



The Grassroots Gazette reports on political action efforts throughout Southwest Wisconsin. Check out the Grassroots website at [www.grassrootswi.org](http://www.grassrootswi.org).

## Mineral Point, Dodgeville, Richland Center, Platteville and Spring Green events

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Need folks to write letters to the editor



**NEED YOUR HELP ON LETTERS TO THE EDITOR** With the health care bill stalled in the Senate, now is the time to write letters to the editor in our local and state newspapers. Also keep calling Sen. Johnson, Baldwin and Rep. Pocan. **CONSTITUENT PRESSURE HAS WORKED SO FAR** -- let's keep it going. Need help with editing a letter to the editor? Contact Earl Barnes at [wearlbarnes@gmail.com](mailto:wearlbarnes@gmail.com). Your own personal story is always the best. Everyone will be affected by this bill, including our own Upland Hills Hospital in Dodgeville – a critical access hospital. [CLICK HERE](#) for newspaper email addresses and tips on writing a letter. The weekly deadline for submitting a letter to the editor for local newspapers is Mondays at noon.

To contact Sen. Johnson, call 202-224-5323 (Washington, D.C.) or 414-276-7282 (Milwaukee); Sen Baldwin – 202-224-5653 (Washington, D.C.) or 608-264-5338 (Madison) and Rep. Pocan -- 202-225-2906 (Washington, D.C.) or 608-258-9800 (Madison).



**Want your voice to be heard in Washington, D.C. and Madison? Join the group of Post Card writers who meet weekly on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. – either at a Mineral Point or Dodgeville café,**

On July 5, they will meet at the Cobblestone Coffee House, 239 N Iowa St. in Dodgeville; on July 12 at the Gray Dog Deli, 215 High St. in Mineral Point; on July 19, at the Cook's Room, 138 N. Iowa St., Dodgeville and July 26 at Café 43, 43 High Street in Mineral Point. For info, contact Susan Van Sicklen at [svans5@icloud.com](mailto:svans5@icloud.com) or Laura Cisler at [glcisler@yahoo.com](mailto:glcisler@yahoo.com). Enjoy a cup of coffee and lively conversation. Bring friends. Pens and postcards will be provided.



**Sat, July 1, 2 to 4 p.m. (Platteville) BE PART OF OUR NEXT ENGLISH CORNER**

Enjoy informal cross cultural conversations at Tres Marias Ice Cream Shop on Main Street in Platteville (next to Los Amigos restaurant). Our English as a Second Language (ESL) tutors, students, their families and community members are invited to be part of this fun exchange when everyone is practicing their English in a relaxed setting. For more info, contact Karen Rundell at [rrundell@centurytel.net](mailto:rrundell@centurytel.net)



**Sat., July 1, 4 p.m. (Richland Center) Join the Richland County Community Cook-out**

celebrating diversity and committed to working together for positive change. Location: State Hwy 80 North (Krouskop Park) in Richland Center. For more info, contact Kathy Fry at [www.gracie82159@gmail.com](mailto:www.gracie82159@gmail.com)



**Tues., July 11, 6:30 p.m. (Spring Green) DAWN group to meet at the General Store**

Find out what the Driftless Area Women's Network is up to. This growing, committed group is working hard to bring a positive face to the local political scene. Join them. For info contact: Grace Timmerman at [contactdawnwi@gmail.com](mailto:contactdawnwi@gmail.com)



**Sun., August 6 (Dodgeville) LANTERNS FOR PEACE (a memorable summer event for all ages)**

This moving annual event, on the anniversary of the Hiroshima bombing, starts at 6:30 p.m. at Twin Valley Lake in Gov. Dodge State Park – with children and adults making lanterns, enjoying music together and sharing reflections. Bring snacks to pass. At dusk the long string of illuminated lanterns will trail behind a lone canoe as it moves silently through the water. Not to be missed! Sponsored by the Grassroots Citizens for Peace. For more info, contact Jane Kavaloski at [jhkavaloski@gmail.com](mailto:jhkavaloski@gmail.com)

THE GRASSROOTS GAZETTE (produced by the Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin) is the email communications tool that links emerging political action groups throughout Southwest Wisconsin - including Action Iowa County, SWWAP of Mt. Horeb, River Valley DAWN group, Richland County DAWN group, Green County Indivisible, Sustain Iowa County and Iowa County Citizens for Peace & Justice. Other groups interested in joining can contact [grassroots@merr.com](mailto:grassroots@merr.com).