



Cider Mill Press

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Letter from the President

2009 Reflections

2009 - the year the Kimlin Cider Mill acquisition euphoria evolved into property ownership reality; historic structure maintenance and restoration; and the pursuit of grant details.

The kickoff to property ownership was our one-year anniversary of acquisition with the successful *Kimlin Cider Mill Celebration - Preserving the Legacy* on April 25th at the Vassar Alumnae House. The evening festivities were true to Cider Mill tradition - Irish music, storytelling, local cuisine, merriment and rekindling the historic Vassar College - Cider Mill connection.

The next critical step to historic structure maintenance and Restoration, after our initial year of stabilizing and securing the Mill and landscape from years of neglect, was the hiring of Neil Larson of Larson Fisher Associates, Inc. in September. Neil is preparing the Mill's existing conditions survey. This survey will identify the historical period and stages of development within that period; the chronology of construction; the assessment of deterioration factors and causes; the development of recommendations for preservation actions; and priorities based on levels of need.

Sherwin-Williams accepted the front façade of the Mill as one of their neighborhood community programs. Through this program, the paint and stain on the front façade of the Mill is analyzed for color and these materials are donated. Our volunteers who enjoy carpentry and painting eagerly await this next phase and volunteers are welcome.

Finally, we continue to diligently pursue the myriad details of our existing and potential new grants to fulfill our financial commitments for acquisition, thankful for what we have and scouting for new opportunities.

All in all, as 2009 draws to a close Cider Mill Friends is grateful to the community for your continuing and unending support. May you all have a happy, healthy new year ahead.

Lisa Weiss, President



**What's behind this
Door?** See page 2

Welcome

**New Board
Members:**

**Steven Mann
&
Gary Privratsky**



Please Join Us

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

Your contribution is tax deductible and will cover building materials, meadow, lawn maintenance, insurance, legal services and preservation consultants.

Your support will preserve and protect the Kimlin Cider Mill for future generations.

2010 Plans

🍏 A sign dedication for the installation for the New York State Environmental Protection Fund sign and the National Register of Historic Places, a bronze plaque, both donated by an Advisory Board member.

🍏 Paint analysis and material donations to stain and repaint the Mills' façade courtesy of Sherwin-Williams paint.

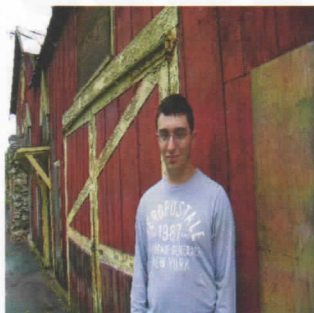
🍏 Board members continue to attend workshops and events to network with other nonprofits. Networking is a great way to connect with others to share ideas and contacts pertaining to fundraising, grants and general site management.

Spring 2010 Celebration

Watch for your invitation to our Spring 2010 Celebration, the 10th Anniversary of the founding of the Cider Mill Friends organization.



Why I Volunteer?



Gregory Koch

In his own words

"As a High School senior applying to college, I chose to write my college application essay about my work at the cider mill.

Serving as both a physical volunteer on workdays as well as the volunteer webmaster, I have been truly committed to working for the Cider Mill Friends. I feel that this is a historical and worthwhile cause, and feel that it is truly important to be a part of it. Just a few years ago, the building was in horrible condition, however thanks to the volunteers such as myself, we have managed to at least somewhat restore it. Hopefully we will someday finish our restoration work on it. I am proud to be part of this."

Gregory is a Senior at Spackenkill High School



The Meadow

Plans for a nature trail and wildflower meadow installation are in the works.

2010 Saturday Work Day Schedule

9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

- 🍏 April 10
- 🍏 May 8
- 🍏 June 5
- 🍏 July 10
- 🍏 August 7
- 🍏 September 25
- 🍏 October 9

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An easy way to increase your donation is to do your shopping at GoodShop.com and select Cider Mill Friends as your charity. A percentage of every purchase will go to Cider Mill Friends.

Seeking Boy Scout for Eagle Scout Project

The Cider Mill Friends would like to host an Eagle Project.

Among the many projects to choose from are the building of an informational kiosk and terrace restoration and building picnic tables and benches.

What's behind the door?



Behind the door is a massive stone fireplace in the Mill Café Room.

Out and About in the Community

The CMF booth hosted by Ann Shershin who attended the weekly Arlington Farm Market and annual Town of Poughkeepsie Community Day. For the second year, the CMF had a booth at the Vassar College Fair Trade Bazaar.

CMF jointly hosted the I-84 Rest Stop Coffee Break on Labor Day weekend with Fort Homestead. This event was a success thanks to all volunteers and generous donations from Panera Bread, Stop & Shop Grocery and Hopewell Bagels.

These are wonderful opportunities to share our Mill history and mission, to hear accounts from travelers of historic sites in their towns and to gather local stories from our community members.



The Lady Apple

is the oldest known variety, first cultivated by the Romans, the French loved them so they considered them the royal apple and Early American Colonists thought of them as a symbol of wealth. The Lady Apple grows small and crisp, bright yellow to red, and are harvested November to December.

ENJOY

History Gathering and "More"

Recollections & Recipes

The Cider Mill Friends continues its endeavors to collect oral histories, artifacts, photographs and "More." This project includes recollections and photographs from people who have visited the Mill when it was in operation.

The "More" is a collection of apple recipes.

If you would like to be a part of this project, please contact us at our email, web site "Guestbook" or telephone.

In the spirit of Winter, here is a recipe to share:

Mulled Cider

- 2 quarts apple cider or juice
- 1 lemon, thinly sliced
- 2 tbsp. brown sugar
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 12 whole allspice berries
- 12 whole cloves
- 6 lady apples or thick apple slices

🍏 Bring cider, lemon, brown sugar, cinnamon sticks, and allspice to a boil over medium high heat in a heavy pan.

🍏 Reduce heat to a low and simmer for 10 minutes.

🍏 Insert 2 cloves into each of the apples or slices, add to cider and heat for 2 minutes.

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