

Living Earth

Gatherings for Deep Change

Powerdown Circles Schedule of Topics

Tuesday February 7

Facing the End of Oil: Fear of the Future

What are our fears of the volatile uncertainty, instability, and radical change facing our culture and the world in the coming years? And what are the possibilities we can help shape as change unfolds?

Tuesday February 14

Home and Hearth

What are the likely impacts on our personal patterns and ways of living? How will our choices be affected, and what tools, information, and skills do we need to develop?

Tuesday February 21

Economic and Financial Prospects

Both for individuals and society, what will happen to jobs, savings, investments, and to our ability to produce and procure goods and services? Can we re-design the goals and methods of our economic activities?

Tuesday February 28

Bread and Water

How can we ensure adequate, fair supplies and distribution of food and potable water, so crucial to simple survival and cultural well-being?

Tuesday March 7

Civic and Democratic Institutions

What are the possible impacts on civic stability and cooperation, and how do we ensure that power is held by the people to maintain our Constitutional rights and liberties?

Tuesday March 21

Awareness and Action

What is required to foster the necessary evolution in consciousness—individual as well as collective—that will support a creative, cooperative, and practical transformation of our culture?

Tuesday April 4

Care for the Community

Simple medical services will become less available, and our health care and human services systems will need to change dramatically if we hope to meet continuing and emerging needs.

Tuesday April 18

Getting from Here to There (literally)

Our contemporary lifestyles, both urban and rural, are built on cheap fuels and easy mobility. That dependence on mobility will make this transition especially challenging. How can we adapt our urban planning and models of transportation, what systems adjustments are necessary to transition to a radically reduced level of mobility for goods, services, and people?

Tuesday May 2

Building Bridges

How can we broach this subject with family and friends who don't want to think about the end of oil or deny the issue entirely, or open conversation with those who are "bunkering down"?

Tuesday May 16

Localization

Realistic steps we can begin taking to build community connections, strengthen our local farm base, develop neighborhood networks, establish local currencies, support a localized economy, and more.