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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 10/22/1996.

www.DACUonline.org/

EVENTS

DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT
Here's just a few of the events sponsored by our DACU congregations and associates. Turn the page to learn more!		
Sundays June-August	Dubuque Arboretum	Music in the Gardens, 6:30 PM, Packard Pavilion, Free and open to all. See website for schedule.
Wednesdays June - August	Sinsinawa Mound Center	Organ Concerts, 7:00 PM, Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel No admission, but freewill offering appreciated. Schedule on website
August 25	DACU	Delegate Family Potluck Picnic 6:00 PM Arboretum
August 29	Downtown Dubuque Christian Outreach	Free screening of "Ghost People: Seeing all the people" at Mindframe Theater, 10:00 AM. Includes discussion of homelessness in Dubuque.
September 10	DACU	CROP Hunger Walk Recruitment Rally, 6 PM, Dubuque Rescue Mission
September 11	Church Women United	Human Rights Celebration, 9:30 am, Dubuque Arboretum Porch
September 12	St. Raphael Cathedral	4 th Annual Ecumenical Garage Sale, 8 am-4 pm at St. Raphael Cathedral Center. Benefits "Almost Home" shelters.
October 4	DACU	CROP Hunger Walk, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1:00pm
October 24	Operation New View	Andrew Connolly Make A Difference Day (see more on page 4)



DACU Delegate Potluck Picnic (bring a friend!)

Tuesday, August 25 , 6:00 PM
Dubuque Arboretum
(Visitors' Center Porch)
3800 Arboretum Drive

CROP Walk Presentation

***Please bring a dish to share that will feed your party plus 8 others. Cold drinks and paper goods will be provided.

Remember: Guests are always welcome!
Please bring a friend...share the good news about our community!
Please bring non-perishable food and paper goods for the Dubuque Food Pantry.

Upcoming DACU Delegates Meetings

August 25: Dubuque Arboretum
 3800 Arboretum Drive, **6:00 PM
 Delegate Potluck Picnic
 Crop Walk Presentation

September 22: (New Location!)
 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
 1755 Delhi St., 7:00 PM
 Opening Doors

October 27: St. Elias Orthodox Church
 1075 Rockdale Road, 7:00 PM
 DACU Projects

November 25: ANNUAL DACU INTERFAITH
 THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE
 7:00 pm, Resurrection Catholic Church

No DACU Delegates Meeting in December

DACU Board Report

As of July 31, 15 congregations and one associate member had contributed to the work of DACU for 2015. Thank you to Rockdale Methodist, St. Matthew Lutheran, and St. John's Lutheran for their generous donations in July!

FY 2015 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 7/31/2015			
	July	2015 YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET 2015
Income	\$ 166.72	\$ 4,705.70	\$6,450.00
Expenses	\$ 187.00	\$ 4,376.08	\$6,450.00
Ending Balance as of 7/31/2015: \$2,012.21			

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. Board meetings are always open to the members of DACU.

DACU Projects

People In Need (P.I.N.).

Do you know of someone in need?

Here is the P.I.N. assist number: (563) 581-7995

Please leave a message since this is only a recorded line. Potential clients should not call; only social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations should refer potential clients. Application via phone only.

As of July 31, P.I.N. has made 135 assists for the year. Despite donations of \$481.25 in July, our balance is currently at \$320. We cannot safely make any further assists until we receive more funds. Please help if you can!

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



Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Watch our garden grow! Visit our Thrift Stores!

Summer Volunteer Opportunities include working in the greenhouse, the bike shop, the Thrift Store, answering phones, mentoring, leading Bible study, serving meals.

Our website is www.DubuqueRescue.org

DACU Rescue Mission Representative
Maryann Caudill LoGuidice
608.642.1270



Dubuque Food Pantry

Thank you to all who continue to support the Food Pantry with monetary donations and food collections. We also wish to thank everyone that has dropped off garden produce. We have given out lots of cucumbers, onions, rhubarb, etc... Now the tomatoes and potatoes are starting to arrive. So if you have extra produce we would be very glad to accept it.

Is your church/congregation wanting 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.

August—Crackers, hamburger helper, can meats, peanut butter, deodorant, bar soap, facial tissues. garden produce.

We are in need of grocery bags. They can be plastic, paper or the reusable kind.

September – Sugar, mac & cheese, tuna, oil, potatoes of any kind, laundry soap, dish soap, garden produce

Drop off hours are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00a.m. to 3:30p.m. and Tues. 9:00-11:45a.m.

God bless you and thank you for your continued support.
**Sister Lynn Wagner, Manager
583-4440**

DACU Community

St. Raphael's Cathedral

4th Annual Ecumenical Garage and Bake Sale

to Benefit:

ALMOST HOME shelter for homeless men
St. John Lutheran Church 1276 White St.
Dubuque, Ia.

Saturday, September 12, 2015

8:00 am - 4:00 pm St Raphael Cathedral Center

231 Bluff St. (Parking behind Cathedral)



Please bring donations to St. Raphael
Cathedral Center (behind St. John's)

Friday, September 11, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Come to shop on Saturday, September 12.
Let's join together to support St. John's
Lutheran Almost Home

PLEASE DONATE clean, lightly used,
quality items for the garage sale such as:
Lamps, home decor, toys, blankets,
sheets, towels, furniture, pots and pans,
dishes, glass-ware, tools, holiday decor,
books, jewelry, pictures, throw rugs,
clocks, bookcases, small appliances and
baked goods.

Please no clothing, shoes, TVs, computers, gym
equipment or well-used items!

Financial contributions welcome.

Make checks to St. John's Lutheran
Church **ALMOST HOME**.

Questions? Call Betty Vanden Huevel at 582-1539

Summit Congregational UCC

Save the Date: Wednesday August 19th @ 7:00 p.m.

Summit Congregational UCC located at 2885 JF
Kennedy Rd. will be hosting a showing of the
documentary "Ghost People" concerning the issue of
homelessness in our community. A discussion will follow
led by Mike McFarlane who helped in the making of this
documentary. The purpose of this discussion is twofold;
to answer any questions and to consider possible
actions that we can be taking to help be a part of the
solution to this very prevalent and ongoing problem. **Any
questions please call 582-5661.** If no one answers
please leave a message!

CROP Hunger Walk

Get a team, get donations, and plan to walk! This year's
CROP Walk will be Sunday October 4th at 1 PM from
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (1755 Delhi). Come to the
recruitment rally and supper September 10, 6 pm at the
Dubuque Rescue Mission. You can donate online at
www.crophungerwalk.org/dubuqueia and learn more at
www.facebook.com/DubuqueCROP. Questions? Email
Dubuque CROP Hunger Walk Coordinator at
maryannu@fastmail.fm

Multicultural Family Center

You are invited!

Back to School Bash

Date: Saturday, August 8th Time: 12-4:00 PM

Comiskey Park
255 E 24th STREET

This is your one-stop shop to learn about **FREE** resources in your community that can help
your students and your families get ready for the school year!

**LEARN MORE ABOUT
THESE ORGANIZATIONS**

- AmeriCorps Partners in Learning
- New Branch Watershed Flood Mitigation Project
- Boys & Girls Club
- City of Dubuque Leisure Services
- Dubuque Black Men Coalition
- ISU Extension & Outreach
- Life Connection
- Mindset Nutrition
- Multicultural Family Center
- Project Concern
- Resources Unite
- St. Mark Youth Enrichment

APPLES FOR STUDENTS
Register for St. Mark Youth Enrichment's Apples for Students Program to have your K-5 student's school supplies provided and available for them at their school!
Contact St. Mark if you have any questions! 563-582-6211 ext. 112 or, owners@stmarkyouthenrichment.org.

Thank you to all of our community partners for helping to make the
2015-2016 school year a success for everyone!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Andreae Salsal at 563-594-4244 or Andreae@mczoo.org

Dubuque Ministerium

The Dubuque Ministerium is open to all religious leaders in Dubuque and the surrounding area. The Ministerium meets the second Tuesday of each month at 12:00 Noon. Lunches are provided with a requested donation of \$5. Here is the schedule for the coming year:

September 8th - Rev. Pamela Starr hosts at Immanuel (1795 Jackson St.)

October 13th - Rev. DeWayne Teig hosts at St. Peter's Lutheran (3200 Asbury Rd)

November 10th - Karen Leisen hosts at Church of the Nativity (1225 Alta Vista Street)

December 8th - Rev. Rick Mihm and Rev. Maryann LoGuidice host at Dubuque Rescue Mission (398 Main Street).

January 12th - Karen Knepper hosts at Shalom Spirituality Center (1001 Davis Street)

February 9th - Tom Bond hosts at KFXB/CTN (744 Main St.)

March 8th - Rev. Okitakoyi Lundula hosts at St. Luke's (1199 Main St)

April 12th - Rev. Dianne Grace hosts at Hospice of Dubuque (1670 JFK Road)

May 10th - Rev. Fr. Dustin Lyon hosts at St. Elias (1075 Rockdale Rd.)

For more information contact Fr. Dustin Lyon,
Ministerium President, at 563-583-5902 or
dustin.lyon@gmail.com



Collecting **NEW** undergarments through
November 22, 2015

for ~

Dubuque Rescue Mission, Theresa Shelter,
& The Guest House @ Almost Home

Items must be **NEW** and in the package. All sizes.

Men - Women - Boys - Girls

Underwear; Undershirts; Sports Bras;

Socks; Thermal Undershirts & Pants

Drop off Locations:

St. John's Episcopal Church Office, 1458 Locust: Tues-Wed-Thu, 9:00a-12:00n

St. John's Lutheran Church, 1276 White: Mon thru Fri, 1:30p-4:30p

or by appointment, 563-495-1353

This week, thru August 8, Target has Fruit of the Loom underwear, undershirts, and socks on sale for men, women, and children! Bonus - Target has a coupon; if you buy 3 items you get \$5 off!! Double Bonus - if you buy the items this Friday or Saturday, August 7th or 8th, they are TAX FREE!!!! K-Mart also has Fruit of the Loom products on sale this week!

Thank you for helping to meet this need in our community.



Habitat for Humanity

The house is finally finished! And now we are looking at property for our next project. We have some land in mind but we need more funding in place. To make a donation, please contact Elaine Mitchell, Habitat DACU Representative, at diettou@gmail.com

Look for our "Habitat" booth at the Dubuque Farmers' Market on August 22 and September 12!



Church Women United

Save these Dates!

September 11 Human Rights Celebration
Dubuque Arboretum Porch
3800 Arboretum Dr.
9:30 a.m. Gather/Coffee

10:00 Celebration
Theme: Journey Toward Peace

November 6 World Community Day
Rockdale United Methodist Church
1500 Old Mill Road
9:30 Gather/Coffee 10:00 Celebration
Theme: Our Journey Together
Sue Hattel, CWU Leadership Team 556-1394



Operation New View

Andrew Connolly Make a Difference Day

October 24, 2015

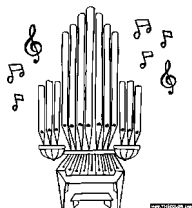
We will focus on assisting senior citizens, handicapped, veterans and others with a helping hand. Services may include light duty chores around the home, yard work projects, socializing and planning games with homebound seniors, simple repairs, and weatherization activities such as new furnace filters, applying window plastic or caulking. If you know of someone who needs these services you can call Amanda Hohmann of Operation New View at 563.556.5130 ext. 14. A team will inspect all homes and make final determinations for qualification. Deadline for requests is September 14.

If you would like to organize one or more volunteer teams, contact Jodi Dodd, TH Media, at 563.599.1179 or go online to:
www.THonline.com/MakeADifferenceDay/volunteer

Shalom Spirituality Center

Franciscan Center for Hospitality, Prayer, & Spirituality
1001 Davis Dubuque, IA 52001
Phone: 563/582-3592
Web: www.shalomretreats.org
Email: info@shalomretreats.org

Read about upcoming events in Shalom's own information-filled online newsletter!
<http://www.shalomretreats.org/programs.html>



Sinsinawa Mound Center

Don't forget the **Summer Organ Concert series** every Wednesday (June through August) at Our Lady of The Rosary Chapel, 7:00 PM. Admission is free. For a list of performers check the website.

For more information on events at Sinsinawa, call or visit the Mound: 585 County Road Z, Sinsinawa, WI 53824, (608) 748-4411. OR visit their website: https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events_retreats.cfm

Dubuque Community



Hope House

As you may know, we serve Community Meals, to which all are invited, on Sunday and Monday evenings at 6:00p. An average group of 25-35 people share in the meal. **We are in need of groups to serve on Sundays from June 22 through September 28.**

Please contact me if your group would like to bring a Sunday evening meal to share with our guests!

Tom Johnson
Hope House
1592 Locust
Dubuque, IA 52001
(563) 582-9079



Would you like your event, volunteer opportunity, or organization publicized in the DACU Newsletter?

**Just email the editor at phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com
We'll do our best to include anything in harmony with DACU's mission.**

Downtown Dubuque Christian Outreach

PRESS RELEASE: FROM The Downtown Dubuque Christian Outreach



Free Screening and Discussion on Homelessness
Mindframe Theaters August 29 10:00 AM

Ghost People: Seeing All the People

This free screening of the locally produced 20-minute documentary and discussion is brought to you by the **Downtown Dubuque Christian Outreach's** Homelessness Action and Awareness Group. Local homelessness related organizations have been invited to be on-site to provide in-depth information about their organizations and to provide practical, factual answers to your questions about what homelessness looks like in this community. You will also have the chance to hear personal stories from people who've been homeless.

The screening is free; donations are welcomed for the individual organizations.

Questions about this screening or to schedule a screening for your church, organization or community group, call 563.495.6781.

Alzheimer's Association

The Heart of Dementia Care: What Still Remains
A perspective through spiritual lenses

Friday, August 21, 1:30 to 3:30 pm
Asbury Branch Dubuque County Public Library
5290 Grand Meadow Drive, Asbury IA

RSVP deadline is August 19; the event is **FREE**
Suitable for family & professional caregivers
To register call 1.800.272.3900

What matters most when caring for someone diagnosed with Alzheimer's or a related illness? It helps to know something about the disease. It helps more to know something about the person with the illness. It helps most to know something about the essential, historical traditions of spirituality. Get the foundation right, and everything else falls into place.

This unique educational program is about the essential ways to integrate spiritual principles with dementia care. Facilitated by Jerry Schroeder, MSSW, Senior Program Specialist, Alzheimer's Association.



**Climate Change and Peace
Dubuque's United Nations
International Day of Peace Festival 2015**

In our sixth year, our 2015 focus is on how climate change impacts peace issues such as violent conflict, refugees, and resource allocation. We are planning additional events anticipating the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris set for early December. **The Day of Peace is recognized around the world every September 21, and our Festival is from September 11 to 27, 2015.**



Featured event: At 7 pm on Monday, September 21, 2015 at Loras College Alumni Center: Dr. Reese Halter will address climate disruption, its connections to problems like armed conflict, refugees, poverty, and the need to shift resources and energy now

directed toward preparing for warfare. As Founder and President of Global Forest Science, he has built an international reputation for initiating meaningful research designed to protect natural resources for future generations. He leads a team of more than 100 scientists from 29 universities in eight countries.

Coordinating Committee:

Michelle Balek, OSF, Sister of St. Francis
David Cochran, Loras College
Christine Darr, University of Dubuque
Sue Dravis, Westminster Presbyterian Mission Chair
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Brynn McDonnell, community volunteer
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Andrew Phillips, Divine Word College
Art Roche, Dubuque Peace and Justice
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Judy Schmidt, ISEA Retired Teachers
Paul Schultz, Green Dubuque
RRS Stewart, Dubuque for Refugee Children
Terry Stewart, St. Luke's United Methodist Church Social Justice
Kathy Sutton, Dubuque Branch NAACP
Marilyn Taylor, Divine Word College
Dolores Ullrich, OSF, Sister of St. Francis
John Woodin, music education professional

**More information, additional events at:
www.dbqdayofpeace.org**

NOTE: The Children of Abraham & Dubuque Coalition for Nonviolence are planning a peace walk and rally on Sunday September 27 at the University

of Dubuque. Plans are still in process, so save the date and watch for more information soon!

Inclusive Dubuque

"Inclusive Dubuque" is a local network of community leaders from faith, labor, education and government dedicated to advancing justice and social equity in our community. The network organizes people, identifies issues, and takes action to challenge and change social and economic structures.

DACU is a network member of Inclusive Dubuque!

For more information, and to see how YOU or your organization can get involved, visit www.inclusiveDBQ.org.



Dubuque Arboretum

Music in the Gardens!

When the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens constructed the Packard Pavilion as a venue for outdoor concerts, the **Dubuque Arts Council** joined us and began sponsoring a number of our summer evening events that we call **Music in the Gardens**. Join us every Sunday evening through June, July, and August at 6:30pm. Gather on the lawn with family and friends to enjoy a wide variety of popular musical attractions that range from swing to country, jazz to blues, classical to show choirs, and more. These events are free and open to all! For a complete list see our website: www.dubuquearboretum.net/special-events/music-in-the-gardens/



Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging

Volunteers Needed in Dubuque to Deliver Meals to Home Bound Seniors

Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging (NEI3A) is in urgent need of volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors in the Dubuque area. Nutrition is a vital component to remaining healthy and independent. For many seniors it can be increasingly difficult to prepare a meal. NEI3A's mission is to help empower

older people to remain in their homes for as long as they desire. In order to fulfill this mission NEI3A relies on hundreds of volunteers each year to assist with the delivery of meals.

Meals are delivered Monday through Friday in Dubuque out of Alverno Apartments located at 3525 Windsor Avenue. Volunteers use their own vehicles to deliver the meals and usually work in pairs if possible with one driving and the other taking the meals to the door. Volunteers are reimbursed for mileage. Meals are available for volunteers to pick up at 10:30 a.m. Meal deliveries usually take approximately 2 hours. Volunteers are always needed no matter how much time they can commit, whether it is once a week or once a month!

If you, your church, or some other organizations are interested in volunteering to help deliver meals, please contact Stacie Speirs at 563-588-3970 ext. 3006.

NEI3A is a private, not-for-profit corporation serving older persons in Allamakee, Black Hawk, Bremer, Buchanan, Butler, Chickasaw, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Grundy, Hardin, Howard, Jackson, Marshall, Poweshiek, Tama, Winneshiek Counties. NEI3A coordinates services for people ages 60 and older and their caregivers to maintain the independence they desire. Some of the services provided by NEI3A include the Lifelong Links-Aging & Disability Resource Center, home delivered meals, caregiver support and respite services, case management services, consumer protection, congregate meals, public information and education, and advocacy.



Crescent Community Health Center

Crescent Community Health Center is forming a patient advisory council and we need your help. If you are at least 18 years old, a patient at Crescent and interested in being a part of an advisory group please contact Erin at (563) 690-2419 for more information.

Want more information about your health insurance options? Call Angela at (563) 552-8080 or Laura at (563) 690-2856 to schedule your appointment today!

Volunteers are needed to assist with various projects at Crescent. Interested persons may request an application from Erin at (563) 690-2419.



United Way

Get Connected!

United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States has increased the potential for volunteerism, advocacy and involvement in the community through the launch of a free online community today at DBQUnitedWay.org/Volunteer.

Get Connected is an online platform provided in partnership with the Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service. It allows interested individuals to see the many ways they can make a difference and provides agencies a venue to promote their volunteer opportunities and needs.

"It's a one-stop shop that raises awareness and builds relationships between organizations and individuals who are willing to provide a helping hand," says Chris Chapin-Tilton, director of community building and impact at United Way. "The website provides an effective way to learn about volunteer opportunities, especially for those who are new to the community and looking to network."

The new portal will create matches among charitable/community organizations and citizen volunteers by offering service opportunities based on the interests identified in the individuals' profiles. Over 25 local nonprofit organizations have already posted a wide range of volunteer opportunities on the United Way portal. These include helping middle and high school girls develop leadership skills at an upcoming Girl Scout "Raise Your Voice" conference and providing nutrition education to seniors on limited incomes through the Iowa State University extension office. Local opportunities can also feed into a statewide site at VolunteerIowa.org.

Responding to needs is easy and can make a significant impact. "Like so many nonprofits, RSVP relies on volunteers to fill critical community needs. Get Connected is easy to use for even the newest internet users to find the right volunteer opportunity," says RSVP director, Beth Kelchen. "The potential Get Connected has for the community is the most exciting part."

United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States improves the quality of life for individuals and families through its focus on education, income and health. The organization brings individuals and organizations together around innovative solutions to impact thousands of lives annually. For more information about United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States, visit DBQUnitedWay.org.



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