



## March 2011 Calendar

### UCPG Meeting

Tuesday, March 8th, 6:00 p.m.  
Forum Hall/UTC Public invited

**St. Patrick's Day Dance**  
Saturday, March 12,  
6:30 p.m.

**Our Mother of Confidence Hall**

### UCCA Meeting

Wednesday, March 9,  
6:00 to 7:30 p.m. U.C. Library  
Please Join US!

**University City Garden Club**  
Tuesday, March 15th,  
6:00 p.m. UC Library

### 4th of July UC Celebration Planning Meeting

Wednesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.  
Standley Recreation Center

### St. Patrick's Day, March 17

**Coffee in the Garden, Sunday**  
March 20, 10:30 - Noon  
4440 Pavlov Ave.

### Standley Recreation Council Meeting

Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.  
Standley Rec. Center  
Public invited

### UCHS Senior Exhibitions

Thursday, March 31

The UC Garden Club is growing strong!  
We have a new website address to visit  
for our, past, present and  
upcoming events!

- <http://UCGardenClub.org>
- Coffee in the Garden will be March 20 10:30 a.m. at 4440 Pavlov Ave.
- Guest speaker for March 15th Garden Club meeting: James Wright [ucgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:ucgardenclub@gmail.com)

Everyone  
Welcome

## UCCA - Who the HECK Do We Think We Are?

By: Andy Freeburn

Ask this more with inquest than hubris. For the last ten years, only a handful of residents have attended any of the University City Community Association's meetings. With such indolence, the board members act on issues based on their own vision rather than our neighbor's views. While trying to minimize conflicts at meetings we often reach consensus without proper analysis or evaluation. In pursuit of group cohesiveness, we lose individual creativity, uniqueness, and independent thinking. Throughout history, Groupthink has had fatal consequences for many of man's actions. Our island mentality has led us from a promising oasis to something akin of William Golding's Lord of the Flies. Well meaning volunteers bickering amongst one another over matters which the public seems to have no concern over. I know this affects every volunteer organization but don't you think University City is worth your involvement?

**This month we are asking for contributions. For most, that will be financial support. However, please understand, we need your stimulus at every meeting! Whether you send a check or not, you should ask yourself "Who do we think we are?" If you're not sure, make the time to find out. Attend our March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Library. Let us know your concerns and ideas. If you're comfortable with the status quo, attend so that we may keep it so. With no steady influence from residents, the board will continue their myopic depiction and like the portrait of Dorian Gray, UCCA will not reflect the true body of the University City community.**

Sincerely, Andy Freeburn President, University City Community Association

**The 2011 Membership Drive starts this month. Thank You for Your Support! Questions? Contact Your Membership Chair, Ginny Charvat [ginnycharvat@yahoo.com](mailto:ginnycharvat@yahoo.com)**

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**The April 2011 Newsletter** will be delivered the weekend of April 2-3, 2011. Questions? Contact Distribution: Mary Kay, [ucnewsletter@san.rr.com](mailto:ucnewsletter@san.rr.com)

## Saint Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

Come and join us for the annual St. Patrick's Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> for a fantastic night of great food and entertainment. Ranch Catering will provide a corn beef Irish dinner and music by the Frank O'Conner Band from San Francisco. Enjoy a performance by the award winning Irish Dancers, The Malone Academy of Irish Dance. You will also have a chance to visit an authentic Irish Pub. While there, you can view the 8 Irish Murals of Ireland: 8 feet by 15 feet created by UC's Academy Award Winning Artist Eileen McCann - all for \$30pp. Doors open at 6:30, Irish/American dress optional.



Our Mother of Confidence Community Hall,  
3131 Governor Dr. 92122.

Call Syd and John Walsh 858-453-4817

## A Message From Nathan Fletcher

The day I was elected to the legislature, we had a \$42 billion dollar deficit. Three years later it stands at \$26 billion. There is no doubt we are facing a fiscal crisis of historic proportion. But with this crisis comes an opportunity to enact real and substantive reforms that will change the way the state conducts business -- and puts us on solid footing for generations to come.

One change that will bring about an increased level of accountability, transparency and efficiency is performance-based budgeting. The concept is simple: You replace the existing "baseline" system, in which budgets are based on what you received last year, with a new system that has every government entity explain exactly what they do, how many times they do it and what it costs.

We are co-authors of Senate Bill 14 (SB14), which would put California on the forefront of budget reform. SB14 establishes a performance-based budget process for state departments and programs. The bill requires the Governor's

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proposed budget to use a performance-based framework that includes:

- 1) The mission and goals of each agency.
- 2) The specific activities and programs focused on achieving those goals.
- 3) Performance metrics that reflect desired outcomes for existing and proposed activities and a targeted performance level for the following year.
- 4) Prior-year performance data and an explanation of deviation from previous-year targets.

The baseline budget that we currently use does not provide the necessary information to help policymakers conduct proper oversight.

State program goals and targets must be supported with information on results – or performance measures – that allows public managers to report their progress and future targets.

With crisis comes not only opportunity, but an obligation. An obligation for real change. An obligation to fundamentally restructure the way Sacramento operates. Performance-based budgeting is an important step in the right direction.

*Assemblyman Fletcher represents California's 75th District.*

# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

## Be the Eyes & Ears of UC

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

### 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](mailto:EditorUCCA@aol.com)
- Please, no **full page** flyers or announcements.
- No editorials or opinions.



Although the deadline is 4:00 PM the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month, send your submission as early as possible. Articles will be printed on a first come basis with priority given to time sensitive information. The UCCA does not discriminate nor do we endorse all information contained in the monthly newsletter.

## NOTICE

Flyers or handouts about businesses or non-UCCA events, activities, issues or organizations are neither inserted nor distributed with the UCCA newsletter.



Assemblyman Nathan Fletcher (r) held a town hall meeting at U.C. Library on Saturday, February 12th. Andy Freeburn, University City Community Association President and Barbara Gellman, UCCA Public Art Co-chair were in the audience.

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**4<sup>th</sup> of July UC Celebration** By Cathy Romanas

**W**e thank State Farm Insurance Agent Michael A. Cohen for becoming our event's first contributing sponsor! We hope other local businesses will follow!



Our community's Independence Day Celebration needs community participation!

**-VOLUNTEERS:** Commit now to help for two hours! Email Jake at uccelebration@gmail.com

**-MONEY:** We'll give you exposure as well as gratitude! Contact planning committee chair Cathy Romanas at cathyromanas@hotmail.com or 858.395.4318, or send your donation to "SPRC", Attn: Sarah Erazo, 3585 Governor Dr, 92122

**-VENDORS:** Save on booth prices by reserving your space before April 1<sup>st</sup>! Request your booth application from Randy at rwolman@san.rr.com

**You are invited to join us at our next planning meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at the Standley Rec Center.**

**Reporter needed!**

Are you computer savvy?

Care about the community?

Want to contribute to the newsletter?

The Editor is looking for someone to report crime in the community and all the information is available on-line.

Interested? E-mail Kay at EditorUCCA@aol.com.



**UCCA Elected and Appointed Board Members for 2011**

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

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Has a recent crime occurred near your home? How do you find out? It's so easy. Stay informed regarding recent crime activity near your home. The San Diego Police Department has a free on-line alert system in place called **e-Watch**. They will automatically send you, via e-mail, reports of crime activity that has occurred near your home. Below is an example of what your UCCA editor receives daily/weekly from **e-Watch**.

Subscribing is free. It's done on-line at the Dan Diego Police Department's website:

<http://apps.sandiego.gov/ewatch/index.jsp>

1. Click on the **Enter Subscription Service** button.
2. From here the instructions are very straightforward.
3. Enter your street and zip code.
4. Choose the types of crimes you want to view. For example, residential burglary, assault, prostitution, DUI, auto theft, auto burglary.
5. Enter your e-mail address.
6. Click on the **Preview** button and a map will appear. Then click on the **Subscribe** button.
7. Voila – you're done. Crime updates will automatically be e-mailed to you.



*Below are only a few of the reported occurrences in central UC, near Governor & Genesee.*

Incident	Date	Time	Location
AUTO_BURGLARY	02/14/2011	1430-1445	3200 GALLOWAY DR
ACCIDENTS	02/15/2011	1318-1527	APRIL CT/GENESEE AV
DUI	02/11/2011	2010	3600 GOVERNOR DR
ASSAULT	02/06/2011	1830	5500 GENESEE AV
NARCOTICS	02/03/2011	0219	6000 CARNEGIE ST
CITATIONS	01/31/2011	2345	GENESEE AV / GOVERNOR DR
VANDALISM	01/27/2011	1500-1330	6900 GENESEE AV
ACCIDENTS	01/06/2011	1328-1354	GENESEE AV/GOVERNOR DR
ACCIDENTS	01/05/2011	0803-0916	GENESEE AV/SR-52 RA
RES_BURGLARY	12/31/2010	1415	6800 LIPMANN ST
ASSAULT	12/30/2010	1858	4200 PAVLOV AV
ACCIDENTS	12/22/2010	1424-1431	6900 GENESEE AV
ACCIDENTS	12/22/2010	1434-1441	6900 GENESEE AV
VANDALISM	12/21/2010	1930-1300	6000 DIRAC ST
AUTO_BURGLARY	12/19/2010	0330	3200 LAHITTE CT
ACCIDENTS	12/17/2010	1451-1511	COZZENS ST/GOVERNOR DR
VANDALISM	12/14/2010	2100-2215	4700 ROBBINS ST
RES_BURGLARY	12/14/2010	1215-1320	4400 BENGURST AV
RES_BURGLARY	12/14/2010	1045-1430	5800 DIRAC ST
RES_BURGLARY	12/14/2010	1329	4400 PAVLOV AV
VANDALISM	12/12/2010	0700-1000	3400 STADIUM PL
RES_BURGLARY	12/08/2010	0725-0945	3300 ETON AV
ACCIDENTS	12/09/2010	1737-1745	GENESEE AV/GOVERNOR DR
ACCIDENTS	12/08/2010	1331-1423	GOVERNOR DR/REGENTS RD
DUI	12/05/2010	1600	7000 HAWORTH ST
ASSAULT	12/05/2010	1354-1600	7000 HAWORTH ST
ASSAULT	12/03/2010	0850	6200 RADCLIFFE DR

### **U.C. Residents Need To Be Vigilant**

San Diego crime rate has dropped dramatically, according to the police. We applaud the police and the community members who join Neighborhood Watch or just watch out for their neighbors. Crime still does occur, however, and recently a burglary occurred in a home near Marcy Park.



Alan Alvarez, University City's community policeman, reminds us that we should lock our gates, our windows, and doors. Burglars are usually lazy and will move on to the next house. If a car or truck is parked in the neighborhood for a long time, write down the license plate and let the police know. Jesse Mays, from Sherri Lightner's office, suggested a website that gives a lot of good home security tips: [www.sandiego.gov/police/prevention/homesec.shtml](http://www.sandiego.gov/police/prevention/homesec.shtml).

On another note, securing garage sale signs on public signs is a violation of code compliance and an eyesore in the community. As the saying goes, "What goes up, must come down." Please take down your garage sale signs right after the sale.

## The Root of All Evil – Final Eclipse Petra LaVictoire

*Continued from last month . . .*

“Now there is only one thing to do. I have to go. Give it to me. I’ll destroy it, travel back in time, and find my uncle.”

“No Phoebe! If you do that, you’ll turn into Mrs. Dudley, and I’ll lose you, too. But I have an idea. How about we will both get rid of the root together and see what happens?”

Uncertain, Oliver and Phoebe held each other tight; their hands firmly gripped the smoldering root which was slowly burning away over the flame of a candle.

... Blackout .....  
Complete Blackout ...

Oliver and Phoebe woke up in rather tropical surroundings. Neither was Mrs. Dudley, and the ugly root was back in once piece, resting peacefully next to them. Lethargic, the pair began walking across a field. They were greeted by a farmer who was happy to answer where they were. Yes, Phoebe and her fiancé were on Molokai.

The man gladly led them to the royal vacation ranch, which was so beautifully described in the diary. There, they were welcomed by the Hawaiian chief who couldn’t wait to hear their fascinating tale.

“What you say is terrible! I warned him. I told Mr. Sebastian that his wish came with a very heavy price. He should have guarded the root *and* its secret better! Now, both of you claim that you are from the future – the year 2010?”

Oliver and Phoebe nodded as the chief carried on: “Well, if you must know, we are in the year 1835, actually just a few days after I handed him that twisted piece of root. If your words are true, and you really wish to save your uncle, then you must hurry! There isn’t much time! Only 175 years *after* the

original celestial event – a partial lunar eclipse – when the root is given to the one who desires infinite love, can the spell be reversed! We can only hope that it isn’t already too late!”

The young couple listened intently, and held on to every word.

“Here, take this, but before you drink this juice made from the flowers of the enchanted Moloka’i koki’o, let me give you instructions. On the night of a summer lunar eclipse, you must go to the tree where the puzzle box was hidden.

Stand beside it, and hold your hands forming a circle. The luminosity of the moon during the eclipse is very powerful. Make sure the root is kissed by this moonlight. Position it into the middle of your circle. Then, with your eyes closed, chant this rhyme at least three times throughout the entire eclipse: Wiggi Wiggi Mulu Kali’i ... Wiggi Wiggi Mulu Kali’i ... Wiggi Wiggi Mulu Kali’i. By the time you open your eyes, the root will have vanished, and in its place will be your uncle.”

They thanked the chief, drank the juice, and fell into a deep slumber.

It was dark when Phoebe and Oliver woke up and found themselves on the unkempt lawn of Briarwood Mansion.

“What date is today, Babe?” She inquisitively wondered.

“According to my cell phone, it is Saturday June 26<sup>th</sup> 2010. It is almost time for the lunar eclipse to begin. Quickly, hold my hand!” Patiently they formed a circle and closed their eyes. Their bodies felt tingly and warm as they stood there, repeating “Wiggi Wiggi Mulu Kali’i” over and over again in the moonshine.

That’s when a light breeze stroked lovingly through their hair, and a voice

softly echoed like ancient whispers:

**“Only true love can break the spell ... you did it, dear Phoebe McDowell.”**

... Bright Flash ...

After Oliver and Phoebe opened their eyes, they saw that everything seemed to be back to how things were when they first arrived at the manor. The gardeners were pruning and raking, just as if nothing ever happened. Even Uncle Leo was there. He was leaning against the grand stone wall by the front entrance of Briarwood Mansion with his eyes shut and snoring loudly. Phoebe sprinted over to him and eagerly woke him up. Uncle Leo rubbed his eyes and said: “You won’t believe what I was dreaming. I felt as if I had time travelled back to the 1860’s, and that I was trapped in the body of a woman – Mrs. Dudley. How bizarre! I am very relieved that it was just a very bad dream.”

Oliver winked at Phoebe, and both agreed that it was nothing more than an unpleasant dream.

The little unusual tree that once guarded the secret of an old and very ugly root now stands proud with stunning blood orange colored blossoms. Beside it, a gold engraved bronze plaque reads:

**‘Dedicated to Walter Dudley and his beloved wife Agatha. May your undying love live on in all of us.’**

Each year hundreds of people flock to Pennington for the annual autumn festival. It never fails that some daring lovers, in hopes for everlasting love, wander off to carve their initials into Briarwood’s Moloka’i koki’o and break off a piece of its root as a souvenir – *only to never be seen again*

**The End!**

**Pssst – would YOU dare?)**

***If you missed any part of this story, you may read the past installments on our website. Go to <http://universitycitynews.org/newsletter.html> and start reading in the October Newsletter.***



**CONCERT SEASON IS APPROACHING  
FOR THE UCHS MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

**T**he University City High School Music Department is currently preparing for their concert season. All community members are invited to attend the upcoming performances. These performances showcase the incredible talent of our award-winning Concert Band. Come out to one or all of these performances to enjoy a fun-filled day or evening of music!

March 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm, Grossmont Festival  
Location: SDSU Concert Hall, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm

Spring Concert, Location: UCHS Auditorium  
Tickets will be sold at the door: \$3/Parents & General Public; \$2/students, May 7<sup>th</sup>

Jazz Festival, Location:  
Cuyamaca College,  
May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Pops Concert  
Location: UCHS Auditorium  
Tickets will be sold at the door:  
\$3/Parents & General Public; \$2/students

Interesting in Sponsoring the Concerts? Ads may be purchased for the Spring or Pops Concert program books. \$25 for a business card ad, \$50 for a half page, or \$100 for a full page.

*For more information about our upcoming concerts please contact: [communications@uchsmusic.com](mailto:communications@uchsmusic.com).*



**Parents, Community Members, UCHS Alumni  
Help Keep Music Alive in our Schools!**

**T**he UCHS Music Boosters Club is reaching out to the community because we need your support now more than ever in order to sustain the Music Department. Currently, the UCHS Music Department consists of a Marching Band, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, Color/Winter Guard, and Choir. Due to severe cuts to educational funding, the program is faced with serious challenges in supporting its music students. Currently, the Music Department receives very little funding from the District to operate its programs. A majority of the funding comes from parents and sponsors but unfortunately, it's becoming extremely difficult to sustain these programs without additional support from outside sources. The Music Boosters Club is a non-profit group, made up of parents who are committed to keeping music programs alive and strong in our public schools. They assist the band director with all aspects of the music program. They organize fundraising events during the year and volunteer countless hours to support the students during competitions, school activities and community events.

**The University City (UC) Centurion boys basketball team defeated the La Jolla Vikings, 53-37, in a Western League game played at La Jolla High on Friday night, January 28.**

BY ROB STONE

**B**ehind the performances of 6-foot-4 junior forwards Amir Hicks and Tim Patrick and 5-foot-9 junior guard Stephen Rivera, UC jumped out to a quick 7-4 lead and opened it up to 15-10 early in the second quarter.

By the time both battling ballclubs were heading into the locker room at halftime, the Centurions were enjoying a 21-13 cushion.

After the intermission, led by the play of 6-foot-5 senior forward Nick Reynolds, the Vikings outscored UC 18-6 to take a 31-27 advantage at the end of the third quarter.

In the fourth quarter, Patrick raced in for three dunks and Hicks hit 4-of-6 free throws from the charity stripe as the Centurions outscored La Jolla 26-6 down the stretch to pull away for the victory.

"We beat them (the Centurions), 37-35, at their place earlier in the season," said Viking coach Kamal Assaf. "This time, we let the game get away from us. Hey, that's life. We get to play again."

In a Western League girls contest played prior to the boys game, the UC Lady Centurions were victorious over the Lady Vikings of La Jolla by a score of 41-22.

In Coastal League basketball action, the tenth-ranked La Jolla Country Day (LJCD) boys team suffered a tough 72-65 loss to the eighth-ranked Francis Parker Lancers.

Six-foot sophomore guard Sage Burmeister totaled 17 points to lead the Torreys.

[www.sandiegoprepsports.blogspot.com](http://www.sandiegoprepsports.blogspot.com)



Please join us in our efforts to keep Music in our schools! Your support, through donations in any amount, will help keep the music program alive and strong. Donations are tax deductible and 100% of every dollar goes directly to support the students. Sponsors will also be listed in the UCHS Concert program books. For more information about sponsoring the UCHS Music Department, contact Kay Cook at: [KLSBBC@aol.com](mailto:KLSBBC@aol.com) or [communications@uchsmusic.com](mailto:communications@uchsmusic.com).

## Taste of the Triangle 2011

~ A Royal Event ~

**A**n evening of fun, food and fundraising for University City public schools, held on Friday night, April 29th, from 7:00 to 11:00p.m. Falling on the same day as Prince William and Kate Middleton's nuptials, we couldn't resist a regal theme.



The event returns to the Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines venue, but we will occupy the beautiful Fairway Pavilion area this year, rather than the Grand Ballroom.

Rojielynn Fay will chair the festivities. More than 20 top restaurants will provide samples of gourmet cuisine. A pre-event VIP reception at 6 P.M., for our most generous donors, will feature a celebrity chef demonstration by The Marine Room's Bernard Guillas and Kitchen 1540's Paul McCabe. The chefs will delight the audience while they prepare a delicious tasting just for our VIP's. Live and Silent auctions will offer over one hundred items. A home photovoltaic solar installation and a landscape redesign project will be new "big ticket" offerings this year. The silent auction will feature travel, dining, entertainment and sports offerings as well as arts, crafts, jewelry, personal services, etc.

Please save the date for Taste 2011, and watch for details as the date approaches.



## UCHS SENIORS NEED YOU!

**P**lease save this date: Thursday, March 31, 2011 and be Senior Exhibition Panel Member! It is a district requirement for Senior in San Diego City Schools to present an exhibition, which is based on a student portfolio consisting of applications, resumes, educational accomplishments, post-secondary plans and career interest and future plans. We are asking community/business persons, parents, alumni and UCHS Juniors to be panel members to evaluate our senior presentations.

This is a fabulous way to see how great our young people are. Panel members from past Senior exhibitions have said that they were that they were truly impressed and often surprised at the entrepreneurial talents these Seniors displayed and what wonderful futures they have! No pre-planning is necessary. Presentation will began at approximately 12:30 and will conclude by approximately 3 p.m. You can also check out our website for an overview of the Senior Exhibition at [universitycityhigh.org](http://universitycityhigh.org); click on Counselor's Corner, then on to Senior Corner. If you would like to participate in this process, please contact our volunteer coordinator Norma Smith, 858-457-3040x202 or email, [nsmith@sandi.net](mailto:nsmith@sandi.net).

**Thank you for your support!**

### EdUCate! Update

By Diane Lueke

**T**he University City Foundation for Public Schools (EdUCate!) participated in a presentation ceremony during which City National Bank and Barnes and Noble presented over 1000 books, and gift cards totaling thousands of dollars, to the five public schools in the University City neighborhood of San Diego. The ceremony took place at University City High School's Media Center on Tuesday January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM. City National Bank and Barnes and Noble teamed up during December to promote the "Reading is the Way Up" program. EdUCate! facilitated their outreach into University City by compiling wish lists of titles needed by teachers and librarians at each school site. Bookstar Costa Verde manager posted these lists, and customers bought books for their favorite UC school.

At the end of the book drive on January 1, 2011, over 1000 books had been purchased! They were delivered to the schools during the presentation on January 25th. City National Bank matched the book drive donations dollar-for-dollar, and presented a gift card to each school in the amount of \$1450 to spend at Bookstar Costa Verde in 2011.

## Standley Park & Recreation Center March Activities & Events

Spring Class Registration begins Monday, March 14 at 9am  
Spring Classes begin the week of April 4. View our Spring program that will be delivered to your front door for details on classes and leagues being offered this spring.

### New Concept Co-ed Softball League

Co-ed Softball Thursday nights at Standley Park. New league new concept. You only need 5 players to play, 3 men, 2 women. Sign up as team, individual or couple. Call Pete for details 858-752-9757 or email at pmcna80@gmail.com.

League starts in March.



### PRC Spring Day Camp, April 4 - 8, 2011

Regular care: \$140/week or \$40/day  
Extended care: \$165/week or \$50/day  
Registration must be done during registration hours.

### Recreation Center Closures

Thursday, March 31 - Cesar Chavez Day

**Senior Card Club** meets every Friday from 9am to 2pm at Standley Recreation Center. Bridge, pinochle and other card games are played. New-comers are welcome. Coffee and tea are provided. For more information contact Club Leader, Ben, at 858-453-2340.

**Swanson Pool:** Annual closure December 31 - April 11.

During this time the pool will be receiving a new pool bottom. Spring class information will be available at Standley Recreation Center late March. Swim lessons begin May 3.

## 30th Anniversary

### Banana Split in the Park

This August marks the 30th anniversary for the Banana Split in the Park event. The Standley Park Recreation Council and Staff, along with the Heimburger Family, are looking to make this year's event extra special with many activities, concerts, a movie in the park and of course the largest banana split to date! We need your help though. We are seeking donations, sponsors, and most of all volunteers. If you are interested in assisting with this event in any way please call the recreation center at 858-552-1652 or email Center Director, Sarah Erazo, at Serazo@sandiego.gov.

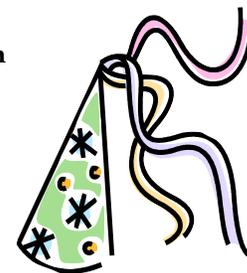


## March Events at University City United Church

### Celebrate Mardi Gras!

We invite Families and Friends to join the fun on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Church Fellowship Hall

There will be games and crafts, King cakes and a pot luck dinner. Children can participate in the New Orleans tradition of shoebox decorating. Please bring your own shoe box and special items to decorate with—we will provide the tissue paper and beads. All this will be followed by a pancake relay race and costume parade. Costumes should be fun or crazy or just come in the Mardi Gras traditional colors of purple, green and gold! Top costumes will win a prize or ribbon.



### Book Discussion Group

**"The Heart of Christianity" by Marcus Borg Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Library** Be prepared for some lively discussion! This event is sponsored by the "Growing Spirit" Adult Education Committee.

### Blessing of the Pets All kinds of pets are invited!

**Saturday, March 26, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. on the Church Patio.** Bring your pet for a special blessing. Refreshments for humans as well as treats for pets will be provided. This activity is sponsored by our youth in the Confirmation Class.

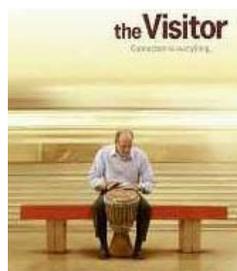
### For more information about the above events:

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**North University Community Branch Library  
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Join us at North University Community Branch Library on March 16 at 7 PM. FREE admission and complimentary refreshments by the Friends of NU Library. This film is a fascinating look into the world of illegal immigrants both its consequences ... intended and unintended. Nominated for an Oscar in 2009.



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### **2th session classes begin on February 22, 2011**

February 22 through March 29, 2011

Beginner Italian II = Tuesday from 9:00-9:50 am

Beginner Italian III = Tuesday from 9:55-10:45 am

Beginner Italian I = Tuesday from 10:50-11:40 pm

Cost: 6 wks @ \$90.00/\$72.00 (SENIOR; + 55)

Minimum of 5 students required for the class: (consueloendrigo@gmail.com)

3rd session# April 5- May 10

4th session# May 17- June 21

### Consuelo Endrigo-Williams, MA biography:

Born in a small town north of Venice Mrs. Endrigo- Williams now makes San Diego her home. Mrs. Endrigo-Williams enjoys using games, music, and student interaction to share the magic of the Italian culture and language.

## ***Standley Park Flag Football***

Last fall Standley Recreation Center participated in a City-wide Flag Football League with one 10 and under team and two 12 and under teams. With the leadership of local residents and volunteers John LaChica, Anthony LaChica, and Thomas Durnill all of these teams made it to the Division play-offs which were hosted at Standley Park for the first time ever. Standley Park began participating in this city-wide league three years ago beginning with one team and growing each year. We are excited about the growth of this league at Standley Park and look forward to expanding our teams even further next fall. We have the ability to accommodate youth ages 8-14 years. We will have a conditioning camp this summer and will start league registration in August. More information to come in the Spring Program. Great job last season Standley Park Flag Football Teams and Coaches John, Anthony and Thomas!

## **MARCH 2011 EVENTS AT YOUR UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY BRANCH LIBRARY**

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**Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday! Wednesday, March 2 at 2:00 pm** With fun crafts, refreshments and Terri Z, Seuss Storyteller extraordinaire!

**FREE SAT/ACT Practice Test, Saturday, March 12 at 10:00 am** Register at [kaptest.com/practicetest](http://kaptest.com/practicetest) or by calling 1-800-KAP-TEST

**Celtic Concert, Tuesday, March 15 at 6:30 pm**  
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**SAT/ACT Results Workshop, Wednesday, March 16 at 6:30 pm** Pick up practice test scores, and learn the difference between the SAT and ACT.

**Classics 4 Kids presents Women's History in Music Saturday, March 19 at 12 noon**

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**UC Book Club, Wednesday, March 23 at 2:00 pm**  
Discuss "Into the Beautiful North" by Luis Alberto Urrea

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

**Computer Basics Classes, Every Thursday at 12:00 noon**

**Writing Skills Workshop, Every Thursday at 3:00 pm**

**Baby/Signing Storytime, Every Friday at 10:30 am**

**Game on! Video Gaming, Every Friday at 3:00 pm**

Many Thanks to the **Friends of the University Community Library** for making these events possible. You, too, can be a Friend!  
Ask @ your Library!



## UC Garden Club News: By Tanya Howe Aeria

Our next **Coffee in the Garden** is on **Sunday, March 20th**, 10:30-noon at 4440 Pavlov Ave. This next garden features a modified Asian Garden with lots of beautiful Sweet Pea flowers. A garden not to miss! Come on out, meet a new friend and discover a little hidden gem in our lovely community. Please be sure to visit our website <http://ucgardenclub.org> for any news relating to inclement weather and our Coffee in the Garden **March 15, 6pm** UC Library: Our next guest speaker at our Garden Club is James Wright. James is a dynamic speaker who cultivates orchids, bromeliads, and a host of other exotic plants. He will surely inspire you to get out there and plant something!

Thanks to Kathy for hosting February's Coffee in the Garden. We had a great turn out despite the threat of rain. Her oversized backyard featured lots of beautiful potted plants and a pool surrounded by stone edging.

A great big thanks to **Tiger Palafox of the Mission Hills Nursery** for his informative lecture on keeping pests out of the garden. He gave us all some great tips on keeping snails out of our raised gardens (copper edging keeps the snails out!) and how to use praying mantis' to control some of the really bad bugs in our nighttime garden. Thank you Tiger!

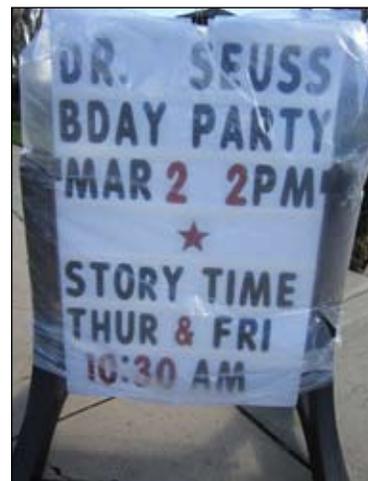
Remember that our Garden club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 6pm in the UC Library. UC Garden Club members will get a free discount card at our March meeting! It's free, fun and informative. Share, plant, grow! UCGardenClub.org



*Tanya Aeria, along with our host Kathy, enjoy the sunshine and crisp morning air.*



*Coffee in the Garden, February 20.*



*U.C. Library sign advertising activities is covered by plastic to protect it from February rains.*



Our **Membership Drive** starts this month and an envelope is inserted in this Newsletter to make it easier for you to join the UCCA as we make

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This year, by logging on to our website, you will find a white button "Support Our Community, Join Today" which will enable you to register and pay online with PayPal or your Credit Card. Remember when sending in your Membership, we also need more people to help us carry out the many events we sponsor each year.

Thanks for helping in any way you can.

Ginny Charvat Membership Chairperson  
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<http://universitycitynews.org/joinUC.html>



## U.C. Library, A Valuable Hybrid

By: Sandy Lippe

With gas prices soaring, hybrid cars are racing past gas stations, while SUVs and other autos are having their wallets emptied weekly. Like hybrid cars, libraries have reinvented themselves and look no further than U.C. library at 4155 Governor. This hybrid is not just a place to check out books; it serves as a community center as well, where you get "many more gallons for the mile" than ever before.

U.C. Library, under the direction of Sharon Thomerson, head librarian, and Michelle Ruiz, youth services librarian, provides online homework help, computer technology for senior citizens who feel on the wrong side of the digital divide. A book club meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month. Preschool storytime on Thursdays at 10 a.m. is both fun and educational for the little ones. There is a teen writing workshop, a signing storytime for the hard of hearing. Game On gives youngsters a chance to play video gaming. Each month there is a free concert, thanks to our head librarian.

What is missing from this reinvented library, this hybrid heaven? Library hours have been slashed. All these wonderful activities are locked away from 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, all day Sunday, all day Monday, and a half day Tuesday because the library is closed.

When the mayor presents his budget in April, will the library again be the victim of shortened hours, staff reductions? Our library is a core service the way public safety is a core service. A retired second in command in the police department delivered a speech a couple of years ago that stirred his audience. He felt it

was wrong to take from the library and park and rec budget to pay for police. Open libraries keep children productive.

No lobbyist, no consultant will speak up for the voiceless children in April. It will take community members who agree that libraries like our little "hybrid" on Governor provide many wonderful opportunities for the community, especially the children. Newberry Medal winner Susan Patron wrote the following: "Children have little say in their quality of life; they entrust that to us..."yes on open doors, yes on big ideas, yes on welcoming refuge at their branch library for every kid in every neighborhood."

You can contact Mayor Sanders and every member of City Council to let your voice be heard before the city budget is finished.

### ADVERTISING PAYMENT DEADLINE CHANGED!

In an effort to make the volunteers who handle the newsletter have an easier job tracking ad payments and ad requests, the deadline for AD payment must be received by the 10th of the month preceding publication. The actual AD will still be due no later than the 20th. Payments received after the 10th will not guarantee AD placement and may be applied to the following month.

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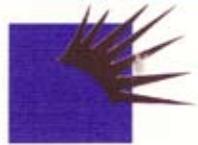


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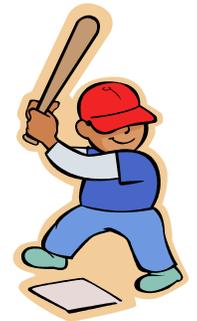
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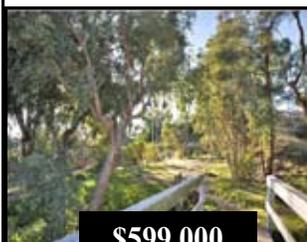
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5436 Bragg St	4	3	2,174	\$642,500	131
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