

ALAPINE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Activities Committee
January 7, 2010

The meeting was held at the Community Center. Present were: deJoly, Emily, Barbara M., Winnie, Mary Alice, Pat, Jean, Jade, Ellen, Sonia, Ann. Ellen facilitated.

Check-in began at 7:15.

Sonia outlined the "Spoon Protocol": The spoon (or stick) is passed to each person in turn around the circle; only one issue at a time is addressed; speakers should be brief; if a lengthy discussion is needed, the question is put on the agenda for the discussion meeting.

There was a discussion about the decision-making process: consensus, consensus minus one, or 2/3 majority. It was decided to aim for consensus, but if the spoon (stick) went around the circle three times without consensus, the issue would be sent to the discussion meeting.

Announcements: Mary Alice reported on Cherokee County activities: Code Red delivers automatic severe weather warnings within seconds after the warning is issued. Go to www.cherokeecounty-al.gov

Project Share, through the Red Cross, helps pay energy bills for residents aged 62 or older or who are receiving disability checks; there are certain income guidelines. Call 256-927-3797.

There will be a winter canyon hike on Jan. 23, 9:00-3:00 (AL); \$25.

A free climate change program will be presented on Jan. 30 at 1:00. Call 256-782-5697. In Chattooga County, GA, gravel will no longer be given out free. A small pickup-full will cost \$7.50; a larger truck, \$20.

Barbara M. advised caution driving; roads are bad because of the snow. It was pointed out that CR 103 is paved now, so it's possible to come up highway 35 and cut over on 103.

Coop: Orders are due to Pat on Sunday, Jan. 10. Jade reported on proposals that came out of the committee meeting and will email them so everyone can consider them. They include offering Frontier ordering to Friends of Alapine, requiring a signed check with the order form, requiring attendance at the distribution, with a \$10/day storage fee if items aren't picked up.

Recycling: deJoly and Ann will take recyclables to Fort Payne on Jan. 15 at 11:00.

Gate: Ellen installed the new keypad, which Winnie programmed. Ellen noted that, since we got a good deal on the keypad we bought a second as a backup. We also got an extra transmitter with the order, which can be bought for \$25. Those coming in after dark can touch any key to activate the light, then put in the code.

Roads: All the roads need work, in particular road 2, which has had more, and sometimes heavy, traffic recently. We need to ask Barbara L. to get on Mike's list for as early as possible. He won't do road work until there's no danger of freezing.

Fire: Mary Alice reminded everyone to rake leaves away from the house.

NVC: It was voted to change the name to "Feelings meeting." We would still use the NVC process. All agreed with the suggestion to move this to the third Thursday, but Ellen will email those not present who may come to the Feelings meeting. The topic of Disability issues was suggested.

Aging in Place: We all need to update the emergency information we keep on our refrigerators. We'll put off the meeting for at least another month.

Community Discussion: For now we'll plan to hold this meeting on the second Thursday, giving a week to consider issues held over from the Activities meeting. Generally, it was agreed that Friends of Alapine should be lesbians and women born women. Events can be considered lesbian unless the individual case has been discussed in advance.

Community Building: Jade is asking for volunteers—two per month—to take responsibility for cleaning, taking out trash, etc. This would include getting the room ready for visitors and cleaning up after they've gone. If a resident has a guest staying in the building, she would do the caretaking. Jade will put up a signup sheet.

Grants: Not too many women have responded to the committee's request for a list of volunteer hours and in-kind donations for last year. We need to submit a report at the end of each month.

Other: Emily, Jade, and deJoly will handle inquiries that come in to the website from women wanting to visit.

We will make some decisions at the Community Discussion meeting.

Pat has rescheduled her workday month to June.

We won't go out for January birthdays.

deJoly volunteered to facilitate the next meeting.

Calendar: All at the Center unless otherwise noted

Friday, Jan. 8—visit with Leaf and Firewalker, 4:15
games, 7:30

Monday, Jan. 11—board of directors, 10:00
grants committee, 2:00

Tuesday, Jan. 12—"Future of Food" movie, Owlsong, 7:30

Thursday, Jan. 14—community discussion, 7:10 (tent.)

Friday, Jan. 15—games, 7:30

Thursday, Jan. 21—feelings, 7:10 (tent.)

Friday, Jan. 22—video, "The Station Agent," Pat's, 7:30

Friday, Jan. 29—games, 7:30

The meeting adjourned at 9:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Marevis

Subject: BoD

From: Barbara Moore <bmoore2u2@hotmail.com>

Date: Sat, 30 Jan 2010 23:23:07 -0500

To: Emily Greene <guacomolly@windstream.net>, Ellen Spangler <lnowlsong@aol.com>, Ann Marevis <catpurrson@windstream.net>, Barbara Moore <bmoore2u2@hotmail.com>

I want to send this out today, Sunday 31 JAN, so please proof it and make whatever changes you feel necessary. This letter is only about our activities and fund raising. I want to send this out to all residents and owners of Alapine to show what we are doing and that we are doing something. I will also include a note to forward it to residents I don't have emails for and be sure to get a copy to those that don't have email.

ACA, Inc. BoD meeting of January 29, 2010

We want to bring everyone up-to-date on our current activities and immediate needs.

1. Jade has resigned from the board.
2. At the board meeting today, Jade came to deliver an ultimatum that the building has to be removed from their property by April 15th or we cannot have the building.
3. We will be meeting Monday, Feb 1, at 10:30 a.m. at Barbara M's to formulate a plan with time lines to reach our goal of moving the building. All input gladly accepted.

Moving a building entails more than simply hooking it to a truck and driving down the road. For starters, the ACA lot has to be prepared to receive it, and the lot it is on has to be prepared to remove it. Barbara M. is contacting house moving companies in hopes of getting them here Monday and Tuesday to tell us exactly what needs to be done and how much it will cost. We are hoping this part of the expenses will be less than \$6000. If you know of anyone who could move the building, please get their contact information to Barbara right away, 706-862-2076

We also need to stake out the ACA lot and clear the area where the house will go. This needs to be done so that we can tell Keith exactly where to take down trees. Keith is from the Alabama Forestry Service and has already given us the best price for clearing (and we are familiar with his work.) Once the lot is staked, we will find out how soon he can do this, as the land is still quite wet.

Depending on what needs to be done to remove the house, we will have Keith clear a path over there at the same time.

We will be contacting Sheehee about getting the main electric and water lines down the road and we will be contacting the County about permits and scheduling a perk test.

Because of the urgency, the board will be MEETING more frequently than in the past. Meetings will be posted on the calendar on the internet. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Grants:

The grant committee has come up with a fund raising letter/article. It will appear in the next issue of Maize. It won't be in Lesbian Connection until June. And we will be looking for other places to send it. Attached is a copy of the letter for your use. Please use this letter, add whatever you want to personalize it, and send it to all your friends. We will need nearly \$35,000 to complete this project. Expense estimates are as follows:

Clear Property	\$ 700.00
Move Building	\$6000.00
Septic System	\$2000.00
Perk tests/permit	\$ 700.00
Build decks/ramps	\$6000.00
Electric (Sheeba)	\$ 840.00
Electric to bldg	\$ 200.00 plus
Water (Sheeba)	\$2500.00
Water to bldg	????
Propane	\$ 425.00
Metal Roof	\$3000
Parking	\$7000.00
Rain Water Collection	\$4,000

Again these numbers are just estimates and correct numbers will be posted as they become available.

Fund Raising

Alapine – 2009

What an incredibly great year we have had here at Alapine, a lesbian community in NE Alabama! For the past two years one of our goals has been to create a community center on a common piece of land for our common use. One of the unusual aspects of this community is that each lot is privately owned, with no common areas.

So, after obtaining a 2 ½ acre lot, our next efforts were to prepare the heavily wooded lot, and acquire an old, single wide trailer. Many hours of effort went into gutting and repairing the trailer for use as a temporary community building. (You may view pictures of our activities at our web site, www.alapine.com). Once our permanent building (see photos on web) is in place, this old trailer will be used both for storage and to house our medical equipment and tool lending library.

In January 2009, we were visited by a photographer and a writer from the New York Times. It was quite a process for the community to even let them come, but once the NYTimes agreed to our concerns about identifying womyn and our exact location, we welcomed them. They were here for three days during which they fully participated in our activities and spent time with individual womyn, resulting in an article, "My Sister's Keeper", which appeared in

the New York Times on February 4, 2007, and
these on our web site (www.alapine.com).

As a direct result of the article, a dozen inquiries came in.
And we continue to get inquiries.

We are making progress in our desire to have a common Community Center. In addition to the land and the single-wide building, we recently acquired a 3-bedroom double-wide home (which needs to be moved onto the lot)! So our immediate need is to prepare the lot and move the home, install utilities and septic, add a deck and ramps, parking, furnishings, etc. We estimate a total cost, above everything we have already spent, of approximately \$35,000 – about \$6000 to actually move the building. So far we have been able to raise enough money to stay debt free. But now we are asking for donations to help us reach this last \$35,000 and finally be in our 'new' center.

We are a 501(c)(3) and all donations are deductible to the extent of the law. You may donate either by sending your donation to Alapine Community Association, Inc., PO Box 105, Mentone, AL 35984, or by going to our web site (www.alapine.com) and sending a secure donation through PayPal.

We know there are many womyn out there who prefer to support lesbians. And we welcome the opportunity to share our story with you.

You may contact us at:
AlapineACA@aol.com
<http://www.alapine.com>

Alapine Community Association, Inc., PO Box 105, Mentone, AL 35984

And we are listed in Shewolf's "Directory of Wimminlands and Lesbian Communities."

Please tear off and send with your donation:

Enclosed is my tax deductible contribution of: \$ _____

From: Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Mail to: Alapine Community Association, Inc.
PO Box 105, Mentone, AL 35984

Thank you!

Subject: more 501c3 into

Date: Mon, 11 Jan 2010 16:07:51 EST

To: catpurrson@windstream.net, bmoore2u2@hotmail.com, guacomolly@windstream.net, hermanas@cybermesa.com

Attn: Mr. Hull, Dept of the Treasury, IRS – faxed 1-30-08

Alapine Community Association, Inc.

Employer Identification Number: 20-5017834

Re: IRS Letter of January 7, 2008 requiring additional information

1. Amendment to Articles of Incorporation on Dissolution is completed and follows
2. Explanations regarding your "attachment":
 - a) Paragraph 1—We erroneously answered Section 9d of Part VIII. We have no childcare and no plans for childcare. Please disregard this in our narrative.
 - b) Paragraph 2—Alapine Community Association, Inc., presently has no common property. The Developers own our gravel roads but the residents pay for maintaining them and volunteer time to help maintain the entry and the roads. Our plans are to acquire a building for a community center that would house a Senior Day Services Center. We live in a remote rural area, on Lookout Mountain ridge, and are separated from our county services by the geography of the area and the state line. We are in the northern tip of Cherokee County Alabama, a rural county whose total population is about 25,000. All county services, including police, come from our County seat, Centre, AL, which is 34 miles away. Our closest town, Menlo, Georgia, population 300, is three miles away and in the adjoining state of Georgia, which provides no services to us. Even the Georgia State Police say they cannot help us as they have no jurisdiction in Alabama. The closest town in the next Alabama County is Ft. Payne, Alabama, 35 miles away. Also, we live in an area of Alabama that is occasionally under the threat of tornados, and, as many of our residents live in mobile homes, we need a safe evacuation center. Most of our residents are seniors and wish to remain living in their homes, and as such, are willing volunteers to help create and sustain a community center that would provide these important services. More detailed plans are in the By-Laws, page 4, ARTICLE 2--Purposes.
 - c) Paragraph 3—"gates"—Alapine Community residents and lot owners raised the money to install a cattle gate, 16 feet wide and 3 feet high, with electric gate opener, across a gravel road. This is to keep out vehicles. Anyone can walk in. "Private Drive" and "No Trespassing" signs are posted by the gate. Because of our remote location we have no police protection as explained in Paragraph 2. As most of us are seniors, we did not want to be "easy targets". The gate has a keypad for entry. All Alapine lot owners and residents, and ACA, Inc. members

ALAPINE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Activities Committee, February 4, 2010

The meeting was held at Jean's. Present were: Barbara L., Pat, Jean, and Ann.

Check-in began at 7:15.

/Fire: /Barbara presented a Firewise report. She called Matt Woodfin of the Department of Agriculture to see if there was any movement on the community grant for help with Firewise work. There is none and he had no information on when it might happen. The only thing that is in the works is this: Any money that did not get spent on individual property owners doing fire prevention work last year is going into a pool to be redistributed to counties based on their fire frequency. He said Cherokee County is in the group that has a high frequency of fires, so there will be money available to individuals again to do fire prevention work.

Barbara also discussed the Miscellaneous 1099 IRS form for women who had participated in the individual Firewise program. The money you received from Alabama appears in Box 7. With that, the IRS requires that you file a Schedule C or C-EZ. On Schedule C or C-EZ you list the money you received from Alabama in Part 1 and all your expenses in Part 2. Because you spent more than Alabama gave you, you declare a loss. A blank copy is attached to the original minutes of this meeting.

/Roads: /ACA has received a copy of the 2009 financial summary from Barbara.

/Coop: /ACA has received a credit for 89 cents for damaged merchandise in the last order.

Pat turned over to Ann a \$46.31 "patronage dividend" (rebate) check from Frontier.

ACA received a 1099 form in the amount of \$463.06 for 2008. Though Frontier noted that we do not have to pay this, Pat volunteered to call Frontier to question it if necessary.

Barbara is making copies of all the papers.

If and when Pat has information about the coop, she will report it to the TGM affinity group.

Pat read her coop report, which she had emailed to everyone who is part of the TGM coop. Jean received a hard copy.

Pat brought an email from Winnie requesting a vote on the issue that "no person who is not a member of ACA be permitted to use the ACA Tax ID for any purpose"; included were proxy votes from Winnie and Barbara M.

Ann said the board had voted on Jan. 29 to allow the use of the number, and that, based on this decision, Jade had gone ahead with setting up the new coop. Those at this meeting did not put the issue to a vote.

*/NVC/Feelings: /*The next meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 11, at Jean's at 7:10.

*/Other: /*Winnie had sent an email requesting that all ACA activities be suspended for now. The group decided to continue activities on a limited scale.

The next meeting will be March 4 at Jean's at 7:10.

There is no calendar.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Marevis

Subj: **coop report for ACA meeting**
 Date: 2/4/2010 4:25:37 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
 From: PatNolan51@aol.com
 To: WiniFreed1@aol.com, PatNolan51@aol.com, BMoore2u2@hotmail.com, fayann@windstream.net, bhlieu@windstream.net, catpurrson@windstream.net, LNowlsong@aol.com, morganam@windstream.net, shadowood@windstream.net, hummingwind@windstream.net, quacomolly@windstream.net, owlsonq@windstream.net
 CC: sue@suemarriott.com, susanandreesa@aol.com, snappytees@hotmail.com, Marthatraveler@aol.com, LAlmgren706@aol.com

2/4/10 COOP report

At the last NVC meeting I announced a unilateral decision that I had made for the following reasons:

1. ACA appointed a coop committee who held an out of the sunshine meeting which excluded the participation of the coop coordinator of the past 9 years.
2. A proposal seen as punitive by many COOP members came out of this meeting.
3. Involvement and input of COOP members not in ACA or not residing at Alapine was not sought.

Unable to be sure that future meetings and decisions forthcoming would be made in the sunshine with COOP members input and involvement who do not live at Alapine or belong to ACA, I made a very difficult unilateral decision after consultation with various COOP members to do what I felt necessary to preserve the COOP. The COOP was moved out of the ACA structure and the Frontier account was returned to the original FEIN number of TGM, Inc. That is the only change that has been made. We still operate under the original agreement signed by members of the COOP. As soon as I know who to make your check out to, I will notify all members. We are in process of making it be able to be TGM, Inc, but not sure if that will take place before February 2010 order. I now see the COOP existing as an affinity group structure of those committed to make cooperative food buying happen here at Alapine and for surrounding friends. This has been a long held dream and project of mine for the community. I will refer to it in the future as Alapine Village COOP.

After I sent out the current membership agreement and membership

list of the Coop by email on 1/10/10, Barbara Lieu added the following information to the membership list: Rose joined 7/18/03 and Roseanne Morgan who only ordered one time joined 7/18/03. ⁰⁵

I have verified that Barbara Moore, Barbara Stoll, Susan Cherones, Morganna, Fayann, Susan and Reesa have also paid membership, but I cannot locate their signed agreements. I will get replacement documents signed. This brings our current membership to 22 total, and I recommend we close membership for now to be reviewed at a later date if needed.

Tree Of Life (TOL) - I have received the account application and made contact with the representative for our geographic area. This was as I agreed to do and was approved for me to do at a past ACA meeting. It does not seem likely that we can get an account from them. They require a storefront which we knew, and there are now delays with the community building being used. Most importantly they will not deliver in a residential area. Your location must be in a business district, and store must be open M-F with hours 8-5. I am still exploring other options and have contacted 3 different potential partners who may assist us in making this happen for us to have high quality organic foods at wholesale prices without leaving the mountain. I will keep Alapine Village COOP members updated on outcomes of future discussion and planning. This would be open to all current COOP members if it takes place.

We have not yet received the hard copy of February Specials catalog, but I have requested a copy to be sent first class mail. Winnie always forwards the online version, but if you have not received it let me know. The next Frontier order will be due to Pat by 5pm, Sunday, 2/7/10.

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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC. Activities Committee, April 1, 2010

The meeting was held at Mary Alice and Ellen's. Present were: Ellen, Jean, Mary Alice, Emily, and Ann. Ellen facilitated. Check-in began at 7:35.

***/Gate:** /*Everyone has agreed to paying the \$50 maintenance fee, either outright or in equal payments. Once the new arm is in place, all are expected to attend an initial workshop on procedures for dismantling the gate, followed by periodic refresher workshops.

/Community Center:/

***/Insurance:** /*Mary Alice reported that she has called agents representing a number of insurance companies, plus AARP. She's waiting for quotes from the agents; AARP would insure the building only for fire, not liability...

***/Site:** /*When Keith is finished clearing the space, Ken will come to pour the footings.

There was some discussion about buying a strip of Johnny Nelson's land for an emergency exit and to add 66 feet along the creek side of the property line—about 1 acre.

As for the question of **who will be using the Center**, it was decided for form a committee to discuss it and other matters and come up with suggestions to present to the community. Ellen and Ann volunteered for the committee; anyone who would like to be on it, please call Ellen.*//*

***/Work:** /*Once the building is in place, we will need to plant grass, clean the carpet, and set up the temporary ramp.

Next month, we'll be talking about rainwater collection for washing water, parking, and landscaping.

Mary Alice is doing a **50/50 raffle**, with a drawing on July 4. Call her if you need tickets to sell. A flyer with details will follow.

/Calendar:/

Wednesday, April 7—Fire meeting, Jean's, 10:00
Thursday, April 8—discussion meeting, Jean's, 7:10
Friday, April 9—movie night, Owlsong, 7:30
Thursday, April 15—feelings/NVC, Jean's, 7:10
Friday, April 16—games, Owlsong, 7:30
Thursday, April 22—feelings/NVC, Jean's, 7:10

The meeting adjourned at 9:30/
Respectfully submitted, Ann Marevis

Hi Everyone,

Since I volunteered to send the notes from the meeting this past Thursday, here they are.

#1 -- The entire group was in favor of passing a "talking stick" around the circle in order that each woman gets every opportunity to be heard on any topic before the group. Any woman is also able to pass if she doesn't have anything to say at the time. The stick is passed until everyone is finished expressing her opinion on one subject at a time. Decisions seem to be streamlined, interruptions are rare and good feelings result.

#2 -- The entire group was in favor of extending the time allotted for meetings to 7:10 - 9:10 (Due to the fact that 10 minutes was taken off of the beginning when some members wanted to listen to the end of the evening news and then go to the meeting, but the ten minutes was never added on to the end of the meeting time), with flexibility to continue the meeting if an issue of importance is "up".

#3 -- The entire group was in favor of using the agenda proposed which has been sent by Ellen to the group via email. This will be used starting at the next ACA planning meeting

#4 -- The entire group was in favor of returning to the original name for the NVC meeting -- "feelings meeting" -- with intentions of using non-violent communication to express and resolve emotional issues.

#5 -- The entire group was in favor of using the "time-out" signal if a member is having an emotional reaction or there is escalating tension at a meeting. It was proposed that emotional issues be dealt with on the spot, if possible, or taken to the next "feelings meeting" for resolution.

6 -- The entire group was in favor of using consensus minus one as the method of decision-making on issues that affect the entire community.

#7 -- The entire group was in favor of leaving the "policy page" for ACA in the community center library, so that everyone has an opportunity to see it, and so we have a central location where any changes to policies may be inserted.

The meeting was upbeat and hopeful and ended just before 9 pm. A variety of other topics were proposed for the next issues meeting:

** Friends of Alapine - who they can be, what are the benefits of being a friend of Alapine, etc.

** Co-Op - expansion, bookkeeping, logistics, etc.

The next "issues" meeting is set for 7:10 on December 27th, and will include these and other topics that comes up between now and then. Please join us at the community center.

Respectfully submitted,
deJoly

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ALAPINE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.-- Activities Committee--May 6, 2010

The meeting was held at Mary Alice and Ellen's. Present were: Emily, Mary Alice, Ellen, and Ann. Ellen facilitated. Check-in began at 7:15.

Recycling: Mentone schools are collecting batteries for recycling. Batteries can be given to Fayann for Ayla to take to school.

Mentone will take electronics for recycling on Saturday, May 8.

Emily and Ellen will make a recycling trip to Fort Payne on Tuesday, May 18 at 10:00 am. Please have all recyclables at the Community Center site before then. Mary Alice will be collecting aluminum for recycling by Tuesday, May 19.

Gate: Phil repaired the attachment to the vertical metal piece. It seems to be working well. The gate needs repainting. Mary Alice will contact Linnea to see if she has any more paint we can use. We'll meet at the gate at 9:00 am on May 25. Email or phone Emily if you can come to help.

Ellen reported that every resident has paid the gate assessment and has had the instruction on gate maintenance and use. The exit wand won't be working for a while yet.

Roads: All the roads are in pretty bad shape.

Fire: The next FireWise meeting will be Thursday, May 13, at 9:00 am, moved from Wednesday, May 12.

Michelle from the U.S. FireWise association came to speak to us the night the rangers came for our FireWise Community designation.

We'll be doing fire breaks along the eastern border and behind Emily's and the ACA property, and turnarounds at Winnie's and Rose's, and between Linnea's and Morgana and Fayann's. Then we'll consider the boundary behind road 3.

NVC: The meetings will be Thursdays, May 13 and May 20, with May 27 as a possible third date. Jean's, 7:10.

Spirituality: We'll plan a Summer Solstice celebration at next month's meeting.

Social: We'll see the DVD "Julie/Julia" on Saturday, May 15, and the DVD "Mrs. Palfrey at the Claremont" on Sunday, May 23, both at 8:00 pm at Mary Alice and Ellen's. Game nights will be May 14 at Pat's and May 21 at Mary Alice and Ellen's; 7:30.

Community workdays: Call Ellen if you can come to help spread hay on the grass seed at the Community Center site.

Individual workdays will be discussed at the next business meeting.

Community Center: Ken may come this week to pour the footings. The space has been cleared. We will be moving shelving from Mt. Mamas to the storage building on the same day as the hay-spreading (see above). Meet at the storage building at 9:00 am on Monday, May 17.

Library: Colleen of the Forestry Service wants to donate nature books to our community library.

Fund-raising: Mary Alice is still doing the 50/50 raffle, with a drawing on July 4. Tickets are \$2 each, 3 for \$5.

The grant-writing committee will start up again soon.

New Business: It was decided to gather donations from the Alapine Community—canned or dried food, cash—for the Mentone trailer park people hit by the tornado. Bring donations to next week's NVC meeting.

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Alapine Community Asso.—Activities Planning—Thur. 6-3-10

The meeting was held at Owlsong. Present were Emily, Jean, Ellen & Mary Alice. Check-in began at 7:20.

Co-op: Jade called in the order today.

Recycling: Emily & Ellen took all items to Ft. Payne last month.

Gate: It's working well during this test period. Phil & Ellen will connect the lock soon. It's not necessary to use your remote to close it as it closes in 60 seconds (much faster than the old arm).

Emily, Jean & Ellen will finish painting the gate Sat. morning.

Roads: We want our roads to be safer for walking & bike riding. We'll work with Barbara L planning with Mike which areas need the most work.

Fire: Firewise group meets regularly and work is progressing. We hope Forestry bulldozer will be back to work on emergency exit and more fire breaks on the perimeter right after June 10th.

NVC: June 10 & 17. It was suggested that one night we share some about our growing up.

Sustainability: we'll start meeting again on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30pm, at the Center. Lots to discuss—alternative energy, rainwater collection, community garden. The future garden area—the original clearing for the singlewide—need much enrichment. After the buildings are moved into place, Phil will spread the huge pile of top soil/compost from back in the woods. We may get a couple loads of horse manure spread around. This will need to stay for about a year. We can use any organic material you have—leaves, composted chips, etc. We'll designate an area to dump this. Call Ellen if you have things available, or know where some is. We'll be scheduling workdays soon.

Spirituality: Summer Solstice Circle, Sunday evening 7:30 at the Community Center. This is our first "event" in the Community building in its home space. Let's invite all our women friends to help us initiate it and fill it with joy, laughter, cooperation, healing, and caring energy.

Circle planning meeting will be Tue 15th 11am at the Center.

Last month 5 residents met to share concerns about the oil spill, and raised energy sending healing to all the animals, plants and people being harmed.

Social: Canyon Mouth Park outing, this Sunday. Meet at Jeans at 10:30. Bring your own lunch and water toys. Call Emily or Ellen if coming.

Two game nights & a movie night this month.

Financial report: General funds available for Community Center--\$3484.00. We have already paid Ken \$2000 and will owe him around \$3000 more. This past month we paid one years road funds (2010) \$204, liability insurance one year \$689, and web page for 09 & 10 \$200. Thanks to Linnea for donating money for paint for the gate. We collected \$120 cash and some food to donate to a family in the destroyed trailer park.

50/50 raffle: drawing to be held July 4th. Tickets sell for \$2 each, or \$5 for 3, \$10 for 7. Get your tickets to sell from Ellen or M.A. This money will go toward our purchasing—

BoD 6/17/10

Fri 6/18¹⁸ potluck, games 6:00 / games
Sun 6/20 Solstice 1:30 on gravel

LTV, OLOC donation to buy
acres behind the

They're at OLOC gathering
- some cover letters to OLOC
- Em-pix
- OLOC announce

battery for solar power
- rain

To Do
place for circle
outside

Work party center
grass seed
move blue picnic
table

CIRCLE
READINGS
MEET AT 7-

6/30/10

A community meeting occurred and the following risks/concerns and benefits were expressed concerning the

~~CNN request.~~ *media*

RISKS/CONCERNS

Fair Housing Laws – we're exposed

No control of what media says

More area folks will see us

24 hour coverage - more exposure

"outed" to neighbors, some feel this has already happened

Our image – what might come out about current interpersonal conflicts – no control of message

Danger to community member's work and friendship relationships in the general community

Lack of safety from "outsiders"

Privacy issues

Danger to family members

No benefits

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Activities Committee
July 1, 2010

The meeting was held at Mary Alice and Ellen's. Present were: Emily, Jean, Barbara M., Winnie, Mary Alice, Ellen, and Ann. Ellen facilitated.

Check-in began at 7:15.

Coop/group ordering: The catalog for the Letting Go Frontier group is going around. Mary Alice called in the Emergency Essentials order. For this and other non-coop activities, it was agreed that those who are coordinating an order will give a specific date by which orders should be in to them.

Recycling: The bins don't have much in them, so we'll put off a regularly scheduled trip until August. Barbara M. and others take some recycling if they're going near a recycling center.

Gate: The code was changed today. Winnie sent out an email and printed out copies for those not online.

No problems with the gate have been reported.

Roads: Barbara L. told Ellen that Mike would be here July 12 to work on the roads. The committee will meet with him that day. Please give information about specific problem areas on the roads to Ellen or Emily before that date. There are a few really bad spots. Phil is checking prices on culverts for the exit road and trying to locate 8" pipe (PVC) or otherwise for the Center driveway. If you know of any 8" scrap pieces let Ellen know.

Fire prevention: The exit road will be worked on. We'll have a Firewise work party on Wednesday, July 7; meet at Emily's at 9:00 am. A Firewise meeting will be held at the Center on Wednesday, July 14, at 9:00 am.

NVC: The next meeting will be Thursday, July 15, at 7:30 at Jean's. (It was decided to have all regular meetings start at 7:30 and end at 9:15.)

Aging in Place: We will start meetings again in the fall. Winnie and Barbara M. have been gathering information on resources such as senior housing.

Discussion: We'll meet at Jean's at 7:30 on Thursday, July 8, to continue the discussion on Alapine and the media.

Sustainability: A meeting was held at the Community Center.

Mary Alice and Ellen reported on a solar exhaust fan they saw at Northern Tools. Mary Alice is collecting non-hybrid seeds.

Spirituality: There will be no Lammas circle on Aug. 1, as Mary Alice, Ellen, and Emily will all be away.

Social: Mary Alice and Ellen hosted a birthday potluck for Ann and her visiting friend, Kathie, on Friday, June 18.

We will celebrate July birthdays in August.

Barbara L. has a movie to lend that she recommends—"The Way We Get By". It's about senior citizens in Maine that greet returning Iraq veterans. BL said it is very well done and touching. We've scheduled a movie night on Friday, July 9, at Mary Alice and Ellen's.