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EARLY VOTING STARTS TODAY FOR APRIL 2 ELECTION

More happenings in Spring Green, Sauk City, Mt. Horeb, Mineral Point, Mazomanie, Monroe, Dodgeville



Early voting starts today.

Tues, April 2 (statewide) VITAL WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT ELECTION...and more. Check out your own sample ballot at: <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-US/previewmyballot>

- Statewide 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). Voting rights, environmental protection, gerrymandering and many other progressive issues are at stake.
- In Mineral Point, a vital school referendum is on the ballot. Go here for facts: <https://mineralpointschools.org/2019-referendum/> Watch Gazette for more info.
- In Dodgeville, Jessie Thuli Wieczorek, a long-time member of the Grassroots Citizens Board of Directors, is running for the at large seat on Dodgeville School Board.



RESCHEDULED FOR THIS WEDNESDAY:

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



CALL TODAY

Tues., March 19 (Dodgeville) IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS VOTING TO LIMIT PUBLIC COMMENT The Board of Supervisors is voting on Tuesday to

limit public comment to topics germane to the agenda, rather than any topic a citizen wishes to address. Do you feel this is too restrictive? Call or email your county supervisor today. Who is your supervisor? Go here to find out:

<https://www.iowacounty.org/departments/countyboard/county-board-members>



TONIGHT

Mon., March 18, 7 p.m. (Sauk City) "FACING THE SIEGE": A DOCUMENTARY

This film, which documents the tangible costs of sea level rise for the people of Norfolk, Virginia, will be shown at Park Hall (aka Free Thinkers Hall), 307

Polk, Sauk City. 6:30 p.m. social and light refreshments. Film and discussion at 7 p.m. Co-sponsored by Free Congregation of Sauk County and Citizens Climate Lobby. Free will donation accepted.



Sat., March 23, 9 to 11 a.m. and Sat., March 30, 9 to 11 a.m. (Mt. Horeb) CANVASSERS NEEDED

Mt. Horeb canvassers are vitally needed to get out information about the Wisconsin Supreme Court race.

Contact Jennifer Gottwald (608-437-1974 or e-mail davidjen@mhtc.net)

to sign up or with questions. Stop by anytime between 9 and 11 those Saturday mornings to get trained and pick up what you need. You can actually do your canvassing any time in the following week. On Sat., March 23 (9 to 11 a.m.) join them at 101 Oak Tree Drive. On Sat., March 30, 9 to 11 a.m. it will be 309 S. 4th Street.



Sat., March 23. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Mazomanie), ELEVENTH ANNUAL GRASSROOTS FESTIVAL

This supercharged annual gathering of progressive activists has become an annual rite of spring for Southwest Wisconsin. Hundreds of committed folks get together to swap success stories, 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 go to WisconsinGrassroots.Net/festival. LOCATION: Wisconsin Heights High School, 10173 UW Highway 14, Mazomanie.



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., April 13, 5 to 9 p.m. (Spring Green) COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS FREE CLINIC SPRING AUCTION This fun event, to be held at the Wisconsin Riverside Resort in Spring Green, provides vital support to the Free Clinic which provides health care for the uninsured and underinsured in our area. Register now to help planners prepare at <http://ccfcwi.org/2019-auction-items/> or phone 608-930-2232.



Wednesdays, March 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 who 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 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 Mazo Muddlers: Local Women United in Action, you'll hear stories about their beginnings, strategy and staying-power! For further info contact janetbrandt10@gmail.com

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