

## ***Climate Science and Policy: A Call to Action***

**Sunday March 24. 12:30-2:30. FCB Parish Hall**

12:30 - 12:40 John and/or Jeri

- Welcome and overview of event
- Introduce our speakers

12:40 - 1:10 Peter Frumhoff

- His perspective and talk
- 10 minutes for Q&A

1:10 - 1:40 Will Brownsberger

- Report out on state legislation
- 10 minutes for Q&A

1:40 - 2:00. Energy Committee speaker (TBD)

- Findings and recommendations from Roadmap study
- Climate Action Resolution to be introduced at April Town Meeting
- 10 minutes for Q&A

2:00 - 2:10 John and/or Jeri

- Explain need and commitment for personal action
- Ask all Belmont residents to contact their town meeting member representatives encouraging them to vote for the Climate Action resolution
- Suggested actions to consider:
  1. Lifestyle changes. John K and Cabell Eames
    - Commit to limiting your consumption of meat to holidays and weekend
    - Telecommuting
    - Bicycling
    - Chenery fundraiser - Black Earth Compost
  2. Transportation. BDE
    - Commit to at least 1 less airline travel in the coming year
    - Purchase carbon offsets for your airline travel
    - If planning to purchase an automobile in the next 12-months, commit to purchasing an EV
  3. Home improvement. BGS
    - commit to eliminating gas powered lawn mowers and leaf blowers from your lawn care

- if planning on replacing your home heating system, OR replacing / adding home air conditioning anytime in the next 3-years, commit to exploring heat pump systems now. Learn what such an installation would look like for your home, what it would cost and understand the environmental benefits of going with such a system.
- Consider adding solar pv to your roof
- Commit to a home energy audit and look into weatherization / insulation opportunities

#### 4. Advocacy

Downing Cless, Terese Hammerle, and Linda Levin-Scherz (Belmont Town Democratic Committee)

- Become active in supporting and advocating for climate change legislation at the local and state levels.

2:20-2:30

Audience breaks out to visit tables set up around the suggested actions to learn more about each of those that interest them.

Adjourn

3:00-4:00

Demo of electric school bus by MassPIRG in front of FCB on Concord Ave