



Saturday Night Alive!

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At a Glance: Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 9, "Jews for Jesus" event in Hill City, SD. 7:00 PM.

Saturday, April 16th, Bowling, 5:00 PM meal and 6:00 PM bowling @ Robbinsdale Lanes

Saturday, April 23rd, "Voice of the Martyrs" missionaries to speak in Spearfish. 6:30 PM.

Sunday, April 24th, Easter Sunrise Service @ Mount Rushmore. Leaving Mt. Rushmore Rd. Safeway @6:30 AM.

Thursday, May 5th, National Day of Prayer @ Rapid City Civic Center, 7:00 PM. Need volunteers.

Saturday, May 7th, Coffee House @ Alternative Fuel Coffee House. 7:00—9:30 PM.

Saturday, May 14th, "SEX, Enjoy it the Way God Intended!" Video series @ CLM, 7:00 PM.

More information and the remaining calendar is on page 3.

Spring Has Sprung!!!



I don't know about you, but I am so excited about spring's arrival. Spring, to me, means new beginnings, celebrations, Easter, warmer weather, etc... SNA has some pretty neat things coming up this spring.

We are enthused about our Coffee House, first of all. Wes Hotchkiss, a singer from the plains of South Dakota, will be with us to share his music. He will have a section of sing-a-long songs, another section of his own patriotic songs and will end with a section of gospel music. Wes is a young man who ranches full time along with writing and performing his own music. The Coffee House will have a western theme with special western refreshments available to purchase. You are encouraged to come dressed in western attire!!

In May we will be featuring an evening of learning about "SEX, Enjoy it the Way God Intended". This is the first of a video series created by Dennis Franck, national singles' ministry director for the Assemblies of God Church.

South Dakota has some neat state parks and the weekend of May 21st is a free weekend in the state parks. There is no entrance fee, and no charge for fishing in the parks. SNA has planned a "Day in the Sun" for Saturday, May 21st. We will be heading south to Angostura Reservoir for a day of fishing, playing "Blind Croquet", and other fun activities.

Lead On! Leadership Conference

March 11-12, 2011

Highlights

According to the latest United States census, more than 40% of all adults in America are single. These single adults could be young adults who just aren't married yet, adults who have never married, adults who are divorced or widowed, adults with children, or adults without children. Most adults who attend a single adult activity are between the ages of 35—59. Many of these adults have the potential to be a great single adult ministries leader. The adults who attended the recent leadership conference were there to learn more about singles' ministry and how to have an engaging, thriving, purposeful Christ-centered ministry to singles.

Dennis Franck, who is the national singles' ministry leader for the Assemblies of God church, was our presenter. He had many interesting things to say. Friday night, about 40 people attended and Dennis talked about trends that affect single adult ministry. He had just received the latest census statistics and was excited about sharing them. Some of these statistics include 61.5 million adults who have never married, 23.7 million who are divorced and 14.3 million adults who are widowed. Another 5.5 million adults are separated. He also shared how the make-up of the family has changed. Now, instead of the nuclear family, there are single-parent families, step/blended parent families, divorced/step/blended families, and divorced/remarried families. Because single adults come from such diverse backgrounds and experiences, ministry to single adults needs to be diverse, as well.

Some of the areas of ministry include: relational ministry that provides opportunities for people to meet and build friendships; social ministry that provides healthy, fun appealing activities; intellectual ministry which provides teaching, seminars and classes to address issues of singles; emotional ministry which provides support through programs and counseling; spiritual ministry which provides spiritual growth, discipleship and salvation; and, last but not least, recreation or physical ministry which provides sports and recreation. All of these ministry areas can be addressed or we can pick and choose which ones we, as a group, would like to concentrate on.

Saturday was a day of brainstorming and discussion regarding making our singles' group better. We were divided into groups and asked to evaluate how we were doing in each area of ministry and to set some goals for each area. The group I was in decided sky diving would be an attainable goal and something that would be fun for our group. We don't have anything concrete, yet, though, so don't hold your breath. :) There were lively discussions at all four tables with some ideas and goals being compiled from the discussion.

Saturday evening at the Christian Life Ministries building, Dennis presented the Six Principles of a great leader. These principles include: servant-hood, ownership, responsibility, authority, accountability and unity.
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May be placed on your refrigerator for easy access. (Or in your pocketbook or glove box!)

Go to www.saturdaynightalivesingles.com for more information, or call Darcie @ (605) 209-6677

April 2011

Saturday, April 9th, 5:45 PM. Meet at Mt. Rushmore Rd. Safeway, Rapid City to car pool to The Little White Church in Hill City for a "Jews for Jesus" event. The event begins @ 7:00 PM. "Jews for Jesus" will be presenting a very interesting program. For more information call 605-209-6677.

Saturday, April 16th, 5:00 PM. Meet at Robbisndale Lanes, 805 E. St. Patrick St., Rapid City for Bowling. Meal in the restaurant @ 5:00 PM with bowling following @ 6:00 PM. Cost is \$2.75 per person per game and includes shoe rental. Contact number is 605-342-0613 to get more information.

Saturday, April 23rd, 6:30 PM. "Voice of the Martyrs" missionaries will be sharing their stories at Calvary Temple Assembly of God church, W Hwy. 14, in Spearfish. If interested in car pooling, or for more information, call 605-348-2258.

Sunday, April 24th, Easter Sunday, 6:30 AM. Meet at Mt. Rushmore Rd. Safeway to car pool to Mount Rushmore for an Easter Sunrise service. Begins at 7:00 am—8:00 am. For more information or to car pool, call 605-348-2258.

May 2011

Thursday, May 5th, 7:00 PM. National Day of Prayer, Rapid City Civic Center. Event goes from 7:00 pm—8:30 pm. Volunteers from our organization needed to help usher. If interested in volunteering, call Laurel @ 605-545-4852 before April 29th. Volunteers will need to be at the Civic Center early.

Saturday, May 7th, 7:00 PM. Coffee House @ Alternative Fuel Coffee House, 620 Main St., Rapid City. Western theme!! Wes Hotchkiss, South Dakota rancher/singer will provide entertainment. He will have a section of sing-a-long music, another of patriotic music and a section of gospel. You are encouraged to wear western attire. Alternative Fuel will have a special western drink and dish. Cover charge is \$2.00. Refreshments are extra. Call 484-1460 for more information. Come for fun and fellowship and food!

Saturday, May 14th, 7:00 PM. Meet at Christian Life Ministries building at 1948 North Plaza Dr., Rapid City for the first video in a six part series presenting "SEX, Enjoy it the Way God Intended". Dennis Franck, national singles' director for the Assemblies of God church, created this video series. Discussion will be a major part of the evening. For more information, call 605-209-6677.

Saturday, May 21st, 7:45 AM. Fun Day in the Sun. Free entrance and Free fishing at state parks in South Dakota. We will be car pooling from St. Patrick St. Family Thrift Center parking lot meeting at 7:45 AM, to head to Angostura Reservoir south of Hot Springs, SD for fishing, Blind Croquet, and other fun activities. Bring your own lunch and water as well as fishing equipment, if you wish to fish. Alternative plan if the weather doesn't cooperate is going to Evans' Plunge in Hot Springs for a day of swimming. Cost for Evans' Plunge is \$12.00 per person. Contact number is 605-342-0613.

June 2011 (beginning of the month)

Saturday-Sunday, June 4th and 5th, MEN ONLY fishing weekend to Pierre, SD. Contact Craig @ 605-348-2258 if interested.

ALSO, Crazy Horse Volksmarch, hiking to the arm of Crazy Horse Monument, is the same weekend.

Lead On! Leadership Conference Highlights, cont.

The first principle, servant-hood, reminds us that Jesus was a servant and told us in Mark chapter 10 that “whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant.” There is always room for a person who is willing to serve. “A person can do much for Christ if s/he doesn’t care who gets the credit.”

The second principle, ownership, has to do with the fact that people have a tendency to support what they help to create. Someone who helps plan and implement activities, even if they fail, have ownership and will work harder to make sure they succeed next time.

The third principle, authority, is where leaders need to have authority and it is important that they handle it wisely. Responsibility without authority is puppetry.

The fourth principle deals with accountability. Everyone needs to be accountable to someone. Accountability helps people mature.

The fifth principle is unity. Unity encourages us to work together graciously, without complaining or criticizing.

The sixth principle, responsibility, of course, deals with the fact that if we volunteer or are given a job to do, we must follow through.

These six principles work together to create a good leader and a great leadership team.



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