



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

## STATE ASSEMBLY CANDIDATE APPEARANCES (in Spring Green and Monroe)

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## NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CLIMATE-CHANGE BLOCKBUSTER FILM TO BE SHOWN IN MINERAL POINT (July 27-29)

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## THE MEMORABLE "LANTERNS FOR PEACE" EVENT AT GOV. DODGE (August 5)

Mon, July 9, 6:30 p.m. (Monroe) and Thurs., July 19, 7 p.m. (Spring Green)  
MEET THE 51<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT STATE ASSEMBLY CHALLENGERS - MO

GRIMM AND PAT BOMHACK In the August 14 primary, Mo Grimm and Pat Bomhack will compete to challenge Republican State Rep. Howard Marklein in the fall election. Bring your questions for both of them. They will have joint appearances in Monroe on Mon., July 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Monroe Library on the northwest corner of the Courthouse Square, 925 16<sup>th</sup> Ave in the upstairs Community Room. This event is hosted by the Green County Democratic Party. They will be in Spring Green on Thurs., July 19 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Spring Green Library. This event is sponsored by the Concerned Citizens of River Valley. If you know of other joint candidate appearances, let us know so we can share the information.

ARE YOU READY FOR ANOTHER ELECTION? It's coming up sooner than you might expect. The date for the fall primary election has been moved to Tues., August 14. Going to be out of town or want to vote early? You can now request an absentee ballot in writing. Go to our Grassroots website <http://www.grassrootswi.org/elections/> to find out how. You'll also find important information about who is running and which election district you are now in. You may be surprised. Election boundaries for U.S. Representative and State Assembly have CHANGED! For example, Ron Kind will no longer represent much of our district. A wide-open field of contenders is vying for the District 2 seat held formerly by Tammy Baldwin.



Fri, July 27 thru Sun., July 29 (Mineral Point) THE  
BLOCKBUSTER CLIMATE-CHANGE FILM "CHASING ICE"  
TO BE SHOWN AT THE OPERA HOUSE

Award-winning National Geographic photographer James Balog headed to the Arctic on a tricky assignment: to capture images to tell the story of the Earth's changing climate. Balog had been a skeptic about climate change. But that first trip north and others that followed opened his eyes to what some are calling "the biggest story in human history" and sparked a challenge within him that would put his career and his very well-being at risk. Co-sponsored by Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin, "Chasing Ice" will be shown as part of the Driftless Film Festival at the Opera House in Mineral Point, on Friday, July 27 and Saturday, July 28, at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, July 29 at 3 p.m. (\$6) Buy tickets on-line or at the door. For more info about the film, go to the Grassroots website:

[http://www.grassrootswi.org/sustain\\_iowa\\_county/](http://www.grassrootswi.org/sustain_iowa_county/)

Sun., August 5, 6:30 p.m. to dusk (Governor Dodge State Park) "LANTERNS  
FOR PEACE" EVENT HONORING JOEL GAALSWYK

The unforgettable "Lanterns for Peace" event, a long-time local tradition, is scheduled for Sunday, August 5 at Twin Valley Lake in Governor Dodge State Park. Locally the event was started by the late Joel Gaalswyk in the mid-1980s, who will be honored at this year's celebration. The highlight of the event, at dusk, will be the floating of over 90 hand-colored paper lanterns, linked loosely together as they are pulled slowly out into Twin Valley Lake by a silent canoe. As the darkness deepens, the long arc of glowing lights illumines the night, symbolizing our hope for a world of peace, free of nuclear weapons. "The Possibilities for Peace" is the theme of this year's event, which begins at 6:30 p.m., with lantern making, music, poetry, children's stories and presentations. People are invited to bring a dish to share. A park day pass or sticker is required. For more info, contact Jane Kavaloski, Grassroots Citizens for Peace, at [Kavaloski@countryrspeed.com](mailto:Kavaloski@countryrspeed.com).

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT? Here are some great resources. Pass them on. 1) Go to our [Facebook](#) page

[http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Grassroots-Citizens-of-](http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Grassroots-Citizens-of-Wisconsin/174246405925559)

[Wisconsin/174246405925559](http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Grassroots-Citizens-of-Wisconsin/174246405925559) to join our on-going "[Bob and Alice](#)" conversation which will give you ammunition to refute some of the wilder claims about the ACA. 2) Take the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation 10-question quiz about the ACA and explore the Foundation's website which is full of unbiased information about the act

<http://healthreform.kff.org/quizzes/health-reform-quiz.aspx>.

3) Check out <http://www.politifact.com/truth-o-meter/> to find out what's true and false in political ads about the ACA.

## CHECK OUT THE GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

[http://www.grassrootswi.org/community\\_calendar/](http://www.grassrootswi.org/community_calendar/)

to find details about the outstanding Monday night RURAL MUSICIANS FORUM CONCERT SERIES in the Spring Green Unity Chapel; all the summer activities in the newly renovated WYOMING VALLEY SCHOOL and for information about the exciting ELECTION-YEAR FARM FEST, featuring great food and WPR's Zorba Paster, on Sat., July 7 at the Star Valley Flower Farm in Soldiers Grove. If you have an event you want us to put on the calendar, please let us know by using our "[Contact Us](#)" page.

## MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues., July 17, 3 to 4 p.m. (Mt. Horeb) and Thurs., July 26, 3 to 4 p.m. (Dodgeville)

INFO SESSIONS ON MAJOR CHANGES TO EXITS FROM HWY. 18/151

A major redesign project of Hwy. 18/151 will close some 26 driveway accesses and 19 road accesses between Dodgeville and the Dane County line. All traffic will be redirected to four main interchanges at County Roads Y/YZ, BB, HHH east of Ridgeway and ID in Barneveld. The Mt. Horeb info session (July 17, 3 to 4 p.m.) is in the Mt. Horeb Community Center, 107 N. Grove. The Dodgeville session (July 26, 3 to 4 p.m.) is at the Dodgeville Middle School Gym, 951 W. Chapel.

Tues., July 17, 7PM Iowa County Board Meeting in Dodgeville The Iowa County Board of Supervisors will meet in Regular Session starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Iowa County Board Room located in the new Health and Human Services building at 303 W. Chapel St. Dodgeville, WI 53533. For information regarding access for the disabled, please call 935-0399. The Mission of Iowa County Government is to protect and promote the health and safety, economic well being, and environmental quality of our county by providing essential services in a fiscally responsible manner. When it becomes available the agenda will be posted at <http://iowacounty.org/countyboard/committees/countyboard.shtml> click 2012 to get the agendas and minutes for each of the respective meetings.

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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