Palo Verde Newsletter for October 25, 2019

A weekly publication for the Palo Verde Graduate Housing Community. E-mail submissions to PVinquiry@uci.edu by Tuesday before 3:00pm - http://www.housing.uci.edu/pvpress/index.html

Palo Verde Meet and Greet
4:00pm — 6:00pm in the PV Community Room
This is open all graduate, professional, medical students, law students, veterans, Palo Verde residents, Verano Place residents, Campus Village Graduate residents, and their guests.
Light snacks will be available while supplies last. Or if you wish, you may bring some snacks of your own to add to the gathering.
Come see some costumes and meet other residents living in our graduate housing communities.
(Are you a caregiver/guardian/parent? This may be a great opportunity to meet other parents/children in UCI’s Graduate and Family Housing.)

PV Trick or Treat Friendly Homes
The PV Pumpkin signs are available in the Palo Verde Housing office. Place the sign on your apartment door or window if you would like to designate your apartment as a Trick-or-Treat friendly apartment. Simply post the pumpkin on your door when you are ready for Trick or Treaters and remove it when you are no longer receiving them.
The PV Pumpkin signs will be available for you to pick up at the PV Meet and Greet. If you are unable to attend the PV Meet and Greet or you are unable to make it into the Palo Verde office during office hours, please ask the PV office to e-mail you the sign for you to print.

Trick-or-Treaters - When trick-or-treating in Palo Verde or Verano Place, look for the doors with an orange pumpkin posted. They have designated themselves as a Trick-or-Treat friendly apartment and it is okay to “Trick or Treat” at that door. The pumpkin sign will be posted on the apartment door when they are able to receive you.
If there is no pumpkin posted on the Trick-or-Treat Friendly home, they may not be home or they ran out of treats. Please move on to the next apartment where there is a pumpkin posted.
Please remember to thank them for the treat when you leave their door.

Trick or Treat Safety Tips
After your little princesses and mini cowboys are all dressed and their trick or treat bags are firmly in hand, it is time to go over some trick or treat safety tips so you and your children will have an enjoyable and safe Halloween experience.
• Steer Clear of Masks - Masks are a fun part of many costumes, but they can limit or block eyesight. Also, your child would need to lift their mask to have a conversation with a fellow trick or treater. Consider non-toxic makeup which should be tested ahead of time on a small patch of skin to ensure there are no unpleasant surprises on the big day.
• Leave The Sharp and Pointy Props at Home - If you want to have some props, make sure they are soft, without sharp edges, flexible and bend when pushed. A child may be easily hurt by these sharp and pointy accessories if he stumbles or trips.
• Be Visible - If your kids will comply, choose costumes that are brightly colored so that they are easier to see in the dark. If they really want a dark costume, apply some reflective strips to their costume. You could also have them wear glow necklaces or carry glow sticks and flashlights.
• Never Go Alone - It is important that young children have an adult chaperon at all times while trick or treating. Add some emergency identification information such as the child’s name, address and phone number on your child in case your child happens to get separated from the group.
• Walking Tips - Be sure that your children understand simple traffic rules, such as stopping and looking both ways before crossing the street. Inform your children that they should never assume that they have the right away when crossing the street, especially at night on Halloween.
• Do Not Go Inside - Trick or treaters always seem to run across a house or two where someone invites them to “come in”. Remind your little ones that they should never go inside anyone’s home while trick or treating.
• Stay On Track - It might be tempting to take a short cut through the Palo Verde yard or on any uneven paths, which can sometimes pose a danger. Stay on sidewalks that are well lit and where there are plenty of people.
• Say No! - Stranger danger is important to remember no matter how old your kids are, even while trick or treating. Teach your children when to say “no” to strangers. If your children are old enough to trick or treat in a group without you, be sure and designate a time for their return.
• Taste-Testing Patience - Make sure your little goblins know that trick or treating is for gathering candy, not eating it as they receive it. They may be tempted to take a taste before you have had a chance to inspect it - it is always better to be safe than be sorry.
• Drive Extra Safely on Halloween - Turn your headlights on earlier in the day, slow down and be especially alert. Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.

Be safe and have a Happy Halloween!
Classes will be held every Wednesday.

Spider Week

Come explore, examine, observe, create crafts and learn the wonders of nature together with your child. This week, we will have activities and making arts and crafts.

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PILF is offering discounted prices for a limited time. Early bird promotion ends on October 13th, so register ASAP at www.tinyurl.com/PILF5K! If you have any questions, please contact Lynda Bui (lyndab@uci.edu) or Pauline Duong (paulined@uci.edu).

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Welcome Graduate and Family Residents!

Sustainability is an important value for UCI and Student Housing. As you start off the year, please take a few minutes to complete our quick survey about sustainability by November 2nd. Your answers will help us get to know you and tailor programming to meet your interests. Please find the survey at this link*: https://uci.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9tqXbiW9Rk1OTDn. Participants will be registered to win a $20 Zotbucks gift card.

Thank you! Student Housing

*Link for graduate and family residents only

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