COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET November 13, 2022

Please turn in announcements by 10:30 on Wednesday mornings to the office of the First Christian Reformed Church: office@firstcrc.com or 712-722-0717.

From Western Christian High School:

- -A reminder that the Celebrate Western Online Auction ends tomorrow (November 14) at 1:00pm. Please visit www.zomerbid.com to view and bid on the donated items.
- -Explore Western is Tuesday, November 15. This begins at 7:00pm in the Event Center. Also, we're launching a 4-year JumpSTART Pathway for freshmen students next year. START is an acronym for Supporting The Areas of Rising Trades. We'll host a special interest meeting immediately following Explore Western at 8:00pm.
- -The Celebrate Western community meal, Bake Sale, and Kids Carnival are Friday, November 18. This begins at 5:00pm. Purchased meat, freezer meals, and auction items can be picked up that evening. We are still in need of more Bake Sale items. Please contact Kathy Mouw kathy.mouw@westernchristianhs.com if you have any baked goods for sale.

Friday, November 18: Dordt University seniors Emma DeVries, piano, and Julia Holleman, voice, will present a joint recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include an Argentinian-style dance composed by Carlos Guastavino; a double-piano duet featuring Laurel Evertse of Hull, Iowa; and *Der Hirt auf dem Felsen* ("The Shepherd on the Rock") by Schubert, featuring clarinetist Emma Lamfers, a 2021 Dordt alumna of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Saturday, November 19: Dordt University student Isabel Munson will present a junior organ recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Highlights of the recital include Bach's fantastical *Prelude and Fugue in A Minor*, the delicate steps of Hampton's *At the Ballet*, and the earth-shaking notes of Messiaen's *Apparition de l'église éternelle*. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Advance Announcement

Monday, November 28: You are invited to Sioux Center Christian School's Fall Instrumental and Choral concert at 7:00pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. This concert will feature our 6th-8th grade band, 4th-8th grade orchestra, and 5th-8th grade choir. A freewill offering will be received for the SCCS Music department.

Requested Announcements

Gift of Grain "...through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." II Corinthians 9:11b One Body One Hope is accepting donations of corn through all local elevators. We have a buyer who will purchase all grain donations at a premium price to support agricultural development in Liberia. Your gift of grain will sustain Liberian families and help plant churches and schools in unreached communities in Liberia. For more information, contact Karl Kaemingk at 712-395-8987 or Karl.kaemingk@gmail.com.

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts may be brought to New Life Church in Sioux Center or First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids November 14-20. To learn more about the OCC ministry and the Gospel impact it is having on children, families, and communities worldwide, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ. Contact Loralie Wiese at 712-441-2371 for additional information, materials, and collection week drop-off details.

JUSTICE FOR ALL is very excited to announce dates for upcoming 2023 Service and Learning Trips! Please prayerfully consider joining us on one of these trips. The trips are designed to be an opportunity to use our hands and feet to bless others through work projects, but also to learn and experience a different culture than our own and see what God is doing through the incredible ministry partners serving in these communities. The sites/dates are: Harvest Hands Ministries, Juarez MX – Jan 20-27; Voice of Calvary Ministries, Jackson MS – Feb 3-10; JVM Perkins Foundation, Jackson MS – Feb 11-17; Grace Covenant Ministries, Annville, KY – Mar 3-10; Grace Reigns, Hildale UT – Mar 24-31. There is more information about each project on the JFA website (www.jfa-niowa.org). If you would like to sign up or want more information on any of these opportunities, please contact Nick LeLoux at JFA (712-476-2804, nickl@jfa-nwiowa.org).

SIOUX CENTER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TRUSTEE NOMINEES: We are very thankful for the leadership and oversight that the SCCS board of trustees provides. They are a hardworking and dedicated group of school supporters! At the end of this school year, Dennis Vander Plaats and Michael De Boer will be completing their service on the board. We thank them for their commitment! This means that the board is seeking to find 2 nominees to replace Dennis and Michael. All members of the SCCS Society are invited to submit names for potential nominees for the board. Requirements for Society membership include:

- Personally confesses Jesus Christ as the only Savior and Lord and regularly attends a local Christian church that adheres to all articles of the Apostles, Nicene, and Athanasian Creeds
- Affirms the school's statement of faith
- Are at least 18 years old
- Have school-aged children attend Sioux Center Christian School, if applicable
- Have a passion for providing a Christian education for the children and young people of this community
- Agree to support and promote the mission of the school and pledge not to seek changes in Articles I, III, or IV of the bylaws (mission of the school, purpose of the school, and non-negotiable founding principles). If you meet all requirements listed for Society membership, you are encouraged to submit trustee nominations using the form linked below. The deadline is Wednesday, November 30.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdt0GN2uSOGIuBZ_IR92q41sWWkNyY_MwqqgnMB5sNIjVLumg/viewform