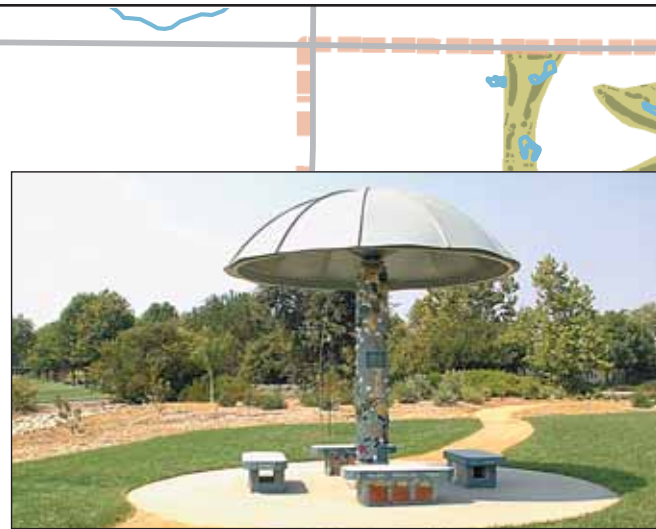


Party in the Park: Plan your next event in a park

Are you looking for a place to entertain out-of-town visitors, hold a birthday party or family reunion? Why not consider a park? West Manor Park at 2910 Salem Avenue in west Davis is one example of a park with features to entertain all ages. The park has more than four acres, with a twelve-table picnic area that holds up to 100 people. West Manor Park also includes four BBQ grills and play equipment. For the bigger kids and adults, this park has a tennis court, a large open field area and a black-top for party games. For a complete list of other reservable picnic areas, check out the Davis Parks & Community Services website at: www.city.davis.ca.us/pcs.



The Frankel Family donated a bench and shade structure for Arroyo Park in West Davis. It was created by family and friends of Loren Bruce Wald Frankel and dedicated on September 9, 2006. The park improvements were coordinated by Parks & Community Services staff and volunteers.



Canine playtime: A primer on play areas for man's best friend

On April 30, 2005, the City hosted a grand opening celebration for Toad Hollow Dog Park, located at 1919 Second Street. To date, hundreds of dogs have brought their people to the park to run and play. Other play areas for dogs are conveniently located in and around Davis. Check out a few of these:

- **Aspen Greenbelt** in west Davis, near Glacier Drive & Isle Royale Lane
- **Sycamore Park** in west Davis at 1313 Sycamore Lane, southwest of the playground
- **Community Park** in central Davis at 1405 F Street, in the fenced area west of the skate park.
- **Pioneer Park** in south Davis at 5035 Hamel Street, northeast of the play area.
- **Walnut Park** in south Davis at 2700 Lillard, south of the tennis courts
- **Slide Hill Park** in east Davis at 1525 Tulip Lane, at the south end of the park.



City of Davis parks and facilities

0.4 Miles

Pools

- 1 Arroyo Pool
- 6 Civic Center Pool
- 8 Community Pool
- 33 Davis Manor Pool (Slide Hill Park)

Parks

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- 28 Redwood Park
- 29 Robert Arneson Park
- 30 Rosecreek Parkway
- 31 Sandy Motley Park
- 32 Senda Nueva Greenbelt
- 33 Slide Hill (Manor Park)
- 34 Sunnyside Greenbelt
- 35 Sycamore Park
- 36 Toad Hollow
- 37 Village Park
- 38 Walnut Park
- 39 West Area Habitat Pond
- 40 West Manor Park
- 41 Westwood Park
- 42 Whaleback Park
- 43 Willow Creek Park
- 44 Woodbridge Park

Core Area

What's in a name?: The inside scoop on names of Davis parks

As Davis has grown, so has the number of parks. The first parks in Davis were named for their geographic location, with the first park aptly named Central Park. It was soon followed by East Davis Park (now Chestnut Park), West Davis Park (now Redwood Park) and Huntwood Park (now Cedar Park). A few parks have names with more curious origins.

■ **Whaleback Park** (Think Humpback Whale.) The park boasts one of the greatest elevation changes in the city. How did this happen? When the developers dug Stonegate Lake, they were also building the park. The soil removed from the lake was stockpiled on the park site where it turned into the distinctive hump representing the whale in this nautical neighborhood.

■ **Slide Hill Park**, originally known as Manor Park, gets its name from the large concrete slide at the northwest corner of the park.

■ **Arroyo Park** is named for the man-made dry creek bed that runs throughout the park. The cobble-lined swale is planted with native grasses, perennials and trees, giving a natural feel to the area.

■ **Woodbridge Park** is named after the wooden bridge which crosses the old Putah Creek bed and leads into an open space area featuring interpretive signs and information on the history of the area. Formerly the site of the old Ricci farm, the area includes large trees and a tank house that once supplied water to the farm animals and crops.



Several parks bear names that memorialize significant figures in Davis.

■ **Covell Park and Greenbelt** (say Co-vuhl if you want to sound like an "old time Davisite") bear the name of Calvin Arthur Covell, Jr. Covell was on the first City Council and was Mayor of Davis for a record-setting total of 16 years. Covell was named the city's first Citizen of the Year, an annual award which now bears his name.

■ **Sandy Motley Park** honors the former Mayor who served on the City Council for eight years. Motley was co-founder, with Davis Enterprise columnist Bob Dunning, of the popular Dinner at the Dump fundraiser. Over 20 years, the event raised more than \$392,000 for area organizations.

■ **Robert Arneson Park** honors the world-famous ceramic sculptor who lived in Davis and taught at U.C. Davis. Arneson was known for his sense of humor and playful sculptures. The Egghead Series on the university campus is a fine example of his work.

■ **Coming soon: John Barovetto Park.** The newest neighborhood park in east Mace Ranch is now under construction. The park, located on Arroyo Avenue at Alhambra Drive, has recently been named John Barovetto Park in honor of a former Davis Senior High School student body president who was killed in action during his second tour of duty in Vietnam. Look for announcements of the park's grand opening in 2007.