



The Grassroots Gazette fosters community dialogue and participation throughout Southwest Wisconsin

HOW TO TAKE ACTION

in Mineral Point, Dodgeville, Monroe,
New Glarus, Platteville

Results from last week's DNR Conservation Congresses

TOMORROW MORNING



Wed., April 19, 9:30 a.m. (Mineral Point). THE WEEKLY POST CARD WRITING ACTION This week the post card team meets 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 Laura Cisler at glcisler@yahoo.com



LET PAUL RYAN KNOW WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

Help one of our sister groups -- the Oregon Area Progressives - get the message directly to Paul Ryan in his home district. The OAP health care community engagement group is purchasing billboards and newspaper ads in the Janesville area - the place Ryan calls home. The aim is to undermine his support for the ACA among his own constituents. YOU CAN HELP. To contribute to the effort go to www.gofundme.com/retireandreplace The goal is to collect \$8,000. For more info contact Beth Cox at coxlaw2@frontier.com



Sun., May 7, 2 to 4:30 p.m. (Platteville) "Walking in our Shoes"

Immigration Simulation event What is it like to live as a Latino in our communities in the midst of today's hostile immigration environment? The

First Congregational United Church of Christ, 80 Market St., in Platteville is hosting an Immigration Simulation, the object of which is to focus and sensitize participants to the realities faced by our Latino friends and neighbors. The event is free but space is limited. REGISTER EARLY. Call 608-348-6578.



MARCH FOR SCIENCE

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 him at 608-930-2120 or daveoesper@mac.com. Or join the Madison march 2 to 5 p.m. For info go to: <https://sciencemarchmadison.github.io/>



Mon., April 24, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (Mineral Point) JOIN THE "BIG HUDDLE" ACTION IOWA COUNTY invites you to "DO SOMETHING" about the direction our country, state and communities are headed. At this event you'll choose your passion: national politics, public education, healthcare solutions, local elections or environmental concerns. Each break-out group will wrestle with what they can do together to effect change - and decide on next steps. Meet and greet at 6:30 p.m. Cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. The program begins promptly at 7 p.m. LOCATION: Tequila Point, 43 High St. in Mineral Point For more info, contact Christie Johnston at christie.m.johnston@gmail.com

GET YOUR QUESTIONS READY.



Wed., April 26 (Dodgeville, Monroe) 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.



Fri., April 21, 2 to 4 p.m. (Dodgeville) NUCLEAR SECURITY 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 Glarus) NEW GLARUS INDIVISIBLE GROUP TO MEET. The first gathering of the new Indivisible group in New Glarus will be at the home of Filip Sanna. Contact her at filsanna@yahoo.com for specific location.



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



THE REPORT FROM LAST WEEK'S STATEWIDE CONSERVATION CONGRESS SESSIONS Wisconsin people care about the environment! The hundreds who attended a Conservation Congress which was held last week in every county sent

this clear message to our elected officials. They voted overwhelmingly:

- 1) For a moratorium on permits for frac sand mining and processing.
- 2) To properly fund our state parks.
- 3) To restore DNR compliance with the Clean Water Act in the state.
- 4) To give DNR authority to suspend permit applications for CAFOs when pollution is a concern.
- 5) To require a public notice to residents within 2 miles of a high capacity well

And much more. For complete results go

to <https://sierraclub.org/wisconsin/blog/2017/04/conservation-congress-results-are>

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.

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