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The Climate Smart Task Force had, what we considered to be, a very successful PV Centennial Weekend.

Attached are reports submitted to the Task Force from two participating members and the results from the 58 surveys we collected.

We believe that the information we obtained from the weekend is not only valuable to the Task Force but can also be instrumental to the Town Board in moving the town forward in dealing with climate change and the obstacles you may encounter in the future.

The highlights of the weekend are concisely stated by Jean Curlee in her report and are as follows:

1. Many people did not know about our Climate Smart group, were interested and some actually wanted to become a member or help as a volunteer.
2. Apartment dwellers would like to do composting, but don’t because they don’t have anywhere to do it. There is no Community Composting in Pleasant Valley. However, we are working on that initiative.
3. A Repair Café is wanted and needed in Pleasant Valley.
4. Community Composting is needed in Pleasant Valley.
5. The Plastic Problem is everywhere, people are aware, most want to help, but don’t know what to do about it.
6. People are concerned about Climate Change, want more information, want to help, but don’t think they can do much.

We also think that the results of the survey can give you an insight into what a portion of the town is thinking about.

To give you an idea:

72% of respondents are concerned about climate change

98% recycle

79% would compost if convenient

33% use the transfer station

93% want a secure water source in town

Overall, it was an enlightening experience to chat with the residents and feel their enthusiasm to recycle and compost and the desire to learn more.

We appreciate the passing of the resolution last month that allowed us to engage and educate the residents with your support. We hope to do more events in the future such as Composting 101 at the library on October 19th 6-8PM and are actively working on bringing a repair café to town and community composting. We will keep you advised on our future engagement and educational activities.

Thank you