



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
Ramadan Mubarak to those who are observing Ramadan, which begins at sundown May 5.		
May 2	Franciscan Sisters	Reducing Indoor Pollution, 6:30 pm Canticle of Creation Center
May 21	DACU	Delegates Meeting, 7:00 pm Sinsinawa Mound Center (see below)
May 25	Multicultural Family Center	Marshallese Constitution Day, 12-3 pm Flora Park (more p. 5)
June 2	NAACP	Nat'l Gun Violence Awareness Day, 12:30 Washington Park (p. 5)
June 10	Dubuque Food Pantry	Lunches to Go begins (more p. 2 and 5)
June-August	Sinsinawa Mound Center	Weekly Wednesday Organ Concerts, 7:00 pm (more p. 3)
June-July	DACU	No Delegates Meetings!
August 27	DACU	Annual DACU Delegates Potluck Picnic, Dubuque Arboretum, 6pm



DACU Delegates Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Sinsinawa Mound Center
585 County Road Z
Sinsinawa, WI 53824

Program: Restoring the Land

Speakers: Ronald Lindblom
Land Stewardship Director for
Sinsinawa Dominicans

Bring a friend! And bring jars of peanut butter and jelly for the Dubuque Food Pantry's "Lunches to Go" program which feeds kids over the summer school holiday.

UPCOMING DACU DELEGATE MEETINGS 2019

May 21: Restoring the Land: Ronald Lindblom will share how the land restoration project came about, the significance of it, and the process involved. The project has been underway since December 2018. It involves the selective removal of invasive trees and plants, which constitutes 80 percent of the woody growth in the project area, followed by other restoration phases such as reseedling and introducing a natural fire cycle to the project area. Lindblom will also discuss ways others might similarly care for Earth. Bring a friend! If you need directions call the Mound Center at (608) 748-4411.

June and July: No Delegate Meetings! But you can still contact the DACU President, Rev. Ken Halstead, at kahalstead@hotmail.com.

August 27: Annual Welcome Back Picnic, Dubuque Arboretum Visitors' Porch. 6:00 PM gathering, 6:30 dinner. Potluck! Josh Jaspers from Resources Unite will speak and we will kick off the CROP Walk!

September 24: Update on our DACU Projects, 7:00 PM at the Dubuque Rescue Mission, 398 Main Street.

October 22: Who Lives in Dubuque? 7:00 PM, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1755 Delhi St.

November 27: 37th Annual DACU Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, 7:00 PM at Resurrection Catholic Church.

DACU Board Report

As of April 30, 8 congregations and two associate members contributed to DACU for 2019. Thanks to St. John's Lutheran Church for their contribution in April! (DACU Bylaws: "*Dubuque Area Congregations United will be supported financially by the voluntary contributions of its member congregations and institution, keeping in mind the purposes and needs of the organization*").

FY 2019 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 4/30/2019			
	April	2019 Year to Date	Budget 2019
Income	\$ 50.00	\$ 4,323.55	\$8,000
Expenses	\$ -0-	\$ 6,562.71*	\$8,000
Ending Balance as of 4/30/2019: \$1,954.74			

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 5:00 p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Board meetings are always open to the members of DACU. (Note new time...)

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. Remember, P.I.N. operates through referrals from social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations only. Potential clients cannot call directly.

Right now most of our support is going to rent to keep folks in their homes. Thank you to Fabulous Fridays at St. Luke, and to the Community Good Friday Service for donating their offerings to P.I.N.

Please send donations to: PIN, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2155 University Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001



Dubuque Rescue Mission

Once again Holy Thursday foot washing was held. This is a very positive experience where the staff wash the feet of the residents and give them new shoes and socks.

A grant given to us from Mercy Hospital for \$5500 will go to pay half the salary of our part-time chef who works prepping our produce and canning for the season.

AA meetings are being held in the Mission chapel Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM.

Rev. Mihm expresses gratitude to Fr. Dustin Lyon for leadership as President of the Board. His term ended in April and Fr. Dustin will be leaving Dubuque for a new congregation.

DACU Rescue Mission Representative
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<https://www.facebook.com/DBQRescue/>



Dubuque Food Pantry

Greetings All! Summer is coming!

Here at the Dubuque Food Pantry, we are looking forward to our "**Lunches to Go**" program again this year. It will start Monday June 10 and will continue Monday through Friday until August 23. Each child up to age 18 will receive his or her lunch bag to fill. There is no need to register and this is open to any child in the Dubuque area. The Food Pantry is located at 1598 Jackson Street and will be open for lunches 10:30 to 12:00 noon Monday through Friday!

We could use donations of peanut butter and jelly as well as "lunch bag" items and of course cash donations...we can purchase items including meat, dairy and produce from the River Bend Food Pantry at very reduced rates

Blessings,
Theresa M. Caldwell, Manager
Dubuque Food Pantry

P.S. Like us on Facebook! ("Dubuque Food Pantry")
Drop off hours are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. and Tues. 8:00 am to Noon

DACU Community



The DACU community was saddened to learn of the passing of Sr. Anita Therese Hayes, BVM, in April. Sr. Anita was as active in retirement as she was in her long career in education. She served many years with Dubuque CROP Walk. Her memory is a blessing to all who knew her.

Children of Abraham

Children of Abraham Board is busy planning next year's schedule....check their website!

www.cofabraham.org

For more information contact John Eby
John.Eby@loras.edu or Alan Garfield
AGarfield@dbq.edu

Sinsinawa Mound Center



Sinsinawa Summer Concerts Return in June!!

This year marks the 28th annual Organ Concert Series. Concerts feature organists from Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, Texas, Missouri, Minnesota and Wisconsin. Concerts are held every Wednesday in June, July and August (except July 17 and 24) at 7 p.m. in the Queen of the Rosary Chapel.

These concerts are free and open to the public.

More Great events coming up at the Mound...for more information visit the website.

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/>

Shalom Spirituality Center

Wishing you Shalom... peace, wholeness, integrity, & well-being!

Shalom Spirituality Center
1001 Davis Street
Dubuque, IA 52001

Open to everyone regardless of religious affiliation, belief system, or faith background!

Phone: 563-582-3592

Web: www.ShalomRetreats.org

Email: info@shalomretreats.org

DACU Worship Brochure



It is time for our annual update of the **DACU Worship Brochure** which we distribute to local hotels and hospitals. We want to list your congregation, its address, phone contact, email or website, and worship and religious school schedule.

Please send updates to the DACU Worship Committee, attention Phyllis Garfield, phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com. To check how your congregation is currently listed, go to www.DACUonline.org and click on "Worship Brochure".

(Remember! Even if your congregation is not a member of DACU, we are still happy to list your services in our brochure. Just let us know!)

Sisters of St. Francis Canticle of Creation Center



Here are upcoming programs at the Canticle of Creation Center, 3390 Windsor Ave., Dubuque. *(Follow the signs for parking behind the building, enter through the grey door by the fire escape)* To register, contact Sr. Shell at 563-583-9786 or canticle@osfdbq.org.

May 7, 2019 – **Taking Steps to Reduce Indoor Pollution: Creating a Healthy Home Environment, 6:30 p.m.** Presented by Jade Angelica. Traditional

cleaning products used in our homes can create indoor air pollution that is much more damaging to our bodies than the outdoor pollution – which is what receives the most attention from environmental activists and politicians. To the surprise of many, cleaning products represent a largely unregulated industry, so the hundreds of untested chemicals we naively bring into our homes contribute to many health challenges. At last, physicians in the environmental and functional medicine fields are being trained to ask patients what products they are using to clean their homes, acknowledging the impact on health. Jade Angelica has been a healthy home advocate since 1994, and from her experience and study will share about some of the dangers lurking in our kitchens and bathroom. She will bring examples of non-toxic products and recipes that will help to reduce indoor pollution, and make our homes healthier.

May 21, 2019 – Every Day is Earth Day Movie Night: “Decoding the Driftless,” 6:30 p.m. This documentary, by Emmy Award-winning filmmakers George Howe and Tim Jacobson, explores the fascinating Driftless region including parts of WI, MN, IA and IL. This adventurous journey will uncover ancient hidden mysteries, endangered Ice-Age throwbacks, and globally rare ecosystems. Come learn about the archeology, paleontology, geology, and biology of the unglaciated Driftless Region we call home! Free will offering. Free popcorn.

June 1, 2019 – Nature’s Ways: Healing and Spiritual Growth through Nature Interaction, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The power of nature to heal and grow the human spirit is substantiated through an increasing body of behavioral research. Philip Chard, a thought leader in the emerging field of eco-psychology, illustrates how interacting with nature helps to overcome debilitating feelings, heal emotional wounds, promote self-understanding, nurture creativity, and further spiritual growth. Co-Sponsored with Shalom Spirituality Center. This program will be held at Shalom Spirituality Center, 1001 Davis St., Dubuque. Offering: \$35, includes lunch. Pre-register and pay by May 28 directly to Shalom: (563) 582-3592 or info@shalomretreats.org.

SEND REGISTRATIONS TO: Canticle of Creation Center, c/o Sr. Shell Balek, OSF or Lisa Schmidt, 3390 Windsor Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001. Make checks out to Sisters of St. Francis and note which program in the memo line. For more info or to register contact canticle@osfdbq.org or 563-583-9786. Visit our website: www.osfdbq.org/canticleofcreation as programs are also listed there and more get added.

Opening Doors

8 Ways To Volunteer at Opening Doors

SLEEP ON THE JOB

Maria House and Teresa Shelter are staffed 24/7. So volunteer while you sleep *Women, age 18+, background check required*

WATCH THE KIDS

Childcare is provided to our mothers when they are attending required programming. Young at heart? Hanging out and with the kiddos might be for you. *Background check required*

MAKE A MEAL

Meals are always welcome when arranged in advance, but especially Wednesday nights for the “Getting Ahead” program.

PLAN A PARTY

Are you the life of the party? Then you might like planning our fundraisers, setting up events, and volunteering at our “parties.”

JOIN THE OFFICE CREW

Office assistants make us function. They answer phones and doors, write thank you notes, record donations, and much more.

HELP OUT AROUND THE HOUSE

Cleaning, painting, decorating--just a few household tasks that keep Maria House and Teresa Shelter up and running.

CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

Have an idea? Let's hear it! Volunteers have provided spa days for our women, updated the website, and provided counseling.

GET WORK EXPERIENCE

Opening Doors partners with local colleges and organizations to provide internships, work study positions, and field placements.

Opening Doors		EVENT ITINERARY
4th Annual BUS TRIP Thursday, September 12, 2019 *\$135/per person MOMMA MIA! OLD CREAMERY THEATRE <small>*Includes \$25 tax-deductible donation to Opening Doors (Teresa Shelter, Maria House & Francis Apartments)</small> Includes: Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation with WiFi Lunch at the Ox Yoke Inn, Amana, IA Tickets to Momma Mia! ON-BUS RAFFLES & GIVEAWAYS		CALENA PASSENGERS 7:15 AM: Boarding begins at Tri-State Travel Office, Hwy 20 West 7:30 AM: Depart Calena DUBUQUE PASSENGERS Hobby Lobby parking lot 7:45 AM: Boarding begins in Dubuque 8 AM: Bus departs for Amana (Please be prompt!) 9:45 AM: Arrive at Amana - shop until 11:45 AM Noon: Lunch at the Ox Yoke Inn 1:15 PM: Depart for theater 1:30 PM: Arrive at Old Creamery Theatre 2 PM: Show Time! 4:30 PM: Depart for home (time approx.) 6:15 PM: Return to Dubuque 6:45 PM: Return to Galena Homemade Cinnamon Rolls & Cookies provided, along with prize giveaways!
A young bride-to-be longs to discover the identity of her father only to learn there are three possible choices! Prepare to be swept away by the infectious music, uplifting story, and dazzling dance numbers that have made <i>Mamma Mia!</i> a glittering global phenomenon! To reserve your seat, send in the registration form below, or go online to www.openingdoorsdbq.org/events/bustrip .		
MOMMA MIA! REGISTRATION FORM		
Number of Tickets Requested: _____ Total Enclosed: \$_____ (Each \$135 registration includes a \$25 tax-deductible donation to Opening Doors) Name #1 _____ Name #2 _____ Name #3 _____ Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____		
Payment Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash or Check (Make check payable to Opening Doors) <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card Charge to: _____ VISA _____ Mastercard _____ Discover _____ Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CVC# (back of card): _____		
Signature: _____ Mail registration form to: Opening Doors Administrative Offices • 2100 Asbury Road, Suite 8 • Dubuque, IA 52001 563.582.7480 • Email: alorenz@openingdoorsdbq.org Registration also available online at www.openingdoorsdbq.org/events/bustrip		



Grandview United Methodist



GrandView

**Call To Prayer For Our Dubuque Area Schools
May 2019-Prayer For Students Suffering From
Depression/Anxiety**

"He has sent me...to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness..."

Isaiah 61:1, 3

Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace: We cry out to You for our Dubuque area students who are suffering from depression and anxiety; a spirit of darkness that affects so many of our students at increasingly younger ages.

Father lead Your beloved children to the right sources for help and show them the best ways to fight these battles. We pray parents, teachers, and friends will be aware of the symptoms of depression and anxiety and reach out to help.

Pursue them with the Light of Your love to break through their darkness of despair. Lord, through Your help they can hang on to Your lifeline as they struggle in the whirling waters of depression and anxiety. With Your powerful right hand, You will bring healing. We thank you for providing doctors and counselors with skill and compassion.

Deliver them from the darkness of despair, depression, loneliness, and anxiety. Shine Your powerful, healing light on them through the Holy Spirit, so that Your joy, peace, and the spirit of lightheartedness will abide in them.

In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.

For more information contact Becky Specht at
bspecht@yousq.net or 563-543-5411.
www.Grandviewdubuque.org 563.582.8875

Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition

The Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition will meet on Sunday May 5th, 2019 from 3:00-4:30PM at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1276 White St., Dubuque. Our speaker will be Kristina Beytien from Upcycle Dubuque

Dubuque Ministerium

The Dubuque Ministerium has elected a new President, Parson John Emery, who serves the congregations of Center Grove and Wesley Methodist Churches. He can be reached at JEmery@dbq.edu.

Meal Sites in Dubuque

Many of our congregations either host or help with weekly meal sites. Thank you to all of you! The weather and the economy are making these resources ever more important. Here's a current list; feel free to share as needed!

1. Saturdays at 5:30 PM: St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 1199 Main Street (563.582.4543)
2. Sundays & Mondays at 6:00 PM: Hope House Catholic Worker, 1592 Locust Street (563.582.9079)
3. Wednesdays at 5:00 PM: St. Patrick's Church, 1425 Iowa Street (563.583.9749)
4. Thursdays at 5:30 PM: First Congregational UCC, 255 W. 10th St. (563.582.3648)
5. Dubuque Rescue Mission, 398 Main St. (563.583.1394):
 - a. Breakfast Every day 7:30 AM
 - b. Lunch: Monday-Saturday 11:30 AM
 - c. Dinner: Monday, Tuesday, & Friday 5:00 PM
6. Fifth Sunday each month: Lunch at Noon, St. John Episcopal Church, 1458 Locust St. (563.556.0252)



The holy month of Ramadan will begin at sundown on Sunday May 5. Ramadan Mubarak, a blessed Ramadan, to all of our brothers and sisters who are observing the prayer, meditation, and fasting disciplines of this sacred time.

Indivisible Dubuque & NAACP

The Dubuque Chapter NAACP sponsored Friends of Fair Housing is pleased to announce progress in the quality of housing in the City of Dubuque. The City Council has hired an additional housing inspector. The move should provide staffing for annual inspection of "tier 3" (i.e. lower quality) rental units.

The City's Housing Code of Appeals has rejected the appeal of two landlords with a large number of rentals to be removed from "tier 3" priority housing. You can express your views about rental housing in Dubuque to City Council members (see <https://www.cityofdubuque.org/990/Meet-the-Mayor-City-Council>)

At a later date we will update you about a court case that is related to low quality housing in our city.

Tom Alt Rep
Lindsay James Rep
Anthony Allen, Pres. DBQNAACP

Sunday June 2 is National Gun Violence Awareness Day

Where: Washington Park across from the Federal Building (Post Office) from 12:30 to 1:30 PM
(Speakers at the Gazebo)

On June 2 hundreds of thousands of Americans wear orange as they come together to do what they can to support organizations that seek to reduce gun violence, such as Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America and Every Town for Gun Safety. This year join your neighbors and the Dubuque Coalition for Nonviolence (CNV) to make your voice heard. Wear orange on June 2 to symbolize the value of life!
For further information, go to <http://bit.ly/DBQorange>

The event is co-sponsored by Indivisible Dubuque and Dubuque Branch NAACP.

Dubuque Community

Multicultural Family Center

Republic of the Marshall Islands 40th Constitution Day Celebration

Saturday, May 25th

12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Flora Park

2605 Pennsylvania Dr.

(Near Baseball Fields/Volleyball Courts)

Come celebrate the Republic of the Marshall Islands' 40th Constitution Day with members of our Marshallese community and the Multicultural Family Center (MFC)!

This FREE, family-friendly cultural event will feature dance performances by Likatu of the Marshall Islands, music, food, games and more!



Everyone welcome!
Pre-registration is not required.
FREE EVENT!



Multicultural Family Center (MFC) | 1157 Central Ave | Dubuque, IA 52001 | (563) 582-3681 | www.mfcdubq.org

For more information about the MFC, visit us online at mfcdubq.org, call or stop by and visit us! We encourage community members of ALL races and ethnicities (Black, Marshallese, Hispanic, White, Asian, Indian etc.), sexual orientation, gender identities and abilities to participate in MFC programs and events.

REMEMBER!!!

"Lunches to Go" 2019

Dubuque Food Pantry
1598 Jackson St.
Monday through Friday
10:30 – Noon

Starting Monday, June 10 – August 23

Each child up to age 18 will receive his or her own lunch bag to fill.

This is open to any child in the Dubuque area.

Help us spread DACU good news on Facebook!
Go to:

www.facebook.com/Dubuqueareacongregationsunited
and "like" and "share"!

REMEMBER: Membership in DACU is open to all who share DACU's mission. If you wish more information about how your congregation or organization can become involved, just contact DACU President Rev. Ken Halstead, kahalstead@hotmail.com or Administrator Bob Krayner (bdkrayer@aol.com)



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