Upcoming Events

Christmas Tree Lighting Friday, December 8th 6:30 p.m. in front of Standley Rec Center

UCPG Meeting
Tuesday, December 12th
6:00 p.m. Forum Hall,
UTC above Wells Fargo Bank
Full Agenda available at UC Library

Happy Hanukkah Merry Christmas Happy New Year!

January Events

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Tuesday, January 9th
6:00 p.m. Forum Hall,
UTC above Wells Fargo Bank
Full Agenda available at UC Library

UCCA Board Meeting Wednesday, January 10th 6:00 p.m. UC Library

UC Celebration Committee Wednesday, January 17th 7:00 p.m., Standley Rec Center

Kids Night Out Standley Rec Center Friday, January 19th Advance Registration Required

Standley Rec Council Thursday, January 25th 7:00 p.m. Standley Park Public Welcome

Deadline

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January 10th
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Committee Co-chairs Mary Ann Guerra and Darlene Ventimiglia pick out the perfect tree at Miramar Nursery.

Tree Lighting at Standley Park December 8th

Bring the kids and grandkids, friends and neighbors--or come alone and join in the festivities at the Christmas Tree Lighting Friday, December 8th at 6:30p.m. in front of the Rec Center at Standley Park. Music will fill the air as the talented Standley Middle School Band, the Barbershop Quartet Fog Nozzle Four and the Our Mother of Confidence choir entertain.

There will be a group sing along, balloons for the kids, a visit from the fire department, and Santa. Hot choco-

late and cookies will be served compliments of Westfield.

Thanks to co-chairs, Mary Ann Guerra and Darlene Ventimiglia and Decoration Chair, Judy Bethel and all their elves for their work on this community event. Special thanks to Miramar Nursery, located at Governor Dr. and 805, for donating the beautiful tree and Westfield Shoppingtown for providing lighting, refreshments and balloons. UCCA appreciates their generous support.

Hanukka Happening December 10th

The Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center will host its Hanukkah Happening extravaganza on Sunday, December 10th from 11:30 am - 2:30 p.m. This is the event's 23rd annual program, and the community is invited to share in the holiday celebration. There will be craft activities, games with prizes, and jumps for preschool through elementary aged children as well as special appearances by Cinderella and

Captain Feathersword. Fun entertainment and opportunities to win free dinners, admissions to cultural programs, and a potpourri of gifts as well as high-end items and one-of-a-kind theme baskets at unbelievable prices at the silent auction make this a not to miss program for all ages. Proceeds will benefit the Preschool and Youth Scholarship Fund. For more information, call 858.457.0398. The JCC is located at 4126 Executive Drive.

Neighborhood News...

Pat Preston's family and Standley Park Recreation Council wish to thank the many friends of Pat who sent in contributions for the memorial bench that will be finished around the 15th of December and formally dedicated on a Saturday convenient for the family of Pat. Per Sarah Anderson, Standley Park director, donations of over \$1700 have poured in with many checks of \$25 and \$50. It shows what an impact Pat had on the community she served so well. Any money over the initial cost of the bench will be forwarded to the scholarship in Pat's name at UCHS......On December 24th. Our Mother of Confidence choir will sing excerpts from John Rutter's Magnificat at 9:30 p.m., before Mass, in the church. All are welcome..... The University City Senior Center, 3813 Governor Drive, is a program of Jewish Family Service. Hot kosher lunches are served each Tuesday and Thursday, at noon. Reservations are needed. The cost is \$5.00 for members and \$6.00 for non-members. Transportation to the Center is \$5.00 and available upon request. Gentle and therapeutic exercises are offered daily at 10 a.m. Birthdays are celebrated monthly. Coffee, Tea, and cookies are offered in the morning, followed by programs which consist of educational speakers, musical entertainment, Bingo, videos, and a lot of fun and December events begin Tuesday, December 5th at 11:00 a.m. with Brian Rowlands speaking on the topic "Overview of Aging and Independent Services." The Singsations, present a special Chanukah program at 1pm. Other programs in December include: Rebecca Dobbins, Docent for the Timkin Museum, presenting French, Dutch, and American Art, from the 17th and 18th Century on Dec. 7th. followed by Matt and Jasmine Commerce, singing and playing guitar and violin at 1 p.m.; a variety of Chanukah musical programs on December 12th, 14th, 19th and 21st, an Eleanor Roosevelt documentary video on December 14th and a New Year's Party on December 28th. Call Phyllis Spital, Program Coordinator, (858) 550-5998, for a complete list or more information.

Taste of the Triangle - A Great Evening for a Great Cause



Laurel Slater Co-Chair, EdUCate President Elaine Hanson, Elizabeth Murray Co-Chair (photo by Matt Risi)

The November 11th Taste of the Triangle festivities at the Marriott's Grand Ballroom included musical entertainment from local students and other artists, a sampling of gourmet food from area restaurants, and an always lively silent auction.

Please take a moment to thank the participating restaurants who graciously donate the food and their time to support the University City Public Schools:

Samurai Sam's, The Melting Pot, Miami Grille, Bristol Farms, Adobe el Restaurante at Estancia Hotel & Spa La Jolla, Islands Fine Burgers and Drinks, Pick Up Stix, Chipotle Mexican Grill, Lorna's Italian Kitchen, Barolo Ristorante Italiano. Sammy's California Woodfired Pizza, Leucadia Pizzeria, Dailey's, Garden Court Restaurant at San Diego Marriott La Jolla, La Salsa, Chili's, Harry's Bar and American Grill, Rock Bottom Brewery. All of the money raised through Taste of the Triangle will be used to provide resources for the five University City public schools. Please visit our website (www.uc-educate.org) for more information about your University City Foundation for Public Schools and how you can help!

Friends of the Library Thanks You for Your Many Gifts!

The last year has been quite successful for the Friends of the Library. With your help, we've been able to give thousands of dollars, earned from book sales and your donations, to our branch. This money has helped pay for the children's Summer Reading program, which encourages hundreds of children to read during the summer months. We've bought books, tapes, and DVDs for the library. helped to host special presentations and children's events and craft activities. Money we raise helps the librarians purchase basic supplies like bookshelves and storage racks to make the library materials more accessible for everyone. We could not have accomplished all these things without your support. I am grateful that the University City community is so supportive of our library.

Early next year, we'll be helping the North University City branch library with its opening ceremonies! This new facility will supplement the public library facilities in our community. Most important will be the availability

of meeting rooms and ample parking. Over the next year, we will expect to see a shifting of patronage between the old and the new library. Due to the "old library" location close to the schools, I think we will remain a significant resource for students and teachers. That means our very successful story times, children's programming, summer reading program, and other youth-oriented activities will be more important than ever. Your continued support of our library will help us make sure that these quality programs continue.

Purchasing an ENTERTAINMENT BOOK from the library is one easy way to help us raise funds. The books are still only \$40; and by eating out a couple of times, it is usually possible to recoup the cost of the book. There is a sample copy at the circulation desk for you to look through. (At the end of the selling season, Friends has a drawing among the library staff to give away this "gently used" sample book.)

Matching Funds Challenge Received for University City Public Schools

At the start of this school year, EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools, announced the launch of its Dollar A Day campaign, an ambitious and ongoing fundraising effort with the commitment that 100% of these funds will go to University City classrooms this year. One U.C. family is so excited about this process that they have now committed to matching dollar for dollar every donation to Dollar A Day that comes in by January 1, 2007, up to a total of \$10,000! Elaine Hanson. EdUCate! president states, "This is a spectacular opportunity for anyone interested in improving our five public schools to make any size contribution to Dollar a Day and see it immediately doubled! But the donations need to be in by January 1 to qualify for the matching funds. We urge everyone to give whatever they can now!"

After talking with all of the 230 teachers at Curie, Doyle, and Spreckels elementary schools, Standley Middle School, and University City High School, EdUCate! determined that a major project for Dollar A Day funds will be the purchase of document cameras/projectors for every appropriate UC classroom. Teachers have been so enthusiastic in their endorsement of this instructional tool that every new school in the district has been com-

pletely outfitted with them. Teachers state that document cameras are one of the most powerful teaching tools they have ever been given.

Some teachers and EdUCate! have purchased this equipment in the last couple of years, generating real excitement in the classrooms. One such teacher, Meg Thomas at Doyle Elementary, has told EdUCate!, "The digital presentation station is a great way to bring curriculum to life and optimize visual learning in the classroom. I don't know how I ever taught without it." This quiet, compact video camera/projector enables teachers and students to easily display any written work, teaching tool, or internet source to the class. The display is easily visible and immediate, with no converting required to clumsy and expensive slides or transparencies.

With each camera/projector costing up to \$1600, supplying all the needed document camera set-ups will cost close to \$200,000. Although the district budget does not allow equipping the cameras/projectors to the older schools such as ours, the school district administration has readily agreed to provide training and ongoing maintenance for any equipment EdUCate! is able to purchase.

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Community Could Lose UC Celebration

More volunteers needed

The Celebration committee will be meeting on Wednesday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Standley Park Recreation Center. We need a lot more volunteers to aid in planning our 2007 Celebration. Without new volunteers to take over for retiring volunteers, we face the loss of this wonderful community event.

New volunteers will only be given assignments of their choosing. Most tasks won't take much time if delegated among many volunteers.

If you think UC Celebration is worth continuing, please attend the January meeting or contact Andy Freeburn at 858-336-4437 or

AndyFreeburn@century21award.com.

Did You Know?...

... Lieutenant Chris Ellis, Northern Division has been transferred to In-Service Training. His replacement is Lt. Anastasia Smith, who was recently promoted. Lt. Smith brings lots of experience and expertise to Northern Division. She worked in Sex Crimes, Child Abuse and Narcotics....

...The last of Mayor Jerry Sanders' three town hall meetings on water and sewer rates will take place December 5th at 6pm at the Rancho Bernardo Public Library, 17110 Bernardo Center Dr...

...Mayor Sanders will give the Annual State of the City address on January 11th at 6pm at Golden Hall...

...Twenty sidewalk repairs have either been completed or will soon be completed in the UC community.

... Candles are a major cause of house fires. Don't leave candles burning unattended this holiday season...

...Cooking grease and oil are the second leading cause of San Diego sewer spills. The City is reminding residents to dispose of cooking grease in the trash, not down the drain!...

...If you want to keep current with police activity in your neighborhood, sign up for **e-watch** at the City's website, **www.sandiego.gov.**

...The City's website has a link that will give you information on City services in your area-police, fire, library, schools, etc., trash collection day, recycling centers and more. Just go to the Residential Services section, fill in your location information, and the information will be listed...

...You can report potholes by calling (619) 527-7500 or using the City's online Service Request system at www.sandiego.gov...

.. Fifteen recent graduates of the 14th CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training academy are now part of our North Coast CERT Team. Greg Hom and Susan Hathaway are Team Leaders. You can learn more about CERT, training and future academies at www.CERTsandiego.org.

...As press time, the City Council approved the Community Plan Amendment to add Fire stations to the community plan.

President's Perspective...

The day after the state and nationwide elections, members of the University City Community Association gathered at the University City Library to elect their Board of Directors for 2007. The results of the election are as follows: President: Hugh Pates

Vice President: Mary Kay Hewitt Treasurer: Debbie Betzenderfer Secretary: Mike Lamp

Membership Secretary: Mary Ann Guerra.

Other Association members who will be serving as Committee Chairs or committee members are:

Darlene Ventigmilia, Mila Cridlig, Richard Betzenderfer, Pat Drobeck, Mary Weinbrecht, Randy Fuhrman, Carole Pietras, Andy Freeburn, Carol May, Sandy Lippe and Barbara Henshaw.

The Board welcomes any and all community members who are willing to join the board and help make our community beautiful, clean and safe for all to enjoy! We meet at the Library the 2nd Wednesday of every month, except July and December.

During the past year, the Association grew to over 200 households. As president, I deeply appreciate the support and participation of so many community members. It is my hope that even more of our 5,000 residents will decide to become part of the association during 2007!

I believe that no neighborhood stays static. I believe it either improves and becomes more livable due to the interest and will of its citizens or deteriorates due to lack of interest and/or neglect on the part of its citizens. This is our common community. It will be and become what we collectively make of it. It is my hope that each and all of us will continue to contribute what is possible for us and that we will come together to preserve and enrich this wonderful place where we have chosen to live! Best wishes for a delightful Holiday Season and a prosperous, rewarding New Year!

Hugh Pates President UCCA

Welcome New Editor and Circulation Coordinator ...and a Note of Thanks

It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve as volunteer editor and newsletter delivery coordinator since the newsletter's inception. This has truly been one of the most rewarding volunteer "jobs" I've ever had. As I step down, I ask you to join me in welcoming and supporting Glenn D'Abreo who enthusiastically volunteered to serve as editor, and Mary Kay Hewitt, VP of UCCA and a delivery volunteer since day one, who will be Circulation Coordinator. Glenn is active in the community, and is a man of many talents. Glenn and Mary Kay will begin their volunteer duties with the February issue. Terri Day, who so kindly volunteered to be ad manager in 2003, will continue in that position.

This newsletter is possible and has succeeded because of the help and support of so many people-our advertis-

ers, our volunteers who sort, deliver and serve as neighborhood coordinators, all who contribute information or articles, all who joined UCCA as those memberships help pay for the printing of each issue, our printer, Paradise Printing for always meeting our deadline, and of course, our readers.

As I began working on this edition, I couldn't help but think of all the people that have been instrumental in this endeavor since our first issue in 2002. I wish I could list each and every one of you because each of you has made a difference in our community. Working together, we took a dream and made it happen. Let the dream continue as we work together in our wonderful community. My sincerest thanks to each of you.

Carole Pietras

Beautification News

UCCA has been working with Madeleine Baudoin, our representative from Councilman Peters' office, Gary Rotto of Supervisor Roberts office, and Stephen Lew of the Mayor Sanders' office, as well as CalTrans managers interested in helping us find funding to fix up the weeded triangle of land at 805 and Governor and the nearby Park and Ride. La Jolla Garden Club is willing to donate 10 jacaranda trees, the official tree of San Diego, to our beautification project. Sandy Lippe and Mary Kay Hewitt have been working on a grant application. UCCA would welcome a landscape architect to come on board to help with a detailed plan. If you would like to help in any way, contact Hugh Pates at 453-0645.

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Annual Membership Drive Begins

Make Joining UCCA One of Your New Year's Resolutions

The University City Community Association continues to work for the benefit of our community. Whether hosting forums, the annual Clean UP or tree lighting, working on beautification, or publishing this newsletter, UCCA's goal is to enhance our community. With your help and support, we can continue to grow.

Membership in UCCA is only \$20 per household per calendar year. Business memberships start at \$50 per year. Won't you take a moment to fill out the application in this newsletter and join or renew your membership. We also encourage you to share your ideas and volunteer if you have time.

Thanks to all who have supported UCCA in the past. We hope we can count on you once again. Let's work together to make 2007 our best year yet!

Happy New Year to all!

University City Community Association Annual Membership Drive

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Standley Park December & January Events and Programs

Youth Basketball Registration -

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availability

League games begin January 5, 2007 and end March 3, 2007

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 16th, 2006 9:00-11:00am

Fee: \$5.00 per child \$7.00 per adult Space limited to 45 adults and

children Breakfast includes: pancakes, hash

browns, bacon, juice, coffee Crafts, entertainment, and a visit from Santa.

Winter Program Registration

Brochure available at Recreation Center week of November 27th, 2006 Registration Begins: Monday. December 11th, 2006

Classes begin: Monday, January 8,

2007

Programs for youth include:

Tiny Tots, Hula, Gymnastics, Junior Sports, Soccer, Volleyball, Multi Sports, Aikido, Basketball, Tap Dance, and Kids Night Out.

Programs for adults include:

Aikido, Yoga, Stressbusters, Hula, and Tap Dance.

Early registration is encouraged, spaces are limited.

Winter Day Camp - Taking

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December 18 - 22, 2006 &

December 26 - 29, 2006

Ages: 5-12 years

Activities include: Games, crafts, winter party, Wild Animal Park, movies and more!

(call 552-1652 for more information)

Matching Funds Challenge...(cont. from pg 3)

Rashmi Bhargava, co-chair of the Dollar A Day campaign, emphasizes, "We want to bring our schools technologically up to par with other schools in the district. Our students deserve the best and our teachers deserve the best tools to educate our children." Her co-chair, Heidi Hansen-Dougherty, adds, "This is a visible, tangible project which will have immediate impact for every child in our cluster - talk about instant gratification!" EdUCate! emphasizes that to be successful, participation is more important than the amount of money contributed per donor. With 100% participation from our families and the community, this goal can be achieved. As in every

EdUCate! effort, every dollar makes a difference! Please become involved and contribute to the Dollar A Day campaign, double the impact of your donations with our matching fund chal-Charge your tax deductible donation (Tax I.D. #33-0539815) online at www.uc-educate.org (click on "DONATE NOW") or send a check made payable to EdUCate! to:

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Any questions may be directed to EdUCate! President Elaine Hanson at president@uc-educate.org.

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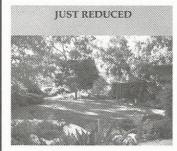
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