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LANTERNS FOR PEACE EVENT

Sun., August 2, Gov. Dodge State Park

David Axelrod in Spring Green

1,000 PAPER CRANES SENT TO LOS ALAMOS
from Iowa County



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ANNUAL LANTERNS FOR PEACE event Join us for this

incomparable outdoor event which has become an important annual happening in our area. Meet at the Twin Valley Lake Pavilion in Governor Dodge State Park. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. with lantern-making, music, stories and presentations. The floating of the lanterns on Twin Valley Lake will be at dusk. Again this year, professional singer, composer and guitarist Rich Baumann will share his songs for both children and adults. For decades he has been delighting audiences around the country with his music full of hope and courage. Please bring finger-food to share. A day pass or park sticker will be required. For info, contact Bryan Walton at bryanwalton2007@gmail.com or Jane Kavaloski at jhkavaloski@gmail.com.



1,000 PAPER CRANES will be shipped this week to Los Alamos, New Mexico from Iowa County.

The Iowa County Citizens for Peace knew they would need help when they took up the challenge of sending 1,000 origami cranes to Los Alamos as part of the national effort to fold 70,000 cranes, in commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Hiroshima

and Nagasaki atomic bombs. And help they found. Over the past several months, 135 people from Dodgeville, Cobb, Montfort, Highland, Mineral Point, Barneveld and Spring Green met in local libraries, churches and cafes to fold over 1,000 cranes. The citizens group is shipping them to the National Conference on Nonviolence this week.

Los Alamos is the fitting site for the conference. The bombs were developed there decades ago. While learning how to fold the cranes, (not an easy task), the participating children and adults also learned about the symbolism of the paper crane. It began with Sadako Sasaki, who was two years old when the first bomb threw her out of a window at her Hiroshima home. She

was ten when purple spots formed on her arms and legs. Hospitalized for leukemia in Feb 1955, she died in October of that year. In her last months, she folded 1,300 paper cranes as a prayer for healing. The crane is now an international symbol of peace and a poignant reminder of the human costs of nuclear bombs.



Wed., July 15, 1 to 3 p.m. (Mineral Point) and Fri., July 17, 1 to 3 p.m. (Dodgeville) FINAL CRANE FOLDING EVENTS To become part of this area-wide effort, join the crane folding events at the Mineral Point Library on Wed., from 1 to 3 p.m. and at the Dodgeville Library on Friday, from 1 to 3 p.m. Check out our [Grassroots website](#) for more info about the National Conference on Nonviolence and the Citizens for Peace group.



Thurs., August 6, 5:30 p.m. (Spring Green) AUTHOR DAVID AXELROD AT GARD THEATER Arcadia Books welcomes David Axelrod, author of "Believer: My Forty Years in Politics" -- a powerful and inspiring memoir from one of the greatest political strategists in recent American history. Join the discussion with Axelrod at The Gard Theater, 111 E.

Jefferson Street in Spring Green. Order tickets (\$5) by calling 608-588-7638. Present your ticket to Arcadia Books and receive \$5.00 off your book purchase.

Tonight, Mon, July 13, 7:30 p.m. and Mon., July 27, 7:30 p.m. (Spring Green) UPCOMING RURAL MUSICIANS CONCERTS The Rural Musicians Forum's concert tonight is "The Dang-its", a country swing and rockabilly group. Anyone who loves foot-tapping music will feel right at home. On Mon, July 17, "Bold As Brass: Ensemble Nouveau" will feature six men, a flugel horn, piccolo trumpet, French horn, mellophone, trumpet, soprano-alto-tenor and baritone sax, a drumset, marimba and steel pan. Every kind of clarinet plus tubas and euphonium create a "classical revolution" in one brassy evening. The concerts are held in the Unity Chapel on County T, in rural Spring Green. Free will offering.

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