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Orchard Park Office Hours:
Tuesday and Thursday
8:00am—12:00pm
1:00pm—4:30pm

Solano Park Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
8:00am—12:00pm
1:00pm—4:30pm

Special points of interest:

- Parking permit renewals continue until September 30, 2013. Renew your parking permit(s) for the new year. If not renewed, you may be ticketed for displaying an invalid permit.
- September 2, 2013 is a University Holiday. All campus offices will be closed.

Process for Requesting a Transfer

Submitted by April Berryman

Due to the impending closure of Orchard Park in July 2014, we implemented a new policy as of April 2012 that allows residents to transfer any time of the year. Those residents wishing to transfer from Orchard Park to Solano Park will have priority over all other waitlists. Leaseholders may go to the Student Housing

website (housing.ucdavis.edu) under the Publications section and download and complete a transfer application. There is no fee to apply to be placed on the transfer waitlist. Residents may turn in the completed transfer application to the Orchard or Solano Parks Office or the Student Housing Office. Transfers

will be based on the date the application is received and space available which meets the criteria that the leaseholder chooses.

TIP: If the leaseholder has a specific building or apartment they would like to transfer to, this information should be included in the transfer application

New Orchard Park Resident Assistants

Submitted by Della Andrade, Jacques Schacht, and Katherine Tehelen

Katherine:

Hola, I am really happy to be the new Resident Assistant in Orchard Park. My name is Katherine Tehelen, I am a proud mom of three children (Juan 15 years old, Samuel 3.5 years old and Ana Lucia). I arrived from Colombia to Davis last summer. My family and I moved to Orchard Park

Apartments so that my husband, Carlos, could complete his postdoctoral studies in Agricultural Engineering. I have a Master's Degree in Science in Environmental Socioeconomics. I have worked in development projects with young researchers in leadership and food safety in

Colombia. I have some fun ideas for events and hope that they will be interesting to many of you so that we can have a fun time getting to know each other. I look forward to serving in the community and seeing you at Orchard Park activities.

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Della:

Hello friends, my name is Della Andrade. I have the pleasure of living in 5521 next to the Orchard Park Community Center and as of August 1st, 2013 I am one of the new Resident Assistants who joyfully serve here. I am typing this introduction on a Friday slightly before midnight because my three children are finally asleep! My husband and I have been blessed with three great kids who motivate us daily to be better versions of ourselves. My son Connor will be eight this September, my daughter

Brisa is five, and our baby girl Blessing is just nine months old.

I transferred to UC Davis in 2011 in pursuit of a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. Lucky for me I will be graduating just in time for the oh so sad closure of Orchard Park next year. Orchard Park has been a haven for my husband and I as we have juggled the challenges of being late in life students. I feel it will be a real loss to future students. However, I hope to contribute to a wonderful experience for all remaining residents during this final year!

I am looking forward to getting to know residents I haven't had the pleasure of interacting with. Together I think we can all make the most out of our unique opportunity to be a part of the Orchard Park community. On top of contributing to our community through assigned RA duties, I hope to also host high quality events that residents will attend and enjoy. When you see me please feel free to share any thoughts you have on events you would like to see in the coming months. Thank you.

Jacque:

Hello fellow residents my name is Jacque Schacht, I am the new resident advisor at Solano Park. My husband, Ryan and I have been living at the Parks for over two years. While living here our family has grown with the birth of our son Rowan. Rowan is 19 months old and full of energy he keeps us very busy and our house filled with laughter. Aside from being parents my husband is getting his PhD in anthropology. Before moving to Solano Park we were living in Guyana South America conducting research for his dissertation. Ryan's schooling is what brought us to Davis we are both originally from Lincoln

Nebraska. We met in college at the UNL where I received my bachelors in elementary education.

While living here the past couple of years I have had the opportunity to meet many of you at community center events, the play grounds, or at the gardens. I hope I can continue those relationships as your RA and meet those of you I haven't yet had the chance to get to know. In getting to know you all better I hope to host activities at the community center that not only reflect my interests but yours as well. Some of my hobbies and interests include: cooking, sewing, painting, exercising, reading, playing

games, gardening, and exploring different areas of California. I would like to reach out to all of you for ideas of things you would like to see happen at the parks. If there are any activities you would like to host or co-host please let me know and we can work towards making that happen. We are lucky to live in a community filled with people from around the world with many varied talents and interests and I would love to see those shared while I am an RA here. I am excited and looking forward to filling my new role as the Solano Park resident advisor and to getting better acquainted with you.

welcome!

Community Programs

Grandparent's Day Craft

Grandparents' Day is September 8! All kids are invited to make cute "award" crafts for their grandparents. Children may bring a small picture of themselves to personalize the award.

When: Wednesday,
September 4 at 5pm
Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Craft Hour

You don't have to be a professional to experiment with colors. I'll provide acrylic paints, brushes and canvas boards. Let your imagination create your next masterpiece! Come have fun with paint.

When: Thursday, September 5
at 4:30pm
Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Hotdogs and Hamburgers— Meet Your New Resident Advisers

Come say hello and have some fun! We really want to personally meet all the residents of Orchard Park before we enter the fall quarter. We will be serving hotdogs and hamburgers, but all are welcome to bring a side dish if they desire. We will definitely have the bouncy houses up for kids and some other activities as well.

When: Friday, September 6 at
5:30pm
Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Stroller Walk Along the Arboretum

What a great way to start your week with a nice walk along the arboretum. Get to know your neighbors a little bit more while checking out what new projects the university has going on at the Arboretum. Parents and caregivers pack up your strollers and meet me by the Solano Park Office.

When: Monday, September 9
at 10am
Where: Meet at the Solano
Park Office



Play-Dough

We'll make some play-dough and then have fun playing with it. Everyone will be able to take some play-dough home. A treat will also be provided for little ones to munch on.

When: Tuesday, September 10
at 4pm
Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Toddler Play Group

We are going to have a toddler play group. It will be a great opportunity to meet other parents in the neighborhood and make some little friends for your toddler! This program is for children from 2 to 4 years old.

When: Tuesday, September 10
at 4:30pm
Where: Outside of Orchard
Park Community
Center

Cloth Diaper Demonstration

Are you going to have a baby or already have one and have contemplated cloth diapering but have felt too overwhelmed by all the information floating around out there to commit to anything? Join me and one of our own experienced cloth diapering residents to learn more about the process. Light refreshments will be served. All children are welcome! Please come with any questions or added advice.

When: Tuesday, September 10
at 5:30pm
Where: Solano Park
Community Center

Game Night

Join us for a family game night. Bring your favorite game from home or just come and enjoy the games that others bring. For questions, please call Joe at 831-682-8904.

When: Tuesday, September 10
at 6:30pm
Where: Solano Park
Community Center



Community Programs

Soccer Night

Come join us for a friendly game of soccer. All ages are welcome. For questions, please call Joe at 831-682-8904.

When: Thursday, September 12 at 7pm

Where: The green playground near the community center

Belly Dancing Demonstration Class

Want to try something new and exciting? Come watch and learn the amazing art of belly dancing. There will be a professional belly dancer/instructor coming to show us a few basic dance moves and to teach us a bit about the culture that surrounds it. **Adults Only.**

When: Wed, September 11 at 6:30pm

Where: Solano Park Community Center



Wish Upon a Star Night

Join us for a night of sky gazing at the Outside of Orchard Park Community Center! We will look at the moon through our telescope and check out some stars, then we will walk back to the Community Center for a display of our constellation planetarium. We'll end the evening with a marshmallow roast and glow sticks!

When: Thursday, September 19 at 5:30pm

Where: Orchard Park Community Center

Bedtime Snack S'MORES

This bedtime snack is for kids of all ages that means you too grownups. Join me for an evening SMORES event, we might even be able to catch a little of the full moon before retreating to our beds for the evening.

When: Friday, September 20 at 7:30pm

Where: Solano Park Community Center



Autumn Equinox Wreaths

September 22 is the first day of fall! In honor of the season change everyone is welcome to participate in making a fall wreath. Materials and snacks will be provided.

When: Monday, September 23 at 6:30pm

Where: Orchard Park Community Center

Family Book Swap

Bring any kids' or adults' books you'd like to trade. You can take home a new book to jump start your reading.

When: Wednesday, September 25 at 5pm

Where: Orchard Park Community Center

Sauerkraut

Come learn how to make sauerkraut. We will do all the preparation and then let it ferment for a couple of weeks. For questions, please call Joe at 831-682-8904.

When: Thursday, September 26 at 6:30pm

Where: Solano Park Community Center

Domes Potluck

Did you know every Monday through Thursday our neighbors at the Domes have a vegetarian potluck? This would be a great opportunity to find out just what the domes are all about. Let's meet at Orchard Park Community Center and walk over together. Feel free to bring a vegetarian dish of your own to share.

When: Thursday, September 26 at 7pm

Where: Meet at Orchard Park Community Center

Bagel Breakfast

Hey everybody, welcome back to school or welcome to Davis. Come join us for bagels and meet your new neighbors as we mark the start of the school year. For questions, please call Joe at 831-682-8904.

When: Saturday, September 28 at 9:30am

Where: Solano Park Community Center

Monthly Maintenance Tips

By Orchard and Solano Park Maintenance

FLOORS: Keep them nice and free from stains, scratches, and holes.

Some suggestions:

- Make sure all furniture has glides (the nylon or plastic pieces on the bottom of the legs that help keep the floor from getting scratched). Chairs, tables, and bed posts are especially important.
- Don't drag heavy objects across the floor. Be sure to pick up heavy objects when moving them.
- Wipe up water and other

spills right way.

- Be sure the underside of your washing machine doesn't have sharp exposed metal. Also, make sure that each load of laundry is balanced so that the washing machine doesn't "dance" when spinning.

Holidays and Anniversaries

September 8 — National Grandparents Day (USA)

Established to help children become aware of the strength, guidance and information offered by older people. Second Sunday in September.

September 11—Day of Remembrance (USA)

High-jacked commercial airliners were flown into the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington DC, and crashed in Pennsylvania.

September 13—Yom Kippur (Jewish)

Yom Kippur, or Day of Atonement, is the most important of all holy days for Jews. It is believed that once you atone for your mistakes, you can be "at one" with God. A day for fasting, repentance, forgiveness and self-reflection, Jews do not work on this date from sunset to sunset. Yom Kippur falls on the tenth day after Rosh Hashanah, which is marked by repentance and preparation. Most Jews fast and attend synagogue services on this day.

September 21— International Day of Peace (UN)

In 1981, the UN General Assembly declared that the third Tuesday of September, "be officially dedicated and observed as the International Day of Peace and shall be devoted to commemorating and strengthening the ideals of peace both within and among all nations and peoples."

September 22—Moon Festival, Mid-Autumn Festival (China, Vietnam, Taiwan, Singapore, Hong Kong)

Observed on the fifteenth day of the eighth moon of the lunar calendar year, this festival is known by different names in various countries, but is widely recognized throughout. An important harvest festival at the time the moon is brightest, it is also a time to pay homage to ancestors.

September 26—Simchat Torah (Jewish)

The annual cycle of weekly Torah (the Five Books of Moses) readings is completed at

this time. This is a time of great celebration with processions around the synagogue carrying Torahs. It celebrates the love of Torah with lots of joyful singing and dancing.

September 28—Teacher's Day, Birth of Confucius (Taiwan)

The birthday of Kung Fu Zi (Confucius, 551-479 BCE) is celebrated with a dawn ceremony, parts of which date back nearly 3,000 years, at temples around the island. The ceremony includes a ritual dance, costumes, music, and other rites. The teachings of Kung Fu Zi are not a religion, but a guide to appropriate personal behavior and good government, stressing the virtues of self-discipline and generosity. Confucius held the radical view that all who possessed the depth and desire to learn, not just the aristocracy, deserved the opportunity of formal education; for this reason, his birthday, a national holiday, is celebrated as Teacher's Day.

Calendar of Events

September 2013

****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
1	2 HOLIDAY PARKS OFFICES CLOSED	3	4 <u>Grandparent's Day Craft</u> OPCC 5pm	5 <u>Craft Hour</u> OPCC 4:30pm	6 <u>Hotdogs and Hamburgers—</u> <u>Meet your New Resident Advisors</u> OPCC 5:30pm	7
8	9 <u>Stroller Walk Along the Arboretum</u> Meet at the Solano Park Office 10am	10 <u>Play-Dough</u> OPCC 4pm <u>Toddler Playgroup</u> Outside OPCC 4:30pm <u>Cloth Diaper Demonstration</u> SPCC 5:30pm <u>Game Night</u> SPCC 6:30pm	11 <u>Belly Dancing Demonstration Class</u> SPCC 6:30pm	12 <u>Soccer Night</u> Green playground by SPCC 7pm	13	14
15	16	17 <u>Adult Craft Night</u> SPCC 8pm	18	19 <u>Wish Upon a Star Night</u> OPCC 5:30pm	20 <u>Bedtime Snack S'MORES</u> SPCC 7:30pm	21
22	23 <u>Autumn Equinox Wreaths</u> OPCC 6:30pm	24	25 <u>Family Book Swap</u> OPCC 5pm	26 <u>Domes Potluck</u> OPCC 7pm <u>Sauerkraut</u> SPCC 6:30pm	27	28 <u>Bagel Breakfast</u> SPCC 9:30am
29	30					



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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.

- We want our complexes to remain safe places to live. Report any suspicious activity to Campus Police.
- Smoking is not allowed within any apartment, or within 25 feet of any building, courtyard, or exterior walkway, patio, or balcony. Smoking is also not allowed near any playgrounds or outdoor seating areas that other residents may typically use. Smoking will only be permitted along the outside perimeter of the Orchard and Solano Park property line.

Please be aware that anyone violating this policy is subject to a lease violation.

- The tenant will neither keep a cat, dog, or other pet in or near the premises nor encourage its presence by feeding. This prohibition will apply not only to pets of the tenant, but also any visitor to the apartment regardless of the length of a visit. Violations may subject the tenant to termination of his/her right of occupancy.