Message from UASRA President

Dear Residents,

As we look forward to spring, there are a few outstanding issues we need to work together to overcome. Garage theft unfortunately has not been decreasing, and we are seeing an exceedingly large number of garages that are left opened and/or unlocked. The following is mentioned in our housing Rules and Regulations under section B-9:

c. Vehicle washing, waxing, detailing, etc. is prohibited on University property. Performing mechanical work on vehicles is not permitted on University property. Inoperable vehicles may not be stored on University property. Boats and trailers are not permitted on the property. Garage doors must be closed and locked at all times unless resident is present.

The other exemption to not locking your garage door is if your car is too large and closing it would damage your car in the process. If you are one of these people, please make sure to not leave any valuables in your car, and lock your car. It is really important to have our garages closed as it would decrease the amount of thieves wanting to come and scope our area. Having all of our garages closed will create a deterrent for people to return. In case you have anything of yours stolen, please call the UCPD immediately. It is also very important to have
The UCPD recently apprehended a man that had 50 stolen bikes. Only one of the 50 bikes were registered, and returned to the owner. The rest couldn’t easily be returned as they were not registered. For more information about this, and to know if/how you might be able to reclaim your bike, please see the GA and PRB meeting minutes below.

That being said, we have some great things to look forward to. We have our next event this March, with our Trivia Night scheduled for March 11th at 7:00pm. Look for the flyer below for more details. We also have our Unit Reps beginning their planning for their next Unit Events so look out for your designated area’s posters for when your event is scheduled.

Do you know anyone who would be interested in helping out the UASRA and want to be involved in the community? The UASRA board needs an election chair to help us get ready for our election process for next year’s board. If you are or know someone who is interested, please email me at uasrapresident@gmail.com.

We have our next GA scheduled for March 16th, at 7pm at the community center. If you have any issues you would like raised, or would just like to meet your GA members, please feel free to come. If you are unable to attend, please contact your designated Unit Rep and let them know your concerns, and make sure to check out our Newsletter that has our minutes filled with updates!

Sincerely,
Ash Shamsian
UASRA President 2015-2016
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We reside in an awesome part of Los Angeles and UA is a great place to live during our time with UCLA. One of the things that comes with living in a city as large as Los Angeles is crime; controlled access, cameras, and UCPD has its limitations in regards to the type and the amount of security it offers. it is up to the residents to remain vigilant in regards to their safety and of their property.

For those that have a garage, it has come to the attention of UCPD and UASRA that thieves have been at work. It is important to remember that we need to keep our garage doors closed and locked if possible. A closed and locked garage will assist with deterring thefts, and thieves will not target our residents as much if their green pastures are now barren. The small expense of a lock and the little time it takes to close a garage door is a small price to pay in order to maintain our property.

The theft of packages has been evident and just because the holidays are behind us doesn’t mean the thieves aren’t. There have been times our residents have done their due diligence and the packages have still gone missing, there are some things that are out of our control. However, what is in our control is our vigilance. Here are some tips that can help prevent mail and package thefts:

- Amazon.com has lockers you can ship your amazon packages to. There are some located on the campus of UCLA and nearby UA.

- Pay close attention to the date(s) your package(s) are scheduled to arrive. If you are unable to pick up your package in a timely manner, ask a friend or neighbor to assist you.

- If you create a free UPS account, they will text or email whenever you have a package delivered.

- Keep record of the tracking number(s) from the shipper until the package arrives.
• Pick up your mail promptly after delivery. Don’t leave it in your mailbox or near the gate overnight.

• If you change your address, immediately notify your Post Office and anyone with whom you do business via the mail.

• Don’t send cash in the mail.

• Tell your Post Office when you’ll be out of town, so they can hold your mail until you return.

• Report all suspected mail theft to a Postal Inspector (USPS) or to the carrier. Claims with the Postal Inspector can be done online and have the ability to remedy problems. Always file a claim. UPS and Fedex have at least $100 insurance on all packages they deliver.

If you observe suspicious activity, even though you may not be the only witness, take the initiative and call UCPD. Do not rely on someone else to act – this may never happen.
Non-Emergency Line (Dispatch): (310) 825-1491
Anonymous Reporting Line: (310) 794-5824

Andrew Winn
UASRA Safety and Health Delegate

Dear UAS Community,

It is approaching that time of year in which we will elect our next representatives of this wonderful community. Our elections are around the corner. In order for this process to run smoothly and for it be organized and efficient, we have an open position for an election coordinator.

The election coordinator will work closely with the President and the UASRA Advisor. Their main duties will include:

* Creating flyers to be sent through email and posted on Facebook to update the community election, and receive the candidacy statements

* Hosting an election kick off

* Working with our UASRA advisor to run the election and tally the votes

This position is awarded a generous stipend!!

If you are interested in the position and would like to learn more, please send an email ASAP to uasrapresident@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Ash Shamsian
President, UASRA 2015-2016
Announcements

The Sawtelle D Recipe Swap and Cooking Contest!

On March 20 -
come swap recipes, sample treats, and vote on the best foods!

Contest rules:
- 3 categories: cookies, soups/chilis, and main dishes
- Please bring enough food for at least 20 samples
- Power strips, silverware and dishes will be provided
  - Serving utensils must be brought
  - Please bring your recipe to share!
  - Winners chosen by votes
- Prizes for each category: First ($50), Second ($25), Third ($10)

Hosted by your UASRA!
At the Gazebo
Set-Up: 1-1:30pm
Kids’ Craft and Judging: 1:30-2:30pm
Winners Announced: 2:45pm

Piano Lessons

Conservatory Trained Teacher
Over 25 years Experience
Works with all ages, including adults
All levels - beginning to advanced
Excellent preparation of students: Certificate of Merit - students chosen for Branch Honors, State Convention performances Bach Festival - winners at Branch and Regional Southwestern Youth Music Festival

For information and references,
Call Dr. Alan Oettinger
310-398-1497
Fridays, 04/08/2016-06/03/16, 6:30pm-8pm* @ Community Center
(3200 Sawtelle Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90066)
Email Jennifer Monti@ jlmonti@ucla.edu to register from 3/25/16 until 03/31/16.
Participants will be selected in a lottery fashion

*No class on 04/22/16

All classes are provided by the UASRA and are only for residents of UAS. Registration is required. Space is limited
**CHILDREN’S FIT GYM**
Explore play and fitness activities, movement games, sports and parachute activities in a class designed to support physical and social development for children of mixed ages.

**Level 2:** Ages 18 months–2 years with parent participant  
**Level 3:** Ages 3–4 years with parent present

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**PARENT & CHILD YOGA**
This class explores play and relaxation through yoga games and songs. For younger ages, children work with a parent to play games and navigate poses, while older children work on their own and with their peers. Children's yoga is designed to support physical and social development. Particularly flexibility, strength, and body awareness can be developed and improved.

*Please bring your own yoga mat.*

**Level 2:** Ages 18 months–2 years with a parent participant  
**Level 3/4:** Ages 3–7 years with parent and participant

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**CHILDREN’S MUSIC**
Children's Music is an introduction to vocal music, percussion, as well as musical terminology for young children. In this class, rhythm and musicality are introduced through songs, use of instruments and creative movement. Music is a great opportunity for little ones not only to learn basic music fundamentals but also cooperation, teamwork and patience.

**Level 1:** Ages 0–18 months with parent participant  
**Level 2:** Ages 18 months–2 years with parent participant

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**CHILDREN’S STORY & CRAFT**
Story and Craft combines a weekly story with an arts and crafts project based on the book. Children and parents work together on art projects to develop creativity, fine motor skills and further companionship. Additionally this class is a great opportunity to meet and socialize with other families.

*This class is sponsored by UASRA.*

**Level 1-3:** Ages 0–4 years old with parent participant

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SPRING UAS CLASSES
Exclusively for Residents of UAS

Registration will be available online March 3, 12pm at www.recreation.ucla.edu/uas
You can also register at Sales & Service in the John Wooden Center. For more information, call 310.825.3701.

Please note: participants that are more than 10 minutes late will not be able to participate in Fitness classes.

ADULT BOOTCAMP FUN
Boot Camp Fun is a total body strength training class using rubber resistance tubes and other tools for a fun, face-paced workout. This class will help you increase strength, lean body mass, and confidence.
Wear athletic clothing and shoes. Please bring your own fitness mat.
This class is sponsored by UASRA

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ADULT PRE/POST NATAL YOGA
The pre-natal class is designed specifically to help moms develop the strength, flexibility and mental focus that will be necessary not only in the delivery process, but also in facing the new challenges of motherhood. This class will bring benefits to expectant mothers and new mothers alike.
Wear clothing that allows for freedom of movement. Please bring your own yoga mat and a larger blanket or towel.

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ADULT ZUMBA
A Latin-inspired dance that keeps you moving. This is a moderate cardio workout suitable for beginning and continuing students.
Wear athletic clothing and shoes.

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*No class 4/20, 5/18, 6/1.

ADULT YOGA

- Siblings are not permitted to participate unless registered and approved by the instructor.
- Classes are not transferrable. Individuals must attend the date and time they have registered for.
- UAS residents not living within University Village are encouraged to attend these classes but cannot be guaranteed access. These classes are brought to UAS residents at low cost by subsidies from UASRA (gsa.asucla.ucla.edu/uasra).

UASRA
GA Meeting Summary

• Call to order 7:13 pm

• Public Comments: No public comments

• AC Report: ACs are noticing, on doing rounds, that there are a lot of things under the stairwells and in the hallways. As a reminder, those areas need to be kept clear.

• UAS Management Report (Lizca and Danielle): Garden numbers for the new Sepulveda gardens were misprinted by the signage company, but the correct numbers will hopefully be here within the next week or so. Window film will be added to the first floor apartments around the gardens around Sepulveda. The pedestrian gates that were mentioned at the last meeting were all fixed. Michelle (Sawtelle A) asked if the outside of the windows ever get washed, and Danielle is going to follow-up. Tracey reported leaks in the hallways and emailed them to Regis. The leaks were in 3151, 3171, and 3265 Sepulveda.

• UCPD Report (Officer Duren): LAPD recovered 50 stolen bikes, and those who stole them have admitted that they were stolen from the UCLA University Apartments South. (That’s us!) 1 bike came up as a hit in the system: its serial number had been reported as stolen. For those who have had their bikes stolen, you can call the LAPD Pacific Division at 310-482-6334 and request the theft detectives regarding the recovered bikes stolen from UCLA UA South. In order to recover the bike, you have to be able to demonstrate that it is your particular bike by serial number or a marking, such as a special part you added or a decal or etching. It isn’t sufficient to show that the bike looks/resembles yours.

One unit rep asked if there is any way to report notorious speeders that go through the community? UCPD asked to report the license plate to the front desk, and Officer Duren will track it down. The front desk will email the resident and ask them to slow down.
A resident expressed a concern about cars turning out of the Sepulveda exit into children crossing the street. Officer Duren asked the resident to report to LA traffic control. As a friendly reminder from UASRA, please be extra vigilant when you are driving when school children are in the cross walk.

Garages: The garages need to be closed and locked. It is part of the Rules and Regulations that you agreed to when you signed your contract to keep your garage closed and locked. (See the PRB meeting summary for details.)

As a note to residents, another option is to have packages delivered to Amazon lockers at UCLA. Andrew reported that UCLA does have Amazon lockers. Those who travel regularly to UCLA might consider using them.

- General Officer’s Reports:
  Sepulveda A: Nothing to report
  Sepulveda B: Nothing to report
  Sepulveda C: Nothing to report
  Sepulveda D: Nothing to report
  Sawtelle A: Nothing to report
  Sawtelle B: Nothing to report
  Sawtelle C: The lamp above the mailboxes is broken in 3210-3232.
  Sawtelle D: There is a plant growing in the light outside of the gate at 3240-3260.
  Sawtelle E: Nothing to report.
  Keystone: Absent
  Mentone/Clarington: Broken door reported.
  Rose: Excused
  Venice/Barry: The mail carrier isn’t placing packages into the office anymore.

  Community Center Maintenance Coordinator: Nothing to report.
  Sepulveda Maintenance Coordinator: Concern about the Sepulveda Resource Room being left open: Carolyn keeps closing it, but someone is leaving it open. There is a jacket in there from someone who came to get produce.
  Garden Coordinator: We’re still waiting on plot numbers.
  Safety: Andrew has been doing walk-throughs to check the safety of our community, in particular the lighting. He expressed a concern about the backdoor light at Mentone being out. The card lock at the stairwell at Mentone is flickering.
  Green Coordinator: This week was Charlene’s first time doing the produce program, and she’s taking advantage of Carolyn’s knowledge and following her lead.

- Management Excused

- Reports from Board Members:
  Community Center Coordinator: Nothing to report.
  Event Coordinator: Event coming in March.
  Newsletter: Excused
  Secretary: We are going to do an electronic by-law review at the March GA meeting. The GA will be sent the by-laws for review in advance.
  Treasurer: Excused
  Vice-President: We do have a flyer distribution coming up: the recreation flyer for
spring quarter classes. Aaron reminded unit reps to make sure that they help out at the events they signed up.

President: We were supposed to vote today on the final plan for the projects, but Ash is hurt so we are planning to go over that final vote on projects in March.

• Residential Life Advisor Report: Absent (on vacation)

• Meeting Adjourned at 7:56 pm

UASRA Policy Review Board Meeting

• UAS Financial Update (Wayne): In December, there was less of a loss than was budgeted. This was mainly due to less expenses than anticipated, including fewer move-outs and fewer floodings. They are also paying less staff right now due to turn-over.

Rates: Management has made a decision about what the rate increases will be (3% across the board). In the South, it will be 2.98-3.01%. However, Venice/Barry will see no rent increases. The third (final) phase of construction at Venice/Barry is starting in September (about nine months). The UASRA board needs to submit its requests for major maintenance for 16-17. (Residents: if you have suggestions for major maintenance you’d like to see during 16-17 please email suggestions to uasrasecretary@gmail.com.) Keystone/Mentone is going into phase 3 of construction.

• UAS Services Update (Lizca and Stan):

Bikes: Management recommends that all bike owners register their bikes with the national registry at http://www.nationalbikeregistry.com.

Renters Insurance: When residents renew their housing contracts in April, there should be a page to which they can click that will allow them to purchase renters’ insurance. As always, residents are still able to purchase renters’ insurance through a different company.

Gazebo Lights: Residents have complained about the gazebo lights not being on when it is dark outside: we requested a change to the gazebo lighting timing. (Update as of 2/19: Timer on gazebo lights has been changed and now the lights will be on from 4 pm to 10:30 pm. Residents with feedback should let us know at uasrasecretary@gmail.com.)

Security Camera Update: Hopefully we will have them complete and online in early March.

Sepulveda Garden Numbers: There has been a delay due to a problem with the first number signs that were delivered. They have been re-ordered and will hopefully be here soon so that the gardens can get started.

Window Films: The first-floor units around the Sepulveda gardens are having window films installed. The project should be completed by next week.

Gates: All gates reported broken at the January GA have been repaired.

Garages (Danielle): Staff will be closing garages as they do their rounds. They will be placing flyers letting them know what happened and following up with an email. It is in the Rules and Regulations
that the garages need to be closed. (From the rules and regulations: See B.9 Motor Vehicles item c. “Garage doors must be closed and locked at all times unless resident is present.” It is an expectation that garage doors are locked and closed. Residents who are keeping their garages open are not helping to keep our community safe, and UASRA, UCPD, and UAS management have had increased complaints of items stolen from garages. Please close and lock your garage!
Lock your garage doors people!