



Unity Christian
HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

2023

HOMECOMING

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1:30 Homecoming Chapel - Speaker Lincoln Rus - Class of 2013

2:00 Royalty presented to student body, voting for Knight & Lady, activities

4:30 C team Girls basketball game vs. Trinity Christian

6:00 Varsity Girls/Boys basketball games vs. Trinity Christian

Presentation of the 1992 Girls State Championship Track Team

Homecoming Court presented between varsity games (approx. 7:30)

Dance and Cheer Team Routine at half-time of varsity girls game

Two Dance Team Light Routine performances at half-time of varsity boys game

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EMILY EPPINGA

My name is Emily Eppinga, daughter of Robbin and Sara Eppinga. My dad teaches Biology at Dordt University and my mom is a mail carrier in Sioux City. We live in Sioux Center where I went to Sioux Center Christian School through 8th grade. I have a brother and two sisters. Sam is a freshman at Dordt, Elia is a junior, and Esther is a freshman at Unity. I also have a dog named Ranger and two cats, Toulouse and Reshi. My family and I love to be outdoors so we go on lots of hiking, camping, and fishing trips together. I play soccer here at Unity as well as participate in the plays/musicals and speech, both group and individual. I also sing in concert choir, Knightsounds, and am a worship leader for Unity's praise team. I plan on majoring in Environmental Studies at either Luther College or Dordt University next year and am going to continue singing in choir throughout college. One of my favorite bible verses is John 16:33. It says, "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."



SHAYLEE MEYERINK

My name is Shaylee Meyerink, daughter of Jon and Melynda Meyerink. We live on an acreage outside of Sioux Center. I am the youngest of three children. I have two older brothers, Derek and Reece. Derek is recently married to Mariah Jansma, adding a sister to our family! Over my time at Unity, I have been blessed to be able to play volleyball and softball. I have managed both the basketball and volleyball teams and had the opportunity to be a living group leader. When I am not involved with school activities, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends and staying active. I also love being with the Lord in prayer and reading His Word. I strive to be rooted and established in the Lord and to abide in Him continually. My favorite verse is Exodus 14:14, "The Lord will fight for you, you need only to be still." Even when I am facing difficult battles, God has already gone ahead of me and won the battle. Wherever the Lord leads me in the future, I can rely on Him with every care I have. As of right now, I feel the Lord leading me to the University of Sioux Falls to complete my generals for Diagnostic Medical Sonography and finish my education at another institution. I am eager to see what the Lord has in store for me in the future!



GRACIE SCHOONHOVEN

My name is Gracie Schoonhoven. I am the daughter of Mike and Donna Schoonhoven, and we live on an acreage outside of Hospers. My dad works for the Iowa DOT, and my mom works at Klay Law Office and the Orange City Area Health System. I have two older brothers, Logan and Levi, and one older sister, Janie. Logan is married to Morgan Van Hulzen and they live in Edgerton. Levi is married to Cailey Terpstra and they live in Pella. Janie is a sophomore at Dordt University and enjoys playing basketball there. While at Unity, I participated in volleyball, basketball, track, and choir. Being a part of all these activities has enabled me to develop relationships, get to know more students and teachers, and create lifelong memories. For two years, I have had the opportunity to serve as a Living Group leader. Outside of school, I enjoy being outdoors, attending youth group, playing with my dog, and hanging out with family and friends. My favorite verse comes from John 16:33. It says "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world". I adore this passage because it serves as a constant reminder that no matter what struggles I may face, God is always with me. He exceeds our wildest expectations in every way. This verse gives me comfort in knowing that God is in charge of my life. I plan to attend Dordt University and continue my basketball career while I will most likely major in Nursing. I am so grateful for my time at Unity and am excited to see what God has planned for the next chapter in my life.

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BROOKLYN VANDER VEEN

My name is Brooklyn Vander Veen and I am the daughter of Chris and Kristi Vander Veen. My younger sister, Peyton, is a sophomore at Unity and my brother, Cade, is in 7th grade at SCCS. High school has gone incredibly fast and I am trying to savor the last few months! While at Unity, I have been able to grow through both new and familiar experiences. I have enjoyed the opportunity to encourage other students through my role as a living group leader, and my role as a class officer has allowed me to plan things like prom and eventually graduation. I have been part of the volleyball team all four years either as a manager or a player. This spring, I look forward to playing my fourth year of high school soccer. Outside of school, I stay busy working as a waitress at Sioux County Livestock and as a CNA at Crown Pointe Estates. In my free time, I love spending time outside whether that is by a lake, in a forest, or on a mountain. I absolutely love going on new adventures and I take any chance I can get to travel. I am passionate about helping others and serving both locally and internationally. Next year I will be attending Dordt University to major in social work. One of my favorite Bible verses is Psalm 63:3-4. It says, "Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name, I will lift up my hands." It seems crazy to me that my four years of high school are almost over, but I am super excited to see where the Lord takes me!



MOLLY ZYLSTRA

I grew up in Pella, Iowa, with my parents, Mark and Gina, and my three siblings, Lucy, Ruby, and Henry. I attended Pella Christian Grade School until 8th grade when my family and I moved to Orange City. I went to OCCS for one year. My favorite hobbies are spending time with family and friends, reading, and staying active. At Unity, I am involved in volleyball, track, softball, and band. I am also a class officer and was a representative on Student Council for two years. Through these activities, I've gotten to know many amazing people at Unity. I am thankful for the teachers and staff who have helped me learn and grow in my knowledge and faith in Jesus Christ. Next year I will attend Dordt University and major in Exercise Science in the pre-chiropractic program. Through injuries I had in high school, I've received good care from chiropractors, and I want to help others as I have been helped. I will also participate in Track and Field as a high jumper in the fall. My favorite Bible verse is Galatians 2:20. "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." This is my favorite verse because it reminds us that our only purpose in life on earth is to bring glory and honor to God, who loves us unconditionally and gave His Son so we can have eternal life.

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GABE BORCHERS

My name is Gabriel Borchers, and I was adopted from Ethiopia. I currently live in Sioux Center, Iowa. There are 9 people in my family. I have 4 sisters and two brothers. Shianne, Sierra, Svanna, and Summer are all of my sisters. Tye and Jaden are my brothers. My parents' names are Brandy and Carey. I attended Sioux Center Christian School. Throughout my four years of high school, I participated in both basketball and football. My future plan is to attend Northwestern College. I intend to major in business. I'll play football at Northwestern as well. My favorite Bible verse is John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." It is my favorite because it was the first verse I learned when I was adopted.



CORY KUPERUS

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28). My name is Cory Kuperus, and this verse has guided me in His service through my academic, athletic, and personal life. I come from a family of six. My parents are Nathan and Angela Kuperus, and I am the oldest of four siblings. My two younger sisters are currently enrolled at Unity as well, and my brother will be graduating eighth grade this spring. I have been involved in several extracurriculars at Unity. I have played soccer throughout all of high school, participating in indoor leagues as well as regular season. I played football in my junior year, and managed football during senior year. Other than athletics, I also enjoy the musical extracurriculars. I have been singing tenor and bass in choir since freshman year. I joined Knight Sounds as a junior, participated in Northwest Iowa Honor Choir, and I was even a founding member of Unity's Men's Choir which we proudly call "Mannenkoor." I played tenor saxophone in concert band and jazz band for two years. All these experiences have grown my love for Unity. With graduation rapidly approaching, the time has come to begin planning the future. Next year I will attend Dordt University to study Engineering, emphasizing Mechanical Engineering. I have signed with Dordt University Men's Volleyball, and I am very excited to finally play on an organized volleyball team. I hope to join choir if my busy schedule allows it, but most importantly, whatever comes of my future, it will all be for the glory of God our Creator.



CARTER SLENK

My name is Carter Slenk, I was born in Southern California and moved to Iowa my freshman year. I live in Sioux Center with my parents Steve and Leah Mouw and have three older sisters: Kyla, Lindsey, and Madison. While at Unity, I participated in football, soccer, and I am also a living group leader. I attend youth group at Bethel CRC. I enjoy spending my time with my friends and crushing them in fantasy football. I plan to attend Dordt University and play soccer and major in business marketing. My favorite Bible verse is Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." I like this bible verse because it gives me confidence and hope in the promised word of God.



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JACOB VAN DONGE

My name is Jacob Van Donge, I was born and raised in Orange City. My parents are Kevin and Janna. My mom works at Unity and my dad works at Noteboom Electric and also coaches basketball at Unity. I have two brothers. My older brother, Austin, is a junior at Dordt University. My younger brother, Tyce, is in 8th grade at OCCS. In my free time, I enjoy hanging out with my friends and family. I am very passionate about sports as well as the outdoors. I love to spend my time hunting and fishing whenever I have the opportunity. I have also been involved in many sports throughout my time at Unity. Those sports include basketball, football, baseball, and track. For my future, I plan to attend Dordt University to study Criminal Justice and play football. One of my favorite bible verses is Proverbs 12:27. It says "The lazy do not roast any game, but the diligent feed on the riches of the hunt." This verse reminds me to not get so caught up in the end goal, but rather helps me focus on the journey to get there and the lessons it teaches. It also teaches me that being lazy gets you nowhere in life.



TREVOR WIERINGA

My name is Trevor Wieringa. I was born and raised in Sioux Center to Daryl and Cara Wieringa. I have two younger brothers: Austin, who is a freshman at Unity, and Mason, a 6th grader at Sioux Center Christian School. While at Unity, I participated in football, basketball, and track. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with friends, my family, and attending youth group at Bethel CRC. I plan on attending Dordt University next year where I will be playing football and studying business. My favorite Bible verse is Jeremiah 29:11, which says "'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'" This verse gives me hope and security knowing that God always has a plan, and knows what will happen next in my life.

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1973 KNIGHTS AND LADY
Ted Hengeveld & Arlis Van Beek



1983 KNIGHTS AND LADY
Randy Jacobsma & Laura Obbink



1993 KNIGHTS AND LADY
Brad Vos & Sherry Zomermaand



2003 KNIGHTS AND LADY
Jon Hellinga & Melissa Eekhoff



2013 KNIGHTS AND LADY
Dylan Bartles & Hope Kramer



**Knights and
Ladies**