

# The Taft Apartments

The Sun Always Shines at the Taft - A New Haven Tradition Since 1912  
265 College St #2A, New Haven, CT 06510



September 2009

## The Taft Tidings

### Every Ending Has A New Beginning

#### Welcome Home

An official welcome home to many of our returning residents, and to those that have been away for the summer. The Taft team is very happy to see you all.

#### New Faces

We would like to introduce our two new Career High School student staff members. Erik Kennibrew and Onya Brown will be in the office learning the ropes, so feel free to stop down and introduce yourselves to them.

#### The Man

President William Taft's birthday is approaching once again. Come celebrate on Tuesday, September 15, 2009 from 2 - 4 in the Grand Lobby with some refreshments and Taft Trivia.

#### Long Weekend

We hope all of you will be taking advantage of the nice long weekend ahead of us. The office will be close on Monday, September 7, 2009. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 9 am. There will be a Service Assistant available to assist you with your packages and dry cleaning.

#### Time For Play

We all work so hard everyday, now it is getting close to the time to celebrate. While typically celebrated as the official end of summer, Labor Day originated in 1882 because the Central Labor Union of New York City sought to create "a day off for the working citizens". So relax, have some fun, and enjoy a day in the sun.

#### Remembering

This September 11 to remember the events of 8 years ago; the lives that were lost, the changes that occurred, and the hope we must maintain for the future. Celebrate Patriot Day in honor by displaying an American Flag and observing a moment of silence at 8:46 am.

#### Organization

Heading into the fall months its time yet again to make some changes in you home. Don't have enough space in your apartment to store the summer clothes or decorations? Come down to the office to inquire about storage! With facilities right in the building you will have 24/7 access to your belongings without the annoyance of them being in your way. Bins start at \$50/month.

#### Maintenance Corner

- We would like to take a minute to celebrate the Maintenance Team for doing such a great job this summer. It has been very busy with move-ins and -outs, as well as with typical everyday service requests. Yet, despite it all they have pulled through and kept the building in tip top shape! Thank you!
- Please take a moment to welcome out newest full-time Maintenance Team member, Eddie Vazquez. Having Eddie on as another full-time Maintenance Team Member will surely be a great asset to the building.
- How are we doing? Have you submitted a service request recently? Make sure to fill out your Rate-Your-Maintenance card after every service request and return it to the office for a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate to one of the Taft commercial tenants.
- This month's Rate-Your-Maintenance winner is David Andrieux.

## MAD LIB—Have some fun

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My Day at the Fun Park from camp my fabulous group went to a (an) \_\_\_\_\_ (adjective) amusement park. It was a fun park with lots of cool \_\_\_\_\_ (plural noun) and enjoyable play structures. When we got there my annoying counselor shouted loudly, "Everybody off the \_\_\_\_\_ (noun)." We all pushed out in a terrible hurry. My counselor handed out the yellow tickets, and we scurried in. I was so excited, I couldn't figure out what exciting thing to do first. I saw a scary roller coaster I really liked so I \_\_\_\_\_ (adverb) ran over to get in the long line that had about \_\_\_\_\_ (number) people in it. When I finally got on the roller coaster I was \_\_\_\_\_ (past tense verb). In fact I was so nervous my two knees were knocking together. This was the \_\_\_\_\_ ("est" adjective) ride I had ever been on! In about two minutes "Crank" ! went the grinding of the gears, and the ride began! When I got to the bottom I was a little \_\_\_\_\_ (past tense verb) but I was proud of myself. The rest of the day went \_\_\_\_\_ (adverb). It was a \_\_\_\_\_ (adjective) day at the fun park.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Chapel District's First Thursday Celebration**

September 3 \* till 8pm

Chapel District: Chapel, York, High, and College Streets

The Chapel Merchants Association presents First Thursdays. Come down and enjoy live-music performances and exciting promotions while shopping at great boutiques and dining at world-class restaurants. Happening the First of every month walk Chapel, York, High, and College Streets with stores open until at least 8pm. Call The Chapel Street Historic District at 203-773-9494 with any questions.

## **Summer's Last Roar: It's a Peabody Free Day!**

September 8 \* 10am-5pm

Peabody Museum - 170 Whitney Ave

The Peabody celebrates the end of the summer with a Free Admission Day offering guided tours, prizes and more. Visitors will have a chance to win prizes, touch fossils and other specimens, speak to docents and educators. Contact the Store for further details at 203-432-5050.

## **Main Stage Concert: CT Folk Festival & Green Expo**

September 12 \* 5pm-10pm \* \$15 - 50

Edgerton Park - 75 Cliff St

The CT Folk Festival & Green Expo Main Stage Concert in Edgerton Park brings a lineUp of extraordinary artists: Amos Lee, Caravan of Thieves, Jason Spooner Trio, Martyn Joseph, and local faves, The Professors of Bluegrass. For general admission, bring your own blanket or chair. There will be food vendors but bringing your own food is permitted.

## **1st Bicycle Leg of the Ride to End Hunger for DESK**

September 13 \* 9am-2pm \* \$10 - 35 Sports Haven - 600 Long Wharf

Bike New Haven on a leisurely, police-escorted, 10 mile group ride in support of DESK. See [www.ridetoendhunger.com](http://www.ridetoendhunger.com) for full info on parking and registration, and detailed maps. DESK has been serving record numbers of people as operating expenses continue to increase, and every bit helps to support their critical mission. You can always feel free to support without riding by attending the BBQ lunch after the ride—starting at 1pm—at the Elks Lodge for just \$10. The ride was organized with the support of Elm City Cycling. All ages welcome.



## **The Master Builder**

September 18 - October 10

University Theatre - 222 York St

The Yale Repertory Theater presents, in its first performance of the 2009-2010 school year, *The Master Builder*. The play by Henrik Ibsen is directed by Evan Yionoulis and translated by Paul Walsh. Halvard Solness, a brilliantly successful architect, has willed his unspoken desire into reality at every turn—but not without a price. Now he lives in fear that the next generation will rise up and cast him aside. When Hilda Wangen, a bewitching young woman, arrives to collect on a decade-old debt, she breathes new life into the Solness home but also rekindles painful memories. Will she help him reach the pinnacle, or will she be the one to finally knock the Master Builder from his tower?

## **Communicating Compassionately in a World of Conflict**

September 18 \* 8:40 - 4:30 \* \$99

Community Mediation, Inc. - 32 Elm St

Through this workshop you will learn to transform the thinking, language, and moralistic judgments that keep you from the enriching relationships that you dream of. Start to resolve conflicts with ease, get what you want without using demands, hear others needs with less struggle, strengthen your personal and professional relationships, and start living to your fullest potential. For more information please contact 203-782-3500.

## **16th Annual Mickey Pallotto Golf Tournament**

September 19 \* 12pm \* \$150

The Tradition Golf Club - 37 Harrison Rd, Wallingford

Annual Golf Tournament to benefit Leeway, CT's first and only nursing home for persons with HIV/AIDS. Shotgun start, golf cart, green fees, lunch, dinner, gift bag, awards. All ages welcome. For further information please contact the club at 203-865-0068.