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.

The Hills are Alive with the Sound of Music

I was sitting in my house, talking to a person who is interested in living at Hundredfold Farm, when I heard "Amie" by Pure Prairie League wafting up through my windows. It was the Klinger McFry band jamming their bluegrass sound just outside the barn at our Welcoming Fall open house event.

I interrupted my guest to say, "We should make our way down there," and I felt like this invisible force - the music - was compelling me to join in the festivities.

It was a beautiful day, with music in the air and kids and young families everywhere. As I was walking down the road with my guest, we ran across one of my young neighbors and his friends playing "The Hunger Games." I didn't know what they were referring to at first until someone filled me in - so much for my knowledge of pop culture!

Some people were sitting on the hill just above the barn where the band was playing, in the natural amphitheatre that is the landscape of our property. Others were taking tours of the energy efficient homes and our water-saving "Living Machine" greenhouse, or just wandering around and taking in the sights.

When the sun was getting low in the sky, we got in line for the potluck dinner. It was a veritable cornucopia of food that would satisfy everyone from the most ardent vegans to carefree carnivores.

We broke bread with both old friends and new, and capped off the evening with a campfire that included conversations, stories and song.

I think this could be a regular event at
The Gift Shop at Seven Springs Tree Farm

The Seven Springs gift shop is different than most Christmas gift shops. Of course, we have the basics like watering tubes and “Stand Straight” Christmas tree stands, which are the easiest way to display your tree. It takes all the struggle out of setting up the tree. Take the bundled tree, drop it down on the spike, and voilà, the tree is upright. Just add water, cut the ropes, and it is ready to decorate. But I digress.

The shop is different because much of the merchandise is from local artisans who sell their products on consignment. We also have items from global, small-scale artisans through an arrangement with SERRV. This nonprofit organization works to eradicate poverty in developing regions by paying a fair wage to the artisans and helping them market their crafts.

We feel strongly at Seven Springs that artists need to be supported, and this is our way of giving back to our local and global community.

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.

Classifieds

Solar home for sale at Hundredfold Farm

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. Solar electric and solar hot water systems, combined with renewable energy credits, result in no net utility bills. 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.

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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