



SPLENDID SEPTEMBER 2018 CALENDAR & August Highlights

Passion flower & friend, the meadow

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

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- Amid the rain and multiplying mushrooms, work on the land and the farm continued apace in August. We're looking forward to a **Labor Day Work Camp and Fence Raising this weekend** – see below for details. Better yet, SHOW UP! Every person who comes is a gift.
- You've been following the pumphouse progress since the well was drilled last spring. It's now got good stone boots, a wood-frame body & hat, and we're aiming to **fill in the walls with slipstraw on September 8th**, making this the second earthen-building project on the land. This is a great opportunity for a lucky few to learn from a master – **Greg Allen of the Mud Dauber school**. See below for details and registration.
- We had a sweet **Last Saturday afternoon** with new members at Hart's Nest. Leaders from all of our Circles were on hand to answer questions and share our vision, accomplishments, and challenges to come. We welcome our new friend Jessica and new visiting member Barbara!

SEPTEMBER 2018 CALENDAR

Note: All events are open to everyone unless noted otherwise, and Zoom teleconferencing is also available for Circle meetings—**but RSVP is necessary!**

*****Save the date***** October 12-13, **Governance & Cooperative Skills training** (see below)

SATURDAY/SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1-2, 9:00am-1:00pm

Labor Day Work Camp

Hart's Mill land, Mebane

- **Tours** for new members and other people who want to see the land in more depth start at 11 am at the Pavillion (RSVP to voss@hawkweed.net).
- **Lunch** at 1:00 at the Pavillion—bring some food to share
- Anthony will coordinate a **camping** option (Saturday night to Sunday morning) for folks who are interested — contact Anthony (weston@elon.edu) for details.

RSVP Jeffry: seeingstarsfarm@gmail.com

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2:00-4:00pm

Land Stewardship Circle

Mebane

RSVP Jeffry: seeingstarsfar@gmail.com

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 & MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1:00 onward

Farm Fencing Raising

Hart's Mill land, Mebane

In order to advance and expand the farming effort at Hart's Mill we will be putting up deer fencing around ~1 acre. This project will begin during our upcoming Labor Day workcamp. We plan to begin putting in t-posts Saturday afternoon at 2 pm, Sept 1, and probably continue on Labor Day, Monday Sept 3.

RSVP Jeffry: seeingstarsfarm@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 7:00-8:30pm

Planning, Design, and Development Circle

Via Zoom Teleconference—RSVP for link

RSVP Anthony: Weston@elon.edu

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 6:30-9:00pm

Membership & Marketing Circle

Chapel Hill

RSVP Joe: drjoecole@gmail.com

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 8am-dusk

Slip Straw Construction Workshop led by [Greg Allen](#) of the Mud Dauber School of Natural Building.

Hart's Mill land, Mebane

We'll be using slip straw for the walls of the circular pumphouse. Slip straw is a centuries-old earth-building technique, durable, high-insulation and very low impact, using local straw and our own clay for slip. Trying slip straw for the pumphouse is in part an experiment to see how readily we might use it or other earth-building methods in parts of the village proper. In the meantime, we need a pumphouse too, and we are excited to continue and build on our partnership with Greg and his school. Please come and join the work and the earthy learning, the fellowship and the ongoing project of building our eco-village! Food will be provided. Rain date is Sunday September 9th.

Sign up soon – the first 12 registrants will be our crew. There is a small fee: \$20 for Hart's Mill members, \$40 for others (save \$\$ and join!).

To register, RSVP Anthony: Weston@elon.edu

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 6:30-9:00pm

Financial & Legal Circle

Mebane

RSVP Geri: glaplaca@earthlink.net

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 4:00-6:00pm

Governance & Training Circle

Mebane

RSVP Hope: hopematrix@fastmail.com

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 4:00pm onward

Hart's Nest Equinox & Anniversary Open House!

Mebane

*The Autumnal Equinox marks the end of a cycle in nature—and the initiation of a new one. It's also Hart's Nest's one-year anniversary! **Come celebrate** all that has happened in this past year and open to what's next in your life and the life of Hart's Mill. We'll have a COOKOUT, so bring something to sling on the grill, BYOB, and/or a side dish to share. **And invite your friends**—this event is open to all!*

RSVP Hope: hopematrix@fastmail.com

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 7:00-8:30 pm

Compassionate Connection, presented by HM Member, Marilyn Grubbs, and Farrunnissa Rosa

Unity Center of Peace, 8800 Seawell School Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Education and practice session in the body of work developed by Marshall Rosenberg, originally called Non-violent Communication (NVC). \$10 suggested donation.

RSVP Marilyn: marilyngrubbs@gmail.com

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

General Circle Meeting

Mebane

Potluck: 6:00-ish

Meeting: 7:00-9:30 pm

RSVP Maria: mariastawsky@gmail.com

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LAST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 3:00-6:00PM

Understanding ourselves and others with the Myers-Briggs approach

Mebane

Some of our members successfully use the Myers-Briggs method to understand the variety of ways in which individuals perceive the world, make decisions, and interact with others. Although this not a tool that Hart's Mill has previously experimented with or officially adopted, we want to share what we have and see what you think! Join us in exploring how this approach might help groups to better understand each other and honor our diverse ways of being, rather than letting misunderstandings lead to conflict. Afterwards, we'll enjoy a movie night with finger food! Marilyn Grubbs and Richard Pinneau will facilitate this enrichment experience.

RSVP Maria: mariastawsky@gmail.com

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LAST SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 7:00-8:30pm

Planning, Design, and Development Circle

Via Zoom Teleconference—RSVP for link

RSVP Anthony: Weston@elon.edu

FRIDAY OCTOBER 12, 6:30-9pm, & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 9am-1pm

Governance and Collaborative Skills Training

Mebane

*Come and learn the basics of our governance system (Sociocracy) and the top-secret tips to actually make it work (creating a culture of collaboration). **This training is mandatory for all Hart's Mill members** and it is crucial to the way we accomplish everything we do at Hart's Mill. If you have any questions, please contact Maria at (919) 444-1193.*

RSVP is essential to Hope: hopematrix@fastmail.com

Open to everyone: Hart's Mill members and non-members

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LOCAL EVENTS OF INTEREST TO EXPAND YOUR SOCIAL/CULTURAL HORIZONS

*You are encouraged to **submit events for next month's update** that align with Hart's Mill's vision, mission, and aims. Send them by the 25th of the month to Hope at hopematrix@fastmail.com.*

RACIAL EQUITY INSTITUTE TRAINING, sponsored by Organizing Against Racism (OAR)

We strongly recommend these 2-day trainings as a way to begin a shared conversation about racism and social/environmental justice at Hart's Mill. [Click here to read Geri's post](#) about attending Phase 1 on January 23rd. **They fill up fast!** [Check the OAR website \(OARalliance.org\)](http://OARalliance.org) for details and registration for these upcoming workshops and more:

- September 10-11, Phase 1, Chapel Hill
- September 14-15, Phase 1, Durham
- September 27-28, Phase 1, Raleigh

DOING OUR OWN WORK: An Anti-Racism Seminar for White People

Resource Center for Women and Ministry in the South

Part 1: September 6, 7, 8, 9 - Pilgrim United Church of Christ, Durham, NC

Part 2: October 11, 12, 13, 14 - Trinity Ave Presbyterian Church, Durham, NC

Thurs. evening, 9-5 on Friday, 9-5 on Saturday, and 1-5:00 Sunday afternoon

Doing Our Own Work is an intensive seminar for white people who seek to deepen their commitment to confronting white privilege and challenging racism in all its forms. Offering more than 40 hours of "class time," Doing Our Own Work equips participants with the analysis, skills, and tools needed to be more effective anti-racist allies. By limiting enrollment to 16 people, this seminar provides a context for in-depth reflection, learning and dialogue as participants work to deepen their knowledge of systemic racism, offer each other support and accountability, grow beyond shame and guilt, and practice the skills of interrupting racism.

Leader: Melanie Morrison

Cost: \$475. Scholarships available. Click [HERE](#) to register.

Contact: RCWMS, 919-683-1236, rcwmsnc@aol.com