Spring is Coming

Welcome Back!
Hope everyone enjoyed their time off and are getting back into the swing of things without too much stress. It is nice to have you all back!

Happy Easter and Pass-over to all of our wonderful residents from the Taft Staff.

In observation of Good Friday the office will be closed on Friday, April 10, 2009. The office will reopen at 10am on Saturday, April 11, 2009. A service assistant will be available for your convenience. Maintenance requests will be handled on the following Monday.

Spring Cleaning?
Looking to make room in your apartment home, but just can’t bear to part with certain items? No problem! Storage bins are available starting at $50/month. Check with James in the office for details. Be on the look out for summer specials!

Can’t Thank You Enough!
We appreciate all of our residents and cannot wait to show you how much! Keep an eye out for details on when and how. Got something in mind that you think will be a great Thank you? Let us know in the office and we will see if we can make it happen!

Good Eats
New Haven is hand’s down one of the best places to find a great meal. That being said, there are some restaurants (including our very own restaurant resident) that are getting together to offer you a great deal. Lunch for $16.38 (in honor of New Haven’s birth) and dinner for a mere $29. Appetizer, entrée, and desserts that are preset and completely delicious.

Check out info.newhaven.com for more information.

ATTENTION!!
Dear residents there has been an important change in the Emergency Maintenance number that you should be aware of. Please make note the Emergency Number has changed: If you require emergency maintenance assistance please dial 1-877-472-7532.

Green Tip of the Month
Eat smart.
If you eat meat, add 1 meatless meal a week. Meat costs a lot at the store and it’s even more expensive when you consider the related environmental and health costs.

Buy locally raised, humane, and organic meat, eggs, and dairy whenever you can. Purchasing from local farmers keeps money in the local economy.

Whatever your diet, eat low on the food chain. This is especially true for seafood.

Life’s Changes

Thinking About Subletting?
Although the marketing of your apartment is up to you, we are happy to keep a copy of your flyer on record in the office for those who may inquire with us. The sublet fee is $75 per apartment. In order to approve your sublet, we require the individual to complete an application and sign the Rules and Regulations, and we require all parties to sign a sublet agreement form. All of these forms are available in the office. If you have any questions, just ask!

Is Moving In Your Plans?
While we would hate to see you leave us, we recognize that education goals are achieved and that professional and personal plans change. Just a reminder that it is IMPERATIVE that you give at least 60 days written notice prior to the expiration of your lease as to your plans. For example, if your lease expires on July 1st, you must give the office written notice by April 30th. You must do this to protect your security deposit and fulfill the terms of your lease. We strongly suggest that you let us know as soon as you know. If you have any questions about renewing your lease or moving plans, please don’t hesitate to contact the office.

Know anyone looking for a summer move in?
Our waitlist is growing, but there is still room! So spread the word! If someone you refer to the waitlist ends up living at the Taft while you are here we will give you a $25 gift certificate to one of the local vendors. Have them call or drop by the office and the maintenance staff would be more than happy to help them out!

Special points of interest:
- T he Taft Office provides many addition services to our residents for a small charge to your account.
- Send/receive faxes: domestic $1/ page and international $2/ page
- 25 cent/ photocopy
- N ormal postage rate for stamps
- Refer a friend to the Taft and you could receive a $25 gift certificate to a Taft retail business. To receive credit their lease must start by 4/18/09 — Make sure they mention your name in their initial contact with the office.

Maintenance Corner:
- Don’t forget to fill out and return your Rate-Your-Maintenance cards after a work order has been completed in your apartment home. You will get entered in the drawing to win a $25 gift certificate to a local business.
- This month’s Rate-Your-Maintenance winner is: Mary McMillan.
- We would like to take a moment to introduce a new part-time staff member to our maintenance team. His name is Kevin Meehan and he will be around the building helping with work orders and special projects.
Upcoming Events

March 2 - April 11  
**Pinch** – White Space Gallery presents the art of internationally renowned artist Jack Laroux

Thru April 11  
**“Notes from Underground”** - Yale Repertory Theater presents the Underground Man, one of modern literature’s first, and most remarkable, antiheros. A former government official who has defiantly withdrawn from a corrupt society he wages his own personal war on everything and everyone around him. Laugh-out-loud funny and terrifying, Notes from Underground is the passionate, obsessive, and contradictory confession of a tormented soul. Information: 203-432-1234 or visit [www.yalerep.org](http://www.yalerep.org).

April 2 - June 20  
**“The Old Man and the Sea”** - Long Wharf Theatre presents an illuminating adaptation of Hemingway’s classic novella, a young boy recounts the tale of an old Cuban fisherman’s 85-day struggle to land the greatest catch of his life. Armed with little more than a few coils of fishing line, the old man comes to respect and love his adversary even as he confronts his own mortality in this sublime tale of man against the elements, of courage and faith, and of the enduring human spirit. Information: 203-787-4282 or visit [www.longwharf.org](http://www.longwharf.org).

April 1 - April 26  
**(Un)spoken** - Artspace presents a group exhibition that explores the boundaries of collaboration and artistic production within the context of a marital relationship. Linda Ganjian and Jesse Lambert, Karen Dow and Christopher Mir, and Maggie Michael and Dan Steinhilber are artists and married couples with children and professional arts careers living and working in the Eastern United States. Unlike other contemporary artists-couples, the six artists have worked to create art individually, but never collaboratively. Information: 203-772-2709 or visit [www.artspacenh.org](http://www.artspacenh.org).

April 3  
**Abraham Lincoln and the United States Constitution** – Albertus Magnus College presents Connecticut College’s Michael Burlingame, Sadowski Professor Emeritus of History. He speaks on the impact that Abraham Lincoln’s presidency had upon how the Constitution is read and interpreted.

April 4  
**Edible Book Tea** – Creative Arts Workshop presents something that you can eat that looks like a book or makes reference to a book title or structure. Make a book or just check out the delicious display of creativity.

Saturdays, April 4-18  
**Science Saturdays** – Davies Auditorium presents science for all ages and interests with different subject topics each Saturday: Visual Illusions, Strange Stuff, and Batteries, Transportation, and Climate Change. 10:30am – Noon.

April 4 - May 2  
**Film Series: Survival of the Fittest** – Yale Center for British Art presents selected films that explore the theme of survival and complement the exhibition “Endless Forms”: Darwin Natural Science and the Visual Arts.

April 16  
**Four Bitchin’ Babes** – Shubert Theater presents these destructible Divas who are hotter than ever after seven recordings and 18 years, always evolving, witty and charming.

April 19 - April 25  
**New Haven Restaurant Week** – Greater New Haven Convention & Visitors Bureau has gotten dozens of New Haven restaurants to offer discounts: $16.38 prix fixe lunch (priced for the year New Haven was founded) and $29 prix fixe dinner. Information: 203-777-8550 or visit [www.visitNewHaven.com](http://www.visitNewHaven.com)

April 24 - May 25  
**“Death of a Salesman”** – Yale Repertory Theatre brings Arthur Miller’s masterpiece to its stage for the first time. After 36 years on the road in its pursuit, the traveling salesman, haunted by missed opportunities and an uncertain future, must come to terms with a lifetime of self-deception that has distorted his dream into an American tragedy. Information: 203-432-1234 or visit [www.yalerep.org](http://www.yalerep.org).

April 26  
**Iron Chef Elm City** – Gateway Community College presents competing chefs including Arturo Franco-Camacho of Bespoke (defending champion), Rafael Palomino of Pacifico, and Manual Romero of Ibiza.