The Family Resource Center prides itself on the vibrant community it hosts. But during the summer, people may think that community interaction slows down. Although many residents go back to their hometowns and countries, there are still others who stay in Family & Graduate Student Housing.

Community Development and Youth & Family Programs still host events for residents during the weekdays over the summertime. Also, each neighborhood still hold its Neighborhood Gathering.

Many people come to the FRC to hang out and to use the computer lab. There is also a large TV in the FRC Great Room that residents gather around to enjoy their favorite shows. In the afternoon, kids come to the FRC to prepare for their classes with their favorite teachers.

It is easy to believe that there is not much community interaction because it is summer. But Cortez Downey, Community Relations Assistant Residence Director, thinks differently.

“Since there are fewer people around, it provides a unique opportunity for residents to fellowship with people they would not usually interact with,” Downey said.

“With less people, residents get the opportunity to keep an eye on the community to ensure its safety.”

If you are new to the community it is easy to get involved. There are numerous classes listed in this Newsline or you can stop by the FRC and grab a brochure.

Common Questions:
• Who do I call for maintenance?
  According to the FGSH policy handbook, “all maintenance requests for apartments and/or university-owned furnishings/appliances should be called in to the Residential Life Facilities Management Office at (405) 744-8510 between 8am and 5pm, Monday through Friday. For after-hour emergency repairs, residents should call the Physical Plant Action Desk (405) 744-7154 or their neighborhood Apartment Assistant.”

• What’s the policy for noise complaints?
  According to the FGSH policy handbook, “all residents are required to observe Quiet Hours (from 8pm to 8am) and Courtesy Hours at all times. If noise problems arise, the best solution is for the residents involved to discuss the situation and reach a compromise. If this fails, residents should contact their AA. Noise problems which cannot be remedied may result the involvement of OSU Campus Police. Residents who contribute to noise disturbances may be subject to contract termination.”
If you are new to OSU and the Family and Graduate Student Housing, welcome! There are few places around the world that offer the opportunity to learn about so many cultures as we have here at the Family Resource Center, FRC. Our community normally has around a 70 percent international population with about 90 countries represented at any given time. FGSH strives to provide quality, economical on-campus housing. We work hard to provide resources that assist residents in community and academic adjustment and personal development.

As you know, the summers in Oklahoma are hot! Please keep in mind during hot weather to not over exert yourself and drink plenty of water to keep hydrated. If you keep your Venetian blinds tilted up during the day, the heat load will be lessened in your apartment; also, if you keep your windows closed while the air conditioner is running you will have less humidity and a cooler feeling apartment—and save energy at the same time. Please note non-FGSH air conditioners are not permitted in your apartment.

Have a great summer—we hope to see you in summer FRC programs and FGSH activities!

Admas Siyoum,
Communications & Marketing Residence Director
Our July featured staff member is Jesse Anderson. Jesse currently serves the Family Resource Center, FRC, in Youth & Family Programs as a Kindergarten Kids Club, Teen Club teacher and helps with the Mad Scientist Club.

Jesse is from Owasso, OK and is pursuing his bachelor's degree in human development and family science.

He enjoys reading, running, eating, watching movies and spending time with his friends.

His birthday is May 27 and his favorite vacation spot is anywhere outside of Oklahoma.

His favorite food is Chinese and Indian food and his favorite holiday is Thanksgiving. He enjoys Thanksgiving because it is all about spending time with those you value and not about receiving gifts.

His favorite book is “Ender’s Game” and his favorite movie is “Pride and Prejudice.”

An interesting fact about Jesse is that he is a first generation college student and after his undergrad he plans to get his master's degree in student affairs.

His role model is Mr. Rogers, whom his favorite quote is derived from, “In times of stress, the best thing we can do for each other is to listen with our ears and our hearts and to be assured that our questions are just as important as our answers.”

Jesse's favorite thing about the FRC is the sense of community that the FRC provides.

If you see Jesse around the FRC be sure to hello!

Our July featured resident is Noriel Jacobs-Gray. Noriel is from Mandeville, Jamaica and is married to Nigel Gray.

She is currently pursuing her PhD in hospitality administration.

Noriel has many favorite foods. They include oxtail and beans with steamed rice, ackee and saltfish, her national dish, with boiled dumplings and green bananas and escovetch fish and festival.

Some of her hobbies include reading, nice country drives and a day at the beach.

Her favorite book is the “Holy Bible” and her favorite movie is “Greased Lightening.”

Her favorite holiday is Christmas because she believes it is the most wonderful time of the year.

Negril, Jamaica is her favorite vacation spot.

Three interesting facts about Noriel and her country of Jamaica are she is a Fulbright Scholar, apart from the United States, Jamaica has won the most World and Olympic medals and Usain Bolt, the fastest man and Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce, the fastest woman in the world, are both from Jamaica.

In the future, Noriel plans to return to her country and assist in the training of young minds for the hospitality and tourism industry and starting her family.

Her favorite quote is, “All things work together for good for those who love Christ Jesus”, in Romans 8:28 of the “Holy Bible.”

Her favorite thing about the Family Resource Center is the friendly staff.

If you see Noriel around your neighborhood or the FRC, be sure to say hello!
Independence Day
The FRC will be open from 8am -2am on July 4. However, The University Laundry will be closed. There will be no Youth & Family Programs.

Shopping Shuttle
(free for all FGSH residents)
Sign up for the shuttle at The University Laundry 30 minutes prior to the shuttle’s departure.

Monday & Wednesday Schedule
5pm (Pick Up @ Laundry) ............ To Sultan International & Crepe Myrtle Asian Food
5:40pm Leave from International Stores ..................................................... To Laundry
6:00pm (Pick Up @ Laundry) ..................................................... To Walmart & Aldi’s
6:30pm (Pick Up @ Brumley Office) ..................................................... To Walmart & Aldi’s
6:40pm (Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ..................................................... Return to FGSH Apartments
7:15pm (Pick Up @ Laundry) ..................................................... To Walmart & Aldi’s
7:25pm (Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ..................................................... Return to FGSH Apartments
7:55pm(Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ................................. Return to FGSH Apartments
8:25pm (Final Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ....................... Return to FGSH Apartments

Saturday Schedule
9am (Pick Up @ Laundry) ............................................................. To Walmart & Aldi’s
9:30am (Pick Up @ Brumley Office) ..................................................... To Walmart & Aldi’s
9:40am (Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ..................................................... Return to FGSH Apartments
10am (Pick Up @ Laundry) ..................................................... To Walmart & Aldi’s
10:10am & 11am (Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ......................Return to FGSH Apartments
11:40am(Final Pick Up @ Walmart/Aldi’s) ................................. Return to FGSH Apartments

*All times listed above are approximate. Due to varying traffic flow, these times may be delayed.

The Newsline Online
Interested in receiving The Newsline electronically? Email Frcmarketing@okstate.edu with your name and email address. You will still receive a paper version.
On Saturday, July 5, we are taking residents to an Indian Pow-wow in Pawnee where they can experience a different side of Oklahoma culture. We will be leaving the Family Resource Center at 6pm and return by 11:30pm. Dinner and additional activities for children will not be provided for this event. For more information please contact Lea Staedtler.

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World Cup Party

Come celebrate the end of the FIFA World Cup in the FRC Great Room on Sunday, July 13th. Starting at 1:30pm we will have games, crafts and other fun activities for residents. We will also provide food and show the final game on TV. After the game, we will announce the winners of our bracket challenge.

Philbrook Museum of Art

On Saturday, July 26, we are offering a trip to the Philbrook Museum of Art in Tulsa. We will receive a guided tour through the museum and learn about art from different time periods. We will leave the FRC at 8am and return around 1pm. Since this event is off-campus we have limited seating available. The sign-up sheet will be at the FRC front desk starting July 10th. There will be no additional activities for children available for this event.
YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS SUMMER 2014 SCHEDULE

**Program Cancellation**

There will be no programs on Thursday, July 4th as it is a University holiday. Programs will resume July 5th.

**Welcome Our YFP Residence Director**

Kane Mach will join the FRC as the new Youth & Family Programs Residence Director in July. He brings valuable experience to the FRC as an English, math and a second language teacher. Under the supervision of Mumbe, he will be an energetic supervisor for the YFP staff. Feel free to introduce yourselves to him. Welcome, Kane!

**Sports Thursday**

During Kindergarten Kids Club and Summer Adventures on July 10th, 17th and 31st the YFP staff will take children enrolled in those programs to the Colvin Center Annex. We will be at the Annex between 2pm and 3pm. The staff will walk back to the FRC with the children before 3pm and the children will be dismissed from the FRC.

**Family Exploration & Playtime**

This program is for both parents and children to attend together. Parents will receive ideas and information about child growth and development. Children will play fun games, create crafts and interact with other children. Each week, parents will be provided with handouts about the theme for the week and suggestions for things to try at home with their children. No enrollment is necessary for this program. If you have a child ages 0-5 you are welcome to attend.
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