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SPRUCE RUN NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends, Volunteers and Supportors:

This is the first of what we hope will be a regular newsletter. We hope it will serve as an internal communication tool between volunteers, supportors and the Steering Committee of Spruce Run. If you'd like to have something included, or have a concern you want raised, please contact Lou Chamberland. A list of our working committees and of the Steering Committee members is included. If you would like to work in anyone of these areas, please contact the Coordinator of that committee. As you can see from our list, we've a long way to go!

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING:

The shelter has been rented, and a few people have used the shelter in the past few weeks. The shelter is not furnished however, and furniture, rugs, pots and pans ( we have enough dishes ) , etc. are needed. Diana Fish is the person to contact if you can help with setting up or have some furniture ( or whatever ) to donate. The Steering Committee is looking into security questions, and hopefully a phone will be installed soon.

Volunteer Training sessions are continuing. We'll be covering counseling skills, legal information and community resources. We hope to eventually have at least 40 "counselors" so the shelter can be covered at all times. 20 volunteers are being trained now.

Two staff positions have been obtained thru the CETA program. One person will be responsible for our over all program, and be involved in publicity and community education. The other person will work primarily with volunteers and with people using the shelter. After many delays, it looks like the jobs will be advertised next week, and perhaps we can have people hired by the first week of May.

The Steering Committee has been meeting on a weekly basis, usually on Tues. evenings. If you're interested in getting involved as a Steering Committee member, please call one of us for the time and place of the next meeting.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

With all that's going on, our financial situation is pretty desperate at this point. We're barely managing to keep on top of rent and telephone costs. A few things are planned in the next few months to try and raise some money. Please help in whatever way you can.

1. Bike raffle: enclosed is a book of raffle tickets for you to sell. Raffle drawing is April 30, so tickets and money should be returned to a Steering Committee member or to the office by the 29th. First prize is a ten speed ~~xxx~~ bike, and there are 12 other prizes: a cactus garden, gift certificates ranging from \$10-15 from various stores listed, etc. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 2 for \$1.50.
2. On the 29th (Fri.) we'll be having a bake sale and selling raffle tickets at the Airport Mall at Freeze's. Can you bake something to sell then? Items can be baked ahead and frozen, then taken out the day before. Call Terre Orlando if you can bake something, or if you'd like your items picked up. We also need help on Fri. setting up and selling items. We'll be there from 9 to 9 at night.
3. Rummage sale - a sale will be held in early May. Details on this later, but start saving stuff and telling your friends.

That's all the news for now. More in a few weeks. Enjoy the Spring weather!

Lou Chamberland, for  
Spruce Run

#### MORE EVENTS:

- \* May 8 - Right to Choose Rally in front of Paul Bunyun statue.
- \* April 29 - On Women Alive - at 10:00 Erin Pizzey will be a guest. Erin has started shelters for women in England and the movement there is growing rapidly. Should be an interesting program.
- \* May 14 - WOMEN UP FRONT - Conference sponsored by the Maine International Women's Year Committee. Will be held in Bangor. More information later.
- \* April 30 - Occupation of Seabrook begins. May 1st - Rally at Seabrook for supporters. Call Terre Orlando for more information, about the rally.

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