



STEEPLE SQUARE NEWS

SUMMER 2017

Board President Update

The Steeple Square Board of Directors are happy to announce that we have reached a significant milestone – On August 1st, the newly renovated Francis Apartments at 1701 Jackson St. opened. This housing was identified as an urgent need in the Dubuque community. More than half of these apartments will serve graduates of Opening Doors' programs for homeless women and their families.

The Francis Apartments were made possible by strategic collaboration between Steeple Square and Opening Doors and are a wonderful example of dynamic partnerships at work. The apartments contribute to a community-wide effort to revitalize the Washington neighborhood and will serve as the first permanent supportive housing for the families that they serve. Remaining units are available for rent to the general public. Please find ribbon cutting and open house photos and story in this issue.

The community event center continues to host a diverse

range of community-building activities, celebratory events, arts and cultural experiences, and nonprofit groups. The space is open now to host "celebrations of life" as an alternative to wakes and funerals and was the setting for two film shoots this summer.

For more information on the community event center space, please contact Danielle Stowell at events@steeple-square.com



Jack McCullough,
Steeple Square Board
President and President,
McCullough Creative

Finally, this spring, at Greater Dubuque Development Corp.'s 2022 campaign at Steeple Square, it was wonderful to hear Rick Dickinson, president and CEO, discuss their vision to transform the city of Dubuque's north end. The revitalized Steeple Square will be a gateway to the north end and a home base in the Washington neighborhood, and we look forward to continuing to partner to build a vibrant downtown.



Bob Hofer, Steeple Square
Campaign Leadership
Team Chair and Honorary
Director with Distinction,
Dupaco Community
Credit Union

Campaign Chair Update

The successful opening of the Francis Apartments would not be possible without the generous support of our donors, especially Joe and Linda Chlapaty. The community has come together to help transform the Steeple Square vision into a reality, and we are grateful.

Now, the campaign team sets its sights on completing fundraising for the restoration of the community event center, the steeple, and the rectory. We are actively seeking financial support to complete the renovation

of these campus spaces so that Steeple Square mission-driven programs will have a home. Current partners include: Opening Doors, Dubuque Community YMCA/YWCA, Four Mounds Foundation HEART Program, and NICC.

Anyone interested in making a donation or making a second round of donations, please contact Ellen Goodman Miller at ellenm@gronenproperties.com or 563.557.7010. We greatly appreciate everyone's generous spirit in revitalizing this campus.



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FEATURED CAMPUS EVENTS



Announcing the Opening of the Francis Apartments

On Thursday, July 27, 2017, a ribbon-cutting and open house were held to celebrate the August 1 opening of the Francis Apartments, formerly known as the Steeple Square Apartments. Beautifully renovated by Gronen Restoration, the apartments will serve both graduates of Opening Doors and the general public. See the board president update on Page 1 for more details.



St. Mary's to Steeple Square: A Community Portrait Exhibit Running Through the End of August

A year-long portrait project culminates in a free, open-to-the-public exhibit at the Steeple Square Community Event Center through the end of August 2017. "St. Mary's to Steeple Square: A Community Portrait" is a collaboration of Dubuque artist and photographer Tim Olson, Steeple Square and Humanities Iowa. The project engages Dubuque citizens by creating portraits and telling stories of people associated with the former St. Mary's parish and people living in the neighborhood surrounding the structure now known as Steeple Square.



The project culminates this summer, with a book featuring 20-25 portraits and stories and a gallery show inaugurating a new exhibit venue at Steeple Square. The project funds a set of mobile, lighted exhibit panels that will be flexible enough to be used for this exhibit and for many future exhibits and presentations as Steeple Square seeks to become a relevant

social and cultural center of the neighborhood once again.

An additional collaboration with the Fountain of Youth will also present portraits and photographs by four young people from Dubuque. Caprice Jones led the project, with assistance from Heritage Works, Photographic Expressions and Tim and Chris Olson.

In addition to the event partners' contributions, Medicom, Dupaco Community Credit Union and the City of Dubuque Arts & Culture Special Projects Grant provided funding for this project. **The exhibit will remain through the end of August and can be viewed during events or regular open hours on Monday evenings, 5 - 7 p.m.**

OTHER CAMPUS EVENTS

Steeple Square continues to host a diverse set of events in the Steeple Square Community Event Center. We have also hit the wedding-show road to promote our versatile, stunning space for weddings and receptions.

RECENT ON-SITE EVENTS

- Iowa Workforce Development and Inclusive Dubuque Listening Session
- “In the Mood” with Hunter Fuerste and his American Vintage Orchestra
- Video shoots with Happee Smith Productions and Dreamcatcher Productions
- Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours
- Wedding
- Marshallese Kemen and church service
- Fountain of Youth Program Fundraiser Baby Shower

To inquire about renting Steeple Square for your next event – including weddings, receptions, celebrations, business meetings, end-of-life celebrations, concerts, art shows, reunions, and more – contact:

Danielle Stowell, Event Coordinator
563.235.3584 or
events@steeple-square.com.
Or visit: steeple-square.com/rent.



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THE BOARD WELCOMES THESE NEW MEMBERS!



Anderson Sainci, Resource Management Coordinator and Supervisor, City of Dubuque



Judy Wolf, Treasurer, Retired, John Deere Dubuque Works

GRANTS RECEIVED

Grants For Tech – Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque

Woodward Foundation

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Thank You to 'Days of Caring'!

Thank you to the volunteers from John Deere Dubuque Works for their dedication and hard work cleaning up the Steeple Square campus during the annual Days of Caring on Friday, April 28.



Notice our Beautiful Piano?

Steeple Square is honored to accept a piano donation from Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters, which has a beautiful new home on the stage of our community event center. We greatly thank Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters for this wonderful new addition to our campus.



The dedication of many community members make our efforts possible. For a full list of team and committee members, visit steeplesquare.com/about.

PROGRAMMING UPDATE

St. Mark's Youth Inspired at Steeple Square

During the week of July 24–28, 2017, Steeple Square and Heritage Works invited children from St. Mark's Youth Enrichment Summer Academy to experience Steeple Square's architecture, art and stained-glass windows. On Monday, July 24 and Wednesday, July 26, Duane Hagerty from Heritage Works talked to kindergartners and first-graders about Steeple Square's beautiful stained-glass windows. The children then took inspiration from the windows to paint their own suncatchers that they could take home with them. On Friday, July 28, kids of all ages from St. Mark's were invited to spend free-time at Steeple Square during the day. They were encouraged to use Steeple Square as inspiration to create Lego projects, drawings and other imaginative works.



**STEEPLE SQUARE
COMMUNITY FEST**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 2 - 4 p.m.
Steeple Square Community Event Center (former St. Mary's Church)
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**There is a pot of gold for the community
at the end of this rainbow.**

Taken by Becky Wolf on July 3, 2017.