

Five Year Plan for Climate Activism

Personal

Retire May 31, 2023 from 34 years of teaching occupational therapy at UNE (University of New England)

Spend more time with and have longer, regular sessions with my 21 year old daughter

Grow more vegetables in my front yard

Use retirement money to install heat pumps and solar panels on our house

Do some watercolor painting

Spend more time with friends /family and talk more about climate and share RC

Spend more time with neighbors and try a climate potluck

Learn more French and Spanish; learn some German and Irish (my heritages)

Attend local Catholic Church more often to connect with Catholic Climate Leaders:

 Invite climatologist from Burundi and his family to my house for a meal

 Invite Citizen Climate Lobby leader and his family to my house for a meal

RC

Resume teaching ongoing weekly RC class for mostly females in their 20's and 30's, 3 of whom are Indigenous January 2023

 Play games in each class

 Have a land acknowledgement and climate moment in each class

 Have regular sessions with and support leadership of Indigenous students

 Have sessions with and support the development of leadership of each class member

 Focus on constituency work in discharging on the Unified Goal on the Climate in class

Begin role of Climate Emergency Coordinator for Catholics

 Gather Catholics at Climate Leaders and Elders and Climate Workshops

 Connect with Climate Emergency Coordinators in Maine (Mike Newsom, Coordinator for Elders, and Anna Shapley-Quinn, Coordinator for Maine Region) regularly

 Attend Climate Emergency Coordinator Discharge Groups

 Continue to back SAL work in Maine, particularly ally to young people work

Address Unified Goal on Climate as the Maine Parent Leader

Continue to organize workshops /gather ins for Catholics (Joanne Bray) and College and University Faculty (Ellie Brown/Barbara Love) and support discharge/action on ending racism and ending the climate emergency

Wide World

Continue to participate in Environmental Council at UNE – partner with other RC colleagues to share SAL with UNE faculty, students, and staff

Become active in Third Act (Bill McKibben's organization for retirees)

Consider becoming active again in Citizen's Climate Lobby (CCL) (was CCL liaison for Susan Collins prior to the pandemic)

Engage in legislative action in to support Indigenous Sovereignty in Maine

Learn more about potential development of lithium mining in Maine and support rational policies

Collaborate with Joanne Bray and other RC Catholics to connect with US Catholic leaders on Climate Change