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A look back...

As 2011 comes to an end, we can look back with fondness and pride at all that the Dubuque County Historical Society was able to accomplish with the help of supporters like you...

At the beginning of the year, together with Clarke University and Conlon Construction, we brought the national traveling exhibit "Women & Spirit: Catholic Sisters in America" to the Museum & Aquarium. This highly successful exhibit brought thousands of people from all across the country to Dubuque's doorstep. Additionally, the local portion of this exhibit had an extended display throughout the summer at the Old Jail Museum.

The next changing exhibit we introduced was "In the Dark," a child- and family-friendly interactive exhibit that teaches people about the creatures of the night.

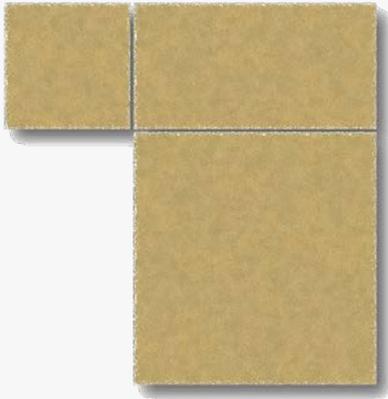
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We also recognized the Conlon Family as Treasures of Dubuque in 2011 for their tremendous and multi-generational support, work and involvement in the Dubuque community. A well-deserved honor indeed!

Our state-of-the-art 3D/4D Theater remains a popular attraction at the Museum & Aquarium. This year had two new features, *Dee* and *Dinosaurs: Giants of Patagonia*. PLUS, this holiday season we're showing the magical version of a holiday classic, *THE POLAR EXPRESS 4-D EXPERIENCE* (showing now through Jan. 29, 2012).

Focusing on the future...

We have many exciting new exhibits, events, and more to share with you in 2012!

You will truly experience a whole new world with our next changing exhibit, "*Amazon Voyage: Vicious Fishes & Other Riches*." This exhibit comes to us from the Miami Museum of Science & Planetarium. Created for everyone, it takes visitors through the seven ports of call along one of the most biologically diverse rivers in the world, the Amazon! Look for "Amazon Voyage" to open in spring 2012.

The *Mississippi Plaza* is due for completion in summer 2012. It will connect the two Museum & Aquarium centers and make one complete river campus here in the Port of Dubuque. The plaza will feature outdoor dining and exhibit space, a courtyard with donor pavers and benches, and it will be accessible to the City of Dubuque's new public boat docks as well. The plaza will also be the site for an all-new *Boat Festival* event.

Plus, a fresh historical interpretation plan including new exhibits and living history demonstrations have been planned for the Mathias Ham House Historic Site. And we are also developing a "live" display for the Old Jail Museum called

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We want to thank you again for making 2011 a memorable year. We can't wait to kick off 2012 with you!

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