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Solano Park Office Hours:
Monday—Friday
9:00am—12:00pm
1:00pm—4:00pm

Special points of interest:

- May 25, 2015 is a University Holiday. All campus offices will be closed.

RESIDENTS OF SOLANO PARK

This letter is to inform you that commencing August 1, 2015, the following monthly rental rates will apply for continuing and new residents of Solano Park.

One bedroom apartments \$ 766 per month
Two-bedroom apartments \$ 906 per month

Student Housing is holding the rents at Solano Park to the 2013/14 lease year rate level.

This letter also serves as a notice of no parking fees increase at Solano Park. The 2015-16 charge for parking will remain the same at the 2011-12 rate of \$15 per month for the S-1 permits. The S-2 permit rate will remain at the rate of \$280 per year.

Cordially,

Ramona Hernandez
Director Business and Financial Services
Student Housing

Solano Park New Office Hours

Submitted by Faye Perata

Starting May 4th, the Solano Park office hours will be extended to:
Monday through Friday (excluding holidays)
9am-Noon and 1pm-4pm

Note: Changes to the schedule will be posted on the office door. Early hour weekday appointments are available by request and based on staff availability.

LAUNDRY AND HOW THE OFFICE HANDLE THE WASHING MACHINES

Submitted by Merissa Fuentes



In the last few months the office staff has received some questions concerning the various washing machines and laundry rooms around the complex, so the office wanted to review the policies and procedures hoping to decrease confusion and frustration in the future.

There are seven laundry rooms around our community, and each room has a couple of washers and a large dryer unit which are operated by cards with a balance of money on them. Everyone gets a card when they move in, and new cards can be purchased or money adding to an existing card in the laundry room located in the 4400 building next to the main office.

The cards, card machines, washers and dryers are all provided and serviced by an outside company, called: . The lovely Solano Park maintenance staff is not involved in the upkeep or repair of the laundry units. So if a machine breaks down or leaks or anything else it is important that you, the resident, directly contact the company number posted on each machine and in each laundry room. WASH will ask for the unit number of the machine having problems, this is posted at the top front of each washer or dryer right by the card slot.

In general WASH responds on the same day, but on the occasion that a machine isn't repaired quickly and you have

already called, you can ask the RAs or office for assistance. We ask that you please include the unit number, the time and date of the problem, when you called the company and any other relevant information about your interaction with the service request. In all honesty the office doesn't have a special number to get repair people here faster, but we can add a strong voice to the request for repairs if things have been left for an extended period.

Company: WASH-
Multifamily Laundry Systems
Number: 1-800-342-5932
Website:
www.fixlaundry.com

WHOLE EARTH FESTIVAL

Submitted by Lindsey Cunningham

Whole Earth Festival May 8-10, 2015

Source: <https://wef.ucdavis.edu/>

Whole Earth Festival (WEF) is a free event that began in 1969 when an art class taught by Jose Arguelles held an "Art Happening" on the University of California, Davis campus. The students used art to teach visitors about activism, wellness and the environment

in an interactive and creative way. The Art Happening created an educational process that dared to transcend the typical system of standardized tests and impersonal lectures, promoting instead a culture of cooperative and participative learning.

Following the United Nations' declaration of "Earth Day" in 1970, the second "Art Happening" (1971) was renamed "Whole Earth." Later, Whole

Earth Festival was sponsored by the Associated Student's Experimental College and is today a self-sufficient unit of ASUCD. The festival has evolved over four decades into an enormous zero waste event promoting an eco-friendly spirit occurring every Mothers' Day Weekend."



NEW SOLANO PARK RA

Submitted by Nina Zamuruyev



Hello Solano Park Residents:

My name is Nina and I am a new Resident Assistant (RA) in Solano Park Apartments. My husband and I moved here from Sacramento after we got married, about three years ago. I like the Davis community and enjoy living in Solano Park because our complex has all that a family needs. It has large green playground areas, a beautiful arboretum to walk, and friendly community gardens to grow some greens and tomatoes. I am looking forward to be a more active member of our family-oriented community and helping create long lasting memories of our university years here in Solano Park. Here is a little more about myself. I hold an Associate

degree in Early Childhood Education from Sierra College. I have some experience working with kids and their parents from my professional training and work in child development centers, including Russell Park Child Development Center in Davis. I hope that my experience as well as education will help me contribute to Solano Park educational and entertainment events for kids. I am also a full time mom of a two year old boy who helps me stay 'up-to-date' with child education.

I believe that crafts, science, and cooking sessions for kids can free their imagination and sparkle their curiosity to explore this world. I will be offering not only fun and educational sessions for parents and all sorts of family mixtures,

but all members of the community. I would also like to emphasize the strength of Solano Park multicultural community; we have so much to share and learn from each other that can educate us and broaden our mind's horizons.

My hope is for all community members to get to know each other and learn from each other as we share valuable experiences for ourselves and our families for long years to remember.

I am looking forward to meeting you personally and helping you.

Sincerely,
Nina Zamuruyev
New Solano Park RA

RESIDENT SURVEY INTRO AND LINK

Submitted by Faye Perata

Student Housing would like to get your feedback regarding the application process information found on our website and lease application. We have updated our information in an attempt to make our process more clear and easy to understand.

Please share your feedback regarding the updated information on our survey here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/N3LQL8J>. There are less than 10 questions and should only

take you 5 minutes to complete.



Community Programs

SPRING CARDS

Come and use the crafts available at Solano Park to



make a beautiful hand-made card for a loved one. Contact Lindsey for more details liacunningham@ucdavis.edu; 805-345-0351.

When: Monday, May 4 at 7pm

Where: Solano Park Community Center

AGING PAPER – LETTERS FOR MOTHERS

Mother's day is just around the corner. Kids come and make a thank you letters for your mother. Moms are welcome to come and help to have some special time together. Hope to see you there to celebrate our moms, and learn to age paper with simple recipe. For more information, please contact Nina Zamuruyev, RA for Solano Park by phone 916-508-7481, or e-mail nzamuruyev@ucdavis.edu



When: Tuesday, May 5 at 4:30 pm

Where: Solano Park Community Center

CINCO DE MAYO

All ages. Come eat, dance and celebrate with your neighbors. Questions, contact RA Merissa at 530-548-5900.



When: Tuesday, May 5 at 7pm
Where: Solano Park Community Center

MOTHER'S DAY GIFT

Why not to give your mom homemade bath salt for Mother's Day? Join me in the Solano Park Community Center to find out how easy it can be and take a jar home. For questions and suggestion, please feel free to contact Nina Zamuruyev, RA for Solano Park by phone 916-508-7481, or e-mail nzamuruyev@ucdavis.edu.



When: Thursday, May 7 at 4pm
Where: Solano Park Community Center

INTERNATIONAL COOKING

Early birds on Saturday morning come and enjoy light breakfast with Russian Blini. You are welcome to bring your favorite breakfast to share with other members of Solano Park Apartments. For more

information, please contact Nina Zamuruyev, RA for Solano Park by phone 916-508-7481, or e-mail nzamuruyev@ucdavis.edu.



When: Saturday, May 9 at 9am
Where: Solano Park Community Center

TODDLER PLAY

Come and enjoy some fun with your toddler, meet new friends and use the activities Solano Park has to offer! Snacks will be provided. Contact Lindsey for more details liacunningham@ucdavis.edu; 805-345-0351.



When: Monday, May 11 from 11:30am to 12:30pm
Where: Solano Park Community Center

WHOLE FOODS MARKET PRESENTATION

All are welcome to an informational session about Whole Foods Market presented by Marketing Team Leader, Lauren! Come and find out about low



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budget shopping lists, new lower pricing and easy recipes. Whole Foods will be sharing snacks, coupons and information about guided tours of the Market. Located just a .4mile walking distance from Solano Park, (and don't forget the 10% student discount!) Whole Foods has all the right stuff to keep yourself and family eating healthy. Contact Lindsey for more details
 liacunningham@ucdavis.edu;
 805-345-0351.

When: Monday, May 11 at 7pm
 Where: Solano Park Community Center

PAPER AIRPLANES

For kids ages 4-14. Come learn how to fold different types of paper airplanes and see how small changes in shape effect the distance each can fly. Questions, contact RA Merissa at 530-548-5900.



When: Tuesday, May 12 at 4:30pm
 Where: Solano Park Community Center

BICYCLE DECORATION AND PARADE RIDE



Solano Park kids, come and bring your bike. We will have fun decorating our bikes and then will have a parade ride in Arboretum. For more information, please contact Nina Zamuruyev, RA for Solano Park by phone 916-508-7481, or e-mail nzamuruyev@ucdavis.edu.

When: Thursday, May 14 at 4:30 pm
 Where: Solano Park Community Center

FIREFIGHTER VISIT

Solano Park will be getting a visit from the UC Davis Firefighters. Come and check out the fire truck! Contact Lindsey for more details liacunningham@ucdavis.edu; 805-345-0351.



When: Saturday, May 16 at 10:30am
 Where: Solano Park Community Center

ETCH GLASS MUGS FOR FATHER'S DAY

All children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult. We'll learn how to etch shapes or simple messages into a glass mug which can become a Father's Day gift. Questions, contact RA Merissa at 530-548-5900.



When: Saturday, May 16 at 12:30pm
 Where: Solano Park Community Center

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

All are welcome to join us for a cool treat! Contact Lindsey for more details liacunningham@ucdavis.edu, 805-345-0351.



When: Monday, May 18 at 7:30pm
 Where: Solano Park Community Center

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TISSUE PAPER FLOWERS

Adults and children come and have fun doing tissue paper flowers, welcome to share your way of doing it. For more information, please contact Nina Zamuruyev, RA for Solano Park by phone 916-508-7481, or e-mail nzamurauev@ucdavis.edu.



When: Tuesday, May 19 at 4pm
Where: Solano Park Community Center

DANCE PARTY

All Ages. Bring your favorite music (or Pandora playlist) and your dancing shoes and we'll rock out in the Solano Park Community Center as if no one was watching. Questions, contact RA Merissa at 530-548-5900.



When: Wednesday, May 20 at 4:30pm
Where: Solano Park Community Center

HAWAIIAN ICEES

All ages. Come have a sweet, cool treat as we start getting into the warmer months. Questions, contact RA Merissa at 530-548-5900.



When: Thursday, May 28 at 6:30pm
Where: Solano Park Community Center

Advisory Board Submitted by Chuck Huneke

Dear Solano Park Residents,

Student Housing is hoping to hear from you! We are working to create a new Solano Park Advisory Board to discuss issues, concerns and policies related to living in Solano Park.

Why an Advisory Board?

To stay in touch with the Solano Park community and look for new ways that Student Housing staff can partner with current residents to improve the experience of all students living in Solano Park.

Who can volunteer to be a Board Member?

Any current Solano Park resident can volunteer to be a Board Member. Members should be interested in sharing their personal experiences related to living in Solano Park as well as discussing issues and seeking input from other members of the community about their experiences.

What time commitment is required?

The plan is to begin with a regular monthly board meeting lasting approximately two hours. When the board is up and running the total time commitment will be between 2-5 hours a month.

The first meeting of the board will be from 3:00-5:00pm on Friday, May 22nd in the Solano Park Community Center—everyone is welcome!

If you have any interest in joining the board, or just want to come and voice your opinions, please come to the first meeting! If you have any questions about the board please email Chuck Huneke, Student Housing Assistant Director, at jchuneke@ucdavis.edu.

Monthly Maintenance Tips

By Solano Park Maintenance

Window Screens

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

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 My UC Davis to get assistance from Maintenance.



Holidays and Anniversaries

May 1st—May Day

Meeting in Paris in 1889, a congress of world socialist parties voted to support the US labor movement's demands for an eight-hour work day and chose 1 May 1890 as a day to demonstrate in favor of the proposal. In the former Soviet Union, May Day is a national holiday marked by giant banners, patriotic speeches and military parades. In the US, this is a day celebrated with hangings of May baskets and dancing around May poles. (1889)

May 5th—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 8th—International Red Cross Day

Celebrates the birth of Henri Durant, founder of the International Red Cross. (1863)

May 10th—Inauguration of Nelson Mandela

On this date, Nelson Mandela became the first Black president of South Africa after years of white minority rule under an apartheid government. (1994)

May 20th—Amelia Earhart crossed the Atlantic

Leaving harbor in Grace, Newfoundland at 7pm on 19 May 1932, Amelia Earhart landed near Londonderry, Ireland on 20 May. The 2,026-mile flight took thirteen hours and thirty minutes. She is the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic. (1932)

May 23rd—Birth of Harvey Milk [USA]

Gay rights activist and San Francisco city supervisor murdered on 27 November 1978 by former City Supervisor Dan White. White had resigned his seat on the Board following enactment of the gay civil rights bill he had opposed. White was

convicted of two counts of voluntary manslaughter and sent to prison for seven years and eight months. This stunningly light sentence was granted in response to what is now referred to as the "twinkie defense". White's attorney argued that the defendant could not be held accountable for his actions due to the amount of junk food he had eaten on the day of the crimes. White was paroled after six years in prison and committed suicide shortly thereafter. (1930-1978)

May 25th—Hands Across America

Nearly 5.5 million people join hands to form a human chain across the US on this date. The event was designed to raise funds for the poor and homeless. (1986)

May 26th—Memorial Day

Memorial Day was first observed in the United States in 1868 to honor the war dead of the Civil War, both North and South. In time it came to include the commemoration of all lives lost in wars. Last Monday in May.

Calendar of Events

May 2015

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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3	4 Spring Cards SPCC @ 7PM	5 Cinco de Mayo SPCC @7pm Aging Paper-Letters for Mothers SPCC @4:30pm	6	7 Mother's Day Gift SPCC @ 4pm	8	9 International Cooking SPCC @ 9am
10 Mother's Day	11 Toddler Play SPCC @ 11:30am Whole Foods Market Presentation SPCC @ 7pm	12 Paper Airplanes SPCC @ 4:30pm	13	14 Bicycle Decoration and Parade Ride SPCC @ 4:30pm	15	16 Firefighter Visit SPCC @ 10:30am Etch Glass Mugs for Father's Day SPCC @ 12:30pm
17	18 Ice Cream Social SPCC @ 7:30pm	19 Tissue Paper Flowers SPCC @ 4pm	20 Dance Party SPCC @ 4:30pm	21	22	23
24	25 HOLIDAY SOLANO PARK OFFICE CLOSED	26	27	28 Hawaiian Icees SPCC @ 6:30pm	29	30
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