



THE “BOTTOM” LINE

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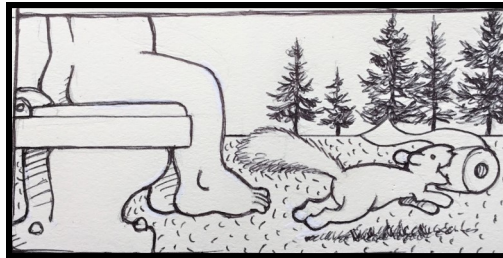
Every day Americans flush about 4000 acres of boreal forest down their toilets. These are the trees of the Canadian north that grow over the permafrost. The forest protects the permafrost so that it can keep the billions of tons of methane it holds locked up in its icy grasp from leaking into the atmosphere where it could cause a lot of climate trouble. The boreal forest also removes and stores the atmospheric carbon emissions of 24 million cars every year. The forest is a major ally in the struggle to contain climate change. Additionally, it is also home to 600 indigenous communities and countless numbers of wildlife, much of it found nowhere else.

Major producers of toilet paper: Proctor & Gamble, Kimberly-Clark, and Georgia Pacific, makers of Cottonelle, Scott, Charmin, Angel Soft...among others, claim they need virgin boreal forest to create the ultra-soft tissue their customers demand...a demand that they themselves create with their advertising. They responded to a critical paper released by the Nation Resource Defense Council last year by insisting that they do conform to industry standards of sustainability by replacing the trees they take. The problem with this is that you cannot replant a forest, and certainly not with a preferred species monoculture. Forests are a complex, diverse community of interacting species above and below ground that is still not completely understood by science. Forests do a very good job of replanting themselves, but only over, decades, centuries and millennia and only if they are left undisturbed by humans.

Most corporations make few, if any, decisions based on environmental priorities unless it directly affects its “bottom” line. We, as consumers, can help them in this matter by taking the extra time and few pennies to make sure we buy toilet paper and paper towels made from 100% recycled paper. The NRDC has graded nationally branded products ‘A’ to ‘E’ according to recycled content. The ‘A’-list includes Green Forest, Earth First, Seventh Generation and the standard version Trader Joe’s...not the super soft product. Additionally, Field Day, the store brand from Abundance Co-op is also made from 100% recycled paper. Field Day is also available at other National Co-operative Grocers Association member stores in Buffalo and Ithaca as well as Lori’s Natural Foods. You can go to the NRDC’s website for more information.

You might also want to consider toilet paper made

from bamboo, which is a sustainable crop that doesn’t require tilling or replanting. Bamboo is technically a grass that is “mowed” and then regrows itself. It is more expensive as it is not in high demand and the raw material needs to be imported. You can buy eight rolls online for about \$14. One additional advantage is that it comes in a recyclable cardboard box instead of



petroleum made, non-biodegradable plastic. Wegmans sells a plastic wrapped product.

Finally, you can eliminate toilet paper altogether by purchasing a bidet toilet conversion kit on line for about \$60. You can install it yourself, sans

plumber, in about 15 minutes. It washes the necessary parts in a jet of water, no paper required. It comes with a 60-day money back guarantee and a one-year warranty from Boss Bidet. Though I’ve never tried one myself, the customer ratings are impressive.

Our “bottom” line is that, although, meaningful progress on climate change must come from massive, cooperative governmental action on an international level, all of us need to make many changes in the way we live to help planet Earth provide us with a livable future. There is so much we can do by simply buying less, buying smarter and informing ourselves about all the ways we can live fuller, richer lives while preserving our beautiful Earth for future generations of humans and non-humans alike.

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Update on Indigenous Mural for City's River Mural Project

By Ronald Garrow
Akwasasne Mohawk, Bear Clan

I am happy to see the improvements that have been happening in our local area in regards to Indigenous Peoples. Through advocacy, hard work and many meetings, the City of Rochester, local groups such as Sierra Club, and school districts have made great strides in the past few years. The City of Rochester now recognizes Indigenous Peoples' Day and has made space for an Indigenous artist in its River Mural project. Local schools are now doing Land Acknowledgments and adjusting their curriculum concerning Indigenous people. The Sierra Club has asked for indigenous guidance in its mission to raise awareness in regards to environmentalism. I'm very encouraged by these changes. My hope is that in the future Indigenous people will not have to ask and fight for representation and acknowledgment.

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Love Your Mother, Y'all

By Beth Ely Sleboda

Just feelin' won't do it.
Emotions won't save her.
It is necessary
to change our behavior.

If we don't make changes,
there will be great loss.
Mother will rule.
She'll show us who's boss.

Things are in crisis:
flora, fauna and climate.
We MUST make adjustments
while there is still time.



Naturalist's Corner by Peter Debes Peter8245Debes@gmail.com

Just before dusk, every day in the winter, you can see hundreds or even more than a thousand crows high above, flapping and gliding into Rochester to roost. They have stocked up on corn kernels in outlying fields to get through a chilly night and know that they are safer from night-time predators and guns here. How smart is the common crow? Research is showing birds in the group called Corvids seem surprisingly more adept at solving certain problems than other birds. (Watch a video online called "Bird Brain"). At the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, you can watch a crow using a piece of wire to pull some food out of a tall jar. After several tries, it pulls the wire up, hops to the side, and wedges the wire against a piece of wood creating a hook in the end of the wire. It then inserts the wire with the hook end into the jar and almost immediately succeeds in pulling the food out. This bird had never been around any other bird using this technique. Hey, these guys really do have something to crow about!



Genesee RiverWatch connects us to the Genesee River

by Laura E. Arney (larney1206@gmail.com) and Michael Haugh

The romantic poet Robert Louis Stevenson penned a children's poem, part of which I quote below.

"Where go the boats?"

*"Dark brown is the river, golden is the sand.
It flows along forever, with trees on either
hand. ...Away down the river, a hundred
miles or more, other little children shall
bring my boats ashore."*

He could be talking about the Genesee River, right in Rochester where the children's leaf or stick boats may arrive from up the river. The waters that flow from the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains in the Southern Tier to Lake Ontario have defined the history of our region. They have connected us all since settlers were first drawn to the river for household use, transportation and industry.

In summer, children and their parents in the headwaters region can wade into the river for rest and relaxation in cool creeks and to shallow sand bars on hot days. In the valley regions, side feeder creeks allow safe access to water play and refreshment. The deeper northern flow of the river calls adventurous adults toward recreational paddling sports.

The former Center for Environmental Initiatives (CEI, 1974) is now **Genesee RiverWatch** with George Thomas as the Executive Director and Mike Haugh as President of Board of Directors. The organization's philosophy is to be collaborative and "to champion solutions that improve the water quality of the Genesee and initiatives that connect people to the River". This includes large streambank restoration projects that reduce river sediment and preserve farmland, as well as activities that encourage more people to use the river, such as installing cartop boat docks and sponsoring river cruises.

A 2020 bonus for the recreation community is the updated Genesee River Blueway Map for exploring the river from Genesee, PA, to the Port of Rochester, NY. Twenty years ago, when I published a map describing potential access points on the Genesee, my support came solely from the Sierra Club. However, for the Genesee RiverWatch map, a really concerted effort was made to get ideas and support from the stakeholder groups in the whole Genesee River watershed.

Outreach was coordinated in counties and towns along the river to upgrade river access. Signage and parking locations formalize the once "local knowledge".

The first rule of river paddling is to **Know Before You Go** on the river. Using the Blueway Map, a person can travel along roads adjacent to the river. Planning helps avoid hazards. Find put-in and take-out locations ahead of time. Scout from the banks. Watch the water currents for smooth passage.

In the region from Wellsville to Portageville, the riverbanks grade down easily to the water. Downstream, between Portageville and Mount Morris, the waterfalls

and shale cliffs are within Letchworth State Park. Only private commercial permit is allowed at the park's Lee's Landing.

The river between Mount Morris and Rochester can be difficult to use as the potential access points on the high banks, slippery sides, and deep water prevent safe footing for putting in and taking out of canoes and kayaks. For information on safe access sites, go to



Petten Street paddling access point in conjunction with the City of Rochester, used with permission of Michael Haugh, director of the Genesee RiverWatch

www.GeneseeRiverWatch.org/Publications. There you can download the Blueway Map or explore the more detailed interactive map.

Be sure to visit their **RiverWatch** website for recreational events, water quality reports and ways to support their vision. They encourage us all to become more familiar with and more involved with the river and its advocate. <https://geneseeiverwatch.org/>

Another effort to bring people to the Genesee River is the City of Rochester's **ROC the Riverway** program. The "Program consolidates more than two dozen transformational projects along the Genesee River into a unified strategy. This will enable Rochester to better leverage the value of its riverfront." See the City's website for specifics information. <https://cityofrochester.gov/roctheriverway/>

In 2020, the City and **Genesee RiverWatch** cooperated to install a new river paddling access dock at Petten Street, just south of the O'Rorke Bridge at the Port of Rochester. In doing so, paddlers have an ADA-compliant put-in for cartop watercraft at the foot of Petten Street with a public parking lot. From there they can paddle up stream, past the Turning Basin as far as Lower Falls. Great exercise and nature experience, away from the busy sailing and motoring boats at the port. See website for specifics information. <https://cityofrochester.gov/roctheriverway/>

Winter is really the best time to plan. Enjoy your trip twice - once from a snug armchair and a second time on from the river itself.

The Moths Are Calling

By Jack Bradigan Spula

All too soon the hills hereabouts will be alive with the liminal sounds of gypsy moth larvae — millions of them over hundreds of acres. And one especially active area will be Monroe County's treasured Mendon Ponds Park. RRG board members have documented serious infestations in the park, everywhere from the high (and unreachable) branches of oaks along the trails to cultivated trees near parking lots and shelters.

It appears that Mendon Ponds is heir to what happened last year in South Bristol, around and within Ontario County Park. If you missed that story, you can refer to numerous news reports. Here's a short one: <https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/rochester/top-stories/2020/06/27/bristol-mountain-sees-outbreak-of-invasive-gypsy-moth-caterpillar->

Some of us have paused during our Mendon Ponds hikes to remove egg masses from the reachable lower trunks of trees we pass. Take it from me, it's a satisfying way to lengthen your stay in the park — and you always want more time there, right?

Now the RRG is taking the next step — mobilizing more folks to get out there to destroy the little buggers. Call it temporary selective speciesism, if you will, but it does help prevent damage to significant natural, indigenous trees. And the critical window for action is now, that is, from late winter through the end of April or so, depending on springtime weather and temperatures.

The invasive gypsy moth has been on the environmental radar for decades, of course. And the internet is packed with information on ID'ing and removing the egg masses in a safe, environmentally sound manner. Which for Sierrans and friends going tree by tree means manually. Agencies all over the Northeast and southern Canada publish useful fact sheets and how-to's. You can start with own NYSDEC, at

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/83118.html>

The RRG board has been in contact with county officials at Mendon Ponds Park, and we've been told our help will be much appreciated. At this writing we're coordinating with potential volunteers, including a constellation of enthusiastic home-school students and teachers, to hold a session (maybe via Zoom, if necessary) to teach folks young and old the approved methods.

Remember, even if Sierra Club resumes sponsoring organized outdoor activities, it will still be prudent to avoid gatherings that even slightly increase the risk of transmitting the coronavirus. So small, well-distanced groups in the field are on their own — with remote support, of course.

For more information on Mendon Ponds Park's particular needs, you can contact park staff: Chris Kirchmaier, christopherkirchmaier@monroecounty.gov; or Scott Krueger, scottkrueger@monroecounty.gov. Or you contact the RRG board's point person on this issue: Jack Spula, jbspula@gmail.com.

Field Trips with GVAS

By Joe Grinnan

Prior to Covid, the Rochester Regional Group of the Sierra Club announced an agreement with the Genesee Valley Audubon Society (GVAS). GVAS has agreed to welcome Sierra Club members on their field trips and nature walks. The mission of the GVAS is to educate and advocate for protection of the environment focusing on birds, wildlife, and habitat. This mission is well within the goals of the Sierra Club. Since the field trips are GVAS activities, we need to follow their registration requirements. They may require liability waivers, masks, and social distancing. Please verify any changes to the schedule on the website of the GVAS at gvaudubon.org or the RRG website at www.sierraclub.org/atlantic/rochester.

Tinker Nature Park Nature Walk
1525 Calkins Road, Henrietta, 14534
Monday, March 15 10:00am

This will be a great opportunity to learn about the birds that overwinter in our area. We will be walking through several different habitats in this walk of less than two miles. Dress in layers and know that trails could be muddy in spots. Binoculars will enhance your enjoyment.

Masks and Social Distancing practices are required. Due to Covid 19, participation is limited, and preregistration is necessary.

To register, Email loretta.morrell.gvas@gmail.com by Saturday, March 13.

Forming a Political Oversight Committee

If you believe that climate change is really happening, then you know we need real leadership in Albany. In 2020, the Sierra Club's Atlantic Chapter endorsed 166 candidates who expressed a desire to improve New York's environment. 83% were successful and were elected to the Legislature. We now need volunteers to monitor our elected officials. We are looking to establish a Political Oversight Committee to perform the following functions:

1. Monitor the votes of our state senators and assembly person
2. Work with our lobbyist in Albany to provide the legislator with info and our position on legislation
3. Help select which candidate to support in the 2022 elections.

If you are interested, please send an email to fjgrinnan@aol.com.

Please provide name, address, email address, and phone number.

TAKING ON CLIMATE CHANGE ... PERSONALLY

By Peter Debes

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If you are reading this piece, then it is likely you are convinced of the reality and threat climate change poses to human civilization. It is a daunting, but not invincible problem- provided we make enough changes in how we live on this planet. What kinds of things are most important in terms of how they contribute to climate change? There is an excellent book called **Drawdown** that provides answers and suggests specific projects you can get involved in based on the magnitude of their impact on climate. Members of the Sierra Club and Climate Solutions Accelerator are already working on some of these locally. Go to the Pachamama Alliance page: **Drawdown in Rochester NY** to learn more. If you need more, call Climate Solutions Accelerator at 585-461-1023.

An adequate effort to slow and stop climate change will require us to change our **expectations** of how we live. We must also change some of our **behaviors** which may seem minor, but if many of us change them, can have a huge effect. Aspects of both of these two things have become almost invisible to us given the conveniences and lifestyles we have become accustomed to, and conditioned to, expect. All of us are, in our own way changing our behaviors and may have different motivations. I hope that we can begin to share what it took to change behaviors and what motivated us to do it.

We humans are huge consumers, harvesting not only foods but fossilized plants and plant products (oil, coal, tar sands) and earth resources such as metals, minerals, etc. We have gravely tipped the balance on earth.

There are so many of us humans now, that any small change we make in our consumption can have a huge effect if enough of us do it. I would like to suggest some tips for you that can help make a big difference, **especially if you convince others to try them too.**

The biggest cuts you can make in your energy consumption will almost always be by reducing anything that requires resources to make heat. Some of these efforts require some amount of sacrifice- either in taking some extra effort, or in changing your behavior. NOTE: The ones I am going to suggest require little or no extra expenditure of money; in fact, they will save you money!

REDUCING THE NEED FOR HEAT. You've heard these before turning - down the thermostat, even 1 degree and compensating by dressing warmer. Stopping leaks in your home by sealing cracks. BUT NOW. NOTE THIS! I urge you to use your dryer only in an emergency! I have taken on the laundry in our home. I hardly ever use



the dryer. I have set up clothes lines in the unheated basement and use overhead pipes with lots of hangers to hand up the clothes from the washer. I use extra high spin in the washer, and the clothes are not too damp. It takes me about 10 – 15 min. to hang them and about 2 min. to take them down. Even though it is cold in the basement, they dry with the aid of a fan on low in about 4-5 hours. We have a pole and a line outside to hang clothes Spring thru Fall. They can dry in as little as an hour on warm sunny days. I get to be outside for this ritual, too! Our energy usage dropped about 15% or more, just by doing this. It helped us be selected to get on a solar array because of our low consumption.

DRIVING ...TOO CRAZY! When you are driving any vehicle along straight roads where you can see ahead, do you time your driving so that you only have to slow a little and arrive at a light as it turns green? It takes a HUGE amount of energy (heat-from burning gas, or electricity) to get a mass moving, and the heavier the mass, the more energy. Also, the faster you accelerate, the greater the energy used. So once you get your car up to speed, **any time you have to use the brake, you are losing that energy.** Yet most people I see, accelerate quickly on green not thinking about all the energy lost when they brake for a light that was about to change to red anyway and they have to stop. I accelerate more slowly, looking ahead to guess what the light is going to do and often, arriving at the light still moving, so that when I get there, I only have to accelerate a little again.

Most of the time the people who zoomed by me or were hovering behind me, ended up **not losing any time** by rushing, because they had to stop for the next light. **They used much more gas than I did- and contributed much more CO2 to the air. The people behind me, ended up saving energy too, just like me** though they may have been a little frustrated. I have become familiar with long sections of street like East Ave. starting downtown to Winton Rd. where I can drive the entire route stopping only once by

tailoring my speed to arrive at the next light after it turns green.

I hope I might have inspired you to think about your behavior too and think up similar strategies that can make a huge difference if a lot of us use them. I assure you that I enjoy a better feeling about my reduced energy consumption, though REALLY, **we must demand efficient mass transportation**, so we don't have to rely on our cars so much. Please send us your ideas so we can include them in our **Ecologue.**

SNOW + COLD = ICICLES

By Margie Campaigne

Look at homes around your neighborhood, and at your own home or business. You will see some homes and buildings have a lot of icicles hanging off the roof and gutters. Others have none or very few. What is the difference? If a home or building has lots of icicles it means that enough heat from inside is escaping via the roof, windows, etc. to melt the snow that had collected. The melted snow runs down to the edge of the roof and the gutter, meets with cold air again, and re-freezes into those pesky frozen fingers of ice. You may recall a few years ago that when we had a lot of snow combined with very cold weather, many people had ice damage that needed to be repaired. Roofers were extremely busy the next spring.

Instead of buying heat tape for gutters and roofs, and just knocking off icicles after they form, you can *prevent* ice damage, wasted heat, plus higher heating bills by insulating and ventilating. Each home and building will have its own unique insulation remedy. Some people will be able to install the insulation needed themselves, and others will need to hire a contractor. While we still have cold, snowy weather, you can prepare for the work to be done by going out and taking photos all around your home, focusing on any problem areas. These will help you and/or a contractor to pinpoint and identify areas that need specific attention when warm weather returns and you are ready to insulate, or contact a BPI-certified (Building Professionals Institute) contractor right now to perform an energy audit. They like this weather best for using thermal imaging to find areas of heat loss.

There IS help available to homeowners, renters, landlords, businesses, farmers, and municipalities alike. Call 1-866-NYSERDA, or see www.nyserdera.org (New York State Energy Research & Development Authority). The next



step is to get an energy audit from a qualified, certified professional. They will do a thorough inspection, take various measurements, and recommend the type and scope of work indicated by their findings. Based on your needs, budget, and preferences, you then choose the work you want to have done, after you've been shown the approximate payback periods for different items. You might choose to replace some old energy hogs with new Energy Star appliances, too. The

contractors handle any paperwork to qualify for incentive programs like grants and low-interest loans. You MAY qualify for a FREE audit through the new Green Jobs Green New York program, through NYSERDA. See their website.

Personally, back in 2006, I had almost everything done to my 1950's era home in the city that was recommended by the energy audit. I collected, from RG&E's website, my energy use numbers for the year preceding and the year following the work done. I was amazed by the results! My gas use went down by 25%, and my electric use went down by 44%. By my estimate, that savings nearly covered my loan payment, and now that it's paid off, the rest is money in my pocket, and energy savings for as long as I own my home.

Actual Results after Energy Audit

By Margie Campaigne

After comparing the energy audit results and recommendations of three different contractors in 2006, I chose one of the companies to complete the majority of work that needed to be done to make my home more energy efficient. (Other contractors completed smaller jobs.) The main contractor initiated the paperwork necessary for me to receive not only a \$6,000 Energy Star grant, but also a 4% low interest loan through NYSERDA.



Here is a list of the work done:

1. Replaced original 1950's era gas furnace with new high efficiency model
2. Replaced a nearly 20-year-old refrigerator with an Energy Star model
3. Replaced a 1970's era (avocado anyone?) washing machine with Energy Star model
4. Replaced 4 ten+ year old low-quality vinyl windows with Energy Star windows (remainder of windows already replaced with triple-pane vinyl windows)
5. Replaced 6 single pane basement windows with glass block windows
6. Added AirKrete® <http://www.airkrete.com/> insulation in all exterior walls
7. Added foam insulation to all rim joists, and under house wing over garage
8. Replaced rear and side exterior doors (front door already replaced)
9. Finished installation of Hunter Cool-Vent™ panels on roof over vaulted ceilings

http://www.hpanels.com/pages/cool-vent_articles.html

I have a year's worth of data on the resulting energy savings, from my local utility's website showing my home's energy use over those two years. **My gas usage in therms decreased by 25%. My electricity usage in kWh decreased by 44%.** Not too shabby, and I still have things to tweak!

FROM THE CHAIR: A New Administration: Undoing Damage and Addressing the Climate Crisis

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I am writing this article on the one-month anniversary of President Biden's inauguration. I wanted to take this opportunity to reflect on the damage our former administration has done and the hope that this new administration brings.

Throughout the 2016 presidential election season, I felt that the fate of our planet hung in the balance. I believed that we'd reached a critical point where our decision would determine whether we had a fighting chance to solve the climate crisis. Some thought I was being overly pessimistic about it, and perhaps I was, but at the very least, I knew that Trump would be detrimental to climate activists' efforts.

Even my pessimistic outlook didn't prepare me for the reality of the Trump presidency. (This is true for many reasons, but here I'll stick to the topic at hand.) During Trump's four years in office, his administration rolled back or dismantled 112 environmental policies and rules, 14 of which were still in progress when the administration's term ended. Here's some of the damage they've done*:

- Weakened limits on Co2 emissions from power plants, cars, and trucks
- Weakened regulations on power plant emissions
- Removed protections from over half the nation's wetlands
- Limited or removed many wildlife protections
- Weakened environmental requirements for oil and gas projects
- Opened millions of acres of protected land to mining, logging and drilling
- Approved construction of both the Dakota Access and Keystone XL pipelines
- Withdrew from the Paris climate agreement

The administration's justifications for these actions were typically – and unsurprisingly – centered around money. Regulations placed too much financial burden on companies, people were losing out on employment or recreational opportunities, we weren't taking advantage of big money-making prospects, etc. All of these claims are, of course, either dangerously short-sighted or untrue.

Thankfully, we now have a new president, and to say he has his work cut out for him is a massive understatement. Biden has promised to reinstate everything that Trump dismantled – and in many cases, to strengthen those regulations in the process. On his first days in office, the major headline makers were the fact that he canceled the Keystone XL pipeline permit and rejoined the Paris climate agreement. Beyond these, he took decisive action through a broad executive order that takes a multifaceted approach to addressing the climate crisis. I recommend checking out the White House fact sheet** that lists all of the details on it, but here are some highlights:

- Establishes the following offices and positions:
 - o White House Office of Domestic Climate Policy, to be led by the first-ever National Climate Advisor and Deputy National Climate Advisor
 - o National Climate Task Force
 - o Special Presidential Envoy for Climate
 - o White House Environmental Justice Interagency Council
 - o White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council
 - o Civilian Climate Corps Initiative
- Centers the climate crisis in US foreign policy and national security considerations. A new position, the Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, is tied to this.
- Directs federal agencies to develop programs, policies, and activities to address environmental justice
- Instructs federal agencies to develop plans addressing climate change
- Commits to conserving at least 30% of our lands and oceans by 2030

While many of his critics have accused Biden of overstepping with some (or all) of these actions, they are both necessary and impressive. This multifaceted approach is critical. It recognizes the fact that the climate crisis will require significant global effort. It recognizes harsh realities, such as environmental racism, that we've tried to sweep under the rug for far too long. It places heavy pressure and accountability on the entirety of the federal government.

However, I understand that it could take years to undo the damage the Trump administration did, and for new efforts to gain any real traction. I also understand that none of this is nearly enough and our job is far from done. The need to achieve carbon neutrality (among other goals) is urgent and ongoing. We must continue to put pressure on elected representatives at all levels. Climate change must be a main issue every time we go into the voting booth. We must leverage our power as consumers to force companies to address the climate crisis. We must hold ourselves and one another accountable.

Have hope. Celebrate. But keep fighting.

*Source (and recommended read): *New York Times*, "The Trump Administration Rolled Back More than 100 Environmental Rules. Here's the Full List."

**White House Fact Sheet: "President Biden Takes Executive Actions to Tackle the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad, Create Jobs, and Restore Scientific Integrity Across Federal Government"

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Spring 2021 Calendar			SIERRA CLUB and other environmental events	
DATE	DAY	TIME	MEETING/EVENT	LOCATION
March 2nd	Tuesday	6:30- 8:30 pm	Executive Committee Meeting	Via ZOOM, not in person
March 15th	Monday	10 am	Tinker Nature Park Nature Walk	1525 Calkins Road, Henrietta, NY 14534 REGISTER!!!
April 6th	Tuesday	6:30—8:30 pm	Executive Committee Meeting	Via ZOOM, not in person
May 4th	Tuesday	6:30—8:30 pm	Executive Committee Meeting	Via ZOOM, not in person.
All year	Every day	See Facebook for COVID hours	Abundance Coop Food Market: local, organic, sustainable food, open to public	571 South Ave., Rochester, NY in South Wedge (585) 454-2667 www.Abundance.coop

Watch our Facebook page and website for information on upcoming community meetings, outings & other activities

All Committees are local volunteer groups of the Rochester Regional Group of the Sierra Club.

Follow us on Facebook to keep up-to-date on new events throughout the year—www.facebook.com/SierraROC

Executive Committee meetings are open to Sierra Club members. All other meetings are open to everyone.

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