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We, the members of DACU, people of diverse faiths and beliefs, are united by our belief in God, our concerns for justice and our call to serve others. Through prayerful dependence on God and respectful cooperation with each other, we will make a difference in our world by fostering an awareness and understanding of human need. We will be a supportive presence in this community and beyond through the generous sharing of our time, talents, and resources. Mission Statement adopted 10/22/96.

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DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT
Here's just a few of the events sponsored by our DACU congregations and associates. Turn the page to learn more!		
May 28	DACU	DACU Spring Worship, St. Mark Community Center, 7:00 PM
August 27	DACU	DACU Annual Potluck Picnic...details to follow
September 6	Church Women United	Human Rights Celebration, Dubuque Arboretum Porch, 9:30 AM Coffee, 10:00 Celebration
September 24	DACU	DACU Delegates Meeting, Dubuque Rescue Mission, 7:00 PM
June, July, August	Sinsinawa Mound	Summer Organ Concert Series, every Wednesday, 7:00 PM



DACU Delegates Meeting

Spring Worship Service!
Tuesday, May 28
St. Mark Community Center
1201 Locust St.
7:00 P.M.

Representatives from First Baptist Church, Tri-State Islamic Center, and Temple Beth El will lead us in a truly interfaith worship experience, and we will hear from SMCC Director Tara Velez about St. Mark's recent activity.

Please bring non-perishable food and paper goods for the Dubuque Food Pantry.



Mark your Calendar: Upcoming DACU Events



Tuesday May 28, 7:00 PM. DACU Spring Worship Service, St. Mark Community Center.

(No DACU Delegates Meetings in June or July)

Tuesday August 27 we are planning our annual DACU Potluck Picnic....details to follow!

Tuesday September 24, 7:00 PM, Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Tuesday October 22, 7:00 PM, St. John Lutheran Church; Program will be Homelessness in Dubuque.

Wednesday November 27, 7:00 PM, Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

No DACU Delegates' Meeting in December.

NOTE.....If you have an event you'd like to announce or publicize at a DACU meeting, PLEASE bring printed fliers to distribute. Bob Kraye always has an information table. Just announcing your event won't assure that people remember it!

DACU Board Report

As of April 30, 10 Congregations and one Associate have contributed to the work of DACU for 2013. Thank you to Lord of Life Lutheran and St. Peter Lutheran for their April donations to the work of DACU!

FY 2013 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 4/30/2013			
	April	2013 YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET 2013
Income	\$ 234.66	\$ 2,487.12	\$6,450.00
Expenses	\$ 14.27	\$ 5,475.55	\$6,450.00
Ending Balance as of 3/31/2013: \$3,586.95			

Please help us to support our DACU projects!

Checks should be made payable to "Dubuque Area Congregations United" and sent to:

DACU Treasurer,
P.O. Box 811, Dubuque IA 52004

The DACU board meets the first Wednesday of each month at 4:15 p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Meetings are always open to the members of DACU.

DACU Projects

People In Need (P.I.N.)

I hope you saw the article, "Organization PINning Down Need in Dubuque" in the TH last month. We appreciate this opportunity to tell our story! Need does continue. As of March 31, P.I.N. had made 46 assists for the 2013 year; nearly half of these were for rent to prevent eviction.

Alan Garfield, P.I.N. President

**Please send donations to: Tom Stovall, PIN Treasurer,
3345 Tibey Court, Dubuque, IA 52002-2849**



Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Rick Mihm reports that plans are in motion for the donation of a greenhouse to enhance the ongoing gardening project.

Donations are needed for the Resale Shop. Please note that the Mission is willing to come and pick up large donations...just call the shop at 583-3443 to schedule a time!

Rev. Rick Mihm, Director
(mihmr@mchsi.com)



Dubuque Food Pantry

Thank you to all who continue to support the Food Pantry with monetary donations and food collections.

Planning ahead to this summer; please remember the Pantry when you are gardening. We would be glad to give out any extra produce you might have.

Does your church/congregation want to know what we could use? Each month I will be listing a few items that we could use so you can plan ahead and get the list in your church bulletin/announcements.

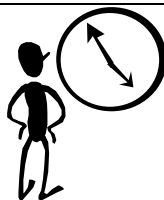
May --- Spaghetti sauce, sugar, mustard, bar soap or body wash

Drop off hours are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. and Tues. 9:00-noon.

God bless you and thank you for your continued support.

Sister Lynn Wagner, Manager

DACU Community



It is time for our annual update of the DACU Worship Brochure which we distribute to local hotels and hospitals. We want to list your congregation, its address, phone contact, email or website, and worship and religious school schedule.

Please send updates to the DACU Worship Committee, attention Phyllis Garfield, phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com. To check how your congregation is currently listed, go to www.DACUonline.org and click on "Worship Brochure".

(Remember! Even if your congregation is not a member of DACU, we are still happy to list your services in our brochure. Just let us know!)



Unitarian Universalist Congregation Bi-Monthly Coffeehouse Night of Talent!

The next Historic District Coffeehouse will be 7:30-10 p.m. Saturday, July 27, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Dubuque, 17th and Iowa streets.

All experienced and developing Dubuque regional acoustic musicians, poets, writers, performance artists are invited to come and perform live. The public is invited to enjoy the evening free of charge (donations for coffee or canned goods for the Dubuque Food Pantry are appreciated).

If interested in performing, contact Bruce at 608-348-5099, but walk-ons for the open mic also are welcome.

The coffeehouse is hosted bi-monthly. Upcoming 2013 dates, all on Saturday nights, are July 27, Sept. 21 and Nov. 16.



Habitat for Humanity

Here is a tasty way to donate to Habitat! "Home Cookin" 100th Centennial Realtor cookbooks are now on sale! They make great gifts and **all proceeds benefit Habitat for Humanity**: Cost for the cookbooks are as follows:
1-2 Cookbooks \$20 each
3-5 Cookbooks \$18 each
6 or more Cookbooks \$15 each

You can purchase cookbooks at the Board Office of Realtors (1828 Carter Rd) Dubuque, IA, 52001 Between Ridge Rd and John F Kennedy Rd) or the "Plaza 20" Market.

Elaine Mitchell, Habitat for Humanity
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St. Mark Community Center

Every year, St. Mark Community Center commits to helping with school supplies for local children whose families are unable to provide them. "Apples for Kids" has provided over 20,000 school supply bags for children in need over the past 17 years. A record number of children in need is expected this year, referred by local public and parochial schools.

St. Mark notes that each pack of supplies costs \$25, and donations of money are more efficient than donations of supplies, as each school has a specific list. You can mail your donations (marked "Apples for Kids") to SMCC, 1201 Locust St., Dubuque, IA 52001.

St. Mark would like to have all donations by early July so they can organize the purchase and distribution.

Karen Bryant
Events Coordinator
St. Mark Community Center
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Sinsinawa Mound

Summer Organ Concert Recitals

Every Wednesday evening throughout the summer (June, July, August), the Sinsinawa Mound Outreach Music Department hosts organ recitals performed by guest musicians in Queen of the Holy Rosary Chapel at Sinsinawa Mound. The Summer Organ Concert Recital series is free and open to the public, beginning at 7 p.m. For more information, please call Sinsinawa Mound, (608) 748-4411, or visit their website, www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter

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International Speakers Bureau

The International Speakers Bureau is a small group of citizens that evolved from a Human Rights Sub Committee based on Diversity with a focus on national origin. We have a 10 minute DVD (recently updated) that shows current immigrants in Dubuque. Our presentations include the DVD and an immigrant speaker who can share a bit of his or her story and then some time for questions. Our goal is to build bridges of understanding between the people who live in Dubuque and to gently invite people to greet newcomers with a spirit of hospitality. For more information, please contact Corine Murray, PBVM, Presentation Lantern Center, 1584 White St., Dubuque, IA 52001 (563.557.7134) www.presentationlanterndbq.org

Hospice of Dubuque

The Hospice of Dubuque Tree of Life is a living symbol of those we love and will always remember. Hospice of Dubuque invites the community to the annual Tree of Life Memorial Service on Tuesday, May 21, at 7:30 pm in Washington Park. The service will include music, readings and lighting of the Tree of Life display. Each light placed symbolizes a donation made in memory or honor of a loved one. All memorials, not only those served by Hospice of Dubuque, are welcome. You are invited to add a light to the tree by sending a monetary gift of any amount no later than Friday, May 17, to ensure names appear in the program. Please send your request to Hospice of Dubuque, 1670 JFK Road, Dubuque, IA 52002 or visit www.hospiceofdubuque.org. Behr's Funeral Home is the proud sponsor the Tree of Life.

Linda Wolf, Community Relations Facilitator
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Circles Initiative

Have you heard of the Circles® Initiative? It is part of an innovative national movement that connects volunteers and community leaders to families wanting to make the journey out of poverty. This program is run through the City of Dubuque Housing & Community Development Department.

Every Tuesday evening Circles® Community Meetings provide a chance for families to build relationships and develop life skills. On these nights we provide childcare and dinner, which are both donated services. ***The program is volunteer run – here's your volunteer opportunity!***

Supporting the Circles Initiative is easy! This is a great opportunity for you, your coworkers, your family or your congregation to contribute to Dubuque's efforts to eliminate poverty one family at a time. You can sign up to donate once or you can sign up to donate multiple meals – whatever works for you!

If you would like to donate a meal or if you would like more information, please contact me, Jessica Kieffer at 563-589-4230 or jkieffer@cityofdubuque.org We truly appreciate all of your generosity- this initiative is a community effort, and we couldn't do it without your help. Thank you!

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