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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Dornbirn Delegation Returns to Dubuque

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Another delegation from Dornbirn, Austria, will visit Dubuque this weekend. Dubuque’s Sister City Committee will host the five-person delegation, which includes a Dornbirn City Council member, a community archivist, an author, and two Dornbirn city staff.

The Dornbirn group will arrive this afternoon and leave Sunday, May 1. Their Dubuque itinerary includes visits to local attractions, including the Center for Dubuque History at Loras College, Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Mount St. Francis, and Park Farm Winery.

Dubuque was one of the most common destinations for the immigrants coming from Dornbirn during the 19th century, including several prominent early Dubuque families, including the Rhomberts. L.A., Joseph, and Francis Rhomberg were born in Dornbirn before coming to Dubuque and finding success in the distilling/brewing, wholesale liquors, railroad, and tanning/fur industries.

Dornbirn is the largest city in the Austrian state of Vorarlberg and has a population of nearly 46,000. The city benefits from its location among diverse cultural and natural settings in the four-country area of Austria, the Principality of Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Germany.

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