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Solano Park Office Hours:  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
10:00am—12:00pm  
1:00pm—4:00pm

### Special points of interest:

- Parking permits expired as of September 30, 2014. All leaseholders with vehicles should have renewed their parking permits for the new academic year or risk being cited for having an expired permit.

## Pizza Raffle

Submitted by Merissa Fuentes

During the first week of each month, staff inspects patios and balconies. To recognize the efforts of those residents who pass inspection, we will hold a pizza raffle each month.

If your balcony passes inspection, you will get a little slip of paper letting you know that you've automatically been entered in a raffle to win a pizza dinner from Woodstocks. If you win, your RA will contact you and you'll be

able to have your pizza prize whenever you'd like.

Congratulations to apartment 1725 for having a clean balcony and winning the August raffle!

## Fun in the Fall

Submitted by Lindsey Cunningham

Fall is probably my favorite time of the year. The warmth of summer is fading and its time to start wearing scarves and boots. You can ask my husband Zach, I own more scarves than any one woman should. I love all that fall has to offer, the sweet smell in the air, the bounty of fall harvest and time spent with loved ones and friends. This will be our second year in Davis for fall so I'd like to share the locations we discovered last year that are fun for all ages.

•Cool Patch Pumpkins:  
<http://coolpatchpumpkins.com/>  
Last year Zach and I and a group of friends ventured

to Dixon (just 10 minutes from Solano Park) for an evening in the Guinness World Record corn maze. Believe me, they are not kidding about how large this corn maze is. The cost is relatively inexpensive, and it is a fun way to spend an evening.



•Apple Hill:  
<http://www.applehill.com/>  
Located just over an hour from Davis, Apple Hill will not disappoint. This year Apple Hill will be celebrating 50 years of family fun.

**“A family trip to visit the Apple Hill Growers means so much more than just apples and pies. It's memories that will last a lifetime! It's berry farms, u-pick apple ranches, and kid-friendly activities. For the grown-ups, it's fine wines and handcrafted beers in an incredible Sierra-soaked setting.”**

Has anyone discovered another fun location for the Fall? Let me know and we can share it with the rest of the Solano Park Community in our November Park Messenger!

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# Community Programs

## **Back to School Bagel Breakfast**

Let's celebrate the return to Fall quarter classes with a weekend community breakfast full of your favorite bagels, spreads, and fresh brewed coffee.

Contact Solano Park RA Yolanda Franklin at 530-487-5872 for more details.

When: Saturday,  
October 4 at 9 am

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **Create Window Decals**

Come paint and create decorative window decals for your home. We'll make beautiful animal and nature based decals that you can use on your windows or mirrors to brighten your home. Contact Solano Park RA Merissa at 530-548-5900 for more details.

When: Tuesday,  
October 7 at 4 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **Introduction to the Alexander Technique**

Learn what the Alexander Technique is and how it can ease back pain and headaches, relieve stress and improve performance. Contact Solano Park RA Merissa at 530-548-5900 for more details.

When: Wednesday,  
October 8 at 7 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **Toddler Apple Activities**

Fall is here! Let's celebrate with some fun apple activities and crafts. We might get a little

messy, so be sure to have your little ones wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty. For Toddlers between ages 1-3. Contact Lindsey for more details:

liacunningham@ucdavis.edu;  
805-345-0351

When: Friday,  
October 10 at 3 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **Pumpkin Bread (Adult Only Social)**

All are welcome to join for a baking demonstration of a tasty harvest treat! Stay for some coffee and to enjoy this fall delight.

Contact Lindsey for more details:  
liacunningham@ucdavis.edu;  
805-345-0351

When: Wednesday,  
October 15 at 7 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **French Braiding Fun**

Learning to French Braid hair can be fun! Just bring a comb, your choice of hair ties, your head of hair (or your child's), and nimble fingers for this lesson in hairstyle beauty. Contact Solano Park RA Yolanda Franklin at 530-487-5872 for more details.

When: Thursday,  
October 16 at 7 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **Safety Measures**

All are welcome for a discussion and exchange of ideas regarding

residential safety at Solano Park. Topics include but are not limited to Emergency evacuation designated meeting areas/ protocol, Neighborhood Watch Program/participation, and more. Fire Marshal Morgana Yahnke of the UCD fire department and Officer Ray Holguin of the UCD police department will be on hand to answer related questions and address concerns. Light refreshments will be served.

Contact Solano Park RA Yolanda Franklin at 530-487-5872 for more details.

When: Tuesday,  
October 21 at 7 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## **Leaf Watercolors**

We'll make our own autumn leaves using watercolors. Come paint the changing of the season using simple art techniques. Contact Solano Park RA Merissa at 530-548-5900 for more details.

When: Thursday,  
October 23 at 4 pm

Where: Solano Park  
Community Center



# Community Programs

## Pumpkin Painting and Carving

Help us decorate for the Fall Harvest Festival! All decorated/ carved pumpkins will go on display at the Harvest Festival and can be taken home after the festival to sit on your doorstep. Please RSVP to Evite so we know how many pumpkins to bring. Contact Lindsey for more

details:  
liacunningham@ucdavis.edu;  
805-345-0351

When: Monday,  
October 27 at 7 pm  
Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

## Fall Harvest Festival

Kids and parents of all ages are welcome to join us for a fun afternoon at the annual Harvest

Festival! There will be games, snacks, prizes and a musical performance by Band-uh! Come in costume if you'd like!

Contact Lindsey for more details liacunningham@ucdavis.edu; 805-345-0351

When: Wednesday,  
October 29 at 3:30pm  
Where: Solano Park  
Community Center

# For Safety's Sake

Submitted by Yolanda Franklin

Do you and your family have an emergency escape plan? In the event of an earthquake, fire and/or other emergency, every member of your household should be familiar with the designated meeting area within Solano Park where you would gather. Having a monthly practice drill is very helpful for reinforcing the protocol to memory, especially for children. Emergency situations occur unexpectedly and can be very frightening for small children. Families that are prepared for and familiar with basic emergency response techniques will help to reduce the fear. Encourage your children to memorize their full names and a contact phone number in the event that they become separated from you during an emergency.

In the event of theft and potential violence within Solano

Park, we are all responsible for alerting the police whenever possible. I have personally witnessed individuals performing "dumpster diving" and collecting items from our community garbage bins. The problem with this practice is the illegal removal of UC Davis recyclables for personal profit and the potential for retrieving personal mail or documents that are discarded by residents. I was also informed that a resident was harassed by a dumpster diver who appeared to be a member of the homeless community. I am not suggesting that it is a crime to be a homeless individual within Solano Park or anywhere on UC Davis campus. I am suggesting that when a theft is perpetrated by anyone, including homeless individuals, the activity should be called in immediately to UCD law enforcement at 530-752-1230. The continued theft of bikes, baby carrier attachments, and car parts indicate that added

measures of safety are needed within Solano Park. Please remember to protect yourself and your belongings by shredding all documents prior to disposal, securely locking cars, bikes and child carriers, and registering your bicycle with TAPS (Transportation and Parking Services). Of course, these steps alone will not eliminate thefts but if combined with consistent reporting to police of suspicious activities, those considering committing such crimes may think twice. You can also work together to form an official neighborhood watch program. Contact Sue Franck at stfranck@ucdavis.edu for more information.



# Calendar of Events

## October 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 <u>Back to School Bagel Breakfast</u> SPCC @ 9am
5	6	7 <u>Create Window Decals</u> SPCC @ 4pm	8 <u>Introduction to the Alexander Technique</u> SPCC @ 7pm	9	10 <u>Toddler Apple Activities</u> SPCC @ 3pm	11
12	13	14	15 <u>Pumpkin Bread</u> SPCC @ 7pm	16 <u>French Braiding Fun</u> SPCC @ 7pm	17	18
19	20	21 <u>Safety Measures</u> SPCC @ 7pm	22	23 <u>Leaf Watercolors</u> SPCC @ 4pm	24	25
26	27 <u>Pumpkin Painting and Carving</u> SPCC @ 7pm	28	29 <u>Fall Harvest Festival</u> SPCC @ 3:30pm	30	31	



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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.

➤ **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.

➤ Please make sure that you've renewed your parking permit for the new year. If you haven't renewed, you will be subject to a parking citation and a \$50 ticket from TAPS. Come to the Park Office to renew your parking permit as soon as possible.