

**STAND  
TOGETHER**



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\*Thanks to all the good people who sent this information! Stand Together!

\*I apologize for any misspellings or errors in sentence structure this book was put together in a N .Y. minute! Many of the entries were added with info gleaned from the group's website not from a representative. These entries have the \* notation.

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### Capital Women

Capital Women is a diverse group of women from the Capital District of New York State who have come together to coordinate action against Trump. We have formed a political action committee and are working on a host of issues such as health care and reproductive rights, the environment, voter access and first amendment/media issues.

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### \*New Sanctuary For Immigrants, Capital Region:

Facebook , 518 465-3685 ext 10, [ns4immigrants@gmail.com](mailto:ns4immigrants@gmail.com)  
Provides assistance on many levels, see their page.

**Like Minds Unite Capital Region:** meeting every two weeks Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave, large white church located just past the intersection of Kenwood and Delaware (Four Corners), Delmar.  
[like-minds-unite-capital-region@googlegroups.com](http://like-minds-unite-capital-region@googlegroups.com)

**Bethlehem Morning Voice:** local women activists, Wednesdays, 9:30 to 11:30, Board Room at the Bethlehem Public Library on 451 Delaware Ave, Delmar

**Bethlehem area Progressive Action League:** every other Sunday, contact: [bapal1@googlegroups.com](mailto:bapal1@googlegroups.com)

Plenty of more groups to join, just punch in your zip code:  
<https://www.indivisibleguide.com/groups-nav>  
and <https://www.womensmarch.com/100/action2/>

**\*The Social Justice Center** is a grassroots community organization which, through its programming and projects, confronts the roots and structures of oppression. The Social Justice Center is committed to building strong community activism to fight oppression by forming alliances and working in coalition with other groups.

33 Central Ave., Albany, NY 12210 518-434-4037 info [www.albanysjc.org](http://www.albanysjc.org) Promoting social justice and welfare since 1981.

**\*Clay and Kate** have had a lifetime of activism, they started this business to put it to work. I get all my large orders of pins and bumper stickers from them. This is not a not for profit but I felt it needed to be added to the book due to my past experience and their commitment to peace and justice:

**Donnelly/Colt Progressive Resources** is a small, independent active and family-owned & operated mail-order service offering union custom-printing of U.S.-made promotional, including buttons, stickers, banners, t-shirts, tote bags, post cards, posters, yard signs & much more. We offer a 20% discount for custom printing. Call or email for price quote. Rush orders available.

When the terrorist attacks of 9-11-2001 occurred I was just as devastated as everyone else, and terrified that our country would respond by starting a war. Unfortunately we couldn't stop the U.S. invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq, even though there were record massive demonstrations and a majority of Americans were against a military response. This is a scar that will never heal on my heart. But I was so lucky to find, over the past 16 years, networks of people working for Peace, Justice, the Environment, Human and Animal Rights, Independent Media and more.

I am sharing this information with you about some of these organizations and encourage you to jump in where you find a cause that will nourish your aching heart, as this work has eased mine. Were it not for the people I have met over the years as we struggled TOGETHER I may have lost it. And please send me info about other groups in Albany N.Y. and surrounding areas for future revisions of this little red book of info!

As our planet is being destroyed, profits being made a priority over people, people targeted because of religion, gender affiliation, race etc., the future generation's hopes squandered for the few, violence escalating, on and on, it is ever more critical than ever for us all to step up and STAND TOGETHER.

\* Quote to ponder : Everyone Makes A Difference.

What is imperative is to recognize that millions of people ( whose names we will never know) have worked for peace and justice throughout history, and that their efforts HAVE made a difference. Hundreds of thousands of people around the world are working today in the same tradition. If we believe the politicians and media celebrities who describe present-day activism as "quaint nostalgia" we blot out all of their/our work. No one who wields power and influence in the political mainstream is going to voluntarily acknowledge that someone outside their realm has had any impact on public events. The peace movement has to assert its claim for the impact it has on the character and content of public debate and for the effect on public opinion that the empowerment of individuals has.

from a newsletter years ago, author unknown, lives on my refrigerator ! Solidarity and stay strong

Peace  
Wendy Dwyer

[missmisc@fairpoint.net](mailto:missmisc@fairpoint.net)

\* indicates notes I entered

Labor Council provides assistance to affiliated local unions, promotes labor rights legislation and serves as place where rank and file members can exchange ideas on labor issues of importance to them and the community. The TALC meets on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 7:00 at the WID, Headley Building, 433 River Street, Suite 1009, Troy, N.Y. All are welcome to attend. For further information contact: President Herb Hennings (518) 456-7261

## **RESOURCES**

\***Citizen Action of New York** is a grassroots membership organization taking on big issues that are at the center of transforming society – issues like:

quality education and after-school programs for all our kids guaranteed quality, affordable health care public financing of election campaigns dismantling racism and promoting racial justice, a more progressive tax system 94 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12206 518.465.4600

Fax: 518.465.2890 [info@citizenactionny.org](mailto:info@citizenactionny.org)

## **LABOR**

**The Solidarity Committee of the Capital District** is an independent, grassroots labor and economic justice organization that has been active since 1983. We publish a monthly newsletter (Solidarity Notes), organize support for local, national and global labor struggles, and sponsor an ongoing film series and several annual events. We have been active in supporting single-payer healthcare and opposing bad trade agreements like the TPP. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at 33 Central Avenue, Albany at 6:30 PM for mailing the newsletter and 7:30 PM for the meeting.

Facebookpage: <https://www.facebook.com/Solidarity-Committee-of-the-Capital-District-and-New-York-Solidarity-300962384369/?fref=ts>

Phone: 518-465-9646 or 518-673-2602;

e-mail: [sjdubois@acmenet.net](mailto:sjdubois@acmenet.net)

**The Troy Area Labor Council AFL-CIO** represents 15,000 working women and men from Rensselaer County. The TALC promotes the rights of working people to attain a safe ,healthy working environment as well as achieving a just standard of living. The Troy Area

## **Calendars of Events:**

All Green Calendar of the Capital Region - online calendar listing environment-related events throughout the Capital Region such as organizational meetings, movies, rallies, hikes, lectures and forums:

<http://www.sierraclubhudsonmohawk.org/capital-region-all-green-calendar/Contact>: Tina Lieberman  
[allgreencalendar@gmail.com](mailto:allgreencalendar@gmail.com)

tel. 518-489-5496

The Capital Region Progressive Calendar:

<http://tinyurl.com/gv9avoe> become an authorized administrator and add your groups events!

Sudhir Khetan ([sudhir.khetan@gmail.com](mailto:sudhir.khetan@gmail.com))

\*Bethlehem Neighbors For Peace has a wonderful periodic email with a listing of upcoming events.

Sign up for it!

## **PEACE GROUPS (some)**

\* One of our most important Peace groups:

### **Veterans For Peace**

International organization for veterans & for non-veterans, working for peace with over 120 chapters across the U.S. & abroad.

<https://www.veteransforpeace.org/>

Local contact: Albany: VFP, Chapter 10,  
The Tom Paine

Chapter: <http://www.vfpchapter10.org>

<http://www.vfpchapter10.org/>

John Amidon, [jaiaia1234@aol.com](mailto:jaiaia1234@aol.com)

\* A MOST amazing and courageous PEACE group that I have had the honor to work with in D.C. on many occasions is Code Pink.

**CODEPINK** is a women-led grassroots organization working to end U.S. wars and militarism, support peace and human rights initiatives, and redirect our tax dollars into healthcare, education, green jobs and other life-affirming programs. Our programs including supporting the peace deal with Iran, urging an end to US weapons sales to repressive regimes and promoting Palestinian rights.

The Sanctuary for Independent Media: We use art and participatory action to promote social and environmental justice and freedom of creative expression. Volunteers are the heart and soul that make the Sanctuary a thriving and vibrant community media arts center; they help to staff events, shoot video, plan events, build the community, build our space, and keep the place nice. See [www.mediasanctuary.org/volunteer](http://www.mediasanctuary.org/volunteer) for details. Contact : Steve Pierce, Media Alliance  
PO Box 35 Troy NY 12181

[pierce@mediasanctuary.org](mailto:pierce@mediasanctuary.org)

(518) 207-6264

Visit The Sanctuary for Independent Media, our NY Capital Region exhibition venue, also online at [www.mediasanctuary.org](http://www.mediasanctuary.org)! Now on the air: WOOO 105.3 FM in Troy/Albany and online at [mediasanctuary.org](http://mediasanctuary.org)! Follow us on Facebook and Twitter at [mediasanctuary](http://mediasanctuary)

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[http://www.sierraclubhudsonmohawk.org/capital-region-all-green-calendar/Contact:](http://www.sierraclubhudsonmohawk.org/capital-region-all-green-calendar/Contact)

Tina Lieberman - [allgreencalendar@gmail.com](mailto:allgreencalendar@gmail.com)

tel:518-489-5496

\*Bethlehem Neighbors For Peace newsletter

The Capital Region Progressive Calendar: <http://tinyurl.com/gv9avoe>

News from the Neighborhood is a short, easy to read, on-line newsletter that helps keep local activists informed of important news items, actions and events. It is a simple resource for all progressives in the Capital District and has been instrumental in many local campaigns and local elections. Sign up by contacting Paul Tick at [tick.paul@gmail.com](mailto:tick.paul@gmail.com)

Codepink.org <https://twitter.com/codepink>

\*And our local affiliate of Code Pink:

**Women Against War** and (sub group),  
**Grannies for Peace**.

Women Against War brings together Capital District women to work for peace and justice. We advocate for changed US foreign policies through lobbying, leafleting, vigils, blogging, media outreach & educational events. We also work in coalition with other local, regional and national groups working on the same issues

Website: <http://womenagainstwar.org>  
more information: [info@womenagainstwar.org](mailto:info@womenagainstwar.org)

**Bethlehem Neighbors for Peace** is an organization of over 500 members in the Capital District that work for Peace and Justice. We have weekly vigils ( from 5-6 pm on Mondays, Four Corners in Delmar) and monthly forums. Please join us! [www.BethlehemforPeace.org](http://www.BethlehemforPeace.org),  
<http://www.bethlehemforpeace.org/>  
or [tquaif@yahoo.com](mailto:tquaif@yahoo.com)

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<http://www.peace-action.org/> **Peace Action** is the largest membership peace group in the United States, with 27 state affiliates and over 100 chapters nationwide.

### **Upper Hudson Peace Action** is the Peace

Action chapter for the New York Capital District region, including Albany, Schenectady, Troy, Saratoga and nearby communities. We are one of 18 chapters of <http://panys.org/> Peace Action New York State. We have been active locally since 1982. We oppose the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. We advocate complete nuclear disarmament. We work for peace between Israel and Palestine. We campaign against the bloated military budget and seek real security through international cooperation, economic justice and human rights. Peace Action was formed by the merger of two organizations: The Committee for a SANE Nuclear Policy, which paved the way for the Partial Nuclear Test Ban of 1963 and organized the first mass protests against the Vietnam War, and the Nuclear Freeze campaign, which helped reverse the dangerous military buildup of the 1980's. Peace Action includes branches: Bethlehem, Chatham, Schenectady, Saratoga, Guiderland, Southern Rensselaer and Pine Hills Neighbors For Peace, U Albany Peace Action and The Palestinian Rights Committee Info at [Peaceact.net](http://Peaceact.net)

## **INDEPENDENT MEDIA / ALTERNATIVE MEDIA / INDEPENDENT LOW POWER FM RADIO**

\*DemocracyNow.org, on line and broadcast locally WRP1, WGXC etc. \* must check this out

\*Common Dreams, \*Counterpoint/ F.A.I.R.

\*Alternative Radio, \*Nation Magazine ,

\*The Huffington Post and many more

\*Local Low Power FM radio stations:

Wave Farm's WGXC 90.7-FM is a not-for-profit community radio station based in New York's Greene and Columbia counties. WGXC is an unbiased source for local news and cultural affairs information. By providing the means to tell their own stories, WGXC is an active, engaged partner with local civic and arts organizations and individuals of all ages. Our celebrated music programming is unique, diverse, and eclectic and programming made by and for youth airs daily.518 697 7400, or email [info @ wgxc.org](mailto:info@wgxc.org).

\*WRP1 Troy

\*WBCR Great Barrington Ma

\*WOOC 105.3 FM in Troy/Albany and online at [mediasanctuary.org](http://mediasanctuary.org)



Poetic Vibe, every Monday, 7:00PM

Troy Kitchen, 77 Congress St., Troy

Arthur's Market Open Mic, 2nd Wednesday, 7:30PM

Arthur's Market, 35 N. Ferry St., Schenectady

***First they came***  
by Pastor Martin Niemöller (1892–1984)

*First they came for the Communists  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a Communist  
Then they came for the Socialists  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a Socialist  
Then they came for the trade unionists  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a trade unionist  
Then they came for the Jews  
And I did not speak out  
Because I was not a Jew  
Then they came for me  
And there was no one left  
To speak out for me*

## **Berkshire Citizens For Peace & Justice**

All BCP&J programs are held at the Unitarian/Universalist Church, 175 Wendell Ave. in Pittsfield, MA. These events begin at 7:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public. They occur weekly, as well as do vigils from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Park Square. The vigils are now in their 15th year, uninterrupted.

For details of programs, contact [dlathrop@berkshirecc.edu](mailto:dlathrop@berkshirecc.edu)

## **Grafton Peace Pagoda**

87 Crandall Rd, Petersburg, NY 12138

Chant: Na Mu Myo Ho Ren Ge Kyo .

Amazing place to visit and support. ( wendy)  
Facebook page for updates:

<https://www.facebook.com/Waterwalkforlife/>

[www.graftonpeacepagoda.org](http://www.graftonpeacepagoda.org)

## **Jewish Voice for Peace**, Albany Chapter

Founded February 2014 Through grassroots organizing, education, advocacy, and media, Jewish Voice for Peace works to achieve a lasting peace that recognizes the rights of both Israelis and Palestinians for security and self-determination. JVP is a national organization. We have 200,000 supporters on our email list, 10,000 individual donors, over 60 chapters across the United States, a staff of 25; a Rabbinic Council; an Artists' Council; an Academic Advisory Council; a youth wing; and an Advisory Board consisting of some of the best-known Jewish thinkers of our time. We represent a growing portion of Jewish Americans. Israel claims to be acting in the name of the Jewish people, so we are compelled to make sure the world knows that many Jews are opposed to their actions. There are often attempts to silence critics of Israel by conflating legitimate criticism with anti-Semitism. Israel is a state, not a person. Everyone has the right to criticize the unjust actions of a state. JVP supports full equality for Palestinians and Jewish Israelis grounded in international law and universal principles of human rights. Because we believe in concrete action, and not just words, JVP was the first major Jewish peace group to demand that American military aid be withheld until Israel ends its occupation. We also are the only major Jewish group to support the Palestinian civil society call for boycott, divestment and sanctions.

## **Second Space** offers "Speakers' Corner," a

forum for political, social, cultural concerns. Just in its second year, Second Space has hosted an open community reading of Howard Zinn's "A People's History of the United States," CWA union organizer speaking on the Verizon strike, a post-convention soapbox about the Democratic Convention, and a spokesperson for the Nepali building project, "Fund for Lamjung." The need for the space grew from the local people who organized for the Bernie Sander's campaign. More to come!

<http://www.sheribauermayorga.com/second-space/>

\* This from Sheri Bauer Mayorga, Musician, Music Teacher, Singer and more who was a delegate For Bernie Sanders. Second Space is in Chatham NY

## **Poetry Open Mics**

For a full calendar of poetry events in the Capital District area go to: <https://albanypoets.com/events-calendar/>

Some suggested events: from Dan Wilcox

Nitty Gritty Slam, 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30PM

The Low Beat, 335 Central Ave., Albany

Third Thursday Poetry Night, featured poet & open mic, 7:30PM

Social Justice Center, 33 Central Ave., Albany

## **POETRY/MUSIC**

\***Eighth Step**, Proctors 432 State Street , Schenectady, NY 12305. Great venue for folk music and more . (518) 434-1703 On Facebook

\***Bread And Roses Coffee House**, Fundraiser for local good causes. Please join us to warm our hearts with music, our bodies with goodies and coffee, and our souls by helping our neighbors. In the parlor at South Congregational Church, 110 South St, Pittsfield, Ma Find us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/events/225957124522856/?ti=ia>

## **HUDSON VALLEY ACTIVIST MARCHING BAND**

A newly formed activist brass band has started, in order to play at area protests and actions to bring some energy to the movement. If you are a current or former musician that plays brass, reeds or marching band percussion...or if you are a puppeteer, flag waver, dancer, sign maker, street stomper or otherwise enthused supporter of radical change, marching bands and plain old fun times, then we want to hear from you. All musical abilities encouraged. Sheet music and audio clips of the first few tunes are already available. Practices as needed prior to gigs.

Contact: [scott@scottlanglephoto.com](mailto:scott@scottlanglephoto.com)

[https://www.facebook.com/Jewish-Voice-for-Peace-Albany-367748880067164/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/Jewish-Voice-for-Peace-Albany-367748880067164/about/?ref=page_internal)

Albany JVP has worked closely with the Palestinian Rights Committee of Upper Hudson Peace Action and the Capital District Coalition Against Islamophobia. We have also actively supported the work of the Black Lives Matter movement. To join the Albany JVP listserve please email:

[albany@jewishvoiceforpeace.org](mailto:albany@jewishvoiceforpeace.org)

The national web-site for JVP is:

<https://jewishvoiceforpeace.org/>

\* Quote to ponder : " Wars are poor chisels for peaceful tomorrows" Dr. Martin Luther King

## **Food Not Bombs Albany**

From their Facebook page: Food is a basic human right, yet millions of people don't know when their next meal will be. Join us Mondays for a delicious Free Cooked Community Meal 5-7pm at the Social Justice Center , 33 Central Ave, Albany , eat in or take out, everyone welcome. If you're interested in volunteering with Food Not Bombs, please email us at [albanyfoodnotbombs@riseup.net](mailto:albanyfoodnotbombs@riseup.net) We are 100% volunteer run and can always use help with cooking, cleaning, outreach and transportation.

## ENVIRONMENT

Website address: [citizensclimatelobby.org](http://citizensclimatelobby.org)

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**Citizens' Climate Lobby** is a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization focused on national policies to address climate change. Our consistently respectful, non-partisan approach to climate education is designed to create a broad, sustainable foundation for climate action across all geographic regions and political inclinations. By building upon shared values rather than partisan divides, and empowering our supporters to work in keeping with the concerns of their local communities, we work towards the adoption of fair, effective, and sustainable climate change solutions. In order to generate the political will necessary for passage of our Carbon Fee and Dividend proposal we train and support volunteers to build relationships with elected officials, the media and their local community. Contact : Jody Schoenfeld [perfectfit@taconic.net](mailto:perfectfit@taconic.net) Columbia County Chapter Citizens' Climate Lobby Liaison to Senator Gillibrand 518-392-9431

<https://citizensclimatelobby.org/carbon-fee-and-dividend/>

## VOTING RIGHTS/ POLITICS

### **The League of Women Voters of Albany**

encourages and helps voters to become informed so they can actively participate in their government at local, state, and federal levels. We work to increase public understanding of major public policy issues and after member agreement work to influence public policy decisions. Not for women only! Join us to learn and take action on your issues. website: [www.lwvalbany.org](http://www.lwvalbany.org).

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LWVACNY/>

**The Bernie Sanders Network** was formed from volunteer-activists who first came together while volunteering for Bernie Sanders's history presidential campaign. To carry forward his message, we are working to move the agenda of local, state, and federal politics in a progressive direction - visit [berniesandersnetwork.com](http://berniesandersnetwork.com) to learn more! Contact: Sudhir Khetan ([sudhir.khetan@gmail.com](mailto:sudhir.khetan@gmail.com))

## **Capital District Coalition Against Islamophobia**

stopislamophobia.com

The Capital District Coalition Against Islamophobia's purpose is to counter the anti-Muslim hate speech and growing incidents of violence and hostility in our country and to act in support of our Muslim neighbors. We organize inclusive rallies and public events. Contact us at: <http://stopislamophobia.com/contact-us/>

**\*Capital Area Against Mass Incarceration** (CAAMI): A grassroots initiative in the Capital Region for folks to work against Mass Incarceration through action & dialogue, locally & statewide w/the NYSPJN. On Facebook and info at <http://www.caami.org/>

**\*Albany Black Lives Matter:** see Facebook: The official Upstate New York chapter of the Black Lives Matter Network.

\* Quote to ponder:  
Those who can make you believe absurdities can make you commit atrocities" - Voltaire  
\*Google the Milgram and Zimbardo experiments. I learned this in a Peace Studies course taught by Don Lathrop. Will make you think.

## **Save the Pine Bush**

<http://www.savethepinebush.org>

Save the Pine Bush uses litigation and education to protect the unique Pine Bush ecosystem. In 2017, on the third Wednesday of the month (except in July), Save the Pine Bush will hold a vegetarian/vegan lasagna dinner at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 85 Chestnut Street, Albany, NY. At each dinner will be a speaker who will address a different aspect of climate change. Everyone is welcome to attend. Contact Save the Pine Bush at [pinebush@mac.com](mailto:pinebush@mac.com)

**Stop NY Fracked Gas Pipeline** ( SNYFGP) is an all-volunteer group of concerned citizens opposed to fossil fuel infrastructure buildout in New York State and beyond. SNYFGP helped to stop the "Northeast Energy Direct Pipeline Project," a high-pressure fracked gas pipeline planned by Kinder Morgan/ Tennessee Gas, to traverse from the fracking fields of PA through NY and NH and ending near the coast in MA, bringing fracked gas that threatened the climate and the environment. Kinder Morgan withdrew its proposal in May 2016. SNYFGP is now helping other anti-pipeline groups and promoting renewable energy. Contact Bob Connors or Becky Meier, co-founders of SNYFGP at: [info@stopnypipeline.org](mailto:info@stopnypipeline.org) or call : 518-781-4686. If you wish to contribute financially to our efforts,

please send checks to: Stop NY Fracked Gas Pipeline, 1409 County Route Five, Canaan, NY 12029. Here is the link to the web page and to the FB Page for SNYFGP:

<http://stopnypipeline.org/>, <https://www.facebook.com/stopnyfrackedgaspipeline>

<[https://www.facebook.com/stopnyfrackedgaspipeline/?ref=aymt\\_homepage\\_panel](https://www.facebook.com/stopnyfrackedgaspipeline/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel)>

\*Also **Coalition Against Pilgrim Pipeline** stoppilgrimpipeline.com

\* When I was younger I belonged to ADK and enjoyed the hikes and the leaders who shared so much with us: Together we can protect New York's wild lands and water .Join ADK to conserve natural places, help others discover nature, and get out there to play! <https://www.adk.org/>

**Sierra Club Hudson-Mohawk Group** - local Sierra Club group meets monthly in Albany. Keeps members involved and informed about major issues affecting the environment. Publishes quarterly newsletter for members, spring Speaker Series at the Colonie Library, various local actions and political endorsements. \$15 membership in the National Sierra Club gives you membership locally and makes you part of one of the most powerful environmental lobbying groups in the country.

## **JUSTICE**

**HUDSON SURJ** – Showing Up for Racial Justice The Hudson SURJ chapter is for those who are interested in organizing other white people to take action for racial justice. We work in support of and are accountable to the Staley B. Keith Social Justice Center. We are a local chapter of the national organization, Showing Up for Racial Justice. We have regular meetings, discussions, and public actions to show up as white people in the movements for racial justice and for Black lives. On facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SURJHudson/>

\* **Greater Hudson Initiative for Children of Incarcerated Parents**  
[www.facebook.com/GHICIP/](http://www.facebook.com/GHICIP/)

**The Berkshire County Branch of the NAACP** meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. It currently meets at the Conte Elementary School in Pittsfield, MA but is considering meeting occasionally in both South and North County. For information contact Dennis Powell - [dpowell8@nycap.rr.com](mailto:dpowell8@nycap.rr.com)

**\*Catskill Animal Sanctuary The Sanctuary**

is an 110-acre refuge in New York's Hudson Valley for eleven species of farmed animals rescued from cruelty, neglect, and abandonment. Thanks to the generosity of people like you, over 4,000 animals have been rescued since 2001. Between 250 and 350 residents call the Sanctuary home at any given time. 316 Old Stage Road Saugerties, NY 12477(845) 336-8447 casanctuary.org \*Has a newsletter

**\*The Albany Vegan Network** is a not-for-profit organization comprised mostly of dedicated volunteers. Our goal is to promote the global health benefits of green sustainable living, environmental awareness, compassion for animals and all beings. We provide information, encouragement and community support for anyone wishing to discover more about healthy, environmentally friendly, and humane living choices. Has mailing list VegFest Guest speaker presentations throughout the year ,potluck gatherings, dinner movies, group book discussions, guidance for vegetarians/vegans and non-vegetarians ,animal advocacy, green living awareness, outreach tabling  
Email:[support@nyvegetarianexpo.org](mailto:support@nyvegetarianexpo.org)  
[support@albanyvegan.org](mailto:support@albanyvegan.org)

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Tina Lieberman - [allgreencalendar@gmail.com](mailto:allgreencalendar@gmail.com)

tel. 518-489-5496

**PAUSE.** People Of Albany United For Safe Energy is a grassroots group of individuals who have come together to promote safe, sustainable energy and fight for environmental justice. We engage the greater public to stop the fossil fuel industry's assault on the people of Albany and our environment. Our work reaches out to people and groups around the globe who strive for an end to the ruinous fossil fuel economy and to replace it with a just, sustainable, and distributed system of work that meets people's real needs and does not destroy the Earth's climate. We meet the 1st Thursday of each month at 94 Central Ave, Albany from 5:30 - 7:00. website is [PAUSEnergy.org](http://PAUSEnergy.org)  
Contact Diana Wright  
at [comphomeLLC@gmail.com](mailto:comphomeLLC@gmail.com) Pausenergy.org and

on Facebook Meeting also prior to the Save The Pine Bush Dinner . We remember those lost in the Lac-Mégantic rail disaster which occurred July 6, 2013 in the town of Lac-Mégantic, in the Eastern Townships of the Canadian province of Quebec, 47 lost, town destroyed , the rail company declared bankruptcy . The train was carrying highly flammable Bakkin oil from fracked oil fields such as the product transported into, through and stored in rail cars here in Albany

### **People's Climate Movement - Capital**

Region: loose coalition of groups and individuals (environmental, faith-based, college groups etc.) who care deeply about climate change and protecting our environment. We make our voices heard through actions, marches, tabling and petitions. We stand with Standing Rock! Contact: Tina Lieberman - [allgreencalendar@gmail.com](mailto:allgreencalendar@gmail.com) tel. 518-489-5496

\***Solarize Albany:** We are a volunteer and not-for-profit team of your neighbors assisting in the transition to sustainable energy through education, outreach and the bulk-purchasing benefits of vetted technologies and vendors. We are working cooperatively with Solarize Schenectady, HCE and Troy groups through the Capital District Regional Planning Commission. [SolarizeAlbany@gmail.com](mailto:SolarizeAlbany@gmail.com) 518-328-4SUN

## **ANIMAL RIGHTS**

Animal Rights: Dogs: adoption group can volunteer with: **Capital District Humane Association.** [www.cdha.net](http://www.cdha.net). most are from southern states. all ages. Primarily smaller dogs, meet 3 Saturdays a month at Pet Smart in Latham or Clifton Park. home visit required before an adoption is finalized. There is a fee . \* One of our Jan 21, 2017 Women's march Bus Sisters volunteers here and submitted this.

**Berkshire Vegan Network** strives to educate, inspire, and empower thinking people to shift towards a plant-based diet, and to take compassionate action for all life on the planet." Berkshire Vegan Network (W. Mass.) [www.berkshireveg.org](http://www.berkshireveg.org)

\***Chatham Animal Haven.** A new animal sanctuary. [chathamanimalhaven@gmail.com](mailto:chathamanimalhaven@gmail.com) Coleen Carpenter-Rice or Marcia Cary



## **HEALTHCARE REFORM**

### **CDAUH, Capital District Alliance for**

**Universal Healthcare**, was formed in 2005 as an interfaith and secular committee to promote healthcare for all.

We do public educational meetings, advocacy at the regional, state, and federal levels. We meet bimonthly at B'nai Sholom Congregation library. For the past few years we have been showing "The Healthcare Movie, Fixit-Healthcare At The Tipping Point and are planning showings of our newest film, Now is The Time - Healthcare For Everyone We are also working with the New York Health single payer campaign.

Contact: Richard Propp MD, 518-482-0420.  
email [vpropp@verizon.net](mailto:vpropp@verizon.net)

### **Physicians for Social Responsibility, New York Chapter (PSR-NY)**

website: <http://www.psr.org/chapters/new-york/>

PSR is an international organization comprised of health care providers as well as anyone else who wishes to join. We use the medical and scientific voice to help prevent the use of nuclear weapons and to slow, stop and reverse global warming and toxic degradation of the environment. Local contact: Barton H. Schoenfeld, MD, FACC 518-965-8953

\***NY Renewals**: A coalition of groups, working on climate justice, employment, renewable energy etc. see website [info@nyrenews.org](mailto:info@nyrenews.org)

\***Environmental Advocates**: Looking to join an organization that makes a difference? Look no further. When Environmental Advocates speak, Albany listens. No matter the issue -- fracking, climate change, renewable energy, wildlife protections -- we are your voice fighting for what matters. 353 Hamilton St., Albany, NY 12210 518.462.5526 [info@eany.org](mailto:info@eany.org) can sign up for updates

## **HUMAN RIGHTS**

### **USCRI: Albany's US COMMITTEE FOR**

**REFUGEES & IMMIGRANTS** staff, volunteers, and donors help arriving refugees feel welcome in their new community. We assist some of the most vulnerable people in the world, whose lives have been interrupted by war, political unrest, violence, or fear. Volunteers are needed to mentor refugee families, set up new homes, teach English and transport newcomers to medical appointments. Donations of new & gently used household items appreciated list of donations accepted on the website: [refugees.org/field-office/albanyemail](http://refugees.org/field-office/albanyemail):

mailto:[info@uscri-albany.org](mailto:info@uscri-albany.org)  
[info@uscri-albany.org](mailto:info@uscri-albany.org)

phone: (518)459-1790

\* this is so worth helping with , PLEASE join me. There is much to be done, will nourish your aching heart.

### **RISSE- Refugee and Immigrant Support Services of Emmaus.**

RISSE provides an after school program for refugee children. Teachers with the help of volunteers help with homework, and general family support. Our adult ESL program provides full time English

lessons. We see how much the program means. The participants, having lived through much trauma, now live with the knowledge that they are under attack by our new government. We have an after school program providing homework help, dinner and a snack. 80 to 100 kids. An adult ESL program - 5 hours a day - in a separate building.

<http://risse-albany.weebly.com/>

\* Quote to ponder : " Naturally the common people don't want war, but after all, it is the leaders of a country who determine the policy, and it is always a simple matter to drag people along whether it is a democracy, or a fascist dictatorship, or a parliament, or a communist dictatorship. Voice or no voice , the people can always be brought to the bidding of the leaders. This is easy. All you have to do is to tell them they are being attacked and denounce the pacifists for lack of patriotism and exposing the country to danger. It works in every country" Herman Goering. Hitler's Reich-Marshall at the Nuremberg Trials after WWII