## **Oxford EMS News**

- •Installation of the new boiler provides COL with a much more efficient heat source and uses a cleaner burning fuel.
- •We are looking into improving the parking lot by finding a durable vegetation or stable material to fill gaps in pavers. Suggestions welcome.
- •Recycling estimated 8 tons of materials recycled/reused by COL in 2006. However, participation has waned, especially for paper recycling. Please Recycle!!
- •The exterior of the lab is set for painting and we were able to select a low VOC paint/stain.
- •Everyone should take a few moments to investigate possible chemical substitutions.
- •Ideas for reducing greenhouse gas emissions:
  - •Car-pool
  - •Making sure all new equipment is energy-star compliant
  - •Turn off lights when leaving rooms
- •We are planning to substitute hand soaps in common areas (not labs) with triclosan-free soap. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer will be provided.
- •Annual EMS training will occur in early April during 'Safety Week'.