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LOCAL POLITICAL ACTION OPPORTUNITIES

In Dodgeville, Mineral Point, Darlington,
Sauk Prairie, Platteville



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GAZETTE SURVEY - coming soon. Help us plan the future
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GAZETTE TO A FRIEND TO HELP US GROW OUR "HERD"

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Volunteer tutors are needed right now in Dodgeville and
Darlington to help teach English to our new immigrant
neighbors. If you don't like what is going on at our southern
border, you can do something about it right here at home - by
volunteering to help asylum seekers who have recently arrived

in Dodgeville, Darlington and the surrounding area. Or you may be helping immigrants learn English who are working hard on our local farms. You'll be primarily working in tutoring teams. Being a volunteer English tutor is a richly rewarding experience. As a tutor you do not need to speak Spanish or have a teaching background - although teachers are always welcome. Contact the MultiCultural Outreach Program at mcopwi@gmail.com or call 608-623-2109 to sign up as a volunteer - or for more information.



Wed., August 14, 6 p.m. (Mineral Point) CAFÉ CON AMIGOS group gets together Whether you've had high school Spanish, speak Spanish like a native - or are a Spanish-speaking wannabe - join this friendly group to practice your language skills and sip some coffee or wine. Everyone who is eager to create welcoming communities in

southwest Wisconsin is invited. Location: Café 43, 43 High Street, Mineral Point. For more info contact Mayra Angel at tangelma@yahoo.com



Wed., Aug 21, 5:30 to 8 p.m. (Dodgeville) DRIFTLESS

AREA DRINKING LIBERALLY chapter Drop in at Duke's
Brew Pub, 105 Chapel Street in Dodgeville between 5:30
and 8 p.m., Wed., August 21, for lively conversation about topics that matter. You'll be joining other self-identified

liberals and progressives. Such Drinking Liberally groups get together monthly throughout the country at favorite "hot" spots to talk politics and drink responsibly! For information contact Jubie Simonson at jubiesimonson@hotmail.com



Wed. Aug. 7, 10:30 a.m. (Mineral Point)

A VOTER REGISTRATION CAMPAIGN IS A MISSION

OF THE DODGEVILLE/MINERAL POINT POST CARD

GROUP. This active bunch, which is continually growing, invites you to join them any Wednesday morning at 9:30

a.m. to write postcards, share coffee and talk about topics that matter. The group rotates between local coffee shops. Here's the <u>schedule for the coming</u> <u>months</u>: August 14, Cook's Room in Dodgeville; August 21, Pointer Café in Mineral Point; August 28, Cobblestone Café in Dodgeville; Sept. 4, Gray Dog in Mineral Point; September 11, Cook's Room in Dodgeville; September 18, Pointer Café in Mineral Point; September 25, Cobblestone in Dodgeville.

A <u>voter registration campaign</u> is on their agenda for the coming months. Volunteers will be trained by the League of Women Voters.

Another priority of the Dodgeville/Mineral Point post card group is to push for <u>Fair Voting Maps</u>, based on the Iowa Model. The group worked hard recently to get the Iowa County Board to pass a Fair Maps Resolution. As a result, three Republicans -- including Rep. Todd Novak, Rep. Travis Tranel and Rep. Joel Kitchens --have signed on as co-sponsors of Wisconsin Senate Bill SB 288 and Assembly Bill AB 303. Help them keep up the pressure to get these bills into law.

Sat., Aug. 10, 11 a.m. (Dodgeville) CITIZENS CLIMATE LOBBY AND SUSTAIN IOWA COUNTY GROUP TO MEET. Join the gathering of these active environmental groups at the Dodgeville Country Kitchen, 1202 N. John Street. The latest modeling shows that by far the single most effective action society can take to slow the Earth's warming is to put a fee on the production of CO2 producing fuels. The local CCL group is actively lobbying for H.R. 763, the

Energy Innovation & Carbon Dividend Act that does just that and already has 56 bi-partisan co-sponsors. Learn more at: https://energyinnovationact.org/data-sources/ If you can't make the meeting, at least send a message to Rep. Marc Pocan to let him know you support his co-sponsorship of the bill. It's more important than ever that we act decisively to address climate disruption.



<u>PLATTEVILLE AND DARLINGTON - NEW</u>

<u>POSTCARD WRITING GROUPS ARE FORMING</u> Get in on the ground floor with a new political action post-

card writing group that is coming together in Darlington. Contact Kate Bausch at. katebausch@hotmail.com, 608-726-0286, for details of time and place. Sue Strickler continues her postcard writing group in Platteville although they are not meeting weekly during the summer. For details contact suestrickler@gmail.com, 608-330-3027.



Monday mornings at 10 a.m. MAZO MUDDLERS MEET at Base Camp Café at 18 Brodhead in Mazomanie. They write postcards and participate in other political action. For further info contact janetbrandt10@gmail.com



Sat., Aug. 17, 10 a.m. to noon (Sauk City) PROTEST ON THE SAUK CITY BRIDGE Indivisible Sauk Prairie invites all of you to join their members in a protest on

the Sauk City Bridge against the Administration's immigration policies and the President's anti-American rhetoric. Help us show that these divisive, racist policies are not acceptable in our America.



LATE SUMMER -- FINAL DECISION ON CARDINAL-HICKORY TRANSMISSION LINE WILL BE DELIVERED Thanks to the huge outpouring of opposition voices at the recent public hearings, all seven state representatives and

senators representing southwest Wisconsin have co-authored letters to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission (PSC) expressing a range of concerns about this expensive, unneeded proposal. Now is the time for Gov. Evers to send the same type of message to the PSC. You can encourage him to do so by writing directly to him or through your Letter to the Editor, especially in the Madison papers where his staff will be sure to see it. Please help keep this issue in front of the public and the decision-makers.

GRASSROOTS CITIZENS OF WISCONSIN is an energetic group of over 700 people in southwest Wisconsin who are interested in steering our country in a more positive direction. For further information, or to add a friend to our mailing list, please contact: Shirley Barnes, Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin at grassrootswi@gmail.com