

### 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/



DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT				
Don't see your event listed? Be sure to tell us and we'll put it in! REMEMBERright now you should assume that						
many programs have been cancelled, postponed, or moved online. It's wise to call ahead!						
April 23 – May 23	Ramadan continues in the USA (through May 23)					
May 14	Community Foundation of	GREAT GIVE DAY (more info at <u>www.dbgfoundation.org</u> )				
	Greater Dubuque					
May 30	Church of the Resurrection: Food Pantry Saturday, 8:30-10:00 AM (more p.3 )					
June 8	Coalition for Non Violence: Wear Orange Day, Say No to Gun Violence, 6-7 PM (more p.3)					
August 25	DACU Delegates Picnic at the Dubuque Arboretum (more in the next newsletters)					



### Next DACU Delegates' Meeting: August 25

### Dear Friends,

As we continue to move through these unusual times, we hope you are all keeping well. Thanks to all who are working in essential areas, prayers for all who are enduring difficulties and loneliness. We are hopeful that we will gather again on August 25 at the Dubuque Arboretum for our annual Delegates' picnic.

We are continuing our monthly Newsletter to share resources and announcements from our members, our projects, and our community.

**Remember, HELPING isn't cancelled!** Do what you can to continue caring for one another with donations, phone calls, and acts of kindness. If your organization or congregation has items to share with the community, continue to send them to the newsletter Editor.

### **DACU 2020 Delegates Meetings**

Join Us! Bring A Friend! All locations are Accessible

Projected Meeting Dates for 2020 (See the complete listing on p.3)

August 25, 2020 September 22, 2020 October 27, 2020 November 25, 2020

### **THANK YOU**

- To all of our health care workers, doctors, nurses, staff...and their families
- To the "essential workers" who can't shelter at home because they are keeping grocery stores open, mail delivered, supplies replenished.
- To the staff and residents of our elder care homes, for their kindness and bravery
- To all who have gone the extra mile to reimagine how we can stay in touch during these difficult times
- To our city government for their commitment to public safety
- To people of faith everywhere for their prayers

We will see this through!

### **DACU Board Report**

As of April 30, 7 congregations contributed to DACU for 2020. There were no contributions 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 2020 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 04/30/2020						
	April	2020 Year to Date	Budget 2020			
Income	\$ .98	\$ 5,444.63	\$8,466.00			
Expenses	\$ .00	\$ 5,424.43	\$8,100.00			
Ending Balance as of 04/30/2020: \$3,831.69						

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. (No Board Meetings June or July) NOTE: We are meeting by conference call right now, but still meeting! If you need to add to the Board agenda or would like to "attend" contact President Jean Holdener at JHoldener@dbq.edu.

### **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

Although some utility shutoffs and rent due dates are being extended due to the current COVID 19 emergency, we do anticipate an increase in requests as so many people are newly unemployed. Any help will be appreciated!

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



### **Dubuque Rescue Mission**

One of the guiding principles of my religion, and I imagine yours is to promote the inherent worth and dignity of everyone. I see this carried out in such kind and respectful ways to all who come here. Presently due to the corona virus our meals are basically" to go" except for four tables and chairs which have been set up for the elderly and disabled. All tables and chairs are wiped down y with bleach water as are all surfaces at the Mission.

At the present time we have no one with the virus. We continue to implement new measures that as called by the City Council officials. The men stay in their rooms and no more than six at a time are in the T.V. room. Donors have increased and have been tremendous during this time to offer funds, items, food, and other needs., to cover our ministries. Our store employees are now collecting unemployment Two of our employees are now working from home." Rev. Rick (Director) is here almost every day to offer spiritual guidance to the men, staff and volunteers. Please continue to pray for us and those we serve. Please also continue to offer funds, food and spiritual support for all at the Mission. The address for donations is 398 Main St. Dubuque.

Also Note. One of the ongoing and inspiring parts of the Mission are the beautiful vegetable gardens which are prospering – located behind the Canfield Hotel. There beauty continues to blossom!

Blessings to all, Maryann LoGuidice
DACU Rescue Mission Representative
Maryann Caudill LoGuidice

608.642.1270 https://www.facebook.com/DBQRescue/



### Greetings!

Are you or someone you know in need of groceries? We are here to help. Some people have never been in this situation before. There is no stigma attached to needing to ask for help. With the overwhelming number of people out of work right now, you don't have to go hungry. If you have never been here before, just call us direct at 583-4440 or contact Operation New View or the Visiting Nurses Association or any other social agency or church. They will give you a referral to us and you can come down the same day (Monday-Friday). We are here to help!

Theresa M. Caldwell, Manager, Dubuque Food Pantry dubuquefoodpantry@yahoo.com 563.583.4440

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**

REMEMBER...things are opening and closing and re-imagining themselves constantly! Many of our congregations are providing worship remotely via Zoom or Facebook. Just reach out. And thanks to all the creative and engaged folks out there!

### **Church of the Resurrection**

Food Pantry Saturday, May 30th



At Church of the Resurrection 4300 Asbury Road, Dubuque 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM Drive Through Only

Once again we are offering our food give away.

- 1. Distribution will be in the church parking lot
- 2. Vehicles will directed where to line up
- 3. Numbers will be assigned to each vehicle as they arrive
- 4. One family food pack per vehicle
- 5. Please remain in your vehicle
- 6. Volunteers will load the food boxes in your vehicle

We pray that you stay safe and healthy.

### Children of Abraham



Children of Abraham is Zooming!
We have enjoyed several conversations online via
Zoom. No further events are scheduled at this time
but the Board is meeting to plan the coming year. If
you are on the mailing list you'll hear from John Eby
as soon as there is news. If you are not on the
mailing list but want to be added, just contact John
or Alan (below).

www.cofabraham.org

For more information contact John Eby  $\underline{\text{John.Eby@loras.edu}}$  or Alan Garfield  $\underline{\text{AGarfield@dbq.edu}}$ 

### **Dubuque Coalition for Non Violence**

**Monday June 8** 



**National Gun Violence Awareness Day** 

STAY AT HOME AND JOIN US ON Zoom

By computer or phone

Save the date and time (6-7PM)

**Where:** Zoom Registration Opens May 26 (you will receive an e-mail invitation)

We will feature speakers, music, and information for action.

**Background:** Hundreds of thousands of Americans come together each year to do what they can to support organizations that seek to reduce gun violence. We gather this day to remember Hadiya Pendleton (1998 - 2013) and others who die each day from gunshot wounds. https://wearorange.org/

**HOW:** An e-mail invitation will be sent to you. If you are not on our mailing list send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:loguidice@fastmail.fm">loguidice@fastmail.fm</a> and we will put you on our list.

For further information contact Tim Moothart at timmoot1@gmail.com Check donations or questions and concerns mail to Dubuque Coalition for Nonviolence P.O.BOX 145 DUBUQUE IA 52004-0145

CNV " . . . acts to address the crisis of weapons of violence in order to create a more peaceful and nonviolent community . . . "

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

### **Shalom Spirituality Center**

Visit our website to check out upcoming programs!
Shalom Spirituality Center
1001 Davis Street, Dubuque, IA 52001
Phone: 563-582-3592

Web: <a href="www.ShalomRetreats.org">www.ShalomRetreats.org</a> Email: <a href="mailto:info@shalomretreats.org">info@shalomretreats.org</a>

### **Presentation Lantern Center**

### A Note from Megan Ruiz, Lantern Center Director:

Last month, we went from extending a hand at the Presentation Lantern Center to "extending a hand" in new ways, in a time of unprecedented challenges.

Many of the immigrants we serve are among those hardest-hit by the economic fall-out of the COVID-19 pandemic. Many are ineligible for federal stimulus checks, unemployment, health insurance or other social programs.

During this time, we are continuing to provide virtual <u>learning resources</u> and connect English language and citizenship students with volunteer tutors. We are also maintaining communication in order to to fulfill basic needs. **Together, we will get through this!** 

### Here's how you can help:

- If you know an immigrant in need, call (563) 557-7134 or email <a href="mailto:megan@thelanterncenter.org">megan@thelanterncenter.org</a>. If urgent, call or text (563) 513-8646.
- Donate to help vulnerable families get through this crisis. Click "Donate" at www.TheLanternCenter.org or mail a check for "immigrant financial need" to Presentation Lantern Center at 900 Jackson St.

  Ste. LL5-1

  Dubuque IA 52001
- If you'd like to volunteer, now or in the future, you can apply to be a tutor online at <a href="https://www.TheLanternCenter.org/Volunteer">www.TheLanternCenter.org/Volunteer</a>. If you can volunteer with relief efforts, please call and leave a message at (563) 557-7134.
- Our partner VIATS is picking up and dropping off food and supplies for immigrants in need. If you have items available, email <a href="mailto:catcait2003@yahoo.com">catcait2003@yahoo.com</a> with your address. Cash donations also accepted. Look for more information on VIATS in our spring newsletter.

### **Sisters of St. Francis Canticle of Creation Center**



Visit our website to check out upcoming programs at the Canticle of Creation Center, 3390 Windsor Ave.,

Dubuque. To register, contact Sr. Shell at 563-583-9786 or <a href="mailto:canticle@osfdbq.org">canticle@osfdbq.org</a>
. <a href="mailto:www.osfdbq.org/canticleofcreation">www.osfdbq.org/canticleofcreation</a>

### **Multicultural Family Center**



Visit <u>GreatGiveDay.org/multiculturalfamilycenter</u> on May 14th to donate, or schedule your donation now. Please help support the Multicultural Family Center on Great Give Day. Your help is needed and appreciated for the MFC to continue it's mission to build unity through diversity, equity and inclusion in Dubuque. Any donation, no matter the size, can really make a difference! Please like and share this event! Thanks for your support.

### Sinsinawa Mound Center

Sinsinawa Mound Center Closed to Visitors

Sinsinawa Mound Center will be closed to the public and all programs, events, concerts, meetings, and retreats have been canceled effective immediately through June 15 in order to adhere to the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to prevent the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States. We hold our world in prayer as we all work to slow the COVID-19 pandemic and appreciate your cooperation.

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: <a href="https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events/">https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events/</a>

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 Dr.Jean Holdener (<a href="mailto:iholdene@dbq.edu">iholdene@dbq.edu</a>) or Administrator Bob Krayer (<a href="mailto:bdkrayer@aol.com">bdkrayer@aol.com</a>)

### **Dubuque Community**

### Society of St. Vincent DePaul

St. Vincent has a new website! https://www.svdpdubuqueiowa.org

Please visit the official website of the Dubuque, Iowa Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. We aspire to be a leading provider of volunteer-based, human services to people experiencing hunger, homelessness, and poverty in the Dubuque area. A charitable non-profit organization, St. Vincent de Paul enlists the support of local volunteers in the delivery of its services.

St. Vincent de Paul helps people meet their basic needs and helps improve their quality of life by providing a wide range of services including:

- Emergency Food Distribution
- Clothing Distribution
- Emergency Financial Assistance
- Referrals to Transitional and Permanent Housing
- Referrals to Domestic Violence Support and Counseling

St. Vincent de Paul of Dubuque is proud to be recognized by the community for maintaining the highest standards of ethics and accountability in non-profit governance, management, and operations as demonstrated by its community partnerships and collaborations.

The services of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Dubuque are open to all people in need regardless of their income, religious beliefs, race, or sexual orientation.

We can be reached at (563) 582-3733.

### Shape your future START HERE >

Census 2020

Don't forget to complete your census form online or on paper, as soon as you can. Census information is used to allocate hundreds of billions in Federal aid and funding, and to assign Congressional representation. It is pretty important!! For more check out the website: https://2020census.gov/en/census-data

### **Food Resources in Dubuque**

Here is a list compiled by St. Luke Methodist office; there may be updates by now so please continue to check. Congregational meal sites as well as school lunch sites are operating with "take away" meals to keep everyone safe. Thank you to all who are helping keep folks safe and fed!

### GRAB-AND-GO Meals - Monday through Fridays

**Ages 18 and under** (infant formula/food not available)

Sites and schedules subject to change. Source: dbqschools.org/coronavirus-information/food-resources

Info from: March 17, 2020 Various Meals

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Prescott Elementary School – 1151 White St. Lunch (and grab-n-go breakfast) at 11am-1pm Hosted by: Dubuque Community School District

Hempstead High School – 3715 Pennsylvania Ave.

Lunch (and grab-n-go breakfast) at 11am-1pm Hosted by: Dubuque Community School District

**Project Rooted** 

Convivium Urban Farmstead – 2811 Jackson St. Lunch at 11am-2pm

> DREAM Center 1600 White St. Breakfast at 11am-1pm Dinner at 4:00-5:30 p.m.

### Dinners by Boys & Girls Club of Dubuque

Audubon Elementary School 605 Lincoln Ave. Dinner at 4:45-5:30 p.m.

Boys and Girls Club of Dubuque 1299 Locust St. Dinner at 4:15-5:30 p.m.

> Comiskey Park 255 E 24<sup>th</sup> St. Dinner at 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Hoover Elementary School 3259 St. Anne Dr. Dinner at 5:15-6:00 p.m. Lincoln Elementary School 555 Nevada Ave. Dinner at 4:45-5:30 p.m.

Marshall Elementary School 1450 Rhomberg Ave. Dinner at 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Terrace Heights
4100 Peru Rd.
Dinner at 4:15-4:45 p.m.

### **Urban Bicycle Food Mission Dubuque**

Offering burritos, sandwiches, fruit, & health snacks

Dbq Area Labor Harvest

423 W Locust St. 4:00-4:25 p.m

Carnegie Stout Public Library
360 W 11<sup>th</sup> St.
4:00-4:25 p.m.

Ecumenical Towers 250 W 6<sup>th</sup> St. 5:10-5:30 p.m.

Cricket Wireless 1998 Elm St. 5:45-6:00 p.m.

### **Free Takeout Meals at Churches**

St. Luke's UMC 1199 Main St. Saturdays 5:00-6:00 p.m.

First Congregational UCC 255 W 10<sup>th</sup> St.
Thursdays at 4:30-5:30 p.m.

St. Patrick's Church
1425 Iowa St.
Wednesdays at 4:30-5:30 p.m.

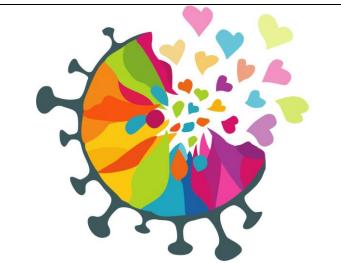
Hope House Catholic Worker 1592 Locust St. Sundays at 6:00 p.m.

### <u>Dubuque Rescue Mission Meal Hours</u> 398 Main St.

Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Lunch at 11:30 a.m. (no Sundays) Dinner at 5:00 p.m. (Mon, Tues, Fri only)

Does your organization or congregation have items you would like to include in the DACU Newsletter? Just email the editor at <a href="mailto:phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com">phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com</a>
We are happy to share any information that is in

keeping with our DACU mission statement.



TOGETHER...we will persevere.
THANKYOU for all you are doing, whether you are frontline, essential, or staying at home. Keep doing what you can for one another and ASK if you need help. There are many resources here in Dubuque. If you need help finding them, please contact us!



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and "like" and "share"!

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