

## THE DUTCH LETTER THE CENTRAL COLLEGE ALUMNI. DONORS & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

## **SHARE TO INSPIRE HOPE**

Over the past year, we've all heard and experienced how tough 2020 has been. Navigating a pandemic was new for all of us. We grieved a series of collective losses since the world heard the term COVID-19 for the first time. We've been alarmed and scared. We created angry memes about what an awful year 2020 was.

While those are true — and should never be taken lightly — as we begin the new year, we wonder about moments of joy 2020 created. Did the pandemic change something in your life for the positive? Open an unexpected opportunity? Inspire you and lift your spirits?

Jenae Jenison '11, director of external engagement, and Drew Sikkink '06, Graham/Gaas/Hoffman area coordinator, both of Pella, started walking and running together on March 11, 2020, as a way to stay active during the pandemic. They are on a nearly 300-day consecutive streak with no plans of stopping any time soon.

Details about Jenae and Drew's achievement and what it means to them will be in the Spring 2021 Civitas (April). We'd love to make known your moments of inspiration, too! Share your story of hope, resilience and inspiration by Jan. 15, 2020, and we'll include in the next issue of Central's alumni magazine.