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

UPCOMING EVENTS

in Baraboo, Darlington, Mineral Point, Dodgeville and Custer

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for the list of all Farmers Markets in our area with times and locations.

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Wed., June 9 and Thurs., June 10 RON KIND TELEPHONE TOWN HALLS From 6:10 to 7:20 p.m. tonight (June 9) U.S. Rep. Kind will hold a telephone town hall specifically for seniors who have questions about the economy and health care, among other concerns. Dial in around 6 p.m. by calling (toll free) 877-229-8493 and use the code 15311. Kind will hold a second telephone town hall tomorrow night (Thurs., June 10) from 8:10 to 9:10 p.m. on agriculture issues, including dairy prices and farm loans. He'll be joined by Brad Pfaff, U.S. Dept. of Ag's Wisconsin Farm Service Agency executive director who will also take questions. Dial in around 6 p.m. by calling (toll free) 877-229-8492 and using the code 15311.

Sat., June 12, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (between Baraboo and Reedsburg) SAUK COUNTY CLEAN SWEEP Sauk County residents with unused chemicals, oil-based paint, waste oil or medications can dispose of them in a safe and environmentally sound manner at a Clean Sweep Program at the Sauk County Landfill, E8795B Evergreen Lane (between Baraboo and Reedsburg off Hwy. 33). There will be no charge for disposal at the event. (See the new Sauk County government website and Sauk County Land Conservation page at http://www.co.sauk.wi.us/landconservationpage/sauk-county-clean-sweep

Mon., June 14, 8 a.m. (Darlington) and 10:15 a.m. (Mineral Point) FEINGOLD LISTENING SESSIONS

Senator Russ Feingold will hold two listening sessions that day. He'll be in Darlington at 8 a.m. at the American Legion Hall, 1400 Keep Street and in Mineral Point at the Mineral Point High School, 704 Ross Street at 10:15 a.m. Bring your questions and concerns. Each session is expected to last about an hour.

Fri., June 18 to Sun., June 20 (Custer, WI.) 21ST ANNUAL MIDWEST

RENEWAL ENERGY (MREA) FAIR Each year the MREA Energy Fair transforms rural Central Wisconsin into the global hot spot for renewable energy education -- with over 20,000 people coming from nearly every state and several foreign countries. Among the 200 workshop topics at this year's fair will be: "Solar Thermal for Beginners"; "Eating Year Round from your Garden"; "Building your own Electric Car" or "Launching your own Solar Business." Inspirational keynoters, lively entertainment, great food and local beers will all be part of the fun. Custer is 7 miles east of Stevens Point. To find out more details, including workshops, costs and info about daily buses leaving for the Fair from Madison, go to http://www.the-mrea.org/energy_fair.php or call 715-592-6595.

Fri., June 11, 7 p.m. (Lone Rock) RURAL MUSICIANS 25TH ANNUAL OUTREACH CONCERT

The Lone Rock Community Hall, corner of Liberty and Broadway, is the setting for the Rural Musicians 25th annual Outreach Concert to feature Lone Rock native Dawn Weithe Lawler on flute and Marc Vallon on bassoon. Reception to follow at 8 p.m.

Fri., July 2, 4 p.m. (Clyde) MONTHLY PEACE MEETING

Lots of activities are going on. Come and hear how you can get involved. How about marching in the Mineral Point 4th of July parade (see below); or participating in the Lanterns for Peace event in August (see below) or lending a hand to make the Upland Hills Stones Into Schools project to be launched in the fall a success (more to come on this project in coming Gazettes.) Come early at 2 p.m. and help with preparing the lanterns for the August event. Contact Jane Kavaloski at kavaloski@countryspeed.com.

LOCATION: Home of Fanou and Bryan Walton, 6617 Clyde Rd., Spring Green, 583-2626. Directions: From Highway 23 north of Dodgeville, turn west on Hwy. 130, several miles into the small Clyde community where you will turn right onto Clyde Road at intersection of County I, Hwy. 130 and Clyde Road. Walton home is just north of Global View.

Sun., July 4 (Mineral Point) THE 4TH OF JULY PARADE

Always a fun part of the holiday weekend is marching in Mineral Point's 4th of July parade down High Street with the Grassroots Citizens for Peace. The kids love it and so do the participating adults. If possible, wear a white shirt or T-shirt. More details to come as to when and where to meet.

Fri., Aug. 6, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) LANTERNS FOR PEACE

Part of an international movement against nuclear weapons, this annual event at the Twin Valley Lake Shelter at Governor Dodge State Park, includes lantern-making, information sharing, storytelling and singing. Bring the kids and grandkids for this wonderful intergenerational activity. At dusk the unique and beautiful floating of the Lanterns will take place on Twin Valley Lake. Please bring finger food to share. Juice and water will be provided. A day pass or park sticker will be required. Contact Jane Kavaloski at kavaloski@countryspeed.com for more info. Sponsored by Grassroots Citizens for Peace.

<u>SWCAP'S LIFT PROGRAM</u> wants to fill the empty seats in everyone's car. Their staffers will help folks who have no transportation find a carpool or arrange for rides. They also provide free rides for people with disabilities to get to work, look for work or go to work training programs. Volunteer drivers are always needed and are reimbursed at 50 cents a mile for gas, issued in the form of a Kwik Trip Gas Card. For more details, contact Amy Hoffman-Crook at 608-930-2191.

THE GRASSROOTS GAZETTE IS THE VOICE OF THE 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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