



## MMN – Monday, April 20, 2009

«GreetingLine»

Monday Morning  
News

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From Charlotte Zietlow:

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From Hoosiers for a Commonsense Health Plan:

The Obama people are sponsoring a listening tour around the state, and although health care reform is not the only thing they will be talking about, it will be on the agenda.

**[Listening Tour Stop Bloomington Indiana](#): April 21, 6:30 PM**, Monroe County Democratic Headquarters.

Bring out your friends and family and take advantage of this chance to let the President know that we favor real health care reform. We want real universal health coverage. We want Medicare Part E - E is for Everyone. Everyone in - nobody out!

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From Linda Sievers:

Though township trustees were spared this year, there is still opportunity in this legislative session to eliminate township boards. Such legislation can be attached to another bill. This is just part of the larger issue to consolidate local government. It will be back next year. The Kernan-Shepard Report has many assumptions none of which have been tested to prove that either services can be delivered at a lower cost and/or that the delivery of services will improve.

Please join me on **Thursday, April 23, 2009 at 6 p.m.**, when the Monroe County Trustees will host a "Hoosiers for Democracy Rally" at Bloomington Township Fire Headquarters, located at 5081 North Old State Road 37. Indiana Township Association President Debbie Driskell will present information on the current session of the Indiana General Assembly as well as the highly publicized "Kernan-Shepard Report" which calls for the restructuring of local government. The public is invited and there will be time for questions from the audience.

Questions? Contact Linda Sievers, Bloomington Township Trustee, 336-4976, [bttsievers@bluemarble.net](mailto:bttsievers@bluemarble.net).

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Our Jobs – Our Future: A Labor Rally for All Workers, will take place at the Monroe County Courthouse **Saturday, April 25, at 11:00 am** and is a show of solidarity between the White River Central Labor Council, CWA #4730, IBEW #725, and Jobs with Justice. Co-Sponsors include the DWCAucus, Indiana State AFL-CIO, IBEW Local #2249, No Sweat!, Letter Carriers Local #828, South Central Indiana Building Trades, Plumbers and Steamfitters Local #136, Hoosiers for a Commonsense Health Plan, Peace and Justice Group of St. Paul Catholic Church, and City Clerk Regina Moore. Come join our sisters (and brothers!) to hear our labor leaders talk about local and national issues, including the Employee Free Choice Act, which is vehemently and vocally opposed by the Chamber of Commerce. Contacts: [jkerr@ibew725.org](mailto:jkerr@ibew725.org) or [toms@ibew725.org](mailto:toms@ibew725.org).  
LET'S STAND TOGETHER IN SOLIDARITY!

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From Isabel Piedmont-Smith:

This month my constituent meeting will take place as usual on the last Saturday of the month, **April 25**, but the time is different. The meeting will be at **5 pm** at Rachael's Cafe. I had to change the time this month because I am going on the Bloomington Green Building Tour that day, 9 am to 4 pm. For more information on the tour, please see:  
<http://www.heraldtimesonline.com/stories/2009/04/11/homes.qp-7583191.sto>

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From Loni Dishong:

*Women Inspire* has two very inspiring events coming up and we hope you can attend!

The first is our next *Women Inspire* gathering on **Friday, April 24th, 6-8:30 pm**, with 6:00 to 6:30 a food line & networking at KRC Catering, 216 South College Ave, in Bloomington. It's a discussion of global and local economic challenges and resources. Mary Embry of Fair Trade Bloomington will be our featured presenter and will lead a panel of guests from the community, including Andy Ruff of City Council and Jaime Sweany, Owner of Wandering Turtle. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Loni at [loni@womeninspire.org](mailto:loni@womeninspire.org). There is no cost to attend this event, beyond the purchase of food and/or beverage. A buffet-style dinner is \$10.95 per person and includes vegetarian and gluten-free options. For \$5.95, you may opt for just coffee or tea and dessert, which includes fresh fruit. Red and white wine are available for only \$4 per glass.

Second is the 2009 Luna Festival: A Celebration of Women in Business & the Arts! On **Sunday, April 26th, 11am-4pm**, at the Showers Building in Bloomington. *Women Inspire* and *Blooming Peace Partners* will proudly present the *Luna Festival: A Celebration of Women in Business & the Arts*. In keeping with the spirit of last year's event, this festival will highlight the talents, interests, and creativity of women in central and south central Indiana: artists, singers, dancers, musicians, writers, activists, and business women offering various products, opportunities, and services. In addition to approximately 70 art and business booths, there will be a raffle for some great prizes, demonstrations in weaving, knitting, and other crafts, and activities for children. Live entertainment, including a performance by Jazz artist Monika Herzig, and tempting dishes from local food vendors will further delight the senses. This event is **free** and open to the public. Contact: Loni Dishong Address: Women Inspire, Inc., PO Box 2721, Bloomington, IN 47402 Phone: 812-369-6333.

The March 2008 celebration welcomed over 500 guests. Women artists and business owners are encouraged to be a part of this fun and exciting festival for just \$30 per booth space. Those interested in a booth application can contact **Loni Dishong** of *Women Inspire* at [LunaFestival2009@gmail.com](mailto:LunaFestival2009@gmail.com) or visit [www.WomenInspire.org](http://www.WomenInspire.org) and click on the Forms link. Space is limited to 70 booths and applications are honored in the order they are received.

*Women Inspire* is an education, networking, and service organization with a mission

to connect and empower women. *Blooming Peace Partners* is a local initiative that promotes solutions to domestic and international conflict. Both organizations have their roots in Bloomington.

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From Jillian Kinzie:

I know you'll love these beautiful flowers and hope you can support Girls Inc. programming! I've purchased the hanging baskets for many years and have always been very pleased with the quality of the plants (*locally grown too*). Order online at <http://www.girlsinc-monroe.org/> or print the order form linked below and submit by mail. **Please forward widely.** Thanks for your support.

### It's Time For the Girls Inc. 31st Annual Flower Sale!

Spring is almost here at it is once again time to order your spring flowers and hanging baskets! Girls Inc of Monroe County has been inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold for nearly 35 years. Girls Inc. offers after-school programs, summer/winter day camps, holiday programming, and organized sports leagues. With your purchase, you can help sustain research-based, needs-oriented programming for girls in the community. *Locally grown* and perfect for moms and flower lovers everywhere! You are sure to be delighted!

**4" Geraniums and Petunias are \$3.50 each with your choice of:**

**Red Geraniums**

**White Geraniums**

**Violet Geraniums**

**Purple Petunias (magenta in color)**

**Dark Blue Petunias (dark purple in color)**

**10" Hanging Baskets are \$20 each with your choice of:**

**Mixed Geraniums**

**Wave Petunias**

**Fuchsias**

**Grower's Choice (Our grower picks the best baskets for you!)**

**\*Pick up flowers at Girls Inc on 1108 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Saturday May 9, 2009 between 9am-1pm**

Ordering is easy! Place yours through the mail today by using our printable [order form](#), online by using our secure [checkout page](#), or by calling us at 812-336-7313. MasterCard, Visa, checks and cash accepted. Orders and payments must be received by May 1st. Questions? Call us at 812-336-7313.

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The DWCAucus is starting to plan for its traditional August Women's Equality Day event. Please send any ideas you have for this year's event, which is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, August 15, and/or if you are willing to help with the event. Many hands make the workload light and besides - it is fun!

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