

Climate Conversation Friday Nov. 8

Attending: Len, Genevieve, Kanami, Nicole, Betty, Darla, Donna, Sue, Clark, Martha, Ann, Evie, Avril, Dave C.

(High Schools having vegetarian BBQ today, so their presence missed -- yet we feel students' spirit here too)

GEN -- Stuff Swap went really well (Nov 2) maybe again? Kanami has video on her youtube channel; it's on the ResilientSEA website (still trying to reach Youth Unstoppable film and have left

KANAMI / ANN -- through ENACTUS (we could come to support when the competition happens) creating a waste food exchange for students from restaurants (starting with the college cafeteria). (Related = AMA Mag for Nov.; Nov 20 evening Food Waste focus at Medicine Hat Public Library)

NICOLE -- garbage pick up in KIN COULEE (Sunday past)-- weather permitting could be happening again and at another locations; can put the info on the website via CallOut

BETTY -- how to challenge the "hypocrisy" criticisms of climate activists; Pembina Institute on the CBC yesterday (check the web); Veggie supper on the 17th -- calendar is on the website; and form can used to add

DARLA -- next mission - to put pressure on local grocery stores re Bulk Items and own containers; NUDE FOOD movement (Gen to put onto the website)

DONNA -- Veggie bags for purchase at Bed Bath and Beyond (see minutes from last week re: Right to Dry); Canmore high school encouraging clothesline use

SUE -- getting all businesses to start charging even more for bags; re: Tuesday's Barb Taylor op ed does sound like real science (always need to know what different sides are doing- in order)

CLARK -- trying to understand adversaries as well as his own views; friend working on geothermal drilling in Sask. Alternates to natural gas absolutely necessary for Alberta

MARTHA -- Hat Smart is only operative in a small way (ie. rebates) compared to how it operated years ago; article from Broadview magazine Re: Faithful Footprints; has written Letter to the Editor; David Gue has written in response to Barb Taylor; Plaza building still empty space so community building actions are on Tues/Wed/Thurs (11:30-1:30) 3rd ST downtown

EVIE -- on an anti-plastics use at her residence (plastics as endocrine disrupters) phthalates syndrome in fetuses; Prof. Byrne from Lethbridge speaking several years ago (possible to have again).

AVRIL --check out greenbudget.ca -- organization of organizations recalling motto: Think globally Act locally

(Discussion ensued re: gov't subsidies to fossil fuel corporations)

Prairie gleaners should be sending food north.

DAVID -- Medicine Hat chapter Council of Canadians facebook page; Nov 28th 7pm -- don't have to be member/supporter to come to the meeting (Organizer maybe try to come on Wed 27); putting the Green New Deal -- Nicole to help book a College Classroom; can C of C supply drinking water focus to the SEAWA newsletter; David to link up with Martha around this or phone Mary Lou

LEN -- send to Grasslands Naturalists the video of today's pilliated woodpecker

OTHER:

Why Medicine Hat not collecting household food waste -- Gen to check.

ResilientSEA has been requested to assist Elm St. School to help revitalize existing green house and garden beds

Everyone working to gather materials for the Nov. 29 Global Climate Strike for poster making etc