

Taft Tidings

The Taft Apartments

September 2011

Taft Resident Portal



The Taft Apartments resident portal will be up and running starting September 1, 2011! Here are a few Q & A's that will help our residents understand what the resident portal is all about:

What is the Resident Portal?

The Resident Portal is a special part of the Taft Apartments website designated specifically for our current residents.

What do I use it for?

The Portal can be used to access resident specific information and forms, such as a key release and sublet information. You can submit Non-emergency service requests through the website.

What do I get out of using it?

Information will be accessible to you 24/7. So if you realize at 7pm that your house cleaner is coming in the morning and you have not gotten a Key Release Form from the Management Office, you can simply print one out and leave it in the drop box for the Management Team to get in the morning.

When can I start using it?

The Resident Portal will be up and running as of Sept 1, 2011. If you are a new resident your account will be registered and activated within a week of your official move-in date.

Maintenance Corner

The Taft team would like to say congratulations to Patric & Dana Schyman for winning the August rate your maintenance drawing. Patric & Dana will receive a \$25 gift card to The Taft business of their choice. Brian of our maintenance team will also receive a \$25 gift certificate. If a member of our maintenance team completes any work in your apartment, turn in the rate-your-maintenance card for your chance to win.

New Residents

The Taft has had many new residents move into the building recently. Once you have finished unpacking, please break down cardboard boxes and dispose of them on the ground floor to the left of the service elevator. Our maintenance team will collect the cardboard from this designated area and dispose of it in the proper location. Also, if you have a bicycle, we offer free bike storage at The Taft. Just register your bike with us in the office and we will give you a sticker to be placed on the bicycle and activate access, with your data chip, to the designated storage area on the SC level.



Like Us On Facebook

Corrections from the August newsletter.....Like us (The Taft) on Facebook and let us know about it, stop by the office, leave a VM or note & you will be entered for a \$25 gift card drawing on September 30, 2011.

Taft GR Codes

Keep an eye out for flyers/posters that will be going up around The Taft in the near future, featuring our Facebook GR code. It can be scanned by any smart mobile device. When scanned, your smart device will take you directly to The Taft's Facebook page. There, you can "like us" and check out some of the latest Taft news or upcoming events.

Labor Day September 5, 2011

The Taft office will be open on Monday, September 5, 2011 (Labor Day). We will be at half staff, so please feel free to swing by with any questions or service requests.



Storage

The Taft has convenient mini-storage units available in the building. See Jason in the office for rates & further details.

Changing Taft Website

If you haven't had the chance to check out The Taft's web page at: www.taftapartments.com now is a good time to do so. Along with helpful information, The Taft webpage also has testimonials from some of our past residents. We will have Taft employee profiles up in the very near future. Take a peek and you might be surprised at what you find!

Current Events

Annual Motorcycle Run to Benefit Homeless Veterans

A 50 mile round-trip motorcycle run to benefit homeless veterans. 11:00am Registration, Bikes leave at Noon Saturday, September 17, 2011. Hope Christian Church, 211 Montowese Avenue, North Haven. Family fun and camaraderie after ride with food and live music.

Visit:

http://www.columbushouse.org/worxcms_published/events_page162.shtml for more information.

Easter Seals Goodwill Industries 21st Annual Lobster Bake

Come enjoy a traditional Lobster Bake at Lighthouse Park in New Haven, 2 Lighthouse Road. Choose lobster or steak with steamers, corn on the cob, coleslaw, potatoes, rolls, water, coffee and dessert. BYOB. Ride on the historic carousel, dance the night away with our superb Deejay Johnny Jam and enter to win one of our many raffle and silent auction prizes. All proceeds support the Easter Seals' mission to enhance employment, educational, social and recreational opportunities for people with disabilities and other challenges. \$65.00 per person For more information visit:

<http://www.ctgoodwill.org>



September 15, 2011 - President Taft's Birthday

The Taft Apartments will be celebrating President Taft's birthday on September 15, 2011. Birthday cake will be served in the grand lobby from 2pm - 4pm. Come on down to wet your whistle and to celebrate our namesake's day of birth!

Cultural Passages: Two Exhibitions of Artists with Disabilities

Creative Arts Workshop presents its fourth biennial Cultural Passages exhibition. For this year's exhibition, CAW is collaborating with Young Audiences Arts for Learning, an affiliate of VSA, to present work in all media by artists with disabilities. CAW will host two exhibitions in the Hilles Gallery: Accelerate, a national show of emerging artists with disabilities juried by VSA; and Intersections, a show of work by CAW students who identify themselves as disabled. Opening celebration: Sunday, September 18, 2 - 4 pm @ Creative Arts Workshop, 80 Audubon Street New Haven, CT 06511.



The Taft Team would like to congratulate Taft residents Patric & Dana Schyman on the birth of their healthy baby boy! Adam Ingmar Schyman was born on Friday, August 12, 2011.



Shaquille O'Neal's All Star Comedy Jam

The Shubert Theater presents the hilarious comedians presented at Shaq's All-star Comedy Jams shot during NBA All-star Weekends over the last three years. The lineup may include DeRay Davis, Aries Spears, Corey Holcomb, Tommy Davidson, Capone, Gary Owen and Tony Roberts. A listing of the confirmed comedians will be announced shortly. The show will take place Friday, September 16, 2011. For more information please visit:

<http://www.shubert.com/>



“Live From New York’s 92nd Street Y”: 9/11 A Decade Later: Lessons Learned and Future Challenges

The 92nd Street Y's educational and cultural programming will be broadcast live via satellite to the Shubert Theater. Ten years since 9/11, the global war against terrorism continues. Is the United States safer today than it was ten years ago? Panel includes Donald Rumsfeld, Ari Fleischer, Michael Mukasey and Michael Medved. Thursday, September 8, 2011. For more information visit: <http://www.shubert.com/>