

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Elmhill, Inc. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration and Maplehill School Annual Harvest Supper  
September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2-9pm at Maplehill Community Farm  
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On September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Elmhill, Inc. is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in conjunction with the Maplehill School annual Harvest Supper. The event will celebrate 50 years of service to Vermont youth, families and elders with present and past community members, teachers, staff, parents/guardians, and students of Maplehill School, as well as everyone connected to the organization's original programs including Elmhill Group Home and Maplehill Community Group Home.

The celebration will include tours of its two campuses, farm, gardens, animal pastures and sugar bush, music and games. Woodbelly Pizza will provide pizza in the afternoon. A community gathering and Harvest Supper will follow at 6:00pm. The Harvest Supper is free this year, and, as always, focused on delicious dishes made from food grown on our farm and other local sources.

Elmhill, Inc. program sites are located in Plainfield and Marshfield, Vermont. The organization's core mission is to work with and support community, with a focus on at-risk youth and area elders. Elmhill, Inc. operates Maplehill School and Community Farm, a private non-profit certified special education school, which provides vocational training, academics and social/emotional skill building to middle and high school students. Elmhill, Inc. also operates an Elder Outreach Project, which donates food to the local Senior Center and organizes monthly food donations to area elders in need. Elmhill, Inc. is a host site for AmeriCorps volunteers through the Vermont Youth Development Corps.

Elmhill, Inc.'s vision is to create a safe, caring, land-based educational community where relationships inspire learning. Elmhill, Inc. is a truly unique organization with a staff of educators, instructional assistants, mental health professionals and administrators brought together by a love of community, hands-on educational philosophies, responsible land stewardship, and the energy to take on a new set of challenges every day.

For more information see the website: [www.maplehillschoolandfarm.org](http://www.maplehillschoolandfarm.org)