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DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON TUESDAY

For Iowa County Judge and Wis. Supreme Court Justice

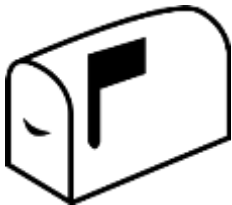
RARE OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS

Wednesdays, Feb. 17 through Mar. 16



TUES., FEB. 16 IS AN IMPORTANT PRIMARY ELECTION DAY. Candidates for Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice and Iowa County Judge are on the ballot. Candidates for the Supreme Court Justice include Rebecca Bradley, Joe Donald and JoAnne Kloppenburg. Candidates for Iowa County Judge are Tim Angel, Peg Koehler, Tim McKinley and Larry Nelson. Both of these races will have long standing impact on our community. Empower yourself. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to our Grassroots website Elections page where you will find links to each of these

candidates as well as vital info about **new Voter ID requirements, where to vote, what will be on your sample ballot, how to vote early** and more. Lots of good information there. **GET OUT AND VOTE!**



HEADS UP: Have you noticed the negative flyers in your mailbox about the upcoming Iowa County Judge election? This type of campaign strategy with its out-of-context bullet points undermines the candidates and the process. For more information about who is funding the attack ads in Iowa County click here:

<https://wisconsinallianceforreform.com> For real information about the current

candidate, visit: <http://www.grassrootswi.org/elections/>



Wednesdays, Feb. 17 and 24, March 2, 9, 16, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) WELCOMING OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS. ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS are encouraged to take part in this RELEVANT conversation series about friendship and tolerance across faiths - capped off with a visit to a Muslim mosque in Madison on March 16. If you have questions about Islam, and the people who practice it, do not miss this chance to learn from area Muslim speakers. Make the next few Wednesday nights rewarding and join the conversation. Local churches and the Dodgeville Library are collaborating on this series (see specific locations below.)

Guest speakers: Ibrahim Saeed, Pres. Islamic Center Madison, Lufti Shahrani, member of Interfaith Dialogue, Madison and other guests.

Topics include:

- **Discussing the Fear of ISIS and the Misinformation about Muslims** (Feb. 17) at 7 p.m. at Plymouth United Church of Christ, 115 W. Merrimac, Dodgeville (enter on Main Street);
- **Exploring the Common Ground between Christianity and Islam** (Feb. 24) at 7 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 327 N. Iowa Street, Dodgeville
- **Experiencing the Arts and Culture of the Islamic World** (March 2) at 7 p.m. the Dodgeville Public Library
- **Learning about Muslim family life** (March 9) at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 405 South Dacotah Street, Dodgeville
- **Visiting a Madison Muslim mosque** (March 16). MEET AT 6 P.M. at the Plymouth United Church of Christ, 115 W. Merrimac, Dodgeville to carpool to Madison where we are expected at 7 p.m.



Sat., Feb. 13, 11 a.m. (Dodgeville) SUSTAIN IOWA COUNTY/CITIZENS' CLIMATE LOBBY MONTHLY MEETING Get involved with this committed

group. They meet at the Country Kitchen, 1202 Johns Street in Dodgeville the second Saturday of every month to participate in a national teleconference with a prominent speaker to learn how to be part of the growing nation-wide effort to pass "carbon fee and dividend" legislation. For more on this legislation, see the Jan. 19th [New York Times editorial](#).

In addition, locally, the Sustain group is monitoring the proposed high capacity power line expansion that will most likely cut through Iowa County, and they are exploring a possible partnership with Upland Hills Health to expand sustainability practices at the hospital. With UW Platteville they are exploring potential feasibility surveys for wind and solar power generation in selected Iowa county locations. For more info, contact Chuck Tennesen, twotens@yousq.net



MORE INFO ABOUT GREAT DECISIONS: Fridays, Feb. 19, Mar 4 and 18, and Tuesdays, April 1 and April 19, 2 to 4 p.m. (Dodgeville) GREAT DECISIONS DISCUSSIONS. Don't miss this lively discussion series,

co-sponsored by the Dodgeville Library and Grassroots Citizens for Peace & Justice. Topics this year include The United Nations (Feb. 19), Migration (March 4), India Changes Course (March 18), Middle East Alliances (April 1) and Climate Change (April 19). The discussions are held at the Dodgeville Library, 139 South Iowa Street, downstairs in the City Council room. You can enter at the side entrance on Fountain Street. FREE. Pre-registration is required. Contact Librarian Vickie Stangel at 608-935-3728 or via email at vstangel@swls.org.

GRASSROOTS CITIZENS OF WISCONSIN, an energetic group of over 1000 people in Iowa, Sauk, Crawford, Richland, Lafayette and Grant Counties who are interested in taking an active role in improving government and promoting rational discussions of local, state and national issues. For further information, or to add a friend to our mailing list, please contact: Shirley Barnes, Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin, 2473 Mt. Hope Road, Dodgeville, WI. 53533, 608-623-2109, e-mail: grassroots@merr.com.

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