Hello, Neighbors! This is the June 2008 "ALPINE ECHOES" NEWSLETTER, a publication of the ALPINE ACRES ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING:

The 2008 annual meeting of the Alpine Acres Association was held April 14, 2008. Thanks to the 41 property owners and guests who attended. The 2008 Board of Directors are:

Rick Osguthorpe, President, cabin on Cherokee Road. Telephone: Cabin #783-7266, SLC #583-6117.

Judy Bailey, Vice-President, cabin on Cherokee Road. Telephone: Cabin #783-7743, SLC #273-0511.

Dennis Trayner, Treasurer, cabin on Sioux Road. Telephone: Cabin #783-7468, SLC 266-0706.

Jo Ann McQueen, Secretary, cabin on Navajo Road. Telephone: Cabin #783-7651, SLC #277-6758.

Kay Hayden, Representative, cabin on Blackfoot Road, Cabin #783-7472, SLC #280-0443.

Please feel free to contact any of the directors if you have any questions or issues to discuss.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP:

Sincere thanks to the 86 property owners who have already paid their 2008 dues. Your support is greatly appreciated! If you have not yet paid your dues, you may send your check made out to Alpine Acres Association, c/o Dennis Trayner, Association Treasurer, 236 East Pan American Drive, Murray, UT 84107.

Remember that Non-Association cabin owners will be assessed a fee for any repairs that are done on their roads.

Alpine Acres Summer Picnic Date: Saturday, July 5, 2008 – 1:00 P.M.

Place: Association Corral property – Cherokee Road

(Please bring your own chairs)

THIS IS A "POTLUCK" AFFAIR. WE INVITE YOU TO BRING A SIDE DISH OF YOUR CHOICE TO SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS. IN ORDER TO HAVE ADEQUATE FOOD FOR EVERYONE, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU <u>CONTACT ONE OF THE</u> FOLLOWING TO LET THEM KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE FROM YOUR FAMILY WILL BE ATTENDING.

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For everyone's safety and enjoyment, please...**NO DOGS**.

Alpine Acres Spray Project Contributed by PJ Abraham, Area Forester

During the spring of 2008 several landowners participated in the Alpine Acres spray project in conjunction with the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, All Around Tree Care, and Eradicare Pest Solutions. The purpose of this project was to protect the larger diameter Lodgepole Pine trees from being attacked by the Mountain Pine Beetle in the Weber Canyon area. A total of 384 trees were marked with orange flagging to be sprayed during the month of June in Alpine Acres.

This year, along with Alpine Acres, Diamond Bar X Ranch, Manor Lands, Uinta Lands, and Monviso Subdivision all participated in the beetle-spraying program. During a survey conducted last year in Hidden Lakes 793 trees were marked and 767 were sprayed. Of the 767 trees that were spraved 19 were attacked over the past few summer months. The September survey also found an additional 26 trees that were attacked by the beetle, 24 of these trees were marked to be sprayed but were missed by the spray company. The other 2 trees were trees that were not marked to be sprayed because they were less than 8 inches in diameter. Overall the beetle-spraving project was very successful.

Going forward it is recommended that private landowners continue to monitor the area for additional beetle problems. The chemical that was applied to the tree will last for up to 18 months, which means participants trees sprayed from this year should not be attacked through next summer. Supplemental watering of lodgepole pine trees in the summer, especially if it is dry, is the best recommendation to keep the trees healthy. The best option for long-term forest health would be thinning of the stands to reduce competition and stress.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions at (435) 671-3326.

Alpine Acres to enter Cyperspace! Contributed by Mike MacDonald

Alpine Acres is going cyber! Soon www.alpineacres.org will be live! Finally we will have a web site for current members to log into to get the latest and up-to-date information pertaining to Alpine Acres and the Weber Canyon areas. The site will have current fire information, maps. members listing and information, bylaws, meeting minutes, rules and regulations, beetle project information, road conditions, and more! In addition, we will be sending more communications via e-mail. We will be requesting any member who has an email address to get that current e-mail to us. This will save us money as well as speeding up the information process! We have contracted with a web master to handle all updates and develop the web site which is work in process. Look for it live on your PC soon!

IN-KIND "SWEAT EQUITY" PROGRAM

A big "THANK YOU" to everyone who filled out an In-Kind Dollars form. Because of this, our Association will receive \$23,000 in "sweat equity" from the Forest Service in helping to clear brush and trim trees for fire suppression.

On June 14, Bob Sluder, members of our Fire Council and 2 fire fighters made assessments of 24 lots belonging to 13 owners who signed their "property evaluation form". They also walked the proposed firebreaks. On June 17, 20 fire fighters began trimming the trees and clearing brush from the designated areas. Unfortunately the fire fighters were called in to work on a forest fire in Manti, and as our agreement states, they left to fight that fire. As soon as the team can return, they will resume the project. The piles of slash piled on the various roads will be chipped as soon as possible to reduce this fire hazard. Bob said the participation of landowners has been "terrific" and he applauded everyone's efforts in this project.

YOUR DUES \$\$'s AT WORK

Rick Osguthorpe spent 8 hours on June 17 spreading 2 loads of gravel and 3 loads of roadbase on Association roads. Thanks, Rick!

A special reminder from your Alpine Acres Board: all lots in Alpine Acres are "private property". Make sure your family and guests do not violate your neighbor's property rights. Ponds, tree houses and lakes are the property of the owners...not communal property. Thank you for your cooperation!

Have a safe and happy summer!

Please obey speed limits.

No fireworks are allowed. Save our beautiful Alpine Acres!