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515-598-5298

http://www.micaonline.org/story_county_dental_clinic/

STC Contact: Mary Ross 232-5080

Last year, more than 3,000 children and adults were seen at the Story County Dental Clinic, which provides services to those who are Medicaid-eligible and to uninsured people whose incomes fall below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Most dentists in Iowa do not accept Medicaid patients because of the low insurance reimbursements rates, and many low income people have no dental insurance. As a result, some Story County residents cannot afford to see a dentist. At the clinic, Medicaid patients pay a \$3 co-pay and other eligible patients pay Medicaid rates. Appointments are required, but the clinic does not turn away those who walk into the clinic in pain.

Services offered at the clinic include cleaning, exams, x-rays, fillings, basic extractions, root canals, crowns and dentures/partials. The clinic currently employs one permanent dentist, one hygienist, two dental assistants, and a receptionist. Volunteers make reminder calls, pull charts, do the filing, and make new patient packets; **volunteers are urgently needed**. The clinic is open Monday-Thursday from 8AM-6PM. It is supported by civic groups, local agencies, individual donors, and faith-based communities, including **St. Cecilia Parish**, which makes a monthly donation from its **Good Samaritan Fund**. It does not receive federal aid.

In March, 2011, the MICA health service clinic and dental clinic moved to 230 SE 16th Street. Moving the old dental equipment and renovating the new space cost more than \$130,000. Because of that, MICA is asking for help in paying for the dental clinic's debt, as well covering the gap between treatment costs and reimbursement (the gap is 41%).

For more information about the dental clinic or to make a donation, please call 515-598-5298 or visit www.micaonline.org



Meals on Wheels— VOLUNTEER NEEDED

St. Cecilia Contact—Cathy Kaspar 233-0517

Meals on Wheels is in need of a **volunteer from St. Cecilia's to deliver noon meals on the first Saturday of the month**. The time commitment is about one hour per month. Volunteers provide their own vehicles as they deliver meals. Please consider helping with this worthwhile program that helps many of our Ames citizens. Currently other hours are covered by parishioners from both St. Cecilia and St. Thomas Aquinas parishes in Ames.

Social Justice Contacts

ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET

1-800-842-2243

STC Contact: Cynthia Shriver 292-6584

APPALACHIA WAREHOUSE

2019 Pullman Street, Ames

STC Contact: Lynn Franco 232-0898

BIRTHRIGHT OF AMES

108 Hayward Ave., Suite 202, Ames

515-292-8414

STC Contact: Kathy Ridnour 232-1697

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

STC Contact: Sharon Jenkins

233-2570

FOOD AT FIRST

516 Kellogg Ave., Ames

515-344-4357

STC Contact: Doreen Berg 956-3414

GOOD NEIGHBOR

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE, INC.

3206 S. Duff, Ames

515-296-1449

STC Contact: Mary Ross 232-5080

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF CENTRAL IOWA

515-232-8815

STC Contact: Alan Christy 231-8099

MEALS ON WHEELS

(Homeward)

1114 S. Duff, Ames

STC Contact: Cathy Kaspar 233-0517

OPERATION RICE BOWL

STC Contact: Cynthia Shriver

292-6584

PRISON MINISTRY

STC Contact: Ron Smith

382-5654

SAINT CECILIA GOOD SAMARITAN SERVICES

STC Contact: Tom Samson

233-1950

SAINT CECILIA SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

STC Contact: Mary Ross

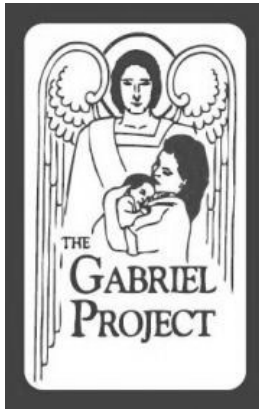
232-5080

SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE

STC Contact: Garland Dahlke (515) 460-0403

The Social Justice Committee meets on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Sunroom. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Gabriel Project



The Gabriel Project is a program in which parishioners assist pregnant women in need with friendship and coordinate their needs such as transportation for medical care, housing, food, material needs and baby needs. It started with a sign outside a rectory in Houston in 1973, following the Roe v. Wade decision. The sign offered to help any pregnant woman in need. In 1990, Cathy McConn and Rex Moses saw the sign and asked their Bishops if they could make this outreach. And so began the Gabriel Project.

The St. Cecilia kick-off for this project was on Respect Life Sunday. The formal training for all volunteers, who will mentor and assist women in crisis pregnancies, was held on November 12 with Dr. Marcella Colburn, Director of the Respect Life Office for the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. Anyone interested in participating can contact Rosemary Wilson at 515 232 5828. More information is also available online: www.gabrielproject.com

Alternative Gift Market—St. Cecilia



The Ames Alternative Gift Market-St. Cecilia will be present at the St. Cecilia Holiday Fair on November 19/20. Shopping lists and a sample catalog will be on the Social Justice bulletin board starting November 1st. (The bulletin board is on the left side of the entrance to the church). Please stop by our table over the weekend. We will have cards and project inserts for you.

The Alternative Gift Market reflects the true spirit of the holidays. It provides gifts of hope and life. You don't have to worry about buying gifts that collect dust in a closet somewhere. The Alternative Gift Market offers gifts with a conscience. Instead of buying another sweatshirt or electronic gadget for someone on your Christmas list, you can purchase a meaningful, life-giving gift in that person's honor. Purchase the necessary supplies to supply safe drinking water for communities in the Philippines, or provide a bicycle ambulance for a village in Africa. These holiday gifts meet basic needs of education, food, shelter and health. They make a difference in the world.

You get an attractive card and a synopsis sheet of the project you select. Shoppers can provide for those in need in the Ames community with support for the Bethesda Community Food Pantry, Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support (ACCESS), Beyond Welfare, Emergency Residence Project, Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance, Habitat for Humanity for Central Iowa, Food at First, Story County Community Dental Clinic, and Life to Life Global Building Group (Global Builders, Ames High Uganda Project). Additionally, there are 35 national and international projects. Visit the web site at www.alternativegifts.org. to get a complete picture of what the AGM is all about.