

Monthly Meeting/Forestry Workshop

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Leadership Meeting
May 26, 2006
5:30 p.m.
at the extension office
in Louisville, MS

**Women in Business
Workshop**
May 5, 2006
6:00 p.m.
at the extension office
in Louisville, MS

WCSHC will meet on
June 5, 2006
3:55 p.m.
at the extension office
in Louisville, MS



Winston County Self Help Cooperative regular monthly meeting and forestry workshop occurred on April 3, at the Extension Office in Louisville, MS. The meeting started at approximately 3:55pm with call to order. Members moved quickly through old and new business which focused on WCSHC's mission of helping saving rural America. Cooperative members welcomed the return of founding member, Omeria Dotson with a round of applause. Omeria's jovial smile created an amazing amount of energy from members and visitors as she gave words of thanks for prayers, calls and well-wishers. Mrs. Omeria Dotson, We are thankful for your present and participation in Winston County Self Help Cooperative. The meeting concluded with announcements and prayer.

The Forestry workshop convened at 4:50pm with Call to order by Charles Hampton, Prayer Leon

Goss, and Welcome Jean Harper. Alan Holditch, State Forester from Natural Resources Conservation Service served as speaker. Holditch's presentation focused on a silvopasture system of growing trees and raising animals simultaneously in the same area. The presentation generated interest from several co-op members with follow-up questions

on the initial steps of implementation. Holditch instructed each individual to visit Chuck Lea, local District Conservationist for further information prescribe for silvo-pasturing in Winston county and surrounding area. The meeting ended with a delicious meal provided and prepared by Mike Skipper, County Extension Agent & Staff.

Mississippi Extension Service co-sponsored forestry workshop. Again, we extend a special thank you to Alan Olditch, Mike Skipper, Nancy Earden, Sandra



Jackson, and Sharon Kennedy for helping Winston County Self Help Cooperative "Save rural America".

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Resource Development Workshop

Federation of Southern Cooperatives/ Land Assistance Fund sponsored a resource development workshop at the Mississippi Association of Cooperatives Office in Jackson, MS on April 4, 2006. Co-op members, individuals and other community based organizations met with Cynthia White, Director of Pro-

grams for Self Development of People Foundation. Cynthia reiterated SDOP's commitment to help enhance the quality of life in rural America and provide assistance to poor, oppressed and disadvantaged people affected by hurricane Katrina. Alice Paris, FSC staff person served as facilitator for this workshop.



Forest Landowners Workshop

South Rankin County Cooperative Forest Landowners' Conference was held in conjunction with Alabama A & M University (Forestry Program). The meeting convened at Pearlie Grove Church in Brandon, MS. Melbah Smith, secretary of cooperative served as facilitator. Workshop provided a learning opportunity for each participant to become better stewards of their natural resources. Frank Taylor President of Winston County Self-Help Cooperative participated.

Scenes from Pastor Nathaniel Booker & New Galilean Church Family



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