
Green Party Annual National Meeting

July 25-28, 2013
Iowa City, Iowa



*Agenda and
Program
Booklet*

Agenda-at-a-Glance

General Attendees

Thursday, July 25

1:30-3:00 pm	Workshop session #1 - Iowa Memorial Union
3:00-3:30 pm	Break
3:30-5:00 pm	Workshop session #2 - Iowa Memorial Union
5:00-6:30 pm	Committee & Caucus Meetings
5:00-7:00 pm	Dinner on Your Own
7:00 pm	Panel: Getting Green Policy Enacted - Old Capitol Museum Senate Chamber

Friday, July 26

9:00-10:30 am	Workshop session #3 - Iowa Memorial Union
10:30-11:00 am	Break
11:00-12:30 pm	Workshop session #4 - Iowa Memorial Union
12:30-2:00 pm	Lunch on Your Own
12:30-2:00 pm	Committee & Caucus Meetings over lunch in cafeteria
	Diversity Committee in the cafeteria
2:00-3:30 pm	Workshop session #5 - Iowa Memorial Union
3:30-3:45 pm	Break
3:45-5:15 pm	Workshop session #6 - Iowa Memorial Union
4:30-5:00 pm	Local Peace vigil
5:15 pm	Special Global Greens presentation via Skype - IMU Ballroom
5:45-8:30 pm	Committee & Caucus Meetings and/or Dinner on Your Own
8:30 pm	Film screening: <i>5 Broken Cameras</i> - Iowa Memorial Union Nebraska Room 335

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Saturday, July 27

9:00 - 10:30 am	Workshop session #7 - Iowa Memorial Union
11:00-12:30 pm	Panel of Elected Greens (Library)
12:30-2:00 pm	Lunch with Keynote Speaker Jill Stein
2:00 - 3:30 pm	Workshop session #8 - Iowa Memorial Union
3:30-4:00 pm	Break
4:00-5:30 pm	Workshop session #9 - Iowa Memorial Union
5:30-7:00 pm	Time on Your Own (Dinner served at evening fundraiser)
	Committee & Caucus Meetings
	Young Greens meeting (Trumpet Blossom patio)
7:00 pm	Local Fundraising Event at Trumpet Blossom

Special Multi-Session Workshops open to all

Note: Participants are expected to attend these special workshops in their entirety

Racial Equity Workshop—Thursday 1:00 PM through Friday 2:00 PM

Campaign School: How To Run A People's Campaign—Friday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Developing A Campaign Support Network—Thursday 1:30-5:00 PM

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2:00-3:30 pm	Open Meeting / Introductions / Staff Reports
3:30-4:00 pm	Steering Committee candidate speeches
4:00-5:30 pm	Presidential Debrief
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2:15-6:00 pm	NC Business Meeting (Library)
2:15-3:15	Committee Reports
3:15-3:30	break
3:30-4:15	Strategic Plan presentation & Q&A
4:15-4:30	Transition to Breakouts
4:30-6:00	Breakouts
6:00-7:00 pm	Time on Your Own (Dinner served at evening fundraiser)
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Sunday, July 26

9:00 - 12:30 pm	NC Business Meeting (IMU - Nebraska Room 337)
9:00-9:30	Wrap-up and moving forward
9:30-10:30	Report back from Strategic Planning Breakouts
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-12:30	Strategy and committee work
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch on your own—Safe travels!

Workshop & Event Details

Thursday, July 25

1:30-3:00 pm Workshop session #1

- The Racial Equity Lens: An Anti-Oppression Training for White People, By White People (Indiana Room 346)
"Social Justice" is one of the "Four Pillars" of the international Green Party movement. This session aspires to help make that real by introducing participants to a set of tools/strategies that can help us build a political party with racial equity as a core value. Training activities will centralize race within a broader context of understanding oppression and privilege. We will conclude with next-steps and a focus on the long-term commitment of GPUS to include a racial equity lens in every aspect of its work. Emphasis will be on building knowledge and skills to support Greens willing to take an active and ongoing role for racial equity in GPUS now and in the future. Please note that this session is specifically designed for folks who self-identify and present as White, as do all three facilitators.
- Developing a Campaign Support Network (Michigan Room 351)
This workshop, a joint venture between the GPUS Coordinated Campaign Committee and the Stein/Honkala Campaign, is an attempt to bring together state and national Green Party leaders who are most active with electoral candidates and campaigns. The intended audience of this session is experience campaigners - whether you are a current or former candidate or supporter - if you have worked on multiple campaigns, we want you!
- How to use Google Docs, Titan Pad, and other online tools for your GP work (Ohio State Room 343)
- 501s, 527s, PACs, and Other Four-letter Words: GPUS's Relationship With Party-Aligned Independent Political Advocacy Groups by Brian Bittner (Nebraska State Room 335)
Groups aligned with but not authorized by the Green Party will continue to organize in support of candidates and campaigns. How will GPUS relate to their activities?

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3:30-5:00 pm Workshop session #2

- Racial Equity Workshop cont'd (Indiana Room 346)
- Developing a Campaign Support Network cont'd (Michigan Room 351)
- Shifting the economic paradigm by Howard Switzer (Nebraska Room 335)

A short history of monetary system design, how it affects the world, human behavior, the difference between money and wealth and how it represents a major blind spot in our understanding of money.

- How To Put On An Event by Karen Young (Ohio State Room 343)
Don't let fear of the unknown or bad experiences in the past keep you from growing your local party through successful and good looking events. Everything you need to know to put on any kind of event, from A to Z. Checklists, suggested schedules, how to avoid common problems and pitfalls, how to get things done with little or no funds.
- A Theory For The Greens? by William Kreml (Penn State Room 337)

Does the Green Party need something that either goes beyond the ten key values, or knits the ten key values together into a coherent whole? A suggested theoretical framework for the Green Party

7:00 pm Panel: Getting Green Policy Enacted

Francis Thicke - National Organic Standards Board

Iowa State Sen. Rob Hogg

Iowa State Rep. Mary Masher

Frank Cownie (invited) Mayor of Des Moines

Moderator: Wendy Barth, Co-Chair Iowa Green Party

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9-10:30 am Workshop session #3

- Racial Equity Workshop cont'd (Indiana Room 346)

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- Green Party Campaign School cont'd (Michigan Room 351)
- The Militarization of America: At What Cost? by Bahram Zandi (Illinois Room 348)

Prepared jointly with Peace Action Montgomery, this power point slide presentation is a great primer on the cost of the U.S. military, financial and beyond, to our communities. With special segments on what we could be spending these funds on, instead.
- Organizing a Statewide Petition Drive by Tom Yager & Audrey Clement (Ohio State Room 343)

This workshop will focus on helping Greens organize statewide petition drives, both in states with existing parties, and also starting from scratch.
- Knowing and Using Your Resources by AJ Segneri (Penn State Room 337)

This workshop is about how to use your resources, specifically volunteer and network/allied organizations, when it comes to advancing objectives at the local, state, and national level of the Green Party

11-12:30 pm Workshop session #4

- Racial Equity Workshop cont'd (Indiana Room 346)
- Green Party Campaign School cont'd (Michigan Room 351)
- U.S. Green Party's Foreign Policy and the National Interest by John Rensenbrink (Illinois Room 348)

Questions for Workshop: Is world governance compatible with 10 KV? With the national interest? With Green presidential campaigns? Other ways to advance world peace?
- How To Chair A Committee by Karen Young (Ohio State Room 343)

Everything you need to know about how to chair a committee, from developing project timelines, to facilitating conference calls, to assessing and building capacity of committee members, to managing conflict.

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- Politics Is A Contact Sport: How to Relate Sports To Political Campaigns by AJ Segneri (Penn State Room 337)

This workshop is about how to use sports as a metaphor when developing a political campaign

2:00-3:30 pm Workshop session #5

- Green Party Campaign School cont'd (Michigan Room 351)
- Historical Voting Rights Civil War Sesquicentennial Lecture by Asa Gordon (Illinois Room 348)
- Utilizing the GPUS online Forums (Ohio State Room 343)

3:45-5:15 pm Workshop session #6

- Green Party Campaign School cont'd (Michigan Room 351)
- Building the Party by Allan Hancock (Ohio State Room 343)

Following a short overview of the social, economic, environmental, and political challenges that are facing the Green Party ideas will be presented to grow the Party by emphasizing our social movement. The last half of the session will open the discussion for others to share how their state parties and locals are making the Green Party more visible.
- Palestine Online by Yaser AbuDagga (Illinois Room 348)

Our focus will be on how new media, such as the internet, allow us to get a different perspective on events we hear about in the news. There was a time when people interested in the Middle East conflict had little choice but to rely on the TV networks, on papers like the *New York Times*, *Time* and *Newsweek*, or on the wire services AP and Reuters. Those looking for depth had to dig laboriously in specialized journals in university libraries or track down items in the foreign press.

8:30 pm Film screening: 5 Broken Cameras - Iowa Memorial Union Nebraska Room 335

The first-ever Palestinian film to be nominated for best Documentary Feature by A.M.P.A.S®, the critically-acclaimed 5 BROKEN CAMER-

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AS is a deeply personal, first-hand account of life and non-violent resistance in Bil'in, a West Bank village surrounded by Israeli settlements. Shot by Palestinian farmer Emad Burnat, who bought his first camera in 2005 to record the birth of his youngest son, Gibreel, the film was co-directed by Burnat and Guy Davidi, an Israeli filmmaker. Structured in chapters around the destruction of each one of Burnat's cameras, the filmmakers' collaboration follows one family's evolution over five years of village upheaval.

Saturday, July 27

9:00-10:30 am Workshop session #7

- **MY CHEMICAL MOUNTAIN - How the Fight Against a Toxic Landfill Became an Award-Winning Book!** by Corina Vacco (Illinois Room 348)

This workshop is a presentation from author Corinna Vacco, whose debut novel, *My Chemical Mountain*, features two young boys as they rage against the noxious pollution that suffocates their town and despise those responsible for it.

- **Gaining Ground in Local Elections: A Labor Perspective** by Tom Yates (Penn State Room 343)
Reps from Iowa labor groups will discuss methods for success in local elections.

11-12:30 pm Panel of Elected Greens (Library)

- Cameron Gordon - Minneapolis City Council
- Ron Hardy - Oshkosh Sustainability Advisory Board
- Ray Meyer - Chariton City Council and Lucas County Hospital Board
- Jesse Townley - Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board
- Anna Trevarrow - Portland, ME Charter Commission
- Steve Alesch - Warrenville Park District
- Sandy Lezon - Warrenville Library Board
- Jessica Bradshaw - Carbondale City Council

2:00 - 3:30 pm Workshop session #8

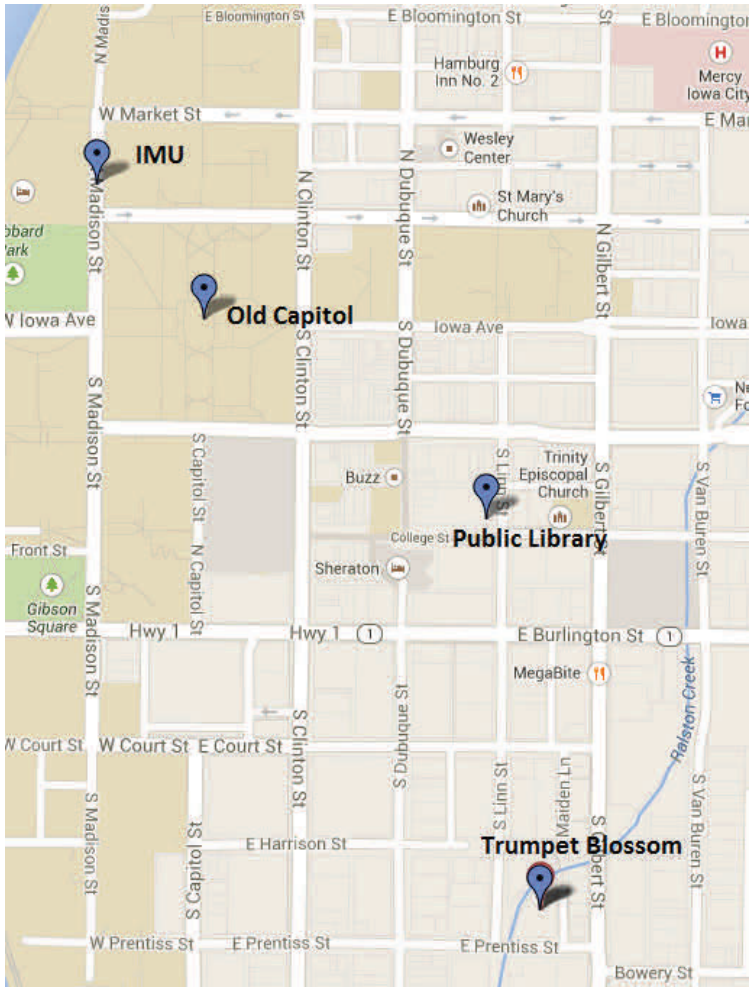
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- **Proportional Representation by Drew Spencer (Illinois Room 348)**
In countries where there is proportional representation, Green candidates are elected in proportion to popular support for them. Enacting proportional representation in the United States has long been a primary goal for U.S. Greens. This workshop explains what the various forms of proportional representation are and how they work in practice, what progress there has been in enacting it in the United States, what the next steps are to increase its use and how that affects the Green Party and how the Green Party can be involved. The workshop will include specific attention to new opportunities to advance proportional representation in Congress and the value of proportional representation as a remedy to Voting Right Act cases and how participants can help in such cases.
- **Move To Amend: Abolish Corporate Personhood by David Cobb (Ohio State Room 343)**
MTA is a campaign to amend the Constitution to abolish the "Corporate Personhood" and "Money Equals Speech" doctrines, which allow the wealthy to steal our right to self-government.

4:00-5:30 pm Workshop session #9

- **501s, 527s, PACs, and Other Four-letter Words: GPUS's Relationship With Party-Aligned Independent Political Advocacy Groups by Brian Bittner (Nebraska Room 335)**
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- **Green Party in American Government classes by Ted Pfeiff (Ohio State Room 343)**
This workshop will talk about how the Green Party can use participation in high school American Government classes to communicate with young people.

Map of Key Locations



Locations:

Iowa Memorial Union, 125 N Madison St

Old Capitol Museum, 21 Old Capitol, The University of Iowa

Iowa City Public Library, 123 South Linn Street

Trumpet Blossom, 310 E. Prentiss St