

Fair Maps Wisconsin Newsletter

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Message from the Fair Maps Coalition:

There are still a few spaces in the **Wisconsin Leadership Development (WiLD) Fair Maps training**, Feb. 28– March 1 in Wausau. We are especially looking for participants from the SouthEast corner/1st CD, Western/3rd CD and SouthCentral/5th CD parts of Wisconsin. Please contact Carlene at 608-513-7655 or <u>carlene@wisconsinvoices.org</u> if you are interested.

Regional Organizing Meetings

Grassroots Fair Maps Teams are organizing statewide for education and action in their regions. Join a meeting near you:

- Thur., February 20, 8th CD, 6:00 to 7:45, Summer's Room, Brown County Central Library, 515 Pine St, Green Bay WI 54301
- Sun., February 23, 3rd CD, 1:00 PM, ECDC Coffee Shop in the Lismore Hotel, 205 S Barstow St., Eau Claire WI 54701 (RSVP <u>Heather Britt</u>)
- Wed., March 4, 1st CD, 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Community United Methodist Church, 455 S. Jefferson St., Waterford WI 53185
- Sat., March 7, 7th CD NW, 11:00 AM, Rusk County Community Library, 418 Corbett Ave. W, Ladysmith WI.
- Tues., March 10, Mid-State, 5:00 to 7:00, Caestecker Public Library, 518 Hill St., Green Lake
- Wed., March 11, Jefferson County, 6:00 to 7:30, L.D. Fargo Library, 120 E. Main St., Lake Mills

For information in:

2nd CD - contact <u>Rebecca Alwin</u>, <u>Laura Gottlieb</u> or <u>David Faust</u>

4th CD - contact <u>Carlene Bechen</u> or 608-513-755

Speaking Events

Learn more about gerrymandering and what's happening to end it. Attend one of these public information events.

- Sun., March 1: Sparta. 2:00–3:00 PM. Matt Rothschild, Wis Democracy Campaign and Tara Johnson, League of Women Voters--La Crosse Area presentation/Q&A for April referendum in Monroe County. Sparta American Legion, 116 Angelo Rd. Sponsored by MoCo Fair Maps.
- Wed., March 4: Montello. 6:00–8:00 PM. Matt Rothschild on "Why We Need to Ban Gerrymandering." Marquette County Extension Community Room, 480 Underwood Avenue. Sponsored by Fair Maps Mid-State.
- **Thur., March 5: Cashton.** 7:00–8:00 PM. Matt Rothschild, WDC and Debra Cronmiller, League of Women Voters of Wisconsin presentation/Q&A for April referendum in Monroe County. Cashton Community Hall, 811 Main St. Sponsored by MoCo Fair Maps
- **Tues., March 10: Milwaukee.** 12:00 PM. Matt Rothschild on "Democracy at Risk in Wisconsin." Venue to be determined. Sponsored by the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee.
- **Wed., March 11: Cudahy**. 7:00 PM. Sachin Chheda, Fair Elections Project, presentation on Milwaukee County Referendum. 3500 Library Dr. Sponsored by Grassroots South Shore.
- Wed., March 11: Marshfield. 7:00 PM. Forum on Fair Maps Referendum with Ann Stevning-Roe, Wood County Fair Maps group, and Wood County Board Supervisor Jake Hahn. Everett Roehl Marshfield Public library, 211 E Second St.
- Sun., March 15: Arcadia. 1:30–2:30PM. [Speaker TBD]. Arcadia High School, 756 Raider Drive
- Mon., March 16: Tomah. 7:00 PM with Wendy Sue Johnson. Sponsored by MoCo Fair Maps. Details to follow.
- Tues., March 17: Whitehall. 5:00–6:00PM. [Speaker TBD]. Whitehall Public Library, 36351 Main St.
- Wed., March 18: Galesville. 7:00–8:00PM. Galesville Public Library Community Room, 16787 Main St.
- Thurs., March 19: Oneida and Vilas Counties. 12:00 PM. Matt Rothschild on "Why We Need to Ban Gerrymandering." Times and locations to be determined. [continued on back]

County Fair Maps Resolution & Referenda

A Fair Maps Referendum is confirmed for the April 7, 2020 ballot in the following locations unless otherwise noted:

50 COUNTIES HAVE

PASSED FAIR MAPS

RESOLUTIONS

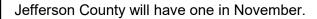
Passed Resolution

Not Yet Passed

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Counties (9):

- 1. Marquette
- 2. Milwaukee
- 3. Monroe
- 4. Pierce
- 5. Portage
- 6. Rock
- 7. St. Croix
- 8. Trempealeau
- 9. Wood



Municipalities (14):

<u>In Vilas County:</u> Eagle River; Presque Isle, Arbor Vitae, Bolder Junction, Lac du Flambeau, Phelps, Plum Lake

<u>In Oneida County</u>: Hazelhurst, Pine Lake, Woodruff, L.

Tomahawk, Rhinelander, Pelican, Crescent

News and Resources

- <u>Wisconsin Republicans dismiss nonpartisan redistricting plan</u>.
 Associated Press, 1/23/20.
- Evers' executive order establishes nonpartisan redistricting commission. Victor Jacobo, Ch58/WDJT Milwaukee, 1/27/20.
- <u>The Republicans' Gerrymander Scheme</u>. Bruce Thompson, *Urban Milwaukee*, 2/5/20.
- <u>Sandra Humphrey (LTE): Support 'Fair Maps' initiative</u>, La Crosse Tribune, LTE on Monroe County referendum, 2/8/20.
- <u>Sandra Humphrey (LTE): Wisconsin needs fair maps</u>, La Crosse Tribune, LTE on Monroe County referendum, 2/9/20.
- <u>Anita Martin (LTE): Make Your Voice Heard</u>, Daily Jefferson County Union, 2/14/20 p.A4.
- Jack Fiedler (LTE): Let's Help End Gerrymandering! Door County Pulse, 2/24/20.
- <u>Redistricting Fight One Year Away</u>, Steve Walters, WisconsinEye, 2/27/20.
- <u>Slay the Dragon</u> (official film trailer) by Magnolia Pictures in theaters on 3/13/20.
- Quick link to county map and list of counties and municipalities: https://www.wisdc.org/reforms/118-redistricting/6392-toolkit-for-banning-gerrymandering-in-wisconsin#resolutions

Speaking events continued:

Sat., March 21: Mazomanie.
9:00AM. Matt Rothschild on
"Democracy at Risk."
Wisconsin Heights High School,
10173 US Hwy 14. Sponsored
by the Wisconsin Grassroots
Network.

Sat., March 21: Oshkosh. 6:00PM.
Matt Rothschild on "What's at
Stake for Our Democracy." La
Sure Banquet Hall, 3125 S
Washburn St. Sponsored by
the Winnebago Co. Democrats.

Sun., March 29: Madison.
12:00PM. Matt Rothschild on
"The Fight Against Voter
Suppression." Location TBD.
Sponsored by Jewish
Congregations for Social
Justice.

Mon., March 30: Westfield.
6:00PM. Jay Heck of Common
Cause, Community
Conversation on Fair Maps for
Wis. Ethel Everhard Public
Library, 117 E 3rd St. Sponsored
by Fair Maps Mid-State.

Tues., March 31: Whitefish Bay.
7:00PM. Matt Rothschild on
"Why We Need Nonpartisan
Redistricting." United
Methodist Church of Whitefish
Bay, 819 East Silver Spring
Drive. Sponsored by the United
Methodist Church of Whitefish

Wed. April 1: Stevens Point. 6:00PM. Speaker TBD. Portage County Library. Sponsored by League of Women Voters.

Sat., April 11: Woodruff. 2:00PM.

Matt Rothschild on

"Overcoming Money in Politics
and Gerrymandering in
Wisconsin." 714 Elm
Street/Hwy 51. Sponsored by
the Vilas Co. Dems.