



# NEWSLETTER

GREEN HUDSON PROMOTES LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

A note to our members: Green Hudson's editorial staff is changing the publication date of the Newsletter from the end of the month to the second week of the month, starting with this issue.

## Green Hudson Documentary



Tina Grosowsky and Tom Green were interviewed by Alex O'Neil of WMCT-TV. Alex then creatively wove the story of Green Hudson into this documentary. It will soon be available on our web page; or, you can watch it now, here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KJ4NBHxABHM>

## Committee Reports

Committees continue working behind the scenes, on the streets and at town government meetings. You are invited to put your talents to work locally to help the planet globally—come, join a committee.

**Education and Outreach Committee:** We have organized the first three Climate Cafes in our series. The Cafes plan to provide information about what Green Hudson is working on and to give an overview on the reasons behind climate change. A guest speaker(s) will focus on one topic and share actions that people are encouraged to take. Green Hudson will take note of attendees' thoughts on the town's priorities for climate action. We hope to provide light snacks and something to drink—making it a real Climate Cafe! (See scheduled announcement below under Reminders.)

Notices will appear in Action Unlimited, the Community Advocate, and through the Town announcement system. But we need you to spread the word—and to attend yourselves! We can all learn more, and take more action. And—please help by bringing snacks and drinks. Committee contact: Jeanette Millard [millardjeanette@gmail.com](mailto:millardjeanette@gmail.com)

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## Hudson Conservation Commission Meeting

Thursday, October 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Included on the agenda will be a discussion of the Kattelle land development lots abutting the 4th basin, now known as Town Line Estates, on Old County Road. According to the information in the Conservation Commission's agenda, Kattelle is presenting the proposals for the first 13 houses to be built on the property. They already have their subdivision approval, but each house lot must also meet the Commission's requirements. Hudson residents are invited to attend via Zoom.

Agenda and links to supplementary documents:

<https://go.boarddocs.com/ma/hudsonma/Board.nsf/Public#>

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498621263?pwd=d3JpS1pNc2FzeUIGMjh4Z0tLazFUZz09>

## Climate Cafe Makes the News

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Community Advocate

### Green Hudson to hold first Climate Cafe

HUDSON – Green Hudson is introducing a new Climate Cafe series, kicking off on Oct. 18.

At the Climate Cafes, guest speakers will share information about the changing climate and how individuals can best help the future generations.

The first Climate Cafe will be about native plant gardens.

The speakers for this café include Native plant experts Emilie Wilder and Alexi Dart-Padover. Wilder and Dart-Padover will share information on how people can support the environment by planting gardens with native plants, which attract bees, butterflies and birds to promote pollination. The native plants also provide

places for small animals to live and can serve as ground cover to help prevent flooding and soil erosion. Plus, they're beautiful!

The Climate Cafe will be at 7 p.m. in Avidia Financial Center's community room at 17 Pope St. During the café, there will be time for Q&A and light refreshments and juice.

## Reminders



## HUDSON CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, October 14th

Spend a little time picking up the litter in your neighborhood and in our town parks! We'll provide the trash bags and a dumpster, and suggestions for parks to clean.

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JUST PAST THE POLICE AND DPW BUILDING

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### Upcoming Schedule

Wednesday, October 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Native Plant Gardens. Hudson's own native plant experts, Emilie Wilder and Alexi Dart-Padover, will present information about how we can all help support our environment by planting gardens with native plants. Native plants attract bees, butterflies and birds to promote pollination; provide places for our small animal friends to live; can act as ground cover to help prevent flooding and soil erosion; and, are beautiful!

Wednesday, November 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Local Conservation Efforts: Natural Climate Solutions. Pam Helinek, the Conservation Agent for the Town of Hudson, will tell us about current and upcoming projects in town to promote a healthy ecosystem and reduce climate change impact. This includes addressing erosion along the Assabet River bank, identifying local "heat spots" that need additional trees and shade areas, and an update on groundwater protection.

Tuesday, December 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Converting to a zero emissions home. Green Hudson's own Brian White will address a range of ways we can electrify our homes to reduce or end our dependence on fossil fuels and our own production of greenhouse gases. He will also address why this is an urgent need. This includes having effective insulation, using heat pumps and other electric solutions. There will also be information about how to apply for federal and state grants or tax credits, which can significantly reduce the costs of these changes.

The first three Climate Cafes will be held at the Community Room at Avidia's Financial Center, 17 Pope St., Hudson.

There will be time for questions and answers. Light refreshments and juice will be served.



This new series of Climate Cafes is brought to you by Green Hudson, a non-profit dedicated to improving our town's impact on the environment.

## NPR's Climate Week

On October 2, NPR launched its first-ever "Climate Week: A Search for Solutions".

Throughout the week ending on October 8, NPR shared stories on podcasts, broadcast shows and NPR.org focused on the latest data and research about climate change, and how people, communities, and industries are working together to slow down and prevent further damage to communities around the world. Find these stories and more: <https://www.npr.org/ClimateWeek>.

The Assabet River flows through the town of Hudson providing a powerful reminder of why we want to protect the beauty the earth provides. Scientists are alarmed as we witness climate change happening and we need to do more to put a stop to the threat. Join [Green Hudson](#) now to learn more.



## Recycling Volunteers Needed!

Have fun! Meet your neighbors and make new friends while helping the planet.

Recycling volunteers needed Saturdays.

For more information:

[Recycling Volunteer Request.pdf](#) or

contact [recycling@greenhudson.org](mailto:recycling@greenhudson.org)

Green Hudson's next meeting is on this

Sunday, October 15th,

at the Avidia Bank's

Community Room, 17 Pope St.

(rear parking lot, side of building near the drive thru) or via zoom.

Agenda and zoom invites

have been sent out. If you need one,

please contact [info@greenhudson.org](mailto:info@greenhudson.org)

## You are invited

This newsletter is a work in progress. Your comments, suggestions for articles, resources of note, relevant books to recommend, etc. ... please send to Linda Miller at [ldianemiller16@gmail.com](mailto:ldianemiller16@gmail.com).

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