

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHEET

February 2, 2025

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

**Tuesday, February 4:** The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7 to 8pm. Program: Introduction To NAMI's Ask the Expert Webinars; Video: Antidepressants - How Do They Work? For information, call Shirley Matheis at 722-4462 or Nate Huyser at 402-916-0008 or [natehuyser93@gmail.com](mailto:natehuyser93@gmail.com).

**Wednesday, February 5:** Are you grieving the loss of someone near and dear to you? Are you wondering if what you are experiencing is normal? A local Grief Share Support Group will begin 13 sessions on February 5 to April 30. You may join in at any time for help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. This group meets at New Hope Evangelical Free Church's south wing in Orange City from 7-8:30pm which includes a video and confidential small group discussion. Cost: A suggested donation of \$20 covers all costs for the entire series. CALL Elaine Elgersma (712- 540-5878) or TEXT Dee Van Dyke (712-540-2533) for more information or to register.

**Saturday, February 8:** At 7:00pm in the B. J. Haan Auditorium, the Dordt University Music Department will present a Music Faculty Recital. The concert will feature the diverse music of Maurice Ravel, a French composer whose 150th birthday is this year. The program will include Ravel's Sonatine, Pavane, Habanera, and more! Performers will be Pamela De Haan on saxophone, John MacInnis, Carrie Groenewold, and Patrice Ewoldt on piano, Jennifer Frens on violin, Beverly Gibson on clarinet, and Pamela De Haan, vocalist. Stay for refreshments afterwards and meet the performers!

**Saturday, February 8:** PLIA Community Bingo Night: Are you looking for something to do with your family or friends? You are welcome to come for a fun night of Bingo at 7pm at Dordt's Ag Stewardship Center to support PLIA! PLIA is a student-run club that partners with organizations nationwide to provide a short-term service trip opportunity on spring break where students can use their God-given gifts to serve alongside others and learn what it means to live out their faith. There will be prizes and free ice cream! Bingo cards are \$5 for children/students and \$10 for adults.

### Advance Announcements

**Tuesday, February 11:** The sophomore class of Unity Christian High School will be hosting their annual soup supper from 4:45-7:00pm. The basketball teams play Sioux Center that evening, so come out and support the sophomore class and cheer on the Knights! The soup supper will take place in the Unity cafeteria. Free-will donations will be taken. Come and enjoy food and fellowship, while supporting the sophomore class!

**Saturday, February 15:** Broadway and Desserts at Dordt! The Dordt University Concert Choir cordially invites you to come and enjoy an enchanting evening of Broadway tunes and sweet treats at 7:00pm in the Campus Center on Dordt's campus. You'll hear solo songs and a few duets from several popular Broadway shows, and you'll be served delectable desserts by members of the choir while you listen! Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$5 for students. Kids 5 and under are free, and childcare is available on-site. Tickets must be purchased by Tuesday Feb. 11 from the Music Department Office (712-722-6222, [debra.alons@dordt.edu](mailto:debra.alons@dordt.edu)) or from a Concert Choir student. Proceeds benefit the Concert Choir tour in March 2025 to Michigan and Ontario.

**Thursday, February 20:** Pizza Ranch Community Tip Night: PLIA is hosting a Pizza Ranch Tip Night from 5-8 pm at the Pizza Ranch in Sioux Center! PLIA is a student-run club that partners with organizations nationwide to provide a short-term service trip opportunity on spring break where students can use their God-given gifts to serve alongside others and learn what it means to live out their faith. We would love your support!

### Requested Announcements

Center For Financial Education believes more and more in educating parents and our younger generations about how to manage finances responsibly! If we can educate ourselves and our youth, we can hopefully avoid financial

trouble and stressors in the future. David McAlpine and Issac Van Beek have a lineup of classes that are FREE to attend and are tailored to share and equip participants with basic financial and budgeting information. David and Issac are passionate about these classes, and we know you will not be disappointed! We encourage you to mark your calendar! Please call our office at 722-4900 or email us at [atlas@mtcnet.net](mailto:atlas@mtcnet.net) to sign up.

The Classical Academy will open in Alton this fall as a full-time Christian, classical school accredited by CSI. All are welcome to attend one of our upcoming informational meetings to learn more! Meetings will be held on Saturday, February 8 at 10:00am at the Sheldon Public Library, and on Tuesday, February 25 at 6pm at Bellissimo Coffeeworks in Le Mars. Enrollment for the 2025 - 2026 academic year will open on February 17, 2025. For more information, please email [contact@theclassicalacademysc.org](mailto:contact@theclassicalacademysc.org) and follow us on facebook at [www.facebook.com/theclassicalacademysc](https://www.facebook.com/theclassicalacademysc) for updates.