

The Taft Tidings

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Celebrating Green

Going Green: Water Conservation

I am sure you have noticed the constant initiative to go green everywhere around you. Well here at the Taft, we are taking steps to do our part too! We have put together a little brochure about water conservation for you to help us in our quest to become a more eco-friendly building.

It can be easy to get overwhelmed with all the "green" messages we see everyday, but it can be quite simple to begin making a positive impact. All we ask is that you help us try. The brochure should be a good place to start.

Everything we do has an impact on the planet—good or bad. We ask you to think about your choices. Embracing a "greener" life not only helps the planet, but can also mean improving your health, pad your bank account, and, ultimately, improving your overall quality of life.

Want a Little Extra Green?

The Taft Management Office is offering you a few ways to earn some extra Green to your favorite places around town.



Resident Referrals are your sure fire way of earning an easy \$25 gift certificate. It is our way of saying

thank you for enjoying your home enough to tell other people. Make sure your friend mentions your name or let us know in the office that you will be sending them down. **This includes referrals to our ever growing wait-list for summer occupancies.

Rate-your-Maintenance is the easiest way to get your name into win a quick \$25 gift certificate. Simply fill out the form attached to any work order you receive and return it to the office. It's that easy!

Go, Go, Go!

The Taft would like to ask our residents to take a few minutes to fill out the *New Haven Advocate's* "Best of New Haven" Reader's Poll! We believe the Taft deserves to be New Haven Advocate's Best Apartment Complex! However, we can only get there with your help!

You can fill out either a paper ballot, found in the office or online at www.newhavenadvocate.com. If you return the paper ballot to the office, we will mail it out for you, postage free. Don't forget - you must fill-in at least 20 categories for your vote to be counted!



Please take note: Your vote must be cast!

We know we have the best residents in all of New Haven, and therefore, we have no doubt that we should be rated number one also.

Special Points of Interest

- ♣ Keep an eye out for details regarding Resident Appreciation coming up in May! If we make #1 in the Best of Advocate—we will have even more to be thankful of!
- ♣ Did you see? The Recreation Center got new Carpeting! Just one more way we are trying to keep the building looking good for all of our wonderful residents.
- ♣ Not Tomato's has big plans for change coming up this month. Don't miss out on all of the excitement! Keep your eyes open for updates.
- ♣ We would love to have you stay! However, if you must leave, please do not forget to give us your 60-day move out notice.

Luck of the Irish

End Of The Rainbow

Need a place to store your extra pot o' gold? Well you are in luck; we have just the place! Come into the office and speak with James about renting out a storage bin. Bins starting at \$50/month.

Simple, easy, convenient storage, at low affordable prices.



Happy Saint Patrick's Day

Come out on Tuesday, March 10, 2009 from 2pm-4pm for some Pre-Saint Patrick's Day fun!

We will be passing out some complimentary refreshments and other goodies to get you ready for the Holiday. As well as, reminders and how-to's to vote your home the number one in all of New Haven.

Maintenance Corner

- ♣ Do not forget to Rate-Your-Maintenance! Our maintenance teams works hard to keep your home in great shape! Let them know what a good job they are doing. Meanwhile, you can earn yourself a \$25 gift certificate to one of the wonderful downtown shops.
- ♣ Try to have your maintenance requests in prior 1 pm to allow the team ample time to investigate the situation before leaving for the day.
- ♣ Have an Emergency? Call 250-3822. An emergency situation consists of the following: no water throughout the apartment, no heat on a day of extreme cold, clogged plumbing in an apartment with only one bathroom.
- ♣ Reminder lockouts are handled on a time-available basis. There is a \$25 charge. Call 250-3822.



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 6

Neighborhood Music School's Children's Concert Series

Robert the Guitar Guy. Parents and children alike will enjoy Robert's fun-filled performance which incorporates music, rhythm, movement, humor, role-playing, and props. Perfect for kindergarten and pre-school children. \$10.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for Children age 2 and older, and free for Children under 2. Proceeds will benefit the NMS Preschool and Toddler Programs. 4:00 pm. Neighborhood Music School, 100 Audubon St., New Haven 203-624-5189. www.nmsmusicschool.org

March 7

Eagle Watches on the Connecticut River

Each winter bald eagles make their way down the Connecticut River. Land-based guided tour of several sites along the river; bring binoculars. Followed by tavern luncheon. The Audubon Shop, 907 Boston Post Rd., Madison. Call ahead. \$20 (includes lunch) 203-245-9056.

March 13

Andy Sherwood's Dixieland Quartet

Tribute to the great tradition of New Orleans jazz featuring the illustrious musical standard selections of the Dixieland repertoire. Center for the Arts, 40 Railroad Avenue, Milford. 8:00 pm. \$12. 203-878-6647. www.milfordarts.org

March 15

Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade

This parade is Connecticut's largest single-day spectator event. It has received national recognition as part of the Library of Congress Local Legacies Project, which commemorates and celebrates America's richly diverse culture. Come enjoy marchers and musical units from all over. Free. Steps off from Boulevard and Chapel at 1:00pm. Reviewing stand on Church St, in front of New Haven City Hall. www.stpatricksdaysparade.org

March 21

On the Beautiful Blue Danube: Celebration of Hungarian Music at the Paul Mellon Arts Center

Hungarian Rhapsody by Franz Liszt; Hungarian Dances by Johannes Brahms; Two Pictures by Bela Bartok; Viragzas (in full flower); A falu tanca (Village dance) Traditional Hungarian Folk Music to be played. \$27 regular, \$22 seniors/students. 8:00 pm. Paul Mellon Arts Center, Main Theater, Wallingford. 203-697-2261. www.wallingfordsymphony.org

March 29

Sleeping Giant History-of-the-Giant Hike

Meeting place is at the bulletin board/kiosk near the park entrance. Wear comfortable, supportive shoes and dress for the weather. Bring snacks and water, and a camera if you wish. Free. 1:30pm. Sleeping Giant State Park, Mount Carmel Avenue, Hamden. 203-272-7841.

**February 18-
March 22**

Bad Dates at the Long Wharf Theatre

Warm-hearted comic look at the middle-aged romance and the perils of dating by Theresa Rebeck.

**March 17-
March 22**

STOMP at the Shubert Theater

This eight-member troupe uses everything but conventional percussion instruments - matchboxes, wooden poles, brooms, garbage cans, Zippo lighters, hubcaps - to fill the stage with magnificent rhythms.

**March 20-
April 11**

Notes from Underground at the Yale Repertory Theater

Adapted from the novel by Fyodor Dostoevsky by Robert Woodruff and Bill Camp Internationally-acclaimed director Robert Woodruff and OBIE Award-winning actor Bill Camp join forces to bring to life Notes from Underground-the revolutionary novel by Fyodor Dostoevsky, master author of Crime and Punishment and The Brothers Karamazov-in a world premiere production for the stage.