

AT HOME WITH Graduate Apartments



A monthly newsletter for Yale Graduate Apartment Residents

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From Betsy's Desk

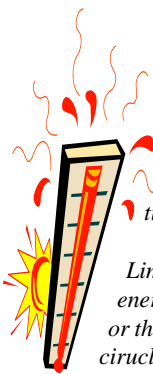
The first of August is the largest move-in time at the apartments. As it approaches I have taken a look back at what we have accomplished so far. We have worked diligently with a small summer crew and several contractors to do a myriad of work. The following is a brief recap: Apartments have been cleaned and painted, floors have been refinished and carpets steam cleaned. Some bathrooms were retiled and others will be left for the next phase of work. There have been improvements to the safety structures of the play areas. New play structures are on order and should arrive before the end of the month. Additional picnic tables and benches have also been ordered for Mansfield, Esplanade and Whitehall.

We are excited to announce that space has been allocated at Esplanade for use as a community room. The room is located in the rear of the A building. Renovations are scheduled to begin later this month. We will keep you posted as the work progresses.

The Graduate Housing Department has been working with a new management system called **The Housing Director**. As with all new systems, there are adjustment periods as well as glitches and we have had some issues. If you should find that your SFAS bill has an error, please email me so that I can research the problem and get it corrected. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated during this transition.

Parking Stickers The 2007/2008 parking stickers are available for those residents who park at the apartments. In order to receive your new sticker please bring a copy of your vehicle registration to the Graduate Apartments office. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The **2007/2008 Graduate Housing Handbook** is currently being updated and will be distributed to all residents the first week of September. The handbook is a collection of information that has been gathered to assist regarding apartment life and living in New Haven. Feel free to contact our office if you have information or suggestions that you would like to see included in the next handbook.



Keeping cool during a hot summer is not easily done.

The strain not only affects the residents. We have had numerous maintenance calls regarding refrigerators not cooling appropriately. Here are some tips that will allow your refrigerator to operate more efficiently.

Limit the number of times that the door is opened and closed. It takes a lot of energy to keep the condenser running efficiently. Also, don't overload the freezer or the refrigerator compartments. The air needs to be able to circulate and cannot do so with a fully packed unit.



Mosquito Precautions and West Nile Virus

Don't let mosquito's ruin your summer. With summer in full swing there is that risk for mosquito borne diseases such as West Nile Virus. Here are some basic measures to help reduce your risk.

* Remove all standing water in and around your home. Be especially aware of children's swimming pools. Water that remains stagnant for a few days can breed large populations of mosquitos.

* Be particularly careful when outdoors at dawn and dusk. These are the times when mosquitos are most active. Insect repellent products that contain DEET are most effective toward warding off mosquitos. Read the label carefully and apply according to instructions.

Yale and New Haven Information Fair

Tuesday, August 28th 2-4 p.m.
Courtyard Tent, Hall of Graduate Studies

All new Yale Graduate and Professional Students are invited to browse more than 75 display tables of various Yale Services such as health, parking, OISS, ITS, library, museum, student government, etc. and New Haven merchants such as banks, cell phones, arts, civic groups and city offices. Get free information & brochures, sign up for services, samples and prizes plus free refreshments!

New Resident Info

Residents who receive mail belonging to former residents should return it to the housing office as soon as possible to be forwarded.

All residents including partners and roommates should list their email addresses with our office.

Move in checklists should be returned to the housing office within one week after move in.

Residence Life

The Resident Coordinators are always available to answer any questions you may have. Feel free to contact them directly.

Whitehall...Chris Painter (515-3) and Becca Lloyd (543-3)
christopher.painter@yale.edu, becca.lloyd@gmail.com

Mansfield...Stephanie and Kevin Hove (297C) at
stephanie.blair@yale.edu

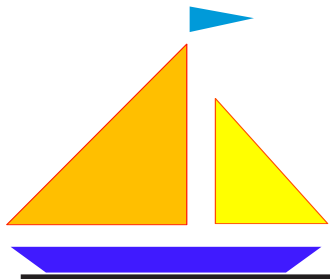
Esplanade...Christina and Michael Martinez (E5),
christina.martinez@yale.edu,
michael.martinez@quinnipiac.edu.

York Crown...Emmanuel Raymundo (313-21),
emmanuel.raymundo@yale.edu.

4 & 68 Mansfield...Sara Nichols (68-1R),
sara.nichols@yale.edu

Laundry Problems?

The Mac-Gray company is responsible for providing and servicing the laundry equipment all across campus including the apartments. They have just implemented a web-driven service request which allows residents the opportunity to request service on-line. To submit an on-line request visit www.macgray.com/laundrylinx. Telephone requests can also be placed by calling 1-800-Mac-Gray.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Blues Berries & Jam Noon - 2 p.m.			Summer Concert on the New Haven Green, Regina Belle
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			Blues Berries & Jam Noon - 2 p.m.			33rd Annual Milford Oyster Festival Pilot Pen Tennis
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Whitehall Ice Cream Social	Blues Berries & Jam Noon - 2 p.m.			Pilot Pen Tennis
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		New Student Orientation Esplanade Ice Cream Social	Blues Berries & Jam Noon - 2 p.m.			
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Things to do in August

8/1, Blues Berries & Jam, Every Wednesday from Noon - 2 p.m. on the New Haven Green, Bring your lunch and listen to live music. There is also fresh produce for sale at the Farmer's Market!

8/4 Summer Concert Series on the New Haven Green, Grab a blanket and picnic and head down to the New Haven Green The fun begins at 6 p.m. with up and coming opening artists followed by the headliner at approximately 8 p.m.

8/17-8/25, Pilot Pen Tennis, Connecticut Tennis Center, 45 Yale Avenue, 1-888-99-PILOT, A one week women's professional tennis featuring many of the top players in the world. Event also features many special events all week long like Kid's Day, Jazz Festival, interactive SportZone for kids and adults, sponsor give-aways, player autograph signing and much more!

8/18, Milford Oyster Festival, Started in 1975, the Milford Oyster Festival has grown into the largest one day festival in CT. Designed to raise money for and bring awareness to the local non-profit organizations through a festival that celebrates the important history the oyster industry once had on the city of Milford. Food, rides and games, classic car show, canoe races and lots more.

8/21, Whitehall Ice Cream Social, 6:30 p.m. Prospect Street courtyard

8/28, New Student Orientation, 2-4 p.m. Courtyard Tent, Hall of Graduate Studies, 320 York Street. Browse among 75 display tables. Get free information & brochures, sign up for services, samples and prizes. Free refreshments.

8/29, Esplanade Ice Cream Social, 6:30 p.m. picnic area between buildings B & C

