

West County Democrats Monthly Meeting United Food & Commercial Workers, Local 655 300 Weidman Road, Ballwin, MO 63011 <u>http://www.westcountydemocrats.org/</u> Monday, September 11, 2017

9:00 – Refreshments and socializing / networking 9:30 – Business meeting / announcements 10:30 – Speaker: Dr. Amanda Rosen, Webster University

"Changing the Climate Conversation: Resolving Global Climate Change Without National Action"

Scientists are more certain than ever that climate change is a growing, human-induced problem with severe ramifications for the entire world. Yet, many policymakers including high-ranking people in the Trump Administration—refuse to acknowledge the existence or scope of the problem, much less take action. In this talk, we will discuss the economic, social, health, and security implications of climate change, the causes of climate skepticism, the role of government at all levels—local, state, national, and international—in solving this problem, and the Trump Administration's record on climate change. We will conclude with a frank assessment of policy solutions to this growing global problem and some causes for hope.

Dr. Amanda M. Rosen is the Worldwide Director of International Relations and the Global MA program at Webster University, where she also holds the positions of associate professor of politics and international relations and Fellow in the Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies. Her research focuses on the politics of climate change, human rights of the family, and the design and use of simulations and games and other pedagogical tools in the political science classroom. She has a PhD and MA in political science from Ohio State University and a BA from Duke University in Political and Economic Studies of Europe. Dr. Rosen is the 2016 recipient of the APSA's CQ Press Award for Teaching Innovation and the 2017 recipient of the ISA's Deborah Gerner Innovative Teaching Award and Webster University's William T. Kemper Award for Teaching Excellence. Her recent work can be found in *Politics & Policy, International Studies Perspectives,* and *PS: Political Science and Politics.*

FREE FOOD

FREE DRINKS

FREE INFORMATION

We collect and deliver food donations for The Circle of Concern food pantry in Valley Park. Bring donations of canned or boxed food to our meetings for transfer to this worthy program (but NOT in Walmart bags—see below).

<u>Please join us for lunch</u> following the meeting at the Pasta House on Manchester just west of Weidman,14007 Manchester Rd. Ballwin, MO. 63011

FOCUS 2018

Progressives Working For Change FOCUS 2018 is a series of evening sessions dedicated to information and action on critical topics. Sessions are open to all working for change.

Thursday, September 14, 6:30 p.m. EMPOWER MISSOURI: ADVOCACY 101

Learn how to be an effective advocate on any issue.

The Walnut Grill, 1386 Clarkson Clayton Center, Ellisville 63011

West County Democrats was formed by a group of concerned citizens. The purposes of the organization are to educate its members on issues of public, cultural, or political concern, to encourage members to actively support Democratic candidates for political office, and to support social action projects or community support activities as approved by the membership.

Protect Union workers: <u>DO NOT</u> bring Walmart items to West County Democrat meetings.

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