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# Public Policy (Plus!) Calendar: May/June 2011

## **Events**

May 1 to June 17 AAUW National Elections

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### May 2011

Mon, 5/23

**5 PM,** U.C. Reapportionment Commission Meeting, U.C. Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, <u>ucrc@co.ulster.ny.us</u>, 845-340-3900, <u>http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/reapportionment</u>

**6 PM,** City of Kingston Candidate Forum hosted by WFP, City Hall, 420 Broadway, Kingston <u>http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=227345627279155</u>

7 PM, GASLAND, Student Lounge, Vanderlyn Hall, SUNY Ulster, 491 Cottekill Road, Stone Ridge

**Tues., 5/24, 7 PM,** *The Economics of Happiness,* **our Public Policy Film/Discussion this month,** Rosendale Theater, 408 Main Street, Rosendale. We'll hear from a chorus of voices from six continents, who tell us we need to *localize*, to bring the economy home. As we move in this direction, we'll begin to heal the earth and restore our own sense of well-being. This film challenges us to restore our faith in humanity and believe that it is possible to build a better world. Q&A afterward with filmmaker Steven Gorelick, the author of *Small is Beautiful, Big is Subsidized* and co-author of *Bringing the Food Economy Home*. **Suggested donation:** \$10 http://www.theeconomicsofhappiness.org/

#### Wed., 5/25

**6 PM, Forum on the potential for hydraulic fracturing in our region**, Student Lounge, Vanderlyn Hall, SUNY Ulster, 491 Cottekill Road, Stone Ridge. Speakers: Ronald E. Bishop, a lecturer in chemistry and biochemistry at SUNY Oneonta, and Scott Cline, consulting geologist/petroleum engineer. Moderator: Ulster County Legislator Brian Shapiro, Chairman of U.C. Govt. Operations & Environmental Services Committee

6 PM, Water at Risk: A Forum on Fracking, New York Society for Ethical Culture, 2 West 64th Street, NYC <a href="http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=126019364143648">http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=126019364143648</a>
 6:30 PM, GASLAND, St. John's Lutheran Church, 55 Wilbur Boulevard, Poughkeepsie

**Thurs., 5/26, 9:30 AM,** Public hearing, Health impacts of hydraulic fracturing techniques used in natural gas and oil drilling, Hamilton Hearing Room B, 2nd Floor, Legislative Office Building, Albany <a href="http://assembly.state.ny.us/comm/EnCon/20110512/">http://assembly.state.ny.us/comm/EnCon/20110512/</a>

**7 PM** ("happy hour", 8 PM: screening), *GASLAND*, with special guest: Marc Black, who will serenade us with his original anti-fracking song *No Fracking Way*, BEAHIVE, 291 Main Street, Beacon

Sat., 5/28, 10:30 AM, Silent Vigil for Global Peace & Non-Violence, Post Office, 90 Cornell St., Kingston

#### Mon,, 5/30 Memorial Day

#### Tues., 5/31 Last day (for postmark) to vote by "snail mail" in the AAUW National Elections

## June 2011

Wed., 6/1, 12:30 PM, Rally to Ban Fracking in front of Molinaro's office, 7578 Broadway (Rt.9), Red Hook 6 PM, Kingston City School District Board of Education: Monthly Meeting, 61 Crown Street, Kingston

Thurs., 6/2, 6:30 PM, Public Meeting on Indian Point: Tell the NRC What Really Matters, Colonial Terrace,119 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor<a href="http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=191081400937604">http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=191081400937604</a>

Sat., 6/4, 10:30 AM, Silent Vigil for Global Peace & Non-Violence, Post Office, 90 Cornell St., KingstonFirst Saturday art openings in Kingston<a href="http://www.kingston-ny.gov/content/56/default.aspx">http://www.kingston-ny.gov/content/56/default.aspx</a>8 PM, Too Much Information!, an evening of original monologues by local women, Rosendale Theater,408 Main Street, Rosendale, \$15http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/176415

Sun., 6/5, 4:30 PM, Anti-Fracking meeting & concert, Woodstock Community Center, 56 Rock City Road

Mon., 6/6, 9 AM, Branch Trip: Museum of Natural History (vvhlavsa@aol.com, 845-331-0155)Rally, lobby day, and concert in Albany to ban fracking in NYShttp://www.frackaction.com12:30 PM, Staying in Place meeting, Marbletown Community Center, 3564 Main St. (Rt.209), Stone Ridge

**Tues., 6/7, 10 AM** to **8 PM**, Library elections in Esopus, Kingston, ... **7 PM**, Films for Japan: A Disaster Relief Benefit, Rosendale Theater, 408 Main Street, Rosendale <u>http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=215355228488463</u>

**Sat., 6/11** and **Sun., 6/12**, *Training for Transition*, Lifebridge Sanctuary, Rosendale. A two-day workshop with trainers Tina Clarke and Sally Ludwig. Peak oil, climate change, and economic instability are critical challenges that affect us all. The quickly-spreading <u>Transition Town Movement</u> is meeting these challenges with new and refreshing insights on building local resiliency. Contact: <u>transitionmarbletown@gmail.com</u>

Sat., 6/11, 10:30 AM, Silent Vigil for Global Peace & Non-Violence, Post Office, 90 Cornell St., Kingston

Sun., 6/12, 5 PM, Potluck, film, & discussion (vvhlavsa@aol.com, 845-331-0155)

Tues., 6/14Flag Day3 PM, Board meeting, Community Room, Kingston Library, 55 Franklin Street, Kingston5 PM, Annual Branch Meeting and Picnic, ViVi Hlavsa's home (ruthdbean@gmail.com, 845-255-5752)

Wed., 6/15, 6 PM, Kingston School District Board of Education: Workshop Meeting, Kingston High School

6/16 to 6/19 AAUW National Convention, Washington, D.C. <u>convention.aauw.org/index.aspx</u>

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Sat., 6/18, 10:30 AM, Silent Vigil for Global Peace & Non-Violence, Post Office, 90 Cornell St., Kingston

Tues., 6/21, 1 PM, Book discussion, *The Last Report on the Miracles at Little No Horse* by Louise Erdrich, Community Room, Kingston Library, 55 Franklin Street, Kingston
7 PM, U.C. Legislature: Monthly Meeting, U.C. Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston

Thurs., 6/23, 8 AM, Branch Trip: Hispanic Society / Jewish Museum, (vvhlavsa@aol.com, 845-331-0155)

Fri., 6/24, 9 AM, Keeping Seniors in the Driver's Seat, Bus.Res.Center, Room 114, Ulster Ave., Kingston

Sat., 6/25, 10:30 AM, Silent Vigil for Global Peace & Non-Violence, Post Office, 90 Cornell St., Kingston