Get ready: it is almost time to “fall back”

Daylight Saving Time ends at 2 am Sunday, November 4th, which means you will need to turn your clocks back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday night, November 3rd.

Safety Tips for Pedestrians and Bicyclists

Turning the clocks back an hour means darker days and longer nights, which can make it harder for motorists to see you when you are out walking or riding your bike. The best way to stay safe is to be prepared and be aware of vehicles around you.

Be safe and be seen: make yourself visible to drivers

• Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials.
• Carry a flashlight when walking or riding at night.
• Cross in a well-lit area at night.
• Stand clear of buses, hedges, parked cars or other obstacles before crossing so drivers can see you. Stay out of the driver’s blind spot.
• If you are riding at night, a headlight is absolutely essential.

Be smart and alert: avoid dangerous behaviors

• Always walk on the sidewalk; if there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
• Bicyclists must drive like other vehicles and obey all traffic signs and signals.
• Stay sober; walking while impaired increases your chance of being struck.
• Do not assume vehicles will stop; make eye contact with drivers, do not just look at the vehicle. If a driver is on a cell phone, they may not be paying enough attention to drive safely.
• Do not rely solely on pedestrian signals; look before you cross the road.
• Be alert to engine noise or backup lights on cars when in parking lots and near on-street parking spaces.

Be careful at crossings: look before you step

• Cross at marked crosswalks or intersections. Pedestrians are most often hit by cars when they cross the road at places other than intersections.
• Obey traffic signals such as WALK/DO NOT WALK signs.
• Look left, right, and left again before crossing a street.
• Look across ALL lanes you must cross and visually clear each lane before proceeding. Just because one motorist stops, do not presume drivers in other lanes can see you and will stop.
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Heating Safety Tips

Baseboard heaters are generally considered safe and the fire danger is fairly low. However, if a baseboard heater is used improperly, there is a risk of fire, so keep these safety tips in mind when you are using your unit:

• In order for your heater to function properly, it is important that nothing be placed in front of the heater to block the flow of air. Place furniture at least 6 inches away from the heater to avoid obstructing its air intake.
• Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from space heater. Maintain at least 1 foot of clearance from the top and front of the baseboard heater. Do not allow window blind cords or drapes to rest on the unit. Especially avoid placing flammable objects nearby.
• Have a three-foot “kid-free zone” around the heater. Also make sure children do not leave their toys or other objects near the heater.
• Remember to turn heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
• Be patient when trying to heat a room with a baseboard heater. It may be tempting to set the thermostat to a higher setting, but that will not actually heat the room more quickly. Set your thermostat to your desired room temperature, and wait for the room to warm gradually.
• Dust and lint may block vents and could cause a unit to overheat. Be sure to vacuum around your baseboard heater occasionally. Cleaning your electric baseboard heater also prevents that “burned dust” odor that occurs when you first turn on your unit after infrequent use. Remember, the cleaner your equipment is, the more efficient it will be.
• Never use your oven to heat your home.

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—Unknown

Place Keys in Drop Box - Palo Verde has an after hours drop box for various key returns located outside our office door - just lift the lid and drop them in. Do not leave keys in the envelope area outside the box as they may become lost or stolen. For Move-Out key returns, please complete the envelopes provided and place it in the box. Loaner keys and community room reservation keys do not require envelopes.
Recipes and samples are Community Room Kitchen. at 6:30pm in the Palo Verde fourth Tuesday of the month service is not provided. with the children you bring adult. Thank you for remaining All children must be with an welcome as well.

PV community? They are University Hills or near the families in Verano Place, and it is FREE! Do you know Anyone is welcome to attend sharing.

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This playgroup is a free play-

January 22nd RETURNING IN JANUARY 2019! Everything is free! MARK YOUR CALENDARS! January 22nd

MENU: To Be Announced Should you require accommodations for this or any PV event or program, please contact sherwook@uci.edu.

Calling all people with children - PV PLAYGROUP RETURNS!!!

PV PLAYGROUP

3:30pm - 6:30pm

Every Thursday in the Community Room

Starting October 25th

This playgroup is a free play-time for the children which allows for more socialization (and relaxation) for the parents. We will have light snacks for the children and coffee and tea for the adults. Feel free to bring a toy (or two) which your child feels comfortable sharing. Anyone is welcome to attend and it is FREE! Do you know families in Verano Place, University Hills or near the PV community? They are welcome as well. All children must be with an adult. Thank you for remaining with the children you bring to the playgroup. Childcare service is not provided.

We hope to see you there!

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“The person on top of the mountain didn't fall there.” – Unknown

Join us in stocking the shelves of UCI’s student food pantry!

FRESH Basic Needs Hub Food Drive

November 9 7:00-9:30 a.m.

Lot 14 near Newkirk Alumni Center

45% of UCI students say food insecurity is a personal, critical issue. Please help us help fellow Anteater and make sure no UCI student goes hungry this holiday and finals season. Most needed items include:

Food items:
- Bagged or ready-to-eat rice
- Canned fruit
- Cereal
- Canned or boxed soup
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Canned meats and fish
- Healthy snacks (granola bars, raw nuts, dried fruit)
- Canned beans and vegetables
- Peanut butter

Toiletries:
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Deodorant
- Menstrual products
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Toilet paper
- Body and/or hand soap
- Detergent

For further information, please contact Melissa Churlonis, mchurlon@uci.edu

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Reporting Suspicious Activities or Persons - While we are in a relatively safe community, Palo Verde is not immune to crimes and vandalism. It is always important for everyone to contribute to the safety of the community. Immediately report all suspicious persons, vehicle activities, and all incidents of vandalism or suspected vandalism to the UCI Police Department at (949) 824-5223.

In emergency situations or during crimes in progress, dial 911 or use a Blue Light emergency phone available that are located in Palo Verde and throughout the UCI campus, on Ring Road and parking lots.

For more information, please visit: http://www.housing.uci.edu/housingOptions/Palo_Verde.html