

Events

Monthly Development MEETINGS

Register for meetings by calling 877-723-4212 or
email: info@hillspring.org

Next Meeting Date:

*Please check our website at
www.hillspring.org*

Over night Camping Available

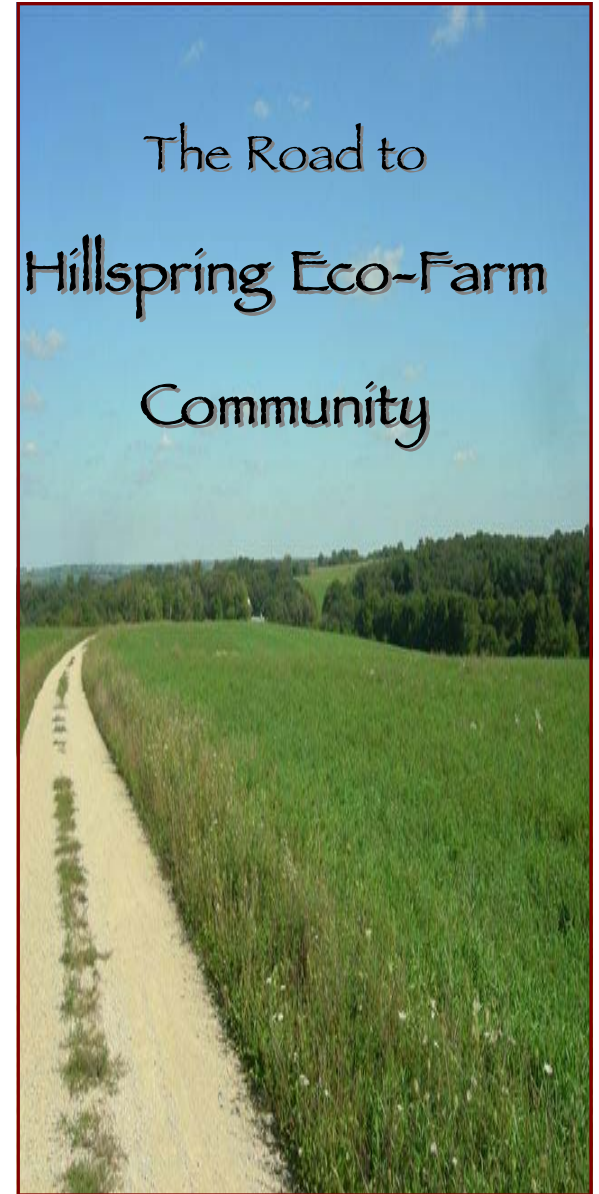


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HILLSPRING ECO-FARM

The Road to Hillspring Eco-Farm Community



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We are an intentional community in south-west Wisconsin that embraces organic,

permaculture, and green practices and are seeking to expand our membership.

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Our Mission is to :

DEVOTE ourselves to joyful, loving engagement with each other, the farm and the world

CREATE an ecologically responsible community of homes and activities that nurture our spirits as well as our minds and bodies

HONOR and **CELEBRATE** what it means to live in this sacred place in rural Wisconsin

RESPECT individual religious practices, with commonality forming around celebrations of nature

WELCOME with gratitude the flowing abundance that our farm stewardship & community activity brings



Our Current Vision:
**TO THRIVE IN A
FARM-BASED
COMMUNITY**

- with collective land ownership and stewardship utilizing principles of biodynamic farming and permaculture
- minimizing energy consumption, using renewable energy technologies and sharing resources
- creating "green" clustered private dwellings with a common house that promotes community participation and goodwill
- pursuing appropriate legal/financial/tax structures
- encouraging community compatible cottage industries
- offering educational opportunities in homesteading skills, sustainable living and folk traditions
- providing lodging for visitors



ABOUT HILLSPRING ECO-FARM

Established winter 2006-2007

Current members: 2 households (4 adults) Mark Kessenich, Linda Derrickson, Rob Steinhofner, Denise Benoit

Property: 154 rolling acres including ridge pastures, hayfields, woods, interior valley with creek and spring head

Buildings: ranch house, double barn, chicken coop, metal granary

Current land use: building cluster in center of property (ranch house occupied by Mark & Linda, temporary trailer occupied by Rob & Denise); pasturage of heritage cattle, sheep, goats, chickens, turkeys; 3 vegetable/herb gardens, young fruit orchard, lots of wildlife

Community Status: Forming and Visioning Stage

Recommended Reading: *Creating a Life Together* by Diana Leaf Christian: <http://creating-a-life-together.org/creating.html> and *Animal, Vegetable, Miracle* by Barbara Kingsolver: <http://www.kingsolver.com/home/index.asp>