



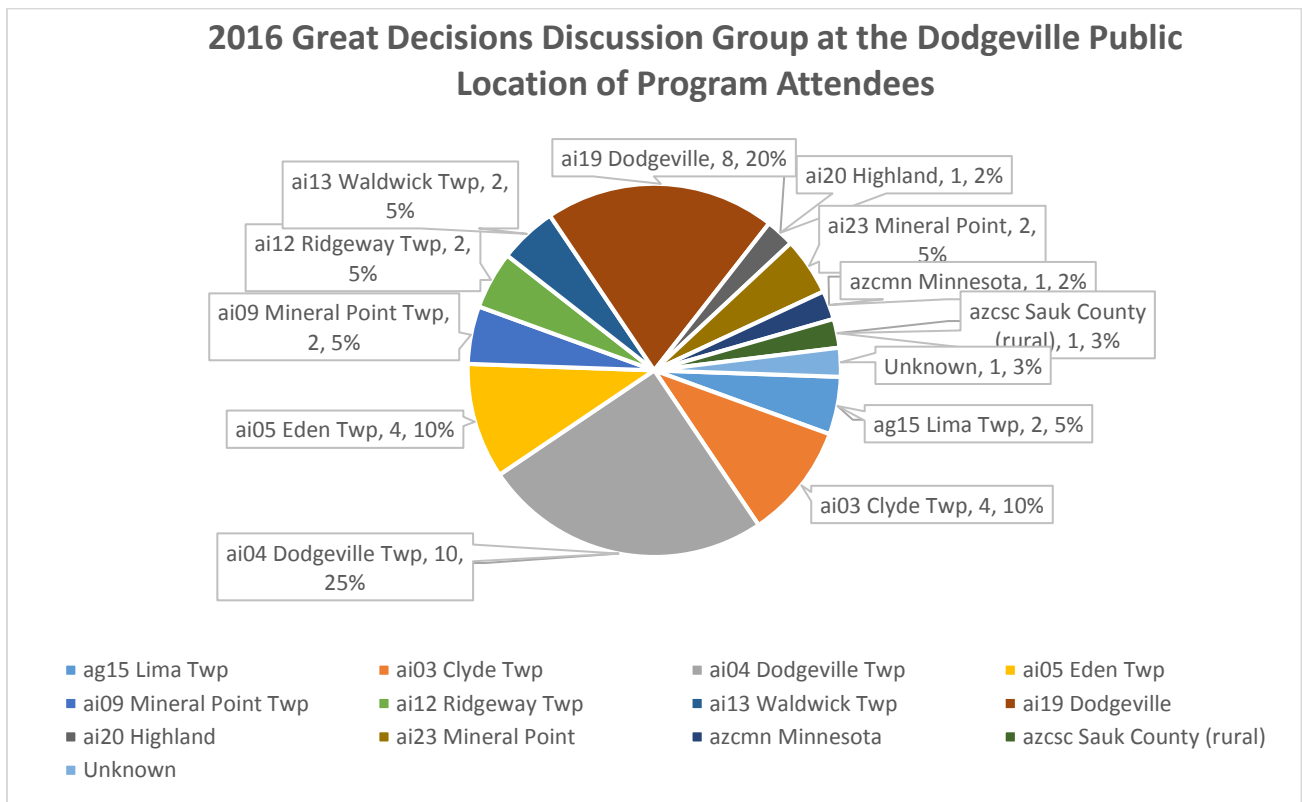
## OVERVIEW OF GREAT DECISIONS PROGRAM

**Great Decisions** is the name of a program and a briefing book that are used to engage citizens in learning about the world. The Great Decisions Discussion Program is the oldest and largest grass-roots world affairs education program of its kind in the country. Each year, the Great Decisions editorial board selects eight of the most pressing global issues and regions that will be the focus of the briefing book, television programs, and online resources. The topics listed below will be featured in the *Great Decisions 2017* briefing book. The focus of the articles and the order of the topics are subject to change.

In 2009 the Dodgeville Public Library offered two topics for discussion; Energy & the Global Economy and Afghanistan / Pakistan. We were pleased with the interest in the Great Decisions Discussion Series and have been offering 4 to 6 sessions each year since. In 2016 we discussed pressing issues from U.N reform to climate change and shifting alliances in the Middle East. The series is currently scheduled to start in early February and will be held at the library on Friday afternoons at 2pm. If there is enough interest a second session either another day or time will be considered. If you are interested in taking part in the discussion group please rank the following topics in order of interest & return your selections to Vickie Stangel at [vstangel@swls.org](mailto:vstangel@swls.org) or drop them off at the library. Also let me know if you are interested in being a group facilitator.

The "Great Decisions" series is co-sponsored by the Dodgeville Public Library & the Iowa County Citizens for Peace and Justice. Great Decisions meetings feature open and fair conversation, without requirement for consensus. Materials from the Foreign Policy Association may be purchased individually at <http://www.fpa.org/> or borrowed from the Dodgeville Public Library prior to each session. Pre-Registration is required. Programs are free.

- \_\_\_\_\_ The Future of Europe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Trade and Politics
- \_\_\_\_\_ Conflict in the South China Sea
- \_\_\_\_\_ Saudi Arabia in Transition
- \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum
- \_\_\_\_\_ Latin America's Political Pendulum
- \_\_\_\_\_ Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan
- \_\_\_\_\_ Nuclear Security





# GREAT DECISIONS

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## Great Decisions 2016

40 Individuals participated in the 2016 Great Decisions Discussion Program. Total Series Attendance was 96.



TOPIC	FACILITATOR	ATTENDANCE
The United Nations Post 2015.....	Vince Kavaloski	21
Middle-East Alliances.....	Fr. Jim Murphy	15
Climate Geopolitics.....	Chuck Tennesen	24
India Changes Course.....	Fanou & Bryan Walton	10
International Migration.....	Jane H. Kavaloski	26



Program participants came from Dodgeville, Highland, Mineral Point; and the Iowa County townships of Clyde, Dodgeville, Eden, Mineral Point, Ridgeway & Waldwick. Also represented were Grant & Sauk Counties.

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