



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

## MAHLON MITCHELL SPEAKS IN MINERAL POINT

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Sat., Oct. 20, 6:30 p.m. (Mineral Point) "IF THE RICH GET RICHER, WHAT HAPPENS TO YOU?" Mahlon Mitchell, the president of the Wisconsin Firefighters union who ran for Lt. Gov. on the ticket with Tom Barrett, will be the headliner for the Grassroots annual fall event, to be held Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Green Lantern Studios, 261 High Street in Mineral Point. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Mitchell will speak at 7 p.m. Scheduled for the weekend of the Fall Art Tour, the event is a great way to meet friends and relax after a day of art touring. Expect wine, cheese and lively conversation. Mitchell, a dynamic speaker, will address the timely question "If the Rich get Richer, What Happens to YOU?" Reservations are appreciated but not required. RSVP to [emma@mhtc.net](mailto:emma@mhtc.net) or 608-967-2375.

HAVE YOU CHECKED THE GRASSROOTS WEBSITE "ELECTIONS PAGE" YET?

It offers all kinds of vital information about the coming elections - info on the candidates, where you vote, how to vote early, etc. Remember that early voting begins Oct. 22. Click here to go directly to the Elections Page:

<http://www.grassrootswi.org/elections/>

Sustainability and Climate Change are high on our Grassroots agenda.

Are they also on yours? Let us know by return email if you'd like to be part of a local group to explore local action. And plan to attend the following event:

Sun., Oct. 14, 3 to 5 p.m. (Ridgeway area) CLIMATE CHANGE AND A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE IN THE DRIFTLESS AREA Dan Vimont of the

Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Impacts (WICCI), will discuss potential effects of climate change to agriculture, water and natural resources, local economies, and public health in Southwest Wisconsin. WICCI is embarking on a new effort to evaluate the impact of climate change on the Driftless Area and create new approaches for building a healthy and sustainable future. Location: Folklore Village, 3210 Highway BB, Dodgeville. Refreshments and music at 3 p.m. Program begins at 3:30 p.m. Continuing conversation after 5 p.m. RSVP to <http://www.driftlesslandtrust.org/> or call 930-3252. \$20 per person.

Honoring End-of-Life Choices - Wisconsin Thoughtful end-of-life planning has been an important topic for the Grassroots Health Care Task Force. Members of the task force are now in conversation with The Wisconsin Medical Society which recently announced the launching of Honoring Choices Wisconsin -- a major initiative to build clinical pilot projects combined with outreach in communities across the state. We'll keep you posted as to whether such a pilot project will be initiated in our community. Want to know more? CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE: [http://www.grassrootswi.org/health\\_care\\_reform/](http://www.grassrootswi.org/health_care_reform/)

Tues., Oct 16, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) IOWA COUNTY BOARD MEETING Iowa County Board of Supervisors will meet in Regular Session in the new Health and Human Services Building, 303 W. Chapel Street.

Thurs., Oct. 18, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) DODGEVILLE SCHOOL REFERENDUM The Dodgeville School Board will hold a public information session in the Dodgeville High School gym to discuss its request to fund safety and security related measures and maintenance projects. For more information, click on: [http://www.grassrootswi.org/what\\_is\\_hot/](http://www.grassrootswi.org/what_is_hot/)

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](mailto:grassroots@merr.com).

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