

Maintenance and Planning Report
For ILYM June 2011

It has been a rather busy year with a number of maintenance problems accomplished as planned. The big job of repairing the kitchen was unexpected and Carol Bartles will be reporting on that. A recent addition was made at Clear Creek House when a new instant gas water heater was installed. The old water heater was not sufficient for the demand of the showers in the full house.

Roof repairs were made on most of the small roofs at the back of the meetinghouse. New vents were installed on those spots: two in each area to allow for better air circulation. New vents were added to the water heaters to replace the inadequate system that was not working properly. The heater room itself is now vented into the hallway as was recommended. That room now has dry wall and insulation.

The piers in the center wall of the big meeting room were given new support from the basement upwards. Also, new supports around the furnace room in the basement were added. Two new steel supports have been installed in the north part of the dining room to give support to the heavy beams that were not adequately supported following the termite repairs. The support cables in the attic have been tightened according to recommendations. The gutters have been cleaned and new covers have been put on the foundation vents.

At the Clear Creek House the old pressure tank in the basement was removed and a new sump pump was installed in that spot. A new water filter system was added. The outside stairway to the basement was temporarily blocked to prevent heat loss. New soil was added on the lawn areas on both the east and west sides of the house to improve the drainage away from the walls. New window wells were added at that time.

Furnishings have been added to the house mostly by purchase with a number of individual and communal donations. Two bunk beds are in the northeast bedroom. Three single beds are in place, one with a trundle bed. A double bed is in the small west room. A futon has been put in each of the small east bedrooms and another in the hallway near the north stairway. A fourth futon is located in the library. Fire escape ladders are in place in each bedroom on the second floor. Fourteen new dining room chairs are in place. A new refrigerator and a new donated dishwasher are in the kitchen. A beautiful set of book shelves has been donated to the library. A number of smaller items have been purchased or donated. New flooring was recently installed in the front porch.

For the near future, estimates have been made for painting the east and south sides of the meetinghouse as well as for the removal of the old water system and box from the top of the water cistern south of the meetinghouse.

We had a successful work week-end in May in spite of a smaller than usual number of volunteers. Diane Dennis did a wonderful job of organizing the event.