



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

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2010

including

Free Film Festival coming to Dodgeville in March

Free Great Decisions series in March and April

Tues., Jan. 5, 4:30 p.m. (Platteville) WHAT IS THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF UW-PLATTEVILLE on SW Wisconsin? Economist and Grassroots board member John Simonson will discuss the findings of a study of the economic impact of UW-Platteville on SW Wisconsin. Location: Harry & Laura Nohr Gallery of Ullsvik Hall, UW-Platteville. Parking without permit is available in the lots near Ullsvik Hall after 4 p.m.

Sun., Jan. 10, 4 p.m. (Dodgeville) WHAT MAKES THE WATER AND LAND IN SW WISCONSIN SO SPECIAL?

The history of land use in SW Wisconsin, how land use has impacted today's waterways and what's being done to restore and reclaim this precious resource will be the topic at the upcoming Trout Unlimited meeting followed by a chili supper to be held at Stonefield Apartments. The event, including the chili supper, is free and open to the public. Speakers will be Dave Vetrano, fisheries team supervisor, and Jeff Hastings, project manager for Trout Unlimited's Driftless Area Restoration Effort (DARE). Both Vetrano and Hastings are experts in coldwater stream management and restoration and will talk about what makes our Driftless area such a spectacular place.

Directions to Stonefield Apartments: From Hwy 18, TURN SOUTH on to N. Johns St. (by the Post Office and Culvers), continue to Grace St. and TURN LEFT (next to Farmers Savings Bank), continue on Grace St. as the street turns to the right. After the turn, the STONEFIELD APARTMENTS (large two-story building) will be on the LEFT. Turn in at the first driveway on the North side of the building and enter the building at the far end. Please call Jeff Ware at (608-822-4646) with any questions.

SAVE THESE DATES:

The Wisconsin Humanities Council's "Making It Home" Film Festival is coming to Dodgeville -- Thurs., March 11 through Sunday, March 14. Dodgeville is one of only four Wisconsin communities that will host this exciting series of FREE films -- for the whole family. The films will be shown at the Dodgeville Theater. MORE DETAILS TO COME.

March 11 through April 15 (Dodgeville) JOIN THE GREAT DECISIONS

DISCUSSION SERIES: The non-partisan Foreign Policy Association has sponsored the Great Decisions discussion series for 50 years. This wonderful lifelong-learning opportunity is coming to the Dodgeville Public Library on Thursday evenings in March and April, 2010. The series is jointly sponsored locally by the Dodgeville Public Library and Grassroots Citizens of Wisconsin. Topics include "Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution" (March 18), the "Persian Gulf" (March 25), the "Global Financial Crisis" (April 8) and "US-China Security Relations" (April 15). All programs will start at 7 p.m. Briefing books with articles on each topic will be available at the Dodgeville Public Library prior to each discussion. Great Decisions meetings feature open and fair conversation, without requirement for consensus. Advance registration is required (so register early.) For more information or to sign up, contact Vickie Stangel, Library Director, <http://dodgevillelibrary.com>.

THE GRASSROOTS GAZETTE IS THE VOICE OF THE 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.

To remove your name from our e-mail list, please click on "Reply" and write "Unsubscribe" in the subject line.