

# The Ridge Runner

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## What the Heck is a Permaculture Convergence?

by Suellyn Shupe

Labor Day weekend Common Roots hosted a gathering of 30-35 people from the region who have in common a commitment to design their homes, their communities and their lives around the Permaculture Principles and Ethics. Care of Earth, Care of People, Share the Surplus.

The hosting organizations were Great Rivers/Great Lakes Permaculture Institute and the Cincinnati Permaculture Institute. People came from the tri-states and Michigan to share their practice and develop ways to spread the practice through workshops, site tours, and round table exchanges held at Common Roots, Imago and the Ecovillage greenhouse.

About half the attendees enjoyed a tour of the ecovillage, and all had the opportunity to choose visits to a selected group of other urban/suburban farms as well as sites that support education for sustainable living. Saturday evening most enjoyed relaxing together at Common Roots with old and new friends and their favorite beverage. A good time was had by all....including yours truly, Suellyn Shupe

## Ask EGG

### ADVICE FOR OUR ECOFRIENDS

*It's not always easy to be green, so let us help. Ecovillage Green Group will be doing our best to answer your ecological, environmental, and green questions.*

Dear EGG,

I'm new to the area, and want to expand my knowledge of the Eco Village's surroundings. I've been to potlucks and enjoyed a few beers and some good music at Common Roots, and I hope to get involved in a committee or two once things settle down a bit -- but how do I get to know Price Hill, as an eco villager?

Eager Edgar

Dear Eager Edgar,

Welcome to our community! We're so glad you found us, and that's such a great question! There are numerous attractions in this oft-forgotten corner of Cincinnati, from Mt. Echo Park to the Incline District and more that are all within walking distance (or biking) from your home. As a matter of fact, the EGG committee just recently hosted the first ever Eco Village slow bike ride, exploring a few of Price Hill's dozen parks and green spaces with more than 150 acres to explore. Be sure to grab a coffee at Bloc Coffee a great place to meet new people and check in with the community. Take a look at Price Hill Will's website for upcoming community events, including Price Hill Will's co-sponsored Concerts in the Park or 2nd Annual Incline District Lobsta Bake (and Jazz fest). Get a group of eco village friends together for a workout at Price Hill Recreation Center or hike through the woods. If you enjoy performing arts, do not miss this month's showing of Cabaret at Warsaw Federal Incline Theater. Price Hill is the best kept secret in Cincinnati!

Looking forward to seeing you out there, EGG



16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
MUSIC IN THE WOODS  
Saturday, September

16, 4pm – 11pm

Spend a spectacular summer evening with Imago at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Music in the Woods. Enjoy local food and beverages, fun activities for the whole family, a silent auction filled with unique experiences, and of course great music... all while supporting Imago's variety of environmental programs and preservation of urban nature.

Buy tickets at [ImagoEarth.org](http://ImagoEarth.org)

# In case you missed it



## SLOW RIDE

EGG (*Ecovillage Green Group*) organized a Slow Ride Sunday, August 27. Our excursion visited many of the parks that dot Price Hill. These hidden treasures included Glenway, Olden View, Wilson Common and the crown jewel, Mt. Echo.

It was a cool and serene morning that offered many pleasant surprises. One such moment happened as we rode up to the Mt. Echo pavilion. Our ears perked up to the sound of a violinist perfecting his craft. We stopped and listened as sun and sound enveloped us.

This trip was a lot of fun and we hope to sponsor another in October. Keep an eye open for cyclists and our next Slow Ride!

## EGG HELPS CLEAN AND GREEN

What can you do with 12 tires, 63 light bulbs of all persuasions, 30 pounds of batteries, plastic containers from #1 to #7, paint cans with and without paint, a pickup truck load of electronics, and more. Ecovillage Green Group (EGG) can now tell you!

EGG held a successful recycling event on July 22nd where people were asked to bring everything, including refrigerators, that can't be recycled curbside. While there was some relief that there were no refrigerators, we welcomed 2 pickup truck loads and more of the above mentioned items. We are EGGcited to report Compton Recycling takes electronics, Batteries Plus Bulbs take the obvious, Staples takes alkaline batteries, Whole Foods takes all plastic containers. We'll let you know about the paint cans. There was a charge to recycle TVs and CFL bulbs because of some hazardous materials they contain, but EGGsters may sell the tires in good condition to recoup some of the cost. Thanks to everyone for participating in this fun event!

Check out [www.hamiltoncountyclecyls.org](http://www.hamiltoncountyclecyls.org) to search where to take recyclable items.



# Harvest Pancake Brunch

All proceeds benefit [Urban Earth Farms](http://Urban Earth Farms)' vision and mission.

Sunday, October 15, 2017

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Common Roots

3642 West 8th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45205

For ticket information visit [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com)

search *Harvest Pancake Brunch* or use

this web address: [bit.ly/uefbrunch](http://bit.ly/uefbrunch)

**Ticket sales are limited!**

*In the event of inclement weather  
the Pancake Brunch will be  
Sunday, October 22.*



## Ecovillage Tour

The September ecovillage tour will be on Saturday, September 23, from 10am to 12pm, and starts at the Imago Earth Center. The tour is \$10 per person, free for members and people they refer. If you or someone you know would like to get to know more about Enright Ridge Urban Ecovillage, it's a nice way to spend a morning!

Reservations required:

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