



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

GRASSROOTS WEBSITE IS UPDATED with important info for NOV. 4 ELECTION



CHECK OUT OUR [GRASSROOTS WEBSITE](http://www.grassrootswi.org). It has just been updated to answer your questions about the upcoming Nov. 4 GENERAL ELECTION. You'll find there:

- How to apply for an absentee ballot. (Do it by mail NOW.)
- How to register to vote. (Do it NOW if you are not registered.)
- Which candidates will be on YOUR ballot (Redistricting has changed many districts.)
- What the candidates stand for. (You'll find bios and links to recorded interviews.)
- Which referenda will be on YOUR ballot?
- What to bring to the election booth (because of new Voter ID law)
- How to get free state ID card (if you don't have one.)
- Where to find the FACTS about overblown Election Ads.

You'll find answers to these questions and more at <http://www.grassrootswi.org/elections/>

MORE ELECTION NEWS



Fri., Oct. 10, 7 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 17, 7 p.m. (on Wisconsin Public Television) BURKE-WALKER TV DEBATES Gov. Scott Walker and Democratic challenger Mary Burke will meet in two televised debates leading to the Nov. 4 election. WPT will provide a live stream of the debates online at <http://wpt.org/>. Visit WisconsinVote.org/ for more election coverage.



Tues, Oct. 7, 7 to 9 p.m. (Blanchardville) DALE SCHULTZ TO TALK ABOUT FUTURE OF PUBLIC EDUCATION Students, parents, educators and community members are encouraged to come to this public forum to hear about a bipartisan initiative to protect public education. Schultz will share the stage with State Rep. Mandy Wright (D-Wausau). Location: Pecatonica High School in Blanchardville. Bring your questions.

Wed., Oct. 15, 7 to 9 p.m. (Spring Green) SPRING GREEN CANDIDATES FORUM Invited are the candidates for the 17th Senate District: Pat Bomhack and Howard Marklein, the 51st Assembly District: Dick Cates, Todd Novak and Adam Laufenberg, and the 81st Assembly District: Dave Considine and Ashton Kirsch. Sponsored by the River Valley School Board, River Valley Educational Association and River Valley Educational Support Team, the forum will be held at The Little Theatre in the River Valley High School, Spring Green.

Thurs., Oct. 23, 7 to 8:30 p.m. (Dodgeville) DODGEVILLE CANDIDATES FORUM Hosted by the Wisconsin Towns Association, the forum will feature candidates running for the 17th Senate District and 51st Assembly District. It will be held in the Iowa County Health and Human Services Building Community Room, 303 W. Chapel. Learn more here: <http://wisctowns.com/calendar>

OTHER NEWS



CONTROVERSIAL HI-CAPACITY POWER LINES TO BE DISCUSSED THIS WEEK AT OPEN HOUSES - in Dodgeville, Belmont and Lancaster.

Does it make sense to install miles of 150-170 ft. towers (similar to the towers along Madison's beltline) in our rural SW Wisconsin area? Would this electric service actually be used in Wisconsin and who would be paying for the towers? For answers to these and other important questions, [click here](#) to read Sustain Iowa County Chair Chuck Tennesen's letter to the editor in the latest Dodgeville Chronicle and to find additional information. [Click here](#) for a map of potential corridors in the area. AND ATTEND ONE OF THE OPEN HOUSES LISTED BELOW, armed with questions for representatives from the American Transmission Co. who want to put up the power lines:

Monday, Oct. 6, 4 to 7 p.m. (Lancaster) at Grant County Fairgrounds-UW Extension Youth & Agriculture Center, 916 East Elm St

Tuesday, Oct. 7, 4 to 7 p.m. (Belmont) Belmont Convention Center & Banquet Hall
102 West Mound View Ave.

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 4 to 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) Dodger Bowl Banquet Hall, 318 King St., Dodgeville.

Fri., Oct 10, 4 to 5:30 p.m. (Dodgeville) GRASSROOTS CITIZENS FOR PEACE meets at the home of Judy James, 3455 Rowe Road, just north of Dodgeville - to talk about coming activities. Join this group. Contact Bryan Walton at bryanwalton2007@gmail.com for more info.

Tues, Oct. 14, 10 a.m. (Prairie du Sac) Sauk Area Climate Awareness and Action meets in the lower level of the Ruth Culver Community Library in Prairie du Sac. SACAA welcomes anyone interested in helping to raise awareness about the impacts of climate change in the Sauk Prairie area, and taking action. Meetings are the second Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Tom at 643-6331 or email saukclimateinfo@gmail.com.

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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