

Lindy Property Management: Going Green AGAIN with Rushforth Solar Hot Water!

With 2 properties already having their hot water heated by the sun, Alan Lindy and Frank Lindy are taking Lindy Property Management to the next level with Rushforth Solar Hot Water systems for another 5 large buildings at 3 apartment communities! Given the newly improved subsidies, these new systems are being designed to heat a greater percentage of the hot tap water being used by the residents.



Alan Lindy and Frank Lindy with Alan and Jan Rushforth

PA subsidies were recently raised to 35% and up to \$50,000. Combined with the 30% Federal subsidies, 65% of the Solar Hot Water systems will be paid by subsidized dollars. According to Alan Rushforth, President of Rushforth Solar, "Paybacks that often could be in the 6 to 10 year range, can now be in the 4 to 8 year range."

Fountain Gardens in NE Philly was the Lindy test case in November 2009 – for 115 apartment units on Welsh Road. At 100 feet, the flat plate solar array was the longest known SHW system on an apartment

complex in the Philly area. The dedication was on the sunny roof top with attendees climbing the ladder and emerging through a hatch.

Their next Solar Hot Water system was for Gateway Towers at The Enclaves in South Philly in summer 2010. The 100 unit apartment building sports 18 large 4' x 10' solar collectors spanning 2 rows. The dedication was in style in the art friendly award winning Enclave's Club house, and was attended by a staffer for US Senator Bob Casey, Kurt Imhof; AAGP Government Affairs Director, Christine M. Young Gertz, Esq.; Matt Baker, journalist from *The Metro*; and the lovely and talented photographer extraordinaire, Colleen Brown from *The Apts Magazine*.

Both properties opted for installing new High Efficiency Hot Water Heaters to further improve energy efficiency with the custom built large Solar Hot Water tanks.

The 66 unit Sedgwick Gardens Apartment Complex in the Mount Airy part of Philadelphia will be among the buildings to get Solar Hot Water Systems. This system is sized to provide 100% (or close) Solar Hot Water heading during sunny summer weeks, which is full-sized to provide serious solar contribution – especially when combined with the new high efficiency heaters.

Both buildings at Academia Suites apartment community in the East Oak Lane part of Philadelphia will get Solar Hot Water as well as Buildings A & B at Longwood Manor, on Roosevelt Boulevard in NE Philadelphia.



Lindy with Marva Brown and Nancy at the Gateway Towers dedication

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