# Hello, Neighbors! This is the June 2010 NEWSLETTER, a publication of the ALPINE ACRES ASSOCIATION.

#### President's Message:

Thank you to all who were able to attend our Alpine Acres annual meeting in April at the Salt Lake County Government Complex. The meeting was very productive and it was good to see all of those familiar friendly faces. New members elected to the Board of Directors at the meeting include David Pack, Vice President, and Bill Pettigrew, member at large, replacing retiring members Kay Hayden and Judy Bailey. David and Bill, welcome to the Board, and Kay and Judy, thanks for your dedicated service!

As you know, record flooding has affected Upper Weber canyon this year, and the flooding has impacted several Association roads. Special thanks go out to Rick Osguthorpe for his quick response and hard work repairing damage to our roads. We will continue to monitor the roads as the flooding subsides and make repairs where necessary.

Please remember to remain current on your assessments as these funds are critical to pay for road maintenance, particularly those damaged by flooding this year. Funds permitting, we are also hoping to start replacing aging gates on Association roads with new ones, but will need to wait and see how much road damage we need to address.

As a friendly reminder, please remember to abide by posted speed limits on Association and County roads, and keep your lots free of trash and debris to keep our association standards high! Thanks, and have a great summer. WWPratt

## SPECIAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

In accordance with Article III, Section 8 of the Alpine Acres By Laws, the Board of Directors has called a Special Meeting to be held July 3, 2010, immediately following the Association picnic. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss a revision to the membership dues. Even if you cannot attend the picnic, it is important that a duespaying member attend this special meeting.

### **Alpine Acres Summer Picnic**

Date: Saturday, July 3, 2010

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: Association Corral property

- Cherokee Road

(Please bring your own chairs)

This is a fun pot luck affair for duespaying members. It is suggested that ANY FAMILY THAT ATTENDS SHOULD BRING A SIDE DISH OF THEIR CHOICE TO SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS. In order to have adequate food for everyone, it is very important to CONTACT either Ginger Silvers (801-277-5117, 435-783-7512 or Jo Ann McQueen (801-277-6758, 435-783-7651) with the number attending from your family.

#### **Fire Council Update**

By Bob Sluder, Project Chairman We still anticipate a large crew of U.S. Forest Service personnel working on their property directly south of our boundary line. They will create a shaded fire break along the entire one-mile boundary. They will not be working on any private plots as they are prohibited from doing so.

We should be able to get more chipping done this year under our grant with the Utah State Forestry and Fire Division. Timing is never certain so please encourage association members to start early and stay after the cleanup of fuels around their properties. Remember- slash piles should preferably be stacked alongside roads, butt-ends in for chipping which will be ongoing throughout the season without regard to fire danger or the need to get the appropriate permits. For more remote piles, place them in clearings and keep them to no more than 9X9x5 high and advise a member of the fire council or the board to schedule them for burning. Under no circumstances can large piles and/or those placed under trees be burned-they must be re-stacked placing the slash alongside any of the Association roads so the crews can get to them.

#### **Alpine Acres Spray Project 2010**

In the spring of 2010, 26 landowners signed up to participate in the Alpine Acres spray project in conjunction with the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands. The purpose of this project is to protect the larger diameter lodgepole pine trees from being attacked by the Mountain Pine Beetle in the Weber Canyon area. This year the cost of spraying is 8.75/tree. Spraying will begin the week of June 21<sup>st.</sup>

This fall the division of Forestry Fire & State Lands will be conducting a fall monitoring to determine spray effectiveness. We ask that you leave yellow flagging on the trees until the end of September. After September, yellow flagging may be removed. As a reminder, please remember to match at least 50% of the total cost of the spraying bill with in-kind hours for up to a 50% reimbursement. The hourly rate for match is \$20.25/hour and any clearing of fuels reduction will count as match including drive time to and from your permanent residence. Please turn in your Insect Suppression – Sweat Equity/In Kind Tracking Sheet to JoAnn McQueen by the end of September. Maximum reimbursement will be around \$80/landowner.

It has been a pleasure working with Alpine Acres and I look forward to assisting in the future.

PJ Abraham Area Forester (435) 671-3326

#### **CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES!**

<u>www.alpineacres.org</u>; password: weber.

<u>www.oakleywebcam.com</u>; for current weather conditions, forecasts, etc.

#### **CAMP FIRES**

At this time of year, campfires are permitted in "approved" fire pits. But when fire season arrives, there will be postings of "NO FIRES"...and that means even in "approved" fire pits...not even charcoal fires. And as always, NO FIREWORKS are allowed. Save our beautiful Alpine Acres!