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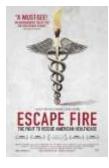
## CONCERNED ABOUT THE EXPANSION OF VOUCHER SCHOOLS?



<u>WORRIED ABOUT VOUCHER SCHOOL EXPANSION? -- THREE</u> <u>THINGS YOU CAN DO!</u> <u>Click here</u> for a clear explanation of the facts about voucher school expansion and what its inclusion in Gov. Walker's budget would mean for Wisconsin's rural public schools and local property taxpayers. Sen. Dale Schultz (who opposes

voucher school expansion) and Rep. Howard Marklein (a proponent) sparred over this issue at a recent Dodgeville Chamber discussion. You can read about it in this <u>Dodgeville</u> <u>Chronicle article.</u>

- 1) Call Marklein and Schultz and let them know how you feel. <u>Click here</u> for their contact info.
- 2) Talk with your friends and neighbors
- 3) Write a letter to our local newspapers <u>Click here</u> for their email addresses.



<u>Fri., June 14, 6:30 p.m. (Mineral Point Opera House) ESCAPE FIRE: A</u> <u>FREE MOVIE SCREENING</u> Mark your calendars now for this free screening of *Escape Fire* which tackles one of the most pressing issues of our time: What can be done to save our broken medical system? It's a riveting tale. Awardwinning filmmakers Matthew Heineman and Susan Froemke follow dramatic human stories as well as leaders fighting to transform healthcare at the highest levels of medicine, industry, government, and even the US military. The film examines the powerful forces trying to maintain the status quo in an industry

designed for quick fixes and profit-driven care rather than patient-driven care. After decades of resistance, a movement to bring innovative high-touch, low-cost methods of prevention and healing into our high-tech, costly system is finally gaining ground. Escape Fire is about finding a way out.

Refreshments and a panel discussion with Dr. Sarah Fox, Dr. Aaron Dunn and an Upland Hills representative will follow. Upland Hills Health is the lead sponsor of this free film screening at the Mineral Point Opera House, along with the Dodgeville Library Foundation, the Mineral Point Wellness Committee and Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2013 MARY LOUISE SYMON AWARD WINNERS



Jennifer Singer of Dodgeville (left) and Tayler Boswer (right) of Hollandale were chosen as our 2013 Symon award because they have shown a deep commitment to community service and plan to continue in this path in the years to come. This \$1,000 community service award is presented annually by Grassroots to recent high school graduates in honor of Mary Louise Symon, a long-time resident of Spring Green and founding member of Grassroots. Throughout her life Mary Louise was

a tireless worker on behalf of her community and a strong advocate for the role of citizens in a democracy. Go to our Grassroots website for more information on this year's winners: http://www.grassrootswi.org/mary\_louise\_symon\_award/

## OTHER UPCOMING NEWS.

Mon., May 13, noon to 1 p.m. (Darlington) CHANGES IN HEALTHCARE DUE TO THE

<u>AFFORDABLE CARE ACT</u> Dr. Aaron Dunn from Mineral Point will speak to the Home, Community and Education group about the impact the Affordable Care Act, better known as Obamacare, will have on everyone. This event is sponsored by UW Extension. LOCATION: The Lafayette County Courthouse, County Board Room (park and enter on the back side of the Courthouse at 627 Washington Street in Darlington.) For information, contact Mary Knellwolf, 608-776-4820 or <u>mary.knellwolf@ces.uwex.edu</u>.

<u>Sat., June 1, 11:15 a.m. (rural Dodgeville) IOWA COUNTY CITIZENS CLIMATE LOBBY</u> This local group is part of a national organization that supports passage of legislation to gradually raise a fee on carbon-based fuels with the money being returned to all taxpayers. They meet monthly on the first Saturday at the home of Chuck and Karen Tennessen, 3893 Mill Creek Rd., Dodgeville to participate in a national tele-conference call and discuss next steps. New members always welcome! Learn more at <u>http://www.citizensclimatelobby.org</u>. Please RSVP to Chuck & Karen Tennessen at <u>twotens@yousq.net</u> or (608) 987-3835.

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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