

HILLMAN NEWS

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HILLMAN SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Hillman Sustainability Committee (HSC) is residents working to improve Hillman in the areas of energy and resource use. The goals of the committee are to:

- Address energy consumption and cost reduction.
- Promote waste reduction.
- Develop green spaces that look great, encourage community participation, and promote a healthy environment.
- Enrich and add value to our community and our quality of life.

Started in the fall of 2008, HSC has developed the composting program on Broome Street, worked with the Board to establish the Cooperators' Garden Club, improved building recycling areas, and advocated for Hillman's participation in energy reduction programs.

For more information, join the HSC Google Group:

<http://groups.google.com/group/sustainablehillman>

MANY THANKS!

The first Hillman House Committee party was a great success. It was a beautiful day and a lively group of long-time residents and "new" arrivals.

Board members Morris Fajtelewicz, Aaron From, Pavel Lempert, Howard Stern, Kira Wizner, and David Weinberger attended.

A special thanks to Harold Jacob for contributing snacks.

We look forward to having similar events throughout the year.

- Hillman House Committee

SAFETY TIPS

- Keep utility rooms neat. Do not store flammable materials such as paint, paint thinner, and candles.
- Storing items such as bicycles and carriages in the hallways and stairwells is a fire hazard. Please refer to Hillman bylaws for more information.
- If you hear the fire alarm "chirping" it means that the battery should be changed. Please contact the Maintenance Office immediately.
- Do not leave burning candles unattended.
- Stairwell doors are designed to keep fire contained. Please make sure that these doors are kept closed.

GOOD NEIGHBOR CORNER

- Slamming doors are noisy. As you enter or leave the stairwell or your apartment, please close the door gently behind you.
- Common areas such as hallways and stairwells are not for private use. Please keep your children and belongings in your apartment.
- Keep garbage chutes clean. Please be considerate and wipe up spills.
- Please be a good neighbor; do not smoke in the stairwells.
- Please remember to refrain from overloading washing machines with detergent. This can adversely affect the other machines

IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Events

- Celebrate *It's My Park Day* at Luther Gulik (Sheriff) Park. Activities pumpkin painting, raffle prizes, bulb planting, ping pong tournament and more. **Saturday, October 23, 2010 1-4 pm (rain date, Sunday October 24th).**
- *Ed Koch and the Rebuilding of New York City*: Ed Koch in conversation with Jonathan Soffer at The Tenement Museum. **Tuesday October 26, 2010 at 6:30 pm.**
- Join the Lower East Side Ecology Center and CHERP (Community Hooked on East River Park) for a day of Halloween gardening in East River Park. **Sunday October 31, 2010 10 am to 2 pm.**
- Attend open workshops where you can bring your own bicycle and work on it yourself with the aid of Time's Up! mechanics. **Thursdays 6:30-8:30 pm** at 156 Rivington Street in the basement.

Volunteers Needed

- Seward Park is in the process of organizing a really fun and festive Grand Street carnival and parade for Halloween. This year's Halloween activities are for the entire neighborhood, not just Seward. Lots of exciting events are being planned and there is a huge need for volunteers to help with decorations, planning, and mostly with set up, especially on October 30th. Any time you can spare will be a big help. If you can join the Halloween volunteer committee, please email Victoria at vreichelt@me.com."
- Inspired by an idea from cooperator Ellen Goldberg, the Hillman House Committee would like to create a program to help our seniors. Volunteers will be available for a variety of tasks or activities such as changing a light bulb, picking up a prescription at the local pharmacy during bad weather, going for a walk around the block, assisting with fitness training in the gym, or playing a game of chess. If you are interested in participating in this program please email your contact information to hillmanhousecommittee@gmail.com or leave a note for the House Committee in the Management Office.

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