



Greetings from the folks at Hundredfold Farm and Seven Springs Tree Farm!

Hundredfold Farm is an old-fashioned neighborhood with a green future - a rural, ecologically sustainable cohousing community located just west of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Seven Springs Tree Farm is an organic choose & cut Christmas tree farm that specializes in growing holiday traditions and creating lasting memories.

Create Christmas Memories at Seven Springs



Some of the fun weekend events at Seven Springs Tree Farm this year include live music from two of our favorite local performers!

On December 1st from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., enjoy Tom Jolin playing the hammered dulcimer. Sit back with a hot cocoa or jump right in and accompany Tom on spoons or a washtub bass. You may discover talents you never knew you had! Tom's CD's will be available for purchase in the Seven Springs Gift Shop throughout the holiday season.

On December 15th from 12 to 3 p.m., Cormorant's Fancy performs Celtic and other traditional Christmas carols. The Cormorant is most likely the 'black bird' which is translated from Ó Duibheanaigh, the Irish ancestors of Diviney, and a fancy is a fiddle tune. The Irish band added some Scottish songs, as well as a few from other Celtic nations, plus an occasional English and American tune. After you've selected the perfect Christmas tree, come listen and sing along!

We may be adding more weekend events, such as handcrafted farmstead cheese sampling from Keswick Creamery. Call 717-334-9426 or check the most current schedule on our website at www.sevenspringstrees.com/events.htm.

In addition to our 50 acres of pesticide-free choose & cut trees, you can find a lot more at Seven Springs Tree Farm. We have a great selection of pre-cut trees, as well as evergreen wreaths, swags, and garland.



On the weekends, warm up with a snack from Café Noel and come browse in our gift shop, where we offer consignment merchandise from both local and international, fair trade artisans. Every year, we offer a new selection of ornaments, jewelry, toys, local foods, and seasonal decorations.



If you've signed up for our mailing list, look for our postcard in the mail the week before Thanksgiving and present it when you check out to receive \$3 off your purchase of any Christmas tree. If you're not on our mailing list, be sure to sign up this year. You

can do so at the checkout counter.

Remember, Seven Springs Tree Farm opens on Friday, November 23rd. We're open Tuesday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The farm is closed on Mondays. Come early or come late, we're even open until 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve!

We appreciate being part of your holiday tradition, and look forward to seeing your family again this year!



How About Them Apples?

Adams County is the largest producer of apples in the Commonwealth with 20,000 acres of fruit orchards. Seven million bushels of apples grown are in the county each year. (Pennsylvania is the fourth largest producer of apples in the U.S.). [This chart from local grower Boyer Nurseries](#) will help you differentiate the dozens of varieties and decide which are best for salads, pies, sauce, baked or fresh snacking!

In addition to the many delicious recipes, here are a few unexpected uses for apples:

Use [dried apples](#) to make a centerpiece, wreath, or decorate a tree with garland. You can use a similar method to [create cute, creepy shrunken apple heads!](#)



Apples give off ethylene, a gas which accelerates ripening. Place unripe bananas, avocados or tomatoes in a paper bag with an apple and they will go from green and hard to sweet and tender.



Said to reduce inflammation and the appearance of fine wrinkles, apples' pectin is a natural boon to the beauty routine. For a quick way to brighten up your face, grate a peeled and cored apple and apply to skin; let sit for 15 minutes. Rinse with warm water.

Brown sugar loves to transform itself from soft and crumbly into a hard impossible brick. But if you place a slice of apple in a sealed bag with hardened brown sugar and it will be soft again in a few days as the sugar absorbs the moisture of the fruit.

The old adage was right - an apple day very well might keep the doctor away. A recent study shows that [an apple a day significantly helps the heart.](#)

Classifieds

Solar home for sale at Hundredfold Farm

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Built in 2007, this beautiful home is located in Pennsylvania's first ecologically sustainable rural community, just 8 miles west of Gettysburg. The kitchen, dining room, and living room feature an open floor plan with south-facing windows and panoramic views. There is a large master suite, with two additional generously sized bedrooms and two full baths. Ceramic tile and hardwood floors throughout. Bonus 600 sq.ft. unfinished walk-up cape cod-style attic that can be used for storage or a workshop, studio, playroom, etc.



The green features include solar hot water and solar electric with a battery backup that keeps the house running during power blackouts. Enjoy 80 acres of private secluded property with scenic mountain vistas, organic vegetable gardens, and over one mile of walking trails. Read more details here: [1134 Evergreen Way](#) or look up [MLS #21105782 on Realtor.com.](#) Contact Prudential realtor *David Sites* at 717-487-4000 to arrange a showing.



Room for Rent

Furnished bedroom with closet, private bathroom, shared kitchen, living room, and dining area. Experience living in an intentional community on an 80-acre tree farm with walking paths, friendly neighbors and weekly common meals. Options exist for bartering some or all of rent in exchange for occasional sitting with my elderly but independent mother. \$365 plus security deposit includes all utilities, cable TV and wireless internet.

Please provide references. Call Linda Miller at (717) 385-4931.

Building Lots for Sale

Build your green dream home at Hundredfold Farm – five building lots are still available. Cohousing balances the traditional advantages of home ownership with the benefits of shared common facilities and involvement in community governance. Individual homes are arranged to preserve privacy while, at the same time, encouraging neighborly interaction. If you are interested in a pastoral, secluded location that can provide food and energy security, while sharing your living experience with a group of like-minded neighbors, you should come and take a closer look!

Community members enjoy shared meals, social events, and gardening together. Our eco-friendly designs include solar hot water and solar electric systems on each home plus an innovative living machine wastewater treatment and recycling system. Call 717-334-9426 for more information.



Overnight packages

Get a taste of the small, friendly village that is Hundredfold Farm ~ tour our ecologically sustainable homes, wastewater recycling facility, and Christmas tree farm, plus enjoy a community meal.

Hundredfold Farm is a peaceful, relaxing oasis, located 10 minutes from the historic Gettysburg Battlefield. You can also enjoy wine tasting at local wineries, a day trip to Washington DC, and hiking the Appalachian Trail. Schedule your visit to take advantage of seasonal activities and events, including the reenactment of the Battle of Gettysburg and various local festivals such as the National Apple Harvest Festival, the PA Lavender Festival, and the Gettysburg Festival celebrating American art, music, and cuisine. December visitors will have the opportunity to experience a working choose & cut Christmas Tree farm. Skiing and snowboarding are also available locally at Ski Liberty and other nearby resorts.

A great getaway for individuals, couples, families and groups. Stay for a weekend or a week ~ contact us at 717-334-9426 for pricing.

Newsletter Archive

We've been publishing Hundredfold Farm News for over one year! If you'd like to catch up on past issues, which cover our many green features and news about life on the farm, check out the [Newsletter Archive](#) on the Hundredfold website.

Please let us know if you are interested in staying on our list and/or take the opportunity to update the information in our records. Following the "subscribe" link at the bottom will take you to a form where you can enter updated information (and there's an "unsubscribe" link at the bottom if you decide to opt out). You can also forward this message to someone who may be interested in being added to our contact list and receiving this newsletter.



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