



The Grassroots Gazette fosters community dialogue and participation throughout Southwest Wisconsin

DON'T MISS UPCOMING GRASSROOTS EVENTS

A free, acclaimed film about end-of-life issues

Consider the Conversation

to be shown in Dodgeville and Richland Center

An unforgettable Valentine's reading:

"Love Letters" and Chocolate

with APT's renowned Sarah Day and Kent Mayfield

Mineral Point Opera House

Fri., Feb. 10, 7 p.m.

PLUS MARTIN LUTHER KING EVENT - Spring Green

Tues., Jan. 24, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) CONSIDER THE CONVERSATION (also shown in Richland Center Feb. 7, 7 pm. (UW Richland Center Melvill Hall Room #453. The acclaimed film "Consider the Conversation" will be shown (Jan. 24) in the Dodgeville City Council Chamber, lower level of library, co-sponsored by Grassroots and the Dodgeville Library. (And in Richland Center on Feb. 7) This remarkable, thought-provoking film, previously aired on PBS, looks at many of the issues that we will all face at the end-of-life. It opens the floodgates of thought and conversation on this most difficult and often taboo topic. It's about living life to its fullest up to the very end. Its goal is to jump-start the conversation between patient and doctor, husband and wife, parent and child, minister and parishioner - and is the first in a series of such conversations which Grassroots in partnership with other area organizations will host in the coming year. Discussion to follow.

Watch the Grassroots website for further information on future showings in the area and for a more complete description of the film: www.grassrootswi.org/health_care_reform/ Groups wishing to schedule the film for their own showings may contact Kent Mayfield - 608.935.3540

There is no charge for the Dodgeville or Richland Center showings. Light refreshments will be served.

Fri., Feb. 10, 7 pm. (Mineral Point) "LOVE LETTERS" AND CHOCOLATE - a free unforgettable Valentines evening APT's acclaimed actress Sarah Day and Kent Mayfield are featured as long-distance, over-the-years lovers as they read A.R. Gurney's timeless love story..."a bittersweet romance...humorous, often poignant." Love Letters will have you sighing for the days before tweets and instant messaging, Delightful sweets will follow at this Grassroots event. Come and join us at the historic Mineral Point Opera, located at 139 High Street in Mineral Point. Doors open at 6:30pm. Admission is free.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., Jan. 15, 1:30 p.m. (Spring Green) ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING JR COMMEMORATION "Union Rights are Human Rights" is the topic Mahlon Mitchell, the first African American president of the Professional Fire Fighters of Wisconsin, will address when he speaks at the annual MLK Jr. Day Commemoration in Spring Green. It will be held in the library of the Spring Green Elementary School, 830 W. Daley St. Mitchell was a prominent leader during last year's rallies at the State Capitol and has been mentioned as a potential candidate for Governor.

"NEW MEDICARE BENEFITS AND YOU" For a report on the valuable, new Medicare benefits made available as a result of the Affordable Care Act (sometimes called Obamacare) check out our Grassroots Health Care Task Force website page at the following link: www.grassrootswi.org/health_care_reform/

If you belong to a group that would like to hear more about these benefits, as Grassroots recently presented at Stonefield Apartments, please contact Earl Barnes, grassroots@merr.com or call 608-623-2109.

Fri., Feb. 10, 4 p.m. (Dodgeville) CITIZENS FOR PEACE GROUP MEETS at the home of Judy James, 3455 Rowe Road Dodgeville. Ideas to be explored are a community read of Miral by Palestinian Rula Jebreal; co-sponsorship with the Grassroots Immigration group of a showing of the PBS Frontline documentary, "Lost in Detention" and "The Other Face of Immigration" on the complexities and tragedy of immigration. For more about the Citizens for Peace group activities, check out our website at http://www.grassrootswi.org/citizens_for_peace/

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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