

Climate group a great start, by Rabbi Judy Weiss

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Thank you for Martha Shanahan's article describing the start of a Citizens' Climate Lobby chapter in Keene.

I joined the Boston chapter of CCL exactly four years ago. The chapter helped me learn more about climate change, effective policy, the politics, the history and how to write and speak about climate change forcefully, yet politely. This is a key aspect of how CCL operates: We recognize that people come to the issue from differing points of view, and they may need more information and clarifications to understand the seriousness and urgency of the issue, but these messages must be conveyed with respect.

For me, climate change is a scary subject. I'm married to a scientist who has been worried for 30 years about the advent of global warming and rising seas. CCL has provided me a community of cohorts with whom I volunteer, and who are essential for maintaining my hope, energy and good spirit.

Good luck to the new chapter,

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