

UC 4th of July Celebration is here!

George Odero- UCCC Chairperson

Are you ready? University City community's biggest event – 4th of July Celebration – is almost here for its 26th time for all the residents and friends of University City to enjoy. Join fellow community members, families and friends for a day of celebration and fun.

The highly popular 5k Race & 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk will be back this year, thanks to dedicated volunteer team members of the Planning Committee who will continue the tradition this year after a successful comeback last year. Registration for the race is open. Please go to www.universitycitynews.org/uc-4th-of-july/ to get pre-registered. You can also pre-register by mail before June 15 or register **Thursday July 3, 6-7 PM**, at **Standley Recreation Center** or on event day, **Friday July 4th from 6:30 -7:45 AM** at **Standley Recreation Park, 3585 Governor Drive, San Diego, CA 92122**

The Run Courses start and finish in the grass field east of Swanson Pool at Standley Park. The 5-kilometer (3.1 mile) course is two counter-clockwise loops around Standley Park and Standley Middle School along sidewalks, paved areas, and grass athletic fields. The 1 mile course is a loop around Standley Middle School.

Your entry/registration includes:

- Admission to Pancake Breakfast (8:00 am – 10:00 am)
- Awards to top finishers in age groups of 5K race
- Finisher medal for participants under 18
- Water and snacks at finish line
- Water bottle (guaranteed for early registrants)
- Stay for activities and music throughout the day

Summary of Event day schedule:

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| 1 Mile Fun Run and 5K Run | 8 am (registration at 6:30-7:45am) |
| Pancake Breakfast | 8:00 – 10:00 am |
| Opportunity Drawing | 9:00 – 3:00 pm |
| Bike/Pet Parade | 10:30 am (from Standley Middle School) |
| Photo Scavenger Hunt | 12:00 pm (register 10:30 – 11:45 am) |
| Polynesian Dances | 12:00 – 1:00 pm |
| Family Field Games | 12:00 – 4:00 pm |
| Free Swim | 12:00 – 4:00 pm |
| Festival & Booths | 12:00 – 4:00 pm |
| Beer/Wine Garden | 12:00 – 6:00 pm |
| Music by Y3K | 5:00 – 7:00 pm |

Other activities will include:

Rock Wall, Inflatables, Book Barn, Beer and Wine Garden

Free trolley pick up and drop off along Governor Drive from 11:00 am to 7:30 pm on July 4th

***Volunteers Needed Reminder:** To ensure the success of this year's Celebration, we are looking for volunteers to give two hours of their time throughout the day. Complete the [Volunteer Registration Form](#) or contact Diane Ahern at aherndiane@gmail.com to let her know when you are available.

***Beer Garden Volunteers:** Must be 21 or older **and** must attend mandatory Beer Garden Training on Saturday June 28, 2014 at Standley Recreation Center from 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon

***Booth Renters, Contributors and Donors Sought:** Booths are still available for rent; contributions and donations to support the event are also accepted. Contact Valarie at Voneill95@yahoo.com or Terry at T17Jones@roadrunner.com.

Several vendor and food booths have been taken. This year will feature some item vendors and new food vendors presenting Mexican and East Indian tastes. They will be joining other vendors to provide delicious, quality and a wide variety of food, such as: burgers, sandwiches, wraps, and desserts, hot dogs, popcorn, Cattle corn Candy, Smooth and Sweet Sugar Scrubs, Root Beer floats, pancake breakfast, as well as a wide variety menu from Chubby's food truck.

*The Book Barn is again seeking your donations for books, especially children's books.

Please, no textbooks, encyclopedias, manuals, tapes of any kind, as we cannot sell those items. You can deliver your donation **on July 3rd** at Standley Recreation Center or anytime at 4315 Huggins Street. Contact Priscilla Hughes at lunchlady718@yahoo.com.

Thank you to our neighbors and friends for your continued support in making this traditional community 4th of July Celebration a success.