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Orchard Park Office Hours:

Monday ~ Friday:
8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Solano Park Office Hours:

Monday ~ Friday:
8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Special points of interest:

- May 31 is a University Holiday. All campus office will be closed. Please contact your on-call RA for immediate assistance during this time.

GRADUATION PARTY? PLAN AHEAD!

Submitted By Sue Franck

For graduation parties, an exception to our usual Community Center reservation policy is being made. Beginning May 1, we will accept reservations for Spring graduation parties to be held on May 14, May 22, or June 9 – 13. Parties must be limited to time blocks to ensure the highest use of the Community Center. The blocks are from 8am – 12:30pm, 1pm – 6pm and 6:30pm – midnight. After

May 10, unreserved time blocks for May 14 and May 22 will be released for graduation party extensions and non-graduation events. After May 24, unreserved time blocks for June 9 – 13 will be released for graduation party extensions or non-graduation events. Because of heavy demand, we ask that those utilizing the Community Center be extra diligent with clean-up so the facility will be ready for the next reservation.

You may reserve the Community Center at either Solano or Orchard Park. If demand exceeds capacity, remember that June is a great month for a picnic; feel free to move the picnic tables around the park for your parties. Put a note on a table the day before you need it as an informal reservation, and please respect others' reservations as well.

GRADUATION SCHEDULE 2010

EVENT NAME	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
School of Law	Friday, May 14	4pm	Mondavi Center
School of Medicine	Saturday, May 22	10am	Mondavi Center
School of Education	Wednesday, June 9	4pm	Mondavi Center
Graduate Studies	Thursday, June 10	4pm	ARC Pavilion
College of Biological Sciences	Friday, June 11	10am	ARC Pavilion
College of Engineering	Friday, June 11	3pm	ARC Pavilion
School of Veterinary Medicine	Friday, June 11	10am	Mondavi Center
College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	Sunday, June 13	9am AND 2pm	ARC Pavilion
Graduate School of Management	Saturday, June 12	10am	Mondavi Center
College of Letters and Science	Saturday, June 12	9am AND 2pm	ARC Pavilion

Annual Budget Meeting with the Director

Submitted by Su Franck

Come meet with the Director of Student Housing, Emily Galindo. The discussion will center on the budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year, as well as general questions from residents. This is your

opportunity to hear first-hand information and gain an overview of the Parks' fiscal management.

Meetings will be held in the Community Centers and are scheduled as follows:

Solano Park – Wednesday, May 12, 5:00-5:45pm

Orchard Park – Wednesday, May 12, 6:00-6:45pm

We hope to see you there!

The Bee's 2nd Saturday

Submitted by Ashley Scarborough

There's a buzz going on around town and it's all about The Bee's Second Annual Second Saturday. This year, come and celebrate all things Bee as we work together to promote the opening of the Harry H. Laidlaw Jr. Honey Bee Research Facility at UC Davis.

On hand will be The Bee's mascot Scoopy, honey tasting and a community art show that will Bee-inspiring. The Bee will once again open its courtyard to the community from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. on May 8 for an afternoon of fun. Political Cartoonist Rex Babin will be showing his award-winning cartoons as well as

some bee-inspired drawings. There will be music by local musicians.

The art show, coordinated by local artist Laurelin Gilmore, will benefit the UC Davis Entomology department and the newest edition to the campus - the Harry H. Laidlaw Jr. Honey Bee Research Facility. The community has responded in a big way to the art show, with more than 40 artists participating. The folks at UC Davis will be here along with their demonstration hive and lots of information on the new Honey Bee facility - which officially opens to the public on June 19.

Representatives from Sacramento Beekeeping Supplies on X Street

will be here with honey tasting and Burt's Bees is donating give-away items.

In addition, Haagen-Dazs® is donating honeybee-friendly seed packets and Pollinator Partnership will have fun giveaways as well!

As always, parking for the event will be free in The Bee lot on 21st Street. The Bee is located at the corner of 21st and Q streets.

If you have any questions, please contact Pam Dinsmore at 321-1024 or pdinsmore@sacbee.com.

Orchard Park Garden Area Plowed

Submitted by Jessica Loehrmann

As of mid April, the Orchard Park gardens are open for rent! Plots are available on a first come, first serve basis. They will surely go quickly since the biggest task of early gardening is done- the CLEARING, the TILLING. The soil has been untouched for at least 4 years,

so it is rich and ready to yield plants!

You can tour the gardens if you wish and get yourself signed up for your space!

Tools and water sources are available at no cost. The plots vary

in price, depending on the size. Whole plots are huge and VERY cheap.

Get more information and secure your plot now by emailing the Garden Association representatives at orchardparkgardens@gmail.com

Solano Park Yard Sale!

By Shawna Stevens

Time to clean out your apartment and earn some cash! Solano Park will host its first yard sale this month on Saturday, May 15. The way to make this event a huge success is for as many families as possible to participate. The bigger the event, the more likely potential buyers will park and get out to look.

I will advertise on Craigslist, in

the Davis Enterprise and will put up signs to guide buyers to the Community Center. We will set up our sale in front of the Community Center.

Sellers will need to bring their items to the Community Center by **8:30am**. Many yard sale buyers start early, so you'll need to start early too. Items should still be in good condition.

Bring a blanket to put your items on since tables will be in limited supply. It's also helpful to have some small bills (\$1 and \$5 dollar bills) and coins on hand to make change for buyers.

The yard sale ends at noon and **ALL ITEMS MUST BE TAKEN HOME WHEN SALE ENDS**. If you are selling larger items, such as furniture, consider bringing digital pictures.

Community Programs

Mother's Day Handprint Tiles

Come and create a special gift for your mom or a special woman in your life for Mother's Day. We'll use paint to decorate our tiles with designs and handprints. The tiles will then be glazed and fired and returned to you a week later to give as a gift. **All children will need an adult helper- no exceptions.** If you have any questions, please contact Shawna Stevens at 757-7899.

When: Sunday, May 2 at 3pm

Where: Melvin Fassler
Community Center

Starting Seed Starts!

Let's start some seeds. We can give our tomatoes, squash, peppers and herbs a fighting chance. If you've been considering a new plot in the Orchard Park Gardens, this is a good way to get started.

When: Monday, May 3 at 7pm

Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Newspaper Hats

Want to find a use for all those old newspapers laying around the house. Come out and make a fun hat out of recycled newspapers. We'll be making brimmed sun hats using newspaper and tape and adding feathers and ribbons and decorating them however you like. Bring your old newspapers if you have them. If you have any questions, please call Jennefer at 792-1097.

When: Tuesday, May 4 at 3:30pm

Where: Melvin Fassler
Community Center

Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Food, piñata and fun! Come join us for an evening of fun with neighbors and friends! Bring food to share! Drinks and some food provided.

Free DOS COYOTES BURRITOS to the FIRST 50 people!

When: Wednesday, May 5 at 6pm

Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Cinco de Mayo Potluck

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with a fiesta potluck and piñata. Bring your favorite Mexican dish to share with the neighbors. For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451.

When: Wednesday, May 5 at 6pm

Where: Melvin Fassler
Community Center

Popsicles and Kids Garden Meeting

Solano Park is getting ready to start a brand new Kids Garden and we need your help! Come out to share some popsicles while we discuss garden ideas and how your family can participate. We'll be planning for our first Kids Garden Work Day on Saturday, May 8. We'll also visit the garden plot.

Community Programs

If you have any questions, please contact Shawna Stevens at 757-7899

When: Thursday, May 6 at 4pm
Where: grassy area next to green playground

Mother's Day T-Shirt painting

Come let's make a mother's day gift to say 'I Love You MOM', on her special day. Bring a T-Shirt; other supplies will be provided to create your masterpiece. For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451.

When: Friday, May 7 at 6pm
Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

Children's Garden Work Day

Time to get settled on a design and make beds. We'll be adding nutrients to the soil and making the beds ready for planting. Come ready to get dirty.

When: Saturday May 8 at 10am
Where: Children's Garden
Across the street from 5300 in Orchard Park

Salted Watercolor Painting

Join us for an afternoon craft. I'll get out the watercolors and we'll make a painting. Before the paint is dry will put a little salt on the painting which will pull the color and create a star burst effect on your painting. If you have any questions about this program, please call Jennefer at 792-1097.

When: Tuesday, May 11 at 3:30pm

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

Ice Cream Night

Come enjoy some cool treats with the neighbors and see what we've done with the garden!!

When: Tuesday, May 11 at 6:30pm

Where: By Orchard Park GARDENS- opening of BIKE PATH behind bldg 5300.

Children's Garden

The Orchard Park Gardens are



coming alive with a children's garden! Come over and check it out, pull some weeds, and plant something for your child to tend! *Not the EC Gardens! Call Jessica with any questions.

When: Thursday, May 13 after school from 3:30 'til 5pm (or whenever you want to call it a day!)
AND Thursday, May 27 after school from 3:30 'til 5pm (or whenever you want to

call it a day!)

Where: Meet at Orchard Park Community Center then we will head to our garden area back in the field behind 5300

Solano Park Yard Sale!!

Time to start that spring cleaning! Gather together any used items in good condition to sell. We'll set up in front of the Community Center on tables and/or blankets. Everyone will price and sell their own items. I'll do all the advertising so we have shoppers. The more people that come out, the better the event will be! Bring items to the Community Center by 8am along with a blanket to place your items on. **YOU MUST REMOVE ALL ITEMS WHEN SALE ENDS AT NOON.** If you have any questions, please contact Shawna Stevens at 757-7899.

When: Saturday, May 15 at 8am

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

Bubbles!

Still have energy after dinner? Bring the kids to the OPCC for playtime with bubbles.

When: Monday, May 17 at 6:30pm

Where: Orchard Park Community Center

Community Programs

Pizza and Playtime

The pizza and the good times return. We're working so hard this quarter and it's time for a break. Bring the family over for pizza and time with neighbors.

When: Sunday, May 16 at 6pm
Where: Orchard Park Community Center

Small Kids Playgroup

Come enjoy some social interaction with adults and let the little ones loose! Toddler Gym (huge gymnastics blocks and mat) will be on hand as well as some healthy toddler friendly finger foods!

When: Tuesday, May 25 at 10am
Where: Orchard Park Community Center

Recess!! Jump Rope, Sidewalk Chalk, Hopscotch, 4-square, etc.

Jump Rope, Sidewalk Chalk, Hopscotch, 4-square, etc.!! Bring your jump rope songs and 4-square skills. Let's get together and play with the kids. Let's get the weekend started.

When: Friday May 28 at 4:30pm
Where: Orchard Park Community Center



Painting for Grown Ups

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up." - Pablo Picasso. This painting program is for adults who have forgotten how much fun it is to paint or haven't been able to find the right time or place. You don't need to be an "artist" or to create a masterpiece - just come out and have fun! I will provide acrylic paints, brushes, canvas boards and some ideas to get you started. Don't forget to dress appropriately for possibly getting messy. This program is for adults only - no children please. If you have any questions about this program, please call Jennefer at 792-1097.

When: Friday, May 28 at 6:30pm
Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

UCD Milk Study

Submitted by Lonna Hampton, Lactation Consultant, Human Resources

Pregnant? Planning to Breastfeed?

Consider volunteering for the UCD Milk Study and you'll receive 4 visits from a Board Certified Lactation Consultant to help you get breastfeeding off to a good start. You can learn more about the study at <http://ucdavis-lactation-study.org/>

Scientists at UCD are studying how the components in human milk change as your baby grows, how certain properties of milk influence the infants' gut flora, how milk differs from mother to mother, and how a mothers' diet influences her milk. We are looking for new mothers who want to help with this research by donating small quantities of their

milk at specific intervals over the first 6 months of their babies' lives.

Mothers who volunteer will receive financial compensation as well as breastfeeding support from a lactation consultant. Interested? Send an email to ucdmilkstudy@gmail.com or call (888)-217-5355.

Monthly Maintenance Tips

By Orchard and Solano Park Maintenance

Window Screens

If you want to remove and then replace for cleaning purposes:

- Orchard Park Residents: The window screen can only be removed and installed from the inside of the window.
- Solano Park Residents: The window frame can only be

removed and installed from the outside—thus to install second story screens, reach the screen out through the window and place it into the frame.

Attempting to force the screens into the proper position can cause the screen to bend. If you need help, submit a repair

request on MyUCDavis to get assistance from Maintenance.

Clean those second floor windows:

The Parks Office will lend you a pole made up for cleaning the outside of second story windows. Inquire at your Park Office.

Holidays and Anniversaries

May 3 – Santa Cruz Feast Day [Native American]

Andrés Santa Cruz was a mestizo who claimed to be of royal Inca descent. He governed Bolivia and created the Peru-Bolivian Confederation, which united these two countries from 1836-1839. Santa Cruz won a large following among the native people of both countries.

May 4 – National Teacher’s Day

On National Teacher Day, thousands of communities take time to honor their local educators and acknowledge the crucial role teachers play in making sure every student receives a quality education.

May 5 –Double Fifth Festival [China]

Ch’u Yuan (328-298 BCE), a patriotic Chinese official during the Chou Dynasty, sought to reform certain policies of the court. When the king treated his suggestions with indifference, he drowned himself. The festival commemorates the search in boats for his body and features dragon-boat races. The special

food prepared for this holiday was originally an offering to his spirit.

May 5 – Cinco De Mayo, Battle of Puebla Day [Mexico]

Commemorates the defeat of French colonial forces at the historic city of Puebla. Prior to this battle, Mexico fought and gained her independence from Spain in 1821 after eleven years of war. Until the Battle of Puebla, the government changed leaders several times and the territory itself was under the threat of being seized by European nations. General Ignacio Zaragoza Seguin’s victory over the French was the beginning of a stable future for Mexico, free from threats of takeover. (1862)

May 14 – Women’s Auxiliary Army Corps Established [U.S.A.]

On this date during World War II, women become eligible to enlist for non-combat duties in the Women’s Auxiliary Army Corps (WAAC) by an act of Congress. Women also served

as Women Appointed for Voluntary Emergency Services (WAVES), Women’s Auxiliary Ferrying Squadron (WAFS), and Coast Guard or Semper Paratus Always Ready Service (SPARS), the Marine Corps women’s reserve. (1942)

May 23 – Declaration of the B’ab [Baha’i]

B’ab, the prophet-herald of the Baha’i faith, announces in Shiraz, Persia, that he is the herald of a new messenger of God. (1844)

May is National Bike Month.

May 17-21, 2010 is Bike to Work Week. Friday, May 21, 2010 is Bike to Work Day. Bike Month originated in New York in 1990 as a one-day celebration of riding a bike to work. It has since grown from a one day celebration to a month long celebration.

Calendar of Events

May 2010

All residents are welcome to attend all programs, regardless of location. All events held in the Community Center unless otherwise noted.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <u>Mother's Day Handprint Tiles</u> MFCC 3pm	3 <u>Starting Seed Starts</u> OPCC 7pm	4 <u>Newspaper Hats</u> MFCC 3:30pm	5 <u>Cinco de Mayo Celebration</u> OPCC 6pm <u>Cinco de Mayo Potluck</u> MFCC 6pm	6 <u>Popsicles & Kids Garden</u> Green Playground in SP 4pm	7 <u>Mother's Day T-shirt Painting</u> MFCC 6pm	8 <u>Children's Garden Work Day</u> OP Gardens 10am
9	10	11 <u>Salted Watercolor Painting</u> MFCC 3:30pm <u>Ice Cream Night</u> OPCC 6:30pm	12	13 <u>Children's Garden</u> OPCC 3:30pm	14	15 <u>Solano Park Yard Sale</u> MFCC 8am
16 <u>Pizza & Playtime</u> OPCC 6pm	17 <u>Bubbles</u> OPCC 6:30pm	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 <u>Small Kid's Playgroup</u> OPCC 10am	26	27 <u>Children's Garden</u> OPCC 3:30pm	28 <u>Recess</u> OPCC 4:30pm <u>Painting for Grown-ups</u> MFCC 6:30pm	29
30	31 HOLIDAY PARKS OFFICES CLOSED					



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Did you know?

➤ **Registration Reminder ~** Student Housing requires all students to meet our eligibility requirements to continue living in The Parks Apartments. **Students must have full-time registered status during fall, winter and spring quarters/semesters. Full-time status is defined at 12 units for quarter students and 10 units for semester students.** Students who do not meet the requirement are required to register for additional classes or submit notice to move out. Please

be aware of these requirements when you register for winter and spring quarters in the coming months. Please contact Student Housing at 752-2033 or your Park Office if you have any questions.

- If you plan to travel during the summer, please leave a travel form with your Park Office.
- Planning to vacate after finals? Remember a 42-day notice is required.
- **Packages ~** Please don't ask the Park Office to accept your incoming packages.

We don't have space and security for them. Perhaps a neighbor could be designated to accept a package for you, or you might indicate your balcony for drop-offs.

- Leaseholders are only allowed to have one adult besides themselves listed on their lease agreement. If you have visitors staying for an extended period of time, be sure to get approval for their stay by submitting an Online Occupant Change Request on the Student Housing Channel on MyUCDavis.