April 18, 2024, 5:30-7:00 pm Citizens' Climate Lobby – Palouse

Community Congregational Church, 525 NE Campus Ave, Pullman or via Zoom (Zoom link at end of this Agenda. Contact us at https://cclpalouse.org/)

Introductions

<u>Values Statement</u>: We are committed to creating a consensus for and the steps needed to achieve fair, effective, and enduring climate change policies, and to a process that is inclusive, non-partisan, and respectful of diverse points of view.

Announcements

- **CCL-P social gathering**: Every 2nd Thursday of the month, 5-7:30 pm, Trailside Taproom, 505 SE Riverview, Pullman
- CCL International Conference & Lobby Day! June 8 11 in DC https://community.citizensclimate.org/bulletin/2101/447
- Common Ground Screening April 22, 7:00 PM, Kenworthy Theatre, 508 South Main Street, Moscow. Free. The film reveals how practices have made our current farm system hazardous in a number of ways. The film profiles a growing movement of white, black, and indigenous farmers who are using alternative "regenerative" models of agriculture that could balance the climate, save our health, and stabilize America's economy. Presented by the Moscow Food Co-op as a benefit for the Palouse Land Trust.
- The Future of Energy Avista's President and CEO Heather Rosentrater speaking on how the evolving energy landscape in our region will affect inland NW businesses and industry. May 8, 5:30 pm (4:30 reception), SEL Event Center, 1825 Schweitzer Drive, Pullman.
- Bob Inglis of RepublicEN at Pullman Rotary June 19, Noon.

<u>Avista Utilities Discussion</u> – Paul Kimmell and other Avista reps will discuss the company's programs and priorities for renewable energy and energy efficiency.

Letters from community leaders to Members of Congress

Get a support letter from a community leader who is a trusted messenger. This letter(s) will be handed to the member of Congress during the CCL June Lobby Day.

Tabling for Earth Day – Simon and Judy

Post photos and videos of Earth Month activities. Snap an action photo or record a video at Earth Month events, post it to a favorite social media platform, and include the hashtag #TalkAboutClimate and tag @citizensclimate. Send photos and videos to Giselle and Margaret for posting, too!

- 4/19: Inland North Waste earth day event, East City Park, Moscow 4-7 pm. Trish, Bill V.
- 4/20: WA State Republican Convention in Spokane. Simon
- 4/20: Pizza for the Planet, Ruby St. Park,12 pm 4 pm pizza boxes to biochar + prizes. *Marilyn, Kynan*
- 4/21: Adam Savage presentation at WSU Beasley Coliseum-tabling 12-3 pm. Azdren, Bill E.
- 4/22: UI Earth Jam at SUB—11 am -1 pm. Leonard, Bill V.
- 5/18: Pullman 3 Forks River and Arts Festival 10 am 5 pm ?????

Election year activities

- Conversations on climate Judy Communication Exercise at end of this Agenda
- Collaboration with WSU class Marilyn
- Tabling Simon
- Voter registration
- Environmental Voter Project https://community.citizensclimate.org/resources/item/19/448
- No on I-2117 https://cleanprosperouswa.salsalabs.org/capwa-newsletter-1-16-24?wvpld=12cd958d-d726-4700-ae93-ff9f8950189b
- Town halls

- Letters to the Editor and Op-eds
- Social media
- Sign waving

Ongoing Palouse CCL Initiatives and Actions

- Carbon Pricing and Cash-back Simon Smith and Margaret Davis (leads)
- Building Electrification and Efficiency Mac Cantrell and Mary DuPree (leads)
- Healthy Forests Trish Hartzell (lead)
- Presentations—Simon Smith
- Pullman City Azdren Coma
- Moscow City Mary DuPree
- Member of Congress liaisons Mac Cantrell (Crapo), Judy Meuth (McMorris Rodgers)
- Tabling Simon Smith
- Outreach to rural communities Bill Voxman and Kathy Dawes
- Publications Judy Meuth, Pete Haug (print); Website Joe Pallen; Facebook—Margaret Davis
- Social Media Giselle Zuniga

Continuing Individual Actions

- Watch the monthly national call and guest speaker 3rd Saturday of the month on CCL Community
- Log actions on CCL's Action Tracker: ttps://community.citizensclimate.org/actions/home
- Send photos and info about CCL and our activities to Margaret Davis and Gisell Zuninga

Next meeting is May 16, 5:30-7 at Moscow's 1912 Center Fiske Room

COMMUNICATION SKILLS EXERCISE

Think *heart, head, hands* when you open a climate conversation with people you meet in April. Dr. Hayhoe recommends connecting how you feel (heart) with what you know (head) and what you can do (hands).

Start a climate conversation with heart, head and hands:

<u>You</u>: Hey there! Nice to meet you. It's great to be outside at the big festival today. I'm here with a group having climate conversations with attendees and if you're free for a moment, I'd love to find out more about how you're feeling about our climate and air pollution? **(Heart)**

<u>Table visitor</u>: Thanks, nice to meet you too. I guess I'd say I feel worried about car and bus exhaust because it's unhealthy for my family.

You: Thanks for sharing—I'd love to hear more of your thoughts on that.

<u>Table visitor:</u> Thanks for asking, I guess the biggest thing is that we live right by an interstate, so we're constantly having to keep the windows shut and the filters running so that my kids—who both deal with asthma—don't have to deal with bad air quality.

<u>You</u>: I hear that, I really value clean air too and I worry that climate pollution is making things less safe for our kids and grandkids. What are your thoughts on climate change?

Table visitor: I'm a bit worried, but I don't think that there's much I can do to help.

<u>You</u>: That makes sense, it's hard to know where to start. One thing I do is pay attention to our changing weather. As you think about it, have you seen any climate impacts around here or elsewhere? **(Head)**

Table visitor: Yeah, I have. I've noticed the warmer, longer summers, and my brother's farm is in trouble.

You: Oh no, that's terrible to hear - what's going on with your brother's farm?

<u>Table visitor:</u> It's really sad. He's been dealing with ongoing water shortages and his orchard trees aren't able to grow the fruit and nuts he depends on for his job.

You: I'm really sorry to hear that, how incredibly hard. Drought and heat waves get my attention too. What have

you seen in the news about climate solutions?

<u>Table visitor</u>: Something about energy credits, but I don't know what that is. I can't keep up.

<u>You</u>: I get that. It can feel like a lot! The volunteering I do makes me feel hopeful about the future. Would you like to hear about it? **(Hands)**

Table visitor: Sure.

<u>You</u>: Our elected officials have the keys to climate solutions, but we clearly need them to do more. So I volunteer with Citizens' Climate Lobby, we're a non-partisan non-profit organization with over 400 chapters. We let our elected officials know that their constituents want them to take stronger action on climate change. It's actually really fun.

<u>Table visitor</u>: That sounds interesting. How can I get involved?

Additional Resources: Climate Conversations and Becoming Effective Climate Communicators

Log your conversations on climate: https://community.citizensclimate.org/climate-conversations?utm medium=email&utm source=action-sheet&utm campaign=cap-apr-2024&utm content=as+1&c src=cap-apr-2024&c src2=action-sheet as+1

CCL Meeting Zoom joining info

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84989723588?pwd=ejBiUkdZRIIzK3BBZkVXOStwdVJVZz09

Meeting ID: 849 8972 3588

Passcode: 113356

Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdfZJY7ruZ