



# DUBUQUE AREA CONGREGATIONS UNITED

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WONDERING HOW HOUSING ISSUES IN DUBUQUE ARE BEING ADDRESSED?

JOIN US ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 AT 7:00PM ROSHEK BUILDING (700 LOCUST)

**“Community Foundation’s Equity Index”**

with speaker, Clara Lopez Ortiz of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

**“Advocacy by Friends of Fair Housing Organization”**

with speakers, Lynn Sutton & Tom Lo Guidice

**IN-PERSON & LIVE STREAM**

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**ON STREET PARKING**

**RING BELL – ENTRY BY SECURITY STAFF  
ELEVATOR ACCESS TO 2ND FLOOR - MCCARTHY CENTER**

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# DACU 2022 DELEGATE MEETINGS

Wednesday, November 23, 7:00 PM  
**DACU's 40th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service**  
*Resurrection Catholic Church*  
*4300 Asbury Road*

**No** December Delegate Meeting

Tuesday, January 25, 2023, 6:00 PM  
**DACU Annual Meeting & Dinner**  
*Westminster Presbyterian Church*

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

- OCTOBER 10**  
PEACE PARTY IN THE PARK  
DUBUQUE MARINA
- OCTOBER 11**  
STATE OF THE CITY  
LUNCHEON
- OCTOBER 13**  
MILLWORK NIGHT MARKET
- OCTOBER 27**  
CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM
- NOVEMBER 4**  
WORLD COMMUNITY DAY
- NOVEMBER 6**  
FREEDOM FUND BANQUET  
GRAND RIVER  
CONFERENCE CENTER

### DACU Financial Report

	September '22	YTD	Budget '22
Income	\$1,200	\$4,802.34	\$8,375.00
Expenses	\$175	\$8,289.54	\$7,550.00



Help support DACU projects (pg. 3) by sending contributions to:

“Dubuque Area Congregations United”  
 c/o DACU Treasurer  
 P.O. Box 811  
 Dubuque IA 52004

**Ending Balance as of 9/30/2022: \$4,297.95**

## HAPPENINGS DUBUQUE CHAPTER NAACP



- o **The Criminal Justice Team** is active in facilitating Restorative Strategies and working with Catholic Charities regarding their local group for family members of incarcerated people.
- o **The Education Team** is planning for the January 23, 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Tribute
- o **The Religious Affairs Team** will begin visiting Congregations at the end of October to explain their work. They have also proposed a community read of the "A New Origin Story: The 1619 Project to the Community Foundation." The read will take place in late Spring 2023.

- **November is busy for the Dubuque Chapter.** Check the TH for information about the *Turkey Give Away*.
- **The Freedom Fund Banquet** will be held at Grand River Conference Center on November 6th, 2022. The Conference Center Bar will open at 12:30 p.m. Soft drinks, wine, beer and mixed drinks will be available for purchase. The event welcome will be at 1:00pm followed by a buffet lunch. Contact RRS Stewart for registration information.

Current Membership is 135. To apply for membership call Fr. Dan Knepper (563-590-0461) or go to the NAACP National website: <https://naacp.org/contact>

# DACU PROJECT UPDATES

## PEOPLE IN NEED



During August and September PIN completed 14 emergency assists to households and provided **\$9,391.28** for rent and utilities.

P.I.N. operates through referrals from social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU.

Potential clients cannot call directly. PIN exists to offer limited and emergency assistance to those facing exceptional circumstances through direct payments to clients' creditors, for rent, utilities, medical and other basic needs.

PIN is celebrating our **40th year of service** to the community this year. We were created by DACU back in 1982.

During the first months of 2022 PIN has been blessed with generous donations from many individuals and the following congregations/groups. PIN is grateful for the most recent donations from the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Dubuque, St. Peter Lutheran Church, and Church of the Resurrection.

We are blessed with wonderful support from Dubuque's community of faith.

Sincerely,  
Tom Stovall  
P.I.N. President

## DUBUQUE RESCUE MISSION



The Dubuque Rescue Mission for **90 years** has stood alongside the poor and marginalized in our community. As many of you know, the Dubuque Food Pantry moved to a new location, leaving their building for sale. Our Rick Mihm saw great value in the vacated building. The old Dubuque Food Pantry building was a perfect fit not only as a building but it's location to fill when the void when the Rescue Mission has more men than we have space to house, especially in the winter months. So just a few weeks ago, we purchased that building to be used as a warming shelter and to house men in the evenings. There will be showers and bathrooms added on the main floor and a space for cots in the evening. We were already renting the two apartments upstairs in the building for men who have completed the program and are now working in the community. We are grateful to the Dubuque Food Pantry Board and staff! The building has been very well cared for and maintained. The space is perfect for what Rick had imagined and even space that we will have for future growth. The apartments upstairs have been remodeled and won't require anything more than normal maintenance.

Sincerely,  
Rick Mihm and the Board  
of Directors.

## DUBUQUE FOOD PANTRY



Greetings, We continue to see a record number of families visit our Pantry since we moved to **1310 White St.** on July 1.

We are looking ahead to our **Christmas Basket give-away** here at the Dubuque Food Pantry. **We are in need of** items such as: Canned vegetables, and fruit, boxes potatoes, soup, mac & cheese, candy bags / cookies, individual hot chocolate packets, stuffing mix (turkey, chicken, pork), gravy mix, personal Care items, soap, shampoo, toilet paper, paper towel, and kleenex.

We are also, asking for monetary donations, so that we can purchase milk, eggs and meat for the baskets. Donations of meats can be brought on Friday, December 16.

**Sign up** for the baskets will be November 28 to December 9. **Distribution** of the baskets will be Monday, Dec. 19, Tuesday, Dec. 20, Wednesday, Dec. 21. We ask that all items be delivered by Friday, December 16.

Let's make this Christmas Season special for our less fortunate neighbors.

Blessings!  
Theresa M. Caldwell  
Executive Director



Dubuque Area Congregations United

# DACU

40th Annual  
Interfaith  
Thanksgiving  
Service (masks encouraged)

Church of the Resurrection 4300 Asbury Road

## "Sustaining Creation For All"

Offering: Supports PIN (People In Need emergency assistance)  
Non-perishable foods and paper goods  
accepted for the Dubuque Food Pantry

**Wednesday November 23, 2022 7PM**  
**Guest speaker: Rev. MargaretAnne Overstreet**  
*Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Dubuque*

**Organist:** *Dr. Charles Barland*  
**Special Music:** *Dubuque Chorale  
Children's Choir*  
**Director:** *Karmella Sellers*

Recorded service to be posted later: [www.dacuonline.org](http://www.dacuonline.org)

**This is PIN's main fundraiser.  
Please be generous.**

Questions?  
[fcdbq.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:fcdbq.pastor@gmail.com)

# ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

## CROP HUNGER WALK



The Dubuque area crop walk event was held on Saturday, October 1st, 2022. We started the walk at St. Elias the Prophet Church on Grandview Avenue. The weather was perfect. The day started off by gathering in the fellowship hall, snacks were provided.

Before folks started out on the walk a brief tribute was held to honor a past crop President, Maryann C. LoGuidice. Under Maryann's leadership Crop collected some of our highest donations, her spirit was contagious. We sang the hymn, "For Everyone Born, A Place at the Table," words which were truly fitting for the way Maryann lived her life.

There were approximately 52 walkers who then proceeded down Grandview Avenue to make their presence known and to witness to the city the importance of food hunger issues in our world.

The local recipient's that will receive 25% of the funds raised are as follows: Dubuque Rescue Mission, Dubuque Food Pantry and People in Need. Special Thanks to St. Elias the Prophet for hosting us in the fellowship hall. Paramount Ambulance service and staff for covering the walk, the Dubuque Ham Radio group for traveling with the group to report any needs of the walkers. To the Scout troops, their parents and leaders for being crossing guards.

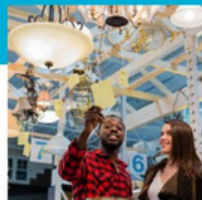
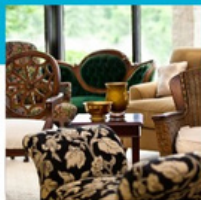


# DONATIONS REQUEST

## MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

New and gently-used furniture, doors, hardware, tools, cabinets, and electrical items. We are also interested in plumbing, flooring and lumber.

DONATING TO THE HABITAT RESTORE HELPS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD AND REPAIR HOMES IN DUBUQUE AND JACKSON COUNTIES



**CONTACT US**  
563-513-0057  
[www.dubuquorestore.org/donate](http://www.dubuquorestore.org/donate)  
4949 Chavenelle Rd Ste 3  
Dubuque, IA 52003



# You Deserve the Very Best Pregnancy Support

Do you want help during pregnancy, childbirth & after baby arrives?

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- ✓ Help Navigating the Health Care System

STATE OF IOWA DEPARTMENT OF Health-Human SERVICES



**Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association**  
(563) 556-6200, ext. 1916  
[vicki.gassman@unitypoint.org](mailto:vicki.gassman@unitypoint.org)

**Scott County Health Department**  
(563) 328-4114  
[www.scottcountyiowa.gov/health](http://www.scottcountyiowa.gov/health)

## WORLD COMMUNITY DAY: LOCAL COMMUNITY RESPONSES

Sponsored by Dubuque Area Church Women United

**Friday, November 4, 2022**

St. John's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall  
1276 White Street Dubuque

**9:30 am** Fellowship time  
Tour the *Open Closet*

**10:00 am** *Service of Caring, Serving Loving in Community*  
Speaker: Gwen Kirchhof, Executive Director

**11:00 am** Tour new Dubuque Food Pantry with Theresa Caldwell, Executive Director

**ALL are invited.**

Questions: Sue Hattel 563-556-1394

First Congregational Church UCC

Theology on Tap

Jubek's New World Brewery ~115 W 11st St Dubuque

Contact: Michael Sivill [michaelsivill@gmail.com](mailto:michaelsivill@gmail.com)



What is Theology on Tap?

A weekly Adult Bible Study group that meets and has discussions and reflections on the scripture that is going to be preached on the following Sunday.



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**For local support on Maternal Health topics and for a Quitline Referral Call:**

**Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association  
660 Iowa ST, Dubuque IA 52001  
563-556-6200**



**UnityPoint Health**  
Visiting Nurse Association



# 2022-2023 Children of Abraham

Children of Abraham creates an atmosphere of civic life that builds inter-religious solidarity, cooperation and friendship. We do this through careful listening and generous sharing of ideas and traditions. Normally, we're in person.

[www.cofabraham.org](http://www.cofabraham.org)

**September 15:** Describing the Divine - Loras College Ballroom (Alumni Campus Center)  
**October 27:** Does Everything Happen for a Reason? - Temple Beth El  
**November 17:** Jealousy - University of Dubuque

**January 19:** Does Religion Evolve? - Westminster Presbyterian Church  
**February 16:** Ethical Consumerism - Emmaus Bible College  
**March 16:** Holy Days - Tri-State Islamic Center  
**April 20:** Animals - Resurrection Church

We like to be in person, but we do offer Zoom from time-to-time. Just email John to get the Zoom link: [john.eby@loras.edu](mailto:john.eby@loras.edu). Or, just view our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/cofabraham>.

## SUPPORT THE PROTECTION OF GOD'S CREATION!

**TIP #1:** *Remember the three "R's"*

Reduce the use of items that harm God's creation. Reuse or repurpose items rather than throwing them away. Recycle those things that can be. And, here is a 4th R – Rot, which means to compost those things that can be and keep them out of the landfill.

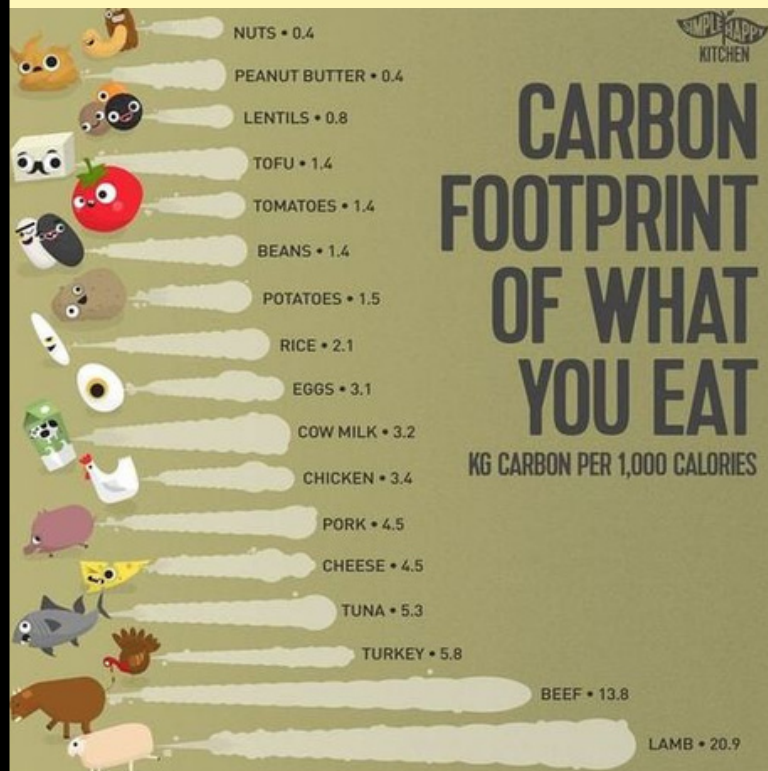
**TIP #2:** *Paper Products?*

Make a commitment and plan to reduce your use of paper and other disposable items. Trade in those single-use-throw-away items (paper plates, cups, napkins, utensils, straws, plastic bottles, plastic bags, etc.) for the real thing—real reusable items that can be cleaned and used over and over again without damage to our environment.



# Green Team Tips

# Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition



For information about this group, contact: Paul Uzel at [uzeldansen@gmail.com](mailto:uzeldansen@gmail.com)





October 18

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

## Canvas Painting: Pumpkins

Sarah Barnes will guide you step-by-step in how to paint on canvas. All supplies will be provided. This is an 11 x 14 canvas using mixed media (paint, paper, marker). Bring along your family and friends for an enjoyable and creative evening out!

\$35/person.

Registration ends on October 14.

Proof of vaccination is required.

October 22

9:00am-12:00 pm

## Persistent Women of the Gospel

Women figured importantly in Jesus's ministry. Many of them we know by name, but often the women who appear are unnamed. And yet they are unforgettable.

What can we learn from them?

\$30/person.

Registration ends on October 19.

Proof of vaccination is required.



[www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter](http://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter)

(608) 748-4411

October 27

10:00 am - 12:00pm

OR 2:00 pm - 4:00pm

## Forest Bathing

Join us at the Mound for a fall Forest Bathing experience where we bathe in the good medicine of Mother Earth. Nature and Forest Therapy, also called Forest Bathing, is a slow, sensory focused walk with the land. You will be guided through a series of invitations that help you connect with your interior self as well as the world around you. Check-in will take place at the Main Entrance where you will then proceed outdoors.

\$25/person.

Registration deadline is October 26 at noon.

November 1

7:00 pm - 8:15 pm

## Book Discussion: The Autobiography of Black Hawk (Zoom)

Join us to discuss the memoir of the Sauk leader in his own words. Originally published in 1833, this important book was the first memoir written by a Native American actively resisting US Indian removal policy. The zoom link will be sent on the morning of the program.

\$10/person.

Registration ends Monday, October 31.

# SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER

For questions regarding programs or registrations, please contact: 563.582.3592 or  
email: [info@shalomretreats.org](mailto:info@shalomretreats.org)

## Meditation and Music

October 17 2022 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Facilitator: Morgan Noel

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Join us for a guided singing bowl meditation. Participants will experience reduced stress and anxiety while increasing positive thinking. The discussion will be offered before and after the session. The facilitator, Morgan Noel, is a practitioner of Singing Bowls and is Usui Reiki 1 & 2 Certified.

Cost is \$10; please register by Wednesday, October 12.

## Designing a Fidget/Sensory Quilt

October 19 2022 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Facilitator: Kathy Glatz

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Learn how fidget quilts are made, who they benefit, and general considerations for designing a quilt. You will create your fidget quilt using inexpensive materials, many of which you may have at home. Facilitator Kathy Glatz has several years of experience making fidget quilts for various organizations. Her expertise will guide you in your quilt-making.

Cost is \$15; please register by Friday, October 14.

## Reading That Matters: Of Monkey Bridges and Banh Mi Sandwiches

November 15 2022 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Facilitator: Eileen Miller OSF

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*Reading That Matters* is a continuing series of book discussions inviting readers to meet people (through reading) who come from differing backgrounds and/or have different beliefs or experiences from their own. It is hoped that these books and their discussions of them will help to open our minds and hearts to those around us whom we might not otherwise have the opportunity to know. "Of Monkey Bridges and Banh Mi Sandwiches" was a finalist for the 2018 BookLife Prize awarded by Publishers Weekly. Book available at Riverlights Book Store and Amazon. Please read the book prior to the event for optimal discussion.

Fee: \$6 per discussion does not include the book.

The deadline to register is no later than Monday, November 14.



# DACU

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## LIKE us on FACEBOOK!



**Interested in becoming a DACU Member?** Membership in DACU is open to all who share DACU's mission. Contact DACU President Morgan Frazer

### DACU BOARD INFORMATION

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**Does your organization or congregation have items you would like to include in the DACU Newsletter?**

We are happy to share any information that is in keeping with our DACU mission statement!

**Combo NOV/DEC DEADLINE: 11.1.2022**

Send submissions to: *Rev. Stephanie Ells*  
*fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com*

