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Orchard Park Office Hours:
Tuesday and Thursday
1:00pm—4:00pm

Solano Park Office Hours:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
1:00pm—4:00pm

Special points of interest:

- Please note the changes in office hours for both Solano and Orchard Park
- The lease renewal process begins April 1st

Change in Park Office Hours

Submitted by April Berryman

Please be aware that the Park office hours were recently changed for both Orchard and Solano Park Offices. Effective Thursday, March 13, 2014, Park Office hours were changed to:

Solano Park

Mondays, Wednesdays,
Fridays: 1pm – 4pm

Orchard Park

Tuesday, Thursdays: 1pm – 4pm

When the office is not open, please contact the Student Housing Office for assistance with the following:

- For apartment lockouts, call 530-752-2033.
- To reserve the Community Center, come to the Student Housing office.
- Submitting a notice to vacate (this can also be done by sending an email from your UCD email to studenthousing@ucdavis.edu)
- One-day visitor parking permits, visit the Student Housing office
- Request a parking refund by sending an email from your UCD email to studenthousing@ucdavis.edu

The following items must to be requested at the Park Office, so please plan accordingly to make sure to visit during open office hours:

- Purchase parking permits (including a replacement visitor permit and weekly visitor permits)
- Signing key/information cards for a change in occupancy in your apartment.

As always, for emergency repairs, please call 530-752-8200.

LEASE RENEWAL 2014

Submitted by Joann Wilson

The month of April is the beginning of the lease renewal process for Solano Park leaseholders. The new lease period will begin August 1, 2014 and ends July 31, 2015. Please note that only Solano Park residents will be allowed to renew their leases. In addition, be note that Solano Park will be closing

in July 2016.

Orchard Park residents that are transferring to Solano Park before July 31, 2014 will receive instructions about renewing their lease during their transfer lease signing appointment.

Solano Park residents will receive a lease renewal

signing appointment.

Solano Park residents will receive a lease renewal notification email from Student Housing at the beginning of April and are expected to express interest in renewing their lease by using the online form on the Housing

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LEASE RENEWAL 2014

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Information section of [MyUCDavis](#). **Submitting online interest information does not mean that your lease has automatically been renewed.** Housing staff will review eligibility status based on student status, conduct, lease violations, and current rent status.

During the months of May, June, and July, leaseholders will not be allowed to defer their rent. Leaseholders whose monthly rent is in arrears will not be eligible for lease renewal. If you have questions regarding your housing payment, please call Residential Student Accounts [752-2481].

Once eligibility has been approved, an email will be sent asking leaseholders to complete required information, and submit an electronic signature

to accept the new lease terms and conditions.

It is very important to:

- Review SISWEB [<http://sisweb.ucdavis.edu/>] records to ensure that two emergency contacts are listed in the system.
- Verify address & contact information is current, including cell phone numbers.

This information is necessary to complete the online renewal process.

Leaseholders planning to vacate should indicate they will not renew their lease. Any resident electing not to renew their lease is required to submit a vacate notice at the Park Office by June 20, 2014. Park Office staff will provide important vacate instructions once the notice is processed. Please be advised that failure to renew your

lease or submit a vacate notice will result in a 42 day notice of termination of tenancy.

Any requests for exceptions to the above-mentioned procedures should be sent to Joann Wilson, Residential Services Manager [joannwilson@ucdavis.edu].

All leaseholders should review the following sections of their leases:

- **Section 6- Eligibility**
- **Section 7- Lease Renewal.**

If you have any questions, regarding eligibility or the lease renewal process, please call Student Housing [752-2033] or e-mail [studenthousing@ucdavis.edu].



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Transfer Requests

Submitted by April Berryman

As you are aware, Orchard Park will be closing as of July 31, 2014. Orchard Park residents who wish to transfer to Solano Park will have priority over all other waitlists and should turn in their request before June 1, 2014. If there is a specific building or apartment leaseholders would like to transfer to, this information should be included in the transfer application. Please be aware that spaces may be

limited and an ideal location or specific building/apartment may not be available.

All Orchard Park residents that have not turned in a request to transfer to Solano Park will be required to submit their notice to vacate in person at the Orchard Park office or via their UC Davis email by June 13, 2014.

Leaseholders may go to the Student Housing website

(housing.ucdavis.edu) under the Publications section to 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 Park Office or the Student Housing Office. Transfer offers will be based on the date the application is received and space available.

Community Programs

Baby and Toddler Playgroup

We are going to have a play group for babies 0 to 24 months old. It will be a great opportunity to meet other parents in the neighborhood and make some little friends for your child! This program is for babies 0 to 24 months old. For questions, please feel free to email Della at daandrade@ucdavis.edu

When: Tuesday,
April 8 at 3pm
Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Young Eagles (Children 8+)

There is an opportunity the third Saturday of every month for children ages 8 – 17 to receive free flying experience in Vacaville. The only catch is you have to be willing to wake up at an inhumane hour and get over there by 7am. We will be leaving at 6:30 am from the Orchard Park Community Center. If anyone would like to follow me in their own vehicle, they are

welcome to join us in the parking lot by the Orchard Park Community Center. For more information, please feel free to email Della at daandrade@ucdavis.edu

When: Saturday,
April 19 at 6:30am
Where: Orchard Park Community
Center

Easter Egg Coloring Sheet

Let's get ready for Easter with a fun coloring activity. Come and color a paper egg which we can use for decoration at our Easter party.

When: Monday,
April 14 at 4:30pm
Where: Solano Park Community
Center

Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast

Come join us as we celebrate the Easter holiday with a fun egg hunt. There will also be some fun Easter crafts for the kids. We will have a light breakfast served, so feel free to bring a dish to add to the spread.

When: Saturday,
April 19 at 9:30am

Where: Solano Park Community
Center

Earth Day Plant

Today is Earth Day! Let's celebrate Mother Earth with a fun activity. We will read *The Lorax* and plant our own seeds for you to take home.

When: Tuesday,
April 22 at 4pm
Where: Solano Park Community
Center

May Day

Children are welcome to make May Day flower crafts to hang on their own doors or give to friends in honor of May Day. There will be popcorn and lemonade. For questions, please feel free to email Della at daandrade@ucdavis.edu

When: Wednesday,
April 30 at 4:30pm
Where: Orchard Park
Community Center

Monthly Maintenance Tips

By Orchard and Solano Park Maintenance

- To avoid plumbing charges, watch those kitchen drains. Make sure your strainer is in place in the drain to keep food from going down and plugging the drain.
- Never put grease or oil or any kind down the drain as it will clog the pipes. Put your grease or oil into a can or bottle while it is still warm. When it has cooled off, place it in the trash.
- Are your closet doors often coming untracked? Take care of them by sliding the closet doors slowly and straight.
- Remember that bedroom and cabinet doors are not painted surfaces. Hanging items with tape, nails, or tacks will harm the wood finish. Damage charges could be assessed when you vacate your apartment.
- Periodically cleaning the refrigerator door seal will make it easier to open and keep it from ripping. Take special care to clean the bottom edge with warm soapy water where sticky liquids like to accumulate.

Holidays and Anniversaries

April 1, 2014—Ngembak Geni [Indonesia]

Ngembak Geni is the start of the new year. Following in the wake of Nyepi, a day of silence and self-reflection, Ngembak Geni is a day of forgiveness. Families gather together to forgive each other, forget the hate in the past year, and work together to face the challenge of the New Year.

April 5, 2014 —Qing Ming Festival, National Tomb Sweeping Day [Taiwan]

The Chinese equivalent of “All Souls Day” where food and incense are offered to one’s ancestors. According to Chinese custom, the tombs of ancestors are swept “clear and bright” on this day, and rites honoring ancestors are held.

April 6, 2014 —Tartan Day [Canada, USA]

Congress declared National Tartan Day on 20 March 1998 to honor those of Scottish heritage. The importance of this day is significant because of the oppression that Scots endured while under English rule. 6 April is the anniversary of the

Declaration of Arbroath, the Scottish Declaration of Independence. The wearing of the tartan is important because it was outlawed in Scotland under English law, with the penalty of hanging or imprisonment.

April 21, 2014 — Kindergarten Day [USA]

A day to recognize the importance of play, games and “creative self-activity” in child education, and to note the history of the kindergarten; observed on the date of Fredrick Froebel’s birth in 1782. Froebel established the first kindergarten in 1837, and this concept was brought to the United States by German immigrants in the 1840s. The first American public kindergarten was established in 1873, in St. Louis, Missouri

April 25, 2014—Anzac Day [Australia, New Zealand]

A day set aside to remember the fallen soldiers of Anzac, Australia’s & New Zealand’s joint military force. Anzac Day is held on 25 April each year to commemorate Australians and

New Zealanders killed in war and to honor returned service personnel. Ceremonies have continually adapted to the times, but has also steadily acquired extra layers of symbolism and meaning. The dawn service is a typical commemoration beginning with a march by returned service personnel before dawn to the local war memorial; community members join the participants, and a short service follows with a prayer, hymns, and a dedication which concludes with the last verse of Laurence Binyon’s For the Fallen. The Last Post is then played, followed by a minute’s silence and Reveille. A brief address follows, after which the hymn, Recessional, is sung; the service concludes with a closing prayer and the singing of the national anthem. The Anzac parade takes place later in the morning, again to the local war memorial, where another service takes place; this service is a less intimate and emotional ceremony than the dawn service, but serves as a more public commemoration.

Calendar of Events

April 2014

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	3	4	5
6	7	8 <u>Baby and Toddler Playgroup</u> OPCC 3pm	9	10	11	12
13	14 <u>Easter Egg Coloring Sheet</u> SPCC 4:30pm	15	16	17	18	19 <u>Young Eagles</u> OPCC 6:30am <u>Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast</u> SPCC 9:30am
20	21	22 <u>Earth Day Plant</u> SPCC 4pm	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 <u>May Day</u> OPCC 4:30pm			



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Did you know?

- Apartments on University owned land are exempt from California State Property Tax. Therefore, students living in these facilities are not eligible for renter's credit.
- 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.
- **Registration Reminder** ~ Student Housing requires all

students to meet our eligibility requirements to continue living in The Parks Apartments. **Student must have full-time registered status during all regular academic sessions (summer is excluded).** Students who do not meet the requirement are required to register for additional classes or submit a notice to vacate with their Park Office. Please be aware of these requirements when you register for classes in the coming months. Please contact Student Housing at 530-752-2033 or your Park Office if you have any questions.