

Siyo and greetings Crafters’,

Here for all of us that made it through the year and for all the ones that didn’t.

The Gregorian calendar year of 2021 brought change and growth in ways, much of it forced and much by choice. For me coming here to tell you all the things we did really doesn’t mean much with so much left to do. I do want to bring folks up to speed on what we did this year to steer us in the direction of the changes and mutual futures we look for, and we honor those who threw down this year.

While Fermi 2 and the waste stored on-site is still a threat and a literal danger to us here in SE Michigan and the Great Lakes area, we have been building the coalition, community, and capacity we will need to transform our vision. A Great Lakes free from radioactive wastes and full of renewable and alternative energy. This path not only consists of regulatory intervention but also the public and their knowledge of the issue and solutions and what they feel supported in doing and doing with it.

One was our presence on the web, we needed an online home for folks to land when we aren’t available or just to be available all the time. We have that, our website is always being updated and in early 2022 there will be expansion and addition in the form of advocacy tools and info links. The blog is an opportunity as well to get the messages and updates out, that will be a treat in the year to come as well. This last year, an Instagram and Craft page were created to add to the Facebook group (which doubled). Loads of content were dispersed and shared on all the outlets with a CRAFT presence. With proper planning we hope to have this network firing and up to date on the regular by this summer. We would love support and ideas and folks to get down on these things with us.

Another year passed, and another year of our newsletter delivered every month on time with quality reporting, stories, and information. There is something happening daily involving Fermi 2, DTE, nukes, Renewable Energy, our general safety and social well-being and our newsletter is an honest representation of that. The news comes from daily NRC monitoring, back and forth communications and an ever-watchful eye for mostly unseen things.

We worked in coalition on national, state, and local levels to enhance relationship and communication as well as policy building to build for the future. Lobbying for clean green energy and jobs attempting to oust nuclear energy from it. This will continue to unfold in 2022 and beyond.

All a good year but honors go to the folks throwing down, Jim Sherman, Jessie Collins, True Earth, Wanda Hess, Michael Keegan, Rita Mitchell, Ian Tran, Imah Oturdor, Anishinabek Caucus (folks helped, showed up and organized with us), North American Indian Association of Detroit (NAIA) too. The Michigan Environmental Justice Coalition (MEJC), Beyond Nuclear and Nuclear Information Resource Services (NIRS) for their support and resources. There’s many more who supported mentally, spiritually, and physically, too many to name. Hats off to all, here’s to time to come.

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