

The Oil Drum: Campfire

Discussions about Energy and Our Future

Thinking about things you can do now, that may be more difficult later

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We all have things that we like to do, or are important to us. We also have things we want to do that might be helpful for the long term.

Not all of these things will be as easy to do if oil becomes less available, or even if the economy turns for the worse.

My question is:

What things should we be thinking about doing now, and not put off?

For example, my husband and I added a screened in porch, where previously there had just been a deck, a few years ago. In the back of my mind, I wasn't sure we could count on air conditioning for the long term. We have found we have enjoyed it a lot, regardless of whether or not it is helpful for the future.

Another thing I have tried to do if I get a chance, is visit relatives and friends that I don't see too often. Instead of taking a vacation to a far away place, I try to visit folks that it might be harder to visit later. Using the phone works too--keeping up good relations with others is never a bad idea.

Some thing take more time than money, but are still easy to put off--working on a garden, or getting acquainted with neighbors.

What ideas do you have?



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