

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

April 30, 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.

Monday, May 1: You are invited to the Bible League Ambassadors Salad Luncheon at First Reformed Church in Rock Rapids, Iowa. Please bring one salad for every two people. The luncheon will begin at 11:30am. The speaker will be Marie Hofmeyer, owner of Holland House and Jade Co. in Orange City, Iowa. She has a degree in Interior Design from the University of Northern Iowa. She will give a demonstration on creating home decorations from objects found in the Legacy Thrift (formerly Bibles for Missions) stores in Orange City and Worthington, Minnesota. Come and enjoy good food and be inspired to redecorate your home.

Tuesday, May 2: The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 9pm. Speaker Kathy De Jong: Living with Schizoaffective Disorder. Individuals and family members coping with mental illness are welcome. For information, call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Friday, May 5: At 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium, the Dordt Music Department will present the Spring Choral Ensembles Concert. The music for this concert will explore the narrative arch of Creation, Fall, Redemption, Consummation, and the dichotomy between our earthly and heavenly homes. Music will range in style from spirituals and music based on Appalachian shape note singing to music from the cathedrals of Europe. A feature of the concert will be Arvo Part's rarely performed *Credo* for choir, orchestra, and piano. The concert will close with Eriks Esenvalds' triumphant "*Trinity*" *Te Deum* for choir, brass, percussion, and organ. As part of this concert, we will be honoring MaryLou Wielenga for her 45 years of faithful service to Dordt University through music. MaryLou will offer a prelude and offertory during the concert, and all are invited to a reception honoring her retirement following the choral concert in the lobby of the B.J. Haan Auditorium. The concert will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>.

Saturday, May 6: At 7:30pm in the B.J. Haan Auditorium, the Dordt Instrumental Ensembles will give their final concert of the semester. The concert will open with Campus-Community Band performing *Fanfare Prelude on God of our Fathers*, followed by Ralph Vaughan-Williams's *English Folk Song Suite*. The Chamber Orchestra will feature a new composition by Dordt music major Aaron Galloway entitled *Divertimento*. In addition, the orchestra will perform the first movement of Tchaikovsky's *Serenade for Strings*. Closing the concert, the Wind Symphony will feature senior pianist Anna Rediger on John Barnes Chance's *Introduction and Capriccio*, in addition to music by Bryant and Sorah, then closing the concert with John Mackey's masterpiece *The Frozen Cathedral* which features antiphonal percussion to include an instrument not seen often called the waterphone. The concert will also be available on livestream at <https://www.dordt.edu/livestream>.

Requested Announcements

Board Nominations for Western Christian

At the end of this school year, Don De Boer, Doug De Boer, and Gary De Jager will be completing their terms on Western Christian's School Board. We thank them for their service! The board is now seeking four nominees to replace them. We are looking for one Hull resident, one Sioux Center resident, and two at-large members coming from any region. Here are the specific areas of expertise we are seeking at this time: Finance, Policy, Reformed Doctrine and Theology, Legal, Public Relations/Communication, Advancement/Fundraising. If you know candidates who are especially gifted in one or more of these areas, please consider nominating them.

All members of Western's society are invited to submit names for potential nominees for the board. Please submit nominations to board president, Mr. John Vander Haag: john.vanderhaag@westernchristianhs.com by Friday, June 2. All newly elected trustees shall be approved by the society at the succeeding society meeting in August.

Western Christian FFA Chapter is selling hanging baskets again this spring! Sales will begin on May 4 with baskets costing \$30/basket.

- May 4 & 10: 9-6 pm: Please bring your pots to have us plant.

- Drop off any size pots between now and May 10 so we can pot them for you.

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.

Unity Christian High School is seeking applications for a new paraprofessional position for the 23-24 school year. This hourly position will begin in the 3rd week of August and go through to the end of the 23-24 school year in the 4th week of May. Work hours are expected to be from 8:15am until 3:45pm each day. To learn more about the position contact Mrs. Dana Broers at 712-737-4114 or at dbroers@unitychristian.net. Hourly employee applications can be found on our website: <https://www.unitychristian.net/employment>.