

Saint Mark Community Center



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Invest in



Children



On August 2, St. Mark Community Center launched the public phase of its 2005-2007 capital fund drive. Eldon Herrig and Sharon Kress, co-chairs of the fund drive, along with Sr. Inez Turnmeyer, director of SMCC, announced the goal of the campaign and its purpose as they spoke of the mission and vision of St. Mark's. The fund drive will ensure that the Center will continue to be a vital resource for Dubuque's children, schools and families. Its theme is "Invest in Dubuque's children."

"Our goal of \$375,000 is well within our reach," said Sharon Kress, and Eldon Herrig reported that "A percentage of this goal is already pledged." He added, "We are especially pleased that SMCC has built into its fund drive a sustaining fund for ongoing upkeep. Present for the campaign kick-off were City officials, representatives of Dubuque public and parochial schools, benefactors and board members. "What a loss it would be if Dubuque had to do without St. Mark's," said Paula Baumann, a counselor at Prescott school.



Co-chairs— Eldon Herrig and Sharon Kress

Community Support

It has been eight years—1988—since SMCC launched a capital fund drive. "At that time Dubuque businesses and so many individuals supported the campaign enthusiastically. It helped us get the Center up and running," says Sr. Inez. "We were so grateful for this outpouring of support and interest. Now many more people know about the Center, so we are confident the community will help again."

John Burgart, superintendent of the Dubuque Community Schools, says, "An investment in SMCC is an investment in our children, in our community and in our future.

St. Mark Community Center was founded in 1988, beginning with two small neighborhood programs. Today its 40+ programs reach out daily to over 250 at-risk children with before and after-school mentoring, literacy support for families, Apples for Students (school supplies), fine arts programs and remedial/enrichment summer school programs. More than 350 active volunteers assist a staff of five full-time persons and a number of part-time workers. A volunteer board meets monthly to set policies, provide direction and plan for emerging needs.

Challenge and Acceptance

The Center is housed in buildings donated by the St. Mark Lutheran congregation in the downtown area when it was preparing to dissolve because of declining numbers. The congregation's foresight and planning resulted in a new, dynamic, non-denominational center with a vision to respond to unmet needs in Dubuque. "We accepted this wonderful gesture with gratitude," says Sr. Inez. "Now we must step up to the plate and make sure that St. Mark's remains a safe, attractive and vital place for Dubuque's most important resource—our children."

Capital Fund Campaign

Changes/Expansions since our last Capital Drive

In 1997 we promised the Dubuque Community that we would increase services to families in the downtown area—we have kept our promises . . .

- We have gone from 2 programs to about 40 different programs.
- We have expanded our after-school program from one site to seven sites.
- We were serving 13-20 kids a day, but now we serve 250 kids each day.
- We used to work only with Prescott students, but now we serve kids at Fulton, Audubon, Prescott, Marshall, Lincoln and Holy Ghost as well as Jefferson Junior High.
- We used to have only an after-school program, but now we have extended these services to before and after-school programs.
- We are able to help keep kids drug and alcohol free by educating them about the risks and downfalls of drugs and alcohol.
- We have gone from one part-time staff member to about 21 paid staff.
- We used to partner with about 8 other agencies, and now we connect with about 85 other groups.
- Our budget was \$16,000 that first year, and now we need about \$385,000 to keep doing what we are doing.
- We continue to offer parenting classes to our parents in the form of “Strengthening Families” and “Celebrating Families” sessions.
- We now offer 4 sessions of literacy classes to parents, helping them to help their children learn to read.
- In partnership with NICC, we continue to offer ESL classes to people wishing to learn English.
- We are a favorite meeting place for many organizations.
- We offer free legal seminars each month through Dubuque’s Legal Aid – young lawyers association.



Art Fun

We continually look for ways to serve the needs of the people in this area and we try to work with other agencies so as not to duplicate services.



Family Night

What We Offer the Dubuque Community

The St. Mark staff has some 20,000 meaningful contacts with children, parents and other people each year. We offer many programs for children and families. Programs depend on the availability of staff and finances.

Educational programs

- Before school (Audubon, Fulton & Prescott)
- After-school—Kids Connection
(Fulton, Audubon & Prescott, Lincoln,
Marshall and Holy Ghost)
- Academics (reading & math)
- Enrichment activities
- Summer school
- On Apple Bee Pond – (drug prevention)
- Second Step (bullying)
- Field trips
- Literacy programs
- Parenting classes
(Strengthening Families)
(Celebrating Families)
- ESL classes
- Computer classes

Programs for youth

- THINK Together (Fulton, Jefferson,
Audubon, Marshall and Lincoln)
- Academics
- Community service
- Asset building
- Social Skills
- Summer activities
- Family Nights

GoGirlGo!

Fine Arts Programs

- Art classes on Saturdays
- Weekly make-and-take activities

Community Efforts

- Kinship Care
- Apples for Students
- Toy Give-Away
- Sponsor a Child
- Jingle Bell Hop

And more . . .



Summer
Activities

Capital Fund Drive

Over the last twelve months the Board of Trustees and the Building and Grounds Committee have been meeting with the Director of SMCC to assess the condition of the buildings and plan for the future. Included in this campaign are the repairs listed below and the initial installment of a sustaining fund. The interest on this fund will be used for ongoing upkeep.

Window Replacements (Energy Efficient)		Balance Heat Ducts and add Heater to Corridor	\$3,000
Office Building	\$21,500	Cement Repair	\$6,500
Center	\$65,000	Storage Garage Repair	\$5,000
Installation	\$25,000	Purchase Office Furniture	\$10,000
Tuck-pointing Buildings	\$25,000	Miscellaneous Repairs:	\$25,000
Painting (Wrapping) of Exterior	\$15,000	(Includes sliding door in main kitchen, landscaping, resurfacing outside doors, improved lighting, bat proofing, etc.)	
Electrical Work for Safety	\$5,000	Contingency (15%)	\$30,000
Modernize Kitchen (Office Building)	\$5,000	Future sustaining Buildings & Grounds Fund	\$120,000
Additional Office Space	\$3,500		
Modernize Office Building Restroom	\$3,000		
Repaint Interior Walls			
Damaged by Leakage	\$7,500	Total	\$375,000

Choose your level of generosity and send your monetary gift to the Center.



Invest in

**\$25,000 plus
Architect Level**

Just as a drawing helps to turn a dream into a reality, so too architects will make the dream of renovating the exterior of St. Mark Community Center a reality.

**\$10,000 to \$24,999
Foundation Builder Level**

Gifts at the Foundation Builder Level provide a firm foundation for a successful completion of the capital campaign.

**\$5,000 to \$9,999
Pillar Level**

Like the beams that hold the walls and ceiling, donors at the Pillar Level provide the funds necessary to support the campaign goal.

**\$1,000 to \$4,999
Keystone Level**

The keystone is the brick in the center of every archway, and it is necessary to hold the support and weight of the brick or stone around a window or doorway. Gifts at the Keystone Level provide the same support to achieve the goals of this capital campaign.

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**\$500 to \$999
Labor of Love Level**

Building materials alone aren't enough to complete a project. It takes many workers using their talents to make the project a reality. The Labor of Love Level recognizes the support by many donors to make this project a reality.

**\$100 to \$499
Brick and Mortar Level**

Brick and mortar is the basic building block for construction of a building that will last for many years. Donors at the Brick and Mortar Level provide the basic support to achieve the goals of this capital campaign.

**\$25 to \$99
Hammer and Nail Level**

Nails are the smallest part of construction in any building and it takes much pounding by hammers to hold them in place. Once in place they form a solid support for walls, floors and ceilings. Many gifts at the Hammer and Nail Level provide that same support for the capital campaign.

Capital Campaign Supporters

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Capital Fund Drive - 2005-2007

Name/Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Contact Person _____

E-mail Address _____

Total Gift \$ _____ single payment
Cash/Check enclosed \$ _____ quarterly payment
Pledge Balance \$ _____ annual payment

•Please make your tax-deductible contribution to *St. Mark Community Center*
1201 Locust St. Dubuque, IA 52001

St. Mark's Honored



Sr. Inez and Jim Collins

In a letter to Sister Inez Turnmeyer dated February 28, 2005, Loras College President Jim Collins wrote, "The students, faculty and staff at Loras College have long admired your example in the Dubuque community of Christ's love among us. The programs you have established and currently oversee provide a valuable needed service to Dubuque's least fortunate. In honor and gratitude for your faithful service, Loras College would like to award you an honorary doctorate at our commencement ceremony on May 15, 2005."

Sister Inez gratefully accepted the award and during her brief talk at the luncheon following the ceremony said, "I was **surprised** when I received the letter and wondered why you would choose me. I was **honored** that you thought the work of the St. Mark Community Center was worthy of recognition and a vital organization here in DBQ. I was **humbled** because I just feel I am not doing anything special, I am just doing my job, a ministry I chose and love. I accept this honor in the name of the St. Mark Community Center."

She promised to continue to do what she is presently doing and challenged Loras College to continue to do what they do so well – "form the minds and hearts of their students to work among God's people in all areas of the world – and to let the SPIRIT roam where he/she will."

Kid's Connection

By Paula Paider Licht

Hello again!

You may remember me as a site leader for the THINK Together program. I enjoyed my time working with the kids at Lincoln elementary, but I'm pleased to have taken on a new role at St. Mark Community Center as the program coordinator of Kids Connection. I have undertaken the difficult task of filling the shoes of Kristie Ostrander, who had a healthy baby boy on June 17. Kristie and I had been working side by side for about a month so the transition would be as smooth as possible. My undergraduate and graduate education in art therapy, as well as my experiences in the field, have prepared me well for the task of running the Kids Connection Program. I am excited to begin this new adventure and look forward to all that is to come. If you have any questions about Kids Connection, don't hesitate to contact me at (563) 582-5655 or via e-mail ppaiderlicht@yahoo.com.



THINK Together

By Autumn Gartner

I am excited to say that I have joined the St. Mark team full-time and will be taking over the programs at Lincoln school site as well as at Marshall. Since I started in November as the Marshall school site program leader for the THINK Together program, I have had many great experiences with the students. I also helped out and mentored at the Lincoln school as well, and this gave me an opportunity to get to know this great group of students. I am looking forward to working at both schools in the fall. Please feel free to contact me at the office 53-542-6179 or via e-mail autumn_gartner@yahoo.com.



THINK Together

by Amber Russell

It has been a very fun and successful summer in the THINK Together Program. Students in the program meet twice a week at Marshall Elementary and St. Mark Community Center. They work on math, reading, and writing and also participate in an alcohol and substance abuse prevention program. Mentors join us and play group games with the students to build their skills. Those who attend the program each week are taken on a group field trip on Friday. So far this summer we have gone to Choo Choo Charlie's, Skate Country, Four Mounds, and the Police and Fire Station. Yet to come are trips to the City Library, River Boat Museum, Bowling and Beyond, Arboretum, and the Madison Zoo. All field trip destinations have been enjoyable and instructive. Mentors are always welcome to participate in field trips.

Kinship Care

by Amber Russell



St. Mark Community Center has received a grant from the Sisters of Charity to fund a Kinship Care Support Group. The Kinship Care Support Group is for any person raising a relative's child. This could be a number of different types of caregivers, like grandparents, aunts, uncles, and so on. We have also received funds from the Dubuque Area Child Abuse Prevention Council to provide books for the group and a training manual.

The support group aims to provide a time and a place for all caregivers to come and express experiences and problems they are having raising someone else's child and to bounce ideas and strategies off one another. There will also be guest speakers every week to talk on issues these caregivers may be facing, such as financial assistance, mental health, custody/guardianship issues, and many more. The members of the group will help choose the topics to be discussed.

The group will meet on the first and third Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. starting September 4, 2005. Snacks and child care will be provided. The program is free!

If you are interested in more information, please call Amber or Autumn at 563-582-5655.

Art Classes

By Paula Paider-Licht

St. Mark Community Center has obtained a grant from the Mosaic Lodge of the Masonic Temple of Dubuque to provide quality art experiences to children of diverse abilities and backgrounds this summer. The art programs served children from the ages of 5 years to 14 years and were held at the St. Mark Community Center Activity Building. Each art program provided children and youth with a solid education in art basics, including ceramics, drawing, painting and fine crafts. All art teachers who help the children weekly have a degree in art education or art therapy.

The little children came on Saturdays and did mostly make-and-take activities, and about 15 older kids were signed up for Tuesday mornings June 20 to August 9 as part of their THINK Together program.



Parents enjoy their children's art.



Art for all ages.

The art classes we offered gave children and youth the tools needed to understand human experience, adapt to and respect others' ways of working and thinking, develop creative problem-solving skills and communicate thoughts and ideas in a variety of ways. SMCC teaches the skills children need to bring creativity into their adult lives.

These programs provided a much needed service to children who do not have the opportunity to take part in other fine arts program because their families cannot afford to pay the fees. We are in the process of

Fall Programs

by Brooke Gassman

St. Mark Community Center has been busy during the summer months preparing for the start of a new school year. The staff at the Center is looking forward to providing educational and social programs to children and youth from the Dubuque Community.

One of the best-attended programs offered by St. Mark Community Center is “Kids Connection.” The “Kids Connection” Program is a multifaceted approach to helping elementary school children improve their academic performance and build positive assets. The program is made possible through the Department of Education’s 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant. “Kids Connection” includes before-school care, after-school programs, summer school and a variety of family literacy programs.



“Kids Connection” **before-school program** is provided 1½ hours before school begins at Audubon, Prescott and Fulton Schools by St. Mark’s staff. This program is offered during the school year for children in grades K-5. Activities include silent reading, homework help, games and quiet activities.

“Kids Connection” **after-school programs** are provided to Kindergarten through 5th grade students, five days per week, for three hours each day. The programs are held on-site at Audubon, Fulton and Prescott Elementary Schools. Children work with certified teachers and associates to complete homework and participate in daily reading and math activities. Each child also has the opportunity to work one-to-one with a mentor. The City of Dubuque Leisure Services is a partner in the after-school programs. Leisure Services provides fun-filled enrichment and recreational activities for the children.

“Kids Connection” **family literacy** programs will be offered in late fall. There are no fees for any of the “Kids Connection” programs. For more information about the “Kids Connection” Program, please contact Paula at (563) 542-2674.

Another program offered at St. Mark Community Center is the “**THINK Together**” (Teaching, Helping, Inspiring, Nurturing Kids Together) program. The “THINK Together” Program is offered to students in 4th through 8th grades who attend school at Audubon, Marshall, Fulton, and Lincoln Elementary Schools or Jefferson Junior High School. The main goals of the program are to increase academic performance and school attendance as well as reduce office referrals.



Dancers perform for students.

“THINK Together” is a year-round program that is held two days per week for two hours after school. Days and times vary by site. One day is dedicated to one-to-one mentoring; the other day is comprised of social skills or community service and small-group homework help. Youth enrolled in the program also have the opportunity to participate in field trips and other fun enrichment activities. Family Nights are held three times a year. There is no fee for the program, which is made possible through a partnership with Hillcrest Family Services. For more information about the “THINK Together” program, please contact Amber or Autumn at (563) 582-5655.

St. Mark Community Center is continually adding new programs and services. To keep up-to-date on these new programs and services, as well as ways you can help, please visit our new web site at www.smccdbq.org.

HEAD START at St. Mark's

A new program came to St. Mark Community Center in late August. Head Start brought its Holy Ghost program to the Center, where three and four-year-old children can come and get a "head start" in school readiness and in the development of their social skills.

This program is operated through Operation New View and serves 15 children. It occupies the basement level of the Community Center five days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Fischer Company, who own the gray building next to SMCC, have graciously let us move our fence line into their property so the little ones will have enough green space to play in. They suggested that neighbors might love to watch the little ones at play and that there might be some way to involve them in the program. We are thankful to our neighbors and welcome the Head Start program to our building.



Head Start Staff—Staci, Cindy and Rose

Policy Handbook

It was simple when there were only a few workers at the Center. But over the years we have added more employees, so it was necessary to develop a policy handbook. In July the Board of Trustees approved a staff policy handbook which includes everything a person needs to know about working at St. Mark's – with all its rules, responsibilities and privileges. It was well received by the staff.

The staff in turn developed a parent handbook so parents can know what is included in our programs and what our expectations of them are. We do want the parents of the kids we work with to get involved at the Center, and when they come into our building to pick up their kids after programs it is nice for us to get to know them.

Now a volunteer handbook is in the making.

Volunteers Needed

Are you willing to give one hour a week to help a child? Please call the St. Mark's program office at 582-5655 and ask for Brooke or Paula. Mentoring is one of the best gifts you can give a child and it is rewarding to you, too. Do you realize that there are hundreds of kids right here in Dubuque who need your help? What is your answer going to be?



Male mentor and child.

Help is needed for students from Fulton, Audubon, Prescott, Marshall, Lincoln and Jefferson. Second semester we will be helping at Holy Ghost School, too.



Sister Inez and students

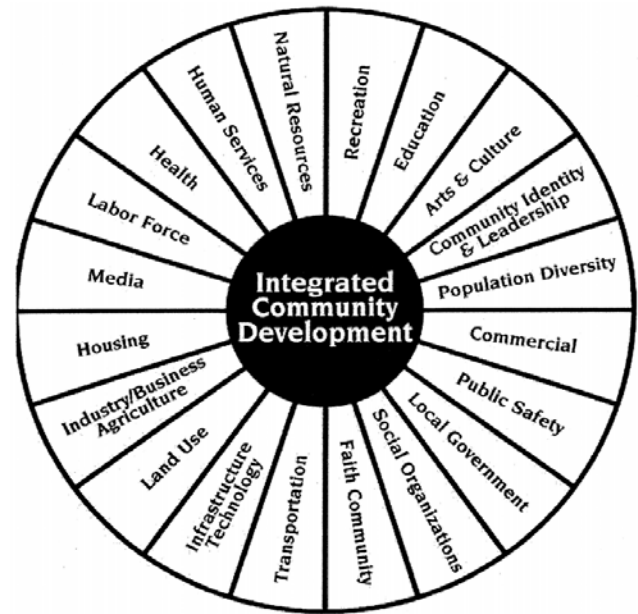
Envision Dubuque in 2010

By now you have heard of Envision Dubuque! “The Envision mission is to engage tri-state area citizens in a community visioning process –an open, all-inclusive discussion to develop a variety of ideas for the future of greater Dubuque.”

The staff and volunteer board of St. Mark’s wanted to be involved in the greater community, so they held a brainstorming session to talk about what they would like to see happen in Dubuque by 2010. They sent in their ideas to the committee to be added to those being collected all across the city during the months of August and September. We were told the sky was the limit and not to worry about the money – these are just ideas. A selected committee of volunteers will take all of these ideas and narrow down the list. After that the general public will again have input and help decide what Dubuque should address.

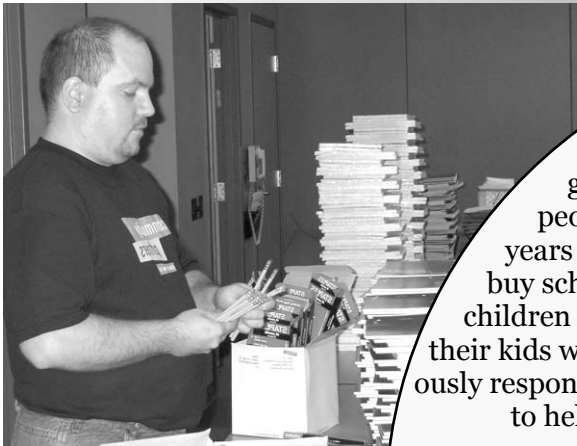
Some examples of our ideas were:

- Dubuque’s transportation system needs revamping to accommodate evenings and weekend travel. It needs to be affordable to downtown families.
- Summer free passes to the pool and library should include kids going to summer school.
- There is not enough transitional housing for the poor.
- Put a branch of the library on the West end of town.
- Set up a teen center for kids 6-8th grade.
- Quality/Affordable daycare is needed.
- Miniature golf course in town
- Public swimming pool in the Asbury area
- Young Couple spots – non-alcohol
- Public awareness programs of mental illnesses
- Work on city ordinance for everybody – include sexual orientation.
- Welcoming program for newcomers to city
- Concert with big names
- Art Museum enlarged – hands-on activities for kids
- Science museum for kids – hands-on activities
- Affordable drop-in tutoring for kids and adults
- Camping site
- Public beach area
- Historical tours around the city
- Become a no-smoking city (all public places)
- More information on how parents can talk to their kids about sex
- More parenting classes for high-risk parents
- Address more safety issues for kids. Cooperation needed between DHS, courts and organizations that work with these kids on a regular basis.
- City and businesses encourage people to volunteer to help kids in after-school programs.
- More community art projects (e.g. decorating frogs, painting fire-hydrants)
- Restore Central Avenue. All we see are taverns and pawn shops at our end of town.
- Old Pack site. Put in a store similar to the old Walsh store – where we can find anything we need so we don’t have to go across town.
- Use wasted space in town, e.g. downtown area, old schools, etc.



What do you envision the City's goals should be in these areas?

Apples for Students



This is the eighth year that St. Mark's has sponsored the "Apples for Students" program. It grows bigger and gets better each year as more people from the community get involved. As in past years we put out our plea for people to send us money to buy schools supplies so we could give school-supply bags to children right here in town whose families need help providing their kids what they need to start another school year. People generously responded! Thank you, one and all. With your help we were able to help some 1,000+ students this year in grades K to 6.

Like last year, McGraw Hill's Human Resource staff Dana Kramer and her assistant Cindy, plus about 75 volunteers from **McGraw Hill**, helped us sort the supplies and assembled the bags. This takes a whole day and a half of their help, and the company lets them volunteer during their regular work day.

Something new was added this year! In the past the principals and secretaries had a hard time picking the bags up once they were filled because of school preparations, so this year the **Dubuque Jaycees** under the direction of Mark O'Brien got involved and delivered the bags to the schools and human service agencies that participated. They made about 30 trips to different places all in record time. Mark enlisted the help of his fellow Jaycees, his dad, Terry, his uncle Mike and his friend Julie Delaney.



Call 2-1-1

By Jenny Manders (Project Concern)

“2-1-1” is a program that is available in Dubuque County through Project Concern. It operates much like 9-1-1, but rather than connecting people to emergency services it connects them to resources, and it offers direction and guidance in finding community resources in one easy phone call. The 2-1-1 program provides callers with information about how to obtain referrals to human services for everyday needs and in times of crisis. A caller can find out such things as available food banks, clothing closets, shelter, rent or utility assistance. It has information about physical and mental health resources, employment supports, older Americans and persons with disabilities, and children, youth and families.



The 2-1-1 number is staffed 24 hours a day seven days a week with professional information and referral specialists who utilize extensive database listing services, agencies and providers for all types of human service needs. Calls are completely confidential. If you have questions or concerns, call Project Concern during business hours Monday-Friday at 557-8331 and ask for Jenny Manders, Project Concern 2-1-1 programs director.

GoGirlGo!

This is a unique eight-week program that educates girls about being physically active and having healthy behaviors. The program brings girls closer to things that are important to them: connecting with friends, feeling good about themselves and getting the most out of sports and physical activity.

Twice a week third through eighth-grade girls will meet for 1 ½ hours at Lincoln Elementary School. Team leaders will facilitate discussions about important issues that girls face, such as self-esteem, nutrition, body image, feeling fit, sports, friendships, emotions and more. In addition, the girls will participate in a variety of physical activities such as running, yoga, dance, and soccer. Ambassadors from local high schools and colleges will serve as mentors for the girls in the program. Classes run 4:00 to 4:30 September 26 through November 17, sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis.

Community=E

Mark Henning, Alliant Energy, has been working with St. Mark Community Center to make us a beneficiary of funds.

We have a “Lunch and Learn” scheduled at McGraw Hill on Oct. 19/20. Employees will bring their lunch to the big meeting room and while they eat their lunch Mark will speak to them about “saving energy in your home.”

Mark will also direct some 1 ½ hour community education workshops at St. Mark’s on October 11 and October 13, at 7 p.m. and on October 8 at Comiskey Park at 10 a.m. Mississippi Valley Promise is hosting the workshop at Comiskey Park. Mark will present a Power Point on “Home Energy Solutions” at each site. People interested in learning how to save energy and money on their bills are invited. Since energy bills are on the rise this is a very fitting topic for everyone.

He is also working on getting **Compact Fluorescent Light energy kits** to pass out at these meetings. It’s hard to imagine anyone not wanting to learn how to save money on their energy bills this winter. Come and hear what Mark has to offer you in the way of making your home/rented apartment more energy efficient. You won’t be sorry. Call SMCC at 582-6211 or MVP at 580-4856.

Apples for Students

Summit Congregational
Church's Preschool class
M/M Tom Trilk
Nativity Catholic Church
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John & Jan Hess
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Helen Czipar
Bob & Wauneta Wiederaenders
Fred & Virginia Rohner
Bill & Pat Kinsella
Donald & Jean Krueger
Kenneth & Christine Resch
Kenneth & Barbara Lindecker
Temple Beth El
Our Lord of Life
Lutheran Church
Dan & Joann Decker
Lisa Gaylor
David & Barbara Morreim

Steven & Sandra Heer
Monty & Judith Voss
Diane Berryman
George & Mary Nacos
Evelyn Hohnecker
Richard & Charlene Noel
Lawrence & Mary Jane DeWulf
Gordon & Coletta Wells
Leora Bemboon
Betty Hillary
Richard & Mary Jo Weitz
Paul Fuerst
Constance Norby
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Jeanna Herkes
Paul & Elyn Schroeder
Frank Hoingman
Michelle Watters
Nancy Knipper
Gene & Judy Glab
William & Betty Speirs
Donald & Catherine Opper
Pat Kelly
Jean Lange
Janann Spahn
Robert & Lillian Breitbach
Summit Congregational Church
Women's fellowship
Jeanne Cavanaugh
Ruth Flatt
Dianne Heim
James & Nancy Rhomberg
Bill & Phyllis Jaeggi
Dr. Arden & Eleanor Johnston
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 takes care of the flowers.*



Donations

The students in U D teacher **Karen Nussle's class** did a dunk tank during their recent Fair Day at the College. Proceeds went to the Community Center.

The pre-school Sunday School Class from **Summit Congregational United Church of Christ** sent a nice donation to the Apples for Students program.

A Community Outreach donation of juice boxes and healthy snacks was sent to the Community Center for our summer program by the parishioners of **Grand View United Methodist Church**.

A gift of \$2,000 was given to the Center from the **Starbucks/Stolteben families** to further the work of our programs.

Grants

A grant of \$5,000 was given to the Community Center by the **Sisters of Charity, BVM** to start a Kinship Care Support Group. We have a lot of grandparents raising their kid's kids.

A grant of \$5,000 was awarded to St. Mark Community Center from the **DRA**. This money will be used to purchase a projector and some computer software.

The **Downtown Kiwanis Club** gave the St. Mark Community Center \$1,250 to support field trips for the summer's Kids Connection program.

The **Dominican Sisters from Sinsinawa** sent a \$250 grant to the Center to be used for whatever we need.

The THINK Together program received a Neighborhood grant through the **Downtown Neighborhood Association from the City of DBQ**. The \$3,582 was used to help sponsor Friday's field trips for those students who consistently came to their summer program.

Memorials

Ann Philippi sent a memorial for her husband **Ernest Philippi** to the St. Mark Community Center.

The family of **Marian O'Connor (Hillyard)** sent a memorial to the Center in her honor. Marian died recently and the family wanted her remembered because of her love of children.

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Trilk sent a memorial in honor of her mother **Kathryn S. Frommelt** to be used for our Apples for Students Program.

Don & Barbara Smith sent a memorial in honor of **Nick Weinrouch**, their son-in-law's grandfather.

William & Kim Hannon sent a memorial to St. Mark Community Center in honor of **Marian O'Connor**.

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Trilk sent a memorial to the "Apples for Students" program in honor of **Mercedes K. Ries**.

Don & Shirley Moody sent a memorial for the "Apples for Students" Program in honor of their son **Kurt Moody**.

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