

Less Than An Hour With ZERO HOUR ARKANSAS

September 30th - October 6th edition



CLIMATE CHANGE & HURRICANE HELENE

As Hurricane Helene impacts communities from Florida's Gulf Coast to North Carolina and Tennessee, it is crucial to recognize how climate change exacerbated the storm. Warmer tropical ocean water temperatures fuel hurricanes, enhancing their destructive power. For every 1 degree Celsius rise in ocean temperatures, wind speeds are expected to increase by 5%. Alongside stronger hurricanes, these storms are occurring more frequently, producing heavier rain, and intensifying more rapidly, leaving communities with less time to prepare. Specifically, Hurricane Helene has claimed at least 100 lives, and 2 million people remain without electricity. It is also the first time that inland communities have been affected, such as Asheville, North Carolina, experiencing catastrophic flooding and landslides.

Many climate activism groups, including youth-led movements like ourselves, demand accountability from major oil companies. 80% of global carbon dioxide emissions are linked to just 57 large oil companies. Companies, such as Big Oil, have known the repercussions of fossil fuel emissions for years, failing to address the issue. Given the rise in hurricanes and severe weather events, fossil fuel companies must be held accountable for the damage caused.

Currently, the best way to take action is donate to the North [Carolina Disaster Relief Fund](#).

PROTECTION OF TREES IN FAYETTEVILLE

On September 17th, the city of Fayetteville announced plans for additional parking for Fayetteville High School students, faculty, and visitors. This parking deck may be placed over a large green space west of Fayetteville High School, which consists of seven large, 100-year-old post oak trees that have been protected by the city since 2011. With these new plans, the city will be changing the 2011 easement, demonstrating that protected land can be overturned. In exchange for this land, the city plans to plant a variety of new hardwood trees around Fayetteville High School. Mature trees, such as these seven, provide many ecological services that replacement trees cannot. They are more effective at sequestering and storing greenhouse gases, filtering air pollutants, protecting citizens from the urban heat island effect, and contributing positively to community safety. Instead of relying on protected land to facilitate student transportation, our community should focus on expanding public transportation options.

Follow [@make_fayetteville_livable](#) and [@tree_guardians_fayetteville](#) for more info

SCREENPRINTING PARTY

OCTOBER 6th



Stop by between 12pm-5pm at the Library Vintage, off of Township, to screenprint your own ZHA merch. You can bring your own t-shirts, tote bags, etc. or use one provided by us. This event is a collaboration between local screenprinters Colleen Hill and Kayla Smith and the Sustainable Fashion Club.

GENERAL BODY MEETING

OCTOBER 7th



Our October meeting will be held in Mullins 453 from 6 to 7pm. We will be announcing everybody's buddy, talking about the intersection between Hispanic Heritage and the climate crisis, and introducing student campaigns.

TAKE ACTION AGAINST LNG

Citi, a major fossil fuel funding company, has been funding LNG, a liquefied version of natural gas, plants in Louisiana and Texas. LNG plants are linked to pollution, contaminated drinking water, childhood cancer, a decrease in biodiversity, and severe weather like Hurricane Helene. These plants are located in lower-income areas within these states, affecting the black, brown, and indigenous communities significantly.

Click on this [link](#) to petition against Liquefied Natural Gas and Environmental Racism

SIGN UP FOR THE BUDDY SYSTEM ASAP

We are pairing members with similar passions/interests to foster a better sense of community. [CLICK THIS LINK TO SIGN UP!](#) MUST SIGN UP BEFORE OCTOBER 7TH.

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