

Spring 2010



WALKING AND BIKING NEWS

Please come to the Bicycle Commuter Appreciation Breakfast on **Wednesday, May 19th**, from 7:30 am - 9:30 am in front of the Harvard Square Au Bon Pain (hosted by the Harvard *CommuterChoice* Program). Show your bike helmet to receive a free breakfast! We will also be having free bike registrations and safety checks.

Monday, May 17th marks the start of the 2010 Bay State Bike Week, which includes the MassCommuter Challenge, a friendly competition amongst Massachusetts businesses, educational institutions, and municipalities in which employees, students, and residents support their "teams" by pledging to bike for all or part of their trips to work or school. Please register to help Harvard win the Challenge; the first 50 registrants win a free Bike Week t-shirt. Visit www.commuterchoice.harvard.edu for more information on this and on other Bay State Bike Week events, including a guided convoy to downtown Boston for a free breakfast on **Friday, May 21st**. Hop to it, it's time to pull that trusty steed out of the garage and begin incorporating a fun, healthy, non-polluting and sustainable commute into your routine!

HOUSING NEWS



Looking for a good home rental option? Did you know you are eligible to rent one of Harvard's own housing options? Heat, hot water, and electricity are included in the rent and all properties are run sustainably. Check out the link below and apply now for best availability:

<http://www.huhousing.harvard.edu/HarvardUniversityHousing/index.aspx>

Additionally, if you are interested in renting in the private market, you can browse rental options at the URL below, provided by Harvard Real Estate Services:

<http://hreslandlord.roommateclick.com/index.asp>

Thinking about buying a home or condo? The Harvard/Coldwell Banker Real Estate Advantage Program may interest you. The program is designed to provide Harvard employees with expert real estate advice and services, as well as cash back bonus on private market home purchases and sales for all participating Harvard staff. Learn more here:

<http://www.huhousing.harvard.edu/HomeBuyingAndSellingServices/homebuyingselling.aspx>

ENERGY SAVING NEWS



This month's energy saving tip: Turn your water heater down to 120 degrees. Every 10 degrees you turn your water heater down you can save between 3-5% of your monthly energy costs.

Considering buying a new appliance? Interested in having a home energy audit? Looking for rebates or discounts on home improvements? Check out www.masssave.com for more information One site. Hundreds of ways to manage your energy costs, enhance the value of your home or business, and protect our planet.