

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.

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DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT			
Here's just a few of the events sponsored by our DACU congregations and associates. Turn the page to learn more!					
January 19 Faces & Voices 23 rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Break		23 rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast, 7:30 AM			
-		Grand River Center, 500 Bell St.			
January 27	DACU	DACU Annual Meeting & Dinner, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church			
January 29	Children of Abraham	7:00 PM, St. Anthony's Church, 1870 St. Ambrose St. All Welcome!			
February 3	University of Dubuque	Tim Wise, 5:30 PM in Butler Hall			
February 24	DACU	DACU Delegates Meeting; TBD			
March 24	DACU	DACU Delegates Meeting; TBD			
March 27	Temple Beth El	Annual Visitors Service, 6:30 PM Temple Beth El			



DACU Annual Dinner Meeting Tuesday, January 27 Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 1755 Delhi St. 6:00 P.M.

Dinner Cost: \$8.00

Please send reservations (including list of names attending) and checks payable to DACU, and mail to DACU, P.O. Box 811, Dubuque, IA 52004-0811 or call Bob Krayer at 582-5117 (answering machine available) or bdkrayer@aol.com.

Please place your reservations by Friday, January 16, 2015. In an effort not to penalize the host congregation for "no show" reservations, it is requested that all reservations be paid in advance. If you need to cancel a reservation, please call Bob Krayer at 582-5117.

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

Some great reasons to attend the DACU Annual Dinner Meeting on January 27:

- Learn what DACU is planning this year.
- Learn the latest news our DACU projects (P.I.N., the Dubuque Food Pantry, and the Dubuque Rescue Mission)
- Enjoy a delicious meal, seasoned as always with the fragrant spice of community and fellowship
- Receive your personal copy of the DACU Annual Report!
- Welcome new DACU President Sara McCaw and new DACU President Elect Sue Hattel
- Say THANK YOU to outgoing President Sr. Lynn Wagner.

Remember....RSVP by January 16 to Bob Krayer, 582-5117 or bdkrayer@aol.com



DACU Board Report

As of December 31, 26 congregations and two associate members had contributed to the work of DACU for 2014. Thank you to Sisters of Charity, First Baptist Church, Sisters of the Presentation, Sisters of St. Francis, and St. John Lutheran Church for their generous donations in December!

FY 2014 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 12/31/2014					
	December	2014 YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET 2014		
Income	\$ 1,675.00	\$ 10,668.75	\$6,450.00		
Expenses	\$ 220.00	\$ 14,288.00	\$6,450.00		
Ending Balance as of 12/31/2014: \$3,823.25					

Plan to attend the Annual Meeting on January 27 to participate in approving our proposed budget for 2015!

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.

In 2014 P.I.N. raised more money, and funded more assists, to more people than at any time in our history. To hear more, join us at the Annual DACU Meeting.

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



Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Our new Thrift Store # 2 at 2nd & Locust is doing very well... Come and visit! This store carries only furniture and has off-street parking for shoppers.

Solar panels installed on the roof of our main building have cut heating bills by half.

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. The week before Christmas we handed out a little over 470 baskets to those in need. Thanks to all who donated hams, can goods or monetary donations to help fill the baskets.

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

January—Peanut butter & jelly, canned meats, hot chocolate mix, ramen noodles, shampoo, laundry soap **February—"Souper Bowl" Sunday**, Soups, crackers, ravioli, spaghetti O's, chili, liquid hand soap.

"Souper Bowl Sunday" If you are planning ahead remember the first weekend in February is the time for collecting soups and crackers in your churches/congregations. Let's see how much soup we can gather and make this a great "Souper Bowl" weekend. It'll help keep many people warm on these cold winter days.

Drop off hours are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00a.m. to 3:30p.m. and Tues. 8:30-11:45a.m.

God bless you and thank you for your continued support.

Sister Lynn Wagner, Manager
583-4440

DACU Community

St. Columbkille Church



Conference: The Marriage You've Always Wanted" Saturday, March 21, 2015 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

St. Columbkille Church, 1240 Rush Street

"The Marriage You've Always Wanted", with Dr. Gary Chapman, author of *The Five Love Languages*. This is a daylong conference dedicated to laughter and love to help you build the love relationship of your dreams.

Tickets are \$35 each, \$70 per couple. To purchase tickets, call 563.583.9117 or 563.588.1433. For information on the conference call Pat at 563.451.3557. Sponsored by St. Columbkille www.stcolumbkille.net and St. Joseph the Worker www.theworker.org.

Temple Beth El

The Annual Temple Beth El Visitors' Service will be Friday, March 27. There will be an informational lecture by Rabbi Anne Persin at 6:30 PM followed by Sabbath Worship at 7:30 PM. Refreshments and a social hour will follow. Everyone is warmly invited.

(If you plan to bring a group please let us know in advance so we can bake enough cookies!)
(Contact Cindy Pearce, 563.583.1254 or

Phyllis Garfield, 563.599.4898)

Location: 475 West Locust St. (With our apologies, Temple Beth El has no off-street parking. Please consider ride-sharing!)





St. Mark Youth Enrichment

What's an off-season? There is no off-season when it comes to ice golf! Dust off those clubs and practice that winning swing. Join St. Mark Youth Enrichment for fun in the annual Ice Golf Classic on Feb. 7at Mid-Town Marina in East Dubuque, Ill. There will be a shotgun start at 10 a.m. with registration beginning at 8 a.m. Sign up your foursome for a fun and competitive 18 holes of ice golf on our website (www.stmarkyouthenrichment.org). Not the best ice golfer? Don't worry, there will be awards for best sled and best dressed team. There will also be a silent auction and food for purchase inside for when you need to warm up.

The event is adding a feature in 2015. St. Mark Youth Enrichment will be hosting a Polar Plunge Drive. The goal of this drive is to raise more than \$5,000 before the event even starts. Once the goal is met, three volunteer plungers will be hitting the water the afternoon of the 7th. An award will also be given out for the team that raises the most money to go towards the Polar Plunge. The volunteers to take the dip for St. Mark are Mark Ehlers, Jeremy McDowell, and Beth McGorry. Polar Plunge donations can be sent with the registration form, mailed, or made though a donation online on our website. Please let St. Mark Youth Enrichment know that the donation is going towards the plunge.

The Annual Ice Golf Classic is a great experience for all involved; however, it is much more than just a great memory. All the proceeds generated from the event help support at-risk students who attend before/after school and summer learning programming at St. Mark Youth Enrichment. Your participation will help provide innovative programs and services that cultivate the educational and social-emotional growth of youth and families. Please contact Beth McGorry or Jessica Pape for more information at 563-582-6211.

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Shalom Spirituality Center

Celebrating 25 years • 1989 – 2014 1001 Davis Dubuque, IA 52001 Phone: 563/582-3592

Web: <u>www.shalomretreats.org</u> Email: <u>info@shalomretreats.org</u>

Read about upcoming events in Shalom's own information-filled online newsletter! www.shalomretreats.org/2015wintershalomspiritnl.pdf

University of Dubuque



Tim Wise will be speaking at the University of Dubuque on Tuesday February 3rd at 5:30pm in the John & Alice Butler Hall (Heritage Center) Tickets are FREE for all UD Faculty, staff and students AND FREE for the first 200 General Public constituents. Please contact Farber Box Office at boxoffice@dbq.edu or 563-585-7469. Special thanks to the Black Student Union for Sponsoring this event!

Tim Wise is among the most prominent anti-racist writers and educators in the United States. Recently named one of "25 Visionaries Who are Changing Your World," by Utne Reader, Wise has spoken in all 50 states, on over 800 college and high school campuses, and to community groups across the nation. He has also lectured internationally in Canada and Bermuda on issues of comparative racism, race and education, racism and religion, and racism in the labor market. Wise is the author of six books, including his most recent, Dear White America: Letter to a New Minority (City Lights Books); White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son (recently updated and re-released by Soft Skull Press); Affirmative Action: Racial Preference in Black and White; Speaking Treason Fluently: Anti-Racist Reflections From an Angry White Male; Between Barack and a Hard Place: Racism and White Denial in the Age of Obama; and Colorblind: The Rise of Post-Racial Politics and the Retreat from Racial Equity. He has contributed essays to twenty-five books, and is one of several persons featured in White Men Challenging Racism: Thirty-Five Personal Stories (Duke University Press).

Wise has appeared on hundreds of radio and television programs, is a regular contributor to discussions about

race on CNN, and was featured in a segment on ABC's 20/20, in 2007.

For more information contact Mishereen Ellis, Director of Multicultural Student Engagement at the University of Dubuque (mellis@dbq.edu, 589-3129).

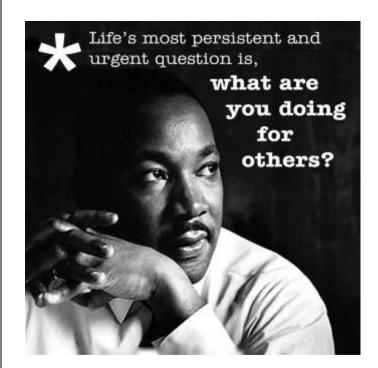
Dubuque Community



Faces & Voices, Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

You are cordially invited to the 23rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Breakfast Event Monday, January 19, 2015, 7:30 AM Grand River Center Check-in at 7:00 AM Speaker: Margaret Huang. "Human and Civil Rights Movement of Today"

Ms. Huang is deputy executive director for campaigns and programs for Amnesty International USA. Register and pay online at www.dbqfoundation.org/mlk.





Crescent Community Health Center

Are You Ready?

Crescent Community Health Center is providing the Dubuque Community with education, enrollment and determining eligibility for the Health Insurance Marketplace and the Iowa Health and Wellness Plans (Medicaid) for individuals.

Iowa Health and Wellness Plans (Medicaid) can be done year round at our office.

Every health insurance plan in the new Marketplace will offer "essential health benefits", including doctor visits, preventative and wellness services, hospitalization, prescriptions, mental health and substance abuse disorders, laboratory, ambulatory services, emergency services, rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices, pediatric services, maternity and newborn care.

Open enrollment will begin on November 15, 2014. You can find out more information about enrollment and eligibility through a Certified Application Counselor at Crescent Community Health Center. Please call Angela (563) 552-8080 or Laura (563) 690-2856 to schedule an appointment today.

Website: www.crescentchc.org.

Do You Have News To Share?



The DACU Newsletter exists to share good news and upcoming events important to our Dubuque community. If you would like to have your organization's event included, just email the Newsletter Editor at phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com. We try to publish the newsletter on or around the 7th of each month, so please plan ahead.

Children of Abraham



The Children of Abraham is a series of conversations, entering its fourth year, by folks representing the three different Abrahamic religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. At each meeting, a topic is explored. First, briefly, the three religious speakers present an interpretation on that subject. Then the attendees break up into groups to talk about the subject and what they heard. Finally, the group comes back together to share observations. Everyone is welcome and there is never a charge.

Mission Statement: Dubuque's Children of Abraham creates an atmosphere in civic life that builds interreligious 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.

The dates are always Thursdays. We start at 7pm and end at 8:30pm.

2015 Schedule of Conversations ... Join us.

January 29 – Scripture Study (Christian) – "The Sermon on the Mount – Love for Others" – St Anthony's Church

February 19 – Humor in the 3 Traditions – Hadley Auditorium, University of Dubuque

March 19 – Scripture Study (Islam) – Tri-State Islamic Center

April 16 – The Afterlife – Wartburg Seminary (to be confirmed)

Questions? See the website or email Alan Garfield (agarfield@dbq.edu)



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