

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

April 9, 2023

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.

Friday, April 14: Dordt University will host its biennial band festival featuring 10 high school bands, along with both the Dordt University Wind Symphony and Campus-Community Band. The groups will perform during the day in the B.J. Haan and will individually work with Dr. Onsby Rose and Dr. Allegra Fisher on their music. At 7:00pm each ensemble will perform one piece in the B.J. Haan and then move to the DeWitt Gymnasium for a mass band performance featuring over 600 musicians! This event is free and open to the public and will also be livestreamed at www.dordt.edu/livestream.

Saturday, April 15: Love INC Sioux County invites the community to our Spring Share Event at the Parkview Event Center in Rock Valley. Doors will open at 5pm to be followed by a catered meal at 5:30 and an improvisational comedy show by Slap Happy Comedy at 7. The Slap Happy Comedy team, a Christian two-man duo, brings a clean, high energy, interactive comedy experience that guarantees fun for the entire family. Tickets to this event can be purchased for \$50 a piece or you may reserve a complete table of 8 for \$360. Please order tickets by calling the Love INC office at (712)476-5990 or by going to www.loveincsiouxcounty.org. Deadline is April 7.

Saturday, April 15: Dordt University student Lael Bervig will present a senior piano recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. Bervig will be performing the Aria and some selections from Bach's beloved *Goldberg Variations*. Brahms's rich and lyrical *Intermezzo in A Major* will be featured as well as Debussy's *Pagodes*, an impressive piece that shimmers with expression, layered chords, and Debussy's use of the pentatonic scale. The final piece of the program, Gershwin's *Three Preludes*, will bring a bold and flourishing finish to the recital. All are welcome to a reception following the recital.

Advance Announcements

Monday, April 17: Western Christian High School - Spring Society Meeting

We invite you to attend the annual Spring Society Meeting to be held at 6pm. Our Head Administrator, Mr. Verwolf, will share a State of School Report which includes staffing and program updates for the upcoming school year and beyond. Lastly, as a society, we have an opportunity to approve the annual budget for the 2023-2024 school year and discuss the impact of Education Savings Accounts in Iowa.

Wednesday, April 19: Grandparents and Special Friends - we invite all Grandparents and Special Friends of senior students to Western Christian after 12:30pm on that day. A program will start in the Event Center at 1:00pm, followed by tours. We encourage guests to dismiss with their senior student(s) at 2:15pm.

Thursday, April 20: Come hear Emilia Marroquín talk about her immigration story as she moved from El Salvador to California to Storm Lake, IA. This event will be held at Maria Magdalena Reformed Church, 305 N. Main, Sioux Center, IA, from 6:30-9:00pm. Emilia will discuss practical ways Northwest Iowa can be a place of welcome for all people. We will also hear a panel discussion from leaders in Sioux Center about ways we can break down barriers and build friendships across cultural differences. FREE FOOD! This event will be in Spanish and English. For more information and to RSVP click the link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/welcoming-the-immigrant-and-refugee-a-journey-to-friendship-tickets-595306637177>

Friday, April 21: Sioux Center Habitat Home Groundbreaking Ceremony will be at 10:00am at 1436 11th Ave. NE in Sioux Center. Please join Siouxland Habitat for Humanity as we give thanks to God and break ground on this Habitat home with the Nancy Martinez family. Everyone is welcome!!

Friday, April 21: The Dordt University Music Department will present a Small Ensembles Recital at 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The recital will feature Dordt University's Percussion Ensemble and Clarinet Choir. The Percussion Ensemble will perform a keyboard duet arrangement by Dordt student Jenna Kuperus, an arrangement of Bach for mallet trio, a marimba solo, and multi-percussion sextet. The Dordt Clarinet Choir will

perform *Three Yiddish Tangos*, *Cuartetos Criollos*, and *Chicago*. The recital will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>.

Requested Announcements

Habitat Sponsor A Stud! - Gather your friends, family, church group or business to sponsor one or more 2x4 studs for \$100 each to help build the Martinez family's Habitat home! We will deliver the stud to you to decorate with Bible verses, encouraging words, prayers, pictures, etc. The studs will be framed into the house, and everyone will be invited to a Stud Finder Event later on to see the studs and pray for the home and family. Get more details and sign up by May 1 by contacting Kurt Franje: 641-780-9054 or kfranje@siouxlandhabitat.org.

Are you ready to do some spring cleaning? Or maybe you are considering "downsizing" to a condo, apartment, or assisted living? Western Christian's Bargain Alley Furniture Outlet may be able to help. We are willing to come to your residence to pick up any donated furniture. Please consider donating your used items to the Bargain Alley Thrift Store or the Bargain Alley Furniture Outlet! Contact Lawrence at the Outlet: 712-439-6802, or check us out on [facebook.com/BargainAlleyThriftStore](https://www.facebook.com/BargainAlleyThriftStore) for more information.

Love INC Sioux County is seeking an individual to answer phones 1-2 mornings a week at our office located in Rock Valley (days are flexible). This person should have a friendly, outgoing demeanor and be willing to pray with people on the phone. If interested, please contact Debbie at 712-476-5990.