

mesa messenger

residential apartments

September 2009



welcome bbq

With each new academic year, come new residents to our fine community, and what better way to welcome these recent residents then to have a BBQ?!?

Join your neighbors, friends, family, and Residential Services on September 19th, in the One Miramar Street courtyard for free burgers, hot dogs, sides, and drinks. We will aim to start serving around 12noon and we will stick around until we run out of food. Everyone is welcome to stop by. This is a great way to meet new people, so mark your calendars and we hope to see you on the 19th!



san diego events

Summer may almost be over, but that doesn't mean the fun has to end. The San Diego Zoo and the San Diego Wild Animal Park have extended hours for Nighttime Zoo and The Park After Dark, through September 7th. The City of San Diego holds its own annual film festival downtown; this year between September 23rd and September 27th. The town of Julian begins its renowned fall apple harvest on September 15th, including art shows, scenic fall foliage and of course the best darned apple pie ever! There is still plenty to do around San Diego, so grab your family and friends for some last minute summer fun before the new school year begins.



mesa child development

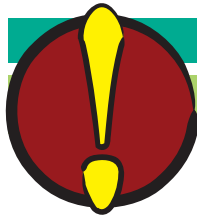
Do you know where your pre-schooler or kindergartener will be going to school this Fall?

Check out the new Mesa Child Development Center, for part-time care (A.M.:8-12 or P.M.:1-5). For tours and enrollment information, contact Anna Bascom at 858.246.0927, abascom@ucsd.edu, or <http://child.ucsd.edu>. Time is running out for our 5 day, Monday through Friday program.



speed limits

One of the consequences of living in such a large community is having a lot of vehicles and traffic on the road that works its way through Mesa. With the number of families and the two daycares located on the grounds, it is especially important that speed limits are observed when driving along the road. The speed limit from the South Mesa entrance all the way to the parking structure is 15 miles per hour, and the speed limit from the parking structure out to the stop light for Regents Road and Miramar Street is 25 miles per hour. Please keep these speeds in mind as you come to and from your apartment, especially while driving past the daycares and on the hill between buildings 9172 and 9226. Thank you for your cooperation and vigilance in keeping our community safe.



eligibility checks

Soon, summer will fade into fall and a new school year will be upon us, with new opportunities and new achievements. Along with the new school year comes an old practice: eligibility checks. As you all know, in order to remain eligible to reside in graduate housing, students must be enrolled full time, with 12 units or more, towards a degree granting program, graduate level or higher. If you have any questions or concerns about eligibility, eligibility checks, or taking a leave of absence, please call or come by the Residential Services Office.



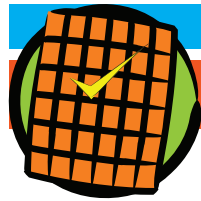


disposal of waste

These days, everyone is trying their hardest to decrease individual carbon foot prints, which is great, but you need to know how to properly dispose of waste if you are going to succeed. At various locations around the complex trash and recycling dumpsters are available, but each receptacle has rules about what can and cannot go into them. Recycling dumpsters obviously can only take items that have a recycling symbol on them. It does not matter what number is in the recycling symbol, just as long as it has the symbol. Trash dumpsters take non recyclable items, but even these bins have items that should not be tossed in. Electronics, tires, furniture, and chemicals can only be disposed of at the proper government run collection sites. If these items are included in our pick up, they contaminate the collection and cause problems in disposal. The Miramar Landfill has a specific site for accepting these harmful items, which is located not too far from us. For more information, visit www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/miramar/.

Finally, if you happen to see any of the few plant product dumpsters around the complex, please do not put anything in them, as collection restrictions are even stricter on these receptacles than on trash and recycling. Thank you.

San Diego is in a Phase II Drought Alert—do your part by conserving water!



calendar

September 2nd

Continental Breakfast, Community Room 3875, 8:30-9:30am

September 7th

Labor Day, Holiday, Office closed

September 19th

Welcome BBQ, OMS courtyard, 12noon



HDH eco-efforts

This September, students will find a next-generation array of green innovations ranging from Econauts and drought tolerant bio-swale landscaping to organic foods and “hydration stations” that eliminate the need for disposable water bottles.

All Housing, Dining and Hospitality restaurants and markets have offered organic, locally grown and cage-free options for some time, but a new initiative ensures that cage-free eggs will exclusively be sold in all of UC San Diego’s dining locations. In addition, the campus will use fair trade coffee, tea and sugar at all dining locations and markets.

In spring 2010, El Mercado, located in Muir will be transformed into an organic bistro.

In addition, dining locations will begin regularly featuring locally grown, organic farmer’s markets where students will have the opportunity to buy produce directly from local food businesses.

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