COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET April 9, 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, April 11: 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, April 11: The Grandmothers Moms in Prayer group will be meeting in Room 3 of First CRC at 10:00am. New women are always welcome!

Tuesday, April 11: 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, April 11: The seniors at Western Christian High School invite their grandparents to come at 9:00am to spend some time with them at Western Christian. They will attend a special chapel service, share a meal, and be shown around the school. The seniors have the information to share with you. Grandparents can have their grandkids let the office know they are coming, or grandparents can contact the office at 439-1013.

Tuesday, April 11: The Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra will present its annual Spring Concert, *Rocky! An All-Rachmaninoff Program*, at 7:00pm (note time change) in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. Guest artists for the evening include University of Northern Iowa professor Sean Botkin on piano; and founding conductor of NISO, Henry Duitman.

Thursday, April 13: Due to the Maundy Thursday worship service at New Life Reformed Church, there will be NO Community Unity meal in April.

Saturday, April 15: Celebrate with southern gospel music as The Dixie Melody Boys present a Hope Haven benefit concert at 6:30pm at the B. J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. Also featured will be the Master's Voice Quartet from Sioux Falls, SD and the Triumphant Sound Quartet from Lawton, IA. Tickets are \$15 at the door, which opens at 5:00pm.

Sunday, April 16: The community is invited to come to the annual Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00am at Faith Christian Reformed Church. Dr. Scott Culpepper will be the speaker. The youth group from First CRC will be leading the service. An offering will be taken for the Family Crisis Center. Come and celebrate our risen Savior!

Advance Announcements

Tuesday, April 18: The Hope Haven Christian Women's Auxiliary will be celebrating 40 years at its Annual Spring Meeting with a catered luncheon in the Hope Haven gym beginning at 11:30am. The program will feature L'attitude from Sioux Falls, SD. There will also be a Business Meeting and Silent Auction. Please take a friend and be a part of this ministry of service to others.

Tuesday, April 18: The Annual Society Meeting at Unity Christian High School will be held at 7:00pm in the Unity Knight Center. This meeting will include approving the 2017-18 budget, a foundation report, election of new board members, and annual update of the school. This is not the meeting to vote on the building project.

Friday, April 21: Dordt College would like to cordially invite the public to attend an open house from 2:30 – 4pm in the De Yager Student Activity Center, located on the first level of the Campus Center, in honor of the following upon their retirement: Art Attema, Assistant Professor of Business Administration; Dr. Wayne Kobes, Professor of Theology; Sanneke Kok, Coordinator of Academic Services for Minority and International Students & Language Studies Adjunct; and Stan Oordt, Director of Physical Plant. Together these individuals are celebrating more than 135 years of combined serve to Dordt College. Refreshments will be served. Please join use in extending our appreciation to these individuals for dedicating many years of faithful service to Dordt College.

Friday, April 21: A Farewell Open House for Pastor Mark Verbruggen of First CRC, Sioux Center, will be held from 7:00 – 9:00pm at the Back Room Bistro of The Fruited Plain. The community is invited to offer their best wishes to him as he will be moving to Sarnia, Ontario Canada to be pastor of Living Hope CRC. Coffee and cookies will be served.

Saturday, April 22 – Sioux Center Christian School's 3rd Annual Trail'Raiser Night will be held to raise funds to pay off the debt on the new addition and will include our famous Gourmet Cupcake Stand, Silent Auction, Crafts Market & Bake Sale, Freewill Supper and Concession Stand. Plus a Survivor Game Show at 7pm. The annual Trailblazer Gala with a prime rib dinner is planned for Friday, May 5 and tickets will be sold at Trail'Raiser Night. For more info, go to www.siouxcenterchristian.com > Support SCCS > Trail'Raiser Night

Saturday, April 22: Join the Sioux County Oratorio Chorus for its spring concert joined by the Dordt College Concert Choir, the Northwestern College Heritage Singers, soloists, orchestra, and organ at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium at Dordt College. Led by Dr. Benjamin Kornelis, the chorus will present Haydn's *Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo*, also known as the "Little Organ Mass" and the Midwestern premiere of *Songs of Ascent* by Iowa native Shawn Kirchner. Tickets for adults are \$8 in advance/\$10 at the door and \$5 for students and can be purchased also at Northwestern's music office or Windmill Park Jewelers in Orange City, at True Vine or the Dordt music office in Sioux Center, and at Touch of Hope in Sheldon.

April 28: Last day to register for Dordt Discovery Days, which is a five-day camp from June 19 to 23, for students who have completed 6th, 7th, or 8th grade. This camp offers more than 30 classes in the arts, sciences, and recreation. Residential, commuter, and day camp options are available. Go to www.dordt.edu/events/ddd to see this year's class line and to register. Contact Allison Kraayenbrink (Allison.Kraayenbrink@dordt.edu) with questions.

May 1: All women are invited to attend the Bible League Spring Salad Luncheon on at 11:30am at the Sanborn URC, 805 Sunrise Ave, in Sanborn, IA. Please bring a salad for every two ladies and enjoy the luncheon and fellowship with women from many area churches. We are also extending a special invitation to pastors to join us. Harold Trujillo, Regional Training Coordinator, will speak on the Project Philip program. We would love to see you!

Requested Announcements

As part of Trail'Raiser Night, Sioux Center Christian students will be custom-designing "Prayer Notepads" – perfect for all your lists, plus they can hang on the fridge. We ask for a \$10 donation per notepad and are hoping to sell at least 1,200! More info and an order form is online at www.siouxcenterchristian.com > Support SCCS > Trail'Raiser Night > Prayer Notepad Online Order Form. Forms are also at the school office. Even if you aren't related to any SCCS kids, this is a great way to get some amazing art on your fridge! We can choose students for you – from your church, or any SCCS student. Please place your order by Tuesday, April 11.

Unity Christian High School is seeking applications for a Computer Network Systems Administrator position for the 2017-2018 school year. The primary duties of the position involve managing a computer network of 330 computers. This is a salaried position with full benefits. For more information or a job description, contact Wayne Dykstra at wdykstra@unitychristian.net.