

THE ECO MOSQUITO

SUSTAINABILITY NEWS AND EVENTS AT HSPH AND BEYOND

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Hi there! We imagine you're a busy person, but thanks for adding us to your multi-tasking repertoire. Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Eco Mosquito. We're hoping to put the buzz in your ear about all things "green" happening in our School and community.

HSPH's Jen Doleva Takes Home Green Carpet Award for Smith Street Efforts

It's true that it's not easy being green. Nobody wants to be the nagging colleague reminding everyone to double side copies to save the trees. Somehow Jen Doleva manages to be a likable nag. She was nominated by 12 different individuals for the prestigious University award for going above and beyond in her engagement with the HSPH Eco-Opportunity team, especially in her work creating and leading the 90 Smith Street Green Team. One nominator wrote that "Jen has worked tirelessly to educate the



roughly 160 Smith Street occupants about the importance of sustainability" through ordering more sustainable options for office supplies and clarifying the waste disposal system (placing colorful instructions of what is recyclable vs. compostable vs. waste), therefore reducing overall waste.

DID YOU KNOW?

Feel bad throwing away those pretty little aluminum Nespresso cups? You no longer have to! Thanks to David Hastings, Director of Administration in the Department of Genetics & Complex Diseases, the

cups are now being recycled at our School. Collect them in your office and bring full plastic bags to David in Building 2, Room 107. He'll then bring them to the Nespresso store on Newbury Street for recycling.



GREEN TIPSTER

All the food containers at the cafeteria are compostable and compost bins are available around the School. In 2011, we sent 74,676 pounds of food and compostable waste to be turned into soil instead of trash. It's as easy as throwing it away!

DON'T MISS THIS!

We were recently introduced to **THE SWAPAHOLICS**, a group devoted to spreading their love for second-hand style. They are currently hosting monthly clothing swaps at 40Berkeley, a new hostel/hotel in the Back Bay. Bring 3-5 items to swap and leave with just as many new-to-you scores! The next swaps will be held on Wednesdays: August 8, September 26, and October 24.

BIKE FAIR right here on campus! Wednesday, September 19, from 11:30 to 1:30 on the Quad promenade near the Courtyard Cafe. Come for free tunes ups, classes, and resources for you and your trusty steed.



TED-style talks on big green ideas from 6 all-star environmental faculty Tuesday, September 18 at 7:00 PM Sanders Theater, Memorial Hall

HSPH has our own Eco-Opportunity **GREEN TEAM!** We made this newsletter and are very friendly. Want to join us? Our next meetings are Thursday, August 23 from 11-12 in FXB G3 and Wednesday, September 26 from 11-12 in Kresge 209.

The Sweetest Part of Summer

Fresh fruits and vegetables are to us Bostonians what winter ice is to polar bears—there's just not enough of it! Take advantage of summer in New England at your local farmers' market.

Here are just a few:



Mission Hill Farmers' Market at Brigham Circle Thursdays, 11-6, open until October 25

Brookline Farmers' Market at Coolidge Corner Thursdays, 1:30-dusk, open until October 25

Cambridge Harvard Farmers' Market at Oxford Street in Harvard Square

Tuesdays, 12-6, open until October 30

There are many more all over the great state of Massachusetts, so find your local market at www.massfarmersmarkets.org, or at www.bostonfarmersmarkets.org