

# WISCONSIN CLIMATE TABLE



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WETLAND ALONG THE MILITARY RIDGE STATE TRAIL  
PHOTO BY SUSAN GAEDDERT

## FROM THE WCT COORDINATOR

SUSAN GAEDDERT, 1000 FRIENDS OF WISCONSIN

We are marching (ahem) right along into spring, though judging by how early the tulips and daffodils emerged this year, it seems spring arrived a few weeks ago already.

This month's newsletter is worth reading all the way through. We welcomed another new member organization to the Climate Table, Wisconsin Ecolatinos. Learn more about them below.

Planning is underway for another full table meeting in Madison! We'll be convening at the beautiful Slipstream HQ on Madison's west side on Friday, May 3. The leadership team is putting together a terrific agenda. We are looking forward to seeing everyone face to face. [Be sure to RSVP here by April 19.](#)

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### CURRENT LEADERSHIP TEAM:

ANDREW BUTTS, GREEN NEIGHBOR CHALLENGE

LIZZIE CONDON, WISCONSIN ACADEMY OF ARTS, LETTERS & SCIENCES

ROBIN LISOWSKI, SLIPSTREAM

WE HAVE OPENINGS ON THE LEADERSHIP TEAM. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN RUNNING, CONTACT SUSAN.

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CONTACT THE COORDINATOR:  
SUSAN@1KFRIENDS.ORG

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[Wisconsin EcoLatinos](#) works to raise equity and increase participation in environmental quality and conservation efforts by empowering the Latino community and minorities to take action against environmental hazards affecting the community. [Read more on their website here.](#)

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### WCT Annual Meeting | Friday, May 3 Slipstream HQ in Madison, WI

The Wisconsin Climate Table is having our [annual meeting](#) on Friday, May 3 at the Slipstream Inc. HQ in Madison! This is open to all full and allied member organizations in the Climate Table. Multiple representatives are welcome. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. There is no cost to attend, and some funding is available for stipends. Detailed agenda will be available soon. [RSVP here.](#)



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## CAMPAIGN UPDATES

### Clean Energy Plan Campaign Co-chairs: Susan Gaeddert & Ted Kraig



The Clean Energy Plan Campaign is exploring ways to advocate that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation develop a climate strategy.

If you would like to be included on the CEP Campaign email list, contact Ted Kraig: [kraigt@weac.org](mailto:kraigt@weac.org).

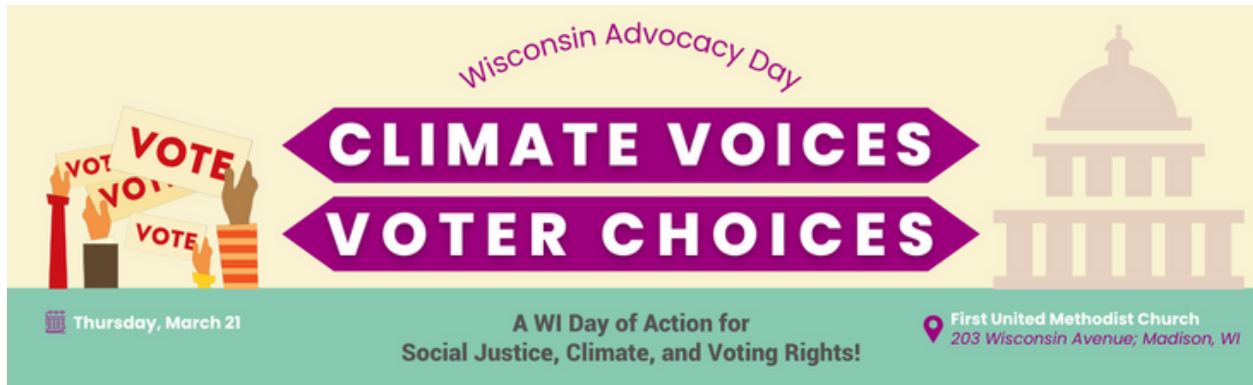
### Community Commitments Co-chair: Susan Gaeddert

The next Community Commitments Campaign meeting is Thursday, March 21 at 1pm.

*If you are interested in joining Susan Gaeddert as CCC co-chair, send an email to [susan@1kfriends.org](mailto:susan@1kfriends.org)*

# WCT MEMBER UPDATES

## Faith In Place



Want to take meaningful action toward climate and social justice in Wisconsin? **Join** Faith in Place on March 21 for **Wisconsin's 2024 Advocacy Day** where Wisconsinites from across the state will come together to address climate justice, voting rights and more! [Learn more and RSVP here.](#)

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## WEBINAR

### Know Your Co-op; OWN Your Co-op

A webinar about Wisconsin's rural electric cooperatives

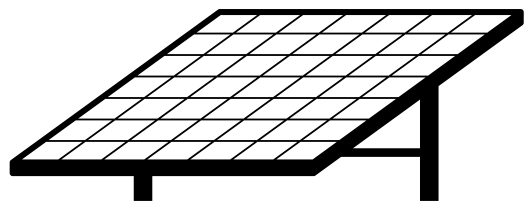
Thursday, March 14 from 7 - 8 pm CT

[Register here.](#)

Join this free educational webinar for ALL

Rural Electric Coops in Wisconsin

- What is a coop? What is a generative coop?
- What energy mixes are at play?
- How is our health impacted by fossil fuels?
- What is the transition to clean energy like?
- How can I get involved in my cooperative?



This event is supported by Sierra Club - Wisconsin, Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice, Healthy Climate Wisconsin, and Vernon County Electric District.

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# WCT MEMBER UPDATES

## Wisconsin Green Muslims



*“A faster transition to clean electric power on our roads is already here. We just need to keep it going.”*

Huda Alkaff, "We Cannot Fast from Clean Air," [Islamic Horizons magazine, March/April 2024 edition.](#)

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**Ramadan**, the Islamic holy month of daily fasting from food and water from dawn till sunset begins the evening of March 10, 2024 (lunar calendar). See more about the [19th Wisconsin Green Ramadan Campaign here.](#)

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Mark your calendar for the third **Climate Fast Forward** conference! On **November 14-15**, the **Wisconsin Academy** will host the Climate Fast Forward conference in Rothschild, Wisconsin. For the first time, this event will be two days long. Attendees can expect to hone their skills in workshops, further action on the Climate Action Plan, hear from statewide and national experts on climate action, and strengthen networks.

Learn more and contact **Jess James**, the Climate & Energy Program Manager at [jjames@wisconsinacademy.org](mailto:jjames@wisconsinacademy.org).

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**RENEW Wisconsin** is hiring a Clean Technology Manager. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. [Click here for more details.](#)

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*When I am among the trees,  
especially the willows and the honey locust,  
equally the beech, the oaks and the pines,  
they give off such hints of gladness.  
I would almost say that they save, and daily.*

*I am so distant from the hope of myself,  
in which I have goodness, and discernment,  
and never hurry through the world  
but walk slow, and bow often.*

*Around me the trees stir in their leaves  
and call out, "Stay awhile."  
The light flows from their branches.*

*And they call again, "It's simple," they say,  
"and you, too, have come  
into the world to do this, to go easy, to be filled  
with light, and to shine."*

-Mary Oliver

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS!

Items for the next WCT newsletter should be submitted by **April 12, 2024.**

Send a write-up of **no more than 200 words** plus an image and any links to share. I am also looking for seasonal photos from around Wisconsin to feature on the cover page each month.

Send all information to:  
[susan@1kfriends.org](mailto:susan@1kfriends.org)



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