



THE ENGAGED SIERRAN

Welcome to the inaugural issue of *The Engaged Sierran*. Volunteers Alice Platt and Cindy Reid are working together with Chapter Director Cathy Corkery to bring you this brief update on all things Sierra Club in the Granite State.

We've got a lot to cover this month, particularly Earth Day activities and legislative updates. When things are busy, expect to see this update in your e-mail twice a month. When things slow down a bit, we won't clutter your inbox with useless information. We'll just send you the update once a month, instead.

A little about your editors:



Alice Platt is a project manager at YBP Library Services in Contoocook, NH, and calls Manchester home. One of her favorite hikes in the state (so far) is Mt. Major. Her favorite book related to green issues is *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle*, by Barbara Kingsolver. Alice originally hails from Florida, where she was active with the Northeast Florida Group (Jacksonville and St. Augustine region). "Moving to New Hampshire is one of the best decisions I ever made," Alice says emphatically.



Cindy Reid chose New Hampshire as home in 19xx, well, let's just say a long time ago! She is a retired State Employee and Union member, who devotes her volunteer hours to the NH Sierra Club, the Capital Center for the Arts and the American Red Cross, Disaster Services at this point. Her outdoor activities and loves align well with the NHSC philosophy -- kayaking, light hiking, birding, beekeeping, scuba diving, gardening -- and keep her engaged with Club initiatives. Cindy is looking forward to assisting with the Chapter newsletter, and to summer!

LOBBY DAY: YOUR CHANCE TO BE HEARD

Please join NH Sierra Club for NHSC Lobby Day Wednesday, April 24 at the NH State House in Concord. We will be setting up meetings with our State Senators to discuss the environmental bills; we believe there will be major legislation about renewable energy, especially solar. Lobbying begins at 8:30 a.m., and will wrap up with a state house tour!

RSVP is required so we can set up meetings with your elected officials. Please sign up with NHSC Chapter Director, Catherine Corkery at catherine.corkery@sierraclub.org. Include your name, phone, email, home town and if you know it, your state senator's name.



CELEBRATE EARTH DAY EVERY DAY!

APRIL EVENTS

Friday, April 12: The 2013 Coastal New Hampshire Climate Summit/ Collaborating for Solutions, Great Bay Discovery Center, Greenland, NH. Starts at 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. An annual discussion and collaborative forum among scientist, agencies, municipal leaders, watershed organizations and citizens concerned about the impacts of climate change in coastal New Hampshire. Registration is \$20. Contact Nicole.Andrews@wildlife.nh.gov.

Saturday, April 13: Fifth Annual Local Energy Solutions Conference at Winnisquam Regional High

School in Tilton, NH. Keynote address by Governor Maggie Hassan. Includes speakers, tours and opportunities to learn more effective efficiencies, including financing. Organized by New Hampshire Local Energy Work Group. Doors open at 7:30 a.m., Conference starts at 8:30 a.m. Register on their website, www.nhenergy.org. Costs \$25 per person; \$20 for each additional guest. Students are \$15; \$30 for walk-ins.

Tuesday, April 16: Wildlife Forum, NH Audubon McLean Center, Silk Farm Road, Concord, NH. Experts to address climate change impacts on local wildlife in NH. Sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation and NH Audubon. Contact Eric Orff, 603-731-0054.

Saturday, April 20: Earth Day Picnic and Pipeline Hike in Randolph NH, Durand Lake Recreation Area, off Route 2 in scenic Randolph, NH; Speakers from NH Audubon, NH Sierra Club, 350.org and others about tar sands oil extraction and proposal for the pipeline proposed to run from Montreal, Canada to Portland Maine. Starts at noon; picnic and hike at 2 p.m. Contact Corry Hughes 603.586.1111 or email stoptrailbreaker.nh@gmail.com.

Saturday, April 20: Discover Wild New Hampshire Day, New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. All day family fun day features live animals, big fish, hands-on activities, energy-saving ideas, and exhibits by outdoor and environmental groups. Free and open to the public. More details at www.wildnh.com.

Thursday, April 25: Keep NH Tar Sands Free, State House, Concord, NH. A peaceful, nonviolent, family friendly event, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring the kids, bring Grandma. Bring your own picnic and try to use locally grown, organic foods. Please bring reusable bottles for water as this is a bottled water-free event. Carpool to reduce your carbon footprint, and bring smiles and love for Mother Earth. Sponsored by 350.org. Contact 350newhampshire@gmail.com for more information.

Friday, April 26 to Sunday, April 28: New England Power Convergence at UNH in Durham, NH. Occupy New England and the Student Environmental Action Coalition will host a New England Power Convergence to promote Environmental and Economic Justice in Durham, NH. All interested organizations and individuals are invited to attend. Find out more details at one4rc.eventbrite.com. Contact one4rc@occupynewengland.org for more information.

Saturday, April 27: NH Sierra Club Outing. Time & place TBA. Contact catherine.corkery@sierraclub.org, or check our [calendar](#) for up-to-date information.

Saturday, April 27: Movie: [Chasing Ice](#). this film is part of the White River Indie Films. At Tupelo Music Hall, 188 S Main Street, White River Junction, Vt., 4:30 p.m. Directed by Jeff Orlowski. Once a climate-change skeptic, National Geographic photographer James Balog devises revolutionary time-lapse cameras for one purpose: to capture a multi-year record of the world's changing glaciers. Chasing Ice follows Balog on this mission as he compresses years into seconds and records ancient mountains of ice in motion as they disappear at a breathtaking rate. As the debate polarizes America and the intensity of natural disasters ramp up around the world, Chasing Ice depicts a heroic photojournalist on a mission to gather evidence and deliver hope to our carbon-powered planet. In partnership with the [Vermont International Film Festival](#). Q&A with director Jeff Orlowski after the screening. \$9 per person.



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