Upcoming Events

SEPT. 6 LET'S TALK SERIES

Topic: Rodent Control • 6:30 pm Community Center
OCT. 1: FALL FIESTA

NOV. 15: COFFEE ON US
7:30 am @ Community Center

Basic Pool Safety Saves Lives

Summer may be coming to an end, but in Southern California, pool weather continues through October. Parents, please take a moment to review the video at left and safety tips about keeping kids safe in and around the pool.

Kids will love this Pool Safely song and it will help them remember what they have learned about staying safe at the pool. Drowning is the leading cause of accidental death of children ages 1-4. Let's cooperate as a community to make sure we keep our kids safe.

ATTENTION RENTERS

ICA Rentals' Annual Preventative Maintenance Program will begin the second week of September continuing through October.

During that period, ICHA will perform routine maintenance of all rental apartments to ensure the proper functioning of carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, plumbing fixtures, electrical fixtures and heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems.

Advanced notice of specific inspection dates will be posted and sent to each resident.
**DMV Opens on Campus**

UCI faculty and staff can now perform Department of Motor Vehicles services such as vehicle registrations at a new self-service kiosk located at the main UCI Transportation Office, 200 Public Services Building.

(20 minute visitor parking is available in Lot 1C adjacent)

UCI is the first university and first independent location in California to house a DMV.

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**Got Autopay?**

Did you know that you can make monthly ICHA payments electronically using Autopay? Click below to register.

- Homeowners
- Renters
- Condo I
- Condo II

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**Survey Results: Area 11 Recreation Amenities**

Last spring, ICHA and the HRB invited residents to complete an electronic survey about potential recreation amenities for our newest University Hills neighborhood, Area 11. Amenities were grouped into categories including sports, nature, kid-related and gathering spaces.

The goal of the survey was to measure the intensity of attitudes (positive and negative) toward the potential amenities. All amenities scoring below a 2.5 weighted average (1 is the highest score; 4 is the lowest score) will be considered in future planning. A large scale map of recreation amenities will be on display at the Fall Fiesta on October 1, 2017.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE FULL SURVEY RESULTS]
Let's Talk Series

What's Up With the Rats?

Please join us for an informative meeting with guest speakers from the UC Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources and Orange County Vector Control.

**WHAT:** What's Up With the Rats?

**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 6 • 6:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Community Room. All are welcome.

*This event is co-sponsored by ICHA and the HRB Sustainability Committee*

ICHA Rodent Control Best Practices

ICHA is committed to controlling the University Hills rodent population while working to protect native wildlife and domestic pets against secondary chemical impacts. ICHA does not use anticoagulant rodenticide products commonly found in household rat treatments. ICHA is collaborating with the HRB, Orange County Vector Control and UC Agriculture and Natural Resources to address concerns about environmental impact while reducing a rodent population that has increased due to the wet winter and surge in plant, seed and fruit growth.

**Do Your Individual Part**

Homeowners provide the first line of defense against rodent overpopulation:

- Pick up all fallen fruit.
- Never leave uneaten pet food outside overnight.
- Keep pet food in sealed metal containers if stored in the garage or other outbuildings.
- Keep palm trees and plants well trimmed.

Click here for more rat reduction tips from OC Vector Control.

**What's Been Done**

ICHA has been experimenting with "swift-kill" snap traps designed for rodents. The snap traps are an alternative to bait. ICHA has been monitoring the snap traps twice a week since mid-June. To date, the snap traps have not performed as well as anticipated. Baiting will continue using a product with no secondary impact on wildlife. *If you would like to learn more about rodents and how to rat-proof your property, please join us on September 6 (see event details above).*
Area 11 Construction Update

The video of Area 11 was shot by our drone pilot in residence, Peter Burke, on June 29. Since then, much of the Phase 1 framing has taken shape and the Phase 1 prototypes are nearing completion.

Photos from a recent tour of the site reveal the framing of three different architectural styles: Spanish, Cottage and Craftsman. Click here for more photos.

What to Expect During Construction

- Increased truck and equipment traffic, especially near the Alturas Townhomes.
- Noise, dust and vibrations.
- Access to residences and parks in adjacent areas will remain available at all times.
- Please advise children to stay away from construction areas and equipment to ensure their safety.

Approved work hours for this project are Monday through Friday, 7 am to 7 pm (or sunset, whichever is earlier) and Saturday 9 am to 5 pm. Work is not allowed on Sundays or federal holidays.
Harnessing the Sun's Power at Coltrane Pool

Did you know that ICHA has installed solar panels at the Coltrane Pool that are producing energy from the sun?

- During July, the 60kW solar array located at Coltrane Pool reduced carbon emissions from electrical generation equal to the carbon sequestration of 34 trees growing for a decade.
- Carbon emissions saved are equivalent to driving about 3,063 miles.
- The Coltrane solar array generates energy to help offset the pool lights and pumps.

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Spotlight Story
Residents Find Strength in Numbers In Negotiating Solar Discount

When a group of University Hills neighbors got together one evening last year to hear about options for installing rooftop solar panels, negotiating a group discount was not an articulated goal.

But the neighbors quickly discovered there is strength in numbers. With the help of the Community Environmental Council, a nonprofit devoted to climate change solutions, they successfully negotiated a 20% discount on solar installation with solar firm Urban Energy Solar.

Read the full story of how residents banded together to get solar for less and about the next big project for the University Hills HRB Sustainability Committee.

If you are interested in purchasing solar panels with other UHills residents, please contact Sustainability@uhills.org
DID YOU KNOW?

It's time to caulk and insulate. Heating and cooling account for almost half the energy costs in your home. Proper sealing and insulation can make a substantial difference. See Home Depot's How to Caulk Guide.

Clear the rain gutters before the rainy season arrives. Video: How to Build a Simple Gutter Vacuum.

Flush landscape yard drains. Start with the drain furthest from the street and wash from the rear of the property to the front to clear debris and sediment from drains.

A very important maintenance note: If you do not use your A/C on a regular basis, run your A/C for 10 minutes once a month, this will ensure your system runs properly when you do need it.