



Neighborly News

Family Housing Council

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Weekly Reminders

Saturday, May 17

Sewing Room 10am at LRC
Circuit Training 10am at CC
Chicago Trip 7am at FGH

Monday, May 19

Meijer Trip 5:45pm at FGH

Tuesday, May 20

Parent/Child Playgroup 10am at FRC

Wednesday, May 21

Close-Knit Workshop 2pm at FRC

Friday, May 23

Cooking Club 2pm at CC

Pest Control:

On Monday, May 19, apartments 2060: A-D; 2062: A-D; 2064: A-D; and 2070: A-D will be treated. On Friday, May 23, apartments 2072: A-D; 2040: A-D; 2074: A-D; 2080: A-D; and 2082 will be treated. To request treatment, visit the website below.

Submit Maintenance Requests to:

<http://iservice.housing.uiuc.edu>

FHC Monthly Public Meeting

The next FHC meeting will be held on Friday, May 30 at 5:45pm in the CC. Join us for snacks and drinks. All residents are welcome.

Final Fling 2008: Thank you!

We extend a very special thank you to the following sponsoring businesses whose donations helped make Saturday's Final Fling a great success:

Jetz Laundry Systems Stan's Sportsworld
Lil Porgy's BBQ Sav-A-Lot on Broadway

We also thank the staff who organized Final Fling, and each of our residents who volunteered during the day to make this event one of the best end-of-year celebrations!

Abdu Zouhir	Tran Hoa	Munima Haque
Goutam Nistala	Rabin Bhattara	Nama Budhathoki
Laila Zaidi	Kashif Muhammad	Yunxia Want
Ruiyu Want	Yohendri	Netri Yunera
Rose Warui	Lihong Quien	Yong Liu
Juliet Frank	Veronica Venegas	Karina Diaz Rios
Dushyant Mukkamala	Adeel Zafar	Maheshi Dassanayake
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Monica Sodhi	Di Wu	Genere Bogale
Burcu Ucaray-Mangitili	Sindu Krishnankutty	Pankaj Sarin
Manisha Ahuja	Jose Mier	Rajani Tyagi
Soujanya	Sara Knaack	Srinivasa Mantena
Brett Graham	Bin Hu	Sahan Dissaneyak
Alyssa Nevin	Kelin Xi	Kang Rong
Christine Ng	Monica Nunes	Zeeshan Aziz
Xiaolu Jin	Lauren Hong	Angelica D'Costa
Fernando Cantao	Qin Ping Feng	Samantha Kunze
Carie Bires-Cook	Amanda Johnson	Cecilia Lau
Lisa Stahl	Paul Morgan	

and Indira Rajagopalan (...as Stitch)

...and to anyone else whose name we left out. All of your cheerful help on Saturday made Final Fling a really great party! Thank you!



Community Programs

Please note that we often take photographs during community events, and these photographs may be used in a gallery online. If you do not wish to have your photograph taken, please inform the staff member at the event or contact the Family & Graduate Housing Office at famhous@uiuc.edu or 333-5656.

Cooking Club

Do you like to try new recipes and eat good food? Then Cooking Club is for you! Cooking Club is held on **Fridays** at the **Community Center** from **2-3pm**. Children are always welcome; however, no child care assistance is available. Parents are responsible for the supervision and safety of their children. If you have any questions, please contact Carie at cbiresc@uiuc.edu or 333-5665.

Family Housing Council Game Night

Join us on **Friday, May 16** from **6 to 8pm** at the **Community Center** to enjoy a game night. We will play Wii games and some board games (such as Monopoly, Twister, playing cards, and Candy Land for young kids), and the winner for each game will get a prize. It will be a joyful night after finals. Snacks, drinks, and ice cream will be served. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Ying at ddy33_deng@hotmail.com.

Parent/Child Playgroup

Parent/Child Playgroups provide an opportunity to learn new activities to do with your children that enhance their growth and development. Children should be 5 years old or younger. Playgroup is held on **Tuesdays** from **10-11:30am** at the **Family Resource Center (apt. 1834-A)**. If you have any questions, please contact Carie at cbiresc@uiuc.edu or 333-5665.

Little Touch Leap Pad

Do you have a child 6-36 months old? Are you looking for new ways to entertain and educate your child? Then Little Touch Leap Pad is for you. Little Touch Leap Pad introduces your child to the ABCs, letter sounds, numbers, shapes, and colors. Family & Graduate Housing has purchased one Little Touch Leap Pad for residents to rent. You may check out the leap pad for one week. Contact the **Family & Graduate Housing Office** if you are interested in learning more.

Community Updates

Opportunity to Assist New International Students in the College of Law

The College of Law needs your help to assist new incoming international students with their transition to the University of Illinois. Christopher Pratt, a current Orchard Downs resident, is the chair of the College of Law Ambassador program. While there are many volunteers from within the College of Law to assist newcomers with departmental issues, there is concern that most have little experience with the unique challenges international students face. Volunteers from our Orchard Downs community that comprise predominantly international students would be very valuable for this program. Volunteers from our community will provide basic information about your country and family set-up in order to be matched with a new incoming international student in the College of Law. To volunteer for this program, or for more information, contact Christopher Pratt at cprat2@law.uiuc.edu.

Redevelopment Survey Raffle

This survey is now closed and the Orchard Downs Input Team (ODIT) appreciates residents' efforts as the response rate was 43%. The raffle was held at the Final Fling on Saturday, May 10. Winners were selected from all residents who had completed the survey.

The winners were:

TVs— Jingyan Dong and Indra Igunawa

Rent credits— Andrew Franz Braham and Tania Vivero Palmer

Spaces are still available on the ODIT. Please contact odit4u@gmail.com for further information, or visit www.odfhc.org/odit.php.



Kids' Club Summer Registration

Registration for the Kids' Club after-school summer session will be **Monday, June 2** from **5 to 6pm** at the **Orchard Downs Community Center**. The Orchard Downs Kids' Club is a free after-school program for children ages 5 to 12. Children must be at least 5 years of age and entering kindergarten this fall. The program is held **Monday through Friday** from **3 to 5:30pm** at the **Community Center**.

Kids' Club offers social, recreational, and educational activities for the children. During the summer session, the children participate in swimming field trips to Crystal Lake Public Pool. Registration is on a first come, first served basis. New families are encouraged to register. For additional information, please contact Sara Jenkins, the children's programming coordinator, at 333-5656 or jenkins@uiuc.edu.

FHC Monthly Public Meeting

All Orchard Downs residents are encouraged to attend the Family Housing Council Monthly Public Meeting, which will take place on **Friday, May 30** at **5:45pm** in the **CC**. Snacks and drinks will be provided. The Family Housing Council is made up of residents who work to make Orchard Downs a comfortable, great place to live. If you cannot attend the meeting, remember that the FHC Public Meeting minutes are published monthly in the Neighborly News. The minutes will give you up-to-date information on council operations and important issues that affect the whole community.

Coming this July: Summer Fun for Children

Summer Fun for Children is a Christian day camp that will take place from **July 21 to 25**, every morning from **9 to 11:30am** at the **Community Center**. All children, from kindergarten through fifth grade, are welcome to attend. The cost is free!

This year we will be using the upcoming Olympics as our theme, and planning lots of enjoyable activities for all. Mark it on your calendars now! More information will be coming, but if you have questions, you can contact Ruth at ruthkk7@sbcglobal.net.

Barbeque Safety Tips

As summer approaches, more of us will be lighting the barbecue grills. But first, it is always important to remember that a successful barbecue is a safe barbecue. Following is a list of safety tips to guide you through the grilling process. Common sense and planning will help prevent injuries.

- Barbecue grills are designed for outdoor use only. Never barbecue in your trailer, tent, house, garage, or any enclosed area because carbon monoxide is dangerous.
- Set up grill in an open area at least 25 feet away from buildings, overhead combustible surfaces, dry leaves, or brush. Be sure to avoid high traffic areas and always barbecue in a well-ventilated area. Be aware of the wind blown sparks.
- Use long-handled barbecue utensils to avoid burns and splatters.
- Wear clothing that does not have hanging shirt tails, frills or apron strings, and use flame retardant mitts when adjusting hot vents.
- Never attempt to move a hot grill.
- Never leave a grill unattended once it is lit.
- Never leave children unattended while the barbecuing.
- Don't allow anyone to conduct any activities around the grill when the grill is in use or following its use. The grill body is hot during the period of use and will remain hot for a period of time following its use. Always use your grill away from combustible surfaces.

Please instruct children not to play with grills at any time. Your neighbors may have a gas grill and it is important for the safety of all residents that the equipment is not tampered with or damaged. Your efforts to keep the neighborhood safe will make the summer more enjoyable for everyone.



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What is the FHC?

The Orchard Downs FHC is an organization created to safeguard the interest of the residents of Orchard Downs Family & Graduate Housing.

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MultiCultural Health Center

2040-A Orchard Street

The MCHC works to deliver culturally sensitive illness prevention and health promotion services to the families of the Family & Graduate Housing community. The Center provides health information, education, insurance information, and referrals to residents.

Thursday Clinic Services

The Champaign County Christian Health Center (CCCHC) offers clinic services **every Thursday of the month** from **6 to 9pm** for walk-in appointments at the MCHC. The clinic will be staffed with a physician and/or a nurse practitioner. Services will include, but not be limited to, the following: general health concerns, physical exams, nutrition education, referrals to community services, skin problems, exercise and weight management, colds or other respiratory infections, medical screenings, and more. For more information, please contact CCCHC at 398-2914, visit www.ccchc2003.org, or contact the MCHC graduate assistant Paul Morgan at pamorgan1@gmail.com.

Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

This program is offered **every other Friday afternoon** from **1 to 4pm** at the MultiCultural Health Center. These services are provided for women, infants, and children, and are offered by the Champaign Urbana Public Health District. Established clients have access to case managers and coupons. Coupon distribution and arrangement must be made in advance with Cathy Ito, R.N., M.S. You can reach Cathy by email at cito@cuphd.org or over the phone at 531-4311.

Services for WIC participants include: supplemental nutritious foods, nutrition education and counseling at WIC clinics, and screenings and referrals for other health services, welfare, and social services. Additional medical screenings can be made at CUPHD (www.cuphd.org). For more information, contact Cathy Ito or MCHC graduate assistant Paul Morgan at pamorgan1@gmail.com.

Women's Health Clinic/Planned Parenthood

This program is offered on the **second Wednesday evening of every month** from **6 to 8pm**. Services are provided by Planned Parenthood of east central Illinois with fees based on income level for the following services (including but not limited to): annual gynecological exams, fertility and contraceptive counseling, sexually transmitted infection treatment and many other services related to women's health. For more information, contact Planned Parenthood at 359-8022 or visit their website at www.ppeci.org.

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