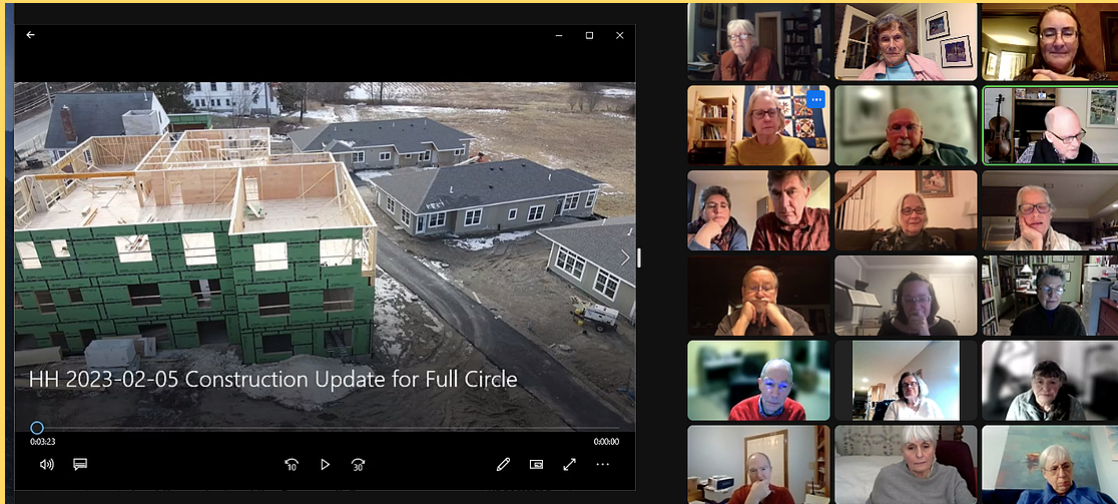


Hager Homestead Newsletter

February 2023

Building the first 55+ cohousing community in New England



Announcing:

Info Session: Friday, Feb 17, 7-8pm EDT

[Find out About the Project!](#)

Are you curious about the progress of the project? Now is a great time to get involved and discover if cohousing at Hager Homestead is a fit for you.

The community is growing, construction is underway and there are only a few homes left to reserve. Join the info session for news about available homes and prices.

We're proud to be a group of people who share so many values: communication, cooperation, learning, family, friendship, organic gardens, chickens and having FUN!

We may be getting on in years, (are we? really?) which means more than ever, we want to hang out with friends and neighbors -- just to watch a movie together and not

have to drive home! That's a little bit of what cohousing is all about, and we invite you to learn more!

[Join this Zoom event and meet some of our members](#)

Learn More about Hager Homestead

[Friday, February 17, 2022, 7-8 pm EDT](#)

Hear about plans, the timeline,
and learn more about cohousing.

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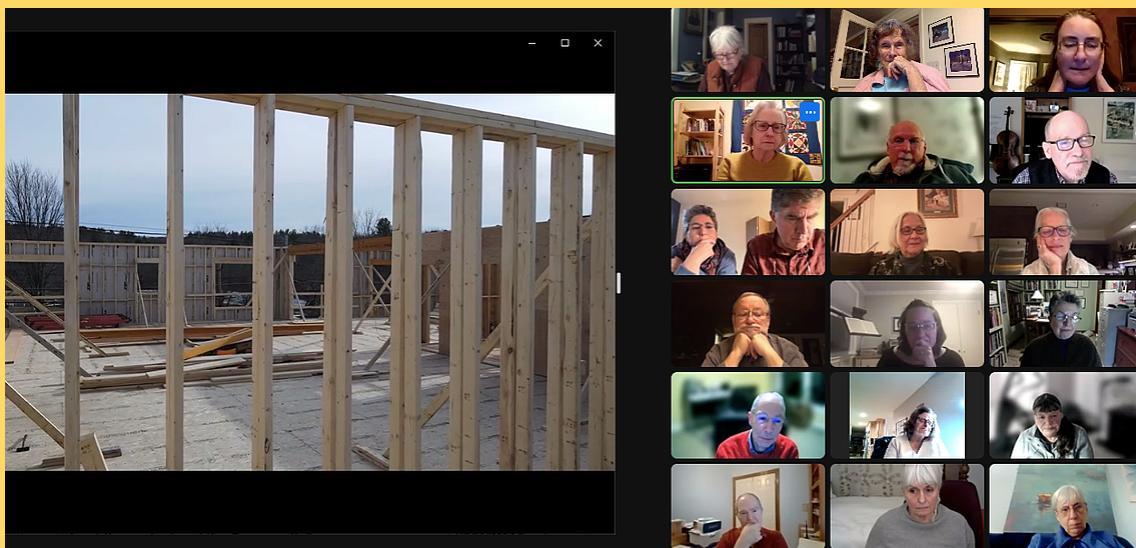


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[Construction Update](#)



Wayne, our Explorer who lives in Littleton, took the top photo as the trusses for the roof of the multi-family building were lowered onto the

frame. (Yes, we are unfamiliar with the vocabulary of development -- but you get the picture...!) And we viewed new video footage by our Drone-meister, Mayhew at our monthly community meeting. Our enraptured faces are on the right!!

How to Be an Explorer!

We will welcome you!



Laurie, once an Explorer, quickly became part of our community. But finding your place in a group isn't always easy. We asked her how she did it. Here's some of what she told us: (but, no, you don't have to do it all at once...)

- **Attend Circle meetings** (on Zoom) as many as you can: Development, Marketing & Membership, Community Life, Administration... and more. You learn what we're doing, how we're doing it, and you'll get to know who we are. You don't have to talk!

- **Attend informal Zoom gatherings:** the Friday afternoon Happy Hour; the Sunday afternoon “Fiber Arts” (free-form chat); the Tuesday morning coffee hour, the book group, and others. Ask your Buddy!
- **Attend training sessions on Sociocracy**, our method of governance.
- **Learn everything you can about cohousing:** the books, the videos and older newsletters. Links are on the website.
- **Volunteer!** If one of the Circles fits your skill set, ask to help.
- **Utilize your “Buddy”**, the member assigned to help you learn about us. Get all your questions answered.
- **Wade into our Google Drive**, where you’ll find the meeting minutes, member profiles, policies and so much more.
- **Attend the monthly “Full Circle” Zoom meeting** when all members are present.

Laurie went to this effort because, she told us, “I want to live with people I resonate with.” And to find her place in the community. We believe that she has!

[Uncommon Interviews](#) with Priscilla and Diane *on Littleton Community Access TV!*



Our Members, Priscilla and Diane, were interviewed about our project recently on Littleton's Cable Access program "Uncommon Interviews" by host, Barbara McRae. Watch the program, which is now on the town's website:

<https://littleton.vod.castus.tv/vod/?video=7265707d-b378-4310-b3f7-181d8aac7de6>

Silliness Encouraged!



Just so you know that we haven't left childhood completely behind, here's proof: our members John (in the rear) and Gary twirl around in Magis "Spun" chairs at the Boston Institute of Contemporary Arts a few summers ago. Think we ought to have some of these rotating chairs for our Common House? Only \$900 at Herman Miller...

**Yes, it was cold;
Yes, it was snowy ...and yes,
it has been beautiful**

On February 3, 3 pm: the temperature was 15 degrees with a predicted low during the night of -10. (On the bright side: we could have been on Mt Washington, where the wind chill was -91 and the winds above 100 mph.) We have been suffering from the usual cold weather maladies: the flu, Covid, and respiratory illness. But enjoy the camaraderie of our cohousing buddies.



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