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SAVE THE DATE: Sat. March 24 School shooting march to be held in Mineral Point (watch for final approval)



SAVE THE DATE -- Sat., March 24, 10:45 a.m. MARCH FOR OUR LIVES in Mineral Point In response to the latest Florida school shooting and many similar tragedies, people are taking to the streets throughout the United States on Saturday, March 24 to let their voices be heard. ACTION IOWA COUNTY is among the HUNDREDS of groups planning marches. Meet at 10:45 a.m. at the Mineral Point Water Tower for the 11 a.m. march down High Street. This is a non-partisan event. Invite friends, family and neighbors. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Action lowa County representatives are appearing before the Mineral Point City Council on March 12 to get final approval for the march. The

Grassroots Gazette will let you know as soon as approval comes through but make your plans now. Contact Susan Van Sicklen at svans5@icloud.com for more information.



March 19 to 30th – EARLY VOTING FOR SPRING ELECTION. The Spring General Election is Tuesday, April 3 (polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.) Are you going to be out of town? Plan now to vote early by contacting your city or town clerk. Early voting is from March 19 to 30. Go to the <u>Grassroots Elections Page</u> for much more vital information. The two finalists for Wisconsin Supreme Court judge – progressive Rebecca Dallet and conservative Michael Screnock -- will face off. County board candidates, school board members, mayor's races and others will be up for a vote. Iowa County now has

someone registered to run (including registered write-ins) for each of its 21 seats, so find out who is running in your area.



Weds, March 7, 14, 21 and 28 9:30 a.m. (Dodgeville or Mineral Point) FROM POSTCARDS TO ACTION Tired of sitting on the sidelines, wringing your hands about what is going on in Washington D.C. and Madison? Here's a group that's taking action and making great new friends doing it. They meet every Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. in Mineral Point or Dodgeville. See this month's schedule below. From writing postcards to planning marches, they are making their voices heard.

SCHEDULE: <u>Wed., March 7</u>, at 9:30 a.m. they meet at the Pointer Cafe, <u>809 Ridge Street</u> in Mineral Point; Wed., March 14, at the Cobblestone Coffee House, <u>237 N. lowa Street</u> in Dodgeville; Wed., March 21, at the Grey Dog Deli, <u>215 High Street</u> in Mineral Point and <u>Wed., March 28</u> at 9:30 a.m. at the Cook's Room, <u>138 N. lowa Street</u> in Dodgeville. For more info, contact Laura Cisler at <u>glcisler@yahoo.com</u>, Susan Van Sicklen at <u>svans5@icloud.com</u> or Caron Swindal at <u>caronmp1@gmail.com</u>.



REMINDER: Friday, March 2, beginning at 1 p.m. with afternoon and evening events, (Dodgeville) STOP CHC/HARNESSING OUR LOCAL ENERGY FUTURES – a free public forum The "Stop CHC" public forum will challenge potential threats and policy issues posed by the Cardinal-Hickory Creek (CHC) high-voltage transmission line proposed to span 125 miles from Middleton to Dubuque. The events will be held at the Dodger Bowl, <u>318 King Street</u> in Dodgeville with 3 afternoon sessions beginning at 1 p.m. and an evening session at 6:30 p.m. For the complete

schedule of events and for further information, contact David Giffey at 608-753-2199.



Fridays, March 9 through April 20, 2 to 3:30 p.m. (Dodgeville) JOIN THE GREAT DECISIONS discussion series at Dodgeville Public Library The Great Decisions discussions will be held at the Dodgeville Public Library in the City Hall Council Chamber on the first floor. For further info, contact Vickie Stangel, vstangel@swls.org, 608-935-3728 or Jane Kavaloski at jhkavaloski@gmail.com. The series is a partnership of the Grassroots Citizens for Peace and the Dodgeville Public Library. This year's discussion topics will

include: on March 9 -- Global Health: Progress and Challenges; on March 23 -- U.S. Global Engagement and the Military; on April 6 -- Media and Foreign Policy and on April 20 -- Russia's Foreign Policy.



Saturday, March 10, 11 a.m. (Dodgeville) THE MONTHLY CLIMATE CHANGE LOBBY/SUSTAIN IOWA COUNTY group will meet at the Country Kitchen, 1202 North John Street in Dodgeville. Join this committed group who work hard to address environmental concerns. For more info, contact Chuck Tennessen at twotens@yousg.net

Saturday, March 24, 9 a.m.to 4 p.m. (Mazomanie) MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL WISCONSIN GRASSROOTS FESTIVAL U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin, Rep. Marc Pocan and John Nichols will be among the speakers at this all-day series of how-to political workshops. For further info, go to www.wisconsingrassroots.net/festival



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