



# The Climate Reality Project®

CAPITAL REGION, NY CHAPTER

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## Quote of the week:

*"We should start putting planet above profit. This is a fight not only for the people, but for our planet, which is suffering right now. It doesn't have a voice, so we must use our voices to help future generations and to help mitigate plastic use and what it's doing to our environment."*

*Isabelle Rowely, Siena student and Climate Reality leader, speaking at the Beyond Plastics rally and lobby Day, January 28, 2025*

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## Quick Action:

*Tell your State Assembly person and your Senator to Co-Sponsor and Support the GAP Fund! You'll see useful info at this link, which will allow you to contact your electeds in 20 seconds (or less!)*

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Hello everyone,

It's been a productive week for Climate Reality leaders! We turned out for the **Beyond Plastics** rally and lobby day on January 28th. Here's one photo, courtesy of Lexy P., who attended:



*The Million Dollar Staircase*

Br. Jacek, Izzy, and Grace, along with the Rev. Kathryn Beilke, from the mighty team from [Laudato Si' Center for Integral Ecology | Siena College](#) were also there. Enjoy this photo from them:



Check out this excellent youtube video they created: [New York Is Not Disposable Advocacy Day, January 28, 2025. - YouTube](#). The Siena folks maximized the value of their time by getting an article in the [Siena Scoop](#).

Are you interested in learning more about Beyond Plastics? In addition to all the great work they do, they offer a course at Bennington College, which is open to the public. You can learn more here: [Beyond Plastics | Bennington College](#)

Tim G., Paul F. and Suzie R. were also at the Capitol promoting the **Healthy Homes Right to Know** bill on January 28th. This bill would require gas stoves to be labelled with a health warning because they release toxins in people's homes. You may have seen Tim's excellent presentation on this at our chapter meeting and/or at the recent Climate Action Now party, which also got a great turnout by Climate Reality leaders, by the way.



*Assembly Member Cunningham, Dr Kathy Nolan, Tim Guinee, Gabe Gallucci (WeBridge Solutions), Gabe Recchio (Sierra Club Buffalo)*

Speaking of showing up, we had lots of climate leaders attend the Climate Action Now party, which more than 175 people attended to learn about the importance of the EV car incentives in the Inflation Reduction Act, and why it's so important to defend them. Here's a [recording](#) of that exceptionally informative event.

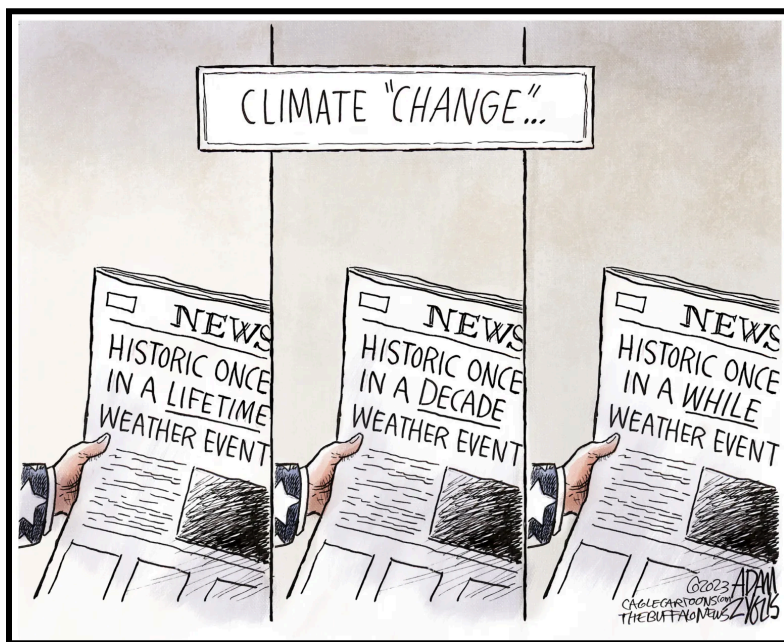
The **6th annual Climate Reality retreat** is coming up! It's at Ashokan, March 14th - 16th. If you are interested in attending, [please complete this short](#)

[pre-registration form](#). Note: pre-registration assists us with a general headcount but does not obligate you to register or attend.

Finally, here is former VP Al Gore speaking at the [World Economic Forum](#).

There is so much going on and so many different ways to get involved! We need everyone on deck. Click on the link above to see the **calendar of events**. You'll see related information as well as registration links. Please forward this newsletter on!

We leave you with this week's cartoon:



from *The Week*

Have a great week!

Your Climate Reality Capital Region team

