

COMMUNITIES journal of cooperation

Update: Directory of Intentional Communities

*What's New
and What's
Different?*

Activities of the Fellowship for Intentional Community

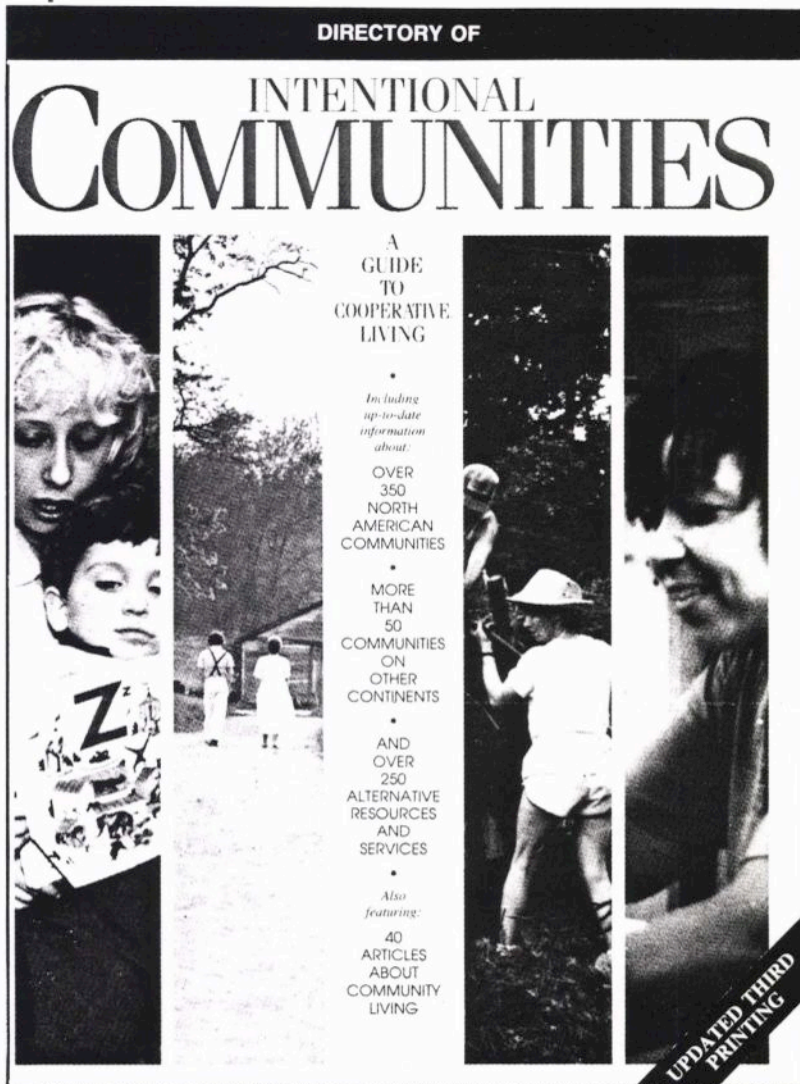
*What this
dynamic
network
is up to.*

Communities Magazine Gets New Energy!

*Just in time to
chronicle the
rising interest
in community.*



Shared Living:



If you
thought it
was a fad
that died
in the '60s...

Think again.

This inspiring & useful directory documents the vision and the daily life of more than 350 communities in North America and more than 50 on other continents.

The *Directory of Intentional Communities* is the product of two years of intensive research, and is the most comprehensive and accurate directory available. Each community's listing includes name, address, phone, and a description of the group. Extensive cross-referencing and indexing makes the information easy to access for a wide variety of users.

Plus: 6 pages of maps, 60 B/W photographs, a *Resource Section* with over 250 additional listings, and 40 articles on topics including:

- Finding Your Community
- Personal Growth
- Social Action
- Decision-Making
- Land Trusts
- Community Economics

This work is so thorough and well-organized that it is destined to become a standard reference for shared living and cooperative alternatives.

328 pages • Stitched • 8-1/2" x 11"

Revised Third Printing • June 1992

\$16.00 • ISBN 0-9602714-2-2

Add \$2.00 postage & handling for the first book, 50 cents for each additional; 40% discount on orders of 10 or more.

For more information, see order form on page 44.

COMMUNITIES

Journal of
Cooperation
No. 79

- 2 **Editorial: We're Back!**
- 3 **The FIC's Path to Publishing**
- 4 **A Celebration of Community**
An international gathering coming in August '93
- 6 **Letters**
Directory Kudos • Networking • Corrections •
Suggestions • Groups Coming Together
- 9 **FIC News: Highlights of the FIC Newsletter**
FIC's Purposes • Who Are We? • Defining Community
 - 10 Sharing Skills with the Larger Community • Intentional Communities
in the Public Eye • Internships in Community Settings
 - 11 Cult Culture • Right Livelihood Conference Held in Italy • Valdez Principles
Set Corporate Code • Colorado County Commissioners Influenced
 - 12 The Farm Sells Solar-Powered Cars • Climate in Crisis • Gesundheit! — A
Grand, Crazy, Collective Dream • A Friend in Iraq • Member-Managed Projects at
Raven Rocks • Los Angeles Eco-Village • Natural and Unnatural Disasters •
Building Community with The Arts
 - 13 Shannon Struggles with Growth Issues • Morninglory Adopts School •
The Children of Sirius • Koinonia Agriculture
 - 14 Danish Cohousing • Cohousing Comes to America •
Bainbridge Island Cohousing • On-Line Cohousing
 - 15 A Demographic Analysis of 186 North American Intentional Communities:
Population & Acreage, Establishment Dates, Leadership in Spiritual &
Secular Communities
- 17 **Fall '92 Update to the *Directory of Intentional Communities***
 - 18 New North American Communities Listings
 - 28 New Resource Listings
 - 32 Address & Telephone Updates • List of 100 Additional Communities
- 35 **People Looking (More Letters)**
- 39 **Reach Ads & Classifieds**
- 40 **Fall '92 Calendar of Major Community Events**
- 41 **Events Calendar Clearinghouse**
- 44 **Subscriber Options**

Winter
1993

COMMUNITIES: Journal of Cooperation

© 1992 by Fellowship for Intentional Community. All rights reserved.
Printed in the U.S.A. Opinions expressed by authors and correspondents
are their own and do not necessarily reflect those of the publisher.

Movement groups may reprint with permission. *COMMUNITIES* is
published from offices at Sandhill Farm, Route 1, Box 155-M, Rutledge
MO 63563 (816)883-5543.

COMMUNITIES is \$18 for four issues, \$22 for in-
stitutions; add \$4 for subscriptions outside the U.S.
Single copies are \$4.50 in the U.S., \$5.00 elsewhere.

Send contributions of editorial material and change of
address information to *COMMUNITIES*, c/o Sandhill
Farm, Route 1, Box 155-M, Rutledge MO 63563.

This magazine printed on 100% recycled paper, using soy-based inks, at Modern Printing in Quincy, IL.

ISSN 1054-500X

We're back!

Fresh from the success with the *Directory of Intentional Communities*, the Fellowship of Intentional Community (FIC) has now completed negotiations with the Communities Publication Cooperative (CPC) to become the publisher of *Communities* magazine. This is the first regular issue coming out under FIC management.

We have taken over from Charles Betterton and his support staff at Stelle, IL, who operated the magazine for CPC during the past eight years. Production of the magazine had been erratic in recent years, and the Fellowship moves into its management role with new energy and new ideas to revitalize the publication.

As a continental network organization, the FIC hopes to take advantage of its broad contacts to get fuller reporting of the exciting ideas and events unfolding in communities today. Our challenge is to employ the technologies of cooperation and electronic communications to operate the magazine smoothly, even with the production team spread across the continent. You, our readers, will be the judge of how well we do.

To provide a closer look at the Fellowship, who we are and what we've been doing, we are opening this revival issue with a collection of highlights from the FIC newsletter.

The Rising Tide

This is an exciting time to be covering the communities movement — today there are more people seeking community and more groups starting new ones than at any time in at least the past 15 years. Many communities are reporting the highest population levels in more than a decade. Some are completely full (or actively engaged in debate about what "full" means).

Servicing the widespread and growing interest in community is a primary mission of the Fellowship. In addition to our publications (this magazine, the *Directory*, and the FIC newsletter) we are offering our services as a clearing house for all manner of inquiries about intentional communities — fielding a steady stream of letters and calls from seekers, forming groups, media, and producers of alternative goods and

services. Of course we don't have answers to all the questions posed, yet most of the time we either know something that will help, or someone else who does know. It's a big step forward from a few years back when no one was putting themselves in a position to fill this much-needed role. Please know that as a reader and supporter of this magazine, you are helping to sustain the Fellowship in this work.

Plans for the Magazine

Our vision is to publish the magazine quarterly, as it was in the mid-80s. Initially, however, we do not believe we can bring out quality issues that frequently.

In addition to publishing *Communities* and the next edition of the *Directory*, the FIC will be hosting an international "Celebration of Community" in 1993 (see page 4 for details about this event) and so we are concerned about spreading ourselves too thin. Since it will also take time to establish our staff and operations, our goal is to produce only two magazine issues per year in '92 and '93. It will be 1994 before we hope to put out four issues a year. In any event, subscribers will receive the full number of issues due to them no matter how the schedule finally evolves.

While the FIC is committed to producing regular editions of the *Directory of Intentional Communities*, we have decided to separate this guidebook from the magazine. Due to the expanded size and scope of the *Directory*, subscribers will no longer receive it as part of their subscription. It costs us too much to produce. In fact, right now we sell a copy of the *Directory* through the mail for the same price, \$18, as a four-issue magazine subscription.

The Fellowship wants the magazine to accomplish two main goals. First, to be the source of accurate, comprehensive information about intentional communities. We'll pursue this in several ways:

- Although future directories will no longer be included as part of the magazine subscription, starting with this issue, we will feature a "Directory Update" in each issue (see page 17). This is where we will present late-breaking news about new groups, newly discovered groups, changes in address, etc. It will be

through this Directory Supplement section that people can stay up-to-date on contact information.

- We'll continue the popular "Reach" section, where communities looking for members and individuals looking for communities can advertise for each other. Historically this has been one of the magazines best-read features.

- We'll print a regular column about the Fellowship and its network activities. This will essentially be a condensed version of the FIC Newsletter, and will offer news tidbits from around the movement (see page 9).

- We'll publish a regular "Calendar of Events" for activities that are by, about, or for those living in community — inviting all organizations and readers to send relevant entries for inclusion in this section (see page 40).

Second, *Communities* will be a forum for ideas and issues in cooperative living. The communities world is highly eclectic and features many different versions of "utopia" or the "good life". Our magazine will provide an arena where different paths can be explored and discussed. It is not the role of the Fellowship or the magazine to pass judgement on community visions or practices — yet it is our function to foster interaction and exchange, and to be a tool for making informed decisions.

To this end, we intend to feature regular columns by people who've been active in the movement for a long time and have done some serious thinking about the challenges and lessons of community. In addition, we'll try to develop a theme for each issue, with a collection of articles that examine different aspects of the topic. For example our next issue, due out at the end of the year, will focus on the theme "Vision and Leadership". We have also already collected some material for a mid-'93 issue on "Community and Economic Development".

We'll often rely on guest editors to focus the theme, using their contacts to bring in contributions from various sources. We aspire to be "inclusive" in our coverage, so if you have concerns about adequate representation of specific topics or viewpoints in the movement, please send us articles or ideas for

consideration. The pieces we publish will not be limited to the theme of the issue. We are open to any writing or graphics which illuminate issues in community living, and we'll be happy to print any well-written thought-provoking piece that relates to the theory and/or practice of community.

Who is Our Audience?

We see three groups. First, individuals interested in cooperative lifestyles. This includes anyone exploring the ideas of community, and is not limited to those who are considering a move to community, or are already living in one. We have already sold more copies of the *Directory* than there are people living in the communities we listed. It is clear that the appeal of community extends far beyond those living in them, and we are speaking to that wider audience.

Second, communities wanting contact with and information about each other. It's natural for communitarians to be interested in extending to other groups the cooperative spirit they nurture at home. The function of promoting and assisting intercommunity contact has never been well served beyond some noteworthy regional efforts, and we believe that FIC and the magazine are well-placed to fill this role.

Third, those concerned with the health and vitality of "communities" in the broader sense: neighborhoods, small towns and other swatches of the social fabric. We want to examine the cultural products of intentional community and explore how they relate to the wider culture. Most communities are not trying to isolate themselves; rather they're trying to develop alternative social structures so that all people can enjoy more cultural choices. The Fellowship's goal is to make these diverse experiences available to everyone. Thus we want to promote dialog between intentional communities and "traditional" communities everywhere.

We are pleased that many people are interested in our efforts, and we are working hard to sustain that interest. We invite you to let us know how we're doing, and how we could do better.

In cooperation,

Laird Sandhill

The FIC's Path to Publishing

While the Fellowship has roots that go back to the late '40s, the present surge of network energy began to coalesce about six years ago in a meeting that took place — talk about destiny! — at the Stelle offices of *Communities* magazine. From the outset it was clear there was a crying need for accurate information about communities, impartially delivered. We knew there existed a large pool of people dissatisfied with mainstream lifestyle choices, and that it was often difficult to get up-to-date news on the dynamic and diverse communities movement.

Although *Communities* has periodically produced issues which included directories, by the late '80s the magazine had been losing steam. An updated directory was overdue, and most of the staff energy was being drawn to other pursuits. It was an obvious choice for the Fellowship to get involved in creating a new directory — as complete and current as our extensive contacts could make it — in cooperation with *Communities* magazine.

The *Directory of Intentional Communities* was completed in 1990, and has been received with overwhelming enthusiasm. For reader response, see "Letters to the Editor" beginning on page 6.

As might be expected, the *Directory* rekindled interest in the magazine, and subsequently the Fellowship has moved to become its publisher — a natural extension of our outreach mission. At the time that we assumed management responsibility, the magazine carried more than \$15,000 of debt. Although negotiations proceeded slowly, with perseverance we completed the transfer of control this past June. We are using the success of the *Directory* to help finance the magazine's transition, and are pleased to be getting *Communities* back into regular production.

Special Offer for Subscribers

In recognition of the patience that subscribers have extended to the magazine in recent years, and to encourage new subscribers, we are announcing a special offer — good through the end of 1992.

If you buy both a subscription (new or renewed) and a copy of the *Directory* (either the existing edition or a copy of the next edition, in advance), we'll give you \$6 off the combined list price. That is, we're offering you an \$18 *Directory* (\$16 list plus \$2 for shipping) plus an \$18 four-issue subscription for a total price of \$30. See the coupon on page 44 to take advantage of this offer. ❖

Credits:

Note: This issue of Communities magazine has been produced entirely by volunteers. Our "interim" staff is as follows:

Managing Editor: Laird Schaub (Sandhill Farm)

Production: Geoph Kozeny (Community Catalyst Project)

Editing: Geoph & Laird

Cartoons: Jonathan Roth (T.Oaks)

Graphics: Ed Buryn (Back Cover photo), John Sisson (pages 11 & 26), School of Living logo (p. 30).

Mailing List: Elf Morgan (Hawk Circle associate)

Support Staff: Betty Didcoct (TIES), Joshua Frankenstein (East Wind), Roger Hallam (Common Ground/England), plus the FIC Newsletter Editors: Dan Questenberry & Julie Mazo (both of Shannon Farm).

Supporting Communities: (provided lodging, meals, phone & computer access, etc.) Sandhill Farm, Shannon Farm, Twin Oaks, and especially East Wind (Laser printing too!). *Thanks!*

A Celebration of Community

Our vision of this gathering is an event that will be:

- International in scope
- Diverse in philosophy, culture, and presentation format
- An interactive multi-media means to communicate messages on various themes:

Learning from the Past, Visioning the Future

Multigenerational Living, Nurture in Families & Tribes

Diversity: Our Strength, Our Challenge

Cooperative Connections Between & Beyond Communities

Community Technology: Hardware, Software, Liveware

Celebrating our Creativity



We are designing the themes and structure to:

- Address issues of ecology and appropriately applied technology, community systems, legal definitions and structures
- Show models of group decision making
- Invite challenges to the movement (especially from social change organizations)
- Facilitate skills and labor exchanges
- Help seekers find community options that could work for them
- Experience the healing aspects of community life (we plan to organize "clans" or "pods" to give the opportunity for small group sharing to happen throughout the Gathering).

Please photocopy this page and distribute as widely as possible. Thanks!

Networking & Alliance Building:

"Making Connections" will be a major sub-theme of our celebration. The Gathering will be a fertile environment for:

- Community-to-community contact
- Seekers of community meeting groups with openings
- Contact between the communities movement and the larger society



Media: There will be at least one Media Day which will encourage reporters from all types and sizes of media organizations to cover the activities of our movement. We are also planning to coordinate efforts to create a broadcast-quality documentary of the event, and of the variety of lifestyles represented.



Forums: The schedule will include many opportunities for people to share their visions of community, and there will be booth and exhibit spaces readily available to communities — where contemporary groups may sell their products and provide information about their daily lives.



Child Care: Some cooperative child care will be organized. Please indicate on the reply form if you will be bringing child(ren) or if you can help with child care.



Rides, Housing and Food Subsidies: will be available for those who need them, although we cannot guarantee an endless supply. If you can help with a ride, a gift of food, or a donation for a scholarship fund, please let us know. If you have special needs or require more information, write us at the address below.



Camping and Dormitory Space: will be available on the campus. Please bring a tent to camp if possible. Also, there is very limited RV space. The registration form will have an option to indicate that this is your preference for lodging. Local motels will need to receive your reservation at least 3 months in advance.



Do Not Bring: any illegal substances to the Gathering site. Also, do not bring pets. Because of environmental sensitivities, there will be no indoor smoking and we ask that you do not wear perfumes.

How You Can Help: REGISTER NOW! • join Friends of Community for various benefits, supporting our work at \$100, \$250, and \$500+ levels • register for a booth to sell your products or to share information • contribute the equivalent of one or more registrations to our scholarship fund, • become a contact person to do outreach in your area • place articles in local newspapers, fliers on bulletin boards, etc. • be on the production team for the daily newspaper at the gathering • provide a loan at no or low interest to be repaid by January, 1994 • contact communities in your area to encourage their involvement • recruit sponsors • participate in or coordinate a Celebration committee • arrive one or two days early to help set up, or stay late to help clean up. • lend us a copy machine, computer, video camera, van, etc. for the week of the Celebration • work with the childcare program • help coordinate program for 10-12 yr olds or teens • promote the Celebration in your publications • contribute seed money • host fund-raising events to sponsor people attending from your area • coordinate ride sharing and/or bus transportation from your area • sponsor the steering committee working in Olympia during July and August • be a volunteer at the event • See page 43!! •

A Celebration of Community

A Gathering Organized by the Fellowship for Intentional Community

August 26-31, 1993 marks the dates for the first international gathering of intentional communities*, and Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington, has been reserved as the site. This conference, entitled "Celebration of Community", will bring together participants from all over the planet to share visions, experiences, and systems for cooperative and sustainable lifestyles, and to create an atmosphere of fellowship and alliance-building for promoting the health and growth of the communities movement.

There are thousands of intentional communities, both on this continent and abroad, that have worked tirelessly to develop new ways to live that address a wide range of social, economic, spiritual, and personal issues. Many contemporary communities have existed for 20, 30, even 40 years — providing a wealth of experience and knowledge. Though this positive "voice" of communities has been quiet in recent years, now is the time to make it audible to the wider culture, offering inspiration and potential solutions to some of the severe problems we face today.

Following FIC's publication of the *Directory of Intentional Communities: a Guide to Cooperative Living* in 1990, there has been an major surge of interest in the intentional communities movement. We are receiving many requests for information, and some have resulted in articles in the *Boston Globe*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Seattle Times*, *USA Today*, *Life* and *New Women* magazines, and a spot on NPR radio ... to name a few. To take advantage of this increasing level of interest and to provide information to the many "seekers" of intentional community, FIC is planning this Celebration to share and celebrate the first-hand experiences of people in intentional communities and cooperatives with a wider circle of supporters, networks, media, and the mainstream.

The "Celebration" objectives:

1. To provide opportunities for people interested in or seeking community to connect with appropriate possibilities and learn about starting and maintaining community life;

2. To foster inter-community contact, communication, coordination and cooperation, and explore possible collaborative projects;

3. To bring alternative options to the awareness of mainstream society.

4. To evolve and expand collaborative partnerships with individuals and organizations involved in similar activities and movements such as: cohousing and ecovillages; the Greens, bioregional, and permaculture movements; community development, community education and community economic development; and the communal historical societies which study the rich centuries-old heritage of our communal roots.

The "Celebration" design:

Woven throughout the program of keynote speakers, workshops, and entertainment, we also plan to include:

1. Forums for Seekers: with panels of experienced communitarians delving into the elements necessary to build and maintain viable community experiences. We'll address the needs of participants who seek to bring community into their lives. What is needed to start a community? What is needed to keep a community alive and vibrant? What are the major pitfalls in community? What are the elements of success?

2. Forums for Communitarians: to explore ways we can join together for collaborative projects. Ideas which have already surfaced include expanding the current CESCO revolving loan fund to create savings and investment programs for assisting more community businesses, building a major medical health fund for communitarians, and creating a College of Communities to train people in the theory and practice of community life.

3. A Children's Community program: for 3 age divisions — infants through 4 years of age, children 5-10, and young adults 11-15. On-site staff will include people trained to work with children in these age groups.

4. Native American Elders program: to invite the participation of those who have lived in the spirit of intentional community on this continent since the beginning.

The Elders will be offering ceremonies throughout the event.

5. Community Spirit program: to model ways of creating a spirit of community, and to turn our week together into an experience of community building. We will place more emphasis on experiential, interactive, and participatory structures for workshops, and we'll organize conference participants into small "family" groups with community-building facilitators. These groups will meet throughout the conference, providing all participants with the opportunity to experience community and connectedness with other participants.

6. Art and Festival program: integrated into the daily programs to emphasize the creative side, engaging our right brains in conjunction with left-brain activities.

7. FUN committee: whose job will be to remind us that we are coming together, not only to learn from one another — but to have fun, and to touch the magic that can come from the synergetic energy of working together.

How can you become involved?

To produce a conference of this scope, we need lots of help! There are many places in which you can join us in our effort to make this a successful gathering. Write to the address below for further information on any of the possibilities ... there's a long (but not exhaustive) list at the bottom of the flyer on the facing page, and a preregistration form on page 43.

'93 Celebration of Community
615 First St.
Langley, WA 98260

If you want further
information, please do not
hesitate to contact us!



*and individuals interested in communities.

Letters

What follows is a sampling of the letters we've received over the past 18 months — some addressed to the magazine, some to the Directory, some to the Fellowship. The first group is feedback on the Directory, followed by networking, corrections, suggestions, and groups coming together.

Kudos

Dear Fellowship,

How happy I was to find you in the September '92 KIT newsletter. I saw a copy of the Directory at Quaker House in Chicago, but neglected to get the address. And so here I have it.

Please send me a copy. It is so well arranged, so carefully set up, it shows a labor of love and interest in the people and communities.

Thanks so much,
Janet E. Stevens
Hillsdale, MI 9/14/92

Dear Communities!

Thanks a lot for your letter. It made me very happy to receive such a positive answer which encouraged me to go on searching for the community I'd love to live in. I'm enclosing a subscription—I'm so impatient to have a look at it. More than 300 addresses! That's really ... wow!

I hope to hear from you soon,
Axel Linde
Foncels, France 8/28/91

Greetings from the Islands of Trinidad & Tobago,

Please send me the Directory Supplement (payment enclosed). I am still enjoying your publication, and don't want to miss out on any new information.

Thank you for your time,
Lisa Nixon
West Indies 11/10/91

Dear People!

I was very glad to get the first printing of the Directory. I find it very interesting, and also a lot of my friends borrowed the book and perused it. So you did a good job, and I would like to get a copy of the second printing (payment enclosed).

Thanks a lot.
Norbert Heuer
Kaufungen, Germany 9/15/91

Dear Directory Folks,

Thank you for your letter. I'm really pleased with the book. It is exactly what I have been looking for. After the holidays, I plan on making some inquiries and implementing a major lifestyle change. Thanks again.

Sincerely,
Jeannine Desmarais
Norman, OK 11/7/91

Hi!

I'm interested in getting a copy of your very informative "Directory of Intentional Communities." In my research I came across the directory ... wow, what a resource!

Thanks much.
Kirsten Spackman
San Francisco, CA 12/3/91

Hello!

Could you please send me ASAP the Directory? I enclose payment. Every time this is updated I am so thrilled. What a great job on the book — it's beautifully done.

Thank you,
Jennifer Field
Kansas City, MO 9/11/91

Dear Someone,

You are to be congratulated on the Directory. I have gotten much use from it. So clear and concise. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Dorothy Foster
Napa, CA 9/19/91

Dear Friend,

How exciting to hear about your new Directory! I have used the first printing for a while with great success. At this time I'd like to purchase the supplement (payment enclosed).

Thanks so much for putting the book together, and I wish you much success and prosperity in the future.

Regards,
Ken Gardellis
Santa Barbara, CA 9/20/91

Dear Communities,

Thank you for sending the Directory. I was not sure what to expect when I sent away for a copy ... you know how many alternative press materials are. This is professionalism, it exhibits the pride and obviously the love that the people who participated have for this endeavor. The layout, graphics, and overall design lends

itself to either browsing or straight forward, front-to-back reading. I've done the first, and am deeply into the second. This is an excellent introduction, the product and the information, to communitarian life, for a complete neophyte, like myself.

Again, thank you very much
Blaine Atkins
Needham, MA 11/25/91

Dear Communities Directory:

Thank you so much for putting together the Directory! It has been amazingly useful! I can't imagine that I would have been able to explore communities at all without it, and you've really outdone yourselves with this recent edition!

Thanks!!
Sue Davis
Somerville, MA 1/7/92

To the FIC,

For some years we have been living with [sheltering?] people without homes, illegal aliens and political refugees. Somebody called us "intentional" communities, which was news to us. Then this morning I had the surprise to read about the FIC in the Fall '88 issue of "Community Soundings" [an FEC publication] — we are, as you see, a bit behind in our readings.

But THAT is a reason for our asking for your info ... newsletters, articles, etc. Please put us in your mailings. Thanks.

Pio Celestino,
Refugio del Rio Grande
Harlingen, Texas 78551
La Casa del Pueblo
Dayton, Ohio 45407

Dear Friends,

I am very impressed with the Directory — it's comprehensive, very informative, and nicely laid out. I would like to order a couple more copies for friends and family (addresses and payment enclosed). I am very interested in the community movement, especially the egalitarian aspect, but so far have not become directly involved.

Thank you,
Jim Tremblay
Morgantown, NC 2/9/92

Dear Communities Magazine,

I love your magazine! I have the Directory, and have lovingly read it (to lift my spirits) whenever I felt down. As a result, some pages have been lost — would you be kind

enough to send me a xerox of the maps I've lost? (Payment enclosed.) Any tips on communities that might accept a badly crippled person (scoliosis) that has great mental capability? (P.S. I would like to compliment whoever did the tabulation — good scholarship!)

Kenneth Carter
New Orleans, LA 4/12/92

Directory Folks,

This book is incredible!! Filled with all kinds of good information. It is my ultimate goal in life to live "simply" off the land as much as possible, and treat the Earth as our Mother, which she is. Peace & Balance to all of you,

Cara Ann Hansen
Orlando, FL 6/15/92

Dear Communities Folks,

Thank you very much for the Directory. I have found it even better and more informative than expected.

Thanks again,
Sharon Halls
Kitchener, Ontario 5/26/92

Dear Communities,

Thanks so much for the info on international communities. I leave for Europe on/about the end of May — what you sent was helpful and encouraging. I so very much thank you again for being as, without finding your book, my path would not be as exciting and resource-full!

In community,
Reen Shahda
Easton, PA 4/20/92

Dear Friends,

Thank you for sending me my Directory despite improper payment (balance enclosed). Trust like that is an all too un-common trait these days. Thanks for your trust and such a fine publication which will make starting/visiting a community easier.

Thanks again, In Love & Peace,
Chris Mulford
Lebanon, OH 10/18/91

Dear Friends,

I am one of the lucky owners of the first printing of the Directory. I love it, thank you so much for its existence. I enclose payment for the supplement.

Thanks so much,
George Whiteside
Kennett Square, PA 10/20/91

Hello Folks!

I saw your awesome Directory in our local food co-op, and rather than buy the only copy in the store, I thought I'd write and have you send me one (payment enclosed). Thank you so much for getting some very much needed information out to the people.

Cindy Horwitz
Portland, OR 11/1/91

■ Continuity ■

Dear People:

Are you still there? I've received Issue 76 and the magnificent Directory (#77-78), but so far no Number 79. Has it come out? Please let me know.

Sincerely, James Henry Romer
Unity, NH 1/13/92

[Ed: We are here still, or "again" might be more accurate. The journal had faded into near obscurity due to a lack of funding and staffing, but we hope that with FIC's assumption of the magazine's management, we'll soon have it back on track (see editorial on page 2). Issue #80, focusing on "Vision & Leadership", coming together now, is expected out in early '93.]

■ Spreading the Word ■

Hello,

Our foundation is doing the same in Holland as you in the U.S. — I mean giving out information about communities. Apart from that, we publish a magazine with information about alternative healing. I would like to help with distribution of Communities.

With love, Peter
Stichting "GEHEEL"
Twaalfmorgenstraat 23
6212 SM Den Bosch
Holland

Communities—

I have been poring over the Directory since receiving it a week or so ago. It ends a quest embarked on over a year ago when, for the fourth and final time, I retired from the ad racket.

I've narrowed my preferences down to four communities with *The Farm* as my first (there are currently two houses available). I'm sending a request to visit

which I hope will be answered in the affirmative as I would like to get settled well before harvest time.

It was great seeing pictures and reading about the bunch who produced the Directory. I want you all to know it has given me encouragement that there is a place for the likes of me where I *can* have a more productive and fulfilling life.

I've given the largest co-op food store in our county information for ordering copies of the Directory. Won't be a large order, but it will be seen by a large pool of seekers.

Thanks again and again and again,
Dick Graham
Bethesda, MD 3/31/91

[Ed: PBS has already ordered a copy, as has NBC News and CBS. Also, the Directory was recently reviewed on NPR's "All Things Considered." We appreciate leads and suggestions like this, and especially appreciate having copies of the Directory promoted in cafes, bookstores, food stores, etc., by local folks who are inspired by what they've found in it.]

Dear Communities,

The Directory is excellent. It will be of great value to me in finding a place to live with people who respect the Earth, and away from the insanity of the military-industrial world — but where I can still develop and publish my software. I am interested in international communities as much as those in the U.S., so I hope you'll expand this section. Let me know when you put out a revised edition.

Best wishes,
Peter Meyer
Berkeley, CA 1/24/92

[Ed: Last spring we mailed out a call for entries for an all new Directory, and we're now doing follow-up calls and letters to nudge along the responders. Our goal is to get the new edition out in the first half of next year, so stay tuned We expect to greatly expand both the North American and the International sections, though our primary focus is still on the former. The Directory's "Resources" section lists several international networking groups which have greater coverage of groups abroad. Please be sure that your community has responded to our request, or let us know if you think we missed you this time.]

Letters Continue on Next Page...

More Letters...

Dear Communities,

Enclosed is a check for the *second* Directory which I received recently. I found someone to buy it from me. (We received 2 copies!) Many thanks. This book is a terrific resource and I am enjoying reading it.

Thanks—

Elizabeth Gottlieb
Middletown, NY 5/8/91

Hello—

Please send a copy of the Directory to my great friend Karen. Enclosed is a check and address information. Thank you — we love our copy — it's going to change our lives I expect.

Sincerely,
Laura Wells
Alameda, CA 4/20/91

To the people at Communities Mag (and FIC):

I love your Directory — it is very well done and exactly what I was looking for. I was so glad when a friend lent me his copy! So ... I want to order a copy of my own — here's a check.

Plus: I'm from Madison, WI, and there are only two listings from there! Madison is kind of a Midwestern oasis/hub of communal living/cooperation. There are a bunch of co-ops with the Madison Housing Cooperative, and more independent ones (MHC will give you listings!)

Peace, Laurel Neff
Wynnewood, PA 6/8/91

[Ed: We're already on the trail to a half dozen other Madison groups in addition to the MHC—and it's leads like this that help us make the initial contacts. Thanks!]

Dear Folks,

Please send a copy of the Directory to my friends at the Sherborn Center for Attitudinal Healing in Sherborn, MI. I have a copy of this Directory and I love it. I am currently exploring the possibility and likelihood of community living and, needless to say, this directory is immensely helpful. Thanks!!!

In light, love & appreciation,
Elaine Fitzgerald 7/9/91

Dear Communities,

Thanks for sending the Directory. It is very good and approaching thoroughness. I think that a wide distribution of the Directory in the history and social sciences (not to mention anthropology) depts of junior colleges and colleges would go a long way to encourage cross-fertilization of ideas and people, as well as increased experimentations with the forms of community. To that end, please accept this donation (including postage) to place a copy in a college or junior college library.

Sincerely, Kerry Fisher
Spokane, WA 11/15/91

[Ed: We really appreciate your support, and encourage others to place copies in their neighborhood—for seekers who may have no idea that such a resource exists. It is also tremendously helpful whenever a proud Directory owner carries their copy into a local bookstore or food co-op and asks: "Have you considered carrying this book? It's a tremendous resource!"]

■ Corrections & Footnotes ■

Dear Friends,

Here is a check for a copy of the Directory — let me congratulate you on it. I've read it all and want it for my dissertation, which

is on Helen & Scott Nearing, Ralph & Myrtle Mae Borsodi, and Mildred Loomis.

There are a few factual errors in Dan Questenberry's article (pp. 116-121) which you might like to get corrected if a new edition is printed.... This information is available in Record Group 48, Division of Subsistences Homesteads, Dept. of Interior, at the National Archives.

One good source on the topic: Richard D. Schubart, Ralph Borsodi: The Political Biography of a Utopian Decentralist PhD dissertation, State University of New York at Binghamton, 1983, available from University microfilms.

Thanks again,
Vivien Rose
Ithaca, NY 6/4/91

[Ed: Thank you, Vivien, for the corrections and leads! It is information such as this that enables us to update and improve the Directory with each subsequent printing.]

Dear Directory Folks,

Thank you for sending the copy of the Directory so promptly.

In 1945, six families initiated Butte Cooperative Farm in the Sacramento Valley of California, near Gridley. We all graduated from the same college between 1937 and 1940, and our intentions were along the lines of the Brook Farm experiment of a century earlier. We started to go our own ways a little over three years later, but I think we all considered it then and later a good experience and valuable education.

Best wishes on your good work,
Glen Price
Sebastapol, CA 4/7/91

More Letters on Page 35...

LIVING IN SINCERITY



FIC's Purposes:

- Networking, building trust, and facilitating exchange among intentional communities and those seeking referrals to appropriate communities;
- Supporting resource centers, academic programs and demonstrations for increasing public information about intentional communities;
- Increasing global awareness of community options for ecology, personal and social development, and peaceful social transformation.

FIC is run by a board of directors, selected on the basis of experience, involvement, and representation of diverse elements in the movement. Decisions are made by consensus (notwithstanding how participants make decisions at their home communities or organizations).

Further, we are committed to promoting cooperative dialog among all people, regardless of common values, in the interest of peaceful social transformation.

FIC News

SUPPLEMENT TO COMMUNITIES MAGAZINE

After many, many months of negotiations, the Fellowship for Intentional Community (FIC) has assumed management of Communities magazine. In celebration of that June 1992 transition, we are reprinting here a number of articles that have appeared in the FIC Newsletter over the past two years.

The Newsletter is usually about eight pages long, insuring a quick read for a wide range of busy communitarians. It features up-to-date information about what's going on in communities spanning the continent, plus calendar information, announcements, reports of media coverage, book and magazine reviews, and summaries of FIC membership and projects. The "Letters" column has been growing rapidly in recent months, and provides an active forum for discussing issues that will eventually be distilled into articles for broader circulation, including such venerable publications as — Communities magazine! It's a great channel for sharing some of your experience and insight with others interested in the growth and sustainability of the movement.

A newsletter subscription, included with each FIC membership, will help you keep abreast of current developments, and will bring you quarterly infusions of ideas and inspiration. It will also entitle you to periodic discounts on Directories, community gatherings, and other related offerings. Your membership (see box below for details) will amplify FIC's efforts to encourage connections and strengthen the communities movement. The annual dues won't make a big dent in your budget, but your support and your dollars will be important for FIC.

Who We Are: Membership

So far this year, 32 communities have joined the Fellowship for the first time, increasing our membership to 116 intentional communities. While these new connections are vital to our common sense of movement, so is the continuing participation of our 17 "charter" members (those groups joining in '87-'89, the years just after the Fellowship was incorporated and re-organized). Of these seventeen, all contributed dues through 1991 and most have already contributed in '92. Even considering the extensive prior relationships among these mostly older communities, this high participation record is very impressive, reflecting a common awareness of the importance of the Fellowship's coordinated efforts.

Interestingly, 58% of the communities listed in the *Directory* are spiritually based (at least of those that answered that question in our survey), and just over half of the 116 intentional communities in the FIC affirm a spiritual focus for community life. Approximately a dozen are Christian, a half-dozen are members of the Emissary Foundation network, four are Eastern Spiritual or Yoga-based, and the rest follow eclectic or ecumenical paths.

Our network is similarly diverse for any other characteristic you might like to consider: years in existence, population, number of children, types of leadership and decision-making, gender balance, sexual orientation, economic systems, etc. Membership in FIC is open to all communitarians of any persuasion, plus seekers and support organizations (FIC now has a dozen "Associated Organizations"). We encourage and welcome your participation in the dialog.

Who Are We? Defining Intentional Community

As an association of 116 intentional communities, let's take the opportunity to define ourselves. The Fall '91 FIC Newsletter contained a short demographic definition of intentional community which continues to provoke lively discussions. The following tentative definitions illustrate how these talks have evolved.

Harvey Baker, a woodworker and mathematics professor from Dunmire Hollow (TN), is Program Chair for the '93 International Celebration of Community in Olympia WA. In his correspondence with prospective conference keynote speakers, Harvey defines community quite soulfully:

DEFINITIONS CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE...

You are invited to join the

FELLOWSHIP FOR INTENTIONAL COMMUNITY

- \$20 - Communities of up to 10 members
- \$35 - Communities of 11-50 members
- \$50 - Communities of over 50 members
- \$15 - Individuals
- \$25 - Organizations
- \$100 - Supporting Member (any category)
- \$250 - Sustaining Member (any category)
- \$500 - Sponsoring Member (any category)

Send your membership and donations to:

**FIC, c/o Dan Questenberry
Route 2, Box 343, Afton VA 22920.**

Please include your name, address, phone number, and a description of your community affiliations and/or aspirations.

Defining Community...

• An "intentional community" is a group of people dedicated with intent, purpose and commitment to a mutual concern. Generally the group shares land or housing, or is otherwise close enough geographically to be in continuous active fellowship so that it can effectively carry out the purposes to which it is dedicated.

FIC's Newsletter editor, Dan Questenberry of Shannon Farm (VA), offers the following modification:

• An "intentional community" is a group of people living cooperatively, dedicated by intent and commitment to specific communal values and goals, with group members in continual, active fellowship around these mutual interests. Fellowship life is facilitated inside each community by uniquely defined governing body(s) which use established, though sometimes diverse, decision-making processes. Generally, intentional communities place high value on the shared ownership or lease of a common home place — housing, land, businesses — which often serve to demonstrate communal values and goals to the wider society.

• A "group house," or "extended family," is a smaller intentional community with members residing in a single family dwelling, and often using more casual decision-making processes, especially in the smallest groups.

We undoubtedly need to expand and clarify our terminology. What is your definition of intentional community? How do the above descriptions compare with your ideas of what the terms mean — favorably? Send in your answers to this word puzzle!

Sharing Skills with the Larger Community

In rural Virginia, a low-income family recently moved from their shack without running water into a brand-new house, built largely with volunteer labor from Shannon Farm. The Nelson County Community Development Foundation provided leadership and arranged financing, and Shannon members contributed over 300 hours of skilled construction labor.

After 15 years of cooperative experience in home building at Shannon, many members have developed extensive construction expertise. The fun of cooperative effort, the gratifying feeling of helping, and extensive local appreciation and publicity, added up to a highlight of the Shannon year.

Home building is a primary interest for many intentional communities. The Farm (TN) has helped build many dwellings and community buildings in this country and abroad. Koinonia Partners (GA) has been so successful at fund-raising and low-cost home construction that a former member left to create Habitat for Humanity, a separate organization known for building and financing low-cost dwellings in many nations.

Reported at the Fall '91 FIC Board meeting were many examples of connecting our communitarian experience and resources with the larger community. These included Sandhill Farm's (MO) involvement with local efforts to fight a landfill which would import garbage into the neighboring county; Magic, Inc.'s (CA) organizing local volunteers to plant trees; and Twin Oak's (VA) member participation in the local church choir. Many communities report recognition by public school teachers that community kids have very impressive personal and social skills.

Local groups in many areas ask their local intentional communities about their ways of dealing with ecological concerns. Dunmire Hollow (TN) has been involved with building a volunteer fire department and community center for the area. Members of Shannon Farm (VA) actively participate in the local Democratic party.

How does your community connect with its neighbors? Please send news about what's up with your community, and copies of your newsletters and promotional flyers, to: FIC Newsletter; c/o Dan Questenberry; Route 2, Box 343; Afton, VA 22920.

Intentional Communities In the Public Eye

Believe it or not, we made *USA Today*. Is that mainstream, or is that mainstream? Last December they ran an article announcing that there are over 3,000

communes nationwide, and that more and more people are viewing communal lifestyles as a viable alternative to a 9-to-5 lifestyle and an empty Sun Belt retirement. Corinne McLaughlin of Sirius Community (MA) is quoted: "There are a lot of people who have it made in the mainstream and still aren't satisfied. They're finding the sense of connectiveness is missing ... and are looking for mutual support, and community, and shared values."

The article suggests that the weak economy may be fueling the growing popularity of communities, since communal living is a creative, relatively inexpensive way to live comfortably and avoid personal economic distress. The journalist referred to the *Directory of Intentional Communities* as the "definitive guide to cooperative living." Charles Betterton of Stelle (IL) is quoted as saying "People are hungry for an environment where they can continue to grow Intentional communities are finally being discovered as saner, more productive, and more meaningful ways to live."

Internships in Community Settings

—Julie Mazo, Shannon Farm (VA)

Living the life of community members, helping with their tasks, getting to know individuals, being immersed in the community culture. For numbers of people, an intern experience is attractive and rewarding, whether or not they intend to make a permanent home in an intentional community.

Internships are an integral part of Springtree Community. Eleven people spent varying lengths of time during 1990 working for room and board and contributing welcome labor. While gathering eggs, cutting firewood, manuring hay fields, mulching, and other chores, Springtree interns share new outlooks, new dynamics, and new jokes. Springtree's intern program is highly flexible; duration and participation of internships are tailored to the schedules, interests, skills, and needs of the community.

Jubilee Partners depends heavily on the many fine people who join them each year as volunteers. They come from January to May, June and July, or

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FIC NEWSLETTER

September to December to take part in the community's assistance to stranded Central American refugees trying to join family members in Canada. The community's efforts include negotiating safe passage through Mexico, getting cooperation from the INS, escorting the families northward, teaching English, and much, much more.

Sirius Community has a building apprentice program which includes free room and board for semi-skilled carpenters and those interested in "learning by doing" with a professional builder. Most recently, working to complete the new Conference Center has been the tangible, satisfying focus of this cooperative effort. Sirius also offers a weekend Community Living Experience, which gives guests a taste of the "joyful productivity that used to be called work", as well as a taste of other community activities.

Organic gardening apprenticeships are available at Yogaville and Birdsfoot Farm for those who can make a commitment of one or more months between March 1 and October 31. The garden managers at these farms have many years of practical experience and research which they apply to developing sustainable agriculture.

For more information about these and other apprenticeship programs, contact the communities directly.



Cult Culture

Arthur Deikman, in an interview published in *Magical Blend* magazine (May 1991), stated that "... a cult is less a matter of direction than intensity. Looking at cult behavior in that way, you find areas where one or more of the four basic cult behaviors are quite manifest in lots of different groups The focus for me is not so much which group is a cult and which is not, but how much cult behavior is present in the operation of any particular group."

Deikman describes the four basic cult behaviors:

- Dependence on the leader to provide you with what you want and take care of your problems and troubles.
- Compliance with the group ... a more or less unconscious process of doing what the group wants and not doing what it doesn't want.
- Devaluing the outsider so that outside opinions that differ from the group's can be written off, dismissed.
- Avoiding dissent — avoiding those things that would question the rightness of the group's opinions or beliefs.

Deikman also points out that much cult-like behavior exists in everyday organizations such as churches, civic clubs, the military, and large corporations. For more, see Deikman's book, *The Wrong Way Home: Uncovering the Patterns of Cult Behavior in American Society*, Beacon Press, 1990.

Right Livelihood Conference Held In Italy

—Albert Bates, The Farm (TN)

In a ceremony in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1980, The Farm and its world service foundation, Plenty, received the first Right Livelihood Award — honoring those who established models for living responsibly and lightly on the Earth. Ten years later, as The Farm's public interest attorney, I met with thirty-three subsequent winners of this "alternative Nobel Prize" in northern Italy to compare notes on the state of the world, and to share ideas.

Most of the conferees agreed that things are out of control, but the group was far from feeling hopeless. "Build up what you want to see, that's all. Get on with the job! If they can set up patents and barriers, we can set up seed exchanges." "Let's look at doing a particular job in a particular place. Invest your theory in a local point." "The only way power remains in misuse is through apathy. The duty of groups like ours is to create scenarios for change that inflame imaginations."

My thoughts at the end of the conference: "The world is poised at the moment of great change. And we have no mechanical tools to guide us. Our instruments are our simplicity, our humanity, and our quest for fulfillment."

(Excerpt from Natural Rights Center newsletter.)



Valdez Principles Set Corporate Code

Gordon Davidson, co-founder of Sirius Community (MA), also directs the Social Investment Forum which put forth the Valdez Principles. The name comes from the mammoth Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaskan waters in March of '89.

Endorsed by major environmental groups, The Valdez Principles set forth a corporate code of environmental conduct, stressing protection of the biosphere, air, and water; wise use of natural resources, minimizing and recycling waste; proper disposal of hazardous wastes; efficient energy usage; safety, damage compensation, and disclosure; input from environmentalists; and independent environmental audits.

Since communitarian Davidson's group announced the Valdez Principles, there has been extensive news coverage and strong support for corporate environmental accountability. Some state and local governments now require that all companies they invest in sign the Principles, or that the companies they buy from must be signatories. Most major oil companies have been asked by shareholders to disclose information about their compliance with the Principles.

Is there any activity on the Valdez Principles in your locality? For more information, contact the Social Investment Forum, 711 Atlantic Ave., Boston, MA 02111.

(From the *Sirius Journal*, Vol. 8, No. 4)

Colorado County Commissioners Influenced

Tom Tucker, of Earth Family Farm (CO), reports that his community requested the Heuerfano County Commissioners to adopt the Valdez Principles. They were passed! Congratulations, Earth Farmers.

More FIC Highlights on page 12...

The Farm Sells Solar-Powered Cars

Current and former members of The Farm (TN) are working together in the Solar Car Corporation. Current projects are the production of photovoltaic-powered Ford Festivas, stretch Lumina station wagons with dual fuel capacity (natural gas and/or propane and/or gasoline), a hybrid solar-collector sports car that will do 150 mph, and a mail-order kit for converting a Chevy S-10 or S-15 pickup to solar power.

The Solar Car Corporation's entry into the second annual North American "Tour de Sol" completed the 5-day, 234-mile race from Montpelier (VT) to Boston (MA) and placed first in the open class. For details, contact the Solar Car Corp, 1300 Lake Washington Road, Melbourne, FL 32935; (407)254-2997.

(From *Natural Rights Center newsletter*)

Climate in Crisis

Albert Bates of The Farm (TN) has published *Climate in Crisis*, a book on the greenhouse effect and what we can do about it. "If the entire world lived at the food standard of North America or Europe, some 2.5 billion could be sustained If the world would switch to the diet enjoyed in South America and many parts of Asia ... a population of 4 billion could be sustained. If everyone switched to a vegetarian diet ... 6 billion could be sustained. We will be approaching a population of 6 billion people by the year 2000."

Gesundheit! — A Grand, Crazy, Collective Dream

Gesundheit! Institute, a loosely-knit group putting together a model health care community, is described as a "grand, crazy, collective dream" in a recent issue of *Whole Earth Review*. Health care is given away free and, on its new location in rural West Virginia, staff and patients will live together under one roof. The experiment has expanded to include gardening, animal husbandry, arts, theater, and more ... with patients as involved as they want and are able to be. "There is something sublime (in a Fellini-esque sort of way) about having a group of aging hippie doctors, a cancer patient, a mental patient, and a recovering alcoholic all working together to

create something fun and meaningful." [Note: A West Virginia public TV station has also done a half-hour documentary on Gesundheit!'s dream. For more information contact Gesundheit! Institute, 2630 Robert Walker Place, Arlington, VA 22207; (703)525-8169.]

A Friend in Iraq

A member of Jubilee Partners (GA) community traveled to Iraq shortly after the Persian Gulf War bearing two heavy suitcases of letters addressed to "A friend in Iraq." This was only one aspect of a trip that began with a Lenten fast on the lawn of the Capitol Building, and continued to Jordan and on to Baghdad.

"We followed the ancient caravan route along the Fertile Crescent ... passed oases that have hosted travelers since the time of Abraham ... our attention divided between such sights and ... bomb craters, ruined relay towers, tons of debris, and the blackened remains of buses and trucks."

Jubilee Partners is making available a 45-minute slide show on the impact of the war on civilian populations, and they are happy to lend it out. Write to reserve a date: Jubilee Partners, P.O. Box 68, Comer, GA 30629.

(From *Jubilee Partners Report*, 5/91)

Member-Managed Projects at Raven Rocks

Members of the Raven Rocks (OH) community earn their livings in a variety of occupations, and also spend time as they are able doing community work such as maintenance, reforestation, and the planting and selling of Christmas trees. Individual member livelihoods come from projects very much in harmony with the community's values. These member-managed businesses and projects include Raven Rocks Concrete, housed in a solar pole building; Raven Rocks Press, which does editing, typesetting, design, and printing; construction of passive solar underground houses; greenhouses; woodworking; auto repair; a French-intensive/biodynamic garden; marketing of grey water systems, composting and low-flush toilets; and raising cattle. Raven Rocks welcomes visitors, and has designed an informative tour that demonstrates the environmentally respectful thrust of all their projects.

Los Angeles Eco-Village

Cooperative Resources & Services Project (CRSP), a Los Angeles networking group, has already launched a functioning LETS system (Local Exchange Trading System) and an ecological development revolving loan fund. The group is also involved in a wide variety of other sustainable living efforts in the area, and is midwifing the development of an actual eco-village on an 11-acre site within view of the Los Angeles City Hall. The eco-village project expects to be substantially self-reliant, generating much of its own energy and hoping to grow 40% of its residents' food. CRSP is happy to arrange room and board for folks who would like to come to L.A. to help with this and other projects. Write for the CRSP Newsletter at Box 27731, Los Angeles, CA 90027.

Natural and Unnatural Disasters

Last winter's ice and snow destroyed the chapel at St. Clare's Hermitage (WA), and storm-felled trees damaged other dwellings at their community. Tax-deductible contributions and old stamp collections (which they will turn into cash) are requested to help finance the rebuilding. Contact Sister Julian Thomas OOSC, Box 293, Deming WA 98244.

Six barns on Amish farms in Pennsylvania were torched by unknown arsonists in March, destroying more than a million dollars worth of cattle, horses, plows, wagons, seed, milking equipment and threshing machines. To support the mammoth replacement effort, send checks to the Big Valley Barn Fire Relief Fund, Kish Bank, Box 917, 310 E. Main St., Belleville PA 17004.

Building Community with The Arts

Seven Camphill locations in North America are home to children and adults with special needs. A recent publication about the arts in the various communities highlights the celebration of festivals as an important facet of life in Camphill, "providing yet another avenue for expressing and strengthening community life as [the festivals] affirm the experience of aligning one's inner life with the cycle of the year—seasons, holidays, anniversaries. Time spent preparing for

festivals is time in which people turn their thoughts and creativity toward a common theme. Out of this comes the preparation of appropriate songs, plays, dances, and subsequent performances.”

Camphill has been home for many outstanding painters, potters, sculptors and writers. In some Camphill village communities, people work daily with traditional handcrafts — weaving, pottery, knitting, batik, candle-making, metal enameling, bookbinding and woodworking. The practice of Eurythmy (a dance form in which music and words are transposed through movement) and of dramatic arts are part of the life of some Camphill communities.

In addition to music by local Camphill talent, major benefit concerts to raise funds have been held in Carnegie Hall and elsewhere. Music has been a successful medium for recruiting new friends for Camphill.

(Reprinted from The Camphill Clarion. VII. No. 1.)

Shannon Struggles With Growth Issues

The question “How big do we want to be?” has been steadily mounting in importance as community membership moves upward at Shannon Farm (VA). With numbers hovering around 60, with available house sites becoming fewer, and with visitors swarming in, the question demands an answer.

A poll of the membership revealed a range from 50 to “no limit” as the optimum size. The uncrowded rural environment and ability to know everyone are prized by those who want to limit growth. Members at the other end of the spectrum want to keep the

“Shannon life style,” with all its diversity, available to others, and have concerns about exclusivity and stagnation. Much time and emotional energy have been invested in attempting to find a consensus that all members can accept.

Shannon would like information from other communities, whether their members number in the teens or the hundreds, about how they deal with differing views on growth and community size. Please share your community’s experience with Shannon Farm, Rt 2 Box 343, Afton VA 22920, or call (804)361-1417.

Morninglory Adopts School

Killaloe Alternative School, serving 4- to 13-year-olds, has been adopted by Morninglory Community in Ontario and is now situated in a hand-hewn log home on community land. The ungraded school, where children progress at their own pace, has a professional teacher with parent helpers and a parent principal. Killaloe serves both community and area children, and is recognized by the Ontario government.

Morninglory, located 200 miles from Toronto and 100 miles from Ottawa, invites inquiries from families interested in fine alternative education and a rural life style. The community can help find local housing, and is also open to exploration of membership via a one-year pre-membership residency.

For more information, contact Robby Anderman, Rt 4, Killaloe, Ontario K0J-2A0, Canada, (613) 757-3044.

The Children of Sirius

Children growing up at Sirius (MA) are a joy and a challenge to all The boys at Sirius are active, often grouping together

and with friends, in the field, on the trails, and/or at their club house in the woods. They might spend countless hours at our pond engaged in water sports, jumping off the island, relating to the many creatures of the pond, and inventing games. Amidst the splashing and laughter they are exploring themselves and their surroundings freely, knowing that their freedom depends on the degree to which they can be responsible.... The girls form a distinct group, interacting well together. One of their most delightful activities was a skit, a spoof on the community, which they created and performed at our birthday celebration, capturing in uproarious caricature many personalities and routines.

There is a felt need within the community for more focus on the young people here, more creative ways of helping them develop their human potential. This is something we will be exploring further, as the community continues to become more responsive to the needs of our members.

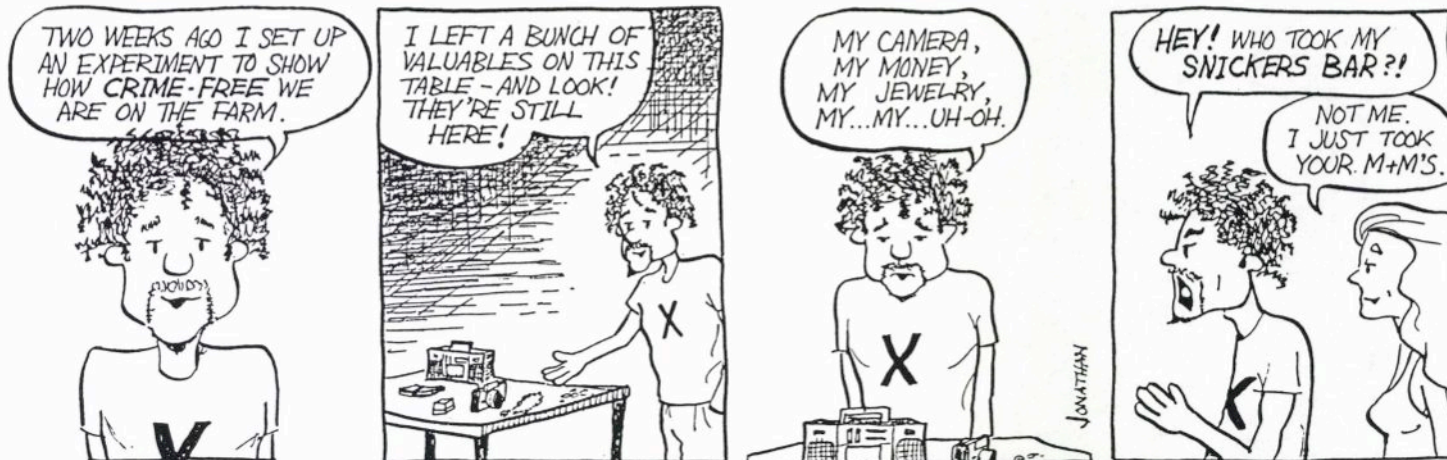
The children at Sirius are given much love, consideration, and respect as developing and evolving human beings, and have many opportunities within their families and within the community to explore and to grow and to become who they are.

(Reprinted from the Sirius Journal, Vol. 10, No. 2, Baker Road, Shutesbury, MA 01072.)

Koinonia Agriculture

Koinonia Partners, Inc., is an intentional Christian farming community in SW Georgia. They own about 1,500 acres with around half the land used for commercial farming. Like their mail-order

LIVING IN SINCERITY



Koinonia (Continued)

business, their farming is managed for income, and most of the funds go to support the resident community of employees, partners, volunteers, and visitors.

Most Koinonia crops are sold on the open market. Pecans are the exception; the nuts from their 100-acre orchard are sold primarily through the farm's mail-order business in fruit cakes and nut candies. Other crops include field corn, peanuts, winter wheat, soybeans, and muscadine grapes. Rye is grown as a ground cover, and hay as feed for beef cattle raised for market. About 190 acres are used in pasture.

Over the past three years, total farming sales have averaged \$450,000 per year (having the land and equipment already paid for helps keep the overhead manageable). During these years, revenues from farming and the mail-order business have contributed an average of \$25,000 per year to the Fund for Humanity. The Fund, pioneered by Koinonia, is an international non-profit corporation which builds and finances low-cost, low-interest homes.

Leadership of the ongoing farm work at Koinonia is worked out in a farming committee which includes two resident partners and two full-time employees. Deciding what to do isn't always easy — they debate and pray about crop schedules, long-term plans, and such issues as fair treatment of seasonal workers, participation in government programs, land stewardship, and producing for animal feed or for direct human consumption.

Other tough issues revolve around the use of chemicals which may increase yields by helping control disease and pests. Serious concerns about the long-term impact on both the land and the people have caused the Partners to seek ways to reduce their dependence on agricultural chemicals. For example, fields are scouted weekly for signs of disease or pests, and sprayed only when necessary rather than on a fixed schedule. More comprehensive solutions are sought by the organic farming committee which is intensively engaged in work and research leading further into ecologically sustainable agriculture. As Koinonia's coordinator put it, "The farmers down the road can't afford to experiment, but we can and we must."

Koinonia's farming roots go deep ...

their agriculture work provides the metaphor set forth nearly fifty years ago by Koinonia's inspirational founder Clarence Jordan, who said that "Koinonia should seek to be a demonstration plot for the Kingdom of God." For the farm operation — as for all the work and living at Koinonia — this vision stands as both a continuing challenge and a constant inspiration.

(Excerpted from Koinonia's newsletter.)

[Ed: Communities would like to feature at least one community profile in each issue of the magazine. Please send news about what's up with your community, and copies of your newsletters and promotional flyers, to: FIC Newsletter; c/o Dan Questenberry Route 2, Box 343; Afton, VA 22920.]

Danish Cohousing

Andedammen, located in the town of Birkerød, was one of the first cohousing communities in Denmark. It began with three couples who were new parents, and didn't want to become isolated in their own homes. They spread the idea of cohousing to friends, found the land, and secured government financing. The community filled up quickly, and has a long waiting list.

Its early days were characterized by many discussions about child-rearing, and about how different philosophies could be expressed within the group. They wanted to live as individuals, and yet felt a strong responsibility to the group. From these discussions evolved common meals, work projects, and exploration of common goals and shared purpose.

Andedammen (translated as the Duck Pond), elects a Board of Directors for one-year terms. The board meets every one or two weeks, and the entire community meets monthly. Decisions are usually by consensus, occasionally by voting.

Shared facilities consist of a children's and a table tennis room, a food shop, and a laundry. Outside are a soccer field and children's play area.

The nightly common dinner is at the heart of the cohousing concept. People pay cash for the actual cost of the meals. The group also shares birthday and solstice celebrations, and other events.

(Reprinted from the CoHousing Newsletter, Fall 1991. See next entry for contact information.)

Cohousing Comes to America

From a distance, it doesn't look very remarkable; just another new condominium project in the hot, dry Central Valley of California. But as you park your car, walk past a community building, and notice groups of residents chatting with each other as they plant fruit trees in the orchard while young children gleefully ride their bikes along paths between rows of attached houses, you realize that you are in a unique place at a historic moment: it's move-in time at Muir Commons, the first Cohousing community in the United States.

The sense of community was quite palpable — most of the adults have known each other for two years or more, and they are working together as well as savoring moments of spontaneous celebration. "If we didn't have a history of working together and learning to compromise and building trust, we wouldn't be sitting here right now in the common house eating dinner together."

(Reprinted from the CoHousing Newsletter, Fall 1991, available from Innovative Housing, 2169 E. Francisco Blvd., Suite E, San Rafael, CA 94901.)

The Fellowship for Intentional Community congratulates the Muir Commons members on their achievement, to welcome them into the communities movement, and to wish them many years of enjoyment of their creative achievement.

Bainbridge Island Cohousing

"The dream is reality: ... that a varied mix of people could, with professional help, join together to create a pedestrian-oriented community respectful of nature, in which they would share certain functions of daily life while maintaining the privacy of individual dwellings."*

The dwellings in this newly completed cohousing community range from studio apartments to four-bedroom townhouses with a total of 30 units and a 5,000 sq. ft. Common House on a heavily-wooded 5-acre site within walking distance of the ferry to Seattle (WA).

The community is organized as a cooperative housing corporation; members purchase shares in the ownership of the Common House, grounds, and other common facilities, and the right to occupy units.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FIC NEWSLETTER

Community members are very pleased with the results of their three long years of planning. They say, "Cohousing has already given me an extended family and support network," "... a more humane and sustainable form of housing for the future," "continual opportunities to grow in ways which benefit me, and others," "the most exciting adventure of my thirty-six years."

For details about their planning process, site plan, and building design, contact Winslow Cohousing Group, P.O. Box 10661, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110, (206)780-1323.

**Seattle Post-Intelligencer, March 5, 1992, Pg C5.*

On-Line Cohousing

WELL, which stands for Whole Earth 'Lectronic Link, has opened a "Cohousing Conference" for ongoing discussions among those interested in this clustered housing model of intentional community. The WELL is accessible through a variety of channels that include the CompuServe Packet Network. For details about getting on line, contact Mick Winter, 1467 Sherman Avenue, Napa, CA 94558; (707)257-2737.

Who We Are: A Demographic analysis of 186 North American Intentional Communities

This analysis was developed by Dan Questenberry, Shannon Farm (VA), in collaboration with Michael "Elf" Morgan, Hawk Circle (IA).

The 1991 *Directory of Intentional Communities* offers an unparalleled opportunity to understand the makeup of this highly diverse, multi-faceted assemblage of groups which identify themselves as intentional communities. The analysis that follows is based on data extracted from the *Directory's* Cross-Reference Chart.

Summary

Over 8,000 people, including over 2,000 children, live in 186 of the more established North American communities and extended family groups listed in the first printing of the 1991 *Directory*. 113 of the 142 groups that are rural, or have both urban and rural sites, reported common holdings totalling more than 34,000 acres. Forty-four urban communities and extended families listed

common holdings of 98 apartments and 46 group houses, plus 113 rooms in additional group houses. (Complete responses to the directory survey were not received from all listed communities, so reported totals underestimate the actual totals.)

Criteria for Analysis

The data in this analysis comes from more than two-thirds of the communities and groups listed in the '91 *Directory* — 270 with a population of three or more (of the 321 North American groups listed) provided information about their population and acreage (Table 1). The selected groups reported sharing common residential property ownership or leaseholds. For purposes of this research, group population and common ownership or lease of residential property are key factors for classification and analysis.

Of course, this conservative screening means that this analysis significantly underestimates the total population, acreage and other real estate owned in common by communitarians. But, in this firm data base, interesting patterns can be seen. And, as the awareness of movement among intentional communities spreads, more and more communitarians will recognize the usefulness of demographic records — and contribute information on their home communities, expanding the data base and making it more complete.

Over half of the Small and Very Large groups and two-thirds of the Extended Family groups reported common ownership or leasehold, while these portions increased to over four-fifths in the Intermediate and Large groups. Despite the variation in data availability, the results of this analysis are within a

"comfort range," although no standard deviations or other reliability tests have been conducted. (Consider this an invitation to statisticians among the readership!)

Population and Acreage

Fifteen Very Large intentional communities (100 or more adults) report an average membership of 197 adults, with 14 of these communities listing an average of 975 acres of land, owned or leased at least partially in common. (See Table 2 on following page.)

Forty-two Large intentional communities (26-99 adults) list an average of 45 members, with 27 of these communities listing an average of 342 acres in common, or partially common, land.

Forty-five communities of Intermediate size (11-25) report an average membership of 15, with 28 of the communities reporting an average of 190 acres of land.

Fifty-four of the Extended Families (6-10 members), list an average population of 8 adults, with 30 of these groups reporting an average of 185 acres owned or leased at least partially in common.

Thirty small communities (3-5), list an average membership of 4 adults, with 16 groups holding an average of 76 acres in common.

Establishment Dates

Popular mythology maintains that there was a surge in the establishment of intentional communities during the Sixties, and that most of these groups have disbanded. However, experience gained by veterans of the Sixties groups was likely passed on, evidenced by the increased numbers of present-day communities that were established

Table One. Directory Listings vs. Analyzed Listings, by Size

Adult Pop:	Unknown & Other	V.Sm. 1-2	Sm. 3-5	ExtFm 6-10	Int. 11-25	Lg. 26-99	V.Lg. 100+	Total
Total listed	39	12	58	83	53	51	25	=321
% of listed	12%	4%	18%	26%	16%	16%	8%	=100% of 321
Adjusted %	—	—	21%	31%	20%	19%	9%	=100% of 270
No. Analyzed	—	—	30	54	45	42	15	=186
% of Sample	—	—	16%	29%	24%	23%	8%	=100%

NOTE: 350 German-speaking Hutterite communities comprising an estimated 35,000 people are not included in our findings (except the Bruderhof), because at this point the information we have is not as complete as required for this analysis. Similarly, there are no traditional Native American tribal groups represented in the statistics.

during the next decade. Half (51%) of the communities in this analysis were established in the Seventies, with somewhat more starting in the first half of the decade (Table 3).

New communities continued to be established well past the Sixties/Seventies surge. In fact, over a third of the smaller groups, the growing edge of the communities movement, were established in the Eighties: 40% of the Small groups, and 32% of the Extended Families. (Note: The term "established" was self-defined by each responding community.)

Leadership in Spiritual and Secular Communities

While about half of the smaller groups in this analysis have a spiritual focus, the proportion of spiritual communities increases substantially in the larger groups. Also, larger spiritual communities are more likely to have recognized spiritual leaders (Table 4).

Almost two-thirds of the Intermediate, Large, and Very Large communities have a spiritual focus, and well over half of those Large and Very Large groups recognize a spiritual leader or leaders among their membership. There was no such leadership trend apparent in secular communities.

Among the secular communities, the numbers may indicate an increase in recognized leadership at both ends of the Size range, except for the three Very Large secular groups. Looking more closely at this smallest of category samplings, two of these communities are older land trusts established in 1900 and 1940. The third — youngest of the Very Large (est. 1984, dissolved 1990) did not respond to the Directory Survey question about weighted decision making. □

Table Two. Average Community Population and Acreage

Size (Pop. Range)	Avg. Pop.	Avg. Acres	No. Reporting/ Total Analyzed	% Reporting Acreage
S Small (3-5)	4	76	16 / 30	53%
F Ext. Fam. (6-10)	8	185	30 / 54	56%
I Intermed. (11-25)	15	190	28 / 45	62%
L Large (26-99)	45	342	27 / 42	64%
V Very Lg. (100+)	197	975	14 / 15	93%
Total	32	305	115 / 186	62%

Note: Some of the earlier Directory surveys did not ask about acreage; so the listings in this field are particularly limited.

Table Three. Dates Communities Established

Size	?	Pre-'60	'60/'64	'65/'69	'70/'74	'75/'79	'80/'84	'85/'89	Totals
S(3-5)	0	1	0	3	7	7	7	5	30
ExF(6-10)	0	0	0	2	19	16	8	9	54
I(11-25)	0	6	0	9	12	10	6	2	45
L(26-99)	2	3	2	9	11	10	4	1	42
VL(100+)	0	5	1	5	3	0	1	0	15
TOTALS	2	15	3	28	52	43	26	17	186

Table Four. Spiritual and Secular Communities

Size	Total	Secular	Spiritual	Sec.w/Ldr.	Spir.w/Ldr.
S(3-5)	27	15 (56%)	12 (44%)	4/15 (27%)	2/12 (17%)
ExF(6-10)	52	26 (50%)	26 (50%)	5/26 (19%)	4/26 (15%)
I(11-25)	44	16 (36%)	28 (64%)	2/16 (13%)	10/28 (36%)
L(26-99)	40	15 (38%)	25 (63%)	5/15 (33%)	14/25 (56%)
VL(100+)	15	3 (20%)	12 (80%)	0/3 (0%)	8/12 (67%)
Totals	178	75 (42%)	103 (58%)	16/75 (21%)	39/103 (38%)

Note: These figures are based on 178 communities with three or more members that answered Directory Survey questions about community leadership. Groups that answered "Yes", "Maybe", or "Sometimes" are counted as having some degree of organized leadership.

LIVING IN SINCERITY



JONATHAN

DIRECTORY OF
INTENTIONAL
COMMUNITIES

In the pages that follow, we have listed much of the information that we have gathered since the first edition of the *Communities Directory* came out in the fall of 1990 ... changes of addresses, new listings (for old groups we've recently discovered, and for new groups that have recently formed) ... and reports of groups that have folded in the intervening years. In a typical week, we receive three or four letters with inquiries and new leads. It is our intention to include these updates as a regular feature in future issues of *Communities* magazine.

There are several reasons that this information has been pouring in so rapidly. First, there are now about 15,000 copies of the *Directory* in circulation. Folks have been reading it thoroughly, and have been inspired to send

us their comments, updated information, and new leads. Second, members of our FIC network have been actively 1) networking among existing communities to encourage regional alliances, to promote resource and skills sharing, and to extend our circle of contacts to include their friends and acquaintances; 2) offering referrals to folks seeking a community that matches their needs and aspirations; and 3) reaching reporters in the mainstream media — who are sensitive to growing popular interest for bringing a "sense of community" into their lives. Naturally, a lot of leads and inquiries have been generated.

And third, we have begun massive outreach mailings seeking listings for an all new directory that's due out next year. Please send us more updates and leads!

About the Listings ...

There's a lot of information in these descriptive listings — we've given each group license to tell its own story ... to share its visions, its history, its daily life. Many of these descriptions go beyond the facts and figures, and give you a feeling for the community.

Some frequently used abbreviations:

SASE means enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

[cc] means that the group cannot commit to responding promptly to written inquiries.

The date in small print at the end of a listing is the date the entry was submitted or, in some cases, the date that the group confirmed that the information is still accurate.

The Directory also includes maps of North American communities, plus detailed cross-reference charts based on community responses to questionnaires that we sent out in several waves. Due to space limitations, neither have been included in this update.

We now have a brand new "monster" questionnaire in circulation, and will be using the information gathered through that effort to compile all-new maps and charts for the all-new Directory ... due out in June of '93 (that's our goal, anyhow). For a taste of the kind of information that will result from that research, see the FIC's "Who We Are/Demographics" article that begins on page fifteen (and note the charts on the page to your left).

We can't guarantee that the information in the listings is accurate — each community decided what to say about itself, and changes may have happened over the last 6-18 months. We edited only for length and clarity. We caution each reader to verify all information before deciding to get involved with any of the groups listed.

New This Issue...

What you'll find in the next 14 pages, complete with descriptive listings, is essentially the information that has been added to the Directory in its second and third printings. If you already own one of those editions you will notice that we've added a fifth index tab labeled "Late Entries"; if your copy is a first edition, this supplement will bring you up to date.

And even more inspiring ... immediately following the Resources, beginning on page 32, is a set of over 100 totally new listings. Some of these are groups that we couldn't get ahold of for earlier printings; some were around for years but had never been in contact; and many are newly-forming.

Ultimately, the interpersonal dynamics and overall "feel" of a community are the most important indicator about whether or not a given community might be right for you. We encourage you to explore community with an open mind, an open heart, and a willingness to grow and experience — rather than with rigid ideas about what is right for you. ❖

Directory of Intentional Communities

Ahimsa House

328 East William
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
(313) 662-2199

There are twelve of us "Ahimzoids" sharing a huge, 12-bedroom, beautiful old house in downtown Ann Arbor. We don't have much land to nurture, but are committed to supporting the earth by composting, recycling, re-using, etc. Our food is bought mostly in bulk; we have a working membership at the local food co-op, and a share in an organic farm nearby. Our house is vegetarian, with vegan options provided. We're famous for our superb dinners — each of us cooks once a week with a partner. There's also a list of house jobs that we choose from, and we come together once a month for house meetings. We each have varying schedules and lifestyles (with school, jobs, or freedom), but we try to accommodate different needs, and manage to have a fairly cohesive house ... usually. There are many popular Ahimsa activities — among them jam sessions, roof-top parties, yakking, and peace demonstrations. Being a hermit is acceptable, too. For those interested in joining, we usually have summer sublets, and September openings with one-year leases. Prospective Ahimzoids come to dinner to meet us, and may join if the house agrees by consensus. 5/30/91

Ananda Marga

97-38 42nd Avenue
Corona, NY 11368
(718) 898-1603

Ananda Marga (A/M) is a world-wide socio-spiritual group which was started in India in 1955 by Shrii Shrii Anandamurti, founded on the basic principle that all human beings should be given the opportunity to evolve themselves in all spheres of life — physical, intellectual, and spiritual. It now has Branches in more than 120 countries, and is devoted to bringing about a universal society based on love and Cosmic Brotherhood, "a new synthesis of spiritual and social values." Free instruction in meditation is available weekly at all Ananda Marga Centers.

A/M Schools synthesize the artistic expression of Rudolf Steiner with the all-round expansion of education. Their centers operate low-profit food stores and other industries — providing neighborhood residents with good products at a reasonable cost, and using the profits for local service projects. A/M has also estab-

lished an international relief organization that offers aid to those who suffer in the wake of natural disasters.

There are many Ananda Marga centers in North America, including: Denver, the Ozarks, D.C., and Memphis. The center in Corona, NY, serves as their North American headquarters. 5/21/91

Annwin

P.O. Box 48
Calpella, CA 95418

Annwin is a small neo-pagan/ecological community living on 55 wooded acres in Northern California. The residents here are caretakers of the land which is owned by the Church of All Worlds (see Late Entries/Resources). We treat this land as sacred and hold our seasonal rites, festivals, handfastings, work parties, workshops, retreats, and staff meetings here. Annwin has a small pond, organic herb and vegetable garden, a small orchard, seasonal streams, hot tubs, a two-story Temple, two houses, and a canvas yurt. The land is semi-forested with Douglas fir, redwood, madrone, manzanita, bay laurel, introduced cedar, and various kinds of oak. We do not have electricity, hot running water, TV or telephones, and access is questionable at certain times of the year. We see ourselves as Stewards, not owners of this land, and we work hard to protect it. If you have a purpose for visiting our sanctuary, please write for our Visitors' Policy. 4/26/91

Atlantis Rising, Inc.

Silver Hill
Bradford, NH 03221
(603) 938-2723

Atlantis Rising, Inc. is a New Hampshire non-profit organization which has stewarded 128 acres since 1975. There is one family on the land and two others living in Massachusetts who split the taxes and the mortgage (now paid off); we are not looking for new members. Families sign 99-year leases to steward 5-acre parcels, upon which they can garden and build a home. Presently there is a small 3-acre garden and orchard; eventually we'll have 30 acres in agriculture.

Long-range plans include the construction of a 21st-century post-

industrial house, featuring solar design mixed with megalithic architecture inspired by Stonehenge and the Pyramids. We use mostly local wood, and minimal plywood. We have no utility electricity, and use sun energy. We are developing agriculture which respects the natural integrity of the existing ecosystem, and mimics the climax forest indigenous to the area. (Example: logging will be done very selectively, using horses to minimize the ecological disturbance.) We are also raising useful rare animals, including near extinct breeds of sheep and horses, to preserve genetic diversity. Visitors are welcome... please make arrangements in advance, and come prepared to camp. 4/25/91

Bear Creek Farms (Reforming)

c/o Bill Runner
Glenburn Star Route
Fall River Mills, CA 96028
(916) 336-5509

Bear Creek Farms was founded in 1985 by animation artist Sally J. Voorheis on a 26-acre backwoods mountain homestead dating back to 1856. We have access to a million-acre private timber preserve which surrounds our land. We are working to create a land trust, and there is also adjacent acreage for sale.

We are not plugged into "the grid", so produce whatever power we need through solar or hydro technology. In town (16 miles away) we own/operate a hostel, an animation studio, a gourmet restaurant, and commercial buildings. Consensus rule, spiritual tolerance, holistic lifestyle, and down-to-earth old-fashioned skills are blended here with high-tech solar equipment, blacksmithing, timber framing, and growing earthworms.

Membership is presently down to one couple plus an extended community of 15 others; we hope to grow to a maximum of 11 adults living on the land. We are looking for prospective members who are industrious, sober, organic, and creative. We can't accommodate single parents at this stage, and we're not interested in welfare scams. Our politics are Libertarian; we are spiritually tolerant. No smoking or hard alcohol on the land. New members have a trail period. At this point we are only open to guests who are interested in joining — please enclose an SASE, a resume, and a description of what tools, finances, and expectations you would bring. 5/22/91

This list include all new additions to the first printing of the *Directory of Intentional Communities* (October 1990). Address changes & corrections are on page 32.

Catalyst (Forming)

RR #1, Box 3350
Plainfield, VT 05667
(802) 454-1032

A small group of friends is coming together to form a community in north central Vermont. We seek to be egalitarian, energy self-sufficient, and producing for our basic needs as much as possible. We are presently looking for additional members. 3/13/91

Cave Creek CLT

General Delivery
Bass, AR 72612
(501) 434-5265

Cave Creek Community Land trust is a non-profit open membership affiliate of the Ozark Regional Land Trust. Our 55 acres, acquired in 1987, has a land use plan that will meet the needs of the environment as well as future users. Approximately 40 elevated/forested acres are not suitable to agricultural production, but are ideal homesites which provide woodlots, road access, garden sites, water, and aesthetic surroundings. Five home sites of about 7 acres each are protected by conservation restrictions to prevent overcutting of the forest or contamination of the groundwater. The homesites are offered through low-cost lifetime leases, and the homes and other improvements on the sites will be owned by the lessees and may be sold when the lease is transferred or left to heirs.

The remaining 20 acres are in the heart of the watershed and serve as the principal demonstration site for our Keyline Project (an integrated system for managing the natural resources on a farm, and for accelerating the natural processes which restore soil fertility). A local agricultural cooperative is proceeding to develop and pay for the land project — members are joining together to cooperatively grow, process, and market food products of the farm. Equipment owned by the cooperative and its members is being used to develop the roads, housing, and water at minimal cost.

The CLT is the framework for demonstrating the important principle that application of Balanced Stewardship sustains the natural regenerative characteristics of the land and also sustains the people who must have affordable and productive land to live on. 3/21/90

Common Ground Farm

P.O. Box 2
Snow, OK 74567

These folks sent us a card stating "We do still exist as a community — how do we get listed?" We haven't heard any more. 4/10/89

Community Farm of Ann Arbor

8594 W. Huron River Drive
Dexter, MI 48130
(313) 426-3954

Community Farm of Ann Arbor, in existence since January 1988, grows organic produce for a community of people who live primarily in Washtenaw county. At this stage we are three growers and two apprentices, and none of us live at the present site. All of the agriculture is biodynamic (a system recognizing that food is not merely a chemical composition of matter, but also contains forces gathered from the sun, moon, and stars ... forces which nourish not just our bodies, but also our emotional and spiritual selves). In supporting Community Farm, our 170 members have chosen to assume a new kind of responsibility to the food system that nourishes them — members pledge both to support a social organization around the farm, and to provide its required financial support. Our goals:

- to utilize a sustainable method of agriculture, building and maintaining a healthy soil while producing high-quality food and providing the farmers with a just livelihood;

- to provide urban and suburban people access to a farm while putting "culture" (in the form of the rich relationships which result from community involvement) back into agriculture;

- to create a partnership in which the bounty and risks of production are shared by both consumers and producers; and

- to expand from our current vegetable production into a diversified dairy farm.

Our present 5-acre garden is on rented land; our goal for the coming year is to acquire a permanent site through the Potawatomi Community Land Trust. We also intend to add a team of draft horses, moving us toward diversity and away from fossil fuels. Our vision is that the growers and apprentices will live on the new land, and that the farm will become a self-contained organism (ecosystem). [There are more than 50 community-supported agriculture farms in North America — see Bio-Dynamic Farming & Gardening Association listing on page 256.] 5/21/91

Desiderata

c/o Gary Reynolds
404 Main Street
Smithville, TX 78957
(512)445-0233

Desiderata, established in 1975, is located on 120 acres north of Austin, TX. We have 11 two-acre homesites, and the rest of the land is held in common. Only one member family is presently living on the land; the other nine dwellings are either second homes, or retirement homes rented in the interim to non-members. One undeveloped lot is available; a couple of the homes are for sale. Most members needed to move back to town in order to finance the land and dwelling construction. 8/5/90

Du-Má

2244 Alder Street
Eugene, Oregon 97405
(503) 342-2656/343-5023

The Du-Má Co-op, established in '88, is a member-owned housing cooperative based on values of community, diversity & consensus (and we have a lot of fun). We have 15 members living in 2 households in Eugene, and are presently seeking new members. 5/26/91

Earth Family Farm

Box 241
Gardner, CO 81040
(719) 746-2332

Earth Family Farm provides an experience of living in community on a high mountain valley farm, as an extended family, while respecting each other's diversity, uniqueness, and solitude. We acknowledge the spiritual nature of all life forms and processes. Our common ground is a balance of ecocentric lifestyle and the search for our own inner ecology; this is a commitment to restoring the garden of Eden on earth through creating and teaching ways of nourishing ourselves which are sustainable and organic — including agriculture, foraging, diet, technology, architecture, relationships, healing arts, and living art.

Earth Family Farm is a vibrational dance of life upon the medicine wheel, gathering the four-directional teachings:

- North/simplicity: a purification and non-attachment to material things, possessions, ideas, and personalities;
- South/nurturing: sharing, loving, growing with the spirit and family of all species;
- East/celebration: a vision of gratefulness,

Directory of Intentional Communities

renewal, creativity, a rebirth of ancient memories while in the present; •West/emptiness: the inner journey of solitary dark and light while accepting the "creative void" within self and others, and the sacred completeness of all creation. 9/28/90

Earth Star Institute (Formerly Ecanachaca)

c/o Joan Thomas
P.O. Box 308
Sewanee, TN 37375
(615) 598-5942/598-5830

We are creating a land trust on 1100 acres situated on the Cumberland Plateau in Middle Tennessee. "Ecanachaca" is a Native American word meaning "holy ground." We plan to limit the number of households to 10 or 15. Our priorities are 1) to keep the land in one piece, with 2-5 acres entrusted to each member household; 2) to create a sanctuary for all life; and 3) to encourage individual choice and responsibility within community. We are learning how to govern ourselves by consensus. At this time we have 5 adults and 1 child; we are open to meeting other interested people. 3/2/92

Eden Sanctuary (Forming)

2105 Scott Road
New Marshfield, OH 45766

"Go out from Babylon, declare this with a shout of joy, proclaim it, send it forth to the end of the earth."
—Isaiah 48:20

Babylon, capital city of the ancient empire castigated by the prophets of the Old Testament, epitomized a civilization gone wrong. Consumed with itself and the accumulation and protection of its material wealth, Babylon was encircled by armies and a huge wall. Within this wall, its people worshipped a god called Narduk that was symbolized by an 18-foot-high statue of gold.

We believe the modern industrialized nations of the world have become the new Babylon. Greed and materialism have again filled the vacuum to become the artificial and destructive deities for a people who have turned from the ways of God. There is again a massive "trusting in chariots" for its own "protection", and its collapse is equally inevitable.

The only functional difference today is the further development of technology which both increases Babylon's destructiveness and extends its ideology of greed world-wide through such insidious and seductive communication devices as TV.

Just as God called people out of ancient Babylon, so is God calling us today. Eden Sanctuary is being established as a refuge for those who hear this call. We consciously remove ourselves from the empire, refuse to participate in its obscene violence, and withdraw our consent from any claims regarding its legitimacy.

Although small in size (22 acres), we hope to catalyze the formation of other such sanctuaries. This beautiful hilltop land — being liberated from private ownership into a land trust — is blessed with fertile soil, abundant water, and an extensive growing season. Inspired by the Community of the Ark in France, which has successfully resisted assimilation for 35 years, we will ask people to take a vow of non-violence if they wish to become full-time residents. This vow helps bond us together to pursue a lifestyle in harmony with our beliefs regarding the sanctity of Creation. We seek total disengagement from the Babylon economy; we will use only ecological technologies (with an emphasis on hand tools); and we will act to alleviate hunger, reduce environmental degradation, and honor the sacredness of life through a vegetarian/vegan diet. The community will be guided through collective discernment as we seek to follow the Voice within. For a more complete packet, please send an SASE. 4/9/91

Friends Lake Community

7700 Clark Lake Road
Chelsea, MI 48118
(313) 475-7976

In 1961 a group of Quaker families formed a cooperative community which emphasizes simplicity, ecology, and caring. We are a complex organization, open to persons of every faith and color, with diverse backgrounds and many overlapping areas of interest — our common ground is living with Quaker ideas as our guiding values. All community decisions are made using consensus.

Our 90 acres now has six families living or building on the land, with room for six more. We also enjoy an extended community of 150-200 members who use the land for retreat and recreation, and participate in meetings and celebrations. All members are expected to contribute three hours of labor per year, and are invited to participate in our work parties, educational programs, and monthly community/Board meetings (followed by potlucks or evening campfires and singing).

Sustaining members may acquire

life-time leases on cabin sites and home sites. All members have access to the many community facilities — the beaches, the boats, the lake and woods, the community buildings, and the campgrounds. We have also established a wildlife sanctuary, and a subgroup is developing a conference facility for activities consistent with our principles. 5/20/91

Gaia Community (Forming)

Route 1, Box 74
Mauk, GA 31058
(912) 649-7700

Our "Gaia" Community is 30 miles east of Columbus, GA. We are an interracial group; Dee DeVille, our founder, is part Cherokee and part Afro-American. We are self-sustaining on the land, and a Land Trust. We are interested in staying connected with communities across the U.S. and the world, and could use referrals and information. 9/7/90

Galilee (Forming)

6215 S.E. 53rd Street
Portland, OR 97206
(503) 771-1491

Galilee is an egalitarian, non-denominational village of spiritual travelers who recognize the teachings of the world's religions as One Truth expressed as many truths. Each individual's truth is sacred and therefore honored as such. We encourage creative and artistic ways, and are an income-sharing cooperative corporation oriented toward networking with other groups for mutual economic, social, and spiritual benefits. We share a commitment to follow a spiritual path that is conducive to harmony within ourselves and with that which is all around us — separation from one another is a reality seen by the ego, but it is not the Truth. Our earth-oriented existence includes experiments with organic farming and indoor farming. At this point we have neither land prospects or financing. 6/5/90

Gorilla Choir House

Berkeley, CA
(415) 841-5367

The Gorilla Choir has been meeting every week for over five years, raising spirits in the flatlands of Berkeley. Our aim is to heal ourselves, heal the planet, demonstrate the Glory of the Presence in All, and have a good time.

Each week 10-40 people get together to sing songs from all of the world's spiritual traditions. Our material is all-inclusive, ranging from silly to sublime, and is never sung the same way twice. As we deepen our ability to hold, express, and empower the vision, we align ourselves with the Sacred Hoop of Life — just breathing, making sounds, and monkeying around.

Our small household exists to indulge the Gorilla Project — participants in the weekly sing came up with a downpayment to purchase the house. Choir members are all generic world servers; choir membership is determined by participation, and embraces a diverse range of individual philosophies (we have political radicals and pacifists, rich and poor, gay and straight ... you name it). Four choir members live here, living fairly independent lives while enjoying each others' company. 5/21/91

Greenbriar Community

**Box 466
Elgin, TX 78621
(512) 285-2661**

Established in 1969, we are a loose-knit community of 25 adults and 25 children living on 170 acres near Austin, Texas. What really holds us together is our school, which is based on "non-coercive alternative education." Our houses are arranged in a village cluster to allow lots of open land, including a 45-acre wildlife corridor. The community has no specific religion, but every aspect seems to be represented within our membership. Similarly, our dietary preferences range from Vegans to meat-eaters. We have limited facilities, so are not looking for more members and are not open to unannounced drop-in visitors. 5/22/91

Harvest Hills Association

**14 Oak Hill Cluster
Independence, MO 64057
(816) 229-6836**

Harvest Hills is still a viable entity after 20 years of learning about what it means to live in community. There are now 60 families with all ages represented — including 22 people over sixty-five years of age, and 46 children under the age of sixteen. The community owns outright about 40 acres of semi-wooded land, as well as a building consisting of six condominium units, a community center, and a community swimming pool.

Early members were involved in the Reformed Latter Day Saints church; it's still a major influence, but not a restriction. Our current membership in multi-racial, and there are at least a dozen different religious denominations represented in the resident families.

Our original philosophy remains intact, and many of the original signers of our covenant are still living in the community. Basically, we envisioned a community with all homes located around a common green in which children could play in view of all of the residents; automobiles are not allowed in this area. The arrangement of the community has been especially good for mothers and the rearing of children. Homes are owned by the individuals, and there are still vacant lots open for additional buildings. The community welcomes anyone who would like to be part of an intentional community based on Christ's values. For more information please write to the attention of: The President, Harvest Hills. 12/15/80

Hawkwind Earth Renewal Cooperative

**P.O. Box 11
Valley Head, AL 35989
(205) 635-6304 eves best**

Our 90-acre primitive retreat is nestled in the northern Alabama mountains, and is home to a developing healing arts center. We have/are creating co-ops for membership, organic gardening, livestock, food storage, arts & crafts — plus we have summer & winter campgrounds, a timesharing tipi, and a seminar center. We hold classes and public gatherings on a regular basis; facilities are available for private gatherings with 30 days advance reservation.

Our spiritual path is a combination of Native American, Earth traditions, and Paganism; we have many elders from many tribes. The community makes its decisions by majority rule, using a council process.

Our resident population varies with the seasons, ranging from 6 to 10 adults in the winter up to 15 in the summer, with 2-10 children. We have a support network of over one thousand members. Most members trade time to cover their monthly share of costs. 5/8/91

Hei Wa House

**1402 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
(313) 994-4937**

Hei Wa house was started in 1985 by a group of political activists with a vision of a communal house that would provide support for our political work. In the years that followed we have moved twice and many things have changed.

We are a vegetarian cooperative non-smoking household, with a membership that fluctuates between 8 and 12 people. We are a diverse group with a wide range of occupations and interests. We are working folks, artists, healers, radical faeries, and students. We pride ourselves in the diversity of our sexual orientations.

A countercultural and anti-establishment feeling pervades the house. While having no fixed ideology, many of us are influenced by anarchism, ecology, feminism, non-violence, paganism, and socialism. Housemates have been involved in various political issues including gay rights, AIDS activism, hemp legalization, radical agriculture, urban issues, community organizing, women's rights, environmental issues, anti-militarism, and anti-war actions.

We try to live ecologically by recycling, conserving, and eating simple food grown locally and organically. We have a small urban garden, get most of our produce from a local biodynamic community-supported farm, and also support our local co-ops and cooperative warehouse. We are known to eat the wild plants that grow in our yard.

Our decision making is by consensus. If you are interested in visiting us you must contact us in advance.

5/22/91

Himalayan Institute

**Route 1, Box 400
Honesdale, PA 18431
(717) 253-5551**

The Himalayan International Institute of Yoga Science and Philosophy of the U.S.A. is a non-profit organization devoted to teaching holistic health, yoga, and meditation as means to foster the personal growth of the individual and the betterment of society. Founded in 1971 by Sri Swami Rama, the Institute combines Western and Eastern teachings and techniques to develop educational, therapeutic, and

(Continued...)

Directory of Intentional Communities

Himalayan Institute (Cont'd.)

research programs.

The Institute provides a peaceful environment as well as training facilities at its beautiful headquarters in the Pocono Mountains of northeastern Pennsylvania. People of all ages, nationalities, faiths, and professions come to our seminars, classes, and workshops — which range widely from such subjects as meditation, Hatha yoga, and health awareness — to stress management, counselor/therapist training, and biofeedback. Unique to the structure of our programs is a continuing synthesis of ancient teachings and disciplines with Western scientific and experimental traditions. Our research systematically explores such fields as medicine and psychotherapy — as well as diet, nutrition, and exercise in relation to their mutual influence upon an individual's growth in health and maturity.

Our courses emphasize the total integration of body, mind, and spirit. The faculty and staff have expertise in various professional fields and are also involved in their own self-training so that they bring reflective experience to their classes. In its practical philosophy the Institute looks upon the realization of human potentials as a lifelong experience leading to increased health, creativity, and happiness. 4/30/91

Hollyhock Farm

**Box 127, Manson's Landing
Cortes Island, B.C.
CANADA VOP-1K0
(604) 935-6465**

Established in '82, Hollyhock is a community and conference center on Cortes Island, surrounded by forest and beach. We provide retreat facilities, and sponsor summer workshops in the practical, creative, and healing arts. Highlights include morning yoga with a qualified instructor, and wonderful vegetarian and seafood cuisine — the garden supplies herbs, berries, vegetables, and flowers. 5/16/88

Human Potential Foundation

**at Zaca Lake
P.O. Box 187
Los Olivos, CA 93441
(805) 688-4891/686-4678**

In the heart of the San Rafael mountains there thrives a small community of 14 adults and 3

children drawn together as The Human Potential Foundation. Our goal is a gradual moving toward self-sufficiency, to be a model of balance in the interdependence between man and nature, to be a center of learning and a refuge for contemplation.

We have 320 acres fed year-round by natural springs. The land is a strange, beautiful blending of desert environment and rock mountains to the north, with pine forest to the south. There is a spectacular array of plants and wildlife living in and coming through the valley at all times of the year.

At the present time we are primarily a wilderness resort, however we are in a process of transition through which we are planning to integrate a work-study program with a broader program in holistic studies. We are a nonprofit organization which hosts such annual events as Special Olympics and Special Christmas. We also have seminar/workshop facilities, and operate a full-service restaurant in our main lodge which looks out over Zaca Lake.

We welcome any individuals who would like to become part of the community — come for a visit, and perhaps we can find a space for you. We offer room, board, a living allowance, and many fringe benefits in exchange for 40 hours a week of community service. 5/21/90

Institute for Cultural Affairs (ICA)

**ICA Information Services
206 E. Fourth Street
New York, NY 10009**

The Institute of Cultural Affairs, an international organization founded as the Ecumenical Institute in Chicago in 1954, is today active in some 35 countries. Our network has a spiritual focus which is inclusive of all faiths, and which places a high value on diversity, participation, and globality. Each center is staffed by a group of volunteers. The following are North American residential centers for the ICA, which may also be known as the Global Order, or Order Ecumenical:

Chicago/ICA
4750 N. Sheridan Road
Chicago, IL 60640
(312)769-6363

Indianapolis/ICA Earthcare
3038 Fall Creek Parkway
Indianapolis, IN 46205
(317)925-9297

Mexico City/ICA
Instituto de Asuntos Culturales
Oriente 158 No. 232
Colonia Moctezuma
15500 Mexico D.F., Mexico
(52-5)571-4135

Phoenix/Order Ecumenical
4220 North 25th Street #4
Phoenix, AZ 85016
(602)468-0605

Residential Learning Center
22421 - 39th Avenue SE
Bothel, WA 98021-7911
(206)486-5164

Seattle/ICA
1504 - 25th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98122
(206)323-2100/322-6266

Toronto/ICA
577 Kingston Road, Suite 1
Toronto, Ontario
M4E-1R3 Canada
(416)691-2316

Washington/ICA
1301 Longfellow Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20011
(202)882-6284

There are also ICA residential centers in these cities on other continents: Write ICA Information Services (NY) for additional information:

Bombay, India
Brussels, Belgium
Guatemala City, Guatemala C.A.
Hong Kong
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Nairobi, Kenya
Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
Sydney, Australia
Taipei, Republic of China
Tokyo, Japan 3/30/91

Institute of What Have You (Forming)

**P.O. Box 82
Gays Mills, WI 54632
(608) 735-4878**

The Institute of What Have You is — education, inspiration, and networking in sustainable community economics and interpersonal relationships. It is a space for those conscious of the effects of mindful action on the environment, psyche, soul, and heart. We inhabit a rambling old storefront/workshop which we are restoring into healthy home and work areas in a rural village in southwestern Wisconsin. We recognize the value of work, love, meditation, care, and cooperation. All of us here are members.

We have no hierarchy. We operate

by a consensus process facilitated by a council meeting every day consisting of at least three people. All consensus decisions are recorded and subject to a one-day evaluation.

Our projects include: Kickapoo Press, consisting of print and audio booklets, newsletters, factsheets, and children's books; audio/visual productions of ecological concern; a graphic activists network; handicrafts including jewelry, silk screening, tie-dye, pottery, and toys; Mississippi Watershed Alliance; free clothing and book exchange; Redirected Energies, which promotes alternative energy use; Bikes Not Bombs; Healthy Foods Network, which provides organic foods and sustainable agriculture within a 300-mile radius of Chicago; and the Organic Farm Labor Pool. Everyone is welcome to join in our activities and share their visions, love, and heartsongs. 9/1/90

Johnston Center for Individualized Learning (Bekins Hall)

**University of Redlands
1200 East Colton Avenue
Redlands, CA 92373**

**(714) 335-4071 Secretary
335-4059 Lobby**

An alternative education center based on the concept that each individual has the ability to create their own education through an individualized learning process. The atmosphere is "Living & Learning" (13 professors have offices within the student residence complex). Students live cooperatively, and are responsible for coming up with their own system of government. Meetings happen every week or two, and are by consensus; we handle everything from kitchen rules to how to allocate the budget (how much to spend on community activism, the garden, repairs, or to bring in a band for a party). We do our own policy about alcohol, etc., and attempt to take responsibility for how we live; sometimes we get to struggle with the administration over the issue of autonomy. 4/16/92

Remember!

We update the Directory data base on a regular basis ...

So please keep us in mind as you scan these listings — and PLEASE LET US KNOW if you have any additions or corrections to submit.

Maharishi International University

**Fairfield, IA 52556
(515) 472-5031; 472-6929 Fax**

Maharishi International University is a fully-accredited university with teachings through the PhD level in many fields, with a curriculum based on a one-week block system. About one-third of the population of our small town is affiliated with the University. All in all, we have 1,800 faculty, staff, and students — plus 2,000 others associated with the international T.M. (Transcendental Meditation) movement.

There are now over three million T.M. meditators worldwide, and one of our goals is to get 7,000 meditators living in one place on each continent — to create a spiritual coherence which will provide the basis to help establish world peace. We already have centers in the U.S., Holland, Moscow, and India ... and we're now working on Japan.

Nearby we are building a totally integrated 5,000-room complex on 1,500 acres (houses, cabins, and dorms made of materials friendly to the environment). The financing is independent, but integrated, with a \$150 million budget. In addition to creating jobs, the project will stimulate a retirement community.

Long-range plans include the development of an electric car system. This ties in well with our general tendency to pursue high-tech, environmentally friendly businesses. A high proportion of our members are new-age entrepreneurs — and the local economy is booming (in contrast to the rest of surrounding region). For example, one of our members has invented a computer shield which blocks out hazardous rays; another has developed an electric car business. 5/1/91

Maxworks Cooperative

**716 West Maxwell Street
Chicago, IL 60607**

(312) 226-3248

Pro-environment workers' cooperative, based in a historic downtown Chicago public market district, undertakes to retrieve, stockpile, reprocess and remarket those rejected resources which are found in the waste product of Chicago's markets, industries and neighborhoods. Maxworks recycles cardboard, paper, glass, metals, plastics; designs and

manufactures new product where possible rather than scrap the materials; convert pre-used lumber into appropriate carpentry: workbenches, shelving, lofts, ladders, recycling and compost bins, bike-tandem carts, alternative energy structures, bird houses, anti-overdose smoking systems, artparts, educative hardwood toys, building repair and restoration, landscaping and gardening. Art, graphics and publications; outings for pro-environment projects; Greens movement networking and provision of aid and lodging; exchange of visits, including extended residence, with workers and organizations of foreign countries; guests and members contribute \$25/week Maxtax and 14 hours per week of productivity time.

Maxworks attempts to portray the idea that re-using a rejected 2x4 in downtown Chicago is tantamount to saving an equivalent poundage of living tree, together with its vegetative and animal dependencies anywhere in earthforest. Regional emphasis: save and revitalize the Maxwell Market (Jewtown), pre-eminent bastion of economic democracy in mid-America, with its tradition of one-on-one, cooperative trade between buyer and seller and resource sharing between barter-partners. 9/1/90

Methow Center of Enlightenment

**P.O. Box 976
Twisp, WA 98856**

(509) 997-3147

The Holy Wise Ones have designated the Methow Center of Enlightenment to be a major spiritual center in development upon this planet. It is the responsibility of each spiritual group upstairs to position their ground ambassadors, aligning them with their spiritual center of choice. It is unfortunate that so few can actually align with these centers, and ironic that the future of mankind lies in back country rural areas where natural uncontaminated resources are plentiful. Our inter-dimensional celestial project in north central Washington is designed to be a major Communications Command Post, Cultural Development Learning and Healing Center for all who have access to it. Space people (U.F.O. intelligences) from all dimensions will come and go freely from this Celestial City location.

We here at Methow are reaching out to gather in as many as Divine Guidance and time allow (earth and

Directory of Intentional Communities

Methow Center *(Cont'd.)*

economic changes). Naturally, they bring with them their inter-dimensional resources which adds to our strength here on all levels. Our goal of 2,000 to settle with us seems realistic. In addition to gathering our many cosmic friends, our top priority is the construction of pyramid green houses for high volume, high energy food production.

At Methow there are no rules or regulations of any kind, since the whole valley is our spiritual center, including everybody in it. This plan has been approved by the Holy Wise Ones. It is clean, simple, and allows for every one to do their thing naturally, finding their way in their own time. 7/15/90

Octagon Community

[Octagon requested that we delete their address & phone.]

Southern California

We are a small intentional community engaged in marketing and installing waterless toilets. Very little need be said about the tremendous waste of fresh water and loss of organic matter resulting from the current use of flush toilets. Our many successful installations lead us to believe that waterless toilets are most appropriate when used in households of more than 10 persons, so other intentional communities seem to be the best method of providing and publicizing this 200-year-old technology. We are happy to share our information. 4/10/92

Osho Ansu Meditation Center

**P.O. Box 200-166
Lake Oswego, OR 97034**

(503) 638-5240; 638-5101 Fax

A Garden of the Beloved...

"My function here is to make you aware of the false and the phony and the unreal and the superficial.

"Right now as you exist, you don't have any depth, you don't have any height. You exist as persona; you are not yet aware of the essence. And only the essence can have heights and depths. But to become alert that 'I am shallow' is good, tremendously important, significant. Don't forget it again: remember it. It will hurt, it will become a pain in the heart, it will become a wound. It will be like an arrow going deeper and deeper; and it

will become more and more painful.

"That is the journey that every seeker has to go through. That is the pain which is needed for your rebirth ... great arrangements are needed before somebody can enter the collective unconscious, because so much is there, millions of experiences....

"The closed garden is needed — because it is not a question for the ordinary masses to know about; they will not be able to understand.... They cannot understand what; this is a scientific lab. People are being transformed; people are moving into new dimensions, taking quantum leaps, arriving into new spaces. You cannot watch these things from the outside."
—OSHO (Bagwan Sri Rajneesh) 4/24/91

Paideia (Forming)

**Progressive Community
Associates
P.O. Box 122
Athens, OH 45701**

Paideia is the word for the ancient Greek ideal that a humane culture and education would serve two basic tasks: 1) that of fostering all of one's native potentialities and giving them scope through a choice of contexts, and 2) cultivating a sense of social responsibility so that a person freely takes it upon oneself to improve one's community in every way.

A small, human-scale community, Paideia combines the best of professional and personal worlds, giving people with similar backgrounds and personal values the chance to join together to achieve new dreams and visions. The land consists of 70 acres divided into five-acre, wooded building sites, and 17 acres of common land. It is designed for people who want to pursue their private goals in the context of a larger, caring group of similarly-minded individuals. At Paideia the emphasis is on: the family, materially simpler living, creativity, communication, continued learning, ecological consciousness, shared planning, participatory democracy, and a full range of collaborative endeavors. Paideia is not a retreat from the "real world" but rather, an attempt to restore human-scale living and values in that world.

A wide variety of cooperative enterprises, from high-tech to low-tech, are anticipated. Among these may be electronic "cottage industries", mail-order companies, human services providers, greenhouses and small farming projects, communication/

publishing concerns, and small manufacturing companies.

At this point our main task is to form a community of people who share similar work and personal interests — so we have compiled a questionnaire to identify those similarities. Once a sufficient number of people with common interests have been identified, we will arrange exploratory weekend meetings to discuss cooperative work possibilities as well as the many other aspects of community life — a dynamic exchange of ideas, tours of the land and building sites, discussions about land acquisition and costs, and consultation on home construction. Residents will have the opportunity to make their own housing choices, spending as little or as much as they desire. If this may be what you're looking for, please write for more information and a copy of our questionnaire. 3/31/91

Port Centauri (Forming)

**P.O. Box 11919
Pueblo, CO 81001**

Port Centauri is stewarding 5,000 acres of beautiful high plains desert ranch in southern Colorado, land that has been untouched by mankind for hundreds of thousands of years — and most recently has been held sacred by the Native American Indians of this region, to be used when the collective consciousness was ready for the Great Spirit to reveal its Self in the heart of all beings. Port Centauri is about coming together as ONE, to exist totally in the Love vibration, to do the will of the Creator. We each have something to offer and something to receive from the ONE as we create a new reality. Port Centauri is a Light Center for Mother Earth, located strategically in a network of centers to provide energy linkups for the planet as do the chakras for our bodies.

Today Port Centauri is being used to graze cattle and horses, and is a haven for those seeking peace and solitude on their paths to enlightenment. Over 300 guests blessed the land in 1989, many from the far corners of the world. We seek 400 individuals, each contributing \$1,000, to pay off the debt of the ranch. Each contributor/participant will receive a share in the corporation that will own the property after the banks are out of the picture. This will give each individual a legal undivided interest in the entire 5,000 acres. In other words, if one is so moved to contribute \$1,000 (or participate by just radiating Love), they will have

unlimited use of the entire property. Come build a home, camp, vacation, play, and/or participate in endless creative opportunities.

Such creative expressions might include: raising organic food with or without greenhouses, reintroducing to the land buffalo and other native life, constructing a community lodge, developing springs, planting trees, building sweat lodges, constructing recreational facilities, utilizing the vortex/portals here to enhance spiritual development, creating healing centers, developing infrastructures to support space brother activities, expanding the network and its facilities and equipment, establishing a community newspaper, creating works of art, developing a global communications center, constructing an amphitheater for the performing arts, building learning centers to advance personal/planetary consciousness, establishing meditation facilities, organizing a library that supports expanding planetary consciousness, promoting research and development of science and arts, living your dreams without limitations. 12/15/90

Quaker House

Residential Program
5615 S. Woodlawn Avenue
Chicago, IL 60637
(312) 288-3066

The Residential Community at Quaker House (QHRP) is made up of men and women, students and working people — with various religious heritages and differing life goals. What we share in common is a desire to commit our lives to moral, purposeful action; to grow spiritually; and to seek ways of being of service to others. Most residents do volunteer work with public school kids.

Established by the 57th Street Meeting of Friends in Chicago, QHRP is an opportunity for 8 or 9 people to live together in community for one or two years, sharing the facilities of a large 19-room house which is also the Quaker Meeting House. Residents exchange ideas, work together, encourage one another, and enjoy each others' company. A residential director gives assistance in planning and realizing such community-building activities as outings, study groups, work projects, service projects, and many fun times together. Group decisions are made using the Quaker principles of clearness and unity,

though one needn't be a Quaker to live here.

Each resident has his/her own room, or may choose to share with another resident. Quaker House takes care of food purchasing and dinner preparations (five days a week) in order that residents can devote more time and energy to individual and group activities, spiritual growth, and service. Residents are responsible for minor household chores; a housekeeper maintains most areas of the house. 5/23/91

Quarry Hill

c/o Ladybelle Fiske
P.O. Box 301
Rochester, VT 05767
(802) 767-3902/767-9881

Quarry Hill, Vermont's oldest and largest alternative community, was founded in 1946 as an artists' retreat — Quarry Hill has been a haven for creative and open-minded people for 45 years. During the 1960s and '70s we experienced a surge in population and became a closely-knit community, though not a planned, "intentional" one. Among the few rules: *absolutely no violence towards children*. We run a small private school. Folks generally make their own expenses, though members help each other out as necessary. Families typically eat on their own, with occasional potlucks.

Visitors are welcome! We have a small dormitory. Bring tents for summer camping (the best season for visits). Possible longer residence — though we have 80 or more in our group, we are always happy to meet energetic, non-dogmatic, helpful people! We are looking for doctors, and teachers. Please write or call first, and ask for our brochure. Small financial contribution requested, or work exchange if broke. 5/2/91

Rejeneration House (Forming)

Box 42
Jenner, CA 95450
(707) 632-5458

Rejeneration is a family village cluster now forming on 5 knolltop acres in an ecologically diverse canyon on the Sonoma coast. Our current plans include building two or three buildings in which to live and work, and developing ample garden space. We are looking for 5-8 total partners with a

long-term vision of shared ownership. Values will be clarified as we evolve, and now include: simplicity; hard work; shared meals; earth stewardship; respect for biological, cultural, age, and spiritual diversity; and a healthful, balanced lifestyle. We have a long-term goal of becoming a sanctuary for our urban-dwelling friends — who can use our nearby variety of ecosystems to regenerate their personal spirit and connection with the planet. Please send SASE for more information; if you include your phone number, we may call you back if our schedule permits. 4/25/91

Revolutionary Tomato

Oakland, CA
(415) 547-8935

The Revolutionary Tomato is an urban household of 5 adults and 2 children who live together because we believe that communal living is healthy ... it is our preferred lifestyle.

Our decision-making process might be best described as "benevolent anarchy" — housemates working on projects make decisions as things come up. If others question that decision, the matter is resolved, more or less by consensus. Basically things are decided by whoever is involved in any given project. Shopping and bathroom cleaning are the only rotating chores; all else relies on individual awareness and motivation. We eat together most nights, and really enjoy good food.

In raising our kids there is a lot of shared parenting, but the arrangements are mostly informal at this point. Several of our members are deeply involved in work for peace and social justice, though the house was not formed with that as a central focus. 8/20/90

Rosy Branch Farm

320 Stone Mountain Road
Black Mountain, NC 28711
(704) 669-6353

Rosy Branch Farm is a neo-indigenous forest community with an interest in ancient cultures and permaculture. Begun in '85, we originally came together through a meditation group with ecological and spiritual interests. We currently have 5 families living on the land (50 acres) with at least one more to come. We are not actively seeking new members, but we're into cooperation and (Cont'd.)

Directory of Intentional Communities

Rosy Branch Farm (Cont'd.)

the sharing of information — including labor exchange, trading visits, etc.

We're into what might be called high-tech simple living — fairly affluent, but downwardly mobile in a substantial sense. Economically each family is fairly independent, though we're developing right livelihood at the community level. We have created a non-profit project called Good Medicine which works to raise awareness of the large population of Mayan people in Guatemala and Mexico. We believe that indigenous values are valuable to the earth — there's a lot for our culture to learn about living within the limits of our resources. We arrange periodic trips to their region, help the weavers sell their goods, and publish a quarterly newsletter called *Maya Time*. Community and cooperation are very helpful in pursuing this work. 4/25/91

SWAMP (Forming)

[Formerly listed as the Sangamon River Community]

Route 1, Box 127-B
White Heath, IL 61884

(217) 762-8228

We are a group of four adults who would eventually like our numbers to grow to ten or so. We wish to live as a supportive family of friends. Our goal is to operate under the principles of egalitarianism, eco-consciousness, individual spiritual freedom, and consensus decision making.

Some of our collective and/or individual interests include: the partnership ideals in the book *The Chalice and the Blade*, alternative energy, eco-feminism, raising our own food, (eventually) unhooking from the grid, providing a space for creative expression and humor, group encounter, exploring positive gender roles, beginning a community-based business to become economically self-sufficient, pagan/earth-based spirituality, vegetarianism, and other neat stuff. Since we are just forming there are many possibilities.

As this listing goes to press we are going through the process of purchasing an 80-acre farm on the Sangamon river, 16 miles west of Champaign-Urbana, Illinois. It has a farm house, wooded areas, pasture, and a big old barn. We will need to build additional housing and community spaces before we can increase our numbers. 5/9/91

Shalom Community

6017 Bush Road
Brown Summit, NC 27214

(919) 621-5702

Shalom Community is a 46-acre housing cooperative, with present membership at 9 adults and 4 children. We hold 22 acres in common, and have with 18 individual lots. Joining costs are approximately \$20,000 for a 3-acre lot. Decisions are made by consensus, and officers are rotated. We eat together weekly. [For more information see article on page 29.] SASE preferred [cc]. 4/15/91

Society of Love Alchemists (Forming)

c/o Paul Michael
P.O. Box 1119
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

We're just now beginning something we call the 'Delta 8 Game' and Friendship Arks. The vision is based upon the teachings of the audio cassette: *The Love Communalist Womantifesto (A Planetary Partiers' Guide to Enlightening Up!)*. The teachings involve small communities made up of 4 men and 4 women holding things in common, co-parenting the children, worshipping Father/Mother God as the Personal Ground of Being, and engaging 'transterritorial' group tantra and rotational partnering. To create communal finances we sell a product called 'Excella' which is used for regenerating our bodies. Please write for more information. 9/12/90



Starseed Community (Forming)

Chapel Road
Savoy, MA 01256
(413) 743-0417

We are presently one family living on 130 acres in a remote area of Massachusetts, up in the hills. Our six buildings include two houses and a cabin. We are interested in having others join us, but are presently trying to figure out our economic base — we are thinking about creating a retreat and recovery center here for people wanting to deal with stress and addictions. 4/15/91

Hawk Circle

[formerly Third Place House]
Route 2, Box 137
Tipton, IA 52772

(319) 886-3624

We are four adults and two children living in a 2-story, 6-bedroom house outside of Tipton, Iowa. We share all incurred expenses, splitting the bills equally. This allows us to exist comfortably within the limited budget of college graduates in the late 20th century. An individual's bills and debts are taken care of by that individual.

The most important feature of our shared reality is that we buy food as a household and fix homestyle dinners. Work and chores are distributed with relative equality in mind. We have a code of respect for individuals and privacy that seems to cover most circumstances. This is not a new idea. None of it is. But we have found that our "house" provides more than just an economic shelter, it allows us to communicate, interact, and share our learning and resources with one another — much to the benefit of everyone involved. It's difficult to imagine living any other way.

One member of the household (with lots of encouragement and support from the rest of us) publishes *The Box Elder Bug Oracle* — a quarterly art/fun/philosophy newsletter, funded entirely by donations, with the aim of creating a community in print. Submissions range from the pragmatic, to the esoteric, to the twisted. Please write or call if you'd like to know more about the Oracle, or just to say "Hi". 8/18/90

Veiled Cliffs Community (Forming)

15826 State Route 218
Scottown, OH 45678
(614) 256-1400

We're a new group living on a 145-acre farm in southwestern Ohio, with 4 members that share all income (three work at outside jobs full-time, one part-time). We have major financial debt which we hope to clear in two-year's time — to pay off the land debt, and to build a "home" place. We now live in the old farmhouse which has limited living space. Our plan is to begin a cottage industry which will permit most of us to work at home. We raise goats for meat, milk, and milk products; and also raise chickens for eggs and meat. We expect to raise all of

our own vegetables and a portion of our fruit. We are not blindly committed to self-sufficiency, but acknowledge that the more we can do at home the better — so long as the cost does not increase unreasonably, and the things that we buy are "politically correct" and of acceptable quality.

Our purpose is to live with regard for other people, other living beings, and the earth. We share in the common belief that all life is growing and learning, and that we can benefit from honest association with all other life forms.

Though space here is at a premium, we would be grateful to have short visits from members of other communities. If you are passing through this area, stop by and share your piece of wisdom with us — we can certainly only benefit. 8/31/90

Whetstone Community (Forming)

P.O. Box 1798
Benson, AZ 85602
(602) 586-9356

Whetstone Community, established in '88, is comprised of 6 adults living on 275 acres located about fifty miles east of Tucson. We are open to children, though we have none presently. We have room for 69 households, and hope to be very self-sufficient. The land is in a privately-held land trust, and people can buy in; investment is mostly by building homes through a limited equity arrangement (the trust gets any appreciation).

The community was set up to provide affordable housing — members can build a pretty decent house for 20% of its assessed value. We work on each others homes, paying each other with credits — like a barn-raising, except with a bookkeeping system. The economic structure is independent, but we occasionally do custom work as a co-op. One member's livelihood is building rammed-earth, passive solar, energy-efficient designs — two on the property are complete, and another two shells are underway. Our long-range vision is to turn the building company into a cooperative, building up an alternative economy and doing for ourselves whatever we need.

We are trying to figure out how to do meetings, potlucks, etc. — ways to get together at least a couple of times a month. The details will be determined as we become a little more

established. In the trust, decisions are majority vote based on equity. Community-level decisions are made through a Village Council. 4/26/91

The Wilfred

24 Dearborn Road
Medford, MA 02155
(617) 666-9849

The Wilfred is a seven-person cooperative house located in a working class neighborhood of Boston. The house is in its sixth year of operation, and the focus of our group is having shared dinners every night. We welcome visitors. 4/28/91

Windward Foundation

P.O. Box 51
Klickitat, WA 98628
(509) 369-2448

Single parents, retirees, gifted kids (human and caprine), and dreamers from 7 to 75 are pioneering a woodsy community, seeking saner social systems, practicing nearly-lost crafts, and enjoying the longest-running gathering of Mensans (since 9/88). Windward is a think tank, an operating farm, a school for self-reliance, and an extended family. It's a 60-acre research and development park with more than a hundred tons of tools of all kinds, including a foundry. It's a synergy machine that empowers people by combining their life experiences, training, and insights to minimize wasted effort. It's a place to hide away in peace and beauty to write a book or focus on a project you've always wanted to tackle.

Windward is a non-profit Washington corporation which owns the land and most of the tools and living spaces. Members retain ownership of other assets, and organize projects to suit their interests. It is cooperative in structure, and operates by the consensus process. We've been at this for 15 years and there are 16 members.

Our members have their own projects and interests, generally a combination of monetary and personal agendas. Various members raise goats, sheep, rabbits, geese, chickens, calves, and other animals; make cheese, sausage, soap, shoes, and circuit boards; design timber frames with ACAD; cut logs on a sawmill; shear sheep; spin yarns, knit, crochet, weave, and quilt; bake bread and pies from scratch, etc. What could you add to our concentric systems? 3/25/91

Zen Community of N.Y.

114 Woodworth Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10701

(914) 375-1510; 375-1514 Fax

The Zen Community of New York is an interfaith community which integrates meditation, livelihood, social action, and study. Our residents work and live in southwest Yonkers, an impoverished neighborhood just north of New York City. Since 1982 we have opened three businesses which have trained and hired hundreds of unemployed neighborhood residents in baking, office, and construction skills. In 1987 we began a not-for-profit social service organization, Greystone Family Inn, which provides homeless families with permanent housing and services which they need to rebuild their lives and the lives of their children.

Ours is a remarkable network of organizations accommodating some 75 people of different national and religious backgrounds, committed to ending homelessness in our community within the next decade, while creating a model of community development that can be applied anywhere. We urgently need more staffing for our programs — child care workers, counselors, job trainers, secretaries — and volunteers from around the country who want to come here to help. We are also seeking financial help to start a development fund to be used to incubate new projects that address the needs of the greater community — such as an AIDS hospice, and the University of the Streets (a community-based education program designed to enable poor and homeless people to explore their potential as far as they wish to go). 1/25/91

Please send us:
information to update the
listings in our 1993 edition:

- Address Changes
- New Phone Numbers
- Leads to New Groups
- Reports of groups that have folded
- Volunteers to serve as local or regional contacts for outreach
- Your Suggestions

Communities Directory

Sandhill Farm
Route 1, Box 155-M
Rutledge, MO 63563
(816)883-5543

Directory of Intentional Communities

California Action Network

P.O. Box 464
Davis, CA 95617
(916) 756-8518

CAN publishes an annual Organic Wholesalers Directory and Yearbook, a well-indexed listing of food growers, processors, manufacturers, organic farm supply sources, groups certifying organic products, and support groups located all across North America. The directory includes articles about the politics of the industry, i.e., how organic produce is documented and certified. Good for finding suppliers in your area, and locating farmers who sell via mail order. 9/21/89

Children & Community Network

14556 Little Greenhorn Road
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Children and Community Network (formerly known as "Making Contact") is for home schoolers, unschoolers, alternative schoolers — and those looking for child-oriented community, neighbors, and friends. For more information send an SASE. (Nationwide!) 8/1/90

Church of All Worlds & The Green Egg Magazine

P.O. Box 1542
Ukiah, CA 95482
(707) 485-7787

The Church of All Worlds, founded in 1962, is an organization of individuals who regard the Earth and life on it as sacred. Living in harmony and understanding with life's myriad forms is a religious act. In 1970 CAW was the first of the Neo-Pagan Earth Religions to obtain full Federal recognition.

While we prescribe no particular dogma or creed, our commonality lies in our reverence and connection with Nature and with Mother Earth, seeing her as a conscious, living entity. We are not only Her children, but evolving cells in Her vast, organic body. We embrace philosophical concepts of immanent divinity and emergent evolution. We are essentially "Neo-Pagan", implying an eclectic reconstruction of ancient Nature religions, and combining archetypes of many cultures with other mystic and spiritual disciplines.

But we are not just trying to recreate a Paradise Lost; we are actively involved in helping to save the present world as well as working to actualize a visionary future. We offer philosophical alternatives to present "life-negating" paradigms that produce war, profiteering, racism, sexism, exploitation and desecration of our natural resources. Instead we work to heal the splits. Some of our individual paths include Shamanism, Witchcraft, Voudoun, Buddhism, Hinduism, and Sufism — as well as science fiction, transpersonal psychology, bodywork, artistic expression, and paths of service.

Over the years, CAW has chartered a number of subsidiary branch organizations through which we practice and teach our religion. The Church owns "Annwin", a community in Northern California (see separate listing in Late Entries/Communities) which is our heart and sanctuary. We also publish a quarterly, *Green Egg* magazine, which features interviews, essays, fiction, comics, environmental action, columns, and an extensive reader forum. One-year subscriptions are \$13 US, \$18 Canada, \$27 trans-Atlantic air, \$30 trans-Pacific air; back issues are \$5 US postpaid.

4/26/91

Cooperative Grocer

P.O. Box 597
Athens, OH 45701
(614) 592-1912
(800) 878-7333

Cooperative Grocer is a bi-monthly trade publication reaching food cooperatives throughout the U.S. and Canada. Published since 1985, it offers professional advice and inspiring examples of successful co-op activities — written by people working in and with these co-op enterprises. It also features editorials, industry news, advertisements from suppliers to the co-op sector, and a regular column specially devoted to education and training for boards of directors. Cooperative Grocer can supply references to help find a co-op, and information about positions open in food co-ops. Subscriptions are \$22 for 6 issues. The publication is also supported by and available through regional co-op distributors. [We may be getting a new phone number early in '93.] 10/8/92

Deep Dish TV Network

339 Lafayette Street
New York, NY 0012

(212) 473-8933 Office
420-8223 Fax

PeaceNet: deepdish
Telex: 155258505 deepdish

Deep Dish TV is a national grassroots/public access satellite network which links community producers, programmers, activists, and people who support the idea and reality of a progressive television network. We assemble material from around the world and transmit it to community television stations and home dish owners nationwide.

Deep Dish is devoted to decentralizing media by providing a national forum — in addition to our own productions, we have a distribution cooperative for programs made independently and/or locally. Where commercial stations present a homogeneous and one-dimensional view of society, Deep Dish thrives on diversity and encourages creative programming that educates and activates the viewer. We seek out programs by and about people rarely seen on television: people of color, women, working people, people of different ages and from many regions.

Deep Dish TV is available on over 300 cable systems around the country, as well as selected public television stations. Call your local cable system for information; if they do not run Deep Dish programming, contact your local programmer and ask for it (they probably have a receiver which will work; if not, a local university, art center, or even a bar might be willing to help). Anyone with a home dish can receive Deep Dish — it's transmitted unscrambled on commercial "C" band satellite transponders. The exact times and channels vary from season to season, so check a satellite television guide or contact our New York office. 3/11/91

Family Tree

P.O. Box 315
Chestnut Hill, MA 02167
(508) 263-8629

Family Tree is an organization of people actively interested and/or participating in alternative relationship and family lifestyles. Our objectives are: 1) to provide a forum for the exchange of information and experiences, 2) to provide a meeting place and sponsor social and growth

related events, and 3) to contribute to increased understanding and acceptance of alternative lifestyles. We are concerned with all forms of committed living styles which contribute to the fullest realization of the human potential for caring, intimacy, and growth. We do not press upon our members any specific behavior or values, but encourage and support individual freedom and interpersonal responsibility in the exploration and development of viable options for living. 4/3/91

Fourth World Services

P.O. Box 1666
Denver, CO 80201

The Fourth World in Hopi prophecy is our current era of materialism, in which the needs of the natural world are forsaken. The Fifth World is now dawning with our return to the practice of earth stewardship.

Fourth World Services provides access to information, products, and other resources necessary for a lifestyle which respects the integrity of the natural world, and which balances this concern with human needs. Human society is becoming more of a global culture, and so a corresponding need is for individuals to maintain control over the institutions which affect their lives. Consensual governing processes and economic democracy build a socially responsible culture, while affirming the inherent worth and dignity of every person. 4/27/91

Garden of Eden Project (Forming)

P.O. Box 303
Palermo, CA 95968
(916) 534-5150

The Garden of Eden Project will be establishing Essene health retreats for all to enjoy. All Essene Garden of Eden Health Retreats are to always be free — never a charge for anything, running on donations only. All retreats are going to be totally covered with all the good organic fruits, nuts, vegetables, grains, and flowers that each area will produce — 100% living foods for all! We will employ the best of technology and the great gifts of the Creation.

The so-called tide of civilization and its need of cars, trucks, etc. can be channelled into complete control and harmony by the establishment of

totally self-sufficient land parcels where cars are not allowed; where organic food, natural lifestyles, and safety for all living things are the highest priorities. 10/15/90

Green Letter

P.O. Box 14141
San Francisco, CA 94114

The Green Letter is a quarterly review of international events from a Green perspective. It is produced by a collective, and is an "official" vehicle for disseminating news from the Green Committees of Correspondence, a network of local groups spread across the U.S. (see separate listing on page 270). A one-year subscription is \$20. 4/30/91

The Human Awareness Institute

1720 S. Amphlett Blvd. #128
San Mateo, CA 94402
(415) 571-5524

HAI offers workshops year round on "Sex, Love, and Intimacy" — held in Boston, Detroit, Australia, and at Harbin Springs (near Calistoga, CA). We have organized a support network in the San Francisco Bay Area which gathers once a month to reunite with old friends, introduce new friends, and to explore in depth the principles of unconditional loving; rap sessions and experiential exercises are often included. We also publish a bi-monthly journal which contains articles on living the principles, and disseminates information about parties, workshops, and informal gatherings of varying focus. Subscriptions are \$18/year, payable to Enlighten Journal; all journal subscriptions and correspondence should be submitted to Chip August, 1905 Menalto Ave., Menlo Park CA 94025 (415)326-7712. 3/15/91

Innovative Housing

325 Doherty Drive
Larkspur, CA 94939
(415) 924-6400

Innovative Housing, a non-profit organization, has organized several hundred shared households on the West Coast — heavily concentrated in the San Francisco Bay Area, but also strong in the Pacific Northwest and in Southern California. They offer workshops which introduce people to

group living, then help them form compatible groups by clarifying needs and desires, and by teaching shared living skills. Usually, they hold "master leases" on rental properties, acting as go-between for conservative landlords and the more liberal householders. With a heavy ratio of low-income participants, almost half are single parents or elderly. Innovative Housing has worked closely with the Cohousing Company, and publishes a monthly newsletter. 7/15/90

Inter-Cooperative Council

Room 4002, Michigan Union
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1349
(313) 662-4414

The Inter-Cooperative Council (ICC) was formed in 1937 by the housing co-ops on the University of Michigan campus — in order to gain greater efficiency and economy in certain functions, such as recruitment of new members, paying the taxes and mortgages, and overseeing large maintenance projects. In addition, ICC helps train new members and officers so that houses run more smoothly.

We are housing for students, owned and run by students, with 18 units ranging in size from 13 to 90 members, the average size being about 33. All are co-ed. The buildings range from wood-frame to brick, from historic to modern. We have non-smoking houses and houses that share vegetarian meals. Most houses serve lunch and dinner daily, while breakfast is do-it-yourself.

Houses are run democratically, each member having an equal voice. At house meetings students decide how much to spend on food, when quiet hours will be, what newspapers to subscribe to, what to do about a problem member, what work needs to be done, and so on. We rely on members to do all the work needed to run the houses — cooking, cleaning, planning, bookkeeping, recruiting, etc. — and each member puts in 4-6 hours of work per week. 5/9/91

Inter/Communities of Virginia

c/o Shannon Farm
Rt.2, Box 343, Afton VA 22920

The Inter/Communities of Virginia is a regional association of intentional communities. We are diverse in size,

Directory of Intentional Communities

InterCommunities (Cont'd.)

design, and intention... yet share many common values*: 1) an emphasis on cooperation and some form of resource/skills sharing, with norms of non-discrimination, non-sexism, and valuing individual equality and individual differences; 2) a commitment to personal and social change — the psychological and spiritual growth of our members, and service to society carried out in a community setting where individual needs are balanced with group needs; 3) a desire to "live lightly on the earth" — reducing consumption, recycling resources, embracing appropriate-scale technology and renewable energy sources; and 4) an awareness of the oneness of humanity and all life, and a conscious response to the global crisis through development of social and cultural designs for a more peaceful, ecological, and egalitarian world. We organize network gatherings twice each year, rotating host responsibilities among our member communities. 5/1/91

*Much of this list was adapted from *Builders of the Dawn* by Corinne McLaughlin & Gordon Davidson (1986).

Intinet Resource Center

P.O. Box 2096-C
Mill Valley, CA 94942
(415) 507-1739

Intinet Resource Center was founded in 1984 by Dr. Deborah Anapol. Our mission is to serve as a clearinghouse for information on ethical multimate relationships, a network to link up people and organizations exploring new paradigms for sexuallove, and a resource center to encourage designs for healthy and happy families. Members receive quarterly progress reports. For further information send an SASE.

IRC publishes *A Resource Guide for the Responsible Non-Monogamist*. Over 100 pages of hard-to-find information on ethical multipartner sexuallove relationships. Includes annotated bibliographies, directory of organizations, articles, films, tapes, seminars, and other valuable tools for creating a multimate lovestyle. To order send \$12.95 + \$2 shipping and handling. 3/19/91



The Long Island Alternative

P.O. Box 452
Farmingville, NY 11738
(516) 737-1571

Provides a variety of viewpoints on the culture, politics, people, issues, and ideas that mainstream media ignores or just plain doesn't see. Features articles about such topics as the environment, homelessness, racism, reproductive rights, civil liberties, homophobia, capital punishment, and political activism. Although the fight for intellectual freedom is a serious matter and one not to be taken lightly, articles in the publication are apt to take a humorous slant as the editors strive to maintain that tenuous balance between scholarly discourse and side-splitting jest. Published bi-monthly. One year subscriptions are \$6 for individuals, \$10 for organizations; sample copies \$1.50. 3/29/91

Parents Leadership Institute

P.O. Box 50492
Palo Alto, CA 94303

The Parents Leadership Institute offers classes and resource groups for parents who want to learn from one another as they build close relationships with their children, and good lives for themselves as parents. PLI publishes a series of useful pamphlets on parental listening skills — dealing with situations such as special time, "playlistening", building trust, tantrums, indignation, and similar topics. Please write for more information. 3/21/90

Political Ecology Group (PEG)

519 Castro, Box 111
San Francisco, CA 94114
(415) 861-5045

PEG is a new, all volunteer, action-oriented research and public education group making the links between ecology, militarism, and social justice. Our first Action Paper, *War in the Gulf: An Environmental Perspective*, is a tool designed for activists, the press, and students — for educating themselves and others about the environmental impacts of the war. Please send \$1.50 for a copy; \$5.00 each for orders of 100 or more (prices include postage). 2/7/91

Robert K. Greenleaf Center

1100 West 42nd Street, #321
Indianapolis, IN 46208
(317) 925-2677 (Phone & Fax)

Robert Greenleaf (d. 11/90) was Director of Management Research for AT&T for years, and was known as "The Conscience of AT&T". His focus was a humanistic approach to management. He retired in 1964 and founded the Center for Applied Ethics, and in 1970 wrote his famous "Leader as Servant" essay. In 1985 the center was moved to Indianapolis and renamed the Robert K. Greenleaf Center. The Center offers an insightful series of pamphlets and books about various aspects of leadership and service. 12/2/90

SEAC

Student Environmental
Action Coalition
P.O. Box 1168
Chapel Hill, NC 27514-1168
(919) 967-4600

SEAC is a grassroots democratic network of students and student groups on more than 1000 campuses across the country, all working together to build a strong student movement to save the planet. Students have been doing isolated organizing for too long — through sharing ideas, strategies, facts, and tactics we all grow more effective.

We are here to help students in whatever way we can. If you are doing an action and need lots of people — we can help hook you up with other active students near you. If you want to start a new campaign and don't know where to start, we can send you both factual and practical information written by students who started successful campaigns on their own campuses. If you've done incredible things on your campus and in your community, we can help you get the word out to motivate and inspire other students. If you need help finding speakers or getting in touch with media, we can provide names and numbers.

SEAC is what you make it ... the more we hear from folks across the country, the better we are able to support student actions and initiatives. We publish a newsletter, monthly (ideally) through the school year, and once in the summer. Annual memberships are \$15 for students, \$25 for student groups, and non-

students/non-youth can become Friends of SEAC for \$35. 4/12/91

Sing Out

**P.O. Box 5253
Bethlehem, PA 18015-5253
(215)865-5366**

Sing Out is a non-profit tax-exempt corporation dedicated to the preservation of the cultural diversity and heritage of traditional folk music; to support creators of new folk music from all countries and cultures; to expand the definition of folk music to include ethnic music; and to encourage the practice of folk music as a living phenomenon. A \$15 annual membership includes a subscription to our folksong magazine, *Sing Out!*, which has come out quarterly since May of 1950. We also nationally syndicate a weekly one-hour folk music program available to all National Public Radio stations, and maintain a resource center — a multi-media library containing thousands of recordings, books, periodicals, photographs, video tapes, and ephemera. This is a free resource for members! We also publish *Rise Up Singing*, a 288-page folksong sourcebook with words, guitar chords, and sources to 1200 songs of all sorts: traditional, political, folk, rock, Motown, children's, and more — \$17.50 for one copy; \$8 plus postage on full cartons (30 copies). 2/19/91

Sun Health Books

**P.O. Box 1967-BH
New Haven, CT 06509-1967
(203) 498-2000**

We are publishing the '91-'92 *Vegetarian Home & Travel Guide* (Eastern and Western editions) by Viktoras P. Kulvinskis, M.S.; Peter E. Firk; and Barry M. Harris, B.A. The Guide features over 40 categories, including: New Age Communities & Homesteading, Organic Gardening, Natural Foods Restaurants, Vegetarian Health Resorts, Mail-Order New Age Products, Health food Stores & Co-ops, Health Charts, Recipes, Ecology, Yoga, Macrobiotics, Films & Videos, Natural Childbirth, and much more. Color cover, 8-1/2" x 11" format, spiral bound, 1200+ listings. Projected press dates: Eastern U.S. (Fall '91), Western U.S. (Spring '92). Price: \$9.50 per edition. Mention that you read about their guide in the "Directory of

Intentional Communities" and receive a \$2.00 discount coupon/order form (no limit: please specify number). Wholesale and distributorship inquiries welcome. 4/15/91

Volunteers for Peace, Inc.

**"International Workcamps"
Tiffany Road
Belmont, VT 05730**

(802) 259-2759; 259-2922 Fax

Workcamps are an inexpensive and personal way that you can travel, live, and work in a foreign country. As an international short-term "peace corps", they are a fun-filled adventure in global education. The program allows people from diverse cultural backgrounds, with a wide variety of social and political viewpoints, to live and work together. — where the power of love and friendship can transform prejudice.

Workcamps are sponsored by an organization in a host country, and coordinated by people from the local community. Groups of 10-20 people live together, generally cooperatively like a family, in a school, church, private homes, or community center. Work-campers coordinate and share the day-to-day activities such as food preparation, work, and entertainment. The work atmosphere is casual, and typically involves construction, restoration, environmental, social, agricultural, or maintenance projects. The 1990 *International Workcamp Directory* (112 pp.) contains over 800 listings of volunteer work camp opportunities in 33 countries. Individual memberships are \$10, and include a copy of the directory. 3/15/90

Walden Two International Association

**c/o Los Horcones
APDO 372, Hermosillo
Sonora, MEXICO 83000**

This association was founded by Los Horcones for the purpose of sharing information about our developments and findings with those persons who would not live here but want to participate in some way in the development of a Walden Two community. We also disseminate information about the basic characteristics of a Walden Two and its social contributions — and to increase the degree in which we receive technical, economic, or any other kind of help. Members receive our newsletter,

articles published by and about Los Horcones, and invitations to seminars and other activities. Memberships are \$17/year. 12/14/88

War Resisters League

**339 Lafayette Street
New York, NY 10012
(212) 228-0450**

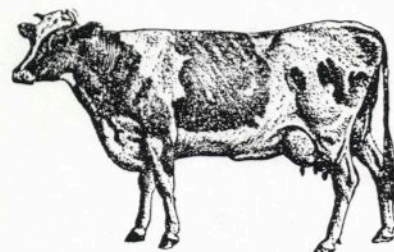
Our work is to resist war in all its forms, by providing the public with information, materials, and workshops. To support our work we sell books that make a difference, plus T-shirts, posters, buttons, cards, pins, calendars, etc. Donations are always appreciated. Write if you'd like to know how to get more involved in your area. 9/21/90

Worker Owned Network

**94 North Columbus Road
Athens, OH 45701
(614) 592-3854**

Worker Owned Network (WON) is a cooperative economic development organization working in southeastern Ohio. WON has provided business development services to worker cooperatives since 1985. We have worked closely with about ten co-ops here in Athens county, and about five of those are currently active in our network (a Mexican restaurant, a commercial bakery, a recumbent bicycle manufacturer, a commercial cleaning business, and an "accessible housing" construction business).

Over the past two years, we have created a 12,000-sq.ft. cooperative business incubator to provide space and support services for new businesses. Recently we have begun extending our co-op organizing experience to the development of flexible manufacturing networks (FMNs) — creating temporary production networks wherein several firms can combine their resources and strengths, enabling them to manufacture and distribute products that none of the businesses could produce individually. 5/22/91



Communities Directory: Updates & Additions to the Third Printing

New Information for North American Communities

These communities that were listed in recent printings of the Directory have provided updated address and/or telephone information.

Catholic Worker House of Cleveland

New Address:
3601 Whitman Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44113

Christmas Star

New Address:
2444 Dripping Springs Road
Winkleman, AZ 85292
Phone is in Los Angeles, CA:
(213)280-9992 - Previous phone listing incorrectly indicated an AZ area code.

Hei Wa House

Ann Arbor, MI
New Phone: 313)665-6186

Monan's Rill

Santa Rosa, CA
New Phone: (707)539-0569

Prag House

New Address & Phone:
747 - 16th Avenue East
Seattle, WA 98112
(206)325-9848

Renaissance

New Address:
196-B Main Road
Gill, MA 01376

UPDATES
FOR YOUR
COMMUNITIES
DIRECTORY...



Seven C's

New Address & Phone:
465 E. Gregory Road
Central Point, OR 97502
(503)826-4769

Short Mountain

Liberty, TN
New Phone: (615)536-5176

Sacred Mountain Ashram

(Truth Consciousness)
New Address:
10668 Gold Hill Road
Boulder, CO 80302

Valley of Light

New Address & Phone:
Box 34
Deer, AR 72628
(501)575-0567

Windward Foundation

New Address & Phone:
55 Windward Lane
Klickitat, WA 98628
(509)369-2000

New Information for International Communities

Atlantis

Closing its Ireland branch;
still active in Columbia.

Christians

New Address:
Box 353
Geelong, Victoria 3220
Australia

New Listings — North America

Some of these communities are new contacts, while many were included in a list of "Renamed, Regrouped, Dead, Disbanded, Lost and No Reply" groups published in recent editions of the Directory. We now have confirmation that each of these groups exist, and we expect to have full listings in our next edition.

Arco, Iris

HC 70, Box 17
Ponca, AR 72670
(501)861-5506

Arthurdale Heritage

P.O. Box 850
Arthurdale, WV 26520
(304)864-3545

Aurca

General Delivery
Gardner, CO 81040

Barkmill Hollow

Route 2
Airville, PA 17301

Beacon Hill Friends

6 Chestnut Street
Boston, MA 02108
(617)227-9118

Bee Song Honey Farms

5716 Harry Cash Road
Montague, CA 96064

Buchanan Community

E-23 Regent Row
Western New Mexico University
Silver City, NM 88061

Camelot-of-the-Wood

P.O. Box 674884
Marietta, GA 30067
(404)423-9585

Changing Water Ministry

24 Mellon Street
Newport News, VA 73606
(804)930-3806

Christ of the Hills Monastery

Blanco, TX 78606
(512)833-5363

Christiansbrunn Kloster

RD 1, Box 149
Pitman, PA 17964

Circle of Angels at Walden Farm

RD 1, Box 1520
East Hardwich, VT 05836
(802)533-7095

Common Place

141 Oxford Street
Cambridge, MA 02140
(617)547-0608

Community House

1308 Graham Road
Virginia Beach, VA 23454
(804)481-7948

Community of Jesus

P.O. Box 803
Orleans, MA 02653
(617)255-1094

Community Plan-It (Forming)

c/o Jack Reed
3500 W. Adams Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90018
(213)735-4344

Comunidad Arcoiris

Nadadover #67-A
Colonia Country Club Churubusco
04220 Coyoacan, Mexico 21, D.F.
Mexico

Covenant House

690 - 8th Avenue
New York, NY 10036
(212)869-8946

Cranberry Creek

Route 3, Box 531
Hillsville, VA 24343
(703)728-7568

Delphi

7401 - 91st Avenue S.E.
Mercer Island, WA 98040

Delphi

3948 Delphi Road S.W.
Olympia, WA 98502
(206)866-6395

Doyle Street Cohousing

5514 Doyle Street #4
Emeryville, CA 94608
(510)530-2036

Earth Village Institute
P.O. Box 23
Gunnison, CO 81230
(303)642-0020

Eloin
P.O. Box 446
Ashland, OR 97520
(503)482-8431

Energy System
P.O. Box 168
Thorndike, ME 04986

EPE (Forming)
Environment-Friendly Enterprises
c/o Lueranos
1120 University Avenue
Grand Forks, ND 58203
(701)772-3853

Essene Skoola Phish (ESP)
Route 1, Box 169
Golden Eagle, IL 62036

Forming Community
c/o Annamarie Hadorn
General Delivery
Mackenzie Highway
Hagensborg, British Columbia
V0T-1H0 Canada

Forming Community
c/o Dara Vinayaga
5435 Flint Ridge Road
Kansas City, MO 64151
(816)587-8400

Forming Community
c/o La Vada Montgomery
9290 Gun Club Road
Sagel, ID 83860

Forming Community
c/o Stephen Long
81 Center
Petaluma, CA 94952

Forming Community
c/o Susan Deckert
9 Cedarville Road
Hightstown, NJ 08520

Forming Community
c/o Terry Spencer
23329 - 27th Avenue NE
Arlington, WA 98223
(206)435-8602

Four Winds Village
Box 2120
Tiger, GA 30576
(706)782-7797

Genesis Farm
Route 3, Box 290-C
Blairstown, NJ 07825
(908)362-6735

Hardscrabble Hill Center
2621 Regent Street, Apt. B
Berkeley, CA 94704

Harmony Farm
211 Potter Street
Fallbrook, CA 92028
(619)723-7575

Hawkwind Earth Renewal Co-op
P.O. Box 11
Valley Island, AL 35989
(205)635-6304

Hidden Valley
P.O. Box 1622
Colfax, CA 95713
(916)346-8266

**HOME (Human Oriented
Multifaceted Environment)**
1422 Mary Street
Mariette, WI 54143
(715)732-0845

Huehuecoytl
Apdo Postal 111
Tepoztlán, Morelos
Mexico

Iris Mountain
16 Unger Store Mall
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411
(304)258-3311

Iscon Farm
Route 2, Box 24
Alachua, FL 32615
(904)462-9046

Island Group
1803 Mission Street #175
Santa Cruz, CA 95060
(408)427-9461

Jesus People, USA
920 W. Wilson Avenue
Chicago, IL 60640
(312)561-2450

Kathleen Fortino
Box A
Corwin Springs, MT 59020

L'Arche Mobile
151 S. Ann Street
Mobile, AL 36604
(205)438-6738

L'Arche Daybreak
11339 Yonge Street
Richmond Hill, Ontario
L4C-4X7 Canada
(416)884-3454

La Casa del Pueblo
53 Holt Street
Dayton, OH 45407

Land Co-op Athens
c/o Matthew Bennett & Emily Van Doren
12788 New England Road
Amerville, OH 45711
(614)448-4894

Land Stewardship Center
4407 Columbiaville Road
Columbiaville, MI 48421
(313)793-7523

Live Power Community Farm
25451 E. Lane
Covelo, CA 95928
(707)983-8196

Lopez
369 Haight Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
(415)552-4678

Lothlorien Farm
P.O. Box 100
Girdwoods Drugstore
Perth, Ontario
K7H-1R9 Canada

Love Inn Ministries
1768 Dryden Road
Freeville, NY 13068
(607)347-4411

Mikeco Rehtle
1127 Fuller Avenue, Apt. 9
Big Rapids, MI 49307

Molly Hare Cooperative
209 Watts Street
Durham, NC 27701
(919)688-3521

**New Family Experiment/
Blackbird Pagan Connection**
P.O. Box 151
Middletown, DE 19709
(302)653-1038

New World Rising
71 Hope Street
Box 33
Providence, RI 02906

Noonday Farm
Box 71
Windsor Road
Winchendon, MA 01477
(617)262-2940

North Cottonwood Ecovillage
Route 1, Box 36
Hillsboro, KS 67063

Northern Sun Farm
Box 689
Sterabuck, Manitoba
R0A-1V0 Canada
(204)434-6887

Northwoods
2434 Pleasant Avenue S.
Minneapolis, MN 55404
(612)788-3289

Oahspe Foundation
P.O. Box 446
Ashland, OR 97520

New Listings Continued on Next Page...

**New Listings (Cont'd.)
North America**

Olive Branch Catholic Worker
1006 M Street NW
Washington, DC 20001
(202)682-9056

ORCOM (Orgone Committee)
P.O. Box 614
Vanbrunt Station
Brooklyn, NY 11215
(718)788-9223

Paradox House
144 Chattanooga
San Francisco, CA 94114
(415)864-8343

Penington Friends House
215 East 15th Street
New York, NY 10003
(212)673-1730

Peralta
4110 Summer Lane
Carmichael, CA 95608

Philoxia
RR#1, Box 56
Marlbank, Ontario
K0K-2L0 Canada
(613)478-6070

Purdin
206 N. Rouse Avenue
Bozeman, MT 59715

Qumbya Co-op
5405 S. Ridgewood Court
Chicago, IL 60615
(312)643-8725

Rainbow Hearth
HCR-5, Box 836
Burnet, TX 78611
(512)756-7878

Refugio del Rio Grande
P.O. Box 3566
Harlingen, TX 78551

Songaia
22421 - 39th Avenue SE
Bothell, WA 98021
(206)486-2035

**Southern Cassadaga
Spiritualist Camp**
P.O. Box 319
Cassadaga, FL 32168
(904)228-2880

Spiricoasis
Box 558, Station J
Toronto, Ontario
M4J-4Z2 Canada
(416)429-2468

Spring Hill Family Farm
81 Lenier Road
Petaluma, CA 94952
(707)763-3236

St. Francis & Therese
52 Mason
Worcester, MA 01610
(508)753-3588

STAR
c/o Solar Survival
P.O. Box 1041
Taos, NM 87571
(505)758-9870

Steppingwoods
6012 Coos Bay Wagon
Roseburg, OR 97470
(503)679-4655

Stewart Little Co-op
211 Stewart Avenue
Ithica, NY 14850
(607)273-1983

Stock's Meadow
4200 Terrace Mountain Main
Box B-9
Kelowan, British Columbia
V1Y-8B2 Canada
(604)861-5959

Strangers & Guests
Box 264
Maloy, IA 50852
(515)785-2321

Sunflower Co-op
1122 South 3rd
Austin, TX 78704
(512)447-1268

Sunnier Palms
8800 Okeechobee Road
Ft. Pierce, FL 34945
(407)468-8512

Syntony
P.O. Box 6306
Captain Cook, HI 96704
(808)929-9691

Tamlin Hollows Farm
3882 Larson Lake Road
Pt. Ludlow, WA 98365
(206)732-4855

TORIC
(Trust, Openness, Responsibility,
Interdependence, Commitment)
c/o William Manser
P.O. Box 63-5055
Margate, FL 33063

Toronto TORI
c/o Donald Skiff
2944 Whittier Court
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

UFK — Global Council
c/o Joan Greer
747 S. Riverside Drive #11
Palm Springs, CA 92264
(800)775-1154

Whealers Ranch
P.O. Box 253
Occidental, CA 95465
(707)874-3029

Wilson
P.O. Box 425
Indianola, WA 98342
(206)842-5957

Winslow Cohousing
353 Wallace Way N.E.
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
(206)842-0253

Woman's World
P.O. Box 655
Madisonville, LA 70447

Womyn's Co-op
20 N. Franklin Street
Madison, WI 53703
(608)251-3101

Yasodhara Ashram
Box 9
Kootenay Bay, British Columbia
V0B-1X0 Canada
(604)227-9224

Zirkle's Branch
Route 1, Box 413
West Hamlin, WV 25571
(304)824-3571

New Listings — International

Atmasantulang Village
Near MTDC Holiday Resort
Karla 410405, India

Common Ground
24 South Road
Hockley, Birmingham B-18
England Tel: 021 551 1679

Finca Santo Domingo (Forming)
c/o Plinio Salazar
Apdo 76868
El Marques, Caracas 1070-A
Venezuela

Kommune Niederkaufungen
Kirchweg 1
3504 Kaufungen, Germany

CAN WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

IF EVER THERE WAS A NEED FOR ALTERNATIVES, it is *now*. Government and corporate policies are giving us a deteriorating environment, eroding communities, free trade, the possible dismantling of Canada itself.

But groups and individuals are working for a world that is peaceful, ecologically sane, truly democratic.

The Connexions Digest brings together writings, ideas, events, resources, groups, and strategies for change. The **Connexions Annual**, a special issue of the Digest, is a sourcebook with information about thousands of groups and resources. A sample issue of the Digest is \$1; Subscriptions are \$25/year + \$1.75 Tory GST. Order from

Connexions, 427 Bloor St. W, Toronto
M5S 1X7 (416) 960-3903

More Letters...

People Looking

A tremendous variety of inquiries have come our way through various channels, including the Directory. We have responded personally to all of these, often directing them to a particular listing in the Directory, or to a set of search words in the index, or to a particular column in the charts. 90% of these questions can be answered by a careful study of what we've already published. Though we're happy to share with individual seekers whatever else we might have on any given topic, we request that folks first sift through the myriad of information presented in the Directory. Here's a brief sampling:

"I am interested in communities ..."

- "... that are located in spanish-speaking countries." (M.G./Madison, WI)
- "... anticipating the forthcoming Earth changes." (E.B./Thorndale, Ontario)
- "... offering apprenticeships in a craft or trade to single parents — like organic gardening or adobe home construction." (J.B./Boulder, CO)
- "... that are vegetarian or vegan, and aiming for self-sufficiency; Natural Hygienists, environmental groups, people practicing permaculture, organic agriculture." (E.K./Osby, Sweden)
- "... in the U.S. or Mexico open to short- and long-term residence/visitation." (S.K./Surrey, England)
- "... in South America, open to a 9-month visit." (F.W./Kinver, U.K.)
- "... based on Christian values, and living according to the Gospel of Jesus." (B.R./Santa Cruz, CA)
- "... in the Rocky Mountains from New Mexico to Alaska." (J.S./Lake City, CO)
- "... where there's a lot of emphasis on art and music (I'm a professional musician)." (A.F./Los Angeles, CA)
- "... in the dry desert areas of S.E. California or S.W. Arizona (I suffer from environmental illness)." (E.T./Sedona, AZ)
- "... in Hawaii, that deal with agriculture and plantations (sugar cane, pineapples)." (R.K./Witzenhausen, Germany)

"... in Switzerland." (M.G./Chicago, IL)

"... of loving, caring people who do not exist for the purpose of greed, and where I do not need to give up all my reasoning, opinions, creativity, and knowledge of the world." (M.F./Central Falls, RI)

"... located in Canada, Idaho, Montana, or Wyoming." (J./Philipsburg, MT)

"... here in the U.S.A., that have lifestyles related to the Kibbutzim in Israel." (M.Z./New York, NY)

"... where I could participate in communal life on a farm or ranch — especially one with children and horses." (M.B./Paris, France)

"... in the Midwest, Mennonites with 400 yrs of heritage." (R.L./Newberg, OR)

"... located in warm climates, especially small communities." (Z.W./Aguascalientes, Mexico)

"... in the U.S.A. and Latin America that are non-religious, with special interests that are ecological, spiritual, and perhaps political." (M.H./Breckerfeld, Germany)

"..., especially communal farms — locations, philosophies, and requirements would be helpful." (B.B./U.S. Armed Forces)

"... that are spiritually-focussed, inter-faith groups of "seekers" that are service-minded, and that work with and develop people that have mental and physical disabilities." (K.G./Madison, WI)

"... in Europe that would do something for my inner being and also something in my professional field (educational institutions for male delinquents). (D.O./Logatec, Slovenia (Yugoslavia))

"... throughout the U.S. with projects such as Workcamps for Peace." (A.L./Arcata, CA)

"... or organic farms in the U.S.A., especially in Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Dakota, Iowa, and the Great Lakes region." (R.A./Herts, England)

"... based on a 'matriarchal' form of women's spirituality, i.e. Goddess worship." (S.S./Sheffield, England)

"... where I could study botany formally while contributing to the community

and growing spiritually 1) near a university with a botany dept., 2) which allows a dog or cat, and 3) which is tolerant and drug-free." (A.Y./New York, NY)

"... which is self-sufficient and holds my spiritual beliefs, and could offer a unique summer experience to a 21-year-old landscape architecture student." (B.B./Amherst, MA)

"... in which hard science and computers are a feature." (CM/Lawrenceville, GA)

"... in California which is composed of Christian Scientists or former members of that denomination. I don't know anything else about it — whether it is a commune or not." (D.C./Riverside, IL)

Naturally, some of the inquiries offer more in-depth information about what's wanted, what's wrong with the known alternatives, and/or what's interfering with the search. More examples:

FIC—

The Directory was informative and well planned! My wife and I continue to investigate the possibilities of relocating to a self-sustaining, supportive, responsible community environment where we can live a more rewarding life away from the self-destructive society that is prevalent in this country.

Much thanks,
Frank Winiski
Portland, CT 12/18/91

Communities Journal

To whoever will lend a hand

From the Next Whole Earth Catalog 1980 edition [Ed: *Information over 10 years old!*] I just stumbled onto this address and a brief description. I am 50 years old and I've come to a point where I see the need to form a better way of living than the mainstream flow. I realize I will need a lot of advice to do it correctly and avoid needless problems. I have the inspiration and an idea. I need a plan that works. You — if not defunct — have that experience. Please guide me where I must go that I may be where I am bound.

Tom Beach
Kamuela, HI 12/9/91

Dear Communities,

Enclosed is a copy of an Australian Communities Directory ... I hope it will

be of use to you. We consider it to be important to show love to all, not just to those who profess Christianity; those who are idealistic enough to oppose the materialistic rat race and live in a community are in our view far closer to the Christian ethic than the Yuppies who inhabit the cities. It is indeed unfortunate that Christianity has been distorted so in the U.S. to portray the way of Christ as a Yuppie-Middle-Class lifestyle of private ownership. Nothing could be further from the original gospel message, and we do battle with the same ideology here in Australia. Our stand puts us on the fringe of the religious circles and the dominant culture of greed. Consequently we have made more friends among the "outcasts" of society, notably in the alternative lifestyle movement.

We hope to be a continual catalyst of change within mainstream society, and a goad to the self-righteous uncompassionate hypocrites. In the end, those of conscience and who strive for a better world will find more common ground as social conditions in the mainstream society deteriorate.

With best wishes,
 Ross & Friends
 Geelong, Australia 7/18/92

Dear Folks,

Last August I ordered a copy of your Directory. In the ensuing two months I

have located and corresponded with a number of community members of several intentional communities. It now seems clear to me that I would never fit in to such a lifestyle, and I really have no interest in this Directory I'm returning. I hope you can refund my payment.

Thank you,
 Audrey Kinsella
 Belmont, MA 10/30/91

[Ed: We'll refund the purchase price on Directories that are returned undamaged and unworn (as was this one). We try to make a couple of points clear about the search for community: Each community is somehow unique, and they cover a wide spectrum of lifestyles, organization-al structures, and social norms ... so for most seekers there is a group somewhere that would be a good match — if they can find it; aiding that search is a primary objective of the Directory.]

On the other hand, a community lifestyle is not right for every person, at every stage of life. In the Directory we tried to outline some of the major factors for evaluating a community, and listed suggestions to help seekers clarify values and priorities. We believe that helping a person determine that they're not presently well suited and/or prepared for community living is as valuable a service as referring those who are.]

Dear Friends:

I am a senior woman, active and alert. I wish to leave the Big Apple (New York City) and join with a small group of people, preferably of different ages, and live as an extended family. I would prefer a rural environment where we would share not only living chores, but also engage in some social activity — possibly environmental concerns, or work with abused children — or any other useful community work deemed feasible to the group. Such interactions would enable us to have lively discussions and participate in a healthy social life.

I personally love young children and would enjoy working with them in dance and crafts. I love all kinds of music — jazz, folks, modern, and classical — and dancing of all kinds. I enjoy concerts, walking in the country, swimming, and just good conversation.

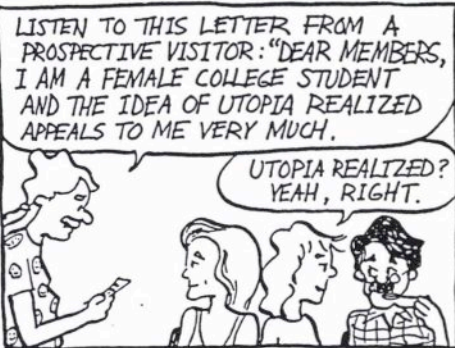
If you know of any such living arrangements which might be suitable for me, please let me know. Thank you for any suggestions or help you can give me.

In Peace and Friendship,
 Rose Herman
 Brooklyn, NY 4/13/91

Dear Friends:

My wife and I, senior citizens, wonder whether you know of any groups that

LIVING IN SINCERITY



would provide, or arrange to provide, complete housekeeping services and would offer a helpful hand in case of emergencies — all for adequate and affordable pay — to an elderly couple like us. Shelter would be in the form of a cottage or mobile home or such, possibly to be provided by the elderly couple. It is very difficult these days for elderly people to find these accommodations at affordable rates, because practically all of the places that offer lifetime care include many fancy “prestigious” items that are not needed, and they want sky-high “entrance fees”. If you could be of help to us, kindly indicate where such information might be obtained.

Thank you so very much,
William Cole
Mahwah, NJ 9/21/91

Dear Communities,

The impetus behind my searching is, of course, multi-faceted. I want to live “tribally” and share in the daily lives of my fellows (this should include children and elderly for the important lessons they offer, and just ‘cause they should be part of a natural grouping of human beings in a tribal setting).

I want to share my “sweat equity” with those around me. Much of my work is solitary (as a carpenter/woodworker) and I like to be quietly absorbed in/by

my work, *but* I need to join hands with others on common work — it’s an important part of keeping the ego-oriented life under control (or trying) ... and I want most of that form of work to be non-money making (for me personally, anyway — the community, of course, can be profiting from it).

Let me interject here that I’ve found some communities to be (partially, and in my limited perception) happy aggregations of fairly professional yuppies (pardon my use of this word ... I really do not intend disrespect, but can’t think of a better alternate phrase). There *should* be all different types of community, yet I’m wondering how to connect with those which are both more cohesive and non-dogmatic.

Incidentally, we also wish to live in our own space ... we’ve shared many houses over the years and both want private quarters.

[Mira Adds:] Something we are really looking for in a community is a sense of connectedness. We are both very concerned about the Earth, and would like to live with others with a sincere ecological commitment, and who come together as well to connect with each other to form meaningful relationships.

We try not to get caught up in a Utopian vision, we are aware of the

limitations of any community and know there will be compromises.

Loren & Mira
Gardiner, NY 9/6/92

Dear Communities,

I would like to subscribe to *Communities* journal, of which I learned from the Directory. I like your concept very much, and am convinced that the communities movement is the most important social trend. If utopia means some sort of dream, these people are much more awake than the masses at large (which are not able to accept growth in human potential). I am not blaming people, just the social conditioning which is too depressing intellectually and economically. I have decided to join a community as soon as feasible, and I am trying to spread the word about this lifestyle. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Levente Fodor
Thousand Oaks, CA 1/4/92

Hello,

My husband and I have come to the realization that mainstream society is not for us. We do not adhere to its tenets of materialism and consumerism, nor can we abide its lack of culture and mental hygiene. We believe these things are

Continued on next page...

LIVING IN SINCERITY



responsible for man's demise, and the destruction of our home and mother. If the situation is to be corrected, alternatives must rise to take the place of this ailing societal structure. To our way of thinking, small, self-sufficient cooperative communities are the answer. We've attempted to find such a place on our own, but have become discouraged with the lack of results.

We and our two loveable dogs are looking for a home where our energies can be used for the betterment of the community as well as for the development of our own creativity — including art, writing, and other projects such as growth-oriented therapy. We wish to work with the land instead of against her, and for the good of all instead of just the individual.

Blessed be,
Sharyn Mitchell
Blue Lake, CA 6/3/91

■ Suggestions ■

Hi...

Please send me a copy of the Directory. The total cost is dek tri kvin nul dollan, which equals 13 billion Katawaullian Basoogas. However, Basoogas are all in coins, so I will send you the dollars instead.

Seems to me it would be helpful if a psychological profile could be correlated with statistical significance to each intentional community seeking members. Then a person would have a much better idea of where to go, and the communities a better idea of who would fit in. It would probably take a long time to develop such a service, but it might be invaluable and reduce confusion — which I'm full of.

Bruce Moorman
Hillsboro, TX 8/26/92

[Ed: The Directory's research team has already created what is sometimes referred to as the "Monster Questionnaire" — which we ask each group to fill out if they'd like to be included in future editions. The current version is 8 pages long, and asks all kinds of questions about lifestyle, philosophy, economics, ecological practices, etc. The information is then correlated, and published in the Directory in a cross-reference chart that accompanies the listings. As it now stands, we're already having a tough time getting groups to fill

this one out — "too long, too much detail" they say — and the project you're proposing sounds even more arduous. Although the information gleaned from such a psychological analysis would undoubtedly (as you point out) be invaluable, we question how well it might (or might not) be received by the communities who are listing. Further, at present we have no one willing to take on such a project. Certainly, if someone put together such a detailed database, we'd gladly refer folks to it who were seeking that type of information.]

Greetings and Blessings!

Your Directory has been very helpful in planning my journey. Do you have a 1992 "Calendar of Major Community Events"? Obviously, the one in the Directory (1991) won't be so helpful as would a current one. Please let me know if one is published, and how to obtain it. Thanks.

Sincerely, Patrice Promack
Las Vegas, NV 6/2/92

Communities,

Please send me another copy of the Directory. I have one, and I need one to loan out. I'm volunteering to be a regional coordinator for the August '93 gathering at Evergreen. If you are hosting any open regional gatherings in the next year, I would very much like to know.

Thanks, Linnea White
Omaha, NE 2/5/92

[Ed: We do need more local and regional coordinators for the '93 Celebration. See the article on page 4 for what's needed and how to get in touch. Twin Oaks recently hosted a Communities conference attended by about 200 communitarians and seekers, Sparrowhawk Village hosted one of about 50, and in mid-October there will be three separate conferences in the Midwest hosted by Padanaram, Community Service Inc., and the Communal Studies Association. Additionally, FIC sponsors a get-together (held in conjunction with its regular Board meeting) every spring and every fall, rotating among host communities in most regions. For information about all these and more, see the article on page 41 explaining FIC's new Calendar Clearinghouse service.]

Dear Folks,

I've just finished reading C. Guarneri's 1991 book, "The Utopian Alternative: Fourierism in 19th-Century America." I'd

be happy to write a review of the book for *Communities*, if someone else hasn't already. There's some very interesting stuff in there — it behooves modern American Utopians to be aware of it, especially some of the directions taken by the movement spin-offs after the mega-Phalanx phase.

I've also recently finished reading David Pepper's 1991 "Communes and the Green Vision" from England — it has an interesting approach to analyzing communes' relations with society. I'm also willing to review that book. If you need any help.

Escaping to Returning,
Joshua Laskin
Sharon, MA 3/13/92

[Ed: We welcome submissions from any source, as long as the theme is somehow relevant to the ideals and realities of "community". The aforementioned book reviews would certainly fit the bill — as would narratives about experiences living or visiting communities; descriptions of how a group handles its child-rearing, finances, house cleaning, decision making, etc.; questions about how other communities have solved a problem you're now facing;

■ Coming Together ■

Dear Folks:

I'm currently researching cooperative housing communities, specifically CoHousing, in the San Francisco Bay area, and am interested in the diversity, adaptability, and viability of cooperative living forms. Thanks for doing such a Directory! Making this kind of information widely available is probably one of the keys to keeping co-ops vital.

Thank you again,
Victoria S. Randlett
San Francisco, CA 4/19/92

Communities,

There are many of us here in West Virginia who would like to establish our own community — I think this Directory will be extremely helpful.

Liz Fiset
Morgantown, WV 12/11/91

Dear Friends,

Your Directory is very well done, and has helped me in organizing a co-housing group north of Boston. There are nine groups in various stages in the area; two are about to

Reach

"Reach" is a regular feature intended to help match people looking for communities with communities looking for people. Classifieds are for anything by, for, or related to communities and community living. Information on how to place an ad is on page 42. Please note that dated material requires a lead time of several months ahead of the anticipated publication date.

EAST COAST CONNECTION. I'm in the Boston area, and I'm trying to conceptualize an intentional community suitable for an East Coast city. I'd love to correspond with others similarly focused. Joshua Laskin, 224 E. Foxboro Street, Sharon, MA 02067 (617)784-2076.

ALTERNATIVE IN N.Y.C. Looking for a creative living alternative in NYC? Penington Friends House may be the place for you! We're looking for people of all ages who want to make a serious commitment to a community lifestyle based on Quaker principles. For info call (212)673-1730. We also have overnight accommodations.

FORMING IN WISCONSIN. There is a group of about eight or nine of us looking to form a rural community in southwest Wisconsin. Some of us are more committed than others — and in varying ways — to the concept of intentional community, but we are seriously meeting and discussing. I personally am determined to either help start a community or join an already

working one, but my preference is to be at ground level. I would like to correspond with others out there who may be in the same position as I (we) are, with the eventual hope of consolidating our talent and energies. Rick La Martina, 303 Potter Road, Burlington, WI 53105 (414)534-5950.

OHIO OPTIONS. The wheels are in motion to farm a Land Cooperative in Athens County, Ohio. The land we are currently considering is a 200-acre rolling ridgeland sheep and dairy farm that has not been operating for over twenty years. There are at least 15 house sites with good conditions. We are excited at the prospect of working on this important project. If you are interested and wish to explore further, please contact us. We feel that building alternative institutions that provide a sustainable way of life is the most appropriate way to create long term social change. Matthew Bennett & Emily Van Doren, 12788 New England Road, Amesville, Ohio 45711 (614)448-4894.

OREGON COAST. To help people in their search for responsible living and friendship, we are forming a cooperative on 400 acres in the Grants Pass area of the Oregon Pacific Coast. We seek responsible, business-oriented non-smoker/drinkers to share in ownership/operation of a small, recreational interest — great mountain trails and river paths in a romantic saddle-like valley. Judy and Gary Legler, 465 East Gregory Road, Central Point, Oregon 97502 (503)826-4769.

ECLECTIC VILLAGE adjoining state park in Ozark foothills. Commonly owned green belt along a mile of river

frontage, horse pasture, orchard, garden, travel trailer campsite with full hook-ups, central water system. Ten miles to town (population 10,000) with state university (5,000 students), 70 miles to Tulsa airport. 168 homesites in master plan; 60 sold in six years (\$8,200 to \$12,000), 40 owner occupied homes or townhouses. Residents self-employed or retired. Village is home of active Community Church and Seminary, emphasizing esoteric Christianity. All faiths welcome Ongoing classes/workshops for personal growth. Write: Sparrow Hawk Village, Box 1274, Tahlequah, OK 74465.

IN PHOENIX WE'RE CREATING deep love and joy, and rapid and total psychological and spiritual growth, including reaching very high states of consciousness and exploring the incredible fullness of human potential. We're doing advanced biofeedback research, too. We also have successful professional careers and a great urban upscale lifestyle. We'd love to meet the right people to expand our totally intimate and very heart-level three-adult group marriage. Call us in Beverly Hills, California at (213)275-3730.

FIC CONTACTS. These individual members of FIC have reported involvement with groups forming new intentional communities: • David Coe, 901 Morris #23, Mt. Shasta, CA 96067 (916)926-4310; • Laurie Hudson, 2199-C Rancho Siringo, Santa Fe, NM 87501 (505)438-9309.

Real Estate

SUNNY BROOK FARM, orchard cider mill. Beautiful location. Certified Organic. 10-rm house, workshop, barn, pastures, pond, 300 apple trees, gardens, cider mill business. Hydroelectric generator. 38 acres, lease more. John Rogers, RFD 2, Lancaster, NH 03584 (603)788-3122. Special terms for qualifying non-profits.

FOR SALE: Fiji coconut plantation/4-bedroom house/2 miles ocean frontage/coral reef/rain forest/English spoken/California partnerships. \$575,000. (805)985-4947/115 Los Altos, Oxnard, CA 93035.

Classifieds continued on next page...

(Letters:) purchase land. How cooperative we become is up to the members (16).

Thank you,
David Gass
Marblehead, MA 1/20/92

Dear FIC,

We are listed in the *Directory* and, consistent with reports in the FIC Newsletter, we too are receiving lots of requests for info about our co-op. Unfortunately we have closed membership — in terms of opening new homesites.

I've realized the group may not want

to join; the process of deciding would take months, and I definitely want to keep learning about issues around community. So I'll join as an individual.

Jay Martell
Kootenay Co-op Land Settlement
British Columbia

[Ed: FIC members include individuals from at least 10 communities that haven't yet joined as groups. Often such individual FIC members serve as "scouts" for their communities, some of which join later after becoming more familiar with the Fellowship.] •

Fall 1992

Calendar of Major Community Events

- Oct 15-18 **Utopian Communities: Rural & Urban Patterns of Settlement & Life**
Communal Studies Association's 19th Annual Conference, hosted at historic Mormon and Icarian town of Nauvoo, IL. Attn: Robert Sutton, Western Illinois Univ. Macomb, IL 61455 (309)298-1053
- Oct 11 **Open House at Padanaram**
(See Oct 16-18 for contact info.)
- Oct 16-18 **Padanaram's Open Convention**
on the Evolution of Human Society
Rt 1, Box 478, Williams, IN 47470
- Oct 16-18 **Simple Living Gentle on the Land**
Conference at Community Service, Inc.
Box 243, Yellow Springs, OH 45387
- Oct 29-Nov 1 **FIC Fall Meeting**
Hosted at High Wind, Plymouth, WI
Write: FIC, c/o Sandhill Farm, Route 1, Box 155-M, Rutledge, MO 63563 (816)883-5543.
- Nov 19-22 **Society for Utopian Scholars**
Annual Meeting (Hosted in Balt, MD)
Write: Carol Kolmerten, Hood College,
Frederick, MD 21701 (301)663-3131 ext. 332
- Nov 8-12 **FEC Fall Assembly**
(Federation of Egalitarian Communities)

Hosted by Twin Oaks, Route 4, Box 169,
Louisa, VA. Contact: Ira (703)894-5726.

***** Into the Future *****

- Aug 26-31 **A Celebration of Community:**
1993
An International Conference on Cooperative Living, at The Evergreen State College, near Olympia, WA. Sponsored by FIC.
Contact: Betty Didcoct, 615 First St., Langley, WA 98260 (206)221-3064.
- Oct 14-17 **Culture, Thought & Living in Community**
1993
Joint Conference of the Communal Studies Assoc. & International Communal Studies Assoc. at historic New Harmony, IN.
Contact: Don Pitzer, Center for Communal Studies; 8600 University Blvd., Evansville, IN 47712 (812)464-1727

This is a calendar of:

- 1) events organized or hosted by community groups,
- 2) events specifically focusing on community living,
- 3) major events with significant participation by members of "the movement".

Most of these events occur with some regularly, so this calendar is a reasonably accurate template for what to expect next year. Write specific groups for information about future events. Events listed as "hosted" are generally scheduled with a new site for each meeting.

Please send us suggestions of what we might include in future calendars — thanks! Also note that the Fellowship publishes a newsletter several times a year (free to members) which includes announcements of and reports about similar events. Information about joining the FIC can be found on page 9.

Ads (from previous page)

Publications

I HAVE JUST WRITTEN AND PUBLISHED a beautifully-printed booklet entitled *The Lost Art of Living Happily; Antidotes for Personal Healing Amidst Civilized Craziness*. Combines logical argument with healing imagery and poetry. If you would like a copy, send \$5.61 (in Maryland add 24¢ tax) to Connections, P.O. Box 243-H, Savage, MD 20763. Great gift for family and friends.

HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS interviewed. Why did they drop out? How do they view school and their roles in society? Attitudes on school, family,

crime, work, drugs, self, and the world around them. Send \$22.50 for complete annotated survey to: Reentry Services, 6861 Lake Plaza Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46220.

Personals

PROFESSIONAL MALE, 43, seeks New Age type lady for non-possessive relationship. Near Frederick, Baltimore and Washington. P.O. Box 613, Leesburg, Virginia 22075.

VISIT RADICAL ROUTES. Radical Routes is a national federation of co-ops and communities in Britain set up mainly by unemployed and homeless people to take more control over their housing and workplaces. We have co-ops involved in such areas as organic growing, cafe/

restaurant, catering, building, printing, co-op development, radical education, alternative music venue, and political campaigning. We have a broadly anarchist/radical green perspective and are committed to building cooperative complexes/communities as an alternative to straight society and as a base from which to resist and challenge it. We are pretty keen to develop international contacts and would welcome both short- and long-term visitors. We have co-ops in many parts of the country. For more details write to Radical Routes, 24 South Road, Hockley, Birmingham B18 England. Tel (021) 551 1679. (please arrange visits beforehand — thanks!).

Events Calendar Clearinghouse

As the Fellowship's involvement in movement activities has grown, we have become aware of more activities in the movement. There's a role the FIC can play in helping everyone be aware of what others are planning, thus avoiding conflicting dates as much as possible.

This need touched the Fellowship directly when, to our chagrin, we discovered that the dates of our spring board meeting, at Celo in North Carolina, were the same as Koinonia's 50th anniversary in Georgia. We were not able to attend each other's events — even though we were meeting in the same region of the country.

This fall there will be scheduling conflicts for people wanting to attend intentional community events in the

Midwest. All on the weekend of October 17-18, Community Service, Inc. will be holding an annual conference in Yellow Springs, Ohio; Communal Studies Association will be hosting an annual conference in Nauvoo, Illinois; and Padanaram will have its fall open convention at Williams, Indiana.

While it's nice to have choices, coordination of event scheduling could benefit us all. To that end, The Fellowship announces the Events Calendar Clearinghouse. If your group or organization is thinking about scheduling an event of interest to the communities movement, please send the information listed below to FIC. Or give us a call. We'll let you and others know what else is going on around the dates you have in mind for your event.

Event Coordination Report

Name of Event _____

Name of sponsor or host _____

Contact Person _____

Phone _____ Date this form completed _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Proposed dates of event _____

Make photocopy of this form if you don't want to cut up your copy of the magazine.

- Check here if dates are firm.
- Check here if dates are tentative, and give alternate dates being considered.
- Check here if you would like information from us on other events scheduled for the dates you have listed.
- Check here if you would like information about your event to be published in the FIC Newsletter or Communities magazine. Please send us descriptive information of your event if you want it publicized.

Please mail completed form to:
**FIC Events Calendar • Route 1, Box 155-M
 Rutledge, MO 63563 • (816)883-5543.**

FROM THE EDITORS OF SOJOURNERS

AMERICA'S ORIGINAL SIN

A Study Guide on White Racism

In the events in Los Angeles, white America has been given a wake-up call. The time to deal with racism is now.

Sojourners' new, expanded edition of *America's Original Sin: A Study Guide on White Racism* is a 180-page resource designed for study, reflection, and action. The resource looks at racism from historical, theological, economic, and personal perspectives.

America's Original Sin contains updated material, including articles about the events in L.A., and provides practical suggestions for action, information about national organizations, and books and resources for further study.

America's Original Sin can be used by individuals, church groups, high school or college classes, and other community groups.

Order this important resource today. 1-9 copies: \$10 each; 10-49 copies: \$8.50 each; 50-99 copies: \$7.50 each; 100 or more copies: \$6.50 each. *Sojourners Resource Center*, Box 29272, Washington, DC 20017; (202) 636-3637.

**Don't Wait Until
 April 15, 1993...**

Think about how your tax dollars are being used now, *and learn what you can do about it.*

Order a copy of

War Tax Resistance A Guide to Withholding Your Support from the Military

Comprehensive sourcebook on the philosophy and method of war tax resistance.

135 pages

Photos, graphics, resource listings.
 \$12.00 plus 20% postage from:

War Resisters League

339 Lafayette Street
 New York, NY 10012

Please include payment with order.

Advertising Order Form

DISPLAY ADS — Mechanical Requirements for Camera-Ready Copy

		Horizontal	Vertical	Covers:
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page	\$250	7-1/4" x 9-3/4"		<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Front \$400
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/2 Page	150	7-1/4" x 4-3/4"	3-1/2" x 9-3/4"	<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Back \$350
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/3 Page	100	7-1/4" x 3-1/8"	2-1/4" x 9-3/4"	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/4 Page	75	7-1/4" x 2-1/4"	3-1/2" x 4-3/4"	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/6 Page	50	3-1/2" x 3-1/8"	2-1/4" x 4-3/4"	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1/12 Page	25	2-1/4" x 2-1/4"		

Custom Work: \$20 per hour for typesetting, design, layout, photography and camera work.

CLASSIFIED ADS: \$.50 per word, minimum \$10.

Announcements, Books/Magazines/Videos, Support Organizations, Services, Products, Personals, Communities with Openings, Communities Forming, People Looking.

All ads must include address and phone no. Abbreviations count as one word. Phone numbers count as one word. Post Office boxes count as two words. Zip Code is free.

Body Copy: (Please print clearly) _____

Word Count: _____ at \$.50/Word = \$ _____

DISCOUNTS: Ad agency discounts: 15% when accompanied by prepayment.
 Communal/Cooperative organizations: 20% discount (prepayment required).
 Call or write for discounts for multiple insertions.

TERMS: Established agencies NET 30 DAYS. All others, payment must accompany the advertisement. Make check or money order payable in U.S. funds to Communities Magazine. Please direct all inquiries to the Sandhill address listed below.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Date: _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

PAYMENT ENCLOSED
 Display Ad: _____
 Classified: _____
 Discount: _____
TOTAL: _____

COMMUNITIES accepts advertising only for goods and services that we feel will be of value to our readers. We reserve the right to refuse or cancel any advertising for any reason at any time. All advertising claims are solely the responsibility of the advertiser.

Ads being repeated will be rerun from the latest inserted advertisement unless otherwise specified. Ad copy will not be returned to advertiser unless prior arrangements are made at advertiser's expense. Ad rates are subject to change without notice, except when previously contracted. Advertisers will be presumed to have read this information sheet and agreed to its conditions.

Photocopy this form and mail with payment to:

Communities • Route 1, Box 155-M • Rutledge, MO 63563 • (816)883-5543

1993 Celebration of Community — PreRegistration Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Community/Organizational Affiliation: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City: _____ State/Prov: _____
 Country: _____ Postal Code: _____ Date: _____

- I'm planning to attend the Aug. '93 Conference; please send me information and a registration packet.
- I'd like to coordinate outreach and inquiries in my area (specify country, region, network, or city): _____
- I can help distribute flyers in my area. Please send me _____ flyers for:
 - posting on local bulletin boards, and/or to include in my/our next mailings.
 - Please send me a flyer master — I/we will donate the copying expense.
- Please send me Gathering ad copy so we can run a free notice in our next publication(s): Display Ad Classified Ad
- I want to help organize the Conference (specify which committee):
 - Structure & Coordination Fund Raising International Hospitality Publicity & Media Site Logistics
 - Registration Ride Sharing Housing Food Program Exhibits Arts/Entertainment
- Workshop Coordinator (specify): _____
- Other: _____
- I am planning to bring _____ children (ages: _____) I want to help organize/ assist with on-site childcare.
- I have enclosed a list of individuals and organizations that might want to _____ I have special dietary needs (please specify): _____
 - a) co-sponsor the Gathering; b) provide seed grants or other funding; c) arrange for special needs (scholarships, transportation, wheelchair access, signing, etc.); d) help organize events; e) make a presentation; f) attend the Gathering. **Please specify a, b, c, d, e, and/or f (all that apply) for each.**
- I would like to donate the following goods and/or services to the Gathering:
- Enclosed is a donation of \$_____ earmarked to:
 - Support the development of the Gathering. Be credited toward payment of my conference fees.
 - Supplement scholarships for conference fees and/or travel subsidies (specify?): _____
 - Other (please specify): _____

Please photocopy & return to: '93 Celebration of Community • 615 First St. • Langley, WA 98260

1993 Directory — Referral Form

Heard of a Good One Lately?

If you represent or know of a community which is not listed in the current edition of our *Directory of Intentional Communities*, please let us know! We want everyone to have a chance to be included. The deadline for inclusion in our '93 edition is fast approaching, but we are always interested in new leads. Please use this form to send us your referrals, or just give us a call at (816)883-5543.

NAME OF COMMUNITY _____
 CONTACT PERSON _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE/PROV _____ ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____
 PHONE _____
 YOUR NAME _____
 YOUR PHONE _____ DATE _____

NAME OF COMMUNITY _____
 CONTACT PERSON _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE/PROV _____ ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____
 PHONE _____
 YOUR NAME _____
 YOUR PHONE _____ DATE _____

NAME OF COMMUNITY _____
 CONTACT PERSON _____
 STREET ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE/PROV _____ ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____
 PHONE _____
 YOUR NAME _____
 YOUR PHONE _____ DATE _____

Please photocopy & return to: Communities Directory • Route 1, Box 155-M • Rutledge, MO 63563



Subscriber Options

Because *Communities* magazine has had an irregular publication schedule in recent years, and since FIC has assumed control of the magazine and relocated the offices, we're concerned about the accuracy of our subscription records. Please take a moment to check the address label on your copy of this issue. In the second line, the one just below your name, there should be a two-digit number that corresponds with the final issue you are scheduled to receive.

- This is issue #79. If your expiration number is less than 80, you have no more issues due on your subscription, and it's time to renew if you wish to continue receiving *Communities*.
- If your number is 80 or higher, you still have issues coming, and we are using the occasion of this first issue under the Fellowship's management to give you some options on how you prefer to proceed.
- If you feel there is an error in your case, please let us know what you believe to be the correct issue number of your subscription expiration. Although we've worked hard in the past several months to verify our records, there are bound to be inaccuracies. We apologize for any inconveniences.

Mailing List

- Check here if you do not want us to share your address with other movement groups.

Name: _____
 Address: _____

 City: _____ State/Prov: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____
 Date: _____ Telephone: (_____) _____

Subscriptions

- Yes! Please enter my subscription to *Communities* as indicated below:
 [Please check one]
 \$18 (\$22) 4 Issues, Individual
 \$22 (\$26) 4 Issues, Institution
 \$33 (\$38) 8 Issues, Individual
 \$40 (\$46) 8 Issues, Institution
- Check here if this is a renewal.

Note: Prices outside U.S. are in parentheses.

 SUBSCRIPTION TOTAL

Directories

- Please send me one copy of the *Directory* at the discount price of \$12
Limit One: This offer available *only* to those submitting a new or renewed subscription above. Please specify which edition you'd like.]
 Current Edition, updated June '92 (now available)
 New Edition (not available until summer '93)
- Please send me _____ copies of the *Directory* at the postpaid price of \$18 (\$20) each:
 Current Edition, updated June '92 (now available)
 New Edition (not available until summer '93)

 DIRECTORY TOTAL

Back Issues

- \$1 Please send me an index of available back issues.
- \$50 Please send me a complete set of available back issues (approx. 28)

 BACK ISSUES TOTAL

Credits & Cancellations

Ex: #80 = 1 Issue remaining; #81 = 2 Issues remaining; etc.

- My expiration number is _____.
- I wish to reduce my subscription by _____ issues and apply = \$ _____ credit towards the purchase of the *Directory*(ies) indicated above.
 Note: 4 Issues = 1 *Directory*
 [Total Credit] No. of issues credited _____ x \$4.50 [value per issue]
- I wish to cancel my subscription, and request a refund. = \$ _____
 [Total Refund] No. of Issues remaining _____ x \$4.50 [per issue]

 CREDITS TOTAL

Corrections

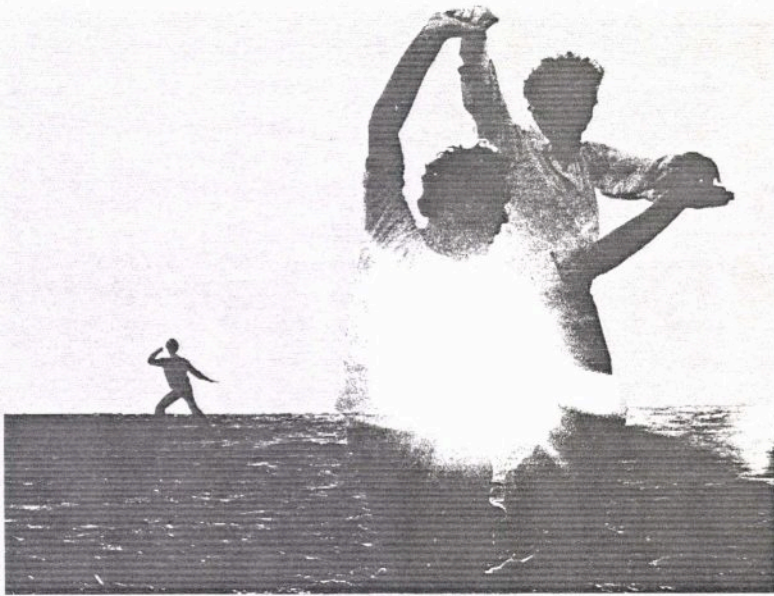
- I believe your record of my subscription is incorrect.
 My records indicate that I have paid through issue # _____.
- My name and/or address is listed incorrectly; the correct information is listed below.

Missouri residents add 5.475% Sales Tax.

 MO. SALES TAX

 TOTAL ENCLOSED

Please make all payments in U.S. funds, payable to:
Communities Magazine
 (816)883-5543



“Perhaps the greatest and least visible form of impoverishment caused by the Corporate State is the destruction of community. People’s greatest need, after food and water, is for a circle of affection: we are communal animals which crave our kind.”

**—Charles Reich, in
*The Greening of America***

PERSONALS

*Human beings concerned
about planet
How to be human
together
in small enough groupings
to mean anything
to each other,
large enough to survive
Women and men
respecting personhood
sharing insights
urban, rural touching
of the universe
Prepared to build
political, social, economic,
ethical models
toward spiritual growth*

*Please,
make contact*

COMMUNITIES

Journal of Cooperation

**Route 1, Box 155
Rutledge, MO 63563**

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Non-Profit
Organization
U.S. Postage
PAID
Rutledge, MO
Permit No. 1

SUBSCRIPTIONS (4 Issues): Individuals \$18 (\$22), Institutions \$22 (\$26); Single Issues \$4.50 (\$5) • Prices outside U.S. in parentheses.