

Great, green interview

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Thank you for publishing "Talking with ... A golden voice gone green," a fascinating interview with Betsy Rosenberg (May 2). I've listened to her program for several years and admire her work, as well as the writings of her frequent co-host D.R. Tucker (who is also my Citizens' Climate Lobby colleague in Boston). I feel very lucky that I had the opportunity to meet her last June in Washington at the annual CCL conference.

It is very important for climate activists to tell the story of how they were drawn to this work. In many ways it is more important than telling the facts of climate change. The stories of how we are drawn to climate action speak to all of us via our shared humanity, our shared desire for connection and our shared urge to serve a greater good or a higher power. These stories open us up, and make us willing to hear the horrifying facts, and allow us to consider solutions.

Whether Betsy ends up working in broadcasting or writing a book, I hope she energizes the Jewish community to be as engaged on climate change in 2014 as they were for Soviet Jewry in 1987. If anyone can energize our community, it is Betsy.

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