

## Collection Summary

**ID Number:** CS 017

**Title:** Alpha Farm Collection

**Extent:** 6 Boxes, 154 Folders

**Span Dates:** 1970's – 2010's

**Language:** English

**Geographic Location:** Oregon

**Abstract:** The Alpha Farm Collection consists of receipts, business ledgers, and other items about the Alpha Farm community in Deadwood Oregon from 1970 to 2018.

**Historical Notes:** In 1971 a group of Philadelphia social activists decided to live in a community, and the following year they purchased a beautiful 280-acre tract of land in the coast range near Deadwood, Oregon. There they developed an income-sharing community that has typically had ten to 20 adult members plus several children. Several small businesses have supported the community, especially a rural mail route (members rotate in delivering the mail) and a bookstore and restaurant in Mapleton, the largest town in the area. Although the community has remained small, many like-minded persons have come to live in its neighborhood, and it thus serves as a cultural center for the area. **Sources:** Miller, Timothy. *The encyclopedic guide to American intentional communities*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Clinton, New York: Richard W. Couper Press, 2015. Pg. 10.

## Selected Search Terms

**Keywords:** Communal Living; Collective Settlements; Housing, Cooperative; Commune

## Administrative Information

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Contents	Date	Container	Folder	Location
Business Ledger	1972 - 1973	Box	1 Folder 1	Shelf 15A-1

<b>Farm Record for Income Tax Returns</b>	1972		Box	1	Folder	2	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Farm Enterprises Ledger</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	3	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Book Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	4	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Crafts Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	5	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Utility Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	6	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Bit Receipts</b>	192	- 1975	Box	1	Folder	7	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Bit Food Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	8	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Pacific Coast Cascara Bark Company Receipts</b>	1976	- 1977	Box	1	Folder	9	Shelf 15A-1
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<b>Construction Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	13	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Farm and Alpha Groves Electric Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	14	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Farm and Alpha Mail Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	15	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Telephone Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	16	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Automotive Receipts</b>	1973	- 1974	Box	1	Folder	17	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1973		Box	1	Folder	18	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Farm and Alpha Groves Seed Receipts</b>	1973		Box	1	Folder	19	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Household Records and Receipts</b>	1973		Box	1	Folder	20	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Groves Feed and Hay Receipts</b>	1973		Box	1	Folder	21	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Alpha Groves Tools and Machinery Receipts</b>	1973		Box	1	Folder	22	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Balance Sheets</b>	1976		Box	1	Folder	23	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Budget Worksheets</b>	1978		Box	1	Folder	24	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Banking and Tax materials</b>	1974		Box	1	Folder	25	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Operating Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	26	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Household Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	27	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Food Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	28	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	29	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1974	- 1975	Box	1	Folder	30	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	31	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Book Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	32	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Food Receipts</b>	1975		Box	1	Folder	33	Shelf 15A-1

<b>Financial Statements</b>	1974 - 1975	Box	1	Folder	34	Shelf 15A-1
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<b>Ledger</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	2	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Ledger</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	3	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Ledger</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	4	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Photofinishing Receipts</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	5	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Utility and Corporation Receipts</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	6	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	7	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Crafts Receipts</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	8	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Bookkeeping and Tax Records</b>	1972 - 1973	Box	2	Folder	9	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Material RE: Rachel and Gary Sweatt</b>	1974 - 1975	Box	2	Folder	10	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Automotive Receipts</b>	1974 - 1975	Box	2	Folder	11	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Dryer Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	12	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Construction Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	13	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Household Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	14	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	15	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Tool Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	16	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Feed and Hay Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	17	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Seed, Soils/Fertilizer Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	18	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Deposit Book</b>	1973	Box	2	Folder	19	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Travel Slips</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	20	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Travel Slips</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	21	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	22	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Household Budget Book</b>	1970	Box	2	Folder	23	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Receipt Books</b>	1973 - 1974	Box	2	Folder	24	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Receipt Books</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	25	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1972	Box	2	Folder	26	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Receipts</b>	1974	Box	2	Folder	27	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1975	Box	2	Folder	28	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1975 - 1978	Box	2	Folder	29	Shelf 15A-1
<b>General Receipts</b>	1978	Box	2	Folder	30	Shelf 15A-1
<b>Newsletters</b>	1974 - 1993	Box	2	Folder	31	Shelf 15A-1

<b>Book Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	1	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Crafts Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	2	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Food Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	3	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Automotive Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	4	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Construction Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	5	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Utility Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	6	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	7	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Agriculture Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	8	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Ledger Sheets</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	9	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Ledger Sheets</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	10	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Receipt Book</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	11	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Banking Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	12	Shelf 15B-2
<b>General Receipts</b>	1978	Box	3	Folder	13	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Ledgers</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	14	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Banking Receipts</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	15	Shelf 15B-2
<b>General Receipts</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	16	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Activity Sheets</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	17	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Allowances up to 1976</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	18	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Allowances</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	19	Shelf 15B-2
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<b>Coop and Garlic Receipts</b>	1976	Box	3	Folder	21	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Miscellaneous Material; Trotter, Theresa, and Cinda Holsombach "Intentional Communities in the 1990's." Evansville, IN.: Center for Communal Studies, University of Southern Indiana, 1994</b>	1973 - 2002	Box	3	Folder	22	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Food Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	1	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Craft Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	2	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Fuel Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	3	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Grower's Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	4	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Utility Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	5	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Household Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	6	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	7	Shelf 15B-2

<b>Construction Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	8	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Automotive Receipts</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	9	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Automotive Receipts</b>	1973 - 1976	Box	4	Folder	10	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Phone Accounting Sheets</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	11	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Receipt Book</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	12	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Receipt Book</b>	1976	Box	4	Folder	13	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Account Book</b>	1979 - 1980	Box	4	Folder	14	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Community Resource Directory, Come Unity</b>	1980	Box	4	Folder	15	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Correspondence</b>	1979 - 1980	Box	4	Folder	16	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Articles and Clippings</b>	1972 - 1980	Box	4	Folder	17	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Correspondence</b>	1980 - 1981	Box	4	Folder	18	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Individual Community Information</b>	n.d.	Box	4	Folder	19	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Receipts</b>	1979 - 1982	Box	4	Folder	20	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Song Books</b>	n.d.	Box	4	Folder	21	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Presentation of the P.E.A.C.E Village Plan</b>	1980	Box	4	Folder	22	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Newsletter Material</b>	n.d.	Box	4	Folder	23	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Communities Roundup Information and Mailing Lists</b>	1980	Box	4	Folder	24	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Questionnaires</b>	1980	Box	4	Folder	25	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Archive Newsletter</b>	1980	Box	4	Folder	26	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Address List Newsletter</b>	1980 - 1981	Box	4	Folder	27	Shelf 15B-2
<b>New Age Agencies</b>	1981 - 1982	Box	4	Folder	28	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Come Unity Correspondence</b>	1984	Box	4	Folder	29	Shelf 15B-2
<b>Information Material</b>	1976 - 2006	Box	4	Folder	30	Shelf 15B-2
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<b>Correspondences</b>	1986	Box	5	Folder	2	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1987	Box	5	Folder	3	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1987	Box	5	Folder	4	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1988	Box	5	Folder	5	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1988	Box	5	Folder	6	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1989	Box	5	Folder	7	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1989	Box	5	Folder	8	Shelf 15C-2

<b>Come Unity Newsletters</b>	1979 - 1982	Box	5	Folder	9	Shelf 15C-2
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<b>Alpha Bit Food Receipts</b>	1977	Box	5	Folder	11	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Medical Receipts</b>	1977	Box	5	Folder	12	Shelf 15C-2
<b>General Receipts</b>	1977	Box	5	Folder	13	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Craft Receipts</b>	1977	Box	5	Folder	14	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Automotive Receipts</b>	1977	Box	5	Folder	15	Shelf 15C-2
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<b>Alpha Bit Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	1	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Alpha Farm Household Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	2	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Alpha Farm Food Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	3	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Allowances</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	4	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Alpha Farm Utilities</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	5	Shelf 15C-2
<b>AM Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	6	Shelf 15C-2
<b>AI Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	7	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Alpha Groves Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	8	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Alpha Bit Book Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	9	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Construction Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	10	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Utilities</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	11	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Alpha Enterprises Plan</b>	1976	Box	6	Folder	12	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Budget Analysis</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	13	Shelf 15C-2
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<b>Alpha Farm Partnership Handbook</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	15	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1990	Box	6	Folder	16	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Correspondences</b>	1990	Box	6	Folder	17	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Receipts</b>	1977	Box	6	Folder	18	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Deadwood Ditto Newsletter, Area and Artisan Community Newsletter. August 10, 1987- October 19, 1987</b>	1987	Box	6	Folder	19	Shelf 15C-2
<b>Rosenthal Correspondences</b>	1978 - 1983	Box	6	Folder	20	Shelf 15C-2

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