# The "What-To-Do Café" Menu

# **Appetizers**

- Green lifestyle: bike, be vegan or vegetarian, take public transit, buy at farmer's markets, insulate your home, install solar panels, composting etc.
- •Get informed: see bibliography on reverse, not all sources are equal

### **Side Dishes**

- Call the governor (916-445-2841) to ban fracking or the President (202-456-1111) to stop Keystone pipeline
- Sign online or paper petitions that support your areas of concern: e.g. to ban fracking <a href="https://secure3.convio.net/fww/site/Advocacy?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=193">https://secure3.convio.net/fww/site/Advocacy?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=193</a>
- Give money to causes you believe in, e.g. 350.org, Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice, Restore the Delta <a href="http://restorethedelta.org/">http://restorethedelta.org/</a>
- E-mail officials on issues you care about: e.g. tell President Obama to NOT approve the Keystone XL pipeline <a href="http://act.350.org/sign/tar-sands/">http://act.350.org/sign/tar-sands/</a>
- Join a national environmental organization: e.g. Sierra Club, NRDC, Greenpeace etc.

# Soup and Salad

- Restoration work (e.g. Presidio Park Stewards <a href="http://www.parksconservancy.org/get-involved/volunteer/drop-in-programs/presidio-park-stewards.html">http://www.parksconservancy.org/get-involved/volunteer/drop-in-programs/presidio-park-stewards.html</a>;
- Garden for the Environment <a href="http://www.gardenfortheenvironment.org/">http://www.gardenfortheenvironment.org/</a>)
- Attend a rally: e.g. Earthday SF, 11am Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> Justin Herman Plaza, People's Earthday 11am Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> Martin Luther King park
- Lobby your representative on an issue (handwritten letter, phone calls); hold a letter writing party at your house!

### **Entrees**

- Have conversations with friends and family about climate change and the political and economic systems that are causing the degradation of the environment
- Start or join an environmental committee at your place of worship
- Join a "hands on" environmental organization: e.g. 350SF (see flyer <a href="http://www.350bayarea.org/350">http://www.350bayarea.org/350</a> san francisco next meeting February 16th Unitarian Church Franklin @ Geary 4pm), San Francisco Bike Coalition www.sfbike.org
- Help at a rally (e.g. volunteer to assist at the Earthday SF rally <a href="http://www.350bayarea.org/earthdaysf-volunteer">http://www.350bayarea.org/earthdaysf-volunteer</a>
- Support a political candidate (especially local ones with fresh perspective, e.g. Gayle McLaughlin, Green party Mayor of Richmond CA)
- Take part in civil disobedience against the Keystone pipeline <a href="http://nokxl.org/wp-content/kxl\_pledge.html">http://nokxl.org/wp-content/kxl\_pledge.html</a>

### Dessert\*

- Book club
- Have a house party movie screening: see Resources on the back
- *Take care of your soul!* prayer, poetry, friendships, exercise, meditation, music, being out in the natural world etc.!

<sup>\*</sup> Life is uncertain, eat dessert first!

# **Resource List**

## **Books**

Active Hope by Joanna Macy and Chris Johnstone (2012)

<u>Doing Democracy</u> by Bill Moyer (2001)

What's the Economy for Anyway by David K. Batkir and John de Graaf (2011)

### **Articles available online**

- "Bill McKibben: Being Green Won't Solve the Problem" by Lindsay Abrams, *Salon* <a href="http://www.salon.com/2013/09/15/bill\_mckibben\_being\_green\_wont\_solve\_the\_problem/sin\_gleton/print/">http://www.salon.com/2013/09/15/bill\_mckibben\_being\_green\_wont\_solve\_the\_problem/sin\_gleton/print/</a> Sunday, Sep 15, 2013.
- "Capitalism vs. the Climate" by Naomi Klein, *The Nation* <a href="http://www.thenation.com/article/164497/capitalism-vs-climate#">http://www.thenation.com/article/164497/capitalism-vs-climate#</a>, November 28, 2011.
- "Changes in Ecologically Critical Terrestrial Climate Conditions" by Noah Diffenbaugh and Christopher Field, *Science*, <a href="http://www.sciencemag.org/content/341/6145/486">http://www.sciencemag.org/content/341/6145/486</a>, August 2, 2013.
- "Examining the feasibility of converting New York State's all purpose energy infrastructure to one using wind, water and sunlight" by Mark Jacobson et al., *Energy Policy*, (as reported in, and downloadable from, *Stanford News*) <a href="http://news.stanford.edu/news/2013/march/new-york-energy-031213.html">http://news.stanford.edu/news/2013/march/new-york-energy-031213.html</a>, March 13, 2013.

## **Websites**

- Thomas Berry and the Earth Community, Passionist priest <a href="http://www.earth-community.org/bio.htm">http://www.earth-community.org/bio.htm</a>
- Physicians Scientists and Engineers for Healthy Energy <a href="http://www.psehealthyenergy.org/">http://www.psehealthyenergy.org/</a>
- Food and Water Watch, fracking and water issues especially, www.foodandwaterwatch.org
- Green Shadow Cabinet, Jill Stein, Green party presidential candidate heads this creative group studying political change across many issues, comprehensive big-picture, <a href="http://greenshadowcabinet.us/">http://greenshadowcabinet.us/</a>
- Center for Biological Diversity, local in Berkeley, focused on the critters, <a href="http://www.biologicaldiversity.org/">http://www.biologicaldiversity.org/</a>
- Global Exchange, local San Francisco, blend of political savy, social justice and ecological awareness, <a href="http://www.globalexchange.org/">http://www.globalexchange.org/</a>
- Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice, local and national, people-centered, <a href="http://greenaction.org/">http://greenaction.org/</a>

## <u>Films</u>

- "Gasland" (2010) and "Gasland 2" (2013) fracking Josh Fox
- "Do the Math" climate change, by 350.org, ##
- "Here Comes the Sun" (2008)# renewable energy and sustainable energy in Germany# http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mLHBFyfvK8A
- "World According to Monsanto"# agriculture, genetically modified foods, http://topdocumentaryfilms.com/the-world-according-to-monsanto/
- "Bidder 70" (2012) environmental civil disobedience by Beth and George Gage
- "A Fierce Green Fire" (2013)##\* by Mark Kitchell history/stories of the environmental movement <u>Airing Tuesday April 22<sup>nd</sup> (Earthday!) 9pm on KQED TV</u>
- # Available for free on the internet
- ## I have these movies. Contact me if you want to screen them.- donjaco@sbcglobal.net
- \* Available on Netflix streaming