

# THE CONFLUENCE

*Courage Through Connection*

November 4-5, 2023

- ❖ Are you concerned about the erosion of personal and health FREEDOM?
- ❖ Do you feel inspired to CREATE a more joyful, harmonious world?
- ❖ Are you drawn to CONNECT with other like-hearted Dreamers and Creatives?
- ❖ Do you have insight and wisdom to SHARE to bring this vision to fruition?

This invitation is warmly extended to you — along with kindred spirits in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Michigan, South Dakota, First Nations, Canada (and beyond?) — to join us on the ancient soil of Viroqua, nestled in the heart of Wisconsin's beautiful Driftless region. This first Sovereignty Gathering is an opportunity to build resources, strengthen resiliency and activate the powerful energy sparked by connecting within like-hearted community on sacred land.

## MAIN EVENT

Saturday, 9:00am - 5:30pm

THE COMMONS 401 E. Jefferson St, Viroqua, WI

In large and small group circles, we will share with each other the knowledge, resources, and experiences that will empower us to reclaim agency over our lives and Dream an inspiring new world into existence.

(BYO LUNCH. Coffee/tea provided.)

## CHILI SUPPER/BONFIRE

Saturday, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Chili dinner & social at Defiance Springs Lodge  
E6801 Dustin Rd, Viroqua, WI

## WELCOME SOIREE

Friday Evening, 7:30pm

MAGPIE GELATO, 113 S. Main St.

An opportunity for early arrivals to meet and greet in a relaxed setting. Cafe offers soup and sandwich menu in addition to delicious gelato!

## SUNDAY GATHERING

9:00am - 1:00pm

OLD MAIN BUILDING  
321 E. Decker St.

Sunday morning is a time to integrate new connections and information, and together, envision an inspiring, empowering path forward.

**REGISTRATION DONATION: Suggested Range \$25 - \$100**

**Please don't let finances prevent you from attending.**

If you are able, please consider making a higher donation to make scholarships available to those who need assistance. Thank you!

REGISTER: [www.cocreatingcommunity.org/the-confluence/](http://www.cocreatingcommunity.org/the-confluence/)

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*Turning the Tide Toward a More Beautiful Future*

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## November 3-5, 2023

### Friday, November 3

#### Pre-Event Evening Soiree

Magpie Gelato - 113 S Main St.

7:30 - 9:00pm An opportunity for early arrivals and locals to meeting and greet in a relaxed setting.

### Saturday, November 4

#### MAIN EVENT - 9:00am - 5:30pm

The Commons - 401 E. Jefferson St.

9 - 10:30am **Individual Introductions/Initial Connection**

Introductions and sharing: What inspired you to attend? How do you hope to benefit from this gathering?

10:30 - 11:00am **Break/Snacks**

11:00 - 12:30pm **Community/Organization/Group Introductions & Happenings**

An opportunity to share and learn from each other about organized efforts are being made toward the preservation of personal liberties and the creation of a positive future. What's working? What are the challenges? Which resources have been most helpful?

12:30 - 2:00pm **LUNCH** - Bring your own to maximize connection time.

1:30 - 2:00pm **OPTIONAL:** Neighborhood Walk & Talk.

2:00 - 3:30pm **The Unique Role of the Constitutional Sheriff in the Preservation of Rights**

Vernon County, WI Sheriff, Roy Torgerson, will highlight:



- ◆ the difference between the Sheriff Department and Sheriff Office,
- ◆ the ways in which sheriffs "support and defend the Constitution...against all enemies foreign and domestic,"
- ◆ and the most effective ways individuals can defend their rights and freedoms in the face of government overreach.

3:30 - 4:00pm **Break/Snacks**

4:00 - 5:30pm **What is "Sovereignty"?**

The term "sovereignty" has gained a great deal of attention as of late, both positive and negative. This facilitated group discussion will explore the emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual aspects of "being" sovereign and the various ways it can be created in the world.

#### Chili Supper & Bonfire

Defiance Springs Lodge - E6801 Dustin Rd

6:00 - 9:00pm An opportunity to take in the amazing beauty of Defiance Springs Lodge and be nourished on all levels. Vegetarian and meat chili, naan bread, and "chicken of the woods" mushrooms cooked by Defiance Springs' resident mycology expert, Melizabeth Kettleon. Feel free to bring instruments and share your talents!

### Sunday, November 5

#### Where Do We Go From Here?

Old Main Building - 321 Decker St.

9:00 - 12:00pm Sunday morning is a chance to process what we've learned and brainstorm about how we can collectively carve a path toward greater freedom and beauty.  
(Break 10:15-10:30)

12:00 - 1:00pm **Closing Circle/Next Steps**

Discussion of most valuable take-aways from the weekend and visions for where The Confluence will flow next.