The Grassroots Gazette fosters community dialogue and participation throughout Southwest Wisconsin.

## **UPCOMING STONES INTO SCHOOLS EVENTS...**

### AN IMPORTANT BULLYING AND TEASING WORKSHOP...

# And plenty more

REMINDER: Sun., Jan 16, 2 p.m. (Dodgeville) WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AFGHANISTAN TODAY? Rehman Khan, a Pashtun UW PhD candidate, will offer his unique insights into US-Afghan relations today and in the future. Khan spoke earlier in Dodgeville about the history of Afghanistan -- to rave reviews. He'll also bring a boxful of Afghan treasures from his home – clothing, films, books, cultural items and much more. So join us and bring your curiosity. LOCATION: Stonefield Apartments, 407 E. Madison, Dodgeville. We thank the UW's <a href="CREECA">CREECA</a> (Center for Russia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia) and <a href="Center for South Asia">Center for South Asia</a> for their insights and ongoing support!

REMINDER: Sat., Jan 22, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (Dodgeville) FREE BULLYING AND TEASING WORKSHOP with NOTED THERAPIST PAUL GASSER. (Space is limited. Pre-registration is highly recommended – see below) Gasser's popular workshops are interactive, immediately helpful and fun. And this one is free – with a light lunch served. You'll go home with practical and easy strategies for helping the kids deal with aggressive and painful bullying. LOCATION: Plymouth Congregational (UCC) Church, 115 Merrimac (across the street from the lowa County Courthouse parking lot) in Dodgeville. Sponsored by Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin.

**TO PRE-REGISTER** <u>click here and go to the Forums</u> page or find "<u>Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin</u>" on Facebook and <u>RSVP</u> to this event. For more info, contact Kent Mayfield at <u>secondwindarabians@gmail.com</u>

**IF YOU'RE READING STONES INTO SCHOOLS**, here's where you can come to talk about your impressions and the possible impacts of the book:

- **Spring Green** Library on Thurs., Jan. 20, 7 p.m. Bryan and Fanou Walton will lead the discussion.
- Dodgeville Library on Fri., Jan 21, at 2 p.m. with Edgewood Prof Vince Kavaloski
- **Hollandale** Library, 200 5th Avenue, on Thurs., Jan 27, 7:30 p.m. the discussion will continue from an earlier session (new folks welcome.)
- Cobb Library on Tues., Feb. 1 at 7p.m.
- Set in Stone bookstore in Mineral Point, Sat., Feb. 12 at 10 a.m.

### "STONES INTO SCHOOLS" EVENTS ARE CONTINUALLY BEING ADDED.

**CLICK HERE TO FIND THE LATEST:** 

http://www.grassrootswi.org/stones\_to\_schools/ or "friend" the <u>Uplands Stones into School</u> project on FACEBOOK

**REMINDER:** Thurs., Jan. 27, 6:30 p.m. (Dodgeville) SUSTAIN IOWA COUNTY BRAINSTORMING SESSION If you can't be there, please send your ideas for action items to Debi Morton at debi.morton@countryspeed.com. LOCATION: Plymouth Congregational (UCC) Fellowship Hall, 115 W. Merrimac (across the street from Iowa County Courthouse parking lot.) For more information about the Sustain Iowa County group, click here: <a href="http://www.grassrootswi.org/sustain">http://www.grassrootswi.org/sustain</a> iowa county/

Fri., Jan. 28, 7 p.m. (Mineral Point) FRIDAY NITE AT THE MOVIES: THE KITE RUNNER A FREE showing of the acclaimed film the Kite Runner is scheduled at the Mineral Point Opera House, as part of the Stones into Schools project. The story is set against a backdrop of tumultuous events, from the fall of the monarchy in Afghanistan through the Soviet invasion, the mass exodus of Afghan refugees to Pakistan and the United States, and the Taliban regime. In a divided country on the verge of war, two childhood friends, Amir and Hassan, are about to be torn apart forever. It's a glorious afternoon in Kabul and the skies are bursting with the exhilarating joy of a kite-fighting tournament. But in the aftermath of the day's victory, one boy's fearful act of betrayal will mark their lives forever The film will be introduced by Sanad Shah who is the Pashto Language Instructor in the Department of Languages and Cultures of Asia, at UW. The films are sponsored by the Center for South Asia at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, a designated National Resource Center funded by the US Department of Education Title VI. and member institute of the Division of International Study. FOR MORE INFORMAITON ABOUT THE FILM, CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE http://www.grassrootswi.org/stones\_to\_schools/

#### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., Jan. 16, 2 p.m. (Spring Green) PROGRESSIVE MAGAZINE EDITOR MATTHEW ROTHSCHILD TO SPEAK AT MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. EVENT Rothschild will speak about "Martin Luther King and the US Empire" at the annual Spring Green commemoration. Tentative location: Spring Green Elementary School Library, 830 W. Daley Street. Check out website's Community Calendar for updated info about location.

Tues., Jan. 18, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) IOWA COUNTY BOARD MEETING will be held in the county board room at the new HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING, 303 W. Chapel.

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