

Preliminary Program
Wisconsin Progressive Grassroots Festival
Feb 19, 2011

Morning Sessions	
8:30 – 9:15	Registration
9:15 – 9:30	Opening Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Art Shegonee <i>Traditional Native American Dancer</i>
9:30 - 9:45	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nate Timm <i>Festival Organizer</i> Morning Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rep. Tammy Baldwin <i>Wisconsin 2nd Congressional District</i>
9:45 – 10:45	Opening General Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fighting for Economic Justice: America's Vanishing Middle Class <i>David Newby, Former president Wisconsin AFL-CIO</i> • Action to Restore our Democracy <i>Mike McCabe, Exec. Director Wisconsin Democracy Campaign</i> • Citizenship in the Age of Media Deception <i>Lisa Graves, Exec. Director Center for Media and Democracy</i>
11:00 – 12:15	Morning Sectionals
1	Fighting for Economic Justice: America's Vanishing Middle Class <i>David Newby, Former president Wisconsin AFL-CIO</i>
2	Organizing for America: What's Next? <i>Staci O'Brien & NTLs</i>
3	Health Care: Reform or repeal? <i>Dr. Robert Craig, Karen Timberlake, Stephanie Bloomingdale</i>
4	US Economic Policy: Down the rabbit hole <i>John Simonson, Professor Emeritus, UW-Platteville, Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin</i>
5	How to Conduct Town Meetings for the Unemployed & Their Families <i>Kay and Buzz Davis from Stoughton, WI worked with the Stoughton Chapter of the Alliance for Retired Americans to conduct a series of town meetings in Stoughton in 2009 for the unemployed and their families and helped 75 to 100 people.</i>
6	Why is Transportation in Reverse? <i>Bruce Speight, WISPIRG</i> <i>Brett Hulsey, Wisconsin State Representative, Assembly District 77</i>
7	Faith-based Progressive Action in Dane Cty <i>Phil Haslinger, MUM</i>
<i>(please turn paper over for afternoon sessions)</i>	

Afternoon Sessions	
12:15 – 1:30	Lunch: Donna’s Chili (regular and vegetarian) Auction: pies and handmade afghans, etc. Ed Garvey <i>Founder, BobFest</i>
1:30 – 2:45	Afternoon Sectionals
1	The Great Frame Up <i>Tim Moermond</i>
2	How to build a Progressive Group in your community <i>Middleton Action Team (MAT)</i>
3	Citizenship in the Age of Media Deception <i>Lisa Graves, Exec. Director Center for Media and Democracy</i>
4	Action to Restore our Democracy <i>Mike McCabe, Exec. Director Wisconsin Democracy Campaign</i>
5	Report from the Pakistan Afghanistan border? <i>Joe Elder</i>
6	Financial Reform from Washington to Wisconsin <i>Shannon Nelson, WISPIRG</i> <i>Mary Bottari, Center for Media and Democracy</i>
7	Volunteerism—Vital to Economic Progress <i>John Simonson, Professor Emeritus, UW-Platteville. Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin</i>
3:00 – 4:00	Closing General Session Wisconsin Move to Amend: What's Next? <i>Kaja Rebane, Southwest Wisconsin Move to Amend</i> <i>Lisa Graves, Exec. Director Center for Media and Democracy</i>
4:30 - 5:30	<u>Social Event, Old Feedmill Restaurant, Mazomanie</u>
5:30 - 6:30	Social hour Dinner, \$12, Beef, Chicken and Vegetarian options

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