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LOCAL ACTION EVENTS

in Mazomanie, Dodgeville, Mineral Point, Monroe

VOTE ON APRIL 2



Wed., March 13 (Dodgeville), Thurs, March 14 (Barneveld)

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO SPEAK UP - ABOUT THE ATC

TRANSMISSION LINES Opponents of the massive ATC

Transmission Lines proposed for Grant, Iowa and Dane Counties will have a chance to SPEAK UP this week at public meetings scheduled for

Dodgeville, Barneveld, Cassville and Middleton. The topic will be the draft Environmental Impact Statement. A court recorder will enter your comments into the official record. Written comments will also be collected. Whether you choose to speak or not, people are encouraged to attend to demonstrate the size of public opposition. LOCATION: Wed., March 13, 5 to 7 p.m., Dodger Bowl, Dodgeville; Thurs., March 14, 5 to 7 p.m. Deer Valley Lodge, Barneveld. Also Monday, March 18, 5 to 7 p.m. Cassville Middle School, Cassville and Wed., March 20, 5 to 7 p.m. Madison Marriott West, Middleton. To see a draft of the federal EIS and learn information about the current PSC Review Process, visit DriftlessDefenders.com, and click on "PSC Updates.".



Sat., March 23, 2 to 4 p.m. (Monroe) IMMIGRATION TODAY: FACTS VS. MYTHS

With so much misinformation in the news today, three Wisconsin attorneys who have recently returned from the

southern border will share their experiences and set the record straight on the facts about the current American immigration system. In their bilingual presentation, the attorneys -- Laura Fernandez, Melissa Nepomiachi and Kime Abduil -- will offer an overview of immigrant rights and answer questions. LOCATION: Union Presbyterian Church, 2707 5th Street, Monroe - Sat., March 23, 2 to 4 p.m. For further information, contact janekleven@gmail.com



Sat., March 23. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Mazomanie), ELEVENTH ANNUAL GRASSROOTS FESTIVAL This fun annual gathering of progressive activists has become an annual rite of spring for Southwest Wisconsin. Hundreds of committed folks get together to swap successes, share ideas, find inspiration and network. This year's keynote speakers are John Nichols, Matt Rothschild, Jay Heck and

Wisconsin Supreme Court candidate Judge Lisa Neubauer. Over two dozen breakout sessions are scheduled on topics such as voting rights, rural strategies, environmental issues, skill

building, health care and many more. \$25 suggested donation includes lunch. For advance tickets and information contact <u>tinyurl.com/yyxnr4uc</u> or <u>WisconsinGrassroots.Net/festival</u> LOCATION: Wisconsin Heights High School, 10173 UW Highway 14, Mazomanie





VITAL: TUESDAY, APRIL 2 (statewide)
WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT ELECTION MARK
YOUR CALENDAR NOW! VOTE EARLY IF YOU'LL BE
OUT OF TOWN Chief Judge of the Wisconsin Court of
Appeals Lisa Neubauer is running against Brian Hagedorn (Scott
Walker's chief legal counsel who Walker appointed to the

bench). This is an all-important election when it comes to issues such as voting rights, environmental protection, gerrymandering, etc. If Neubauer is elected, the 4-3 conservative majority will be maintained on the court. If Hagedorn is elected, it will become a 5-2 conservative majority.

Also, on the ballot will be the Court of Appeals District IV judge.

In Dodgeville, <u>Jessie Thuli Wieczorek</u>, a long-time member of the Grassroots Citizens Board of Directors and tireless supporter of the local schools, is running against Darin Nagel for the atlarge seat.

Mineral Point voters will vote on a Mineral Point School District Referendum and school board members. Other municipalities have their own races on the ballot.

For more about these candidates check out the Grassroots website elections page at http://www.grassrootswi.org/elections/. You can see your own sample ballot at https://myvote.wi.gov/en-US/previewmyballot.



RESCHEDULED: Wed., March 20, 5:30 to 7 p.m. (Dodgeville)
Inaugural gathering of DRIFTLESS AREA DRINKING
LIBERALLY chapter Drop in at Duke's Brew Pub, 105 Chapel Street in Dodgeville between 5:30 and 7 p.m., Mar. 20, to find out what this

new group is all about. At this inaugural event you can help shape the future of the local chapter (DL already has chapters in 45 states and around Wisconsin.) It's a political and social organization where self-identified liberals and progressives gather in local hot spots to socialize, talk politics and drink responsibly! For local information contact Jubie Simonson at jubiesimonson@hotmail.com or Michelle Godez at michelle.godez@gmail.com



Wednesdays, March 13, 20 and 27 at 9:30 a.m. (Dodgeville and Mineral Point) JOIN THE IOWA COUNTY POSTCARD WRITERS GROUP ON WEDNESDAYS Join this committed group that gets together most Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. to

let their elected officials and others know how they feel about important issues. Expect lots of conversation and community spirit. So, if you feel you're only talking to yourself, here is the

place to be. The group alternates between coffee houses in Dodgeville and Mineral Point: March 13 at Cobblestone Café, 239 N. Iowa St, Dodgeville; March 20 at the Gray Dog Deli, 215 High Street in Mineral Point; and March 27 at the Cook's Room, 138 N. Iowa St. in Dodgeville. For information contact Christine Tsubokura at christinetsub@gmail.com.



Mondays, March 18 and 25; April 1 and 8 MAZO MUDDLERS MEET most MONDAY MORNINGS AT BASE CAMP,

MAZOMANIE – join them! Ever since the 2018 election, a group calling itself the Mazo Muddlers has been meeting Monday mornings at the Base Camp Café, 18 Brodhead Café, in Mazomanie to let their voices be heard through postcards and other political action. To learn more,

check out their breakout session at the March 23 Grassroots Festival, also in Mazomanie (see above). In their session, entitled <u>Mazo Muddlers: Local Women United in Action</u>, you'll hear stories about their beginnings, strategy and staying-power! For further info contact <u>janetbrandt10@qmail.com</u>

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