



# Cider Mill Press

## Summer/Fall 2010

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am happy to report that it's been a wonderful year. Our biggest accomplishment was getting the physical check for \$162,500 from our Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) state grant. These dollars enabled us to repay the acquisition and protection loan given to us from the Preservation League of New York State for \$140,000. Repaying this loan was significant to us, as ownership is half the battle.

Incidentally, this loan to Cider Mill Friends was the very first loan disbursed to any organization statewide under the Preservation League's Endangered Properties Intervention Program. This loan was a display of confidence in our organization and in saving the Kimlin Cider Mill, listed on the State and National Registers of Historic Places and as a Town Historic Landmark.

We are not out of the woods yet and a lot of hard work remains such as repayment of private loans from our dedicated supporters for acquisition and raising funds to restore, maintain and showcase the Mill and surrounding meadow. (...see PRESIDENT, Page 2)

### 10TH ANNIVERSARY A DECADE OF PRESERVATION

Our annual spring event was *Cider Mill Friends' 10th Anniversary - A Decade of Preservation*, from citizen grassroots in 2000 to Mill ownership in 2008 to honoring Pauline Taricco, a founding member and local business owner, with Co-Chairs Kim and John Lawrence and Nancy and Adam Belok. Our hosts, Bill and Mary Lunt, welcomed us into their home and together with Elizabeth Ryan of Breezy Hill Orchard & Cider Mill, provided a memorable meander through Peach Hill Park, an apple orchard. How lucky we are in the Town of Poughkeepsie to have a preserved apple orchard and historic cider mill.



Honoree Pauline Taricco

### WHAT IS THE ITEM MOST ASKED ABOUT IN THE MUSEUM OF ANTIQUITIES??

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### THREE CHEERS FOR THE MILL! SIGN DEDICATION CEREMONY

On Sunday, October 17th, from 1:00-3:00 PM, the Cider Mill Friends will host a sign dedication ceremony at the Kimlin Cider Mill for three signs recognizing the Mill.

The first sign is the New York State Environmental Protection Fund sign showing the project's linkage to NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, granting agency, and the Kimlin Cider Mills' listing on the State Register of Historic Places. The second sign, from the National Trust indicates the Mill's listing on the National Register of Historic Places; and the third sign is recognition by the Town of Poughkeepsie Historic Preservation Commission for landmark status. The Mill is currently the only Town of Poughkeepsie Historic Site to be awarded all three designations.

In the Kimlin Cider Mill tradition, cider and donuts will be served with guided tours of the Mill. Space is limited, so please RSVP. The event will be held rain or shine, please see enclosed post card.

### 2011 SATURDAY WORK DAY SCHEDULE

April 2  
May 7  
June 4  
July 9  
August 6  
September 3  
October 1

### COMING UP IN 2011...

- Restore the front and chimney facades
- Install water and electric
- Host an Eagle Scout project for an informational kiosk

### SPRING 2011 CELEBRATION WATCH FOR DETAILS!!

### PLEASE JOIN US - YOUR SUPPORT IS IMPORTANT!

With this newsletter you will find a donation slip enclosed to continue your support or to join Cider Mill Friends as a new supporter.

Please consider a tax-deductible contribution to support acquisition costs, building materials, meadow restoration and property maintenance. See enclosed donation card or go online at [www.cidermillfriend.org/donation](http://www.cidermillfriend.org/donation).

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## PRESIDENT CONT...

Currently, there is a lot of behind-the-scenes work underway:

- Existing Conditions Report by Larson Fisher Associates, Inc was completed and partially funded with a matching grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation's John E. Streb Preservation Fund for New York.
- John Lawrence and Mike Eramo are providing stabilization work in the press, café and museum rooms.
- Kyle Pennington, manager of the Wappingers Falls' Sherwin-Williams store, has donated the paint for the west (front) and south (chimney) facades of the Mill.
- A 2nd EPF grant application has been submitted to restore the west and south facades.
- Electric and water connections are in process.

Historic preservation is unquestionably a labor of love, requires incredible patience and is intimately connected to building partnerships - partnerships between our board members, partnerships with other organizations, partnerships with the community and above all, partnerships with our volunteers and supporters - our lifeblood. Together, we can reach the stars...

*Lisa Weiss, President*



Peach Hill Park, Poughkeepsie, NY

## REMEMBERING J. TALLMAN

The Cider Mill Friends are sad to report the recent passing of long time supporter, and advisory board member, Jim Tallman.

## KEEPING IT GREEN

In keeping with the agricultural theme of the Kimlin Cider Mill, Cider Mill Friends' annual event featured students from the Culinary Institute of America Chefs Sustaining Agriculture Club who prepared an extraordinary meal. The Club supports local farmers, and promotes sustainable foods and eating seasonally. Foods for the dinner were donated from local farms, and products were grown or produced locally such as the vinegars, butter, maple syrup, cider, apples and greens.



CIA Chefs L to R: Sarah Keeker, Kelli Bildstein, Greg Bibens, Sam Terrell

Sustainable applied to foods as well as utensils, plates, cups and napkins. All were either recycled or recyclable. The Friends used a festive collection of antique and thrift store dinner plates in the spirit of recycling.

It took many hands to keep it Green - thanks to Zahra Watson and Erin Gallagher of the Todd Middle School 7th grade Community Service Project; and the Green Team Kids Kevin Powell, Andrew Nadia, Brennan Lunch, Sasha Reap and Jessica Lyke.

## VOLUNTEER UPDATE

Congratulations to our student volunteer, Gregory Koch, who is a Freshman at the University of Connecticut this Fall!

## HOT OFF THE PRESS

By Victoria Powell, Archivist

The most intriguing mysteries often come in boxes and in this case a large dirty and battered cardboard box from the Press Room in the Mill.

The Big Box belonged to Ralph Kimlin Sr. This box contained newspapers dating from 1917, 1918, 1919; a few other papers from notable dates such as the 1939 visit of England's King George and Elizabeth at Hyde Park and the 1962 funeral of Mrs. Roosevelt attended by President Kennedy.

It is what people collect that is most revealing about them. Since the radio was not available to the public until 1920 the newspaper was the main source of international, national and local news. The 1917-1919 newspapers front pages are streaked with headlines featuring stories about the Kings of Europe, drawings of maps of the battles on sea and land, accounts of death, obituaries and stories of fallen heroes of local boys, defeat and the surrender of Germany and yet all this dramatic news coverage was at times overshadowed by the local politics of Albany.

In my line of work it is common to encounter bundles of newspapers and cut selections of articles like those in the Big Box especially before the age of the radio and television. Today, the content presentation of newspaper is less pretentious than in 1917. However, some things never change, the events in Albany are still a headliner in 2010.

Many thanks to Theresa Dewey for volunteering her assistance with this newsletter.

## AN APPLE A DAY...

### APPLE SMOOTHIE RECIPE

- 2 cups applesauce
- 1 cup apple cider
- 1 cup cranberry or orange juice
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Put all ingredients in a blender and blend until smooth. Serve immediately or serve chilled.

Recipe from [www.nyapplecountry.com](http://www.nyapplecountry.com) or New York Apple Association.

### MYSTERY QUESTION ANSWER:



### THE TWO-HEADED CALF

(Photo courtesy of Geoff Carter)

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