

WOODLAND HARVEST FARM NEWSLETTER

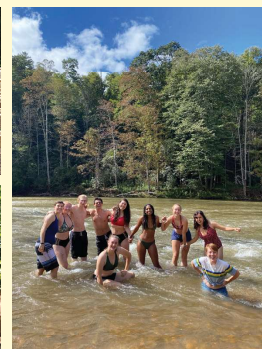
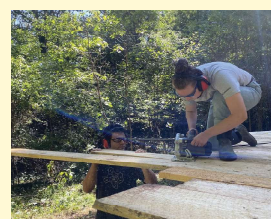
WHAT'S NEXT?

We are going to keep working on the construction of all of our structures. We will be learning about light straw clay insulation as that is our next step in the Octagon and Crone's Cottage when the wall frames go up. We will also be starting roofing and placing windows and doors.

Your favorite people are back again with another newsletter!

We have been busy working on all of our structures! Starting with the Octagon, we finished building a floor foundation, subfloor and 5 wall frames. For the Crone's Cottage, we finished the floor foundation, subfloor and one wall frame. We have broken ground on the Tiny House and have made a subfloor for the Treehouse. We have also been working on cleaning out the art studio space, buying tools for the space, and caulking the roof. Finally, two members of our group have moved into the school bus!

As the weather gets colder, the pressure to finish our cabins increases. We have realized it is especially important to take break days and support each other more. We've had a couple of heavy rain days where we all cozy up, light a fire in the wood stove, and bake bread. There have also been some really warm sunny days where we've taken hikes and gone swimming in the river. Living in a new community can be tough, especially when we don't exactly have a shelter, but we have overcome many obstacles and formed tight-knit relationships.



COB WORKSHOP

Lisa and Elizabeth taught us how to build with cob. Cob is a mixture of clay and sand used for natural construction and the clay was harvested on our land. It is also a great thermal capacitor. In order to make the cob mixture, we stomped on the clay and sand for an hour. We added windows in an existing cabin and a lotus flower sculpture.



EQUINOX CELEBRATION

Our community was brought closer together as we celebrated the transition from summer to fall. We gathered around the fire, made pizza in our cob oven, and honored the fall equinox. We had a small ceremony to give thanks to nature and all it has provided to us.



PERSONAL LOOK

Have an in-depth look at select students' lives during this extraordinary semester. Read about their personal stories, what's challenging to them, and what they work on. What is it like to take a full course load off-grid, build your own cabin, and live in an intimate community?
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