www.campelkrun.com</a> or email <a href="mailto:campelkrun2017@gmail.com">campelkrun2017@gmail.com</a>.