

# THE HOMESTEAD MILL

## Newsletter



July-August 2009



The Executive Board is pleased to provide news on the following highlights.

### UPCOMING / ONGOING PROJECTS

- ❖ FIOS is here!!! Verizon has completed their FIOS installation at the Homestead Mill, and has done some marketing to inform residents of what services are available\* \*If you do not wish to be contacted, please let us know thru the website and we will add your name to the do not contact list-Homestead has received payment from Verizon in the amount of \$18,750 which was used to paint the interior of building 15, which is now complete

Please enjoy FREE Hot Dogs/Hamburger, Refreshments and Great Company at the  
**RESIDENT APPRECIATION CELEBRATION PICNIC**  
Sponsored by Verizon.

The Picnic is Sunday, August 16th, from 12pm-4pm in the common area outside building 25 (look for the grill).



- ❖ New recycle bins and dumpster lids have been ordered to ease trash congestion. \$50 fines are now being issued for recycling violations.
- ❖ TV and appliance pick up must be arranged with the city or with Tony.
- ❖ Storage is available for residents to store recreational items such as kayaks, canoes and bikes in the basement \*Items stored are done so at your own risk.

- ❖ The painting of the interior of building 15 is now complete.
- ❖ The painting of the interior of buildings #25 & #27 will commence as soon as all of the bids and proposals are in.
- ❖ The exterior doors of buildings #21 & #27 will also be completed, as well as the Homestead Mill sign on the corner as soon as it stops raining!
- ❖ All repairs and drains that have been added over the past 3 years to address our drainage problem here at the Mill, were really put to the test this past month and have passed with flying colors!
- ❖ We are awaiting proposals on window washing and repairs and vent cleaning.

### PLEASE...

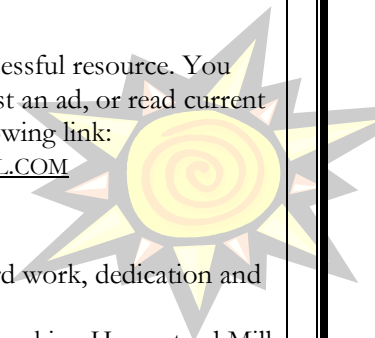
- ❖ Please check all plumbing & pipes \*be mindful of what goes down the drain.
- ❖ Please empty full A/C Pans.
- ❖ Please keep in mind that guest parking spaces are restricted for guests of the property only. If a guest is staying longer than 48 hours, their vehicle must be registered with the management company. Tony will tag all vehicles in unauthorized spaces.
- ❖ Please contact Barkan Management for window washings & repairs.
- ❖ Please obey all signs
- ❖ Please use new cigarette butt receptacles.
- ❖ Please be vigilant of outside noise and activities in the courtyard and other common areas at night.

### PROPERTY WEBSITE

The new website has proven a successful resource. You can visit the site, purchase gear, post an ad, or read current property news by going to the following link:  
[WWW.CONDOSATHOMESTEADMILL.COM](http://WWW.CONDOSATHOMESTEADMILL.COM)

### THANK YOU

- ❖ Our thanks to Tony for his hard work, dedication and positive attitude.
- ❖ Thank you to all Residents for making Homestead Mill a great community to live in.
- ❖ Our thanks to Verizon for a very professional job we greatly appreciate it.



## DECORATING COMMITTEE

Special thanks to our Chuck, Mike and Lenny for their hard work installing plants and flowers throughout the property.

- ❖ Take a look!!! The board has “adopted” the flower beds at the main entrance to the parking lot and has added new shrubs and mulch.
- ❖ Anyone interested in adopting a spot may contact the board thru the property website [www.condosathomesteadmill.com](http://www.condosathomesteadmill.com)

## 2009 WATER QUALITY SURVEY RESULTS

- ❖ Total Organic Carbon is 1.23 parts per million which is naturally found in the environment
- ❖ Barium is .01 parts per million caused by erosion of natural deposits
- ❖ Fluoride is 1.20 parts per million caused by natural erosion of natural deposits
- ❖ Copper (2006) is .06 parts per million which is caused by corrosion of household plumbing systems; natural erosion of natural deposits
- ❖ Lead (2006) is 6 parts per million caused by corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits- for the report in it's entirety please go to [www.condosathomesteadmill.com](http://www.condosathomesteadmill.com)

## COMMUNITY LIVING

### GREEN LIVING

In an effort to work together to save money while helping the environment, below we've listed a few simple ways residents can work together to "green" The Homestead.

- 1) Turn your thermostat down five degrees in the winter and up five degrees in the summer
- 2) Wash clothes in cold or warm water rather than in hot
- 3) Unplug all electrical devices, when not in use
- 4) Run dishwashers only on a full load
- 5) Defrost meat and other food in the refrigerator overnight rather than firing up the microwave
- 6) Go to the Website:  
<http://www.recocycle.org/junkmail/index.cfm>  
for information on stopping junk mail delivery

Below are other online resources that can help you stay abreast of green news:

[www.healthyhouseinstitute.com](http://www.healthyhouseinstitute.com)  
[www.treehugger.com](http://www.treehugger.com)  
[www.thegreenguide.com](http://www.thegreenguide.com)

### GRILLING SEASON

The grills at the property are in full swing this season. We hope you enjoy this added pleasure of these warm months; please remember to pickup after any uses. Common area grill and picnic tables are available to all residents. To reserve a date please contact Barkan Management Company.

## YOU WILL BE MISSED

- ❖ Thank you! Michele LaFleur for your service to the board, your hard work and dedication to Homestead Mill is appreciated and not unnoticed.

## WELCOME

- ❖ The Homestead Mill Condo Association is happy to welcome Kristin Fusco unit 25-107 to the Board of Trustee.

## ONE LAST NOTE

- ❖ Due to Condo and Town Regulations, individual yard sales are discouraged on the premises.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Barkan Management	401-272-0788
After hours Emergency	617-376-3696
Nationwide Insurance	401-949-1550
Plumbing Solutions	401-349-4124
Joly Electric	401-480-5320
Oliver's Heating & Air	401-724-1610
All American Locksmith	401-521-5259
Smithfield Police	401-231-2500
Smithfield Fire&Rescue	401-949-1233
Smithfield Town Hall	401-233-1010
Esmond Post Office	401-231-0890