

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET
August 27, 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.

Thursday, August 31: FRIENDSHIP Bible Study, a group of Sioux Center area community believers, begins its 2017-2018 season. The purpose of the Friendship program is to nurture the spiritual growth of people with intellectual disabilities in the context of personal and meaningful relationships. Current members range from teens to retirees. If you are interested in this program, either as a student or mentor, please contact either Dave or Marian Smit, 712-722-1247, or Kathy Schreurs, 712-324-2379, soon for details.

Friday, September 1: Dordt College invites the community to welcome the new academic year as President Dr. Erik Hoekstra leads Convocation at 11am in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. His presentation is titled "Who are You?" and centers around 1 Peter 2:4-10.

Advance Announcements

Monday, September 4: The Youth Group of First Christian Reformed Church of Sioux Center invites you to their pancake breakfast at Children's Park from 7:30 - 9:30am. Proceeds will go towards their 2018 Mission Trip.

Thursday, September 7: The NAMI Iowa Family-to-Family Education Program for family members of persons with serious mental illness will be offered at Central Reformed Church from 7 to 9:30pm on Thursday evenings for 11 weeks beginning September 7, 2017. The course is FREE and will be taught by trained family member volunteer leaders, Barb Addink (712 567-4727), Shirley Matheis (722-4462 or nsmath@mtcnet.net), and Lynn Wielenga (722-1828). Please register today.

Friday, September 8 & Saturday, September 9: Auditions for membership in the Northwest Iowa Symphony Orchestra (NISO) will be held. Anyone wishing to play in the orchestra for the first time must audition, and all student members need to re-audition each year. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact the NISO office at niso@dordt.edu or 712-722-6230.

Tuesday, September 12: Bible League Volunteers invite friends and family to attend "A Light for the Nations" retreat with many featured guests at 9:30am at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center. Pre-registration is required for all sessions. A nursery is available from 9:30am – 3:15pm. Registration forms are available at www.bibleleague.org/retreat17. Contact Marcene Brands for more info: 605-376-1316; mkbeob@gmail.com.

Wednesday, September 13: Coffee Break Bible Study invites women of the community to join us for a time of fellowship and Bible study every Wednesday morning, with kick-off registration on Wednesday, September 13, at Covenant CRC in Sioux Center at 9:30am. We will study the book *Discover Romans Part 2*, with the first lesson scheduled for September 20. Do you have preschool children? We have a nursery for children ages 0-2 and Story Hour for children ages 3-5. Hope to see you there and bring a friend!

Thursday, September 14: What if you knew where all of your money was going each month? What if you were debt-free, investing and making wise spending decisions? With Dave Ramsey's class, Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money and start planning for your future. If you're interested in these classes at the Sioux Center Public Library Room A, contact the Center for Financial Education (712-722-3527).

Saturday, September 16: Talsma's Trail Park is hosting an ATV and Horse Ride Benefit to raise money for Hope Haven in Rock Valley, Iowa. The park is located near Avon, SD and has 75 miles of primitive trails by the MO River. The event begins at 9AM and costs \$35 to participate for a horse or ATV and \$45 for a Side by Side. Contact Tina at the Trail Park to register and to learn more: jtalsma@gwtc.net or 605-369-2401.

September 22 - 24: Cornerstone Prison Church Faith Fellowship Weekend is Friday, Sept. 22 – 6:00-8:00pm and Sept. 23 & 24 – 7:15am-4:00pm each day. The theme for the weekend is “Formula for Successful Living.” Join us for worship, large group talks and small group discussions. The deadline for signing up is Thursday, Sept 7. Let us know if you can attend all or part of the weekend. If you would like more information or to sign up, please contact us at office@cornerstonepcsd.org or call 605-496-8152.

Requested Announcements

Nursery attendants are needed for Coffee Break Bible Study at Covenant CRC on Wednesday mornings from 9:30-11am, starting September 20. This can be a paid position. Call Rin Goedhart at 712-722-4394.

Unity Christian High School is seeking part-time custodian help after school and evenings, approximately 15 hours per week, flexible hours. If you are interested, please call Unity at 737-4114 or Mr. Snieder at 712-360-0369.

You're invited to the Sioux Center Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)! All mothers, with children, birth to age 5, are welcome to join us for meetings that are held most 2nd and 4th Thursdays, September-May, 9:00-11:00am, at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center, IA. Brunch and childcare are provided. Come fellowship with other moms as we grow in Christ together. Find us on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/siouxcentermops/> or search Facebook for “Sioux Center MOPS.”

Do you have a few free mornings a month? Are you looking for a way to serve? Do you enjoy being around children? MOPS needs volunteers for childcare and we would love to have your help. Meetings are held most 2nd and 4th Thursdays, September-May, 9:00-11:00am, at First Reformed Church in Sioux Center, IA. Email Heather at heatherhoogendoorn@gmail.com if you are interested in serving moms as part of this very important ministry.