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THREE MILE ISLAND

ALERT

JANUARY

1985

315 Peffer Street; Harrisburg, PA 17102

TELEPHONE: 717-233-3072

NRC says

"IT IS LIKELY WE MAY VOTE DURING FEBRUARY TO RESTART TMI UNIT I."

TMIA will charter a bus(s) for the area residents who wish to attend the next NRC Commissioners meeting were TMI Unit I restart will be fully discussed and direction given to their legal counsel for the drawing of the final order.

Bus tickets will be \$10.00. Please phone the TMIA office (233-7897) upon hearing the announcement of the date via the local media. If you have questions, do not hesitate to phone the office during week-day working hours.

IT'S TIME FOR ACTION!

WRITE and PHONE your elected officials.

Elected officials must apply visable pressure on the NRC Commission Commissioners and demand that the results of the recent NRC hearings be examined as well as initiating full hearings on the Unit 2 leak rate falsifications (GPU PLEAD GUILTY IN FEDERAL COURT - 1984) and Unit I leak rate falsifications.

Senators Arlen Specter & John Heinz, U.S. Senate, Wash. D.C., 20510
Local phone Specter, 782-3951 ; Heinz, 233-5849

Congressmen George Gekas, Wm. Goodling & Robert Walker, House of Representatives, Wash. D.C. 20515

Local Phone Gekas, 232-5123; Goodling, 843-8887

Governor Dick Thornburgh, Main Capitol Bldg., Harrisburg, Pa., 17120
Phone 787-2500 or 787-5962

NRC Commissioners Nunzio Palladino, Chairman; Fredrick Bernthal; Lando Zech; Thomas Roberts; and James Asselstine; Wash. D.C., 20555. Phone Chairman Palladino at 202-634-1481.

FUNDRAISING

**** COME TO THE TMIA VALENTINE PARTY FEBRUARY 15th !!!!!**

Thanks to those who have contributed to TMIA for the costs involved in the NRC intervention effort. Louise Bradford, Joanne Doroshov and Lynne Bernabie are doing a great job! The York, Lancaster and Middletown anti-restart TMI groups (YEA, SVA & PANE) have raised and donated \$1300 to TMIA that will be used for the February 1st payment due to GAP (Government Accountability Project).

**** HOUSE MEETINGS** Cherie Fredrick is the TMIA person working to help set up house meetings for the purpose of fundraising and information sharing. VOLUNTEER TO HAVE A MEETING IN YOUR HOME ---CALL THE OFFICE.

VALENTINE'S

to BENEFIT
TMI Alert

DANCE

Friday Feb. 15
8:30 p.m. — 1:00 a.m.



with Harrisburg's own
»DEWEY-----
and the
-----DECIBELS«
"good time
rock &
roll"

at the
CIVIC CLUB
612 N. Front St., Hbg.

REFRESHMENTS
& FREE BEER!

»Tickets — \$6 at the
door or in advance —
From TMI Alert — 233-7897

***** PLEASE DONATE AT LEAST \$2.00 to TMIA for the enclosed RAFFLE TICKETS.

Additional tickets are available at the TMIA office and at the
Valentine Party. Mail your stubs and tickets to TMIA, 315, Packer St.

THREE MILE ISLAND

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FEBRUARY

MARCH

1985

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THREE MILE ISLAND ALERT IS THE RESIDENTS INTERVENOR BEFORE THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ON THE ISSUES OF GPU MANAGEMENT COMPETENCE, OPERATOR TRAINING, AND STEAM GENERATORS AT UNIT 1.

*** The TMI Unit 1 restart hearings (held Nov., Dec., Jan.) have provided the first public forum for discussion of this startling new information and its implications not only in terms of TMI -1 restart, but in terms of the honesty and integrity of the federal regulators charged with protecting the public health and safety from nuclear hazards. For the first time hard evidence of intentional reporting failures by GPU officials during the accident, and of a subsequent cover-up by the company and the NRC has come to light.

The intervening parties have submitted detailed findings to the Atomic, Safety & Licensing 3 member Panel. The A.S.& L. Panel is currently reviewing the findings and will soon submit a "decision" to the Nuclear Regulatory Commissioners.

*** Recently GPU has requested the NRC not require plugging for steam generator tubes where degradation up to 70 percent has occurred for cracks or pits less than one-eighth of the circumference of the tube. TMIA, as the result of a motion to reopen the steam tube record, is scheduled to make an hour presentation to the NRC Atomic, Safety & Licensing Appeal Board Panel on April 3rd in Bethesda, Maryland.

*** TMIA MUST NEVER REOPEN ! Write and phone the Governor, your Senators and Congressman immediately . TMIA is preparing to appeal the NRC Order of February 25th but your lobbying is essential.

TOGETHER WE CAN stop the restart

THREE MILE ISLAND ALERT
315 Pepper Street
Harrisburg, PA 17102



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A RED X MARKS OVERDUE MEMBERSHIP

TIME FOR ACTION!

DETAILS OF
6th YEAR
ANNIVERSARY
ACTIVITIES
ENCLOSED.

TMIA FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1984

INCOME

Memberships	\$ 3,953.00
Donations	8,624.50
Sales	1,242.94
Interest Earned	43.23
Picnic	54.89
Bus Trip	137.87
Christmas Party	137.00

	\$14,193.43

EXPENSES

Professional Consultant	\$ 6,405.25
Printing	1,222.15
Postage	1,232.44
Rent	630.00
Telephone	1,186.33
Office Expenses	398.98
Subscription	62.00
Travel	45.10
Purchases	564.73
Christic	899.86
Sound system rental	25.00
G.A.P.	1,200.00

	\$13,871.84
Gain	321.59

	\$14,193.43



ANNOUNCING

March 27 and 28
Wednesday and Thursday

March 28th
YOU ARE NEEDED!

April 3, Wednesday

April 2 and 16
Tuesday evening

April 11, Thursday

VOTE TO RESTART COULD COME AT ANY TIME DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL.

PHONE THE TMIA OFFICE FOR DETAILS OF BUS TRIP TO NRC OFFICES
IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND OTHER PLANNED ACTIVITIES.

April 27, Saturday

SEE ENCLOSED FLYER FOR DETAILS OF 6th Year
ANNIVERSARY ACTIVITIES. This newsletter
has been sent first class so you can
make plans to participate. All Hbg.
activities are being coordinated out of
the TMIA office. Call for info. 233-3072.

Call Brian at the office if you can
help leaflet at the Vigil between 11am -
1pm or 3:45pm - 5:15pm.

Oral argument by TMIA on motion to re-
open the record on Steam Generator Repair
at 10am in front of the NRC, ASLB Appeal
Board in Bethesda, Maryland. Phone the
office for details if you can attend.

TMIA Planning Council meets at the
Friends Meetinghouse, 7:30pm, 6th &
Herr Streets, Harrisburg.

TMI Advisory Panel on the Decontamination
of Unit 2 meets at the Holiday Inn, 2nd &
Chestnut Sts., Hbg., 7 pm. Public invited.

RONNIE GILBERT in concert presented by
the Harrisburg Women's Center, 8pm at the
Forum, Hbg. Tickets \$7.00 in advance.
Phone 233-4004 for details.

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PLEASE REVIEW THE ENCLOSED 1984 FINANCIAL REPORT. RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP IMMEDIATELY. YOUR DONATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL IF TMIA
IS TO CONTINUE THE LEGAL BATTLE. **You Are TMIA!**

TMIA ACTIVITIES: 3 House Meetings have been held with promising results.
We will continue to hold House Meetings during April & May and invite
you to schedule one in your home. Call Kay at the office (233-3072)
or Cherie Fredrick at 238-6980. The Speakers Bureau has had requests
from a local church and Kiwanis groups. TMIA had a table at the East
Mall March 8th & 9th and gathered 400 petition signatures.

I WANT TO SUPPORT TMIA's LEGAL EFFORT TO KEEP TMI UNIT 1 CLOSED!

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

Intervention Fund Contribution: _____ \$10 _____ \$20 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____
(Checks in the amount of \$50 or more can be made payable to the
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_____ \$25 Non-profit Organization _____ \$100 Patron
_____ \$ 5 Low income, Student _____ \$200 Club Member
_____ \$5 Non-member Newsletter Subscription

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN TO: TMIA, 315 Peffer St., Hbg., Pa., 17102



LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!



*Commemorate the Sixth Anniversary of the
Accident at Three Mile Island.*

SPAGHETTI DINNER on the 27th 6:30pm

(includes salad & rolls)

---Raffle Drawing---

Music Entertainment by

▶ DOUG MORRIS - E'town

▶ "KIN" - Perry county

donation-\$3 Messiah Lutheran Church
6th & Forster



Anniversary Vigil at Federal Bldg.

4 a.m. ceremony - Thursday, 28th
3rd & Walnut St.



RALLY at Capitol Steps

- noon - Thursday, 28th

Speakers include:

▶ Senator John Shumaker - state senator

▶ Robert Pollard - union of concerned scientists

▶ Majorie Aamodt - local intervenor

and other special guests

rain location: Strawberry Sq.

FAST May 18, 1985

A 24 hour fast should include plenty of liquids, fruit juices and medication regularly taken. Eat high fiber and bulk foods when breaking the fast, consult your doctor if you have medical questions.

Make Your Vote Count Write and Phone:

GOVERNOR DICK THORNBURGH
LT. GOVERNOR BILL SCRANTON
Phone: 787-2500 or 1-800-932-0784
Write: Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120

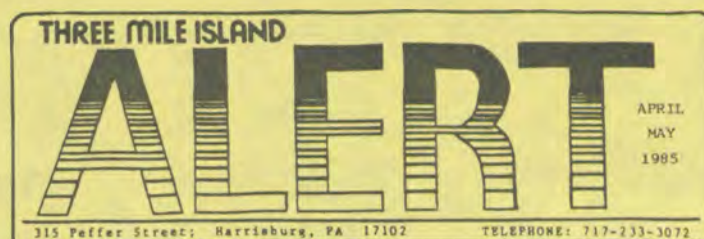
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Chairman Nunzio Paladino (202) 634-1481
Commissioner Lando Zech (202) 634-1461
Commissioner Fredrick Bernthal (202) 634-3323
Commissioner James Asselstine (202) 634-3308
Commissioner Thomas Roberts (202) 634-1459

Write: N.R.C. Washington, D.C. 20555

SENATOR JOHN HEINZ
Phone: 233-5849 or (202) 224-6324

SENATOR ARLEN SPECTER
Phone: 782-3951 or (202) 224-4254

Write: U.S. Senate - Washington, D.C. 20510



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**TIME FOR
ACTION!**

DETAILS OF
MAY 18th
CAMPAIGN
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A RED X INDICATES OVERDUE MEMBERSHIP

STOP TMI RESTART

"FAST"
MAY 18, 1985



On **May 18, 1982** the citizens of 3 counties voted overwhelmingly to keep Three Mile Island shut forever.

A DAY OF SOLIDARITY

May 18, 1985 - Saturday
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Gather - Riverfront Park, Harrisburg (Walnut St. area)
(In case of rain - CITY GOVERNMENT CENTER, Market Square)

Music
Open mike, speak-out
Poetry

Fruit juices & water available
Banner signing
Literature table

PLEDGE TO FAST

I pledge to fast on **May 18, 1985** and demand that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission respect the majority will of Central Pennsylvanians.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Donation _____

Return to: TMI Alert

315 Peffer Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102 - Phone 233-7897

JUN 21 1985

THREE MILE ISLAND

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JUNE
JULY
1985

315 Peffer Street; Harrisburg, PA 17102

TELEPHONE: 717-233-3072

Dear members and supporters,

June 17, 1985

What a wonderful milestone !!

We have been successful in winning a stay to keep TMI Unit 1 shut until the 3 judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit issues a decision sometime after oral argument is heard June 27th.

We expect the appeals court to vacate the NRC's recent restart order, to remove Chairman Ivan Smith from the NRC Licensing Board hearing the TMI case because of his demonstrated bias, and to order new hearings into plant safety and GPU's management integrity. Member intervenors Louise Bradford and Joanne Doroshow, Esq. are currently being assisted by Lynne Bernabie, Esq. and George Shohet, Esq. of the Government Accountability Project, Wash. D.C.

We have also succeeded in getting Governor Thornburgh to join in appealing the NRC restart proceeding. The Union of Concerned Scientist and Marjorie & Norman Aamodt have also filed petitions with the Court. Currently TMIA is the lone area group representing Central Pennsylvania residents.

Please continue your support by giving a generous financial contribution.

In the next 6 months we must raise a minimum of \$10,000 for court costs alone. Additionally, thousands more must be raised to maintain an office so public outreach and political lobbying can continue.

TOGETHER WE MUST KEEP TMI CLOSED.

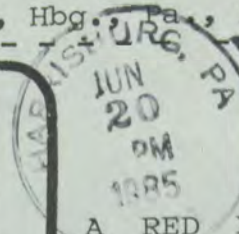
TMIA Planning Council

Vera Stuchinski, Chairperson

TEAR OFF FORM ON REVERSE SIDE
AND MAIL WITH YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO: TMIA, 315 Peffer St., Hbg., Pa., 17102

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PICNIC

Everyone Is Invited to Join
the Fun!

Sunday, July 21st
(rain or shine)

Noon till dark
at

Camp Reily

Activities Include:

- Volleyball tournament 2 p.m. (signup at 1:30 p.m.)
- Swimming all afternoon
- Greased watermelon contest
- Tennis, Hiking, Softball

LIVE MUSIC

6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Rock, Blues and Country Rock

- Pot-luck picnic supper at the lodge - 5 p.m.
- Bring food to share - Fruit drink & beer provided
- Pitfire available for grilling - outdoor and indoor tables
- Requested donation \$4.00 per person or \$10.00 per family

Directions: Camp Reily is the Hbg. YWCA day camp located just north of Harrisburg. Take Rt. 322/22(W) (which is accessible from Rt. 81 or Cameron St. or Front St., north out of Harrisburg.) Turn right on to Rt. 443 (Fort Hunter will be to the left) and go about 1/2 to 3/4 of a mile. Look for the Camp Reily sign on the right and make a **LEFT TURN** into the entrance driveway.

Sponsored by: THREE MILE ISLAND ALERT, INC.

315 Pepper Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102 Phone 233-7897

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--- Tear off and return to: TMIA, 315 Pepper St., Hbg., Pa., 17102 ---

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Here is my tax deductible donation to 'TMI Legal Fund'

_____ \$15 _____ \$20 _____ \$50 _____ \$75 _____ \$100

TMIA membership: _____ \$15 Regular membership [#]5 Low Income
_____ \$50 Sustaining member  _____ \$5 Non-member newsletter sub.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE FUTURE OF THREE MILE ISLAND!

Concerned Mothers and Women need your help to put democracy in action. United, we can "claim" our Freedom, Democracy and Justice.

Send a post card or letter to each of the following:

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan,

Public health and safety must be the highest priority for a safe energy future. A Three Mile Island restart is intolerable.

Sincerely,

Governor Richard Thornburgh
225 Main Capital Building
Harrisburg, Pa. 17120

Dear Governor Thornburgh,

Thank you for representing the citizens of Pennsylvania by working to establish justice at T.M.I. A Three Mile Island restart is intolerable.

Sincerely,

Your Religious Leader

Dear.....,

As a concerned citizen opposed to the restart at Three Mile Island, please pray that our Government Leaders and Court Judges are guided by God's Will in T.M.I. issues for a safe energy future.

Sincerely,

PASS THE WORD AND TELL A FRIEND

Fellow Pennsylvanians.....

Fly your flag, showing you put democracy in action. As we celebrate Independence Day, we can live with the hope that, together, Washington Government understands that American citizens expect and demand a safe energy future.....learning from Three Mile Island.....so that we may, truly, have LIBERTY and JUSTICE FOR ALL!

Concerned Mothers and Women
P.O. Box 681
Middletown, Pa. 17057-0681

THREE MILE ISLAND

ALERT

August
September
1985

315 Peffer Street; Harrisburg, PA 17102

TELEPHONE: 717-233-3072

"Harvest Evening"

WARM SPRINGS LODGE, LANDISBURG

SUNDAY OCT. 20th ... 4-10 PM

Costume Theme (COSTUMES OPT.)

"The Good Old Days" ...



LIVE MUSIC BY WELL KNOWN
LOCAL MUSICIANS

HOMEMADE SOUP, BREAD &
BEVERAGES PROVIDED ... BRING
A POT LUCK DISH TO SHARE
#500 DONATION, TO BENEFIT TMI ALERT ...
FOR TICKETS & INFO ... CALL TMIA 233-7897

Directions: Follow Rt. 850 West from Marysville to 34 North at
Shermansdale.....continue on 34 N for 2 miles to
850 W and bear left at the Yfollowing signs
for Landisburg. Watch for Warm Springs Lodge signs.

SUPPORT TMIA FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES \$\$\$\$\$

\$ House Meeting organizer Cherie Friedrich has announced a schedule of
Fall gatherings beginning: October 3rd, Thursday, Lakeside Lutheran
Church, Green & Division Streets, Hbg., 7 to 9 pm. Come and bring a
friend; the new video presentation will start at 7:15pm. Phone Kay
Pickering at the office (2337897) or Cherie (238-6980) to arrange a
house meeting of your own.

\$ TMI Legal Fund needs volunteers to help prepare mailings. TMIA is
assisting and the following members have set Wednesday, October 2nd, 7pm,
as a time for volunteers to gather at their home and assist with the
preparation of the mailing: John & Betsy Robinson, 203 Edward St., Hbg.,
and Marcy Winters, RD 1, Loysville, Phone 789-3544. HELP HELP!

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IMMEDIATELY

LISTED BELOW ARE SOME FLAWS (assumptions) WITH THE LOCAL EVACUATION PLANS. PLEASE WRITE TO THE OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES BELOW AND LET THEM KNOW THAT YOU FEEL EVACUATION FROM THE AREA IS UNWORKABLE AND UNREALISTIC. REQUEST NON-PARTICIPATION IN THE NOVEMBER 20th drill at TMI BY COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS.

Gov. Dick Thornburgh
Main Capitol Bldg.
Hbg., Pa., 17120
1-800-932-0784

Pa. Dept. of Agriculture
2301 N. Cameron St.
Hbg., Pa., 17110

Your Local
municipality
and
school district

Norman Hetrick, Ch.
County Commissioners
Dauphin County Courthouse
Front & Market Sts.
Hbg., Pa., 17101
Phone: 255-2740

Lancaster County Commissioners
50 N. Duke Street
Lancaster, Pa., 17602
Phone: 299-8300

York County Courthouse, York, Pa., 17401, Phone: 848-3301

Lebanon County Commissioners, Municipal Bldg., Leb., Pa., 17402
Phone: 274-2801

1. Evacuation plans for school children are incomplete and don't include contingencies in case bus drivers don't show up, in case children from the same family are bused to different relocation center, and in case children experience mental trauma.

Also note that an informal random survey conducted by the SVA in the summer of 1983 found that 85.4% of parents would not allow their children to be taken to a separate relocation center.

2. There are no specific plans for evacuation of the elderly, the handicapped and the blind.

3. Farmers are classified as emergency workers and will be permitted to remain during an accident. To date farmers have no insurance for loss of livestock or crops, and have had no instruction in using dosimeters or potassium iodine for their own protection.

4. Presently the chain of communications starts with GPU. Considering their past history and previous handling of the accident of 1979 it is imperative that an evacuation order be initiated by an independent agency. It is naive to assume that this utility will disseminate information quickly, clearly and honestly.

5. Evacuation routes are unrealistic at best and could turn into major problems. The main evacuation route for Lancaster County, Route 30, in normal times is considered a traffic hazard; in emergency conditions it could be total chaos. For Harrisburg Route 11/15 is a major route and is equally as congested and hazardous as Route 30.

Also note that evacuation in the summer, when tourism is in full swing in Hershey, Lancaster & Hbg. would be close to impossible.

6. There is no public information campaign to inform the public about the mechanics of evacuation. In the same SVA survey 67.4% of those polled said they would evacuate yet 62.9% said they wouldn't know where to go or who to listen to.

7. On February 8, 1984, the Federal Emergency Management Agency reported that Lancaster and Dauphin Counties are ill prepared to adequately protect residents in the event of a nuclear emergency at TMI. The agency cited five major deficiencies and dozens of minor failures in the performance of those counties' officials in a November 16, 1983, emergency preparedness drill. The report also stated that there were shortcomings in York County as well.

8. EVACUATION PLANS ARE IN PLACE FOR "HIGH RISK" AREAS ONLY, OR AREAS WITHIN THE 10 MILE RADIUS OF TMI. THE PLAN ASSUMES THAT ONLY 50% OF THE POPULATION IN THIS AREA WILL EVACUATE. THERE IS NO PLAN INTACT FOR PEOPLE LIVING IN THE SO-CALLED "LOW-RISK" AREAS, OR AREAS 20 to 50 MILES FROM TMI. It is folly to believe that some imaginary steel curtain exists exactly 10 miles from TMI. But for this reason the cities of Harrisburg, Lancaster and York are without evacuation plans.

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THREE MILE ISLAND

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October
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November

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TMIA MEMBER, LAUREN TAYLOR, VISITS WEST GERMANY AT THE INVITATION OF THE GREEN PARTY

If I reduce my recent week-long visit to West Germany into one sentence, it is: we are not fighting alone. I left Harrisburg to attend this conference in Munich 2 days after the restart of Three Mile Island Unit 1. I felt personally defeated and mad enough to spit. Combined with intense frustration and a raging paranoia that in my absence another accident would occur and my children wouldn't be evacuated in time, I flew out of JFK airport thinking I should be heading for a sanitarium, not a situation that required a sane representative of Central Pennsylvania.

When I arrived, I found that Germany is having nuclear nightmares of its own. The conference, organized by the Green Party, addressed nearly all nuclear issues, but focused on the environmental and health dangers of radioactive releases, waste and reprocessing. Their issue of concern is the imminent construction of a reprocessing plant in Wackersdorf, a forrest about 200 miles N.E. of Munich surrounded by farms and small towns. The government and the nuclear industry want to destroy an entire forrest to construct the plant. Members of the Green Party and various anti-nuclear groups hold a constant vigil (24-hour) at the site, waiting for the bulldozers. All through the forrest are trees attached with papers bearing the names of the "godparent" of that tree. Each person will chain themselves to the tree bearing their name when the bulldozers come. They say, "One person can't save a whole forrest but they can save one tree". Their determined commitment was sobering.

During the week, I spoke in several small towns near Wackersdorf. At both the conference and these towns, I met many people from all over Europe. They remember Three Mile Island and they care about us. In Cherbonne, France they hold a vigil every March 28th to remember that no nuke is safe and they pray for our health.

According to George Pritchard of Greenpeace (also speaking at the conference) after seeing "We Are the Guinea Pigs", a documentary about the accident made in 1980, the people of a small town in Great Britian, successfully prevented a nuke from being built.

There are so many things I learned and could tell you now, but for the sake of brevity I'll simply express the message of hope the folks over there asked me to pass on to all of you: We all live on one planet. We each fight battles in the same war. Here, our struggle is neither unique or finished. They wish us to take strength in knowing our efforts are supported and of interest to people all over the world.

Lauren Taylor

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Public Meeting

Topic: RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING SYSTEM AROUND TMI...

Comments By: BERND FRANKE - SENIOR RESEARCH SCIENTIST - INSTITUTE FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH - HEIDELBERG, GERMANY

Date: NOV. 20, 1985 - WEDNESDAY TIME: 7:15 P.M.

Place: HARRISBURG FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE - 6th & HERR STS. - HARRISBURG, PA.

TMIA IS SPONSORING A POT-LUCK MEAL AT 6:15 PM WITH BEVERAGES PROVIDED. THE PUBLIC AND TMIA MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO BRING A SALAD, MAIN COURSE OR DESSERT TO SHARE.

A SHORT BUSINESS MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING COUNCIL WILL BE HELD. The following individuals have served a 1 year term and are eligible for reelection: Joel Roth, Charlie Leising, Vera Stuchinski and Randy Smedley. ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS ARE REQUESTED: phone Kay at the office with suggestions (233-7897). Any member is eligible to serve on the Planning Council for a 1 year term. VOLUNTEER TODAY !

THREE MILE ISLAND ALERT FORMS MONITORING COMMITTEE

TMIA has established the first area-wide citizens radiation monitoring committee designed specifically to examine current problems with radiation monitoring around Three Mile Island.

The committee will explore how local residents can become directly involved in individual monitoring around the plant, how improvements can be made to current monitoring programs, and how citizens can become involved with the monitoring activities of the "Three Mile Island Public Health Fund". In addition, the group will examine the need for a local county ordinance to control radioactive air emissions from TMI.

TMIA's project will involve local residents from all area groups, as well as those not affiliated with any particular organization. TMIA encourages anyone interested to contact the TMIA office for more information. Phone (717) 233-7897.



ANNOUNCING

Holiday Party

DECEMBER 27, 1985

9PM at the CIVIC CLUB

FRONT AND NORTH STS., HBG.

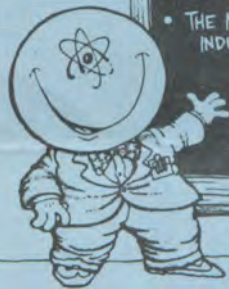
THREE MILE ISLAND RESTART

FOR:

- THE NUCLEAR INDUSTRY

AGAINST:

- GOVERNOR THORNBURGH
- SENATOR HEINZ
- SENATOR SPECTER
- THE PENNSYLVANIA SENATE
- THE MAYOR OF HARRISBURG
- THE CITY COUNCIL OF HARRISBURG



"DEMOCRACY IN ACTION!"

Tuesday, November 19, 9:15pm Candlelight Vigil to pray for the Geneva Summit, led by William Sloane Coffin at Camp Hill Methodist Church, 417 S. 22nd St., Camp Hill.

Sunday, December 8, 2:00 pm a Town Meeting sponsored by TMI Citizens for Justice at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament social Hall, 3rd & Woodbine Sts, Hbg. Exploring all the facets of justice-injustice surrounding the TMI issues and looking at alternatives for securing decent, safe & secure living.

PURCHASE 1986 Peace Calendar at the TMIA office. "Carry It On" is only \$7 and helps raise money for TMIA. The calendar makes a great gift!

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THIRTEEN CONVICTED IN RESTART PROTEST

Eric Epstein

On October 2, 1985, by an 8-1 vote, the U.S. Supreme Court denied TMI Alert's request to stay the restart of Three Mile Island Unit 1. Later in the day the Governor refused to intervene, instead he opted to support GPU "in order to ensure the safe operation and production of nuclear power at TMI." With all other avenues exhausted, approximately 50 protesters braved the cold and rain, five hours after the Supreme Court vote was announced, to gather across from the TMI north gate. Sixteen people crossed the road to stand in front of the closed gate and eventually were arrested for "obstructing a public utility right of way," a summary offense.

These protesters have decided to utilize the justification defense whereby: an actor is legally permitted to break the law if the harm he/she is trying to prevent is greater than the harm he/she creates. Obviously, blocking the entrance to the north gate at TMI is substantially less of a risk/danger to the public than the generation of nuclear power by a convicted felon (GPU was convicted in Federal Court of leak-rate falsification at TMI Unit 2).

Further given the degraded condition of the steam tubes/steam generators at Unit 1, restart posed, and poses, an immediate threat to the health and safety of surrounding communities. Yet, given the fact that all other legal avenues were closed and that the danger was clear and imminent, those who have appeared for their individual hearings (13) at the District Justice office in Middletown have been found guilty, given the way the court system has handled the restart case and previous arrests it is unclear if any of the protesters will appeal. (Note: Three of the 76 people arrested on May 29, 1985, the day the NRC voted to restart Unit 1, have dropped their appeals in Dauphin County Court. None are appealing.)

Those arrested October 2, 1985: Eric Epstein, Kay Pickering, John Robinson, Gene Stilp, Dan Welliver, Steve Oliphant, Roxanne Harpster, Josh Hooper, Tony Eisman, Barbara Schultz, Julie Hoskins, Joyce Corradi, Betty Chevey, Linda Braasch, Wendy Smith, and Cherie Friedrich. Although the District Justice found the protesters guilty as charged, he did not impose a fine. They will each pay \$25.00 for costs incurred by the court.

DOWNRIVER FOLKS OPPOSE WATER DUMPING

GPU has not yet addressed how it intends to dispose of 860,000 gallons of decontaminated, but slightly radioactive, water now stored on the island. The NRC has already said the water could not be permanently stored on site and Lancaster County Congressman Robert Walker believes an amendment he attached to an Energy Department appropriation bill in 1981 "effectively stops anyone from dumping that water, ever" into the Susquehanna River. GPU, though they would prefer to dump it, won't be making a proposal until next year and nothing is expected to happen with the water until 1987.

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RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING COMMITTEE

by Cherie Friedrich

This committee has met twice to discuss the kind of monitoring that now exists. Our next meeting will be December 4 at 4:45 p.m. at the EPA office in Middletown with Dr. Bill Kirk. The following work is being done:

Cherie Friedrich will be checking the Reuter-Stokes print-outs at the Dauphin County Emergency Management Office on a regular basis. Joanne Doroshow is writing grant proposals for a radiation monitoring workshop and to support the work of this committee. Debbie Davenport, Urban Nissel and Ray Martin are checking different sources who produce radiation monitoring equipment.

There is a lot of work to be done by this committee and we must have direction when Bernd Franke's report is released in the early spring so we can effectively lobby for needed change. Join us by phoning Cherie Friedrich (238-6980) or Kay Pickering (233-7897).

PIRC PHONELESS, BUT NOT HOMELESS

The office belongings that furnished and filled the shelves at the TMI Public Interest Resource Center are now housed at TMIA, 315 Pepper Street, Harrisburg. PIRC's phone line (233-4241), however, has been disconnected and TMIA will now serve the resource function to the media, students, writers and interested citizens. TMIA can be reached at (717)233-7897.

COURT ASKED TO REVOKE GPU LICENSES

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia has been asked to strip GPU Nuclear of licenses to operate TMI and the Oyster Creek nuclear power plants. The suit, filed by TMIA, New Jersey SANE, state Sen. John Shumaker, state Rep. Peter Wambach, and Dauphin County Commissioner Lawrence Hochendoner, argues that the license should be revoked as the company lacks the requisite character for operating the plants. This is the same court that revoked an emergency request to revoke the licenses while the NRC was considering the TMI restart.

HOUSE MEETING UPDATE

by Cherie Friedrich

Four house meetings were held this fall. the first one on the day after restart. Our emphasis has changed from a concentrated effort to raise funds to informational update and membership drive. We are showing our excellent 20 minute video tape with a verbal presentation.

We still do need funds for our legal efforts though, and any contributions are greatly appreciated. If you would like to host an informational house meeting (an attendance of ten to twenty persons is desirable) please call Cherie Friedrich at 238-6980 or Kay Pickering at the TMIA office at 233-7897.

Our thanks to Greg Harbaugh and Sandra Choma, Sandy Prince-Embury, Marian Kreiger, Carol Nechemias, Clemmie Gilpan and Jim Rooney, Jack and Betty Spooner and Rev. Mark Foucart, Sharon O'Brien and Suzanne MacDougal for hosting events during October and November.

CALENDAR

December 4	TMIA MONITORING COMMITTEE meets at 4:45 p.m. with Dr. Bill Kirk at EPA Middletown Office, 100 Brown Street, Downtown Mall, Middletown.
December 8	TOWN MEETING sponsored by TMI Citizens for Justices, 2:00 p.m., Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, 3rd & Woodbine Sts., Harrisburg. For more information: Linda Braasch, 939-4905.
December 12	TMI ADVISORY PANEL, 7:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 2nd and Chestnut Sts., Harrisburg. Persons wishing to speak should contact Tom Smithgall at 1-291-1042. TMI health concerns will be addressed.
December 27	TMIA HOLIDAY PARTY, 9:00 p.m. at the Civic Club, Front and North Sts., Harrisburg. Featuring Night Owl, with special appearance by Santa. Beer and holiday snacks, raffle for basket of cheer, \$5.00 at door or at TMIA office, 233-3072.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!

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