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Utopia is committed to providing its patients and their families with quality services that demonstrate compassion, professionalism and dedication to the highest standards. We pledge to honor the patients' rights at all times and to assist them in achieving as much independence as possible. We will treat them with dignity and care for them as we would wish to be cared for ourselves.
October 1, 2004

For Immediate Release:
Making Health Care Decisions about the Future – Now!

For further information:
Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, President
Tower One/Tower East
203.772.1816

New Haven – Elder Law and Estate Planning Attorney Mark Connell will present a series of four seminars in October and November at Tower One/Tower East that will explore planning ahead for mental and physical incapacity.

The series, held in conjunction with National Advanced Health Care Directives Month in October, is free and open to the public. Sessions will run from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Tower East Meeting Room, 18 Tower Lane, New Haven. Parking also is free on the Tower One Campus.

The series includes:
• Wednesday, Oct. 20, Health Care Directives and Organ Donation. Health care advance directives are documents that specify health care preferences in the case of incapacity. The program will include sample forms to help attendees start the planning process.
• Wednesday, Oct. 27, Durable Power of Attorney beyond health care decisions. The session will focus on an in-depth definition of Durable Power of Attorney, what it can do and what it cannot do. Then, the use of the Durable Power of Attorney will be contrasted with Living Trusts and Conservatorships.
• Wednesday, Nov. 3, Common Payment Sources for Long-term Care, including Medicare, Medicaid or Title 19, and Long Term Care insurance.
• Wednesday, Nov. 10, Estate Planning Strategies, with particular attention to some of the pitfalls that can be traps for the unwary, including the Connecticut Estate Tax and the dangers of not revising an estate plan when making an application for Medicare, Medicaid and other entitlement programs.

"These are important issues that affect not only our residents and their families, but the entire community," said Tower One/Tower East President Dorothy Giannini-Meyers. "We consider it an important part of our mission to offer programs of this nature to the community."

With 365 apartments, Tower One/Tower East is currently home to 400 residents aged 62 and older and provides its residents with independent housing plus a full-range of assisted living services as well as recreational, social and health support services tailored to each individual's needs.

For further information about the seminar series or the new assisted living apartments available at Tower One/Tower East, call 203.772.1816, ext. 250.

Reaching New Heights in Affordable Senior Living

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For immediate release:
New assisted living apartments
available at Tower One

For further information:
Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, President
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NEW HAVEN – Some 18 months after construction first began, residents have begun moving into newly renovated assisted living apartments at Tower One, the nonprofit, high-rise retirement community on the southern edge of downtown New Haven.

The first apartments ready for their new occupants are on the fourth floor of the 21-story tower; apartments on the third floor are expected to be ready within weeks. Upon completion, the renovation will include apartments on six floors.

Seniors interested in learning more about apartment availability and services offered should contact Tower One/Tower East for more information.

“We thought this was a day that would never come,” said Tower One/Tower East President Dorothy Giannini-Meyers. “But it has been well worth the wait. These beautiful apartments allow seniors to maintain an independent lifestyle at an affordable price. Assisted Living communities abound, but our affordability fills a tremendous void.”

The key to Tower One / Tower East’s affordability? Tower One / Tower East is funded in part by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD provides rental subsidies to seniors in need and has provided three grants exceeding $10 million for the current renovation project.

HUD’s first grant to Tower One of $4.79 million in 2000 was the largest of 13 assisted living conversion grants that HUD made nationwide that year. It was followed in 2001 by a subsequent grant of $3.3 million and in 2002 by the third grant of $2.8 million.

With 355 apartments, Tower One/Tower East is currently home to 400 residents aged 62 and older and provides its residents with independent living and assisted living options. The community also provides a full-range of recreational, social and health support services that are tailored to each individual’s needs.

The new apartments are fully accessible for assisted living with bathrooms, kitchens, hallways and doorways designed to accommodate residents who are ambulatory or use wheelchairs. The renovation also includes a lounge on each floor; construction of a new main entrance with updated security features and an addition to the main dining room; redirection of the driveways for better traffic flow and increased safety; and improvements to other areas such as the dining room, interior hallways and offices.

Some current residents who need the accessible features that the new apartments afford are moving into the units as they become available. However, there will be many apartments available to other seniors throughout the community.

Applications are now being accepted and a wait list developed for the new assisted living apartments. For further information or to schedule a tour, call 203.772.1816, ext. 250.
Media Alert:
DeLauro to celebrate Flag Day at Tower One/Tower East

Who:
U.S. Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, D-3
Richard Weiss, Chair of the Board of Directors, Tower One/Tower East
Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, President, Tower One/Tower East
Girl Scout Troop 7159, Prince Street School, New Haven
Residents, family members, and friends of Tower One/Tower East

What:
Flag presentation ceremony and flag-raising

When:
10 a.m., Monday, June 14, 2004

Where:
Tower One/Tower East
18 Tower Lane
New Haven, CT

Why:
To celebrate Flag Day across the generations, Girl Scouts will be led in flag-raising ceremony by veteran Leo Rosenfield, a resident of Tower One/Tower East.
To recognize Tower One/Tower East for its service to the senior community of New Haven County since 1961 and its position as a national leader in the provision of residential and social services to seniors.

How:
Following comments and presentation of the flag by Congresswoman DeLauro, members of Girl Scout Troop 7159, led by veteran Leo Rosenfield, will lower the old flag and raise the new flag at Tower One/Tower East. The brief ceremony will be followed by refreshments in the Tower East Meeting Room.

Contact:
Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, President
Tower One/Tower East
203.772.1816
towers.dgm@snet.net
March 1, 2005

For immediate release:
Residents at Tower One/Tower East
"good neighbors" to community, world

For further information:
Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, President
203.772.1816

New Haven — Those who think the senior citizens who reside at Tower One/Tower East fill their days only with craft projects, exercise classes, and board games couldn't be more wrong. The residents of Tower One/Tower East are among the first to rise to the occasion when members in the local or global community need their help.

Take, for example, the recent tsunami disaster in Southeast Asia. Tower One/Tower East residents loaned their support to global relief efforts by choosing two disaster relief organizations. They then collected donations from residents, their families and staff. Many small and some larger donations were put together and sent to the organizations.

During the winter holiday season, residents remembered those who are less fortunate by joining in a coat drive for a local homeless shelter. The warm winter coats that residents collected were picked up and delivered to the Columbus House Homeless Shelter by the owner of Sweet Relief Café in New Haven for distribution at the shelter.

Even though there is no formal "social responsibility" program at Tower One/Tower East, CEO Dorothy Giannini-Meyers notes that the seniors who reside in this residential community do what they can to maintain their connection to the wider community. "Community outreach efforts are extremely important to our residents who want to feel that they continue to make a difference and are able to help those in need in any way that they can," Giannini-Meyers said.

Other examples of community service programs supported by Tower One/Tower East residents and staff in recent months include participating in the Susan B. Komen breast cancer awareness "wear jeans to work" day, collections for the Connecticut Food Bank, and the Towers' ongoing program with New Haven's Welch Elementary School. Students from the elementary school visit the Towers monthly to participate in arts and crafts activities and to receive a little "grandparent" love.

Perhaps the most impressive community service activity supported by the residents is its very own Gift Shop. Residents are in charge of many of the aspects of
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  

NEW HAVEN

For further information contact:
Verna Nurick
Tower One / Tower East
203.772.1816
verna@towerone.org

May 2, 2005

Tower One / Tower East, a not-for-profit affordable senior independent &
assisted living community, is presenting an important program as a part of its
month-long observance of "Older American's Month."

"God Please Don't Let It Happen To Me" –
Preparing For End Of Life Decisions On Your Terms

Thursday evening, May 26, 2005 at 7 PM
Tower East Community Room

Tower One/Tower East is hosting a panel of experts representing the spiritual,
legal, and medical communities to address significant issues that have been in
the headlines and are now on many of our minds. Featured speakers include
Rabbi Herbert Brockman, Spiritual Leader of Congregation Mishkin Israel; Elder
Law Attorney, Mark R. Connell; and Geriatric Psychiatrist, Alan Siegal, M.D.
Each of the panelists will address preparing for end of life decisions from each of
their special perspectives. Call 203.772.1816, ext. 290 for more information.
Something is Cooking at Tower One/Tower East!

Tower One/Tower East recently started its bi-weekly cooking classes with residents in the new activities center in Tower One. Each class focuses on a different type of recipe (appetizer, entree, salad or even dessert.) Residents can share their favorite recipes or a selection is chosen from a cookbook. All of the class attendees help prepare the meal, or and yes…they get to enjoy eating their project! For information call Noella at 203-772-1816 x170.

Come join Tower One/Tower East for your First & Second Seders

Saturday, April 23 & Sunday, April 24

For information about costs & reservations, call Noella at 203-772-1816 x170
18 Tower Lane, New Haven

Premier Issue of ‘Chai Light’ on Jewish Family Service is Enclosed

Jewish Family Service of New Haven is pleased to announce its premier issue of its new agency newsletter, ‘Chai Light’, enclosed in this issue of Shalom New Haven). The newsletter covers all facets of Jewish Family Service and its programs. In addition, JFS is developing an email newsletter, which will be sent to constituents, affiliates and others in the local Jewish community. To subscribe to the JFS e-mail newsletter, please send an email to: subscribe@jfsnh.org

BEKI Names New Social Action Chair

Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel is pleased to announce its new social action chair, Dr. Jennifer Botwick. Dr. Botwick recently facilitated a successful social action informational brunch which introduced current and forthcoming Social Action/Tikkun Olam projects.

The BEKI Social Action/Tikkun Olam program welcomes your interest. For more information, please contact Dr. Botwick at 203-887-4824 or dbotwick@msn.com, subject: BEKI SATO.
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**Placow Scholarship Fund Benefits**

5, 2005 Laurel Platcow would and her 54th birthday. has been seven years since her , her memory is kept alive every of her scholarship recipients Goodwin-Levine Adult Day

[Image: Laurel Platcow]

- Platcow was a resident of New in the area. When she was not working, her time caring for children and was a nurturing person who loved self. Late in her life, she committed the study of the Jewish religion of Torah and, at the age of 45, a Mitzvah.

- Laurel Platcow devoted herself to volunteer her grandfather, Harry was a founder of the Jewish Aged, Laurel had become the Auxiliary of the Home and the Goodwin-Levine Center helped keep the office running.

- **Levine Day Health Center**
  - Goodwin-Levine Center, GLADHIC, the oldest continuously operating Health Centers in Connecticut, celebrating their 25th anniversary. Goodwin-Levine Adult Day Health certified medical model day centers. It has been recognized for its quality by peer review and area agencies on aging.

- Laurel Platcow served in Goodwin-Levine Adult Day Health Center. The population served is diverse, both culturally and medically. The program is also equipped to care for adults with cognitive deficits as well. The highly trained staff is able to provide a full range of service including personal care, medical monitoring and social, stimulating activities. Two meals are provided daily. Transportation is available in the Greater New Haven community and is included in the cost of $65 per day. Some clients qualify for scholarships or government assistance, but some do not qualify for any assistance at all. The Laurel Platcow Mitzvah Fund contributes scholarships to support or subsidize clients who cannot afford the number of sessions that would be best for them.

If you would like to honor the memory of Laurel Platcow and support the good work of the Goodwin-Levine Adult Day Health Center, you can make a tax-deductible contribution to the Laurel Platcow Mitzvah Fund, c/o Development Office, Jewish Home for the Aged, 169 Davenport Avenue, New Haven, CT 06519. For further information call Leslie Eudowe, Fund Administrator 203-789-1650 x256.

- Bezalel Academy of Art and Design in Jerusalem, commemorating Eishet Chayil, a Woman of Valor.

The ceremony concluded with a musical welcoming of the Sabbath. The guests were invited to partake in wonderful Kiddush that included a fabulous display of pastries and fresh baked, aromatic Challah, traditional Sabbath bread, from the kitchen of the Jewish Home for the Aged.

[Image: Women of Valor! above left: Beatrice Horowitz; top: Lucille Alderman; above Violet Ludwig. Missing from photo: Mark Blank and Sydney Perry]

**Towers Happenings**

Above - National Issues Discussion Group at the Towers

Every other Monday, Tower One/Tower East hosts Fred Maretz facilitating a discussion group called National Issues.

Fred leads a group of residents in discussion of related topics important to today’s times. Pictured (l - r) conversing after a recent group are Fred Maretz, Rosalyn Maginsky and Harold Levitz. For more information please call 772-1816 x170.

**Need a gift for Mother’s Day?!? VISIT OUR NEW GIFT SHOP!!!**

Above right - On Thursday, March 17, Tower One/Tower East Residents’ Association celebrated the Grand re-opening & dedication of the “Vine Gift Shop.” Pictured are Barry Vine and Towers’ Residents Association President, Rita Krevit. See the Gift Shop ad on page 18.
The Towers Celebrates Summer!
Recently the Tower One/Tower East Residents Association held their Annual SummerFest event. Pictured are Towers residents enjoying the evening with wonderful food and entertainment.

Having a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, celebrating a milestone occasion? Call to tour our newly renovated Tower One Dining Room and speak with our Dining Services Director for your next party. Phone 203 772-1816 x170 for more information.

Kosher dietary laws observed.

Towers Announces October Calendar

Wednesday, Oct. 6

Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 7:15pm Tower One/Tower East will host Dr. Barry Herman presenting “Jewish Landmarks in New Haven.”

Every Monday at 2pm

Every Monday afternoon at 2pm, the Towers residents enjoy their Yiddish Club. If you would like to be a guest speaker, please call Noella at 203 772-1816 x170.

Monday, Oct. 11

On Monday, Oct. 11, Tower One/Tower East presents a concert by the “Stardust Orchestra” in the new Tower One large Dining Room at 7:15pm. Come and reminisce some of the “oldies but goodies” tunes.

Tuesday, Oct. 19

On Tuesday, Oct. 19, the Towers will run a trip to the Log Cabin in Holyoke, Massachusetts.

SeniorNet Computer Learning Center

SeniorNet Computer Learning Center at Tower One/Tower East is starting enrollment of their computer classes.

Advanced Healthcare Directives Series

Starting Wednesday, Oct. 20th @ 6:30PM (and the next 3 consecutive Wednesdays (Oct. 27th, Nov. 3rd and 10th)) Tower One/Tower East will host an educational series covering the topic of “Advanced Healthcare Directives.” Attorney Mark Connell will present various topics related to Elder Law & Estate Planning strategies. To RSVP or more information on this series, please call Rebecca @ (203) 772-1816, x. 250.

For More Information on Events

To RSVP or more information, please call Noella at 203 772-1816 x170.

Shalom New Haven, October 2004
**Elder law attorney to discuss planning**

**NEW HAVEN** — Elder law and estate planning attorney Mark Connell is offering four free seminars for the public at Tower One-Tower East that will explore planning ahead for medical aid and personal incapacity.

Sessions will be 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Tower East meeting room, 18 Tower Lane. Parking is free on the Tower One campus.

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- Wednesday, focusing on an in-depth definition of durable power of attorney.
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- For more information, call 772-1816, ext. 250.

**Cell phones accepted for senior citizens**

ORANGE — The Orange Community Services Department at High Plain Community Center is asking for donations of cell phones.

The cell phones will be used to assist seniors who are in need of emergency contact.

The donations are taken at the Orange Community Services Office, 545 Orange Center Road. For details, call 576-1369

**Milford Land Trust provides memorials**

**MILFORD** — The Milford Land Trust is providing memorials for the non-profit Milford Land Conservancy's 35-year history.

To celebrate the milestone, the trust is offering donors the opportunity to honor a loved one or friends or support the land trust.

To donate online, email members@milfordlandtrust.org or get more information from the trust President John Gelzi, endocat at 860-344-1411.

**Technical school to hold open house, Nov. 17**

ANSONIA — Becton Regional Vocational Technical School will hold an open house from 6 to 8 p.m. at 1740 New Haven Ave.

Teens and adults are invited to speak with teachers and staff about the many vocations and training paths available at the school.

For information, call 279-7777 ext. 212.

**Shambhala lecture**

**NEW HAVEN** — The Haven Shambhala Meditation Group will present a free series of talks on Tibetan Buddhism as practiced in the Shambhala tradition.

The program kicks off at 7:30 p.m.

**ALL TALKS BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M. AND WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A MEDITATION SESSION. ALL TALKS WILL BE HELD AT THE NEW HAVEN ZEN CENTER, 145 MAINST. ST.**
Songs of holidays

The Unity Boys Choir of Greater New Haven entertains residents of Tower One/Tower East in New Haven last week.

New Haven Register Thursday December 23, 2004
Towers president receives award

NEW HAVEN — Dorothy Giannini-Meyes, president of Tower One/Tower East, received the 2004 Humanitarian Award given by the Connecticut Assisted Living Association at its annual membership meeting.

She is only the second recipient of the award. She has been a driving force in advancing senior issues on the state and national level. Under her leadership, Tower One received three grants exceeding $12 million from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development that provided for the conversion of six floors of apartments to affordable assisted living units.

Author to speak at Bikur Cholim

NEW HAVEN — Bikur Cholim Shevah Achim, 112 Marvel Road, New Haven, will host author and speaker Rabbi Moshe Meir Weiss as a scholar-in-residence on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 11-12.

Weiss, spiritual leader of Agudas Yisroel of Staten Island for 20 years, will speak on different aspects of “Being a Committed Jew in a Modern World.” His visit coincides with a Shabbaton at the synagogue for the senior class of Prospect Park Yeshiva.

Weiss is the author of “Passionate Judaism” and “Meaningful Living.”

For more information, call (203) 387-4699.

Poster exhibit on Reform Jewish life

SOUTHTON — Greater Southton Jewish Congregation will display the poster exhibit, "Reform Jewish Life in Israel," on Saturday, Feb. 12, from 2-4 p.m. at Memorial Hall at the First Congregational Church of Southton, located at 37 Main St.

Prior to the opening of the exhibit, Rabbi Elliot Stevens will lead an adult discussion about Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman’s book, "The Journey Home: Discovering the Deep Spiritual Wisdom of the Jewish Tradition," from 12-2 p.m., which will include a pot luck lunch.

Hosting the exhibit is part of Hineini, an initiative designed to promote religious life in Israel. The Greater Southton Jewish Congregation chose to join the Hineini project in 2004 by becoming a "builder congregation," and is assisting in raising the funds to help their Israeli sister congregation, Kahalat Yozma, located in Modi’in, Israel.

A brief video about the Hineini project will also be shown during the exhibit.

Come, visit us

you won’t be disappointed
HEALTHCARE FEATURE

Tower One's new assisted living apartments are open for viewing!

The team at Tower One/Tower East is working to make New Haven a beautiful, affordable and assistive community. Today, efforts are in progress to make residents feel at home and will give the public one of its first opportunities to tour the new studio and one-bedroom apartments.

Throughout the building, other improvements have been designed especially to meet seniors' unique needs and to help them remain as independent as possible. By October, our new entrance, which incorporates a large canopy so that residents can be picked up and dropped off while sheltered from inclement weather, will be complete," says Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, President and CEO of Tower One/Tower East.

"The lovely finishes on the new residential floors are warm cherry wood," she says. But the most important feature is the wet room and will give the public one of its first opportunities to tour the new studio and one-bedroom apartments.

Open in April, Tower One's large new dining room allows residents to socialize, relax and enjoy a three-course dinner. Residents can choose to either eat in the community kitchen or be served by an attentive, on-site staff. A brand-new call-for- help system not only permits residents to call for help 24 hours a day, but opens also opens direct communication with a staff member, who can be available 365 days a year.

By the end of 2004, all 60 of Tower One's new assisted living apartments should be ready for occupancy. "We are currently taking applications for apartments throughout the entire community," says Giannini-Meyers.

At Tower One, assisted living is designed to be affordable. For residents who require assistance, there are subsidies available. HUD provides help with housing costs and a State of Connecticut, program underwrites financial support for assisted living services.

While affordable, the new accommodations are also surprisingly elegant. "When people come to tour the newly rebuilt residential floors, they are favorably impressed," says Rebecca Goodman, Marketing/Admissions Manager for Tower One/Tower East. "The new and rebuilt sections of Tower One are a great senior housing community that also offers affordable assisted living services to the Greater New Haven community."

Open House, Sunday Sept. 19 1-3 p.m; or next Sunday, Sept. 26 1:30-3:30.

- Wendy L. Thomson
Making life easier

Tower One renovations nearly complete

NEW HAVEN — For months, the elderly residents of Tower One had to navigate their walkers and wheelchairs through a maze of construction workers, tools, and torn-up walls throughout the first floor of the building.

Now residents are seeing the results of a $12 million renovation of Tower One/Tower East, a senior housing complex at 15 Tower Lane, south of downtown.

Through federal grants, Tower One received a new dining room, new administrative offices, a new home for the health clinic and Utopia Assisted Living Services satellite office, and a new main entrance.

The federal grants — intended to boost assisted living services for the elderly — also covered renovations to 60 apartments on the second through seventh floors.

The renovated apartments will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis to applicants over 62 who need and request assisted living services.

By Maria Garagi
Register Staff

The complex has garnered awards by going beyond basic senior needs to offer services such as leather meals, free health screenings and a social activities coordinator, the two buildings needed some improvements, said marketing coordinator Rebecca Stockman-Obalski.

Built in 1971, Tower One is 11 years older than Tower East and has more residents, 211 in 21 floors, compared with Tower East’s 150 apartments in 12 stories.

All of the Tower East residents and nearly half of Tower One residents receive federal rental assistance.

That may have been a consideration for the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development, which funded the renovation.

The renovated apartments offer seniors greater safety and convenience. On the fourth floor, residents can now lean on halfway handrails and rest on hallway benches.

Inside the apartments, residents have lower counters, wall-mounted bathroom sinks and toilets, and a kitchen sink with a pull-out cabinet, so a resident can wash the dishes while sitting in a wheelchair.

Betty Clark watches as boxes of her possessions are delivered to her new apartment in Tower One. BELOW: The exterior of the breaking complex.

State Attorney General Blumenthal issued an order for the company to pause all work and will not begin again until a federal review is completed.

By Mark Reis

The ISO-New England has said it is looking at the possibility of a blackout in the state this year.

Independent contractors and power producers argued that the high costs and reliability of the state’s power plants are driving up rates.

ISO-NE was criticized for its handling of the issue, and its president, Bill Burris, said the agency will not be reduced.

The ISO has not yet set a date for when it will begin its review, but it will be in New Haven next week.

New Haven, Abba Corporation, Dtehachip, and the GE Energy Storage Center in Fair Haven, Yale University, and St. Raphael Hospital in New Haven, all of which serve as the site of the blackout, have all announced plans to provide a backup power source in the event of a blackout.

Stowe also said markets needed to ensure that power was available in the region.

Mechanical failures can occur and the point where the system was not designed to handle the load, can result in a blackout.

The blackout was due to a combination of factors, including an increase in electricity use, and a decrease in the availability of hydroelectric power.

But the state has not yet announced how it will handle the situation, and some experts believe it will be difficult to prevent another blackout without significant changes to the system.
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Check out the HN website!
Our website is up and running and the ad spaces are selling quickly. A presence on hospitalnewspapers.com will put your company in front of America's top medical professionals, nursing students and consumers looking for the best healthcare options in their state. Our website offers the most up-to-date medical coverage on the internet.
Assisted Living
New Futures For Seniors

Resident learns a new recipe in the Tower One/Tower East cooking class.

An intergenerational craft class at Tower One/Tower East in New Haven.
Residents at Tower One/Tower East "good neighbors"

NEW HAVEN - Those who think the senior citizens who reside at Tower One/Tower East fill their days only with craft projects, exercise classes, and card games couldn't be more wrong.

The residents of Tower One/Tower East are among the first to rise to the occasion when members of the local or global community need their help.

Take, for example, the recent tsunami disaster in Southeast Asia. Tower One/Tower East residents teamed their support to global relief efforts by choosing two disaster relief organizations. They then collected donations from residents, their families and staff. Many small and some larger donations were put together and sent to the organizations.

During the winter holiday season, residents remembered those who are less fortunate by filling in a coat drive for a local homeless shelter. The warm winter coats that residents collected were picked up and delivered to the Columbus House Homeless Shelter by the owner of Sweet Relief Cafe in New Haven for distribution at the shelter.

Perhaps the most impressive community service activity supported by the residents is its very own Gift Shop. Residents are in charge of many of the aspects of this "business," including merchandising, pricing, maintaining inventory, etc. Proceeds from the Gift Shop each month are donated to the Towers to purchase perishable and other necessary items for the Food Bank located on its campus and also help to support some of the Towers' activities.

Six floors of brand new assisted living apartments, made possible through a series of grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, were recently opened in Tower One. Seniors interested in one of the remaining assisted living apartments or one of the Towers' walk-supported "classic apartments" should contact Tower One/Tower East for reservation information now.

With 356 apartments, Tower One/Tower East is currently home to about 350 residents aged 62 and older. The Towers provide residents with independent housing plus a full-range of assisted living services as well as recreational, social and health support services that are tailored to each individual's needs. Applications are now being accepted for the new assisted living as well as the Tower's "classic" apartments. For further information, call 203.772.1816, ext. 250.
Towers Events for One and All

Towers of Service

Top: At the Tower One / Tower East Annual Meeting, several employees were acknowledged for their dedicated years of service on their milestones anniversaries (for the year 2004) ranging from five to fifteen years of working at the Towers. In the photo, Board members Richard Weiss, recognized Edith Peters, Karen Pervis, Safira Kimbrough, Helen Alland and Dorothy Currey-Meyers with “Years of Service” pins.

Question: Who’s Got the Button?

Above Center: Button! Button! Who’s Got the Button? Picture are Towers resident Jack port with fellow Towers residents and students from the Welsh Avenue Elementary School they made lapel buttons. The students come to the Towers to participate in arts and crafts activities frequently every month during the school year.

ig: Sean Beal

Recently, Tower One / Tower East hosted “The Stardusts,” an 18-piece orchestra performance for its residents. “The Stardusts” performed music from the Big Band Era, bringing back many fond memories for all.

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Tower One / Tower East Celebrates Sukkot!

Top: Rabbi Gerald Brieger of Temple Emanuel in Orange sings sukkot songs with the students of the Welch Annex Elementary School.

Above: The students visit the Tower's beautiful sukkah. During the year, the Welch Annex students also participate in arts and crafts projects with the Towers residents.

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**Happenings at The Towers**

for December:

- Sunday, Dec. 5th 12:00 - 3:00PM
  Towers Annual Holiday Crafts Fair
- Monday, Dec. 6th 7:15PM, Concert with Ron Starr
- Sunday, Dec. 12th 2:00PM, concert with George Gandy
- Monday, Dec. 13th, 4:00 - 6:00PM, Assisted Living Grand Opening & Dedication of Founders Entrance
- Monday, Dec. 20th 7:15PM, concert with Jim Sheehan
- Wednesday, Dec. 29th 7:15PM, Towers Residents Association New Year's Eve Party

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New Affordable Assisted Living Apartments

Room with a View at an Affordable Price!

New Assisted Living Apartments
From Tower One/Tower East,
Reaching New Heights in affordable Senior Living!

For rental information:
Rebecca Goodman-Olshansky, Admissions
203.772.1816 x. 250

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Reaching New Heights in Affordable Senior Living!
Towers Celebrates Thanksgiving with Interfaith Service

Tower One/Tower East held its Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service with readings of psalms, singing and sharing much to be thankful for.

Towers Residents, staff and Religious Leaders from the community participating in the service are (seated L-R) Lucy Kleyman, Harold Perlin, Dorothy Giannini-Meyers, (standing L-R) Bishop William Philpot, Sr., Ruth Twitty, Father James Richardson and Rabbi Richard Eisenberg.
New assisted living apartments opening in Tower One/Tower East

By Stacey Dresner

NEW HAVEN — After 15 months of renovations, Tower One/Tower East, a senior housing apartment community in New Haven, will complete 60 new assisted living apartments and a new "Founders' Entrance" by the end of the month.

The dedication of the new apartments and entrance will take place on Monday, Dec. 13, with a cocktail reception and program featuring speeches by Chairman of the Board Richard Weeks, New Haven Mayor John DeStefano, and Ray Rose DeLauria.

The renovations, which cost more than $1 million, were funded completely by three U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grants.

The renovations include a 5,000 square foot addition featuring a new lobby, administrative office space, and common improvements throughout the facility. The new Founder's Entrance, dedicated to Tower One/Tower East founders Linda Kender, Jim Vick, Lornor Wester, Barbara Honevelt and living teams, provides a larger, more accessible entrance that is shielded from the elements.

Dorothy Steinman Meyers, president of Tower One/Tower East, said that while assisted living residences are offered to any of the residents of the 358 Tower apartments, the 60 newly renovated apartments are more specifically for assisted living care.

"Assisted living is a philosophy that gives an older person, and their families, an opportunity to have some peace of mind and security in terms of when someone needs a little extra help, or a little bit of supervision," said Meyers.

Assisted living, Meyers added, allows "that they don't need to go to a nursing home or that they are not unsolved in their living environment.

There are 60 units of newly renovated assisted living apartments in Tower One. Three floors of the apartments are already completed and many of those apartments are occupied, while the apartment in three more floors should be completed by the end of December, Meyers said.

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Each of the newly renovated floors features a lounge for residents to use, with a full kitchen and bathrooms and washer and dryer. The hallways have wooden handrails throughout, designed to help residents get around more easily, and wider hallways for those with wheelchairs.

The new apartments, which are available in studios, deluxe studios and one-bedroom models, feature kitchens with stove, microwave, oven, sink and refrigerator, and bathrooms with fully accessible shower units.

“A lot of our residents have difficulty ambulating,” Meyers explained, “so we have walkways, some new wheelchair ramps, and our apartments on the upper floors — which we call our studio apartments — are lovely. They are spacious, they have beautiful views of the city of New Haven. But the bathrooms were small. They all had sinks in them, and we needed to create some spaces where residents who could not get in and out of halls easily, or needed the turning radius required for a wheelchair, could maneuver totally. That was the reason for the new apartments.”

Another of the important features at Tower One are the emergency calling systems that are available, provided by Lifepath Assisted Living. Each floor has a nurse and one staff on duty at all times to handle any health care emergencies or other medical needs residents may have.

The Hospital of St. Raphael also has a clinic on the premises.

These services mean a lot to residents like Molly and Ted Cates, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in their new home, decided last year to move into the Tower and have been living in one of the newly renovated assisted living apartments.

“Taking care of the house and cooking became very, very difficult,” explained Molly, 75, who added that her 87-year-old husband has taken a few times in their home.

“I could never lift him, and I need calling a neighbor,” she said. “When we moved here, I assumed they’d take care of everything, but they took care of me as well. I was able to move out of our own home, but we are satisfied with what we have given.”

The Cateses move from a two-bedroom unit to the new two-bedroom unit. They also have a sliding door that leads to the courtyard, making it possible for them to sit on their couch, enjoy the view and still be able to see their neighbors. And if they have medical problems or emergencies, they know who to call to help in minutes, pretty much. “Once you are here, you are safe,” she said.
Mitzvah of the Month

Tower One/Tower East is a senior housing community in New Haven with the mission to provide older people with a high quality, secure and affordable residence based upon Jewish values and traditions.

Did you know that...

- Many of the residents require government subsidy just to pay their rent.
- Approximately 50 residents don't have enough food and rely on a food pantry that distributes food only once a month.
- There is not enough food and the shelves are often nearly empty.
- Many residents can't easily get to a supermarket and rely on these donations.
- Many more residents are too proud to ask for help.
- The seniors living in Tower One/Tower East need our help.

The Or Shalom Social Action Committee is collecting non-perishable food to fill the shelves of the Tower One/Tower East food pantry. We are hoping you will help! Please bring the following items to Or Shalom by Sunday, April 17th. Baskets are in each Hebrew School classroom and in the closet by the front door.

We also need volunteers to help deliver the food to Tower One/Tower East on Sunday, April 17th, and to package and deliver to the residents. If you are able to help package and deliver please call Steve Greenberg (799-1592) or Josh Gold (874-5956).

The following is a suggested list of non-perishable items:
(low-fat and low sodium items are preferred; kosher is not required).

Instant Oatmeal
Pancake Mix
Cereals (Special K, Total, Corn Flakes)
Instant Coffee (decaffeinated and regular)
Macaroni and Cheese
Canned Soup (low in sodium)
Tuna (in water)
Peanut Butter
Jelly

Jars of Sauce
Canned Stews
Canned Pasta (Spaghetti O's)
Ketchup
Mustard
Boxes of Pasta
Cookies
Crackers
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- Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- Sunday: By Appointment

### Shopping Bus Schedule
- Walden's - East Haven: Monday, 8:30 a.m.
- Stop & Shop - East Haven: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 a.m.
- Stop & Shop - Hamden: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:45 a.m.
- Stop & Shop - Hamden: Friday, 9:30 a.m.
- Shaw's - New Haven: Friday, 8:00 a.m.

### The Dr. Milton and Gladys Gottfried Tower One/Tower East Health Center
- Tower One: Tuesday & Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- Tower East: Thursday, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### New Alliance Bank Hours
- Tuesday and Thursday: 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- Gift Shop Hours
- Monday - Saturday: 10:00 - 3:00 p.m.

### Dining Hours
- Tower One Residents: First Seating: 5:00 p.m.
- Second Seating: 6:30 p.m.

### Towor East Residents and Guests
To purchase meals, contact the Business Office, 203-772-8166 ext. 100.
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Senior Calendar of Events

**Sunday, September 12, 2004** Tower One/Tower East will kickoff National Assisted Living Week with an "Open House." 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM 18 Tower Lane, New Haven, CT 06519 PH:203-772-1816

**Monday, September 13, 2004** 7:00PM, Tower One/Tower East will host Utopia Assisted Living Services Agency lecture; topic: "Updates About Assisted Living/Everything You Should Know." For information call (203) 772-1816, ext.170

**Tuesday, September 14, 2004** Tower One/Tower East will host a statewide "Red Hat Society" Tea at 1:30PM. For information call Noella @ (203) 772-1816, ext.170.

**Wednesday, September 15, 2004** Tower One/Tower East will host People's Bank speaking on "Seniors & Finances." For information call (203) 772-1816, ext.170

**Sunday, September 19, 2004** 1:00PM - 3:00PM Tower One/Tower East will host a Gallery Opening & Cocktail Reception featuring the paintings of Elizabeth Kirby. Tours will be available to view apartments. For more information please call 203.772-1816.

**Sunday, September 26, 2004** 1:00PM - 3:00PM Tower One/Tower East will host a Sukkot Celebration with the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven Young Adult Leadership. For information call 203.772-1816

**Thursday October 28** - the 3rd Annual Community One Event will host "The Temptations" in concert at the Shubert Theater. Tickets may be purchased through Tower One/Tower East by calling Verna at (203) 772-1816, ext. 290.
We treat our residents like family... because they are.

Carol Zimmerman came to Tower One/Tower East 13 years ago at the recommendation of her doctor. It's an added benefit that she gets to see her daughter, Carol, on a daily basis when she comes to work. Carol is an assisted living aide at Utopia Assisted Living Services, a state licensed Assisted Living Service Agency (ALSA) that provides service to residents of the Towers. "I know eventually that she will need some type of assistance," Carol says. "It's good to know that there are people in the building twenty-four hours a day if she needs help. Plus, I get to have dinner with her in her apartment every night."

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National Israel Awards

Rabbi Steven Steinberg will be honored at the annual dinner of the Israel Day, May 22, at The Marriott York, President of the Young Israel of Brooklyn and the Young Israel of Stamford as vice-chair of the Council’s Board of Directors and served on the Board of United New Canaan and Darien for Nation’s “Super Sunday” for two years of Ami Women.

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Rabbi Steven Steinberg with his niece, Ruth, and daughter, Shira

Tower East

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www.towerone.org
Senior Clinic locations

- Crawford Manor city housing complex
ground floor, 90 Park Street (corner of
North Frontage Road), New Haven, CT
06511
- Edith Johnson Towers city housing com-
plex, 2nd floor, 114 Bristol Street (off
Dixwell Avenue), New Haven, CT 06511
- Ribicoff city housing, Apt. #120,
200 Brookside Street (West Rock),
New Haven, CT 06511
- Tower One, Apt. #104, 18 Tower Lane,
New Haven, CT 06511.

For more information,
call (203) 798-4200

or write:
Hospital of Saint Raphael
Project ElderCare
1450 Chapel Street
New Haven, CT 06511

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medically underserved
older population
Project ElderCare

As part of its mission, the Hospital of Saint Raphael strives to extend the walls of the hospital into the community to reach the underserved. Project ElderCare is a Saint Raphael’s outreach program, designed to help people 60 and older gain access to primary health care.

The program was developed after a 1986 report showed that many elderly in New Haven, Conn., suffered from an increased number of chronic illnesses, had poor mobility and function, experienced more frequent hospitalizations, and didn’t receive regular primary care.

Project ElderCare is an extension of Saint Raphael’s Primary Care Outpatient Clinic. The program is directed by the Hospital’s section chief of Geriatric Medicine.

Community Partnerships

The Hospital has partnered with city and private agencies to provide community-based Senior Clinics for elderly patients who have poor mobility and difficulty accessing transportation. Project ElderCare helps the patient develop a long-term relationship with a health care provider team. This team manages chronic medical problems, which helps reduce routine visits to the Emergency Department, as well as acute hospitalizations.

In addition, Project ElderCare provides on-site preventative health care, education, and social services to the underserved New Haven seniors.

If you need general medical care

Programs and services are available for patients who become Project ElderCare enrolled members. Enrolled members are patients who use the community-based Senior Clinic for their general medical care.

How does a patient become an enrolled member?

- The patient is evaluated by a doctor at the Hospital of Saint Raphael’s Outpatient Clinic.
- The geriatric team at the community-based Senior Clinic continues to provide the patient with general medical care. This team consists of a physician assistant, social worker, Hospital of Saint Raphael physicians and other hospital support staff.

Benefits for enrolled members

- Medical services including annual physical exam, treatment of non-emergency illnesses and injuries, immunizations, prescription renewals, follow-up hospital care and referrals to specialists.
- Social Services including psycho-social evaluation, individual and family counseling, case management, financial counseling, community resource referrals and advocacy.
- Transportation to and from Saint Raphael’s for non-emergency visits is provided when applicable.

Additional Services for all New Haven seniors

All New Haven Seniors are eligible for these services offered at the community-based Senior Clinics:

- Screenings for high blood pressure, diabetes, vision and hearing problems
- Podiatry (foot care)
- Educational programs for health promotion

Requirements

- New Haven residents
- 60 years of age or older
- Appointments are recommended, but not necessary.
Ophelia Empeleo-Frazier, GNP
ElderPrime Coordinator
(203) 737-2969
Ophelia is available on Tuesdays,
Wednesdays and Thursdays in
Room 106. Hours will be posted.

Courtney Lyder, ND, GNP, FAAN
ElderPrime Director
(203) 737-2351

Good health
makes the journey sweet,
no matter where you are
on the road of life.

Ophelia Empeleo-Frazier, MSN, C-GNP
Tower One/Tower East - Room 106
203-772-1816 ext 310

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What services can I expect as an ElderPrime member?

Members will have regular access to Program Coordinator Ophelia Empeio-Frazier, GNP, who will see patients in their apartments or her office and will even oversee care and serve as your advocate should you ever need to be hospitalized. Services include:

- Answering health questions.
- Conducting educational programs about hospital stays and the Patient's Bill of Rights.
- Providing follow-up care plans and visits after hospital discharge.
- Evaluating your home for safety and environmental concerns.
- Giving you information about your own health and steps you can take to improve it.

What is a GNP?

A GNP, or gerontological nurse practitioner, is a highly trained nurse, usually holding a master's degree. A GNP is trained in primary health care with an emphasis on the special wellness needs of elder adults. Nurse practitioners give physicals and prescribe medications. They are also very dedicated to caring for every patient as an individual and giving all their clients suggestions and information to help them maximize their own health.

Will I still be able to see my regular doctor?

Absolutely. ElderPrime is a supplement to the care that you already receive. It is not meant as a replacement.

Who are the staff members for ElderPrime?

Ophelia Empeio-Frazier, GNP, is a lecturer at the Yale University School of Nursing and coordinator of the ElderPrime Community Program. Ophelia holds a master of science degree in nursing from Yale. She studied gerontological nursing with a special emphasis on diabetes care. Before coming to the University, she worked for many years as a registered nurse at Yale-New Haven Hospital.

“I love working with older adults,” said Ophelia. “It gives me a real opportunity to make a difference, to help people live well and independently. And of course, my patients have such wisdom, so many interesting and different life stories to tell. I learn from every patient I see.”

Ophelia's work is directed by Dr. Courtney Lyder, an associate professor of nursing at Yale. Dr. Lyder is a fellow of the American Academy of Nursing, the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a nurse. He regularly consults with the federal government to raise the standard of care for older adults.
For more information or to sign up for these services please call 867-KIDS or visit your school nurse or School-Based Health Clinic.

- CT Dental Association
- CT Department of Public Health, Office of the Oral Health Director
- CT Department of Social Services
- The Hill Health Center
- New Haven Board of Education
- New Haven Health Department
- New Haven Dental Association
- New Haven Dental Hygienist Association
- University of New Haven

A mobile dental office for the children of Greater New Haven

Hospital of Saint Raphael Dental Van 598 George Street New Haven, CT 06511 203-867-KIDS
Are you on public assistance but can't find a dentist to treat your child? Has it been more than one year since your child last visited the dentist? Do you lack transportation or time to get your child to the dentist's office? Is your child fearful of going to the dentist?

If so, the Hospital of Saint Raphael Dental Van can help.

Our new mobile dental office will come to your child's school. We will offer the following services:

- Teeth cleaning
- Exams
- Fluoride treatments
- Sealants (to prevent cavities)
- Pain relief
- Fillings
- Simple extractions
- Mouthguards and sportsguards
- Other care as needed

WHO WE ARE

- Dentist
- Hygienist
- Assistant
- Van Driver/Security

Our staff are experienced in working with children. We offer a safe, secure and pleasant experience for your child.

Se habla español.

PAYMENT

We accept all state HUSKY plans (Title 19, Medicaid-Managed Care). If you are not eligible for a HUSKY plan, there is a sliding scale fee based on your ability to pay.
From the Director's Desk

William J. Speller
Director,
New Haven SeniorNet Learning Center

If you have any interest in SeniorNet, we have served over one thousand seniors in our four years of operation and I am delighted to have this opportunity to provide you with our current schedule of classes.

SeniorNet provides computer instruction geared to the needs of all seniors. If you wish to begin or further your computer education please consider taking one of the courses described within.

SeniorNet provides an intellectual experience that will open new vistas of opportunity for you. Our instructors provide quality computer instruction delivered at a reasonable pace in a supportive environment.

We have prepared this brochure to answer your questions about SeniorNet and the programs we currently offer, and to announce our Fall schedule of classes.

If you have any questions, please call us. You might even want to arrange to visit our modern computer classroom. We want to make sure that all your questions regarding SeniorNet, our classes and facilities are answered.

Please call 203-772-1816 ext 270 for information.

SeniorNet Membership Fees

You can join SeniorNet by calling 203-772-1816 ext 270, and requesting a membership form. SeniorNet membership fees are:

1-year $30
2-years $50
3-years $75

SeniorNet membership is required to take all courses described in this brochure with the exception of "Computers Can Be Fun!" which can be taken without becoming a member.

SeniorNet Sponsors

The New Haven SeniorNet Learning Center is sponsored by Tower One, Tower East, a HUD facility, SNET, The Hospital of St. Raphael, Microsoft and The IBM Corporation. Volunteer support is provided by RSVP, AmeriCorps-VISTA, and SAGE Services.
Introduction to Computers (ITC) (8 Sessions)
Prerequisite: Some basic computer skills
10/02/00-11/27/00 10:00AM - 1:00PM
10/04/00-11/22/00 10:00AM - 1:00PM

Windows 98 (WIN) (8 Sessions)
Prerequisite: Computer skills or the completion of Introduction to Computers
10/06/00-12/01/00 10:00AM - 1:00PM

Internet for Beginners (IFB) (1 Session)
Prerequisite: Some basic computer skills
9/11/00 10:00AM - 3:00PM

Word Processing (WP) (8 Sessions)
Prerequisite: Completion of Introduction to Computers
10/03/00-11/21/00 10:00AM - 1:00PM

What is SeniorNet?
SeniorNet is a national non-profit organization with membership open to anyone 50 years and older with an interest in computers. Typically, SeniorNet members use computer technology to increase their personal productivity and are eager to share their knowledge about computing with other seniors. SeniorNet operates SeniorNet Learning Centers across the nation.

Fall 2000 Course Schedule
All courses are one session per week

Computers Can Be Fun! (CCBF)
(3 Sessions)
No Prerequisite required
9/05/00-9/19/00 9:30AM - 12:30PM
6/00-9/20/00 9:30AM - 12:30PM
9/27/00-9/21/00 9:30AM - 12:30PM
9/28/00-9/22/00 9:30AM - 12:30PM

Quickens Workshop (QW)
(3 Sessions)
Prerequisite: Computer skills or the completion of Introduction to Computers
9/13/00-9/20/00 1:00PM - 4:00PM

Introduction to Graphics (ITG)
(8 Sessions)
Prerequisite: Some basic computer skills
10/03/00-11/21/00 4:00PM - 6:00PM

Introduction to the Internet (ITI)
(8 Sessions)
Prerequisite: Completion of Introduction to Computers
10/05/00-11/17/00 9:30AM - 12:30PM

What are SeniorNet Learning Centers?
SeniorNet Learning Centers are located in a variety of facilities across the nation, such as senior community centers, school and college campuses, hospitals and retirement homes. The New Haven SeniorNet Learning Center is housed in the Tower One/Tower East senior residence facility. Learning Centers are sponsored by local organizations that wish to enhance the lives of older adults in their communities. To learn more about the New Haven Learning Center, and our course and seminar schedule, please call 203-772-1819 ext 270.
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- **Wadsworth's - East Haven**: Monday, 8:00 a.m.
- **Stop & Shop - East Haven**: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 a.m.
- **Stop & Shop - Hamden**: Tuesday & Thursday, 9:45 a.m.
- **Stop & Shop - Hamden**: Friday, 9:45 a.m.
- **Stop & Shop - New Haven**: Friday, 9:45 a.m.

### New Alliance Bank Hours
- Tuesday and Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- Monday - Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Gift Shop Hours
- Monday - Saturday: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### Second Seating
- 6:00 p.m.
Reaching New Heights in Affordable Senior Living!

New Haven, Connecticut
That simple commandment, with which we all were raised, drives the vision and mission that makes Tower One/Tower East the retirement community of choice for seniors.

Here, our residents and their families have peace of mind knowing that our mission is to create a safe and secure environment for seniors dedicated to preserving and enhancing their dignity and personal independence. Every service that is offered, every activity that is planned, every renovation that is undertaken is done with that goal in mind.

Because as individuals, professionals, and as a faith-based organization, that's

That has been our mission since 1971. Affordable independent or assisted living. Round-the-clock staffing and security. An action-packed activities calendar. On-site health care programs with some of the best medical providers in the country. Wellness programs. It's all here at Tower One/Tower East.

As you make a decision about a retirement community for yourself, for a parent, or for a family member, perhaps it's most important that you hear from some of our residents. Let them tell you why they call Tower One/Tower East home.
Helen

Helen is quick and to the point about her reason for moving from a suburban continuing care facility to Tower One/Tower East: “The long and the short — it just got too expensive.”

A native of New Haven who spent most of her life in Old Lyme, Helen had long been familiar with the Towers through friends who had been residents. She chose Tower One for her home following a tour of the campus: she liked what she saw and she wanted to be close to her son and daughter-in-law, both of whom are tenured professors at nearby Yale University.

“That’s basically why I’m in New Haven. I want to be very near my family, who are only 10 minutes away.”

But there are other reasons besides location that keep Helen, a retired school teacher, at Tower One/Tower East. She

to give up this view. It makes you know there’s a God up there.”

She enjoys the diversity she encounters daily: “It’s interfaith, it’s interracial, and inter-generational, with residents from their 60s to their 90s. And the administration does a great job in keeping residents on the go and happy. Here, there are always a lot of people around. I’m more secure here than I would be anywhere else.”

Last, but certainly not least important to Helen, is the fact that she’s crazy about...
Rose moved from a downtown New Haven highrise when she became a resident of Tower One/Tower East in 1999. Facing steep, annual increases in rent, she moved to the Towers when the cost of living simply got too high in the apartment building she had called home for more than 5 years. A breast cancer survivor, she counts her blessings daily at Tower One/Tower East:

“I start the day thanking the Lord for my health and strength. I have a beautiful view every morning. If I get up early enough, I walk all over. I walk downtown and all around the buildings.”

Rose maintains an independent, active lifestyle at Tower One/Tower East. When learned at Tower One. She is an active member of her church, St. Martin DePorres Catholic Church, and travels with its gospel choir. She also participates in many activities on campus and particularly enjoys the arts and crafts sessions with the youngsters from a nearby elementary school.

“It’s nice and comfortable here,” says
From his fourteenth floor apartment, Abe says he enjoys "watching the ships in the harbor, the trains at the station, and the cars on the highway." When he is not enjoying the lively landscape that unfolds outside his window, he can be found engrossed in his huge stamp collection — Abe has been an avid philatelist for decades. Or, he might be busy planning his next trip.

He and his wife cultivated a love of travel years ago, taking a trip a year to places like Australia, the Fiji Islands, and Israel, where he is planning his tenth visit. Some time after the death of his wife, Abe says it was his daughter who suggested the move to Tower One/Tower East: "I was living alone after my wife died, and my daughter figured I would be better off here. I was in my own house for a couple of years and I wasn't involved in anything."

That's certainly not the case at Tower

regular at movies and concerts, and a weekly attendee at The Towers' religious services. He also regularly attends services at West Haven's Congregation Sinai and The Woodmont Synagogue of Milford.

Abe admits to the fact that he's not much of a cook, so it's a real benefit that his dinners are prepared in Tower One's Kosher kitchen.

Living at Tower One gives him just the right blend of security and independence. "With my own car, I can go where I want," he says, including trips to the
Tower One/Tower East

Services & Amenities

Tower One/Tower East is a non-profit organization created to provide affordable housing for seniors. Residents enjoy all of the amenities found at luxury retirement communities for a fraction of the cost.

- Comfortable Studios, 1-Bedroom Apartments
- Fine Dining*
- Kosher Meals
- Coffee Shoppe
- On-site Primary Care
- Assisted Living Services
- Free Health Screenings
- Wellness Programs
- Social Service Coordinators
- Utilities Paid**
- Housekeeping
- Laundry Facilities/Service
- Emergency Call System
- Smoke Detectors/Sprinkler System
- Controlled Access/24-Hour Security
- Daily Safety Checks ("I'm OK")
- Bank branch
- Convenience Store
- Cultural and Recreational Activities
- Religious Services
- Pets***
- Landscaped Grounds
- Elevators
- Library
- Computer Learning Center
- Arts and Crafts Center
- Gift Shop
- Resident Association
- Guest Speakers/Demonstrations
- Reserved Parking

*Dinner included in Tower One rental and at a nominal fee in Tower East.
**Except phone and cable in Tower One; except phone, cable and electric in Tower East.
***Up to 35 pounds.
Gary

A resident of Tower East since 1990, Gary qualifies as a "veteran" of this retirement community. When his son was just a boy, Gary and he would visit the Tower One construction site. He clearly remembers saying to his son: "Wasn't it nice to know they were taking care of seniors. And now, here I am."

After his wife entered a convalescent home, his son suggested that he would be better off surrounded by others than to be alone. And so Gary moved in and has lived here happily ever after.

His days are filled with Biblical studies, a regular prayer schedule, the study of languages (he is fluent in five), music and books. The interests he had as a young man — Gary was six months away from entering the priesthood and spent much of his career in the acquisitions department of Yale University's Sterling Memorial Library — continue to fill his time later in life. He also is a regular columnist to the Buzz, the resident-produced newsletter of the community.

"I don't have any problems filling my time," he says, "I'm still independent enough to do my own cooking and to get around."

His advice to others considering a move to a retirement community?

"What are you looking for? What are your needs? Here, you have companionship at your disposal and a staff that is oriented to serving you. This works out fine for me. It's been just great."
A Room with a View
At an Affordable Price!
Tower One/Tower East
Reaching New Heights in Affordable Senior Living!

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EXHIBIT 2 (b)  A description of your efforts to involve elderly persons, including minority elderly persons and persons with disabilities in:

(i) The development of the application;
(ii) The development of the ALF operating philosophy;
(iii) The review of this application prior to submission to HUD; and
(iv) Your intent to involve elderly persons in the operation of the project.

Also demonstrate that you made the application available to the residents of the project (in their language(s)) AND that you requested and considered comments from them (in their language(s)). Applicants of converted commercial facilities should indicate the application will be made to the residents of the project in their language(s) and will request and consider comments in their language(s).

(i) The development of the application

The Board of Directors and various Board Committees have been involved in the development of this ALCP project's application. Three residents of Tower One are elected to the Board of Directors every year; there is also resident representation on board committees. In preparation of this application, the Board of Directors and various committees have held numerous meetings to discuss details and plan for the proposed ALCP project. Four residents, including the President of the Residents' Association, are members of the Facilities Committee. This committee is responsible for oversight of the physical plant and has provided information for this segment of this application. Two residents are members of the Program and Services Committee. This committee has provided input for the areas of this application that pertain to this project's resident programs and services.

The attached notes and meeting minutes detail our resident and elder involvement in the development of the application.

(ii) The development of the ALF operating philosophy

The operating philosophy of the Assisted Living Facility is drawn directly from the mission statement, which was approved by the Board of Directors. In 1990 the mission statement was changed and expanded. While it continues to reflect a commitment to provide quality and affordable housing, a resolution was made to provide a full continuum of supportive services which would support residents' desire to maintain their independence. The mission statement was revised again in 1998 to affirm the cultural philosophy of the project. The three Tower One Resident representatives serving on the Tower One Board of Directors participated in the approval of the following mission statement.
The mission of Tower One is to provide older persons with a high quality, secure and affordable residence offering a wide range of activities and social and health maintenance services based upon Jewish values and traditions.

Tower One strives to create and maintain a compassionate and supportive community in an atmosphere of dignity, respect and cooperation enabling and assisting elders to preserve their independence in the privacy of their own homes. Tower One is not-for-profit and non-denominational.

(iii) The review of this application

Tower One’s Board of Directors and the various board committees meet regularly with Tower One’s Management to discuss issues related to the operation of the facility. An integral part of formulating this application has included sharing it with committee members to review, and the incorporation of their comments and ideas. Attached please find meeting notes and minutes from the Facility Committee meeting as evidence of their involvement.

(iv) Your intent to involve elderly persons in the operation of the project

Tower One will continue to involve elderly residents in the operation of the project. The Board of Directors, the Facility Committee and Program and Services Committee of Tower One, all of which include residents, have been actively involved in creating this application and will continue to be involved in the development and operation of this project. Resident participation and involvement is assured through the By-Laws of the New Haven Jewish Community Council Housing Corp., Inc., a/k/a Tower One. These By-Laws stipulate that three residents of Tower One are to be elected each year to represent the Tower One resident population on the Board of Directors. Additionally, two residents of Tower East are elected to represent residents of the Tower East Facility. Five members of the twenty-eight member board are elderly residents. The leadership of the Board of Directors supports this commitment to maintain resident representation as mandated by the By-Laws and values the insight provided to the Board by resident member participation.

As evidence of their commitment to elderly resident participation in the operation of this project, Tower One has included a Certification to involve elderly persons, including minority elderly persons, in the operation of the project attached to this exhibit.
Certification of Intent to Involve Elders including Minority Elders and Persons with Disabilities in the Operations of the Project.

New Haven Jewish Community Council Housing Corporation certifies that it will involve elders including minority elders and persons with disabilities in the Operations of the Project.

[Signature]

Signature of Authorized Representative
New Haven Jewish Community Council Housing Corp.

Applicant Organization

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Title

May 24, 2005
Date

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AGENDA

I. Call to order

II. Approve minutes of January 12, 2005 meeting

III. Strategic Planning
    a. Revised Mission Statement for discussion and approval
    b. Strategic Planning progress

IV. Facilities Committee
    a. Assisted Living Conversion Program – Recommendation to approve submitting proposal for 2005 HUD Assisted Living Conversion Program

V. Community One

VI. Questions or comments regarding any minutes of committee meetings

VII. Association of Jewish Aging Services (AJAS) Annual Meeting and Conference Report (attached)

VIII. Other business

IX. Next meeting dates: May 11 at 7:15 and July 13 at 7:15

X. Adjourn
May is Older Americans Month

In 1963 President John F. Kennedy designated May as Senior Citizens Month to encourage our country to pay tribute to older people in the United States. In 1980 President Jimmy Carter changed the name to Older Americans Month. It is still a time to celebrate all people over 65, and how important this group of people is to all communities.

The Towers community benefits in a number of ways from the resources that the population of older adults bring to us. Many residents as well as older adults who do not live here, provide many hours of volunteer work that is very important to our organization. In addition, all of our lives are enhanced by older Americans as they share their knowledge of cultures, values and life experiences throughout the Towers community.

This year’s theme for Older American’s Month is Working Together for Strong, Healthy and Supportive Communities. Bringing attention to the unique health and long-term care challenges that older citizens face is important for all communities, but especially for the Towers. It is important that all of us: residents, family members, volunteers, and staff of the Towers work to continue to create opportunities for personal growth, spirituality, making contributions, and enjoying relationships. Ensuring that appropriate healthcare and personal services are available is crucial as well. The mission of the Towers is “to provide older persons of varying means with high quality living arrangements and services...” May is Older Americans month; at the Towers we honor Older Americans everyday.

Resident Art Work Exhibit

There are two art classes offered to Tower One/Tower East residents each week. One is a watercolor painting class, taught by artist Denisa Gentile. The class takes place each Wednesday morning in the second floor lounge in Tower One. The other class is taught by Dorothy Powers. Dorothy is an artist herself, and in addition has many years of art therapy experience. She uses a variety of media in her class which is held Thursday afternoon in the Activity Room on the first floor of Tower One. Some resident artists attend both classes all of the time, others choose one class. All are passionate about their work, and the opportunity to be creative.

The opening of our Resident Art Exhibit will be part of the Rosa DeLauro Tribute on May 4. The show will hang through the summer; please don’t miss it. Some of the artists are willing to sell their work, others are not. If you are interested in purchasing a piece of art, you can contact Gail Ford at 772-1816.
Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, Friend of Tower One / Tower East to be Honored Sunday
May 4

submitted by Tower One / Tower East

It is with great pleasure that Peter Newman and Ted Schaffer co-chairs announce Tower One/Tower East's tribute reception that will honor our valued friend, Congresswoman Rosa L. DeLauro. We are calling on you to help make this event a great and successful one.

With your help we can both honor Rosa and raise the funds needed that will allow us to keep our covenant to continue to offer our residents opportunities for enriched and meaningful lives. All of our special programs and services are not funded by residents' rent or any publicly sponsored programs, thus, the funds we raise through this event will help to greatly enhance the lives of everyone who calls the Towers their home.

Over the course of her years in Congress, Rosa has been a champion of the Towers’ mission and an advocate for preserving and enhancing the financial, social, and spiritual well-being of our aging population. She has assisted the Towers’ efforts numerous times to obtain the Federal funds needed to make necessary improvements to our physical environment as well as personally supporting our efforts to educate our residents on current policies regarding access to affordable entitlement programs. Her support and interest has helped the Towers to continue to grow and to serve older adults in more meaningful ways.

We hope that you will join us as we plan a memorable reception that will highlight Rosa DeLauro’s commitment and service not only to the Towers, but for the benefit of all older adults. Please help make this a success by planning to join us as we celebrate Rosa and the Towers.

Israeli Writer Etgar Keret To Speak At Slifka Center

A talk by acclaimed Israeli writer Etgar Keret will take place at the Joseph Slifka Center for Jewish Life at Yale, 80 Wall Street, New Haven on Wednesday, April 30, at 4:30 p.m. A reception will be held after the talk. The talk is co-sponsored by the Slifka Center, Israel@sixty and the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven.

Keret is an Israeli writer residing in Tel Aviv. Most of his work is focused on short stories, as well as writing for television. His lean, cool writing is said to be characteristic of a whole generation of Israeli writers, especially the literature created in Israel during the second half of the 1990s. Keret is the author of three bestselling story collections, one novella, three graphic novels, and a children's book. His fiction has been translated into sixteen languages and has been the basis for more than forty short films.

He published Pipelines and Gaza Blues, several more books, a comic book, "Nobody Said It Was Going to Be Fun", in collaboration with Rutu Modan. He wrote for the Israeli television show, "The Cameri Quinter" for its first three seasons and, in 1993, won first prize in the Alternative Theater Festival in Akko for "Entebbe A Musical" which he wrote with Jonathan Bar Giora. The short film, "Skin Deep" ("Malka Lev Adom"), which he wrote and directed with Ron Tal, won the Israeli Film Academy prize and first place in the Munich International Festival of Film Schools (1996). In Israel, Keret also won the Prime Minister's Prize for Literature and the Ministry of Culture's Cinema Prize. Keret lectures in the film school of Tel Aviv University. His story, "Siren", deals with the contradictions in the current Israeli situation. His novella, titled Kneller's Happy Campers, has been adapted by director Goran Dukic into a feature-length film called, "Writersroom: A Love Story," which premiered at the 2006 Sundance film festival.

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Towers to Honor Volunteers April 6

On Sunday, April 6, Tower One / Tower East will celebrate National Volunteer month by recognizing the many residents and people in the Greater New Haven community who volunteer at the Towers. The tradition of volunteering has made an immeasurable impact on communities, organizations and individuals. Tower One / Tower East has an active, dynamic, and creative volunteer community. These special individuals possess the skills, desire, patience, and time to accomplish a wide variety of tasks.

The Towers is most fortunate in having both volunteers who come to share their time regularly to do a wide variety of programs and activities and an extraordinary core of volunteers that live in the Towers who do many projects.

In addition, on this day the Towers will be honoring two special people from the community. Malka Katz for her program, “Stories from the past with Malka.” Katz’s immeasurable wisdom and enthusiasm in facilitating the program is enjoyed by many of our residents. Betsy Stern will be honored for facilitating the Book Club for the Towers residents, for her volunteerism in assisting in staff training for Towers employees and her contributions as a committee member on the Towers Resident Activities Committee and Food Committee.

Jackie Curl Joins Towers Staff

Jackie Curl, RN, is now the Director of Resident Services at Tower One / Tower East in New Haven. Jackie comes to The Towers from Utopia Assisted Living, Inc where she was the Director of Clinical Services. Curl has been working with the senior population in the community setting for the past ten years. She received her education at SUNY Albany and maintains licensure as a
Irving Enson Lecture, April 10: Memory Loss: When it Matters and When it Doesn’t

The Jewish Home for the Aged and Tower One Tower East will combine efforts with the Hospital of St. Raphael to present this year’s lecture of the Irving Enson Lecture Series. Dr. Gerard Kerins will be the guest speaker. His timely topic, “Memory Loss: When it Matters and When it Doesn’t” will explain the difference between memory glitches and memory problems.

This year’s Enson Lecture will take place on Thursday evening, April 10, 2008 at the Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven in Woodbridge.

The Lecture Series honors the memory of Irving Enson, beloved supporter of aging services. Enson, a respected local businessman and revered leader in the Jewish community, served as Chair of the New Haven Jewish Community Council (forerunner of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven). He also served as Board Chair for the Jewish Home for the Aged and as a founder and Board Chair of Tower One.

The Jewish Home for the Aged and Tower One/Tower East serve as partners in eldercare throughout the Greater New Haven community. Through the Enson Lecture, they join to bring aging issues to the forefront. The Jewish Home for the Aged is a residential skilled nursing provider with community outreach services including the Goodwin-Levine Adult Day Health Center and the Pearl Rosenstein Center for Rehabilitation. Award winning Tower One/Tower East offers affordable independent and assisted senior living on its beautiful downtown campus.

The event is open to the public. Please phone ahead for reservations to either The Jewish home at 203-789-1650 or the Towers at 203-772-1816.

Bud Lish Photography Exhibit, The Art of Aging, to Open April 6 at Towers

Bud Lish discovered photography more than 60 years ago. Currently a resident at Tower One/Tower East, Lish has regained his passion for his craft motivated largely by the regal, proud, and noble community he has called home for several years. The Towers will be hosting the opening of a permanent collection of his work on Sunday, April 6, 2008 at 11:00 am in the Tower East Community Room.

Lish feels that, “The Art of Aging with dignity is an art indeed. This collection endeavors to capture that sense of dignity. Inspired by Tower One/Tower East, I resumed my interest in photography, after a 30 years hiatus. The idea was to explore why the Towers is so successful in preserving that feeling – that we are family and this is truly our home. I sincerely hope to have done just that.

“In my travels for business and pleasure, I had the opportunity to take many photographs. When I showed my work to the Photographic Society of America they encouraged me to go further. Having exhibited in national and international salons, I became a four-star exhibitor.
Report from Chairman of the Board and President
October 2007

We are proud and honored to report that our vibrant and successful Towers community is flourishing. This report represents an overview of the endeavors, opportunities for growth and development and challenges encountered by the Towers organization during the 2006-2007 fiscal-year. While touching on the highlights, it does not begin to represent the level of dedication and hard work on the part of so many people that goes into providing the safe harbor, life-affirming and enriching community that the residents and their families rely on twenty-four hours each day, seven days of each week.

The July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 fiscal year ended with Tower One and Tower East both enjoying strong fiscal and operational conditions. Financial and business operations continue to become more demanding and complex as more layers of compliance are required. Fortunately our dedicated finance and business staff are meeting these new challenges.

The physical plants of both buildings underwent major infrastructure improvements. Rebuilding the eighth, ninth and tenth floors of Tower One has just been completed. The eight apartments on each floor have proven to be so desirable that all twenty-four were spoken for prior to construction completion and our new neighbors are moving in now. In Tower East all windows were replaced and repointing on the exterior of the building was completed. Hallways throughout were painted and new carpeting was installed. Ongoing preventive maintenance and rehabilitation of apartments prior to new residents taking occupancy keeps both buildings in superb condition.

While taking care of our buildings and grounds is important, we are told that where we really shine is taking care of people. We maintain laser-like focus on quality service; whether service is provided by staff that are directly in the Towers employ or by one or more of our associate organizations - our standards prevail. In addition to physical care and standard type of activities residents are offered more intellectually stimulating leisure time opportunities such as creative writing, art classes.