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## JOIN THE BIG HUDDLE (April 24)

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Also action events in Mineral Point, Dodgeville, Spring Green,  
Richland Center, Monroe



Mon., April 24, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Mineral Point) JOIN THE

"BIG HUDDLE" ACTION IOWA COUNTY invites you to be part of an exciting opportunity to "DO SOMETHING" about the direction our country, state and communities are headed. At this action event, you can choose from

five topics to help create a game plan for the future. Which is your passion: national politics, public education, healthcare solutions, local elections or environmental concerns? Each break-out group will wrestle with what you can do together to affect change - and decide on the next steps. COME at 6:30 p.m. to meet and greet. Cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. The program begins promptly at 7 p.m. Break-out groups start about 7:10 p.m. with wrap up reports at 8 p.m. LOCATION: Tequila Point, 43 High St. in Mineral Point For more info, contact Christie Johnston at [christie.m.johnston@gmail.com](mailto:christie.m.johnston@gmail.com)



**REMINDER: Tonight** Mon., April 10, 7 p.m. (Baraboo, Darlington, Dodgeville) VITAL ANNUAL CONSERVATION CONGRESS held in

each county Hunting sandhill cranes and funding state parks are among the critical topics on the agenda at tonight's annual Conservation Congress - held at the same time in every county. Everyone present can vote. In Sauk County at the UW Baraboo - Giese Lecture Hall A4, 1006 Connie Road; in Iowa County at the Dodgeville Middle School, 951 W. Chapel; in Lafayette County at the Darlington Elementary School, 11630 Center Hill Road. Bring photo ID to vote on delegates and the questionnaire topics. Be sure to read the questionnaire ahead of time: [http://dnr.wi.gov/About/WCC/Documents/spring\\_hearing/2017/2017SpringQuestionnaire.pdf](http://dnr.wi.gov/About/WCC/Documents/spring_hearing/2017/2017SpringQuestionnaire.pdf)



**REMINDER: This Saturday night** Sat., April 15, 5 to 9 p.m. (Spring Green) THE BEST EVENT OF THE YEAR - THE

ANNUAL SPRING AUCTION benefiting the Community Connections Free Clinic in Dodgeville. At this event held at the Wisconsin Riverside Resort, 513220 Shifflet Rd. in Spring Green, you can bid on over 80 donated goods and services. \$35 at the door. Imagine going home with front row seats to a UW Basketball game, a New Zealand Adventure, an original acrylic painting designed especially for the auction (see above), a Pakistani dinner and cooking lessons for 10 - among many more items.

Wed., April 12, at 9:30 a.m. (Dodgeville) and Wed., April 19 (Mineral Point). THE WEEKLY POST CARD WRITING ACTION This week the post card team meets at the Cobblestone in Dodgeville. Next Wednesday it will be at Grey Dog Deli in Mineral Point. Keep up the pressure on our representatives in Washington and Madison. Postcards and pens will be supplied. This event is sponsored by the Action Iowa County group. Contact Judy Stieber at [scott.and.judy.stieber@gmail.com](mailto:scott.and.judy.stieber@gmail.com) for this week. Or for April 19, contact Laura Cisler at [glcisler@yahoo.com](mailto:glcisler@yahoo.com)



Tues., April 11, 6:30 p.m. (Spring Green) MONTHLY River Valley DAWN MEETING at the General Store, 137 Albany Street in Spring Green. This new Driftless Area Women's Network group is exploring ways it can make an impact by encouraging women to run for office, getting involved in local issues and empowering and supporting women through direct action and advocacy on policies and issues. For more info, contact Grace Timmerman at [contactdawnwi@gmail.com](mailto:contactdawnwi@gmail.com)



Wed., April 26 (Dodgeville, Monroe) Wed. STATE REP. TODD NOVAK TO HOLD LISTENING SESSIONS He'll be at the City Hall in Dodgeville from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and at the Public Library in Monroe from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Arrive early to get a seat and have your questions ready to submit.

SAT., April 22 (Earth Day) -JOIN A MARCH FOR SCIENCE to celebrate EARTH DAY - locally or in Madison

Action Iowa County member Dave Oesper is hoping to organize a local march. Contact **MARCH FOR SCIENCE** him at 608-930-2120 or [daveoesper@mac.com](mailto:daveoesper@mac.com). Or join the Madison march 2 to 5 p.m.. For info go to: <https://sciencemarchmadison.github.io/>



Fri., April 21, 2 to 4 p.m. (Dodgeville) NUCLEAR SAFETY will be the topic at this Great Decisions discussion, led by Cathy Palzkill or Vince Kavaloski. The event is sponsored jointly by the Dodgeville Public Library and the Grassroots Citizens for Peace and Justice. Location: the Dodgeville Public Library, 139 South Iowa Street. Everyone is welcome. [Learn more by clicking here.](#)



Thurs., May 4, 7:30 to 9 p.m. (New Glaurus) LOCAL INDIVISIBLE GROUPS ARE BEGINNING TO FORM. The first gathering of the new Indivisible group in New Glaurus will be at the home of Filip Sanna. Contact her at [filsanna@yahoo.com](mailto:filsanna@yahoo.com) for more information. Check out the <https://www.indivisiblewi.com/> to find more information about the national Indivisible movement. Says the website, "We are your neighbors working together to resist Paul Ryan and the Trump agenda." Bring a friend. Refreshments served.



Tues., April 25, 6 to 9 p.m. (Richland Center) EMERGE AND WISCONSIN PROGRESS to talk about empowering

progressive women - including political strategies for running for office, supporting candidates and engaging with elected officials. Location: Richland Center Community & Senior Center, 1050 N. Orange St in Richland Center. Come for pizza at 6 p.m. and enjoy lively conversation. This event is sponsored by DAWN (Driftless Area Women's Network). For more info, contact Kathy Fry at [gracie82159@gmail.com](mailto:gracie82159@gmail.com)



**STILL WONDERING WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT NATIONAL POLITICS?** Check out 5 Calls by going to

<https://www.5calls.org/> This easy-to-use site sends you an email every week focusing on the 5 or 10 most pressing national issues. It gives you the background you need and phone numbers for the legislators to call. Be sure to type in your zip code. **DOWNLOAD THE 5 CALLS APP** for your phone.



HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT OF HAVING A SOLAR INSTALLATION AT YOUR HOME? If so, now is the time

to act. The Sustain Iowa County/Citizens Climate Change group in cooperation with UW Extension and the Driftless Area Land Conservancy are offering a greater Iowa County "Solar Group Buy" opportunity. Already 50 people want to know more about this limited time "buyers-club". Discounts on each solar installation will depend on how many people sign up, says Chuck Tennessen. A Request for Proposals will go out to potential installers next week. Information sessions will be held in May-June. To get on the info-mailing list, contact Chuck Tennessen at [twotens@yousq.net](mailto:twotens@yousq.net) now. The more folks join, the greater the discount for all.



SPRING CLEANING? Help out long-time Grassroots member Christine Tsubokura who is collecting children's books for the Community Connections Free Clinic library - so that children and their parents can take books home at no charge. Call Christine at 608-234-1414

**GRASSROOTS CITIZENS OF WISCONSIN**, an energetic group of over 1000 people in Iowa, Sauk, Crawford, Richland, Lafayette and Grant Counties who are interested in taking an active role in improving government and promoting rational discussions of local, state and national issues. For further information, or to add a friend to our mailing list, please contact: Shirley Barnes, Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin, 2473 Mt. Hope Road, Dodgeville, WI. 53533, 608-623-2109, e-mail: [grassroots@merr.com](mailto:grassroots@merr.com).

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