

Cider Mill Press

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Lisa Weiss, RLA

Dear Friends and Supporters,

This year we celebrate our 15th Anniversary, our 4th annual "Old-Fashioned Cider Tasting" AND a pre-tasting event with the Dutchess County Historic Tavern Trail! Yes, 15 years of preservation as a non-profit that saved the Kimlin Cider Mill from demolition.

Please join us for our Tasting, our major fundraiser, on Saturday, October 15, 2016; 11am-3pm; at the historic Kimlin Cider Mill, 140 Cedar Ave, Poughkeepsie, rain or shine (see insert). Tickets can be purchased at <http://cidermillfriends.eventbrite.com> or at the event; purchasing your ticket online guarantees a souvenir glass!

Enjoy our sweet Kimlin Cider, fresh pressed from local apples picked at the Hudson Valley Research Laboratory in Highland.

As of this printing, we are thrilled to welcome these local sweet and hard cider donors:

- Yankee Folly, New Paltz (hard)
- Fishkill Farms, Hopewell Junction (sweet)
- Treasury Cider, Hopewell Junction (hard)
- Pitchfork Hard Cider, Poughkeepsie (hard)
- Naked Flock Cider, Warwick (hard)
- Pennings Farm Cider, Warwick (hard)
- The Grand Brewery, Poughkeepsie (hard)
- Wilkow Orchards, Highland (sweet)
- Angry Orchard Hard Cider, Walden (hard)
- Arlington Wine & Liquor cider selection



In addition, we are excited to host the Tavern Trail on Friday, Oct. 14 at 6pm. To RSVP for the Tavern Trail, go to <http://www.meetup.com/DutchessTavernTrail/events/229675741/>.

2016 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND THANK YOU

We have wonderful accomplishments to tell you about:

- Numerous improvements – Reconstructed café tables with benches; installed a bird nesting box that now has a family; restored antique scale; concrete foundation and floor work at the press room; stabilizing and waterproofing the roof; and more - thank you to volunteer Andy Pecoraro! We are also thankful for the hands on support from volunteers John Greeney and Art Scott.
- Another Kimlin Cider Mill – Our research has finally revealed the exact location of the Kimlin's other cider mill in "Manchester". This mill was located on former railroad right-of-way in the area of Route 55 and Wappingers Creek. The mill operated from 1922 to the 1960s. A 1927 article states "The Mill at Manchester is now the main one, several hundred thousand gallons of cider being made there annually."
- National Arbor Day – Red Cedar Arborists and Landscapers, Inc., in honor of Arbor Day, donated tree pruning services and removed a large overhanging hackberry tree branch.



Red Cedar arborist on the overhanging branch

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2016 ACCOMPLISHMENTS (cont.)

- Kimlin archival materials – Various Kimlin items were donated by our neighbors the Gendrons, who own former Kimlin property across the street. One item is a 1963 receipt from the Huyck Felt Co., Rensselaer, NY to Ralph Kimlin for 152 pounds of 4 different grades of wool, priced from \$0.42 to \$0.56 per pound depending on the grade, for a total payment of \$82.83. The Kimlins were sheep herders as well as cider makers.

HUYCK FELT CO. RENSSELAER, N. Y. Date 4/1/63
Received from Ralph Kimlin Dr. Received by [unclear]
Address Cider Mill Rd. Poughkeepsie

WELCOME: JILL WEINTRAUB

We are pleased to welcome our new board member, Jill Weintraub. Jill has been a volunteer and supporter including a cider pressing participant one very cold autumn day!

SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

We are constantly compiling memories and oral histories of the Mill and welcome your memories at <http://goo.gl/yFVZoi>. The following Memory of the Mill excerpt is from Michael Dattoli:

...I recall when there was little between my house on Cedar Avenue, the Cider Mill and Vassar. I even recall Ralph Kimlin, Sr, who was an adventurous type, world traveler... He was the Owner of the Cider Mill and original "Curator" of the museum... I worked the Cider Mill as a child serving hot Cider and cookies (after brushing the ants off!), keeping the large fireplace ablaze in Winters and also tending to the livestock... The most fascinating aspect of the Cider Mill was the museum filled with giant anchors from pirate ships, Japanese Shields of Armor and Knights in full suits of armor, Civil War swords and "cross bayonets", Civil War muskets and "Flint lock pistols", Victorian era shields, Spanish Coins, two headed sharks, monkeys and Siamese twins...I spent some scary, creaky nights at the old Cider Mill and my friend's house across the street!...

UPCOMING 2016-2017 EVENTS

Sat, 9/24 – Arlington Street Fair, Raymond Ave, Pok
Fri, 10/14 – Dutchess County Tavern Trail @ Mill
Sat, 10/15 – Old Fashioned Cider Tasting @ Mill
Sat-Sun, 11/5-6 – Fair Trade Bazaar
Fri-Mon, 2/17-20/2017 – Great Backyard Bird Count
April 2017 – Walk to the Mill
June 2017 – Open House @ Mill
Sat, 10/14/17 – 5th Annual Cider Tasting @ Mill

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHTS

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteer Damian: "When I volunteer at the cider mill I have so much fun learning and working with all the other volunteers and people who come to learn too. I like to clean up outside to show how pretty and old the mill is. It is my favorite place to go!"



Damian helping out.



Todd Middle School students performing community service along with other volunteers.



SUNY New Paltz volunteers of the Alpha Phi Omega Co-Ed Service Fraternity at a spring work day.

2017 SATURDAY VOLUNTEER WORK DAYS

9:30am-12:30pm – Dates are tentative

March 11	June 10	September 9
April 8	July 8	October 7
May 13	August 12	

Days for volunteers to get together and work to clean, maintain, and restore the Mill and landscape.

Cider Mill Friends of Open Space & Historic Preservation, Inc.

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