Dear Resident:

Spring is a time to reset and reconnect. In 2017, we strengthened community ties with the launch of NYU Faculty Housing Happenings. Watch out for news of upcoming community events.

As the weather gets warmer, we will all want to enjoy the outdoors so we have included information regarding superblock open space use policies and the upcoming comprehensive signage program.

If you are a dog owner, did you know that you could be reimbursed for private dog run membership fees? We have also included information about bike room policies and reminders about subletting procedures.

As always, please stay in touch. If you wish to add your spouse/partner to our distribution list, kindly provide their contact information by filling out this: http://eepurl.com/cyLXer

Sincerely,

Erin Lynch
Assistant Vice President, Faculty Housing
New York University
Open Space Initiatives

Last fall, we announced plans for a **new signage and wayfinding program for the superblocks** that will feature building identification and vehicle directional sign, monolith destination signs, and dog policy signage.

A recommendation of the Superblock Stewardship Advisory Committee, the signage program was initiated last spring in consultation with the SSAC and has taken shape with feedback from tenant associations in Washington Square Village and Silver Towers. Over a one-week period, mockups were on view for all residents to see examples of the signage designs that are scheduled to be installed this year.

This new signage program will reflect the open space policies developed in consultation with the SSAC in 2016.

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Faculty Housing Policy Refreshers

Superblocks Superdogs!

2018 is the Year of the Dog
NYU will gladly reimburse residents for any membership fees upon joining a private dog run, please submit proof of payment to Cushman & Wakefield (NYU’s lease administrator) located on the ground level of 2 Washington Square Village, Suite 1-O.

Located on the southeast corner of the plaza in Silver Towers, Mercer-Houston Dog Run Association is one of the best nearby locations for dogs.

NYU requires all dog owners to clean up and properly dispose of their dog’s waste in trash receptacles in accordance with the “Pooper Scooper Law.” Residents deserve the right to be able to enjoy clean green spaces.
Please use the provided litter collection bags and waste receptacles in dog relief areas. NYU prohibits dogs from lawn areas intended for resident recreation.

NYC law requires that dogs must at all times be kept on a leash that is securely held by the owner. This rule applies to all areas within and around the complex.

**Summer Subletting Policies**

Tenants wishing to sublet during the summer/winter holiday or while on approved leave may identify a subtenant by completing a Sublet Offer Form.

However, as stated in all NYU leases, and in compliance with local law, tenants are only allowed to sublet their apartment for periods longer than 30 consecutive days.

Moreover, the rent charged by a tenant to a subtenant may not exceed the tenant’s rent plus a 10% surcharge for a furnished apartment. Once you’ve secured a subtenant for the summer/winter holiday, you must submit a copy of the sublease to the Faculty Housing Office for review and approval.

**Bicycle Registration and Bicycle Storage Policy**

In 2017, we assisted NYU sustainability goals with the addition of over **100 new bike parking spaces** in several buildings.

In addition, we have updated our bicycle storage policy to make the most of limited space. In order to use a bicycle storage room, registration of your bike is mandatory.

Important policies include:

- When space is available, eligibility for bike registration is limited to tenants of record and persons listed on their leases as residing with them and who are registered with Cushman & Wakefield as occupants.
- If available, allotment of bike storage spaces cannot exceed the number of eligible occupants; however, there is no guarantee that bike storage will be available to all of a unit’s occupants.
- Any unregistered bicycle and/or registered bikes not in their assigned space will be removed and held for a period of 60 days; at which time the unclaimed bike will be donated at NYU's discretion.

If you are currently on the waiting list for bike storage, you will be contacted as space becomes available. If you have questions, please contact fhbikerooms@nyu.edu.
Reserving The Backyard for Small Private Events

Since its opening last April through its closure for winter in November, The Backyard was busy with private event reservations.

We heard that having space available by reservation is an attractive amenity for our residents who enjoy entertaining, but may have space limitations in their apartments.

Private event reservations can be made for up to 3 hours (including setup and breakdown times) and for no more than 40 guests. A nonrefundable grounds maintenance fee of $50 for use of the space is required. Folding tables and benches are available for private event use.

If you are interested in reserving part of The Backyard for a small private event, we take requests no earlier than 30 days prior but no less than two weeks before an event. For more information, please contact facultyhousing.events@nyu.edu.

Interview: Grace Cosachov Protos, Executive Director, Office of Work Life

The Office of the Provost has announced that Grace Cosachov Protos joined NYU as Executive Director for the newly created Office of Work Life. Working closely with schools, departments and units as well as the Benefits Office, the Office of Faculty Resources, the Office of Faculty Housing and Residential Services, the Office of Global Inclusion, Diversity and Strategic Innovation, as well as various committees and working groups that are focused on diversity, belonging, disabilities, inclusion and accessibility, Grace will partner with department chairs, associate deans and unit heads to help support faculty and employees through major life events. We sat down with Grace to learn more about her background and look forward to partnering with her as she builds the Office of Work Life!

What were you doing before coming to NYU?
I worked for the federal government for over 11 years in the Women’s Bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor creating policy, conducting research and advocating for working women. I traveled frequently to engage with community-based organizations, advocacy groups, researchers and private sector industries to gain an understanding of working women’s and family issues. It then gave us an opportunity to address issue areas by offering resources, creating collaborative events focused on outreach and education and partnering with key institutions to raise awareness and help change policy.

What are the most critical problems faced by you and other professionals in your field?
There is no federal childcare policy or support for providing affordable, high quality childcare. This is a major problem; however, there are critical problems facing today’s employees that range from caregiving to career mobility to planning for retirement. Providing a supportive and caring
environment for our employees is a big problem and has real ramifications in recruitment and retention efforts but also in the productivity, health, and happiness of our employees and community.

**How do you keep a healthy work/life balance?**
It is a constant work in progress because there is never enough time but I try to remember to do one thing for myself and one thing for my family every day. I try to remind myself to be present and to listen and focus whether at work, meeting people or having dinner with my family. I love to cook and entertain as well as spend time with my husband, my two girls, my elderly mother and two cats. I am also a runner and I have a goal to improve my running skills.

**What is your favorite thing to do in New York City?**
I love exploring food in the city. Queens has the best food. Jackson Heights is great for Argentinian or Indian restaurants. Astoria is a great place to eat Greek or Colombian food but generally speaking, New York City has amazing food experiences. You can get anything from chicharrones in the Bronx to delicious Vietnamese Pho in lower Manhattan to craft beer in Brooklyn, all with just a subway ride.

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A recommendation of the **Superblock Stewardship Advisory Committee**, and generously supported by **Provost Katherine E. Fleming**, NYU Faculty Housing Happenings are a series of community events designed to celebrate our outdoor spaces on the superblocks, build community among residents, and provide activities appealing to all audiences.

**Creative Research Performance**
*Wednesday, May 2 and Saturday, May 5*  
Performance times and locations to be announced

Performance sequences in and around the superblocks feature compositions from creative research courses. NYU Tisch Dance students collaborated on new work in response to various sites.

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All events are first come, first served. Rain or shine. Events are subject to change.

Events are for residents of NYU Faculty Housing who must provide valid identification if requested by management.

Advance reservations are required for events with limited space. RSVP forms close seven days prior to the event or once maximum capacity is met whichever comes first.

Parents or other guardians are expected to provide supervision of minors in their care.

Notice of photography. Please be aware that by entering an event area, you consent to your voice, name, and/or likeness being used, without compensation, in films, tapes, and photography, and you release New York University from any liability on account of such use.

Dogs are not permitted on any of our lawns, which are intended for resident recreation.
Neighborhood News

Below is a message on behalf of the NYU Community Engagement:

As you may have noticed, Citibank on LaGuardia Place between West 3rd Street and Bleecker Street has decided to end their lease. Citibank, like many banks these days, is looking to downsize and operate from a smaller space and has relocated to a space across the street at 530 LaGuardia Place. The new location opened on Saturday, January 20, 2018. A full range of possible university and commercial uses is being discussed to replace the former Citibank space. In the interim, the University will work towards ongoing enhancements of the space. Stay tuned for future plans!

One Last Word: Seasons Change

As the seasons change, it is an occasion to look back at the Fall Family Fest when residents picked pumpkins, made cider and visited the Urban Farm last October.
Edward Hopper Studio Tour, February 2, 2018

Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney Studio Tour, December 1, 2017

Traditional lion dance costume artifact at the Museum of Chinese in America

Demonstration of calculating using an abacus at the MOCA tour on February 20, 2018

Planted November 7, 2017

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