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## JOIN US FOR THE UPCOMING OCTOBER DELEGATE MEETING

**Q:** WHO CAN ATTEND?**A:** YOU! *AND YOU!*

That's right! *There is no secret password or exclusive invitation list.* If you are a resident of the Dubuque area and have a passion or interest in making a difference in the world by fostering understanding and awareness of human need, **DACU welcomes you to join them in their mission to be a supportive presence through the generous sharing of our time, talents, and resources.** People of diverse faiths and beliefs are united in DACU by their belief in God, concern for social justice, and call to serve others.

**WHAT:** UPDATES from the staff of our three DACU projects: *The Rescue Mission, People In Need,* and the *Dubuque Food Pantry.*

**WHEN:** Tuesday, October 26 at 7:00pm

**WHERE:** First Presbyterian Church, 1684 Iowa Street

**DONATE:** Donations to the Dubuque Food Pantry are always welcome

**VIRTUAL:** Stream at [www.dacuonline.org](http://www.dacuonline.org) or <https://youtu.be/JjgDfo42JqU>

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# DACU 2021 DELEGATE MEETINGS

Wednesday, November 24, 7:00 PM

## DACU's 39th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

*Resurrection Catholic Church  
4300 Asbury Road*

**No** December Delegate Meeting

Tuesday, January 25, 6:00 PM

## DACU Annual Meeting & Dinner

*Westminster Presbyterian Church*

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### OCTOBER 11

DUBUQUE'S INDIGENOUS  
PEOPLES' DAY CELEBRATION

### OCTOBER 21

CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM MTC  
EMMAUS BIBLE COLLEGE

### OCTOBER 26

DACU DELEGATE MTC  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### OCTOBER 31

WILD CHURCH  
SINSINIWA MOUND

### NOVEMBER 7

DUBUQUE NAACP ANNUAL  
FREEDOM FUND BANQUET

### NOVEMBER 10 & 11

DEMENTIA CAREGIVER  
WORKSHOP

## DACU Financial Report

	September '21	YTD	Budget '21
Income	\$ 124.00	\$ 4,659.24	\$ 8,100.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,713.90	\$ 7,550.00

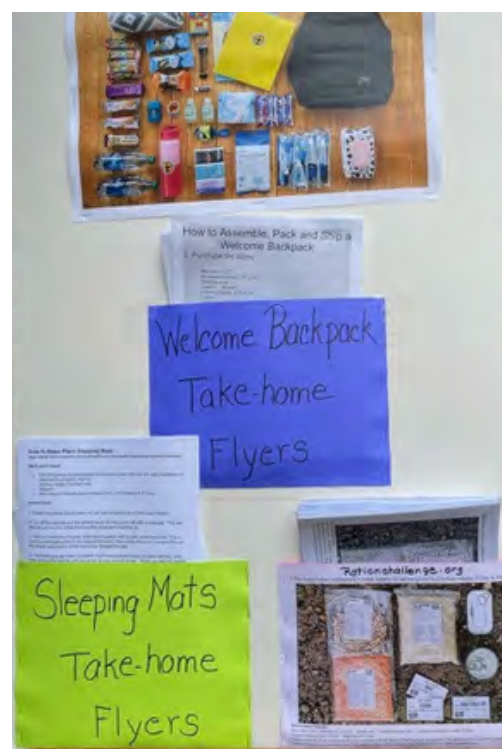
**Ending Balance as of 9/20/2021: \$5,452.74**



Help support DACU projects (pg. 3)  
by sending contributions to:

"Dubuque Area Congregations United"  
c/o DACU Treasurer  
P.O. Box 811  
Dubuque IA 52004

**The CROP Walk** was a wonderful success in early Spring, raising over **\$15,000** for hungry people in Dubuque and around the world. A *celebration* was enjoyed on October 2nd at Murphy Park with learning activities and displays! Thank you to all who joined and contributed!



# DACU PROJECT UPDATES

## PEOPLE IN NEED



People in Need (P.I.N) exists to offer limited and emergency assistance to those facing exceptional circumstances through direct payments to clients' creditors, for rent, utilities, medical and other basic needs. As moratoriums on evictions are lifted and other support systems are relaxed, P.I.N expects requests for assistance to rise, and appreciates any contributions in their effort to care for others. P.I.N. operates through referrals from social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations. Potential clients *cannot* call directly.

**Do you know of someone in need?**

**Call the P.I.N. assist number: (563) 581-7995**

*Please leave a message since this is only a recorded line.*

Please send donations to: PIN, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2155 University Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001. The P.I.N Board of Directors, guided by P.I.N. President Tom Stovall, will be good stewards of all that you share with us!



## DUBUQUE FOOD PANTRY

Greetings! We hope that you and yours are doing well!

This is our favorite time of year, with all the holidays and festivities going on.

We want to let you know that **the Ginter Family is resuming their Thanksgiving Fest for those in our community.** In light of this, we will *not* be doing a Thanksgiving sign-up this year.

**There will be a sign-up for our Christmas Baskets starting now.**

Stop down at the Dubuque Food Pantry at 1598 Jackson St. and pick up an application.

Fill it out and return it before November 24.

Distribution of the Christmas Baskets will be Monday, December 20, and Tuesday, December 21, for the general public. Agency pick ups will be on Wednesday, December 22. You can pick up applications for your family and friends.

Stay safe out there everyone!

Theresa M. Caldwell, *Manager*  
Dubuque Food Pantry



## DUBUQUE RESCUE MISSION

We continue to provide a "to-go" meal at our breakfast, lunch and dinner operations. The two Thrift Stores continue to provide free clothing to those in need and other household items to those with low to no incomes. We are remodeling the shower facilities to serve our clients better. We are always in need of good, lightly used furniture and household items such as laundry detergent, bath towels, and washcloths. Please encourage your congregations to shop at either of our Mission Thrift Stores for some wonderful deals, which you can drop off at the Mission or bring to the October DACU Delegate meeting.

We would love to add new members to our Board, which oversees the running of the Mission in many ways. If you have an interest in the services the DRM provides in our community, please consider joining the DRM Board. You may contact me for more information.

As always, we appreciate your prayers, volunteer support and financial support.

Peace,  
Rick Mihm, Director  
Dubuque Rescue Mission



# DACU BOARD UPDATES

## ADDITION OF NAACP COMMITTEE

The DACU board has voted to support the Dubuque NAACP Religious Affairs Committee. The committee will develop a deeper bond between DACU and NAACP. The purpose of the Committee will be to transmit/interpret the work of NAACP/DACU to people of all faiths.

The committee is to be made up of members who are Delegates and belong to NAACP; meeting 4 times a year an hour before the DACU Delegate meeting in August, October, February, and May. Regular reports to members of both groups will follow.

The committee is expected to be functional for the February 22 DACU meeting. The topic for that evening is Captain Robert Martin and his Legacy. Dubuque NAACP is the fiscal agent for naming the airport terminal after Captain Martin.

**To volunteer** or to seek more information contact Tom Lo Guidice at [loguidice@fastmail.fm](mailto:loguidice@fastmail.fm) or 608-642-1269

## NEW EDITOR

Many thanks and well-earned accolades to Phyllis Garfield for her faithful compiling, editing, and distributing of the DACU Newsletter for many years.

Please welcome Reverend Stephanie Ells, the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church and a DACU Board Member, to the position. She volunteered to step in following Phyllis' retirement.

**If you would like to contribute information to the DACU Newsletter,** please send it to Stephanie by the **25th** of each month [fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com).

We welcome any items which coincide with our DACU Mission Statement at [www.dacuonline.org](http://www.dacuonline.org).



## VICE - PRESIDENT ELECTED

It is a great honor to be able to serve in this role. I was originally born and raised in Benton WI. Home of Fr. Samuel Mazzuchelli.

I am a member of First Congregational UCC. My real job is as a Branch Manager with DuTrac Community Credit. I am a church organist and a pulpit supply person.

Currently serve as the President of the Rescue Mission Board, Treasure for the Morning Optimist and Dubuque Crop Walk. I also serve on our Eastern Iowa Association of the UCC as secretary.

Being part of the LGTBQ community, I have a great passion for justice for all God's people. DACU provides those outlets for me.



It's our 11th year of active conversation. Join us in person or watch us on Facebook.



Meet in person or  
on our Facebook  
page.

For your and  
everyone's safety,  
we encourage  
getting the vaccine  
and wearing a mask.



# 2021-2022 Children of Abraham

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Dubuque's Children of Abraham creates an atmosphere of civic life that builds inter-religious solidarity, cooperation, and friendship. It does so through regular monthly topical conversations, service, activities, education outreach, and expressions of cross-cultural hospitality in sacred spaces.

## OCTOBER EVENT

**October 21**

**7:00pm**

**"Medicine & Healing"**

Emmaus Bible College

### Questions?

Email us!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 18: Loras College; *Interfaith*

Jan. 20: Clarke University; *Family & Kinship*

Feb. 17: St. Luke's Methodist Church; *Marriage*

Mar. 17: Tri-State Islamic Center; *Money & Interest*

April 21: Wartburg Seminary; *Being Human*

<http://www.cofabraham.org/>



## SUPPORT THE PROTECTION OF GOD'S CREATION!

### TIP #1: Research

*Creation Justice Ministries*, an ecumenical earth care organization with the mission of educating and equipping Christians to protect, restore and rightly share God's wonderful creation. They provide a wealth of useful information, resources, campaigns and programs. Check them out at [www.creationjustice.org](http://www.creationjustice.org)

### TIP #2: Join the programs of *The*

*GreenFaith* organization to inspire, educate, organize and mobilize people of diverse religious and spiritual backgrounds globally for environmental action. They offer numerous comprehensive and holistic programs along with climate action campaigns and mobilizations. Check them out at [www.greenfaith.org](http://www.greenfaith.org)



# Green Team Tips

# Dubuque Interfaith Green Coalition



For information about this group, contact: Paul Uzel at [uzeldansen@gmail.com](mailto:uzeldansen@gmail.com)



October 12

7:00 pm - 8:15 pm (via Zoom)

**Native American Book****Discussion:** *"Native: Identity, Belonging, and Rediscovering God"* by Kaitlin Curtice

Native is about identity, soul-searching, and being on the never-ending journey of finding ourselves and finding God. As both a member of the Potawatomi Nation and a Christian, Kaitlin Curtice offers a unique perspective on these topics. In this book, she shows how reconnecting with her Native American roots both informs and challenges her Christian faith.

October 15

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

**Dan Schutte***Live Concert*

After many months of being closed to the public, we are happy to announce that Dan Schutte will once again grace us with his presence in the Queen of the Rosary Chapel at Sinsinawa Mound! We've been singing Dan's beloved melodies for years. Now the composer of "Here I Am, Lord," "City of God" & "Sing a New Song," he wants to share his love of God with you.


[www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter](http://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter)

(608) 748-4411

October 31

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

**Natura Divina****Wild Church:** *All Hallows Eve*

Fire and song, ritual and community, prayer and quiet: this outdoor, ecumenical gathering is centered on honoring the sacred time of All Hallows Eve, All Saints, and All Souls, as well as situating ourselves within the wider community of Creation. Our "Natura Divina-Wild Church" gatherings draw on the liturgical calendar, Celtic spirituality and its calendar, as well as the growing Wild Church and Forest Church movements. We will meet inside the main entrance and proceed outdoors. Dress for outdoor weather.

November 6

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

**Tree Ecology:***Conduits to the Creator*

This two-hour, outdoor treewalk with presenter Tim Andrews will be an educational and contemplative look into the natural world of Sinsinawa Mound, with attention to the inter-relationships between the plants, animals, humans, and the rest of the creatures that make up this community of life. Come learn how to identify different plants and trees and discover a spirituality of the land!

\$20/person

Registration deadline is November 4.



# DUBUQUE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY 2021 CELEBRATION

**Monday, OCT. 11, 6 P.M. - 8 P.M.**

**Join community members at the MFC to celebrate Dubuque Indigenous Peoples' Day.**



Larry Lockwood



3 Sisters Stew

- Music by drum group Thunder Medicine
- Storytelling by Larry Lockwood (Northern Cheyenne)
- Talk by Historian Mary Young Bear (Meskwaki)
- Sample Traditional 3 Sisters Stew

**FREE EVENT.** Registration required. Space is limited. If there are openings, people may walk in and register. Covid-19 precautions followed including social distancing and masks. Guests are required to sign a Covid-19 Waiver upon entering. Register and view waiver online at [mfcdubq.org](http://mfcdubq.org) or call 563-582-3681.



Thunder Medicine



Mary Young Bear

## Co-Sponsors

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Worker Farm**



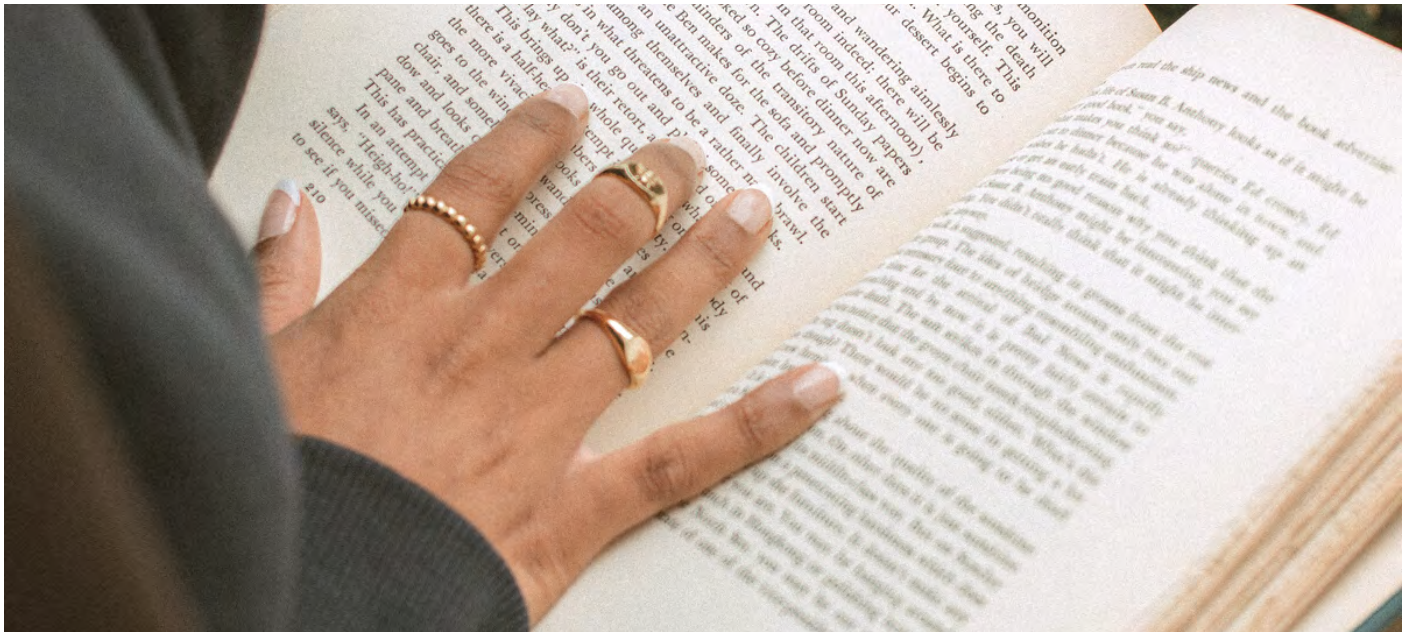
**Multicultural  
FAMILY CENTER**  
The Ruby Sutton Building | DUBUQUE



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Multicultural Family Center (MFC), 1157 Central Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001 \* [mfcdubq.org](http://mfcdubq.org) \* 563-582-3681





# SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER

For questions regarding programs or registrations, please **contact:** 563.582.3592 or  
**email:** [info@shalomretreats.org](mailto:info@shalomretreats.org)

## PROACTIVE GRIEVING

Thursday, November 4, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Facilitator: Mitch Carmody, GSP, CCP, grief educator

*Online Program via Zoom*

Proactive Grieving is an organic, user-friendly approach to processing loss that is groundbreaking and innovative. This seminar presents new and exciting survival strategies to caregivers, social workers, health professionals, clergy, or others involved with helping those who grieve. \*\*CEU's available for an additional \$10. Please e-mail Mary Potter Kenyon at [mkenyon@shalomretreats.org](mailto:mkenyon@shalomretreats.org) for the required paperwork.

\$15 per person. Register & prepay by Monday, November 1.

## MESSAGES FROM HEAVEN

Friday, November 5, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Sponsored by Craig Kramer and Kramer Funeral Home

*Online Program via Zoom*

Do you sometimes feel the presence of your loved one that has died? Have dreams that feel like a visit from them? Get signs or messages from heaven that your loved one is with God? There is compelling evidence that God can and does work to bring comfort this way. We'll explore the phenomenon with a slide show of extraordinary anecdotal evidence that validates this experience for the griever. Thanks to the generosity of Kramer Funeral Home in Dyersville, IA. This program is being offered free of charge; free-will donations are appreciated.

Register by Thursday, November 4, for the Zoom link.

# SHALOM SPIRITUALITY CENTER {CONT'D}

## HOPE & HEALING GRIEF RETREAT

Saturday, November 6, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Facilitator: Shalom Program Coordinator and certified grief counselor, Mary Potter-Kenyon

Presenters: Jaimie Hanson, David LaBelle, and Cathy Corkery

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You can take an active role in your grief journey, accessing tools to move from grief to hope.

Research has proven that creativity is one of those tools. Join us for a day of workshops and inspirational speeches designed to facilitate healing in those who grieve, including a board intended to envision your life without your loved one, contemplative photography, breathing exercises, making an ornament in memory of your loved one, and ideas on how to survive the holidays. *There are limited scholarships available for this retreat.* Please contact Mary Potter Kenyon for more information, [mkenyon@shalomretreats.org](mailto:mkenyon@shalomretreats.org).

\$40 per person; please register by Tuesday, November 2nd.

## READING THAT MATTERS

Tuesday, November 9, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Children of the Land by Marcelo Hernandez Castillo

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Named an NPR Best Book of the Year and written by a prize-winning poet, Castillo's memoir is about the joys and sorrows of an undocumented family torn apart by draconian immigration policies. He recounts his and his family's encounters with a system that treats them as criminals for seeking safe, ordinary lives with beauty, grace, and honesty.

Everyone is welcome to join in these discussions of books that can impact how we view the world around us. Books are available for purchase at Riverlights Bookstore and the Shalom gift shop.

\$6 per discussion does not include the book; register by Monday, November 8th.

## SPIRITUALITY & JUSTICE

Presented by the Sisters of St. Francis

Saturday, November 13, 2021, 9 –11 a.m., midday break, then 1 –3 p.m.

Online Program via Zoom

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Daniel P. Horan, OFM, Ph.D. is the Director of the Center for Spirituality and Professor of Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Theology at Saint Mary's College in Notre Dame, IN. Fr. Dan is a columnist for the National Catholic Reporter and the author of thirteen books. His book *Catholicity and Emerging Personhood: A Contemporary Theological Anthropology* received the 2020 First Place Award for Theology Book from the Association of Catholic Publishers; his latest is titled *A White Catholic's Guide to Racism and Privilege*. His upcoming book, *The Way of the Franciscans: A Prayer Journey Through Lent*, is due in Fall 2021. Fr. Dan regularly lectures around the United States and abroad; serves on several academic and publication editorial boards, including the St. Bonaventure University Board of Trustees and the Franciscan School of Theology Board of Regents. He is also a co-host on *The Francis Effect Podcast*. Father Dan will be presenting on the topic of his newly released *A White Catholic's Guide to Racism and Privilege*, offering a message of hope and inviting participants to educate themselves and advocate for justice.

\$20 per person; register/prepay by Wednesday, November 10th for the Zoom link.



# MEETING ALZHEIMER'S: The Art & Science of Creative Dementia Caregiving



PRESENTED BY: Dr. Jade Angelica, M.Div, D.Min  
Offered by Healing Moments for Alzheimer's and Sinsinawa Mound Center

November 10-11, 2021

9:30 AM - 3:30 PM Both Days

**FREE** for family and informal caregivers, with thanks to The Bader Foundation

**Registration deadline** is Wednesday, November 5, 2021

Caregivers attending this program will engage in an interactive workshop that teaches them how to translate state-of-the-art dementia care theory into practice. By engaging in exercises drawn from creative theatre arts and mindfulness meditation, participants will learn and practice the recommended communication techniques for meeting persons with dementia in their reality.

One goal of the Meeting Alzheimer's workshop is to ease the burdens of caregivers. This innovative, compassionate program teaches the recommended interventions for addressing the challenges and stressors experienced by Alzheimer's caregivers in a format that is enlightening, inspiring and fun!

Another goal of the workshop is to improve quality of life for persons with dementia by educating caregivers in recommended interventions that have been described as holistic treatment. Possible changes for persons with dementia include: improved mood, reduced confusion, increased engagement in activities and socialization – including communication and ambulation, increased duration of participation and competence in Activities of Daily Living, and increased cooperation with caregivers. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

**Organizer:** Janice DeMuth

**Phone:** 608-748-4411, ext. 811

**Email:** [jdemuth@sinsinawa.org](mailto:jdemuth@sinsinawa.org)

**Register online:** <https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/>

# THE DUBUQUE NAACP ANNUAL FREEDOM FUND BANQUET

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 AT 1:00 P.M.

BEST WESTERN PLUS DUBUQUE HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER  
3100 DODGE STREET, DUBUQUE, IA 52003



The keynote speakers at the Freedom Banquet will be Gabrielle and Dominique Martin, the daughters of Captain Robert L. Martin. Born and educated in Dubuque, Robert L. Martin graduated from Dubuque Senior High School in 1936. Martin earned a degree in electrical engineering from Iowa State University in 1942. He also earned a pilot's license through the Civilian Air Corps while in college. Upon graduation, Martin was accepted to the Army Air Corps Tuskegee Flight Experiment, the first group of Black military pilots in the U.S. military. In January 1944, Martin's wings were pinned and he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. He was one of twelve Tuskegee airmen from Iowa.

Martin was a Fighter Pilot with the 100th Fighter Squadron and the renowned 332nd "Red Tail" Fighter Group. He flew 64 missions escorting bombers and strafing enemy targets in the European Theatre. During his 64th mission, Martin's plane was struck by ground fire and he bailed out of his burning plane. Martin evaded capture for six weeks with the help of Partisans and safely returned to his unit. A First Lieutenant by the end of the war, he rose to the rank of Captain in the Reserves.

The Dubuque Regional Airport Commission granted Dawnelle Gordon's application to name the terminal in honor of Robert L. Martin in July 2020. Due to federal regulations, the Airport Commission cannot use federal funds on this project, therefore a separate not-for-profit was incorporated under Iowa law to raise the necessary funds to rename the terminal building, construct outdoor name signage and an indoor plaque, and educational exhibit.

**Monies raised from the Freedom Fund banquet provide the operating funding for Dubuque Branch NAACP, as well as supporting the annual MLK Essay Tribute and our Minority Scholarship program.**

**If you wish to attend the Freedom Fund banquet,** please register by October 31, 2019. You can make reservations online at <http://www.dubuquenaacp.com/freedomfundbanquet>.

On behalf of the Dubuque Branch NAACP Finance Committee, **thank you** in advance for your support.





## DACU

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Dubuque, IA  
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# LIKE us on FACEBOOK!



**Interested in becoming a DACU Member?** Membership in DACU is open to all who share DACU's mission. *Contact DACU President Dr. Jean Holdener*

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