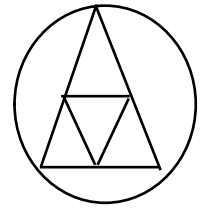


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MESSAGE

"Then and Now"

Many years ago, Peggy Rogers told me the Council of Community Organization needed a logo. It had to be something we could identify with, a common graphic that identified our community and our goals. She proceeded to say, "Work on a sketch and have it ready." I assured her that I had never done anything like that before. I would definitely have to have some help, preferably someone experienced and/or an artist. She said, "You and your youngest daughter Melvenia, get busy and let's see what you two design." The rest is history.

The circle enclosure is morally, intellectually and spiritually surrounded by recreation, community service and industry. The very center is the unity that keeps us together. At this time, the word industry could be changed to economic development as we proceed to pay off the mortgage.

In the past, I've presented group instruction, assisted in greetings, special occasions, fundraisers, publicity events - why I've even played the piano. This time Dr. Rogers requested an article. It is my final contribution because it's time for me to say farewell since I no longer reside in this area. May COCO continue to be successful in the years to come. I'll miss you.

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