

# University City

... more than a neighborhood

## Upbeat Sunday Summer Concerts!

by Andy Freeburn



The Legends band will kick off the series on July 8th. Concerts run from 5:00-7:00 pm.

No need to be down after the Fourth of July as the Standley Park Summer Concerts will kick off on Sunday, July 8th, with one of UC's favorite acts, The Legends, who are San Diego's original and most authentic Motown and Doo Wop revue. We'll continue the energy on every Sunday through August.

This writer is so excited by this year's lineup that I've already cleared my schedule to be present at every concert and, take note, four of this year's bands feature local UC residents! We truly have something for everyone, and every band will deliver high octane performances you won't want to miss!

We will have food vendors selling products to help make each concert a special occasion.

The summer concerts are sponsored by the University City Community Association, City Council representative Sherri Lightner's office, and Scripps Healthcare. We are still taking additional sponsors and request any interested parties to contact Concert chairman, Andy Freeburn, at [promovstar@aol.com](mailto:promovstar@aol.com) for further information.

Finally, any young residents interested in helping with the stage set up on Sundays should contact Andy. A small stipend and community service credit will be provided for qualified individuals.

I look forward to seeing all my neighbors dancing in the park and enjoying the sounds of summer in University City.

July 8, Legends - Doo Wop

July 15, Spectrum - Top 40 hits

July 22, Three Chord Justice - San Diego's premier country band

July 29, Roadhouse - Swing and Classic Jazz with Greg Pardue

August 5, Relatives, Minors & Friends - Greg Zinser's classic rock band

August 12, Forecast - Greg Pardue's contemporary jazz and funk band

August 19, Michelle Lundeen & Blues Streak - Blues - duh!

August 26, Teaser- Rick Kern's 80's & 90's rock band

UCPG Meeting  
Tuesday, June 12th  
6:00 p.m.  
Forum Hall/UTC

UCCA Meeting  
Wednesday, June 13th  
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
UC United Church  
2877 Governor Drive  
at the corner of  
Stresemann in UC

Father's Day  
Sunday, June 17th

UC Garden Club  
Tuesday, June 19th  
6:00 p.m., UC Library

1st Day of Summer  
Wednesday, June 20th

4th of July

UC Celebration  
Planning Meeting  
Wednesday, June 20th  
6:30 p.m.  
Standley Recreation Center

Standley Recreation  
Council Meeting  
Thursday, June 28th  
7:00 p.m.

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## Be the Eyes and Ears of UC

The University City Community Newsletter is comprised of information sent to the editor. The association does not have reporters, photographers or staff. You are welcome to write and submit articles that pertain to the community and residents.

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- Your article should be approximately **250 words** typed in a document and attached to email. Be as brief and concise as possible. Editing may result in errors. Type in **plain paragraph form. No formatting**, no section breaks, no columns, no footer, no symbols, no extra hard returns, etc. All of these must be removed before the article can be used.
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## Message from the President

**Peter Burch**

**I** am very sorry to say that this will be my last letter to you. I plan to resign from my position as President for health reasons. Unfortunately, I have only been in my position for six months, and I sometimes wonder whether I would have run if I'd known I had so little time to serve. I've come to the conclusion that the answer is yes, even if I didn't manage to complete my agenda. I think UCCA needs to become more involved in the community, which includes even better communication to promote our role and attracting new volunteers with new ideas and backgrounds to our organization. I think many people aren't aware of the activities we run or support, such as the Summer Concerts, 4th July, Holiday Tree Lighting and donations to several needy causes such as schools and the library. We have also started a very worthwhile project to greatly improve the landscaping of the three medians on Governor Drive.

I'd give us a "B" grade. We currently have two committees working to improve the newsletter, and another one whose goal is to revamp our web site. One of the necessities to attract new volunteers is to have an effective and enjoyable board. We have attracted several new faces that have already started to make a difference. On the other hand, we have yet to come up with new events, and I think that we still aren't sufficiently integrated into our great community

I've have had a great time leading the UCCA. I want everyone to know you have a great Board who spend hours of their free time helping to maintain our community. I didn't know many of them very well when I decided to run, and now I hold them in great respect and am pleased to be able to call many of them friends.



by Sherri Lightner

## Do You Know Your Score, San Diego?

***San Diego's credit rating continues to rise, providing further evidence of our ongoing financial recovery. Last month Standard & Poor's raised the city's credit rating by two notches from A+ to AA-. Standard & Poor's said the improved credit rating was the result of "strong financial management practices."***

***The credit agency also boosted the city's rating for its long-term bond from A- to A+. On May 15, Moody's affirmed the city's credit rating, saying that "the city's overall financial position has improved significantly." The continued recovery is a far cry from the mid-2000s when the city's short-sighted decision to underfund its pension liabilities meant its credit rating was suspended and the city was locked out of the bond market.***

***As I've said before, your credit rating doesn't go up if you are doing something wrong. The hard work, fiscal discipline and sacrifice of the last few years are paying off. Higher credit ratings translate into lower interest rates, so it is less expensive for the city to borrow money for much-needed infrastructure projects, such as street resurfacing. In fact, the City Council recently approved a plan to issue bonds and invest \$75 million to improve San Diego's infrastructure including:***

- ***\$30 million for road resurfacing***
- ***\$15.5 million for storm water repairs***
- ***\$16.3 million for upgrades to fire stations, libraries and other facilities***
- ***\$2.5 million for streetlight improvements***

***While we must reinvest in our city, we must do it responsibly and continue to enact pension reform and managed competition so we can assure our financial future.***



by John Lee Evans

## Success in University City Schools

As we near the end of the academic year, it is important to celebrate the success of many of our schools in San Diego Unified. The University City Cluster is no exception.

Doyle Elementary is a good example. It is the school in the district with the most foreign languages spoken. Students' families come from Europe, Africa, Asia and South America. This year it earned the honor of being named a California Distinguished School.

Standley Middle School has an excellent band program under the leadership of Phillip Marcus. They often perform at our community celebrations. California Business for Educational Excellence named Standley Middle School as a Scholar School due to its high performance.

University City High School achieved recognition by the U.S. News and World Report Best High Schools list this year. It ranked #371 out of 22,000 high schools in the nation. That puts us in the top two percent, which is quite an accomplishment.

Spreckels Bilingual Magnet and Curie Elementary continue to maintain excellent reputations in the district.

Strong schools build strong communities. The district's initiative for a Quality School in Every Neighborhood is placing an emphasis on more students attending school in the communities in which they live. This allows for greater parental participation, a key to academic success. Be sure to let your neighbors with children in preschool know about the success of University City schools.

In University City we have the support of EdUCate!, one of the leading foundations in the district supporting neighborhood schools. We also have an active University City Cluster Association that meets each month to promote cooperation between our schools, partnership in the community and academic excellence. This group includes principals, teachers, support staff, parents, students and community members. Become a part of our team next year after a wonderful summer vacation.

# Taste of the Triangle

EdUCate's! 18th Annual Taste of the Triangle, held this year at the beautiful UCSD Faculty Club, was a perfect match for us as a college campus is likely the next step for many students after graduating high school. Over 425 people attended this year's event, enjoying music from Standley and UCHS student musicians and The Classic Jazz Trio, food, wine, and friendship throughout the evening while bidding on our 125

silent auction baskets and five live auction items. Our VIP donors were educated by Chef Bernard Guillas and Ed Moore on pairing wine and cheese at the VIP Reception where we raised \$4,250 to buy iPods for our elementary school classrooms. Katie Dunahoo, executor of the estate of Ann Wille, presented a \$35,000 gift to EdUCate! right before our live auction began. We are so grateful, thankful, and humbled by her generosity and thoughtfulness. Our live and silent auctions raised an additional \$29,000, enabling us to fulfill our mission to provide supplemental resources to our UC schools to improve the quality of our children's education. We would like to thank our restaurants for their generous donation of delicious food: Anthology, Baskin Robbins Costa Verde, Bite of Boston, Caffè Bella Italia, Delicias, Fibonacci's Campus Pointe Bistro by Waters, Forbidden Yogurt, Herringbone, Leucadia Pizzeria and Italian Restaurant, Lorna's Italian Kitchen, Nine-Ten, PrepKitchen & Whisknadle, Solare Ristorante Italiano Pizzeria Lounge, Sushi on the Rock, Temecula Olive Oil, The 3rd Corner Wine Shop & Bistro, The French Gourmet, The Marine Room and We Olive. Thank you to everyone who donated the

items that filled our silent auction baskets and to those who donated the items for our live auction. It is your generosity, also, that made the evening such a success. Thanks to all of those who purchased tickets and, of course, to everyone who volunteered their time and energy to work behind the scenes to plan and organize this year's Taste of the Triangle.



**Bonnie Hornbeck of UC and Kam Walton of Cushman & Wakefield represented the Marketplace in negotiations with Rob Miller of San Diego Coast Credit Union in order to have the ATM available to its customers.**

## Neighborhood Watch in University City

*by Barbara Gellman*

So far, there are about a dozen residents who have volunteered to be neighborhood watch captains; this is a good start, but we need many more to cover the city. Each street needs someone to be a main link for all their neighbors and our community police. In order to disseminate information about crime and safety issues, I need contacts from all areas of UC. Please call or email with your willingness to take on this responsibility. I will be happy to meet with you, share the folder of information and attend your first street meeting.

Some safety tips:

- **Keep your doors locked, including the garage door and door from the house to the garage.**
- **Take your remote garage door opener into the house, do not leave in a car in the driveway.**
- **Prevent auto theft by not leaving anything in the car, that includes clothes, books, electronics.**
- **Do not open the door to a solicitor. Talk thru a door/window or ignore.**
- **Add an alarm system if possible.**
- **Lock your gate to the backyard.**
- **Know how to turn off your main gas/water valves.**
- **Use timers for inside lighting.**
- **Motion detectors for outside.**
- **Sleep with your car remote at the bedside; you can punch the alarm button if necessary.**

We want the new neighborhood watch sign to be very visible everywhere in UC. More captains are needed to gather their neighbors and become a cog in the wheel.

**bggellman@yahoo.com or 858-452-2326**

# Practical Recovery Has Moved Into Our University City Neighborhood

By Adrienne Bledsoe

Practical Recovery is a business which has moved into our neighborhood. You can learn more on the website: [www.practicalrecovery.com](http://www.practicalrecovery.com). The organization has taken up residence in two homes on the west end of University City. Plans include opening more. Currently the two homes are used as 6-bed rehabilitation facilities where clients come to stay (typically 30 days) to detoxify and rehabilitate from drug and alcohol addictions. One house is located on Bloch Street and the other is on Lange Avenue.

Upon speaking with many UC community members, residents have concerns about this type of business in our neighborhood, which include increase in traffic as well as potential decrease in home values. While University City residents understand the need to help people with life threatening addictions, many of us are concerned that this will lead to other organizations opening rehab homes in the area, even though state law currently permits it.

Over 50 people showed up at the UCCA board meeting on May 9th to express their concerns about Practical Recovery in our neighborhood. The board members decided another meeting was needed to strictly discuss this topic. *On June 13th, UCCA will host a community meeting, from 6:00-8:00 pm at the University City United Church, 2877 Governor Drive, at the corner of Stresemann in UC. You and your neighbors are invited and encouraged to attend. Please come to learn more and to see what steps UC residents can take to address this issue.*

## June 2012 Events @ your University Community Library 4155 GOVERNOR DR. (858) 552-1655

**OPERA TALKS:** Led by San Diego Opera docent, Josie Gomez, this will begin a 3-part series discussing the composers, the music, the stories, and characters from Salome (June 20), Don Pasquale (July 18) and the Barber of Seville (August 22). Excerpts will be shown. Wednesday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m.

**ROAD SCHOLAR:** Do you love to travel, enjoy learning new things, exploring interesting places and meeting people who share a love of adventure? Come and learn about Road Scholar, America's first and the world's largest educational travel organization for adults, from Jill Swaim, Road Scholar Ambassador. Thursday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

**CLASSICAL GUITAR CONCERT:** Join us for a beautiful evening of classical guitar with Villa Musica. Wednesday, June 27 at 6:30 p.m.

**UC BOOK CLUB** welcomes best-selling author Susan Vreeland for a discussion of her novel *Luncheon of the Boating Party*. Wednesday, June 27 at 2:00 p.m.

**JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE:** Dr. Adolpho Sanchez offers resume reviews and tips on interviewing. Every Tuesday at 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM!** June 15-August 15, 2012 Ages 0-18 – Sign up a, read books, win prizes! Enjoy eight weeks of special programming, beginning with:

**DREAM BIG WITH MAD SCIENCE:** Take part in a steamy volcanic eruption, an ice-cold explosion of fog and a mysterious disappearing act – then blast across the floor in a rocket car! Wednesday, June 20 AT 2:00 P.M.

**STORY SHIP: WAND OF DREAMS,** Awesome animation, puppetry, magic and music in a highly interactive comedy theater. Wednesday, June 27, at 2:00 p.m.

**YOGA FOR KIDS:** Gentle exercises to help flexibility and improve concentration. Please bring your own yoga mat or towel. Saturday, June 15 at 10:30 a.m.

## June 12th, 2012 Promotions and Graduation UC Public Schools:

Promotions of 5th graders at 11:00 a.m.  
Curie Elementary School  
Doyle Elementary School  
Spreckels Elementary School

Standley Middle School promotions  
of 8th graders at 9:15 a.m.

University City High School graduation  
of 12th graders at 2:00 p.m.

## Mother's Day Weekend With Hardworking Heroes Cleaning Up the Community

by Sandy Lipee

Sixteen people of all ages signed up to cut back weeds and pickleweed in UC the day before Mother's Day, May 12. They worked hard and long. Bill Massicot showed up early at 7:45 and headed to Syracuse at the canyon entrance. He was joined by Jim Beshears. They cut back several bags of weeds. Our own UCCA membership chair, Beth Crawford, joined forces with veteran community-clean-up-star Chris Dimaggio who brought a mower that ate up the weeds on Governor between Stadium and Scripps. Jon and Minh-Ha Tang worked alongside them. Ken Richter, Cynda Maxon, and their teen daughter Addison Richter cut back the heavy pickleweed growing over the Genesee sidewalk north of Governor. Eric Romer was recruited by Greg Zinser and Eric doesn't even live in UC, but he's one of the many Sunday basketball players at Standley. This duo worked on the ugly Regents median. The mother/daughter team of Karen and Ella Martien worked on Governor near Stadium with Dylan Steinhauer, a high school student. Pat Stickels headed out to the Genesee median in front of UC High as she sees does each year. Walt Pankratz and Barbara Gellman, our beautification co-chair, did the same.

UCCA got equipment from Standley Park's Terry Adams and good service from Shauna and Yvonne who work at Standley. These volunteers were hardworking heroes trying to make our community look better, and they did. Many thanks to them. Maybe we can all take a leaf from their book by trying to keep our neighborhood weed free and litter free. (See photos page 10)



## EdUCate!'s Oktoberfest

by Marge Lorang

Oktoberfest is EdUCate!'s affordable, fun event for the whole UC community; it is geared particularly for families. All proceeds go towards supplemental classroom materials, which improve instruction in UC's five public schools: Curie, Doyle, Spreckels, Standley and UC High.

This year's event will again feature great games for the kids, German musical entertainment, amusing skills competitions and great libations from San Diego's best local breweries. Food – including bratwurst, hot dogs, pretzels, and strudel – will be available for purchase.

Oktoberfest kicks off our Dollar-a-Day campaign by providing special VIP benefits to DAD donors at the \$175 level or above.

Get ready home brewers for the 4th Annual University City Home Brew Contest! This year's contest will again take place during EdUCate!'s Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 6th, at Standley Park from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. Any home brewer is encouraged to participate. This year's category is "Belgian and French Ale." Please use the BJCP guidelines found at [bjcp.org](http://bjcp.org).

Plan to attend Oktoberfest in support of better schools and a friendlier neighborhood!

Event will be held at Standley Park, 3585 Governor Drive, San Diego, CA 92122

For more information please email: [www.uc-educate.org](mailto:www.uc-educate.org).

### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Jesse Mays, Council Representative for Council member Sherri Lightner, has provided this information for University City residents:

Emergency (police, fire, medical): 911

Graffiti Control Hotline: 619-525-8522

Streets (potholes, lights, drains): 619-527-7500

Neighborhood Code Compliance: 619-236-5500

Police (non-emergency): 619-531-2000

Traffic division: 858-495-7800

# April – May 2012 UCCA Memberships

*Making UC More Than Just a Neighborhood*

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**

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& Melanie Writer  
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## **COMMUNITY ANGEL**

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Ian & Tina Grover  
John & Ellen Person

## **GOLD MEMBERSHIP**

Don & Jeri Newman  
John Spinosa  
& Marge Lorang  
Tama Varano

### **University City Community Association 2012 Membership Application**

General Member \$20

Community Supporter \$40

Community Angel \$60

Silver Membership \$50

Gold Membership \$100

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**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**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**

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**Questions?** Beth Crawford, Membership Chair, [UCCAmembership@gmail.com](mailto:UCCAmembership@gmail.com)

#### **Which UCCA activities are you willing to help us with?**

\_\_\_\_ UC 4th of July Celebration

\_\_\_\_ Newsletter Counting/Sorting or Delivery

\_\_\_\_ Beautification/Landscaping

\_\_\_\_ UC 4th of July Parade

\_\_\_\_ Holiday Tree Lighting

\_\_\_\_ Garden Club

**Comments or Suggestions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address: UCCA, 3268 Governor Drive, Box 121, San Diego, CA 92122**

# Top Female Scholar Athlete

by Tama Varano

UChS senior, Marina Varano, was recently selected as the top female scholar athlete from California in the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) Scholarship program. Varano was chosen from a pool of public and private school contestants throughout the state. The scholarship recognizes the distinguished scholastic, leadership and sportsmanship attributes of high school student-athletes, and the importance of high school athletics in each student's life. Marina received 7 varsity letters throughout her high school athletic career and was recognized as a tri-varsity athlete in 2011, competing in volleyball, water polo and swim. During her senior year, Varano was MVP in volleyball and received the Coach's Award in water polo. Varano currently maintains a 4.4 GPA and will be attending UC Santa Barbara in the fall. Congrats Marina!



## Save The Birds!

by Robyn Wilkinson

Local Girl Scout Troop 3012 wants to see nature thrive. So, to start locally, the Junior Girl Scouts – 5th grade students at Curie and Hawthorn Elementary schools – have been working very hard to earn their Bronze Award by helping the birds in Rose Canyon. Working with a grant for volunteer resources from SDG&E, the girls connected with Debby Knight and Gretchen Nell, from Friends of Rose Canyon, to complete the details.

The girls decided to place bird houses in the canyon and put in native plants for the birds to eat. "Replacing lost habitats makes sense, since we have destroyed lots of their natural habitats." said a man who lives on the edge of the canyon. Our Girl Scouts agree that it is the least we can do to make up for the trees we have cut down and loss of bird habitat.



To make the nest boxes, the girls got in contact with Richard Griebe, who has made bird boxes for other areas of San Diego. The California Audubon and the California Bluebird Recovery Program, with help from the San Diego Audubon, donated money for the supplies. The girls set out to build these boxes! They posted 12 boxes in three areas of the canyon, and also planted many native plants. Recon Nursery, in Imperial Beach, donated these plants.

A special thanks to the Fortier/Goldstein, Frederich and McLaughlin/Kjellman families for allowing the troop to plant on their properties. The girls will spend three months monitoring the boxes and supplying data to the state program. Look for the brightly decorated bird boxes along the trail, but be quiet! There may be baby birds sleeping. Let nature thrive!

# 2012 UCCA Board Members

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## UNIVERSITY CITY RACQUET CLUB NEWS

by Bob Morrison

*On May 13, 2012, the finals of the 34th Annual University City Racquet Club (UCRC) Open Tournament sanctioned by the United States Tennis Association were held. The following winners were all from San Diego:*

Men's Open Singles – Steven Forman  
Men's 5.5 Singles – Joshua Habig  
Men's 4.5 Singles – Seth Makechnie  
Men's 3.5 Singles – Richard Chang  
Women's 3.5 Singles – Lan Wilhelm

*The UCRC membership is represented in all age groups from 8 to over 80. Last month we turned the spotlight on a teenage member. This month our picture shows the other extreme in Bob Morrison, Dave Prakken, and Bob Sickels (left to right in the photo) who have been playing Saturday morning doubles at UCRC for over 30 years. In past years, the three have played in UCRC singles and doubles tournaments and been on men's and mixed doubles teams in competition with other clubs. They have been referred to as the UCRC "Legends". We are working hard to*

*build up our membership so that we can sponsor more teams in inter-club competition than our current pair of women's "B" doubles teams. For current information about membership, tournaments, hours, activities, etc., check our web site, [www.ucrctennis.com](http://www.ucrctennis.com) or call our office at (858) 452-LOVE (5683).*



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# Clean Up Heroes!



**Jonathan & Ming-Ha Tang**

**Dylan Steinhauer**

**Cynda Maxon  
Addison Richter  
& Ken Richter**



**Greg Zinser  
& Eric Romer**

**Chris DiMaggio**

**Beth Crawford**



**Jim Beshears**

**Karen & Ella Martien**

**Bill Massicot**

# Community Members, We Need You!

by George Odero

July 4, 2012 is a few weeks away. We still need event volunteers to help with several activities. Your participation for two hours during the day of this event will be significant in making the event a success. As you can see from past celebrations, community member volunteers are the soul and spirit of this memorable event. Call or e-mail me to sign up to volunteer and make this 24th event a success.

**George Odero contact information:  
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2011 4th of July Celebration



**Sherri Lightner asked Jesse Mays, her UC representative, to present Peter Burch with a certificate making May 9th, 2012 Peter Burch Day in San Diego. Peter is being honored for his community work as president of University City Community Association. While Peter is stepping down as president for health reasons, he will continue to work with the newsletter committee and website committee.**

# UC Little League Kicks Off 50th Anniversary Celebration

by Jemma Samala

Remember playing the game of pickle, throwing the ball back and forth between bases as you try and tag the runner. Well, UCLL is planning the World's Largest Game of Pickle at this year's Closing Day, Saturday, June 9th, starting at 10:00 am.

As UCLL tries to get into the record books, we kick off a yearlong celebration to mark 50 years of baseball memories. Activities include: a special Opening Night under the lights, alumni versus coaches softball game(s), outdoor baseball movie nights, UCLL memorabilia displays, reduced spring registration fees, fundraising opportunities, and a special Winter "Ball" gala (dinner, music, dancing, auction, gaming).

We are asking that UCLL alumni – players, coaches, parents – send in photos, programs and memorabilia to be used for the anniversary displays and to create commemorative print and digital anniversary yearbooks. A committee is being formed to plan 50th anniversary activities. If you would like to send in UCLL photos/items, or help with planning, please contact Jemma Samala, [jemmasamala@gmail.com](mailto:jemmasamala@gmail.com) or find us at the 4th of July Celebration at Standley Park.

## Closing Day – June 9

As mentioned, Closing Day will be Saturday, June 9 starting at 10:00 am. Besides the giant pickle game, we will have sports-themed inflatables (\$5 for all-day play), silent auction, 50/50, and UCLL merchandise. The snack bar will be open selling hot dogs, hamburgers, carne asada tacos, sno cones, and much more. The annual Home Run Derby will start at 2:00 pm at Fort Field (by Spreckels) with both adults and youth tournaments. The entire UC community is invited to join in on Closing Day fun.

## \$10,000 Fundraising Goal

UCLL needs your help in raising \$10,000. Funds will quickly add up as an anonymous donor has pledged \$5,000 in matching funds – so every dollar raised from the community is \$2 to the league – for a total of \$10,000! So far UCLL has raised approximately \$2,000, and with matching for a total of \$4,000! But

we need more to reach our goal. Funds will be used to upgrade fields for upcoming Little League 50/70 division changes, and to help keep registration fees low. To make a contribution, please send a check payable to UCLL, P.O. Box 22511, San Diego, CA 92192, and write "matching funds donation" in the memo line. UCLL is a 501c(3) non-profit organization and contributions are tax-deductible. Thank you for supporting UCLL.

For more info, go to: [www.ucll.org](http://www.ucll.org); and join our Facebook group – University City Little League.

## Ballet Arte, Academy of Classical Ballet, Performs Cinderella

by Chin Chan Lee

**Ballet Arte presents Cinderella on June 9th at the Garfield Theatre of the Lawrence Family JCC (4126 Executive Drive) in La Jolla. Two performances will be presented at 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Olivia Lee, granddaughter of residents Frank & CC Lee, will play Cinderella in the the 6:00 pm show. Olivia, elder daughter of Yuan Kang Lee and Diana Padgett, is a junior in high school. She has studied ballet since the age of three and has danced leading roles in The Nutcracker, including the Sugar Plum Fairy, Clara, and the Arabian Principal. Last year, Olivia danced the Black Swan in Swan Lake.**

**Ballet Arte, is located in Solana Beach. Every December, they perform four shows of The Nutcracker. In the middle of the year, they take turns performing two shows of one of the following ballets: Swan Lake, Sleeping Beauty, La Bayadere and Cinderella.**

**For more information please call 858-362-1348.**

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**Young Artist Music Series, Saturdays at 1:00 pm**

**Monday, June 4th, 4:00 pm: New Monday Hours Celebration!**

**Job Search Assistance, every Wednesday at 3:00 pm**

**How to Use Quickbooks Workshop, Thursday, June 7th at 1:00 pm**

**Music at the Library, Wednesdays June 6th and 13th, at 6:30 pm**

**Summer Reading Program: Extreme Rahim the Magician, Wednesday June 20th at 6:30 pm**

**Summer Reading Science with Krypton Yvonne, Wednesday June 27th at 6:30 pm**

**Its Book Time with Ronald McDonald, Saturday, June 23rd at 11:00 am**

**Memory Training for Adults and Children, Saturday June 23rd, 10:00 am & 11:00 am**

**ESL Conversation Class, every Tuesday at 5:45 pm**

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# An Open Letter to My Friends, UC Neighbors & Neighboring Communities

by Tanya Aeria, UC Garden Club Founder

*I am not a great gardener. My front yard is host to many plants and flowers struggling to survive. My veggie garden always has promise but, there are a fair share of plants that don't make it at all. And though my garden is mostly in a constant state of total chaos, my neighbors frequently compliment my efforts.*

*When I ask my gardening friends if they would like to present their yard at one of our monthly Coffee in the Garden Events or at our 2013 Spring Garden Tour, they say, "oh no, my yard is not that nice." This is not about having the most professionally designed yard. It is about sharing your love of gardening, planting and sharing your garden story.*

*Come to a monthly event, and see what I mean. Share your garden story, join us and learn a little bit too. We are regular people just like YOU who love to make things grow.*

*The Coffee in the Garden event is open to the entire community, and gives us a chance to peek into a select UC yard to see what they are growing!*

*Our fantastic guest speakers always have something interesting to impart and we all leave feeling more inspired. So, won't you join us at one of our monthly meetings on either the 3rd Tuesday of the month, or at our other garden events?*

*If you have a garden experience that you would like to share, or garden related topics to tell us about, please join us on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the UC Library on Governor Dr., 6:30 p.m.*

*Information/questions email: [ucgardenclub.org](mailto:ucgardenclub.org).*

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UC Garden Club has a new look! Be on the look out for the for these signs to follow when looking for one of our Garden Events.

Our May Coffee in the Garden was another good one! Peg graciously hosted about 30 neighbors and showed off her beautiful filled-in pool garden. Her garden was artfully done by Peg herself (with a tidbit of help from her husband, but just a little...!) Not to miss was an old overgrown hedge carved into a large fire-breathing dragon!

June 10th, Sunday, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon: Coffee in the Garden at Glenda's house. Look for signs from Governor and Radcliffe Drive which will direct you to her home on Condon Drive. No need to RSVP. We will have some goodies, coffee and an iced beverage for you to enjoy while enjoying her garden.

June 19th, Guest Lecturer: Owl boxes – how to attract owls, keep them and use them for a great natural pest control! Be sure to be on time to our 6:30 pm meeting!

If you have not attended one of our garden events in the past, why not? It's a great event to attend, and we are asking for a small donation of \$1 to \$5 in order to keep these fine gatherings going. Bring your kids and show them what their neighbors are creating!

