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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.—12:00p.m.  
1:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

### Special points of interest:

- Rent increases begin August 1st
  - Solano Park 1 Bedroom: \$675
  - Orchard/Solano Park 2 Bedroom: \$790
- Please make all rental payments to the Cashier's Office at Dutton Hall.

## Free Summer Music!

Submitted by Casey Fawcett

Get out and enjoy the warm summer evenings while they last with some free musical entertainment. Concerts are a wonderful way to relax and enjoy summer time either by yourself or with your family.

### PICNIC IN THE PARK, EVERY WEDNESDAY

through October 27, 4:30-8:30pm

Source:

[www.davisfarmersmarket.org/picnic/picnic](http://www.davisfarmersmarket.org/picnic/picnic)

**August 4**—Cold Shot & Sandy Holman (*Diversity & Dance Music*)

**August 11**—Over Forte (*Dixieland*)

**August 18**—Catfish & Friends (*American Roots Music*)

**August 25**—Pleasant Valley Boys (*Bluegrass*)

### Location

Central Park  
4th and C Streets

### Friday Night Concert Series

Source:

[www.davisdowntown.com/](http://www.davisdowntown.com/)

### events

#### August 6, "The Experience"

Experience jazz and R&B by talented Sacramento musicians, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

#### August 13, "Crush"

Don't "give love a bad name" by not coming out to hear Crush, a Bon Jovi tribute band, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

#### August 20, "The Surf-Liners"

Where else are you going to hear original surf music this summer? Catch a wave, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

#### August 27, "Custom Neon"

Custom Neon will rock E Street Plaza from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

### Location

E Street Plaza  
Located in the 200 block of E Street, between 2nd and 3rd Streets.

For more information Contact the DDBA at (530) 756-8763 or [info@davisdowntown.com](mailto:info@davisdowntown.com)

**Summer Music '10, Free Concerts on The Quad This Summer!**

Source:

[www.mondaviarts.org/events/event.cfm?event\\_id=967&season=2010](http://www.mondaviarts.org/events/event.cfm?event_id=967&season=2010)

#### August 27, "Nortec Collective featuring Bostich+Fussible"

Grammy nominee Nortec Collective emerged from the burgeoning Tijuana electronic scene, performing a style of music that they invented called Nortec —a fusion of Norteño ("from the North") textures and the electronic beats of Techno. The Nortec sound has become an entire movement encompassing music, film, graphic design, and remixes for Beck, Calexico, and Lenny Kravitz.

### Location

Join us on The Quad at UC Davis for picnics at 6:30 pm with performances beginning at 7:30 pm. For more information [www.mondaviarts.org/](http://www.mondaviarts.org/)

# RAMADAN- The Month of Fasting

Submitted by: Shakeela Kuthubdeen

Ramadan is the month of fasting for Muslims the world over. In this year it will begin on **Wednesday, August 11.**

Muslims refrain from eating, drinking, and sexual intercourse from dawn to dusk for the duration of Ramadan. Fasting the month of Ramadan is one of the five pillars of Islam. These are the foundation upon which the entire structure of Islam is built. These consist of the declaration of faith, prayer, fasting Ramadan, paying of Zakah [the annual charity payment], and performing the pilgrimage to Makkah, known as hajj.

Fasting is not simply a time during which people deprive themselves from physical pleasures, but is an occasion to exercise moral restraint and experience spiritual growth. Ramadan is a time of remembrance of God and renewal of commitment to the high and noble values he revealed to mankind. It is, like other religious practices in Islam, is an occasion for pursuing moral excellence that can also be translated into excellence in social organization and interaction. After the month of Ramadan is over, Muslims celebrate one of the two most important holidays in the Islamic year: EID-UL-FITR, or the Festival of the Fast Breaking (**will**

**be on Friday, September 10, 2010).** It is a day to thank God for the blessing and training that He provides us with throughout the month of Ramadan. EID-UL-FITR is marked by praying in a huge congregation at a Masjid (Islamic Center) or in an open space, and by giving charity (zakat-al-fitr). It provides for the needs of the poor and the indigent and relieves them from having to ask others for charity on the day of Eid.

\*\* Join us for an Iftar (breaking fast) potluck to share the joy of Ramadan. See community events for more details.

## Reminders

Submitted by Jessica Loehrmann

### MOWING

For now, the mowers come to Orchard Park on Thursdays. PLEASE have everything off the grass and put away to make

their job easier.

### LIGHTS OUT

If you ever notice that your front door light is out, just put in a main-

tenance request on the MYUCDAVIS page. If you have any other maintenance concerns, call it in before it becomes a HUGE problem.

## Monthly Maintenance Tips

By Orchard and Solano Park Maintenance

### Drains, Drains, Drains

➤ To help avoid nasty drain back-ups, please make sure that your kitchen sink strainer is in place when rinsing vegetables and cooking so that vegetable matter does not slip down the drain. Also, never put grease or oils of any kind down the

drain. Doing so could result in significant problems and unfortunately, charges.

➤ In the bathroom, please make sure that the hair strainer is in the bottom of the tub; occasionally remove the hair from it. Also, please remember not to flush feminine

hygiene products or paper towels down the toilet.

➤ By following these simple suggestion, we can all help to hold down maintenance costs and personal inconvenience in the Parks. Thank you for your cooperation. Have a wonderful summer.

## Holidays and Anniversaries

### August 6 - Hiroshima Day [Japan]

The US government drops an atomic bomb on the city of Hiroshima, Japan. Peace Day, as it is sometimes called, recalls the insight of Mahatma Gandhi, who said that nuclear weapons would make peace a necessity. The bomb dropped on Hiroshima killed more than 100,000 people instantly. Three days later another 50,000 died when the second bomb was dropped on Nagasaki. Tens of thousands died more slowly from radiation poisoning. Survivors, their children and grandchildren continue to be affected in ways that are not yet

understood. In 1955, a 13 year-old Japanese girl died of "atomic bomb disease," radiation-induced leukemia. She was one of many children to suffer the after-effects of the bomb dropped on Hiroshima in 1945. During her illness, Sadako Sasaki buoyed her spirits by folding paper cranes. Japanese legend says that cranes live a thousand years, and that the person who folds a thousand paper cranes will be granted a wish. With each paper crane she made, Sadako wished for recovery from her fatal disease. Before her death she had folded 644 paper cranes. Classmates completed her task so that she

was buried with a thousand cranes. Children around the world remember this young girl by folding cranes in her honor. (1945)

### August 15 – Hari Proklamasi Indonesia, Independence Day [Indonesia]

Indonesians celebrate the proclamation of independence from 350 years of Dutch colonial rule. Festivities abound in cities and villages alike, organized by the government, neighborhood community associations and other organizations.

## Community Programs

### Sprinklers at the Gardens

Come jump around in the sprinklers at the gardens! Little ones can take turns on the swing. Fun for kids of all ages. For questions, please call Jessica Loehrmann at 681-0883.

When: Tuesday, August 3 at 3pm

Where: Orchard Park Gardens (directly behind building 5300 by the bike path)

### Ice Cream Night at the Garden Shed

Come enjoy some cool treats from the cooler with the neighbors and hang out on a beautiful summer evening at the Garden area!! EVERYONE invited!!

When: Tuesday August 31st

from 6pm until 7pm (ONLY ONE HOUR!!)

Where: Orchard Park Gardens (directly behind building 5300 by the bike path)

### Waterslide

Let's cool down! Come join us and have some fun splashing with your friends. Parents don't forget to bring towels and sunscreen. **All children have to come with an adult. Waivers must be signed by a guardian to participate in this event.** If you have any questions, please contact Casey Fawcett, RA for Solano Park at 707-953-5279.

When: Wednesday, August 4 at 4pm

Where: In the grassy area between buildings SP 3500 and 3700

### New and Expectant's Mom's Group

Bring your new baby or expectant self to share the experiences of your wonderful phase of life. We can discuss the different traditions and practices around the world during pregnancy, birth and motherhood. Bring articles or books to share with others if you have them. Siblings welcome. For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451.

When: Thursday, August 5 at 10:30am

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

# Community Programs

## Waterslide

Cool off in the afternoon heat !! **All children have to come with an adult.** IF RAINING or strangely cool weather exists, this activity will be cancelled. **\*Waivers must be signed by a guardian to participate and are available at the event.** For questions, please call Jessica Loehrmann at 681-0883.

When: Thursday, August 5 at 11am **AND** Thursday, August 19 at 11am  
Where: Orchard Park Community Center

## Sprinklers

Bring the kids, the towels, and the sunscreen. I'll turn on our crazy sprinklers to let the kids run all around, get soaked, and get tired (we hope).

When: Thursday, August 5 at 2pm  
Where: Orchard Park Grassy Bowl

## Waterslide

Enjoy the summer & sun shine. Kids, join your friends and have fun in the water slide. Don't forget your sunscreen & towel. **\*\*A waiver signed by a parent is a must.** For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451.

When: Friday, August 6 at 3pm  
Where: At the grassy area between SP 2700 & 2800

## Evening Bike Ride

Let's meet in front of the office, I was thinking about a bike ride around the arboretum, but I'm open to any other ideas.

Contact Ashley 510-926-7554.

When: Friday, August 6 at 7pm  
Where: Start in front of Orchard Park Office

## Pizza Night

There is nothing like a day off from the kitchen in the summer heat. Come; enjoy pizza for dinner while hanging out with your neighbors. For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451

When: Saturday, August 7 at 6pm  
Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

## Painted Pebbles

Kids, Come let's make art in a pebble. Learn how to turn an ordinary pebble into a work of art. You can use this as shelf decorations, paperweight or give it as a gift for your best friend. Don't forget to bring a pre-washed pebble of your choice. Kids 5 and younger will need a parent helper. For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451.

When: Monday, August 9 at 4pm  
Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

## Waterslide

Summer is still here, come out and escape the heat! Join us and have some fun and be prepared to get wet. Please bring towels and sunscreen. **All children have to come with an adult. Waivers must be signed by a guardian to participate in this event.** If you have any questions, please contact Casey Fawcett, RA for Solano Park at

707-953-5279.

When: Monday, August 9 at 4pm  
Where: In the grassy area between buildings SP 3500 and 3700

## August Birthday Celebration

Come celebrate you or your neighbors August birthdays together. We will be decorating cupcakes together. Get ready to have some fun, this event is for everyone. If you have any questions, please contact Casey Fawcett, RA for Solano Park at 707-953-5279.

When: Friday August 13 from 7-8pm  
Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

## Paper Airplanes

Think you can make a great paper airplane? If so, join us for an afternoon of making paper airplanes and then flying them. Plus I can show you how to make a parachute trooper out of some basic materials. If you have any questions, please contact Shawna Stevens at 757-7899.

When: Monday, August 16 at 4pm  
Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

## Pizza Night

Celebrate the ending of summer term with your neighbors and friends! (And my mom's birthday!) Don't make dinner! Just come have pizza!! Pizza delivered at 6pm!

When: Tuesday August 17 at 6pm

## Community Programs

Where: Meet at Orchard Park Garden Shed

### Play Dough and Coloring

Come decorate your own play dough and experiment with colors. I'll provide homemade play dough and the recipe. To decorate we will add food coloring as well as various other decorations. There will also be a coloring activity as well. **All children have to come with an adult.** If you have any questions, please contact Casey Fawcett, RA for Solano Park at 707-953-5279.

When: Wednesday August 18 at 4pm

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

### Recycling Center Tour

Ever wonder where all those recycled cans and paper go after collection? Come take a tour of the recycling center and see all the people and big machines that do all of the hard work. Meet at Davis Waste Removal at 2727 Second Street (near the Explorit Science Center) at 9:45am. If you have any questions, please contact Shawna Stevens at 757-7899.

When: Friday, August 20 at 10am

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

### Waterslide

Let's stay cool this summer with the water slide! Please bring towels and sunscreen and get ready to get wet! If you have any questions, please contact Shawna Stevens at 757-7899.

**\*Waivers must be signed by a**

***guardian to participate in this event and guardians must be present during event.\****

When: Friday, August 20 at 4pm  
Friday, August 27 at 4pm

Where: In the grassy area between buildings SP 2000 and 2200

### Ifthar (Break Fasting) Potluck

Diversity is the spice of life. Join the Muslim friends for Ifthar (break fasting) & experience the joy of Ramadan. Bring your favorite dish to share. For questions please call Shakeela at 297-7451

When: Saturday, August 20 at 8pm

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

### Breakfast Potluck

Let's spend a morning together eating and catching up with neighbors. Bring a breakfast dish to share and I will provide juice, milk and hot beverages. If you have any questions, please call Shawna Stevens at 757-7899.

When: Saturday, August 21 at 9:30am

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

### Butterfly Life Cycle

We are ordering larvae!!!! Come and help set them up in their new home. I'll also bring some information about the butterfly life cycle. I'll make a list at the event to keep everyone updated on when they make cocoons and when it is time to

release them.

When: Wednesday, August 25 at 3pm

Where: Orchard Park Community Center

### Homemade Sidewalk Paint and Popsicles

Make your own work of art for all of Solano Park to admire. Come out and paint the sidewalk while enjoying some cool popsicles. I will be sharing the recipes for all who want to try this at home. If you have any questions, please contact Casey Fawcett, RA for Solano Park at 707-953-5279.

When: Wednesday August 25 at 5pm

Where: Melvin Fassler Community Center

### Slip and Slide

We'll set up a slip and slide down the grassy bowl. Come and cool off.

When: Friday, August 27 at 3pm

Where: Orchard Park Grassy Bowl

### Work in the Garden

Time to show the Garden some love. We'll bring out the tools to weed and water. We might even be lucky and get to harvest!!! My how our garden has grown!!!

When: Sunday, August 29 at 7pm

Where: OP Children's Garden

# Calendar of Events

## August 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
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <u>Sprinklers at the Garden</u> OP Gardens 3pm  <u>Ice Cream Night</u> OP Grounds 6pm-7pm	<b>4</b> <u>Waterslide</u> 3500 & 3700 4pm	<b>5</b> <u>New &amp; Expectant Mother's Group</u> MFCC 10:30am  <u>Waterslide</u> OPCC 11am  <u>Sprinklers</u> OP Grassy Bowl 2pm	<b>6</b> <u>Waterslide</u> 2700 & 2800 3pm  <u>Evening Bike Ride</u> OP Office 7pm	<b>7</b> <u>Pizza Night</u> MFCC 6pm
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <u>Painted Pebbles</u> MFCC 4pm  <u>Waterslide</u> SP 3500 & 3700 4pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <u>August Birthday Celebration</u> MFCC 7-8pm	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <u>Paper Airplanes</u> MFCC 4pm	<b>17</b> <u>Pizza Night</u> OP Garden Shed 6pm	<b>18</b> <u>Play Dough &amp; Coloring</u> MFCC 4pm	<b>19</b> <u>Waterslide</u> OPCC 11am	<b>20</b> <u>Recycling Center Tour</u> MFCC 10am  <u>Waterslide</u> SP 2000 & 2200 4pm  <u>Ifthar</u> MFCC 8pm	<b>21</b> <u>Breakfast Potluck</u> MFCC 9:30am
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <u>Butterfly Life Cycle</u> OPCC 3pm  <u>Homemade Sidewalk Chalk &amp; Popsicles</u> MFCC 5pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <u>Waterslide</u> SP 2000 & 2200 4pm  <u>Slip &amp; Slide</u> OP Grassy Bowl 3pm	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <u>Work in the Garden</u> OP Children's Garden 7pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				



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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 fall, 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 for two weeks or more, please leave a travel form with your Park Office.
- Planning to vacate after finals? Remember a 42-day notice is required.
- Whether you are moving in or moving out, please do not park your vehicle in the perimeter (interior/walkways) of The Parks. It places children at risk and is against campus vehicle code. Vehicles in the interior of the complex will be cited and/or towed by University Police.
- We want our complexes to remain safe places to live. Report any suspicious activity to Campus Police.
- **NEW RESIDENTS**—Need to get rid of your moving boxes? Feel free to post your information on the bulletin boards by the office and mail buildings so that current residents to contact you if they want your old boxes. A vacating resident just may need a box or two for their upcoming move! Please note that you are responsible for removing your information from the bulletin board when you don't want people to contact you any longer.