



Dubuque Area Congregations United Monthly Newsletter

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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!		
October 15	Children of Abraham	Wartburg Seminary, 7:00 PM; Qu'ran
October 17	Presentation Sisters	Art & Crafts Boutique and Bake Sale, 9-3, Mt. Loretto, 2360 Carter Rd.
October 17	Grand View Methodist	Holiday Fair, 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM, 3342 John Wesley Drive
October 17	Cool Congregations	Dubuque Solar Tour 10 AM-4 PM from Brannon Monument Company
October 19	University of Dubuque	Wendt Lecture, Nontombi Naomi Tutu, Butler Hall, 7 PM (more inside)
October 24	Operation New View	Andrew Connolly Make A Difference Day (see more inside)
October 27	DACU	Dacu Delegates Meeting, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 7:00 PM
November 6	Church Women United	World Community Day, Rockdale United Methodist, 9:30 AM
November 7	Center Grove UMC	Fall Auction and Dinner, 5:00 PM (see more inside!)
November 21	Opening Doors	An Attitude of Gratitude Fundraising Event (see more inside)
November 25	DACU	Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship Service, Resurrection Church



DACU Delegates Meeting
Tuesday, October 27
Westminster Presbyterian Church
2155 University Avenue, 7:00 PM

Program: DACU Projects

Remember: Guests are always welcome! Please bring a friend...share the good news about our community!

You are also encouraged to bring non-perishable food and paper goods for the Dubuque Food Pantry.

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Upcoming DACU Delegates Meetings

**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 September 30, 15 congregations and one associate member had contributed to the work of DACU for 2015. NO ONE contributed during the month of September ☹

FY 2015 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 9/30/2015			
	August	2015 YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET 2015
Income	\$ 00.00	\$ 4,705.70	\$6,450.00
Expenses	\$ 00.00*	\$ 5,094.08	\$6,450.00
Ending Balance as of 9/30/2015: \$3,450.87			

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.

After all funds were dispersed, P.I.N. had to suspend assists in September. The P.I.N. board has sent a fundraising appeal letter to congregations and other supporters. (The cost of printing and postage is always paid by board members.) All funds received will go directly to assisting people in need. Please continue to support P.I.N.!

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



Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Mission Wish List: Good used furniture; used bicycles; mattresses; blankets; kitchenware; ground beef; milk; coffee; laundry soap; HyVee gift cards; financial donations; PRAYERS (without prayer, nothing else matters. Really!)

Our website is <http://dbqrescue.org> Sign up for our newsletter!

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, tomatoes, etc... Too bad the season is coming to an end! Thanks to CROP Walk we now have 94 more jars of peanut butter.

We will be contacting you in October about preparing Christmas baskets. The Pantry hopes your church/congregation will be able to help us.

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.

October—Can fruit, soup, coffee, hot chocolate, jelly, salt, pepper, Paper towels, shampoo

November – Stuffing mix, evaporated milk, ramen noodles, bar soap, dish soap, facial tissue

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. Elias the Prophet Church

A Reminder, St. Elias needs our help!

Earlier this summer St. Elias Church was ready to begin emergency construction on its roof, but then they discovered that their walls were not structurally sound. This means that in addition to rebuilding the roof, they now have to reinforce the walls. Unfortunately, insurance will not cover all of this, so St. Elias has started an emergency funds campaign on Kickstarter. We are asking for area congregations to please advertise the link and help in any way they can.

To donate, please go to www.kickstarter.com and search for "St. Elias Dubuque."

Thank you!

--For more information contact
Fr. Dustin Lyons at 563.583.5902

Sisters of the Presentation

ART & CRAFTS BOUTIQUE AND BAKE SALE



A BENEFIT TO SUPPORT CHARITABLE MINISTRIES:

MARY'S INN MATERNITY HOME - DUBUQUE, IA
HISPANIC MINISTRY - DUBUQUE, IA
FOOD PANTRY - STRAWBERRY POINT, IA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

SISTERS OF THE PRESENTATION

2360 CARTER RD, DUBUQUE, IA
(USE LAKESIDE DOOR ENTRANCE)



CROP Hunger Walk

Dubuque CROP Hunger Walk Coordinator Maryann LoGuidice reports a successful walk with 175 participants. *It isn't too late to donate!* Contact Maryann at maryannuu@fastmail.fm

Center Grove United Methodist Church

CENTER GROVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SAVE THE DATE

FALL AUCTION

Saturday, Nov. 7, 2015
Lunch: 5pm – Auction: 6pm
Center Grove Church

AUCTION ITEMS INCLUDE:
Meat, Baked Goods
Candies, Crafts,
Handmade Items,
Christmas Decorations,
and much more!

Center Grove United Methodist Church, 3140 Brunskill Rd., Dubuque • 563-582-8157
centergroveumchurch.org | facebook.com/centergroveunitedmethodistchurch



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:

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



Church Women United

World Community Day
November 6, 9:30 AM
Rockdale United Methodist Church

Dubuque Church Women United will celebrate
diversity on World Community Day on Friday, November
6th during the event entitled "Our Journey Together."

Katrina Farren-Eller Ph.D., Inclusive Dubuque
Coordinator of Community Foundation of Greater
Dubuque will be keynote speaker. Ernestine Moss,
representing National Association for the Advancement
of Colored People will highlight initiatives of the Dubuque
Branch of NAACP.

**Gathering begins at 9:30 a.m. with refreshments
followed by celebration and program at 10:00 a.m.**
World Community Day is hosted at Rockdale United
Methodist Church @ 1500 Old Mill Road in Dubuque
located off Kelly Lane. Beverage tabs will be accepted to
support education courses for Iowa women prisoners
funded by Friends of Iowa Women Prisoners.

Church Women United works for peace and social
justice from a Christian basis, while supporting dialogue
with all faith groups. Local CWU celebrations are held
three times a year and World Day of Prayer is
held on the first Friday of March.

Everyone is welcome. Questions: 563-556-1394

Sue Hattel, CWU Leadership Team

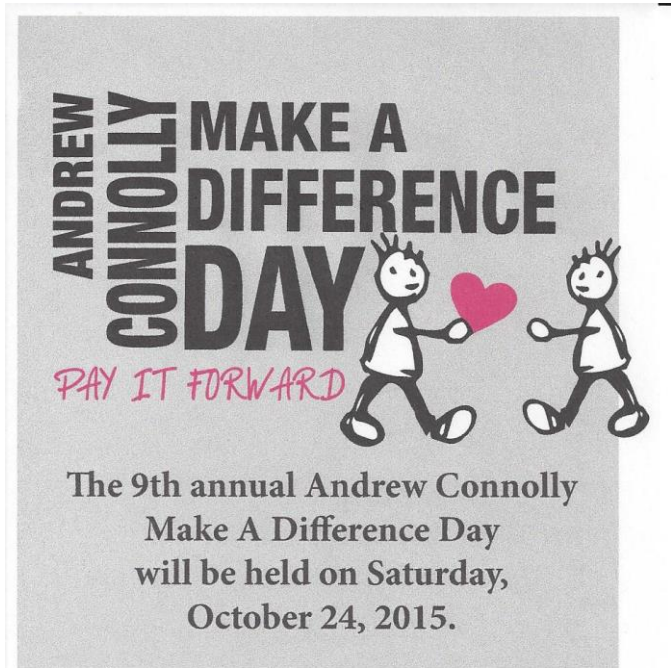


Operation New View

Andrew Connolly Make a Difference Day

October 24, 2015

Is your team ready?? For more information go to:
www.THonline.com/MakeADifferenceDay/volunteer



Sinsinawa Mound Center

Join A Discussion!

A discussion of Pope Francis' encyclical, "*Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*," will be held at Sinsinawa Mound 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Oct. 6 through Nov. 10. Join us to engage Pope Francis' powerful new environmental encyclical in the context of prayer and community. Over the course of six weeks, we will read each of the six chapters of the encyclical, which calls us to re-examine our lives in light of the ecological crisis, and discuss what this means for us as a people of faith. No registration is required. Feel free to come to any or all of the discussions. Books will be available for purchase at the first session. For more information, contact Eric Anglada, coordinator, ecological programming at Sinsinawa Mound, at eric.anglada@gmail.com or 563-845-0780. All are welcome to this free event!

Sinsinawa Mound, the Motherhouse for the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters, is located in southwest Wisconsin on County Road Z, off Highway 11, about five miles northeast of Dubuque.

For 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

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

Caring for Our loved ones with Alzheimer's Disease & Dementia

Healing Moments™ Alzheimer's Ministry

Presents:

Meeting Alzheimer's: Hope, Inspiration & Healing – For Stephen Ministers

Sponsored by the Stephen Ministry Program
Peace United Church of Christ, Elkader, IA

Workshop Information

Date & Time:
Wednesday, November 4, 2015
2:00pm – 5:00pm

Location:
Shalom Retreat Center
1001 Davis St.
Dubuque, IA 52001

Registration:
Cost: \$15 per Stephen Minister
Please register by October 28

Send check to:
Peace United Church of Christ
301 N. Main Street, Elkader, IA 52043
Attn: Sharon Seney

Description

Weaving together spiritual practices, exercises drawn from creative drama, and basic information about dementia, this artfully designed program is informative, inspiring and energizing!

Participants will engage in exercises designed to enhance their skills of observation and their understanding of dementia. They will increase their abilities to communicate and connect, learn ways to improve the quality of life for persons with dementia, and become competent, confident companions.

Join us as we practice being present in the moment, accepting what is (Saying "Yes!"), "meeting" persons with dementia in their current reality, and finding healing and hope.

Healing Moments™
Alzheimer's/Dementia
Education, Advocacy & Ministry

*Celebrating the beauty of
living in the moment*

Workshop Leader: Rev. Dr. Jade Angelica

Jade leads workshops, services, and trainings for *Healing Moments™* throughout the country, and offers individual and group spiritual direction. Her most important and fruitful ministry, to date, has been caring for her mother who died from Alzheimer's in 2011. Jade is the author of *Meeting Alzheimer's: Companionship on the Journey*, available in audio format, and *Where Two Worlds Touch: A Spiritual Journey Through Alzheimer's Disease*.

This is a Fragrance Free Event. So all may attend in good health, please refrain from wearing perfume, cologne, aftershave or scented personal care products.

For more information:
Contact: Sharon Seney
Peace UCC Stephen Ministry
seney@alpinecom.net
563-243-2180 or 563-880-1976

Read about other upcoming events in Shalom's own
information-filled online newsletter!

<http://www.shalomretreats.org/programs.html>



St. Mark Youth Enrichment

St. Mark Seeks Sponsor Angels

Each holiday season, St. Mark Youth Enrichment coordinates their annual "Sponsor Angels" program. This program provides warm winter clothing for children in the organization's programs. St. Mark is inviting community friends and businesses to join the effort again this year. Individuals will be paired with children that qualify for the program, then these individuals, or Sponsor Angels, purchase the requested clothing items, and deliver them to St Mark Youth Enrichment offices located at 1201 Locust Street.

Those interested in serving as a Sponsor Angel this season are invited to contact St. Mark to register by November 6th. Beth McGorry, Outreach Coordinator, then provides Sponsor Angels with the first name, gender, age, and clothing sizes for one or more children by November 13th just in time for holiday shopping.

This year, due to high demand, St. Mark Youth Enrichment is hoping to register more Sponsor Angels than ever before. Children who qualify for Sponsor Angels are children in need who participate in before or after school programs, the St. Mark Summer Learning Program as well as the Dyersville Summer Learning Program. Students who receive free/reduced lunches will be given preference to meet the needs of those who need it most. Last year, 72% of the students in the before and after school programs, Early Risers and Step up, respectively, were served free/reduced lunches. This is the first year that students enrolled in the summer learning programs will also have an opportunity to participate.

Last year, St. Mark Youth Enrichment saw incredible community support and had more Sponsors than there were students in the program. To the delight of many families, this meant that siblings who were not yet school age or were in middle school and high school were able to participate as well. One parent left a note after she picked up the multiple boxes for her children that said, "Thank you so much, you gave my kids a Christmas!" The impact that this program has on children by providing basic, warm winter clothing is lasting enough to keep them warm the entire year.

If you are interested in sponsoring one or more children, but do not have time to shop, we have shoppers available. Please feel free to make your financial contribution and our shoppers will select gifts for your child. Likewise, if you are unable to make a financial gift, but are interested in volunteering as a shopper you can also do so, as there is always a large need in the community!

All the "Sponsor Angel" gifts will then be distributed just in time for Christmas! For more information, please contact Outreach Coordinator, Beth McGorry, at (563) 582-6211 Ext. 102 or via email at bmccgorry@stmarkyouthenrichment.org.

Grand View United Methodist Church

Grand View UMC Annual Holiday Fair



HOLIDAY MAGIC

Saturday Oct. 17

8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Lunch served from 11 AM to 1:15 PM

Items for sale include Woodworks, Metal crafts, Ceramics, Books, Paintings, Baked goods, Quilting items and much more!!!! Holiday Fair is a fundraising event for local, national and International mission work. (Location: 3342 John Wesley Drive, ph 563.582.8875)

St. Raphael Cathedral

Thank You!

The Ecumenical Garage Sale held on September 12, 2015 raised **\$7210.00** for the Almost Home Men's Shelter at St. John Lutheran. We are so pleased that people were so generous with their donations of things to sell and generous with their financial donations when they checked out their purchases.

The sale also helped families that were hurting, a homeless man that was directed to necessary housing help, a single mom with two daughters received dinette chairs so they could sit while they ate instead of standing and others were given deductions on items that they needed but money was not available. There were some really touching moments, funny moments, and just plain old community building. It was great to get to know St. John's people better...a great time...we couldn't have done it without you. A big thank you to each and every one of you that helped and spent countless hours...it was heartwarming to see Pastor Ilten in the midst of all the confusion, unloading trucks. A great team effort. We are so pleased that Almost Home will have that extra boost from those who care.


Vince and Betty VandenHeuvel

St. Raphael's/St. Patrick's Social Justice Committee

Children of Abraham

Dubuque's Children of Abraham creates an atmosphere in civic life that builds inter-religious solidarity, cooperation, and friendship. It does so through regular monthly topical conversations, service activities, educational outreach, the creative use of sacred space, and expressions of cross-cultural hospitality.

Meetings are always Thursdays. We start at 7pm and end at 8:30pm. Everyone is welcome and there is never a charge.



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Children of Abraham

Sept 17: Angels, Demons and Jinn
Loras College, Alumni Center.

Oct 15: Scripture Study (Muslim) Qur'an
Wartburg Seminary.

Nov 19: The Purpose of Life
Temple Beth El.

Jan 28: Scripture Study (Jewish) Torah
Clarke University.

Feb 18: Coming of Age
Tri-State Islamic Center.

Mar 10: Scripture Study (Christian)
University of Dubuque, Hadley Aud.

Apr 21: Faces of our Faiths
St. Luke's United Methodist Church.



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.

Opening Doors

"An Attitude of Gratitude"

A Special Fundraiser for Opening Doors
Maria House and Teresa Shelter

Saturday, November 21, 5-10 PM
Grand River Center

Silent Auction 5-8 PM
Dinner served 6:30 PM
Live Auction 8 PM

Individual Tickets \$60
Sponsorships also available!
RSVP by Friday November 6 online at
www.qtego.net/qting/aog or call 563.582.7480

Dubuque Community

Energize Dubuque

Dubuque Solar Tour

Saturday, October 17, 10 AM to 4 PM
Starting at Brannon Monument Company
Visit 6 homes and businesses! Owners and installers will be sharing their experiences with the public about purchasing and installing solar panels. For more information go to www.energizedubuque.org

Hospice of Dubuque

Hospice of Dubuque will be sponsoring two six-week bereavement support groups. They are open to anyone in the tri-state area who has experienced the loss of a loved one, through death, within the past twelve months. It is suggested that participants wait at least three months after a loss before attending.

A group is scheduled to meet on Monday evenings from 6-8 pm, beginning October 5th and ending November 9th. Another group is scheduled to meet on Tuesday mornings from 10 am-Noon, beginning October 6th and ending November 10th. The groups will meet at the Hospice of Dubuque office in the Theisen Education Center, 1670 JFK Road. The sessions are meant to be both educational and emotionally

supportive. There is no requirement to have had a previous connection with Hospice of Dubuque.

Group size is limited so pre-registration is required. Please contact Hospice of Dubuque at 563.582.1220 to register or for more information. Although there is no fee a contribution to defray the cost of materials would be appreciated."



Multicultural Family Center

Check our website! Time to sign up for classes, share new cultures and foods, and more! www.mcfcdbq.org

Western Dubuque High School

The Western Dubuque Fine Arts Foundation is fundraising for new band uniforms! Please support them!

WESTERN DUBUQUE HIGH SCHOOL **BOBCATS**
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
Artist Series

COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL
PRESENTS

TIME OF MY LIFE
= TOUR =
THE AFTERS CHRIS AUGUST

UNSPOKEN **AMONG THE THIRSTY**

October 22, 2015 at 7pm

Adults \$20 VIP Meet/Greet \$40
Students \$10 (Plus \$1.75 Processing Fee)

Hub Monkey City Guides+
Download on the App Store GET IT ON Google play

Scan to Buy Tickets 
www.hub-monkey.com/tickets

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.



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.



The Wendt Center at the University of Dubuque

**Fall 2015 Wendt Character Lecture:
Nontombi Naomi Tutu**

Nontombi Naomi Tutu will present her lecture, *Courageous Compassion*, on Monday, October 19 at 7:00 pm in John and Alice Butler Hall of the Heritage Center.

A race and gender justice activist and daughter of South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Nontombi Naomi Tutu expresses her passion for human dignity through speaking, as well as through Nozizwe Consulting – a firm that brings different groups together to learn from and celebrate their differences and acknowledge their shared humanity.

This event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required for admission and may be obtained through the Farber Box Office by calling 563-585-SHOW



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