

**for Our**  
**Grandchildren**  
our legacy, their future

## September 2012 Newsletter

Dear {FIRST\_NAME|For Our Grandchildren Supporter},

Here's what we have been doing at *For Our Grandchildren* since we returned from various summer travels.



First, we have been pondering the statement of our mission. In the minds of the steering committee, it's pretty clear that our mission is to inform and empower Grandparents on the subject of Global Warming and Climate Change, but we feel that we need to make this message clearer on the web site and in our communications. We also feel that we are doing too much informing and not enough empowering. You can expect changes to our message soon.

Second, Guy Hanchet, one of our steering committee members, has recently returned from a training session given by Al Gore from the Climate Reality organization. He is eager to make a powerful presentation to community groups in the Toronto or Peterborough area. If any of you is a member of a group that would like such a presentation, please let us know or [request a presentation](#) directly from Climate Reality Canada.

Third, at the Town Hall meeting in the Spring we were asked to prepare a simplified statement of the issues of Climate Change. We have been struggling with how to accomplish this, but have now started a series of Blog entries on the web site that discuss one point at a time in a simplified way. This [series](#) will continue and will be consolidated into a basic primer.

Fourth, many people ask "What can I do about it?" We view this as the "Empowering" part of our mission, and will concentrate on that aspect for our members as part of our message clarification. There is a lot that you can do, but for now we suggest that the best action you can take is to

"win the conversation". That is, when you hear or read statements denying climate change, you should politely but emphatically disagree with denials: discuss the reality with your friends, write to the editor, write to your member of parliament. Increase the number of people who are willing to take political action. Forward this email to your friends.

Below I have highlighted 3 Blog articles from September, but there are 12 others that you might want to look at while you are there.

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## Recent Blog Entries

### Civil disobedience



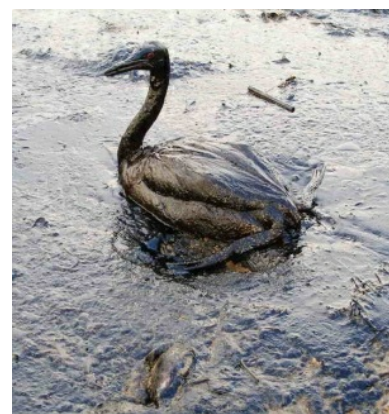
This blog entry discusses the conclusion of a peaceful demonstration on Parliament Hill protesting against the Keystone XL pipeline last September that some of our steering committee members participated in. The trial of the 13 protesters who did not pay the \$65 fine concluded on October 2, with the court

dismissing the fines since there was no real evidence that any of the protesters had committed an offence.

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### The Truth comes out!

This blog entry points out that Total SA, one of the world's major oil companies will not drill for oil in Arctic Waters because of the risk of environmental damage caused by an oil spill in this environment. He is quoted in the Financial Times as saying "Oil on Greenland would be a disaster. A leak would do too much damage to the image of the company."

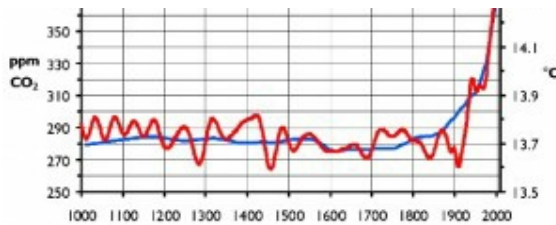


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### Global Warming? Climate Change? What's the difference.



This Blog article is the first in a series of over-simplified



explanations of the causes and effects of Global Warming. This article points out that Global Warming is not the same as Climate Change - it is the cause of Climate Change. The

second article in the series shows that human activity is the cause of Global Warming, and the third article uses Sea Level Rise as one example of a Climate Change that is pretty bad. All the articles include references to much more detailed explanations. Subsequent articles will remain over-simplified, and will include prescriptions about what can be done about it.

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## Join Us



We hope you agree that we have to act now to ensure that the most significant menace to confront us is controlled. We depend upon public support to keep the issue of climate change alive among grandparents. Grandparents who subscribe to receive our email become members of FOG.

P.S. Would you like to help spread the word about FOG and our important work? Please feel free to **forward this message to a friend**



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