



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
Don't see your event listed? Be sure to tell us and we'll put it in! REMEMBER...right now you should assume that many programs have been cancelled, postponed, or moved online. It's wise to call ahead!		
Every Day	ALL OF US	#Black Lives Matter, Speak out against systemic racism in America.
September 17	Children of Abraham	7:00 PM Zoom discussion, see more p.4
September 20	BVM & Franciscan Sisters	Care for our Common Home panel discussion...see more p.7
September 21	International Day of Peace, see more p. 6	
September 22	DACU Delegates Meeting 7:00 PM on ZOOM, watch at www.dacuonline.org or email phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com for a zoom link!	



Tuesday, September 22. 7pm

At Dubuque Area Congregations United (DACU), we've had Delegate meetings every month for the past 30+ years. Why stop now?

Come join us for our first ZOOM DACU Delegate Meeting. Tell us about your congregation. How are things going? What are you experiencing?

At DACU, "sharing" is "caring". Come join us.

How? >> See us online at www.dacuonline.org
>> Join us live thru Zoom and tell us how you're doing. Email us and we'll send you the ZOOM link.

Email us for a Zoom link: phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com
Or just watch us on www.dacuonline.org

DACU 2020 Delegates Meetings

Projected VIRTUAL Meeting Dates for 2020
(STAY TUNED FOR MORE NEWS!!)

September 22, 2020 (See the poster...be sure to EMAIL for the Zoom link, or watch on www.dacuonline.org)

Coming Soon:
October 27, 2020
November 25, 2020

...and as always don't forget to say "THANKS"

- 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 re-imagine 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
- To all who are speaking and acting to remind the world that Black Lives Matter.
- To EVERYONE who is wearing a mask to protect their neighbors!!

DACU Board Report

As of August 31, 11 congregations contributed to DACU for 2020. (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 08/31/2020			
	August	2020 Year to Date	Budget 2020
Income	\$ 22.30	\$ 6,091.25	\$8,466.00
Expenses	\$ 200.00	\$ 8,624.43	\$8,100.00
Ending Balance as of 07/31/2020: \$1,278.21			

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

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 JHoldene@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.

As the COVID emergency continues to challenge families in our area, we anticipate an increase in requests as so many people are newly unemployed and extensions of the relief bills are still unresolved. We are trying to build our reserves for the demand we know is coming. Any help will be appreciated!

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



Dubuque Rescue Mission

We continue to operate in pandemic mode. Masks are required by all who enter the Mission. All staff and volunteers must have face coverings. We continue to space all guests at six feet and have limited our dormitory space to 50% capacity. This allows for only one man per room versus two men per room. And of course, the wipe-down regiment continues. Remarkably, it all seems to be running smoothly. Keep us and those we serve in your prayers. Needless to say, it's a challenging time for those who come here in need.

The Mission is exploring with the City of Dubuque to assume responsibility for the Washington Tool Library located at 18th and Washington. The tool library has a 25 year history of serving the community. The lower income Dubuque community members and the Washington Neighborhood are especially well served by the library. If you have questions, please send a note to Maryann at Maryannu@fastmail.fm. Please also continue to offer funds, food and spiritual support for all at the Mission. The address for donations is 398 Main St. Dubuque.

Reminder: The Thrift stores appreciate your donations BUT if they are not usable, the Mission has to pay for disposal. Please donate only good condition items!

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

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



Dubuque Food Pantry

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

CROP Hunger Walk

A Letter from the CROP Walk Committee

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your support of the October, 2019 CROP Hunger Walk. For the safety and well-being of all involved, **the CROP Walk Committee of Dubuque Area Congregations United has decided to postpone our planned October 2020 CROP Hunger Walk to April, 2021.** Our local recipients, the Dubuque Rescue Mission, the Dubuque Food Pantry, and People In Need, have said they can survive until then without our usual fall contributions.

The national sponsor of CROP Walk, Church World Service, is in great need of funds now, however, as they also provide resources to those affected by hurricanes. Since they were unable to hold events this spring and summer, they were \$250,000 short at the beginning of August of funds needed to provide hygiene kits and blankets. If you or your congregation has budgeted 2020 contributions to Church World Service/CROP, we suggest you send those funds to them directly.

Since the 2021 walk will be different regardless, we are debating changing to a Saturday morning instead of Sunday afternoon. This would allow pastors and church staff who are very busy on Sundays to be more involved and might appeal to more walkers (and their pets, of course, if they choose to bring them). If registration were to begin at 9:30, with a light breakfast available, the walk could begin at 10, with wrap-up and celebration of lunch at 11:15-11:30, depending on how fast we see people are walking.

We would appreciate feedback on these ideas and suggestions for dates; we are considering April 17th at this point but are open to change. Please discuss with your walking group and send comments, suggestions, etc. to Sara McCaw at sara.mccaw@gmail.com.

The CROP Walk Committee of DACU:
Sara McCaw, Holy Trinity Lutheran, Chair
Morgan Frazer, First Congregational UCC, Treasurer
Karen Candee, Summit Congregational UCC
Sue Hattel, St. Luke's United Methodist
Bob Krayner, Immanuel UCC
Sharon Speckhard, St. John Lutheran
Tammy Wehrspann, First Presbyterian

For more information on our partners:

www.cwsglobal.org
dubuquefoodpantry@yahoo.com
www.dubuquerescue.org

People In Need: call 563.581.7995 for referral or Tom Stovall at 563.581.7220 for information

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Westminster Presbyterian Church Hunger Outreach

Partnering with St. Stephen's Branch of River Bend Foodbank

August 22 Food Distribution Numbers: We served

168 Cars

263 Families

791 People

Thank you to all!

Summit Congregational UCC

Hurricane News from Church World Service



Hi Pastor Karen,

Sorry for the delay in my response. I wanted to see how Church World Service was going to respond to Hurricane Laura before I shared information with you. As expected, the request for CWS Emergency Cleanup Buckets was high yesterday. CWS didn't collect CWS Kits this spring because of the pandemic, and our inventory of CWS Buckets in our warehouses was all already low. After only the first day of our response efforts to Hurricane Laura we only have a few buckets remaining.

Could you please help promote our 3 for 1 Bucket Challenge with the members of your congregation and the other churches in your community this fall? <https://cwskits.org/3-in-1-bucket-challenge/>

The Bucket Challenge is our greatest need right now. CWS needs to quickly restock our buckets in our warehouses, so we can continue to respond this fall. CWS can buy items in bulk with our suppliers. I also found a donor who is willing to incentivize this campaign by matching the buckets that were donated. So for a limited time, a donor can now provide 3 buckets for the price of \$75.00. This is a great deal!

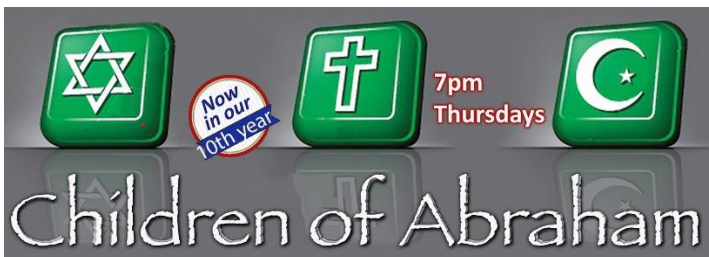
Could you please help promote this campaign with the people in your circles? The sooner we can fill these 3,000 empty buckets in our warehouses, the faster we can be prepared for the next emergency. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministries of Church World Service.

With gratitude,

Matthew Stevens

Director of Congregational Giving
Church World Service
614-595-1970

Children of Abraham



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Worldview in Times of Crisis

September 17: Anxiety, Fear, and Faith
October 15: Crisis & the Common Good: Civic Virtue
November 12: How faith stumbles: When our religious traditions get it wrong

January 21: Sacred Texts and Prejudice
February 18: Reconciliation and Repair
March 18: Is a Budget a Moral Document?
April 8: Artistic Expressions of Healing and Joy

Pandemic or not - it's our 10th year of active conversation. Come Zoom with us.

If you would like to listen/participate on Zoom, email one of us to get the Zoom link: John (john.eby@loras.edu)
Alan (agarfield@dbq.edu).

Or, just view our Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/cofabraham>.

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

Church Women United

Dubuque Church Women United – Human Rights Day Celebration 2020

The Dubuque 2020, September 11th in-person Human Rights Day Celebration has been canceled out of an abundance of caution due to the concerns related to the ongoing pandemic. The annual **Human Rights Celebration educates and embraces topics and principles of human equality and dignity and the commitment to respect and protect the rights of “all” people.**

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) is a milestone document in the history of human rights, which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 10, 1948 as a result of the Second World War. World leaders decided to adopt a road map to guarantee the rights of every individual everywhere and vowed never again to allow the atrocities of that war happen again. Church Women United Human Rights Day may be celebrated on

December 10th but in Dubuque, it is celebrated annually in September.

Appreciation is expressed to individuals and organizations dedicated to efforts in the field of human rights! **THANK YOU...** to **volunteers** within the community; to **leaders** dedicated to human rights including health and economic justice; to **neighbors** helping neighbors...and to **all** dedicated to “a high regard of dignity of others.”

-- Sue Hattel, Dubuque Church Women United
shattel220@aol.com

Church Women United in Iowa State Board

--Marcia Young, Dubuque Church Women United

Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition

The Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition will have a virtual meeting via Zoom on Sunday, September 13th from 3:00-4:30PM. We will have a speaker from the Dubuque County Food Policy Council. Anyone interested in participating will need to register by sending an email to Todmarjo@yousq.net in order to receive the Zoom link.

Wild Church liturgy at Mines of Spain connects spirituality and ecology: An ecumenical outdoor worship service will be held Sunday, September 20th at 4pm at the Mines of Spain to honor the Fall Equinox, the feast of St. Hildegard of Bingen, and the Season of Creation. We will meet in the parking lot of the Horseshoe Bluff Trail and will take a short hike from there. This event is part of the larger Wild Church network (wildchurchnetwork.com), which connects ecology and spirituality. The event is rain or shine. Social distancing will be practiced. Participants are welcome to pack a picnic dinner. The service will be facilitated by lay leader Eric Anglada. RSVP is not required by is appreciated: CatholicWorkerSchool@gmail.com or call 608.568.36330

Mary Jo McDermott
Secretary, Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition

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 September 1 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.

See below for several upcoming ecologically-oriented events at Sinsinawa Mound via zoom.

Please note that for Wednesday webinars, registration closes Tuesday at 4pm. To register or for more info on any event, simply click on the title. Stay tuned for more webinars around Buddhism, deep ecology, and much more. For more events, **check www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter** for details .

**Soil and Soul: A Gardening Spirituality - \$10
Wednesday, September 16th, 7-8pm**

The garden is a holy place and to garden is to engage in sacred work. In this webinar, for gardeners and aspiring gardeners, we'll delve into our spirituality of gardening, as well as offer a few practical tips. Presentation and discussion led by Eric Anglada (Ecological Programming Coordinator).

**An Ecological Reading of the Book of Revelation - \$10
Wednesday, September 30th, 7-8pm**

Amid this coronavirus crisis, many are turning to the Book of Revelation as a prediction of the future. It was used in the Doomsday prophecy of 2012 and Tim LeHaye's *Left Behind* series. It's being used in a similar way today. However, Revelation is not a prediction of a future event. It is primarily an ecological book. This webinar will explore the intimate connection between Revelation and the beauty and right use of creation. Presenter: Carol Soderholm is an ELCA Lutheran pastor living outside Mt. Morris on 100+ acres of restored prairie.

Book Discussion: The Last Report on the Miracles at Little No Horse: A Novel by Louise Erdrich - Free (Registration Required) Wednesdays, October 7th & 21st, 7-8pm This National Book Award finalist by the masterful Ojibwe storyteller has been described as "profoundly moving" and "nothing less than dazzling." Each discussion will cover roughly half the book. The discussion is free but registration is required.

Poetry of the Land - \$10 Wednesday, October 14th, 7-8pm John Keats wrote that "the poetry of earth is never dead," and, indeed, from the *Georgics* of Virgil, with its sections on animal husbandry and beekeeping, to more contemporary poems by poets like Wendell Berry and Maurice Manning, the land has always been a fertile subject for poets to celebrate and mourn. In this webinar, we'll read and consider four poems by Wendell Berry, Joanna Klink, Jared Carter, and Marianne Boruch. Facilitator: Austin Smith grew up on a family dairy farm in northwestern Illinois; his poetry and short stories have been featured in *The New Yorker* and *Harper's*; he teaches at Stanford University.

Politics of Our Rural Land: An Interview with Curt Meine Wednesday, October 28th, 7-8pm

"As rural Wisconsin's fortunes declined, its political importance has grown," writes journalist Dan Kaufman in a [recent](#) *New Yorker* article on the importance of Wisconsin ahead of the 2020 election. In this far-

reaching interview with Curt Meine (environmental historian; co-editor, *Driftless Reader*) we will delve into the political importance of rural Wisconsin, the realities of America's urban-rural divide, the transformation and challenges of today's agriculture, and more.

You Are Not Alone: Songs and Practices with Liz Rog - \$15 Saturday, November 21st, 10-11:30am

We need songs and songs need us, and there are perfect songs for times such as this. They are simple, meaningful, and powerful songs that you can learn easily and then carry with you through your days: songs to call and sing to a friend who's lonely, sad, grieving; songs to comfort, to inspire, encourage; songs to sing to the trees and the creatures; songs for gratitude and joy

For information on events at Sinsinawa, call or write the Mound: 585 County Road Z, Sinsinawa, WI 53824, (608) 748-4411. OR visit their website: <https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events/>

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!

Presentation Lantern Center

A Note from Megan Ruiz, Lantern Center Director:

"The safety and well-being of all of our students, tutors, staff, and community is paramount and therefore, because community spread in the US and Iowa is occurring, we will remain closed at least through the end of July and will revisit reopening discussions prior. In the regard to resuming public tutoring in our organization, the Presentation Lantern Center has and will continue to base decisions on scientific data and reliable projections."

Here's how you can help:

- **If you know an immigrant in need**, call (563) 557-7134 or email megan@thelanterncenter.org. 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 www.TheLanternCenter.org/Volunteer. 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 catcait2003@yahoo.com with your address. Cash donations also accepted. Look for more information on VIATS in our spring newsletter.

International Day of Peace



**Theme for 2020: Hope from the Ashes:
75 Years After Hiroshima and Nagasaki**

On August 6, 1945, a U.S. plane dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, killing as many as 166,000 people. Three days later the U.S. dropped a similar bomb on neighboring Nagasaki, with up to 80,000 more deaths. Many generations later, nations still threaten nations with nuclear weapons. To create lasting peace, we need to create the public will to address nuclear weapon proliferation, unsafe nuclear waste storage, and related problems.

Join us for an evening with this year's keynote speaker Kathy Kelly, a peace activist and writer who has traveled to war zones and lived alongside ordinary people in Afghanistan, Iraq, Gaza, Lebanon, Bosnia and Nicaragua. To avoid paying for nuclear weapons and war, she has kept her income beneath the taxable level since 1980. Convinced that land is meant to grow crops and not harbor nuclear weapons, she and her companions planted corn on top of nuclear weapon silo sites, an action for which she served one year in federal prison.

Monday, September 21, 2020, 7:00 PM – FREE
To accommodate Covid-19 restrictions, this will be a live virtual event. As the date approaches, watch for connection information on our website:

DbqDayofPeace.org

Coordinating Committee:

Eric Anglada, New Hope Catholic Worker Farm	Evelyn Nadeau, Clarke University
Michelle Balek, OSF, Sister of St. Francis	Joy Peterson, PBVM, Sister of the Presentation
David Cochran, Loras College	Jeannine Pitas, University of Dubuque
Christine Darr, University of Dubuque	Art Roche, Dubuque Peace and Justice
Jenna Dalisay, Clarke University	Marcos Rubinstein, community volunteer
Sue Dravis, Westminster Presbyterian Mission Chair	Judy Schmidt, Dubuque for Refugee Children
Richard Fischer, Dubuque Peace and Justice	RRS Stewart, Northeast Iowa Community College
Barbra Ilten, Chairperson	Terry Stewart, St. Luke's United Methodist Church Social Justice
Brian McLaughlin, SVD, Divine Word College	Kathy Sutton, Dubuque Branch NAACP
Mira Mosle, BVM, Sister of Charity	

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 canticle@osfdbq.org
• www.osfdbq.org/canticleofcreation

Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary & Sisters of St. Francis

Events Postponed

Due to the Corona Virus pandemic, the two events sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis and the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary are being rescheduled. The Interfaith Prayer Service "Earth is our Home" originally scheduled for Sunday, September 20th will be rescheduled for early Spring of 2021.

The "Care for our Common Home" Panel Discussion will take place virtually via technology on Sunday, September 20th at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited.

INTERGENERATIONAL PANEL DISCUSSION ~CLIMATE CHANGE~ *Voices of Hope* CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

FEATURING

Sr. Marie Cigrand, OSF

Sisters of St. Francis

Chuck Isenhardt

Representative of House District 100, Dubuque

Jared McGovern

Curator of Conservation Programs at National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium

Sadie Richter

Senior High School Student

Korrin Shriver

Wahlert Catholic High School Teacher

**JOIN US: SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20
6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.**

**Please register
in advance
for this Zoom
webinar:**

tinyurl.com/yyryvanj

For more
information, contact:
Lori Apel
apel@osfdbq.org

*Resident sisters at
Mount Carmel and
Mount St. Francis may view
the panel discussion
on in-house TVs.

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Nancy Miller, OSF*
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Shalom Spirituality Center

Visit our website to check out upcoming programs!
Shalom Spirituality Center
1001 Davis Street, Dubuque, IA 52001
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Web: www.ShalomRetreats.org
Email: info@shalomretreats.org

Opening Doors



2020 marks Opening Doors 20th year of helping women and children experiencing homelessness. Help us celebrate with a gift to our 20th anniversary Give Fest even. **We'll have a special online celebration on September 23 & 24.**

If you would like to make an advance gift, visit us at www.OpeningDoorsDBQ.org/GiveFest, or mail a check to 2100 Asbury Road #8, Dubuque 52001. Thanks for your continued support!

Clarke University University of Dubuque

Community Through Women's Eyes

Call for Personal and Scholarly Essays for Edited Book: Community Through Women's Eyes

We are seeking personal essays and scholarly articles from a variety of perspectives for an edited anthology on community. Featured groups can be historical or present-day profiles of daily life in a community; we also welcome historical and sociological analyses of movements. The book seeks to explore women's voices on the topic of life in community broadly construed, including but not limited to families, neighborhoods, faith-based groups, ancestral and ecological communities, music or civic organizations, and online support groups. Critical reflection, first person essays, detailed descriptions, and scholarly theoretical analyses are all welcome. Our plan is to submit the manuscript to a publisher in the spring of 2021. Submissions should be no more than 1,000-3,000 words and submitted as an attached Word document.

Deadline: December 15th, 2020

Email: communitythroughwomenseyes2021@gmail.com

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Dubuque Community

United States Census 2020

EVERYONE needs to complete the census form on paper or online! Make your voice heard! If we want our fair share of services and funding in our own city, **EVERYONE** must be counted!

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your future
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**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>

Help us spread DACU good news on Facebook!

Go to:

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

Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association



Does your child need health and/or dental coverage? During these unprecedented times many families have had a decrease in income and may qualify for either Medicaid or Hawki for their children. Coverage includes medical, dental, and vision services. A family of four can make up to 79,124/ year and qualify for either Medicaid or Hawki for their children. Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association has staff who can assist families apply for Medicaid or Hawki. For more information on the Hawki program go to <https://dhs.iowa.gov/hawki> or call 1-800-257-8563. You may also contact your local Hawki Outreach Coordinator at Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association at 563-556-6200, ext. 1933.

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.

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.

Crescent Community Health Center



A MASK IS THE NEW SMILE!



WE'RE WEARING MASKS FOR
THE COMMUNITY'S WELLNESS

For more information, or to read a copy of the Crescent Community Health Center's 2019 Annual Report, go to their website: <https://crescentchc.org/> or phone 563.690.2850

Test Iowa: Crush the Curve!!!

Right now, it doesn't seem like we have managed to control our rise in COVID-19 cases here in Iowa. One thing YOU can do is WEAR A MASK when you are outside your home. If you want to be tested for COVID through the Test Iowa program, the first thing is to take the assessment online, and then go to one of the test sites. We do have a site in Dubuque. Hours are varying so be sure to check the website. Help us to Crush The Curve: <https://www.testiowa.com>
More info: <https://coronavirus.iowa.gov>
www.dubuquecountry.org/COVID19

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 (jholdene@dbq.edu) or Administrator Bob Krayner (bdkramer@aol.com)

Dubuque Renters, Know Your Rights!

The CDC has issued a moratorium on residential evictions through the end of December 2020 to help prevent the further spread of COVID-19. Renters facing eviction must present a signed copy of this declaration form to their landlord:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/declaration-form.pdf>

You can read the complete declaration in the Federal Register:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/09/04/2020-19654/temporary-halt-in-residential-evictions-to-prevent-the-further-spread-of-covid-19>

Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens

Just a reminder – The Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens could use your volunteer help in the gardens, the office and in the gift shop. Our Visitor Center requires that masks are worn to protect our volunteers. If you have any interest, contact Barb Block, Volunteer Coordinator at 563-556-2100.

Sandi Helgerson
Executive Director
Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens
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Dubuque, IA 52001
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Does your organization or congregation have items you would like to include in the DACU Newsletter? Just email the editor at phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com

We are happy to share any information that is in keeping with our DACU mission statement.



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and "like" and "share"!

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