



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

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN DODGEVILLE, MINERAL POINT, BARABOO, CROSS PLAINS and more

CHECK OUT OUR NEW GRASSROOTS WEBSITE for a Q & A on the Wisconsin Working Lands Initiative and an update on the recent Broadband conference in Platteville (click on "What's Hot?") You'll also find an action-packed Community Calendar and much more about the Grassroots organization. WEBSITE ADDRESS: <http://www.grassrootswi.org>

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Wed., May 12, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) SPECIAL MEETING OF IOWA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Anyone with an opinion about the future of the new LEED-certified Iowa County Health and Human Services Building, now under construction, should plan to attend. New board members will hear about the history, plans and options for the future of the building from the lawyers, architects and project managers involved. The public is encouraged to come to hear the latest on what some see as a controversial issue. Location: Iowa County Courthouse, County Board Room.

#### Mon, June 7, 6 to 9 p.m. (Mineral Point) RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS IN SW WISCONSIN: TAKING THE LONG VIEW

This forward-looking session will explore the many challenges and opportunities that lie ahead for concerned citizens, farmers, business owners, land owners and other SW Wisconsin stakeholders who want to know more about the potential impact of renewable energy systems, particularly bio energy, on our local and regional communities, economies, land and natural resources.

This Mineral Point session is the first in a series of state-wide discussions designed to improve energy dialogue throughout the state. Everyone is invited to the table to ensure better bridging between farmers, land owners, business owners, policy makers and researchers so that all are working together in the development of future energy systems. Check our website at <http://www.grassrootswi.org> for more info.

Tues., May 11, noon (Baraboo) SUSTAIN SAUK COUNTY will meet for its regular monthly round table to debrief on last month's Earth Day event and look forward to upcoming summer events. Location: Room B30, West Square Building, 505 Broadway, Baraboo. Contact Judy Spring at [spring\\_judy2004@yahoo.com](mailto:spring_judy2004@yahoo.com)

Thurs., May 13, 7 p.m. (Dodgeville) SUSTAIN IOWA COUNTY is planning for the next annual Sustain Iowa County Fair to be held in the fall. Contact Jerry Koerner at [dogbite@mhtc.net](mailto:dogbite@mhtc.net) or 924-3091 if you are interested in getting involved.

Tues., June 1, 6:30 p.m. (Cross Plains) WEST DANE GRASSROOTS CITIZENS will meet at the home of Dan McMahon at 2817 Brewery Road in Cross Plains to discuss plans for the coming year. Call Dan at 608-516-3682 for more info about how you can get involved.

Fri., June 4, 4 p.m. (Dodgeville) CITIZENS FOR PEACE group will be gathering to talk about the upcoming Upland Hills Stones into Schools project, an action-plan for southwest Wisconsin inspired by Greg Mortenson's new book Stones into Schools. Find out how you can get involved by contacting Jane Kavaloski at [kavaloski@countryspeed.com](mailto:kavaloski@countryspeed.com) or 935-3007.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

THE IOWA COUNTY HOMELESS COALITION is exploring the idea of opening a second Homeless Shelter for area families that have hit hard times. The group is seeking a volunteer manager for the second shelter. For more details, contact Roger Stewart at [trldgac@countryspeed.com](mailto:trldgac@countryspeed.com).

THE GRASSROOTS GAZETTE IS THE VOICE OF THE GRASSROOTS CITIZENS OF WISCONSIN, an energetic group of over 1000 people in Iowa, Sauk, Richland, Lafayette, Grant Counties and west Dane County 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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