

UCCA – What’s Our Real Agenda?

As a deliberative body, The University City Community Association utilizes an agenda at its’ monthly meetings to not only guide the board through the assembly but to make the participants aware of subjects to be discussed, thereby allowing them to prepare accordingly. Forewarned is forearmed! As UCCA conducts business solely on issues pertaining to our community, I believe all readers have an interest in our docket. Within this issue, you will find below our tentative agenda for the May 11th meeting at the UC Library on Governor Drive at **5:30 p.m.** I invite you to peruse the agenda and make a point to attend the meeting knowing you’ll be fully conscious of our orders of the day.

Sincerely, Andy Freeburn President, University City Community Association

UNIVERSITY CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Meeting Agenda
UNIVERSITY CITY LIBRARY, GOVERNOR DRIVE
May 11, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS
- B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- C. COUNCIL MEMBER SHERRI LIGHTNER’s Representative, JESSE MAYS
- D. ASSEMBLY MEMBER NATHAN FLETCHER’s Representative, STERLING McHALE
- E. COMMUNICATIONS
(Items not on agenda limited to five minutes and non-debatable)
- F. TREASURER’S REPORT
- G. PRESIDENT’S REPORT – APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS
- H. ACTION ITEMS
 - 1. By-Law issues
 - 2. Annual Clean-up
 - 3. Retreat
 - 4. North UC meeting
- I. ADOPTION ITEMS
- J. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - 1. UC Celebration booth
 - 2. Banners
- K. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- L. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1. Median Trust Fund
- M. ADJOURNMENT



The next regular meeting of the University City Community Association will be announced **Wednesday, May 11, 2011 at 5:30pm.** For questions please call Andy Freeburn at (858) 336-4427, or email promovstar@aol.com. Thank you.

Summer Concerts needs Sponsors and Stage Hands

The summer concerts are currently planned to begin Sunday, July 10 in Standley Park. The planning committee is looking for any business or family interested in helping to strike up the bands. It’s an amazing opportunity to get your business in front of hundreds of residents every Sunday throughout the summer. As funds are lower this year than last, we are limiting this year’s concerts to seven instead of the usual eight. However, without additional support, we may lose a few more. Please contact Andy Freeburn at promovstar@aol.com with any information or donation referrals. We are also looking for a few young people to help set up the stage on Sundays in return for a predetermined stipend. You’ll report at the recreation center at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday for an hour, then return at 7:30 p.m. to store the stage and clean up the park for another hour. You don’t have to commit to every concert and would be a good fundraiser for a budding group.

Again, Contact Andy Freeburn at promovstar@aol.com.

May 2011 Calendar

Cinco de Mayo Thursday, May 5

Mother’s Day Sunday, May 8

UCPG Meeting

Tuesday, May 10, 6:00 p.m.
Forum Hall/UTC Public invited

UCCA Meeting

Wednesday, May 11,
5:30 to 7:30 p.m. U.C. Library
Please Join US!

University City Garden Club

Tuesday, May 17, 6:00 p.m.
UC Library

4th of July UC Celebration Planning Meeting

Wednesday, May 18, 6:30 p.m.
Standley Recreation Center

Friends of the North University Community Library

Monthly Meeting,
May 25, 6:30 p.m.

Standley Recreation Council Meeting

Thursday, May 26, 7:00 p.m.
Standley Rec. Center
Public invited

Memorial Day Monday, May 30

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Guidelines:

- Type your article in a document and attach to an e-mail
- Limit the size to about 260 words.
- Attach pictures separately in a picture format.
- Send to EditorUCCA@aol.com
- Please, no **full page** flyers or announcements.
- No editorials or opinions.

Although the deadline is 4:00 PM the 20th of each month, send your submission as early as possible.

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UCCA Elected and Appointed Board Members for 2011

Feel free to contact them with your comments concerns and praises.

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BOOK SALE: UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

4155 GOVERNOR DRIVE

**Friday May 6, 9:30am to 5:30pm,
Saturday May 7, 9:30am to 2:30pm.**

Hundreds of donated books for sale. Fiction, non-fiction, biographies, children and teen books, history, textbooks, psychology/self help, arts and crafts, cookbooks, etc. Most books priced from \$.25 to \$1.00. Special deals announced at the sale. More info, call 858-552-1655

Where does all the money go?

By Peter Burch

Do you ever wonder how UCCA budgets its money? I will write an occasional article in the newsletter to let you know. First we'll deal with 2010. Our main source of revenue is membership contributions. Last year we took in \$16,300 from members. Thank you so much for your generosity! This funded the newsletter (\$3,653), banners (\$1,587), donations to worthy causes (\$2,000), liability insurance (\$1,779) and several smaller items like the web page. Donations were \$1,000 to the Rec. Council for the 4th of July celebration, \$200 to the Standley Middle School band for the Christmas/Holiday tree lighting, \$200 for UCHS Grad Nite, \$200 for Camp Kesson and \$200 for the 4th of July pancake breakfast. We ended the year with a surplus of \$7,046 which turns out to be a good thing since our membership donations are down so far this year.



As a result of our membership drive in March, we have taken in \$9,525 – once again thank you! However, this is considerably down from the amount we budgeted (\$15,000). But to offset this, the newsletter has returned a profit of \$2,861 through April due to increased advertising. Advertisers increasingly recognize the value that the newsletter brings to their businesses thanks to the work of Editor **Kay Goodfellow** and Advertising Manager **Terri Day**.

In summary, we are in sound shape financially and I look forward to keeping you up to date as the year unfolds. Peter Burch, Treasurer UCCA

FREE MOVIE and Refreshments!

Join us on May 25th at 7PM in the North University Community Branch Library for a fun film and refreshments.

The Band's Visit PG-13 (2007 release)

A band comprised of an Egyptian police force heads to Israel to play at the inaugural ceremony of an Arab arts center, only to find themselves lost in the wrong town.



4th of July UC Celebration

By Cathy Romanas

Celebrate Independence Day with your friends and neighbors at Standley Park on Monday, July 4th! There will be entertainment and fun for all ages throughout the day, concluding with San Diego's premiere dance band "Y3K" from 5 to 7 p.m.



Kick off the day at 8 a.m. with a 5K Run/Walk through Standley Park! You can pre-register at the Rec Center beginning in mid-May. The 5K is a sanctioned event for serious runners as well as "average Joes" and walkers.

This year's UC Celebration offers all the old favorites: pancake breakfast, book barn, bike & pet parade, photo scavenger hunt, free swim at Swanson Pool, rock wall, inflatables, opportunity drawings, vendor booths, beer/wine garden, and food sales. Free trolley pick-up and drop-off along Governor Drive is available from 11 am- 7:30 pm!

Vendor and non-profit booth spaces are limited. Contact Randy at rwolman@san.rr.com for a booth application.

The UC Celebration is a wonderful community event. Planning is well underway by a committed planning committee, but YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Volunteers wanted between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. Please pitch in for a couple hours! Email your availability to Jake at uccelebration@gmail.com.

Start saving your gently used books for the Book Barn. Drop-off dates will be announced in the June newsletter.

Prizes are needed for a successful Opportunity Drawing! Contact Cathy at cathyroman@hotmail.com or 858.395.4318.

A big thank you to UCCA for committing \$1,000 and to State Farm Agent Michael A. Cohen for donating \$250 to the UC Celebration!



Thanks also to the following organizations who have donated prizes for our Opportunity Drawing: Governor Animal Clinic, Great Clips (Governor Dr), Lawrence Family JCC, The French Gourmet, Cozymels, Ladeki Restaurant Group, Miramar Speed Circuit, Boomers, San Diego Car Care, Kearny Mesa Bowl, Salon David Perez, Dave & Busters, Starbucks (Governor Dr), Hornblower Cruises, Rubio's, USS Midway Museum, Pacific Southwest Railway Museum, Air & Space Museum, Museum of Photographic Arts, Natural History Museum, Hall of Champions, and San Diego Zoo.

Incident	100 Block Address	Date	Time
Comm Burglary	6000 STADIUM ST (SD)	3/17-28/2011	4:30 PM - 7:00 AM
Narcotics	5200 RESEARCH PL	3/22/2011	1:05 AM
Vehicle Break-in	7600 REGENTS RD	3/24/2011	11:00 AM
Vehicle Break-in	6000 STADIUM ST	3/24/2011	5:15 PM
DUI	3800 RADCLIFFE LN	3/26/2011	12:39 AM
Vehicle Break-in	8400 REGENTS RD	3/27/2011	12:00 AM
Narcotics	6400 EDMONTON AV	3/27/2011	3:14 PM
Theft	8600 GENESEE AV	3/27/2011	4:35 PM
Commercial Burglary	5000 SHOREHAM PL	3/28/2011	5:37 AM
Residential Burglary	3000 DUCOMMUN AV	3/28/2011	6:30 AM
Residential Burglary	4200 PORTE DE PALMAS	3/28/2011	5:30 PM
Accidents	NB 805/SO GOVERNOR DR (SD)	3/29/2011	5:24 PM - 7:26 PM
Residential Burglary	3900 CAMTO CASSIS	3/29/2011	8:30 AM
Residential Burglary	4600 HUGGINS ST	3/30/2011	7:30 AM
Theft	3300 GOVERNOR DR	3/30/2011	4:20 PM
Residential Burglary	8900 VIA ANDAR	3/31/2011	4:00 PM
Accident	GENESEE AV/GOVERNOR DR (SD)	3/31/2011	4:00 PM - 4:12 PM
Accident	EB 52/AT REGENTS RD	4/1/2011	3:45 PM - 4:42 PM
Vehicle Theft	AVNDA LA BAHIA / NOBEL DR	4/3/2011	8:00 PM
Aggravated Assault	7600 PALMILLA DR	4/5/2011	7:00 PM
Sex Crimes (Other)	7800 CAM NOGUERA	4/7/2011	4:55 PM
Vehicle Break-in	8300 REGENTS RD	4/7/2011	10:00 PM
Malic Mischief/Vandalism	6200 GREENWICH DR	4/8/2011	9:15 AM
Narcotics	8800 REGENTS RD	4/8/2011	6:30 PM
Vehicle Break-in	2500 SAN CLEMENTE TR	4/8/2011	7:00 PM
Accident	6500 LIPMAN ST (SD)	4/9/2011	3:04 PM - 5:03 PM
Accident	GOVERNOR DR/REGENTS RD (SD)	4/9/2011	5:06 PM - 8:51 PM
DUI	3200 GOVERNOR DR	4/9/2011	5:25 PM
DUI	4000 NOBEL DR	4/9/2011	11:30 PM
Assault	4200 PAVLOV AV	4/10/2011	7:05 PM
Assault	7800 CARGILL AV	4/10/2011	11:15 PM
Residential Burglary	3500 LEBON DR	4/11/2011	6:30 AM
Vehicle Theft	5900 GULLSTRAND ST	4/11/2011	6:30 PM
Accident	EB 52/AT GENESEE AV (SD)	4/13/2011	5:12 PM - 6:29 PM
Malic. Mischief/Vandalism	3600 SYRACUSE AV	4/13/2011	8:54 PM
Vandalism	5800 STRESEMANN ST (SD)	4/14-15/2011	11:00 PM - 9:00 AM
Vandalism	3500 MILLIKIN AV (SD)	4/14-15/2011	11:30 PM - 6:45 AM
Accident	GOVERNOR DR/LIPMAN ST (SD)	4/15/2011	11:09 AM - 12:19 PM
Comm Burglary	4000 GOVERNOR AV (SD)	4/15/2011	1:30 PM
Drunk in Public	5100 GENESEE AV (SD)	4/18/2011	12:15 AM

Oops:
Lt. Brian Bragg is the correct spelling of the policeman who directed us to the ARJIS site in last month's newsletter.



POLICE BLOTTER

By Tom Taurone

With the increased popularity of the crime page, this month we've expanded its coverage to include some of north UC as well as south UC. If you're a first-time reader, our sources are e-Watch, which can be automatically e-mailed to you, and Automated Regional Justice Information System (ARJIS) found on-line at www.arjis.org.

Although the reports do not give crime details they do give you a general idea of crime activity in the community. Some readers have been asking for additional information regarding specific crimes. The information presented in our report can be verified with Alan Alvarez, community relations officer, or Lt. Goldberg of the San Diego Police Department at the Northern Division.

Real Estate Signs

By Terri Day

As real estate agents, we all need to be aware of where we place our Open House signs. While the goal is to help the seller sell their home, we need to be aware of safety in placing those signs and be sure to not block the view of drivers, including emergency vehicles. Following is a brief outline of local sign ordinances applicable in residentially zoned areas of San Diego.

On-Premise For Sale Signs: 1 sign per frontage (4 square feet maximum), no flags or banners. Must have firm name. Removal 15 days after close of escrow.

Off-Premise Directional Signs (Open House): 4 square feet maximum. Daylight hours only. Not on public right-of-way including street medians, sidewalks & grass strip at curb. Signs placed on private property require permission of the owner.

Let's all work to keep UC safe!
Terri Day, Realtor & UCCA Board Member



UNIVERSITY CITY HIGH SCHOOL GRAD NITE CELEBRATES 20 YEARS OF

KEEPING GRADS SAFE

By Debbie Betezenderfer

The UCHS Grad Nite Committee is getting ready to host its 20th consecutive all-night party for UCHS graduates on June 10th, 2011. Grad Nite is a party given by UCHS parents and the UC community to celebrate the success of our 400+ graduating Seniors. On a night that is historically one of the most dangerous for teens to be out on the road, Grad Nite provides a fun, safe alternative in a drug and alcohol-free environment.

The Grad Nite Committee strives to give EVERY senior, who wishes to attend the Grad Nite party, the opportunity to do so, by underwriting costs for seniors who may not otherwise be able to afford the event. This is made possible by generous donations from our community supporters.

To make this event even more special, we try to ensure that every senior attending Grad Nite will be able to win a prize. You can help us achieve this by donating gift certificates to restaurants, tickets

to movie theaters and sporting events. iTunes cards, Starbucks, Target and gas cards are among the most popular. A more extensive list is posted on the UCHS website (www.sandi.net/universitycity under heading <Parents/Grad Nite>). If you are short on time, we'll even do your shopping for you!

All donations for prizes or for ticket sponsorship are tax-deductible. Gift cards or checks made out to "UCHS Grad Nite" can be mailed to UCHS, 6949 Genesee Avenue, San Diego, CA 92122, or can be dropped off at the Grad Nite Box in the school's front office. Please indicate in your check's memo space if your donation is for Prizes or Sponsorship. Include your name and e-mail address (or mailing address) so a donation receipt can be sent to you.

Lastly, we are looking for volunteers to help set up and take down the event, in addition to working the event itself. Specific dates, times and needs can be found on the school website or contact Donna Volk at kvolk@san.rr.com or 858-274-6951.

Questions? For questions concerning prize donations, please contact Elaine Provencher at Eprovomwh@aol.com or 858-457-5147. For all other concerns, please contact Grad Nite Co-Chairs, Julie or Glenn Castan, at j2g2sd@yahoo.com or 858-457-1245.



**Making U C More Than Just a Neighborhood
are the following new members for April.
Thank You All!!**

GOLD MEMBERSHIP

Shirley L Hall
Elaine Hanson
Nicole & Cinco Plumb
Tama & Marshall Varano
Jane & John Hargrove
Ron & Susan Styn
Better Than Home Placement:
Merle Berman
Mack Langston

SILVER MEMBERSHIP

Toby Giesting
Bill & Mary Sexton
Jim & Ginny Charvat
Tim & Cheryl Creagh
Jan & Jim Hawkins
Barbara & Philip Henshaw
Patricia Smith
Ariane Jansma

COMMUNITY ANGEL

Jim & Claudia Prescott
Garey & Valerie Ramey
Michael & Vicky Taylor
Marsha Harvey
Tony & Tabatha Tovar
Byron & Audrey Warfield-Graham
Rich & Carole Pietras
F G "Ro" Rozinka
Mary Sue Smith
Kathleen & Bill Wallace

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

Chuck Disalvo &
Bobbie Day-DiSalvo
Clare Eckhardt
Kay Elbik
Jim & Susan Enos
Mindy & Nathan Fletcher
Liz Fort
William & Lucille Massicot
Melvin & Amy Okamura
Judy Porter
Shelby Shapiro
Sam & Linda Sims
Cheryl Ward
Sharleen, Adam & Lee Wollach
Carolyn N Wood
James Warner
The Archer Family
Robin Bettin
Jamie Chapel
Tim & Charlotte Garfield
Ann & Philip Gonsalves
Loretta Kuhn
Julie Lessem
Vicki Miller
Louise & Todd Pickering
Edward & Martha Rower
Suzy Shamsky
Robert & Jennifer Bonakdar
Patricia Callan
Tom & Gwen Hurst
Ray & Nancy Kipp
Diana Mottis
Marion & Ralph Nebiker
Jane M Reilly
Raimundo & Cristina Rios
Biotech Beach Law:
Raymond Wagenknecht
Al & Rebecca Harutunian
Bob & Nancy Howe
Flora Linda Sardina
Amy Sheridan

COMMUNITY SUPPORTER

Joe Colborn
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Bonnie Houston
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Peggy & Chuck Ritchie
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Peter Stovins & Marilyn Johns
Dennis & Darlene Thorig
Hal & Ann Throckmorton
Arleen Wong
Ted & Karie Wright
Laurie & Kamuran Aker
Lawson & LeVonne Cooke
Lloyd & Eileen Farrar
Paul & Mary Ann Fentress
Esther & Bob LaPorta
Chuck & Yvette Ogie
Hugh & Mary Pates
Kai & Raine Vines
Debra Abdul-Jalil
Peter & Hallie Burch
Huntington Center:
Sally & Vince Huntington
Merle & Patricia Marrow
John & Suzanne Ohlfest
Susan & William H Turner Jr

**University City Community Association
2011 Membership Application**

General Member \$20 Community Supporter \$40 Community Angel \$60
 Silver Membership \$50 Gold Membership \$100

Please print:

Name(s) _____
Business name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____

Individual and Business members' names will be listed in the newsletter. Please indicate if you do NOT want your name to be listed. Do NOT list my name.

Please make your check payable to UCCA

Questions? Ginny Charvat, Membership Chairman, ginnycharvat@yahoo.com

What UCCA Activities are you willing to help us with?

- UC 4th of July Celebration
- Newsletter Counting, Sorting, Delivery
- Christmas / Holiday Party
- Beautification / Landscaping
- Community Clean-up / Weedwhackers
- Garden Club

Please mail completed app to:

UCCA
3268 Governor Drive, #121
San Diego, CA 92122

Redistricting Commission Seeks Community Input District 1 Meeting May 11th

By Carol Pietras

Every 10 years, the City Council district boundaries are redrawn to account for population changes based on the census. Midori Wong, Chief of staff to the Redistricting Commission, presented information and explained the process at the April UCPG meeting. This year, the Redistricting Commission will also have to add a 9th council district (as voted by the people) when redrawing the districts. The council districts must be made as equal in population as possible or practicable. Based on the latest census figures, each district should have 144,624 people. Our current Council District 1, with a population of 199,464, will have to give up about 55,000 people.

The Redistricting Commission is in the pre-map stage and will adopt a final plan in August. To encourage public input prior to the drawing of the maps, community meetings are being held in each council district and will continue through July 2011. The meeting in **District 1, is scheduled for May 11th at the La Jolla Library at 6:00 p.m.** The **LOCATION MAY CHANGE TO A LARGER VENUE.** Residents of each district are encouraged to attend the meeting in their district (or another district) to learn more about the process and provide input. Post-map community meetings will be held in July prior to the final plan.

Per City Charter Section 5.1, Districts are required to:
Be geographically compact
Be composed of contiguous territory
Have reasonable access between population centers
Be bounded by natural boundaries, street lines and/or city boundary lines

Preserve identifiable communities of interest

The UCPG Board recommended to Midori Wong that the Community Plan boundaries be kept intact when redistricting. It was also pointed out that South UC residents are tied closely to UCSD and Biotech/Medical companies and facilities in North UC and LaJolla—forming a community of interest.

Redistricting Commission meetings held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 4 p.m. in the 12th Floor committee room at the City Administration Building. The public is invited. Meetings are televised live on City TV and are also archived for viewing later at www.sandiego.gov/redistricting. To contact Midori Wong, email redistricting_2011@sandiego.gov or call 619 533-3060.

University Community Branch Library May Events
4155 Governor Drive *San Diego CA *(858) 552-1655

Friends of the Library BIG Book Sale, Friday and Saturday, May 6-7

Essay Writing Workshop, Tuesday, May 10 at 6:00 pm
Kaplan presents "How to Write a Great College App. Essay"

Practice SAT/ACT Tests sponsored by Kaplan, Sat. May 14 at 10:00 am. Please register at kaptest.com/practice test. Bring #2 pencils and a calculator.

Puppet Show, Saturday, May 21 at 1:00 pm, Kathy Felker presents "Puppets on Stage", a marionette variety show featuring characters that juggle, sing and dance.

Practice SAT/ACT Test Results, by Kaplan, Tue. May 24 6:30 pm
Results and feedback from May 14 tests.

UC Book Club, Wednesday, May 25 at 2:00 pm. The Book Club discusses *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

Sumi-E Japanese Brush Painting Class, Every Tuesday at 12:30 pm

Preschool Storytime & Craft, Every Thursday at 10:30 am

Computer Basics Classes, Every Thursday at 12:00 noon

Job Search Assistance, Every Thursday 1:30 - 5:30 pm
Instructor Dr. Adolfo Sanchez assists with resumes and job searching. Please call to schedule an appointment.

Baby/Signing Storytime, Every Friday at 10:30 am
Game on! Video Gaming, Every Friday at 3:00 pm

The University Community Library is proud to be a display area for the San Diego Museum of Art's exhibit *Young Art 2011: Making Multiples*. This biennial exhibit features works created by kindergarten through 12th grade students in San Diego's city and county public and private schools through a program organized by the Museum's education department.

Many Thanks to the Friends of the University Community Library for making these events possible.

You, too, can be a Friend! Ask @ your Library!



Standley Park & Recreation Center
May Activities & Events

Park & Recreation Budget Hearing

Public Welcome. Thursday, May 5, 9:00-10:30am
Held at Council Chambers 202 C Street

Summer Day Camp. June 14 – September 2,
Registration begins May 16. Regular Care 9:00-4:00pm. Extended Care 7:00-6:00pm. Registration must be done in advance. Space limited.

Specialty Summer Camps, registration begins May 16. Camps run between June 27 – September 2
Camps include Junior Sports, Multi Sports, Flag Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Xtreme Dodgeball, Laser Tag, Gymnastics, Soccer and KidzArt. Detailed flyers available at Standley Rec. Center

Kids Night Out. Friday, May 27 5:30 – 9:30pm
Fee: \$20 per child (dinner included) Ages: 5-10

Swanson Pool. Pool reopens April 25th! Spring lesson registration April 25th. Swanson will be starting an Arthritis Water Fitness Class on May 2nd. Water is 86 degrees. Swim Lessons and Competitive Skills Programs starting the first week of May. Summer Mail-In registration is May 16- June 3. Walk-in registration starts June 11. The Pool will be open on Memorial Day 12 - 3pm.

North University Community Branch Library
8820 Judicial Dr., 92122. 858-581-9637 offers you a variety of youth & adult programs all month.

These are free community events.

If you haven't visited this gem in north University City, you don't know what you're missing. Some of the featured events are: Free Movies with Popcorn. Concerts on the Lawn. The Children, Teen, and Adult Summer Reading Program Starts June 15! Baby Sign Language, Teen/Tween Movie Time, Book Group, Chinese Brush Painting, Job Search Assistance, Teen Wii Gaming, Story time in many different languages, Cardmaking Classes - and the list goes on.



Don't miss this month's **Picnic Concert on the Green, Saturday, 5/21, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** **Sophisticated Bossa Nova music of Tracy Benson and Patrick Lockwood of Brisa Nova!** Bring a picnic lunch and blanket and enjoy music on the lawn for all ages.

A big Thank You to the Friends of the North University Community Library for sponsoring these free community events.

DO YOU WANT THE UC POST OFFICE TO STAY OPEN?

By Shelley Plumb

If so, use it! There are rumblings again that our post office on Governor Drive may be closed for good. We may be able to stop this by visiting it often and purchasing stamps, greeting cards, mailing materials and mailing packages. It may help to write or call Congressman Bilbray. His local address is: 462 Stevens Avenue, #107, Solana Beach, CA 92075. The local phone number is: (858) 350-1150. Let him know if you want our post office to remain open.

Standley Park Summer Concert Sponsorship Opportunities

- Listing for 3 months in 5,000 newsletters hand delivered to all single family homes in the area
- Listing in 3,000 summer concert flyers that are passed out at the concerts and around the area *(EXP. 5/9)
- A sales/info table/booth at all concerts at no charge
- Listing on 2 street banners fronting Governor Drive
- Listing on a skirt banner fronting the stage each week
- Sponsorship donation is tax deductible, 501C3
- Acknowledgement from the stage by the MC each week



\$5K to \$10K = sole sponsorship with all the benefits listed above*
(must be first sponsor)

\$2.5K to \$5K = sponsorship with all the benefits listed above*

\$1K to \$2.5K = table/booth, listing on banner, stage acknowledgement and listing in all print material*

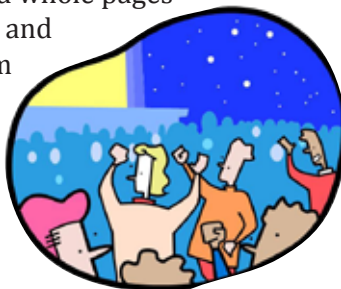
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ANNUAL POPS CONCERT AT UNIVERSITY CITY HIGH SCHOOL

By Marie Byrd

The University City High School Music Department is preparing for their annual Pops Concert. This year's concert will be held on Thursday, May 19th at 7:00pm in the UCHS Auditorium, 6949 Genesee Avenue, and will include performances by the Color Guard, Choir, Jazz Ensemble, and Concert Band. Everyone is welcome to come out and enjoy the talented UC High School musicians and Color Guard. Pizza will be available for purchase for the first 100 people. There will also be a bake sale at intermission. It promises to be a delightful, entertaining evening of food, song and dance! Tickets will be sold at the door: \$3/Parents & General Public; \$2/Students.

Interested in sponsoring the Pops Concert? Ads and "shout outs" are on sale now for the concert program book. Our music program has ambitious plans to grow next year, including the addition of an Orchestra and a Pep Band to the program. We need your help! Sponsoring the concert is a great way to support the music program. Business card sizes are \$25, half pages are \$50, and whole pages are \$100. Or donate to the program and be listed as a sponsor in the program book. The deadline for ads is May 13th. Contact Bonnie MacRitchie, macritchieb@gmail.com or 619-203-6640 for more information, or visit the UCHS Music Boosters website: www.uchsmusic.com.



Multicultural Coexistence (MCCE)

By Claire Groebner

A student organization at UCSD, MCCE, will be hosting a Multicultural Showcase on May 25th from 6-8 PM at the Great Hall in International House on the UCSD campus. The event is open free to the public and will feature a number of performances from student groups, a variety of cuisines (including vegan and sustainable options), and a raffle with several prizes from local businesses. MCCE is a group of students committed to social justice and equality. The club strives to provide supplemental resources to aide students in attaining the skills necessary to succeed at the college level (such as their tutoring and mentoring program at University City High School) and hopes to combat harmful and misinformed stereotypes through education. The members of MCCE would love to have you join us for a night of cultural celebration through conversation, good food, and entertaining performances. For more information, please check our website at mcce.ucsd.edu or contact us at mcce.ucsd@gmail.com



Greetings fellow UC garden members:

During this month's garden club meeting, we spent the evening talking about where we've been and where we are growing (sorry couldn't help it!).

- We are still always on the lookout for guest speakers on all topics garden! I know you are out there! Are you knowledgeable on roses, veggies, trees, planning or planting? Email us at ucgardclub@gmail.com
- We've got some exciting events planned for the annual July fourth celebration at the park, lots of kids activities! Be on the lookout for us!
- In lieu of Coffee in the Garden - we are encouraging you all to attend some of the many other garden events this month around town, and get inspired! See ucgardenclub.org and click on calendar to see a complete list of the upcoming garden tours.

**The May meeting will be on
Tuesday, May 17th, 6:00 p.m.
See you there!**



*Coffee in the Garden at Nora & Deryl's house
Saturday, April 23rd*

From Left: Nora Adderson, our host, Mary Kay Hewitt, Newsletter Distribution, Jeff's cousin Tommy, Jeff Robbins of Revolution Landscape, and Kay Goodfellow, Editor UCCA News



*Nora held a
composting
demonstration.*



Last month I attended the "Coffee in the Garden" at Karen's house. Just before leaving I spotted an unusual bromeliad in bloom. The stalks were delicate and the blooms colorful. When I asked about it, Karen very generously offered me a few of the "pups". Well, three weeks later my new plants are blooming. Thank you Karen for your generosity and the colorful addition to my garden.

~Kay Goodfellow, Editor UCCA News

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

The recent natural disasters in Japan and New Zealand have residents wondering how they can prepare themselves and their neighborhoods when disaster strikes our community. The City of San Diego Fire Rescue Department created a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) following the 2003 Cedar Fire to train citizen volunteers to assist their families and neighbors in the event of a major catastrophe.

University City has a team who has been trained to provide basic search and rescue and medical triage in the event of a major disaster when fire

departments may be overwhelmed or if roads sustain heavy damage and neighborhoods become isolated.

If you are interested in attending a CERT Academy and becoming a member of the team, please visit the CERT San Diego website at: <http://www.sandiego.gov/fireandems/cert/> or contact Greg Hom at ghom@ucsd.edu.

This is also a good opportunity to remind everyone to stock enough food and water for you and your family (and pets) to sustain you for at least 72 hours.



UC resident Susan Hathaway (center) works with CERT members from Carmel Valley to transport a simulated victim in a recent CERT exercise.



UC residents Dave Hruska (left) and Dennis David (right) practice their rescue skills at a recent CERT exercise.

Story and Photos
by Greg Hom

~ Organic and Local ~

You want to eat healthy, and you want to do your part to help the environment, will organic and local products help you along the way? Jeff Robbins of a U.C. based company, **Revolution Landscape**, answers these and many more questions during the "Coffee in the Garden" Saturday, April 23. Jeff is at the forefront of the organic and local food movement. Over the last 3 years, **Revolution** has created over 25 edible landscapes "you can live on." Seven are located right here in UC! They install fruit trees instead of bottle brush, artichoke rather than bird of paradise, and vegetable garden space to replace water hungry lawn. Their organic maintenance service includes a weekly basket of produce from your own yard, veggie scrap pickup to be composted offsite, and seasonal replanting. It doesn't get any more local than your own yard!

Jeff is a member of the UC Garden Club and has been a guest speaker at the meetings.



Weeds Are Uninvited Guests In University City After the Rainy Season

By Sandy Lippe

Weeds are nature's graffiti," according to writer J. Maediteri. Just look around University City from 805 and Governor to Stresemann and Governor. This May University City will not be having a formal clean up day on the second Saturday in May. That doesn't mean we can't all choose to make the community look better by weeding and picking up litter on our own. Cal Trans planted some beautiful trees and landscaping on the entrance and exit of 805 near Miramar Nursery. Lack of funding to maintain the landscaping has seen the weeds win the war on those hillsides. The weeds along the north side of Governor sidewalk from 805 to McElroy Park belong to the water company, they own the undeveloped property. We are giving them a yearly reminder to cut back the weeds. Thank you Paul and Mary Croft, the quiet volunteers who tend the Park and Ride at 805, trying to keep it without weeds and litter. This couple cares for the trees and plants in a loving manner.

According to the municipal code, many homeowners are responsible for maintaining parts of Regents, Genesee, and Governor. Folks who live at Genesee on Millikin, north of United Oil on the west side, are responsible for cutting back the pickleweed covering the Genesee sidewalk. Homeowners on Tulane between Scripps and Regents are supposed to keep weeds down on Governor. Finally, Regents Road between Governor and south to Pennant Wy, belong to those who live up high on Carnegie Street.

Graffiti gets scrubbed out pretty quickly in our neighborhood. This May let's get those weeds under control.

Sandy Lippe, Beautification Chair

May Events at University City United Church

5:11 Contemporary Worship Gatherings, Live Music and Messages of Inspiration, Saturday Afternoons, May 14 and 28, at 5:11 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall.

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Book Discussion Group, "Wise Blood" by Flannery O'Connor, Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Library

Making its debut in 1952, "Wise Blood" is a story of a confused and isolated young man, who, after returning from serving in the Army, begins to struggle with the concepts of Christianity that he grew up with. Be prepared to join in on some lively discussion! This event is sponsored by the "Growing Spirit" Adult Education Committee.

Muslim Faith from the Perspective of a Woman Scientist. Join us for lunch and Guest Speaker Ozlem Yalcin, Sunday, May 22, 2011 at 11:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Ozlem Yalcin, a post-doctoral researcher from Turkey who is studying in the Department of Bioengineering at UCSD, will be the guest for a discussion of Islam from the perspective of a woman scientist who is of the Muslim faith. Dr. Yalcin received her Ph.D. in Physiology from Antalya University, Turkey, in 2007.

**For more information about the above events: Call 858-453-3444 or visit us online at ucuc.org.
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Libraries and Parks Need Your Help By Sandy Lippe

With gas prices skyrocketing, park and rec and library hours being slashed, University City needs to rally in support of our community libraries again. Standley Park and Nobel Park and smaller pocket parks need our support also. The mayor's proposed budget includes library hours being slashed to 18 hours a week. Six million people visited San Diego libraries last year, according to Deborah Barrow's website. She is the head librarian overseeing 36 libraries.

Librarians have reinvented the libraries into active community centers with all kinds of opportunities. You can read the schedule of activities in the UCCA newsletter each month. Please attend a meeting on May 5th at City Hall, 202 C Street, when park and rec and library budgets will be discussed and citizens can make concerns known. From 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. the Park and Rec budget for 2012 will be discussed; from 10:30 a.m. to noon, libraries will be on the agenda. In the meantime, City Council members and the mayor can be contacted. Perhaps you could start a petition in your neighborhood to have the City maintain the hours in both of these core services. Keep checking the UCCA website for updates in May: www.universitycitynews.org.



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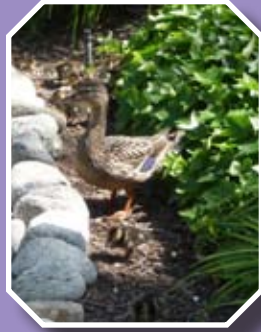
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Each spring the Mallard ducks, which live year-round at the Renaissance, produce ducklings. Here are a few photos of this Spring's first arrivals. Several seasons ago, one mother led her ducklings into the pool of four fountains. This pool



doesn't have rocks around the perimeter instead it's made of smooth concrete. During an evening jog, I heard the mother duck's loud and rapid quacks near the pool.

She was trying to signal her brood to scale the "wall". Their tiny size made it impossible. I stopped jogging and attempted to help the ducklings but failed. They kept swimming away from me.

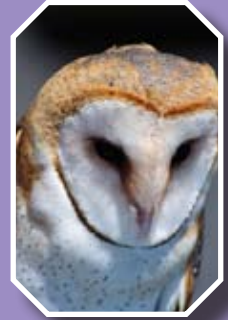


Looking around I found some ornamental rocks on the property that I lifted and placed in the water. Eventually there were enough stacked

rocks that the ducklings could waddle up and out of the pool to join their mother. By the time the last one escaped, a small crowd had gathered watching this event unfold. We all smiled and applauded the rescue.



As I jogged under the Judicial Avenue Bridge last week, perched above me was a Common Barn Owl. I named it Hooter. For seven days now, I've stopped under the bridge for a moment to look up at Hooter. If you don't know this, joggers hate to stop until their run is finished.



After work and on weekend mornings, I jog for about one hour each day. My pace has slowed considerably since the installation of a new titanium hip. On the plus side, however, I spend more time looking around as I'm jogging - so I guess I could say my metal hip is paying dividends.



The photo is a bit dark because Hooter perches in a poorly lit area. Note that our trusty editor is out checking the facts of this story. Three cheers for our editor.

Most of you might have heard about Molly, the barn owl in San Marcos. She is a Common Barn Owl, too. She has been tending to her owlets in her owl box as people watch the hatchlings grow via webcam.

Barn owls are known for their white heart-shaped faces and tiny, dark eyes. They're popular among farmers because they eat rodents. An adult Common Barn Owl will typically eat 2-3 rodents a night. And a family of owls can increase that to about 10. So that equates to more than 2,000 rodents per year!

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