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Saint Raphael's new apothecary pharmacy welcomes neighbors, the public

Earlier this year, **Saint Raphael's opened a "therapeutic" pharmacy**—meaning one that only sells prescription and over-the-counter medications—as a convenient service for patients being discharged, patients seeing physicians in nearby medical offices, and our staff. It's also a convenient option for our neighbors and people who work in the neighborhood—to stop by and check it out!

Because Saint Raphael's buys the medications through a large national purchasing organization, prices are competitive with large chain drug stores. So you get good pricing, and exceptional, personal customer service too.

The pharmacy is located right next to our cafeteria on the first floor of the Verdi Memorial Building (just a few yards to the left when you use our Chapel Street entrance). It's open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is closed Sunday.

Called the "Apothecary and Wellness Center," it offers a personal, caring environment that features a private counseling room where patients can discuss medication needs with our experienced, knowledgeable pharmacists, **Renee Havriliak and Christine Stella.**

Both are certified as geriatric pharmacists, so are an excellent resource for seniors making Medicare Part D prescription coverage decisions.

The pharmacy accepts all major commercial medical insurance plans, as well as government-sponsored plans such as Medicare, HUSKY, SAGA, and The community Health Network. It is

expecting its Medicaid license soon, and will then accept those prescriptions as well. Costs beyond what insurance covers can be paid by cash, personal check, or major credit card.

Persons interested in transferring existing prescriptions to Saint Raphael's apothecary pharmacy just need to ask their physician or other care provider to fax or call in the prescription, or bring in an original prescription form from their doctor. **The pharmacy's phone number is (203) 789-4076. Its fax number is (203) 867-5593.**



Ribbon-cutting for St. Raphael's new pharmacy. (March 2007)

The apothecary pharmacy is expected to eventually carry durable medical equipment. Although it does not sell candy, magazines, flowers, or gifts, Saint Raphael's Glass Door Gift Shop is just down the hall. So visit this end of Chapel Street, get your prescription filled, and while you wait, enjoy a snack in our cafeteria or from our coffee bar, and do some shopping in the Gift Shop!

The Yale Update

Recycled materials have taken on a whole new look at **the new sculpture building on Howe Street**—paneling in the building is made from 100% post consumer recycled newspapers. When you look up, you may see green—the roof of the Gallery houses growing grasses!

As part of Yale's sustainability initiative, the Sculpture Building was designed by the architects at **Kieran Timberlake Associates** with an emphasis on its environmental sustainability. During construction, priority was given to utilizing sustainable design features such as energy efficiency, locally manufactured materials, easily accessible location, and water and waste management. Where possible, locally manufactured materials and products were chosen: 51% of materials were assembled and 78% were harvested within 500 miles. Because of these elements, the Building is under consideration for **LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)** certification and is expected to achieve a Gold rating.

Keeping with the theme of sustainability and urban design, on view at the Gallery, with an entrance on Edgewood, is an exhibition hosted by the **School of Art and Architecture** entitled "**A Field Guide to Sprawl**", featuring images of photo-



The Sculpture Gallery on Edgewood is currently exhibiting "**A Field Guide to Sprawl**" which is free and open to the public.

journalist **Jim Wark** along with the text of **Dolores Hayden**, a Yale professor of Architecture and American Studio.

While the Sculpture Building is currently housing the Yale School of Architecture, both the graduate and undergraduate Sculpture programs are expected to move in around mid-2008. Until then, upcoming exhibits open to the public and presented by the School of Architecture include "**Ecology. Design. Synergy**" and "**Painting the Glass House: Artists Revisit Modern Architecture**", as well as a year-end exhibition of student

work in late May 2008. There are ongoing exhibits at both the **Yale Art Gallery** and **the Yale Center for British Art**, which are free and open to the public. They both stay open until 8pm the first Thursday of every month.

Yale University thanks all the Chapel West leaders and members who supported this project from its inception, through construction, through to its opening as a dynamic new addition to the district.

Shana Schneider

Meet your Neighbor... Papa's store still in family, 90 years later

Cara Baruzzi

New Haven Register (with permission)

In 1917, When customers could buy three dozen oranges for \$1 and a watermelon for less than 50 cents, John Papa opened a produce stand next to a supermarket, aiming to launch a business by selling items the grocery store did not.

"He knew we were going to go on for a good many years," said John Papa's son, Arthur Papa.

The business' founder was right: **Papa & Sons open-air market, at 1385 Chapel St., is celebrating its 90th anniversary.**

John Papa opened the business, with the help of wife, Lucy, on Grand Avenue in Fair Haven in 1917. It has been at 1385 Chapel St. since 1938.

Originally, he opened the business near a neighboring A&P supermarket. He sold mainly produce, having noticed that the supermarket did not sell fruits and vegetables.

Eventually, John's sons, Arthur and Stephen Papa—the latter was a longtime city leader, serving on the Board of Education—took over the business, and currently Arthur's son, Paul, runs it.

The corner where Papa & Sons is located, at Chapel and Orchard streets, was named Stephen J. Papa Corner several years ago, and Papa portrayed Santa Claus at the city's Christmas tree lighting for 59 years until a broken leg rendered him unable to do it last year. The market has always been a family business, said Stephen Papa, 90. Like his siblings, he began helping his parents at



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Legendary New Haven resident and family patriarch **Stephan Papa**, 90, left, with nephew, **Paul Papa**, 45, brother **Arthur Papa**, 80, and his son **Stephen Papa Jr.**, 62, stand in front of the neighborhood fixture, Papa & Sons open-air market on Chapel Street. Paul Papa is the owner of the market.

the market around the time he was 7 years old.

"We all had to work; we all helped," he said, and the children would package fruit and make deliveries. "It worked out just beautifully."

But times have changed since "the good old days," as Arthur Papa, 80, calls them. When national chains started opening larger supermarkets in town, stocked with much larger inventories than in the past, Papa & Sons had to adapt to survive.

"The supermarkets came along and

changed everything," he said. To remain competitive, Papa&Sons began selling fruit baskets around 1960. Today, though the market still sells individual pieces of produce, the baskets comprise the bulk of its business, especially around the holidays.

With Paul Papa, 45, now at the helm, the market remains committed to staying in the family.

"It was always a family affair," Arthur Papa said, attributing the business' longevity to its quality products and customer service. "We just did everything right."

Meet a Commissioner

Meet Commissioner **Arnie Lehrer**. He purchased his **39 unit apartment complex at 1214 Chapel St. in 1984.**

From the day one, Arnie has been our staunchest supporter and is the epitome of what Chapel West stands for. He has worked side by side with us in every battle we have had to "clean up" the District. He maintains his property in first class condition and expects all the other owners to do the same.

In 1995, he purchased another 13-unit property on Lynwood Place that we plan to include in our new boundary lines. No one works harder for CW than Arnie Lehrer. He is the consummate family man and is devoted to his lovely wife Naomi along with their two children Elana and Alan. He treats his tenants like family. Each year he throws a party for all of them so that they can get to know each other. He rarely has a vacancy or advertises because word of mouth from leaving tenants on how well they were treated takes care of that. I love to speak to his Jewish-Ukrainian father Irwin. I say "Bon Giorno" to him and he replies in Italian. Sometimes he says a few more words (in Italian) and asks me if I know what that means. Sometimes I don't. He has an advantage because he lived in Italy for 3 yrs. Arnie is more than a CW Commissioner. Arnie Lehrer is my friend.

Vincent Romei



Around the district

Chris & Laura at the **Clay Studio** had a sidewalk sale of pottery in September that was very successful. Some really beautiful items were offered. Stop in and see what they have. Their beautiful Chapel West Banner on Howe St. helped...We held a "**Welcome to Chapel West**" night for returning students at the **Kasbah Gardens** in August. It was well attended and...Our retailers got a chance to offer discounts in their shops for all. One more successful step in "LINKING THE NEIGHBORHOOD". **NH Park & Recs** did a nice job trimming the trees on Chapel St. from Park to Howe. They had been interfering with drain spouts, gutters, blocking signage and banner locations. **Thanks to Christy Haas** for helping us. We have a lot more to go...Our new cleaning/ maintenance crew, **Anthony Giano, MGR.**, removed the dried out summer flowers and planted colorful mums in our containers. Next spring we are contemplating buying masonry pots for all of the street corners. Should look great...More banners were installed—Howe Apts., Schiavone (2), Dimeo, Pizza House, Clay Studio, Hill Funeral, Gag's, Ultimate Universe. Anyone wanting a banner should call Tom Strong or Vin Romei ...Sidewalks being installed on Park Street from Chapel to crown should be completed by the time we go to press. They were badly needed. We hope to have Chapel from York to Park completed this spring. Thanks to Mayor DeStefano and Tony Bialecki.

Tidbits from Brian and The Prez

Eddie donuts (Mgr. Dunkin Donuts) has a problem with his employees. They report to work between 6 & 7 A.M. but Carmen doesn't wake up until 9:30 and Sue between 10:30 and 11:00...**Bob Richards**, Carafano's Optical, still plays semi-fast pitch softball. His team **won the championship division** in their Cheshire league. Bob got the winning hit to send them into their final game. He's now playing in the Fall League. "**Good Luck Bob**"...**Geraldine (florist) has been a huge supporter of Chapel West.** She helps us in buying our summer flowers, mums, holiday decorations, flower pots, etc. She also plants and maintains the pots on Chapel St. In front of The C.A. White Building. They always look beautiful. **Thanks Geraldine**...Did you ever wonder why we don't see any original and thoughtful **INSULTS** anymore? Such as: Lady Astor once said to **Winston Churchill** at a dinner party..."Winston, if you were my husband I would poison your coffee!" Winston replied, "Madam, if I were your husband, I would drink it!" or this one, "I've had a perfectly wonderful evening, but this wasn't it" **Groucho Marx.**

We're always interested in new stories and "tidbits." Call 787-3000.
—Vincent Romei