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Watch Out for that Tree!



by Jemma Samala, photo courtesy Don Hotz

Preparing for El Nino may seem like a waste of time when we continually experience have mild temperatures and sunny days, but then there's that one day when winds are whipping patio furniture against the house and the fence looks like its ready to tip over. And there are those falling trees. We had one of those days last month when trees falling across Genesee Avenue caused traffic jams and strewn branches across Governor Drive felt like an obstacle driving course. But as you can see from the photo that Don Hotz took of a neighbor's fallen tree, they can be quite dangerous, with one tree killing a woman in Pacific Beach.

The City of San Diego suggests that you walk around and inspect your property and offers the following tips to spot potential tree hazards:

- Trees that are leaning dangerously over a structure or any kind of property.
- Fungi growth at the base and truck of the tree (could indicate decay of the roots and trunk). Fungi can indicate if the tree is rotten and more likely to fall.
- Branches too long for trunk of the tree, or hanging at an awkward angle. Branches can fall and damage property and potentially hurt someone who is underneath the tree.
- 4. If the tree has two large trunks it can cause the tree to snap and fall.

If you have questions about a hazardous tree, contact the city at 619.527.7500, or street_service@sandiego.gov. For more El Nino tips, including prevention of flood damage, creating a family emergency plan, and preparing for pet safety, go to sandiego.gov/el-nino/. And remember when El Nino finally arrives in full force, watch out for that tree!

MARCH MADNESS MEANS IT'S TIME FOR BASEBALL

University City Little League will be hosting its Opening Day Ceremonies for the 2016 Spring season on Saturday, March 5 at 9:00 am on the baseball fields in between Standley Middle School and Swanson Pool. Come on out to see the Opening Day parade of teams, recognition of our 2015 All Star players, the Tee Ball Otter Pop Run, and the first pitch of the season. UCLL has 20 teams with more than 200 players ranging in age from 4 to 15 years, as well as our great Challenger Team. The Snack Bar will be open all day with the best Carne Asada tacos north of the 94 freeway! Come and enjoy UC's Little League tradition.



Photo courtesy Jamie Rios

UC Planning Group

Tuesday, March 8 5:00pm Elections, 6:00pm Meeting Scripps, 10010 Campus Pointe Dr.

UCCA Meeting

Wednesday, March 9 6:00pm Meeting UC Library

Daylight Savings Starts Sunday, March 13, 2:00am

People for a Clean UC

Sunday, March 13, 7:15-9:00am Cleanup volunteers meet at Starbucks 3202 Governor Dr. Supplies provided.

St. Patrick's Day Thursday, March 17

First Day of Spring Sunday, March 20

Easter Sunday Sunday, March 27

Sunday, March

Spring Break (SDUSD) March 28 - April 1

Cesar Chavez Day

Thursday, March 31

UC Celebration Committee

Wednesday, March 16 6:30 - 7:30pm, Standley Rec Center

Doyle Recreation Council

4th Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Standley Recreation Council

4th Thursdays at 6:30 pm

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UCCA President Barry Bernstein

March is here...and it appears we've survived this past month's winter El Nino prediction of severe weather, experiencing just a couple of strong storms and some extra warm record-setting days. And what did you and your family do this past extra day in February? So after a "Leap" we now can plan to "Spring" forward into March.

Enjoying NCAA March Madness, (the Aztecs should be rated very high this year), Padre's Spring Training for our sports enthusiasts, (and optimists)...getting our vegetable/flower gardens prepared (can you dig that), and of course watching and listening to the continuing U.S. Presidential candidates say and do outrageous things...all of which will provide many of us with entertainment and conversation this March. For our "faithful", Easter comes a little earlier this year with Passover not until late April...different "calendars" mean different dates regardless of what the Bible might say! So that will mean the Spring Easter Egg Hunt at Standley Park will be something families will be enjoying this month, while Passover celebrants will have to wait until April to search for the "afikomen."

At our February UCCA meeting, UCCA board members approved the application process for two San Diego County projects. One is the Community Enhancement Grant...which we're hoping will help the replacement of our street banners and the painting of electrical boxes along Governor Drive. The other application is for recognition in San Diego County's "Live Well" program. There's more information on "Live Well" on page 9. Both Barbara Bry and Ray Ellis, City Council candidates for District 1, were in attendance and introduced themselves to our audience. Information regarding the published first phase of the EIR traffic study was reviewed, along with the MidCoast trolley progress and work schedule/timeline. In attendance were some UC residents voicing concern over putrid odors, most likely originating from the Miramar Landfill. Kyle Heiskala, representing Sherri Lightner's office, has been investigating the complaint. "Imagine UC 2020" is moving forward after endorsement of the project by Mayor Faulconer. Design plans are being prepared by San Diego City Schools and will be shared at a community-wide meeting in late April. Please read John Lee Evan's column on page 5 for more complete information.

At the scheduled Tuesday, March 8, UCPG meeting, elections for a resident board position and a business board position will be held. Elections will begin at 5:00pm. Incumbent Nancy Groves, local realtor Glen Martin, and community advocate, Louis Rodolico are nominees for the resident position, and Nan Madden, incumbent, is running for the business board position. For more information related to these positions and qualifications for voting, review the UCPG report on page 9.

A special thank you to all of our new and continuing UCCA members for 2016...we still have a ways to go to reach our membership goal for this year. Which brings me to this question. Are you a UC resident and or business owner who reads this newsletter and enjoys living and working in UC and wondering what you can do to support the many good things that make our community so great...here's an answer: Join UCCA! Remember, "we're more than just a neighborhood". Please attend our March 9th meeting at our library and become informed and involved. Have a great month of March! ~ Barry



TURN OUT THE LIGHTS ON DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

by Vince Reardon

Daylight Savings Time is a twice-a-year calendar event. On Sunday, March 13 at 2:00am clocks will hop ahead by one hour and we will lose one hour of sleep. On November 6, 2016 we regain that lost hour, but who cares. The damage has been done. Clocks are supposed to move ahead second by second, minute by minute. They're not supposed to leap ahead or backward by an hour. But don't waste your time protesting Daylight Savings Time. It's the law. In 1966 President Lyndon Johnson signed into law the Uniform Time Act. Still, not all states are in compliance. For example, Arizona, Hawaii and the US territories don't observe it.

Mary Bowerman in a USA Today article on October 15, 2015 said the tradition of Daylight Savings Time is rooted in our agricultural past when a few extra hours allowed farmers to work longer in the fields. A more contemporary argument in favor of Daylight Savings Time is that more morning daylight in winter and evening daylight in summer reduce auto accidents slightly. Bowerman says another more compelling argument is energy savings. A 2008 Department of Energy study shows that during the summer months of Daylight Savings Time energy use decreased by 0.5% for each day of extended Daylight Savings Time, resulting in a savings of 0.03% for the year. "The savings are small in percentage terms, but in absolute terms, they added up to 1.3 billion kilowatt-hours - enough to power about 122,000 average U.S. homes for a year," Bowerman says. Still, these savings are small compared to the major nuisance Daylight Savings Time imposes on all of us. I say, "Turn out the lights on Daylight Savings Time!"

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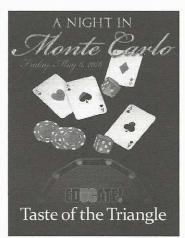
EdUCate!'s 22nd Annual Taste of the Triangle

Friday, May 6

7:00pm - 10:30pm

UCSD Faculty Club

Guests will enjoy a Night in Monte Carlo for this year's Taste of the Triangle. Besides tastes from local restaurants, silent auction/



raffle, and live entertainment, attendees will enjoy casino-style games. Your ticket cost of \$75 (\$50 for UC public school staff) covers the evening's activities. Tickets go on sale online April 1. All proceeds benefit the five UC public schools. If you would like to become one of the event sponsors, or would like to donate items to the silent auction/raffle, please contact jemmasamala@gmail.com. More information next month and at www.uc-educate.org.



FOOD TRUCKS RETURN MARCH 2

EdUCate!'s Food Truck Wednesdays resumes on Wednesday, March 2. Rotating food trucks will park in front of Spreckels Elementary on Governor Drive every Wednesday from 5:00-7:00pm. New this season is live music, and table seating provided by Spreckels. On March 2nd, the food trucks will be the Belgium Waffle Truck, Devil Dogs BBQ, and Chubby's. 10% of all purchases are donated by the food trucks to EdUCate!'s General Fund, supporting all five UC public schools: Curie, Doyle, and Spreckels Elementary, Standley Middle, and UC High schools. Bring friends and neighbors to Food Trucks Wednesdays and make it your weekly gathering spot.

Save the Dates:

UC Spirit Run, Saturday, April 16, ucspiritrun.org

Larry Yandel Jr. Memorial Youth Fund Softball Tournament, April 16 & 17, more info next month, or contact dawnyandel@aol.com



Neighborhood Watch Captains Barbara Gellman, Lorraine George, and Ruth DeSantis. Photo courtesy of Pia Montovani-Sud.

Neighborhood Watch Captains Visit Police Dispatch Center

by Pia Mantovani-Sud

On January 27, Barbara Gellman, four other Neighborhood Watch street captains and I had the opportunity to visit the Police Dispatch Center, located inside the police headquarters in downtown San Diego. Carl Radar, the Dispatch Supervisor, led us on a 1 1/2 hour tour into the bowels of the center and gave us plenty of opportunities to ask questions.

One of the questions that came up during the very informative visit was when to call 9-1-1. We were told to call 9-1-1 for a crime in progress or an immediate danger to someone, a fire, and such. For more information on emergency situations, go to www.sandiego.gov/police/services/emergencies.shtml.

If your car was burglarized or you see evidence of a crime after it happened that does not involve loss of life or injury, call the non-emergency phone line at 619-531-2000. You can also file at www.sandiego.gov/police/services/nonemergencies.shtml.

The dispatchers are here to help in any kind of situation, but we must also be aware that sometimes their lines are clogged up, because people are accidentally calling 9-1-1 on their cell phones. Every time a call comes in, and there's nobody on the other line, dispatchers will call back to find out what's going on, thus taking away precious resources that could go to other more serious matter.

Be also aware, that if more people report an incident, it gets more attention. Please be aware, that 9-1-1 will not address barking dogs or neighborly disputes. More info is available on the Police Dept. website www.sandiego.gov/police/index.shtml. By the way, the police department is looking to train and hire more dispatchers. Visit www.sandiego.gov/police/recruiting/.

MCAS MIRAMAR INCREASES MILITARY POLICE PRESENCE ABOARD AIR STATION

Military Police will be actively patrolling the border areas east of I-805 and north of CA-52, in addition to the East Miramar training areas. Community Members are advised to not enter these areas or they may be cited and subject to federal fines. For additional information, please contact 858-577-6000 or miramarmedia@usmc.mil, or follow their Twitter feed @MCASMiramarCA.

Burglars Favorite Weak Spots

Heads up from Officer Holly Tafoya and Officer Larry
Hesselgesser, University City's Community Relations Officers
from Northern Division.

Before making any attempt, burglars look out for your weak spots that can compromise the security of your home. They need to make sure that they can pull off entering and exiting your house successfully, with little to no obstacles in their way.

These weak spots often seem like small details to you, but for a burglar, these are huge advantages that increase his chances of a successful break-in.

Inactivated burglar alarms – Some homeowners forget to set their home security alarms before they go out, or even if they do have one, they rarely arm it. Even if they do sound – homeowners and neighbors often assume it's a false alarm. This is why it pays to have your alarm monitored.

Open doors and windows – Sometimes we forget to close a window or two. But that one time we let our guard down could become a golden opportunity for a burglar. An unsecured door or window is an instant invitation for a burglar to go in and loot.

Evidence of non-occupancy — Burglars always look for indicators that you're out-of-town and the house doesn't have a living occupant. These indicators include newspapers and mail that pile up, curtains that always remain closed, or security lights that are never turned off. Once they make sure that no one's at home, there's nothing to stop them from breaking-in. A common method used by burglars to see if you're home is to knock or ring your doorbell repeatedly and obnoxiously. If you answer the door they will use some made up excuse why they are there. Forward this information to your neighbors ASAP through your preferred network and try to get a description or better yet a picture of them or their vehicle.

No barking dogs – A house with a noisy dog puts a burglar at a disadvantage. They avoid breaking into these houses and just move on. If you don't have a dog at home, or your dog is always tied up, your house is fair game to a burglar.

No vehicles in the driveway – No car parked out in the driveway is another indication that the house occupants are away. Many smart thieves have a simple rule to avoid breaking into homes when there are cars present. If you will be away for more than a couple days ask your neighbor to park one of their cars in your driveway.

No nosy neighbors — Neighbors who are vigilant and watch out for each other as part of a neighborhood watch group put a burglar at a disadvantage. He'll more likely scour other neighborhoods with less vigilant or less observant neighbors.

MCAS MIRAMAR USING ONE RUNWAY

MCAS Miramar will be using a single runway from February 16 until September 1. Runway 24L, the shorter runway to the south, will be closed for repairs. All takeoffs and landings during the time will use Runway 24R, the longer runway to the north. Changes in flight procedures may be noticeable to residents who live or work near the Air Station. For more information, visit the Miramar Operations page on UCCA's University City News website www.universitycitynews.org.

Imagine UC 2020: Quality Schools in Quality Neighborhoods

John Lee Evans, Trustee, San Diego Unified

Imagine UC 2020 has taken a great leap forward. It is on the agenda of the March 24, 2016 Recreation Council meeting at Standley Park. Plans for the proposed projects will be displayed. Be sure to show up to support this plan for our schools and community.

In Mayor Kevin Faulconer's State of the City address he gave special attention to city parks. He also announced a major initiative for dozens of joint use projects between the school district and the city to simultaneously improve our schools and our parks. He specifically mentioned University City as part of the initiative. We already have a history of success for these projects in UC. The baseball and soccer fields are on school district property and operated by the city. This allows the schools to use them during the day and the community uses these fields on evenings and weekends.

We have a unique public space from Standley Middle School to Standley Park to Spreckels Elementary in the heart of our community. There are several projects in our master plan that will benefit our schools, as well as the community. A jogging path will connect the two schools for PE and will also provide jogging opportunities along the canyon ridge for the community. A permanent stage/pavilion will provide an outdoor performance space for schools, as well as the community. We can convert the outdated swimming pool into an aquatic center with a competitive pool that can be used by high school teams and community groups. We can add to the green space in the park by extending the field next to Spreckels into rough the surface play area. This will be available for students and the community after hours.

The school district is committed to Quality Schools in Quality Neighborhoods with the collaboration of the city. Taxpayers deserve this combining of resources for maximum benefit. The district staff will present designs at an Imagine UC 2020 community meeting in April or May. There is strong community support and City Council candidates Ray Ellis and Barbara Bry have both expressed their support for the project.

Besides the joint use projects, Propositions S and Z have funded many improvements at UC High and others are scheduled to take place in the interior areas of Spreckels, Curle, Standley and Doyle.

This project will need to be a school district/city/private partnership. As the design is developed, there will be certain amenities that will not be covered by public funds. This will provide residents and private foundations the opportunity to contribute to the project. To find out more about this community effort, led by Greg Zinser, go to www.lmproveUC.org.

CERT: COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Next meeting is Tuesday, March 1, 6:30pm - 7:30pm, at the Library on 4155 Governor Drive. Hosted by Mike Lawson, CERT certified since 2010. All current or past CERT members and anyone interested in helping your neighbors in a state of emergency is welcome. To contact Mike, email him at mike@mikerlawson.com.

Council President Sherri Lightner

Spring is gearing up and that means that the City's budget process is about to be in full swing. The Councilmembers have already identified their respective budget priorities at the beginning of this year. The common asks are being reviewed by the Mayor for consideration in a draft budget and some of these budget requests relate to services in University City. A majority of Councilmembers asked the Mayor consider funding for additional firefighter staff that would enable the South University City Fast Response Squad to be converted to a temporary fire station that would be staffed 24 hours per day instead of the current 12 hours. Other notable asks included pedestrian and bicycle safety enhancements, increased 'off-season' pool hours, additional support for the City's Code Enforcement program, and design services for an expansion of the University Community Library. Stay tuned for the Mayor's release of a proposed budget this May.

In addition to working through the budget process, the City Council recently approved amendments to the Living Wage Ordinance to include EMTs and paramedics that are contracted through the City. I'm pleased to see the expansion of this policy to include critical first responders.

There have been many residents on the eastern side of University City along the Interstate 805 and State Route 52 that have been experiencing unpleasant odors. The City's various departments and the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District have been working together to monitor, investigate and find solutions to the potential sources of the odor. Thank you to those of you that have been patient through this process. Please report any further odors to my office.

We are still looking for volunteers to serve on the Parking Advisory Board, Community Forrest Advisory Board, Senior Affairs, Board of Library Commissioners, the Golf Committee, and the Park and Recreation Board. If you are interested in serving on any of these groups or have any other needs my office may assist with, please contact Kyle Heiskala, the University City Council Representative for my office at KHeiskala@sandiego.gov.

Congressman Scott Peters

Dr. Howard and Jean Somers, residents of Coronado, have been advocates for reforming the Department of Veterans Affairs since losing their son to suicide in 2013. Suffering from post-traumatic stress (PTS), Sergeant Daniel Somers took his own life in 2013 after a long wait for individual VA treatment. Sgt. Somers requested individual treatment for PTS, even though the wait list was longer than group therapy, out of fear that he might reveal classified information in a group setting.

In February, I helped pass H.R. 2915, a bipartisan measure that will improve mental health care for veterans who took part in classified missions during their service. Improving treatment procedures for veterans with classified mission experience was one of many proposals that the Somers offered to Congress following the suicide of their son.

As a country we have failed too many of our veterans, and their families, who sacrificed so much to serve and returned home with unseen battle scars. These changes will make a real difference in the lives of veterans anguished by mental scars from their brave service.

The Somers remain tireless advocates for the VA to fix its system, and I will continue to work on issues affecting military families, like addressing the problem of family members not being aware of the rigors and hardships of military service and the services available to service members and their families to help them cope. For more information, please contact my San Diego office (858-455-5550) or my Washington D.C. office (202-225-0508).

PUBLIC LIBRARY

University Community Branch Library March Highlights | 4155 Governor Drive | 858-552-1655 | sandiego.gov/public-library Now open Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 6 PM!

Events for Adults/Seniors

Qi Gong - Every Monday @ 9:30 - 11:30 AM (except for March 7). Qi Gong (Chi Gong) is a simple preventative health method of relaxing and harmonizing the body.

Zumba for Special Needs and Beginners - Every Monday @ 1:00 - 2:00 PM (except for March 7). Led by Lis Garces (licensed Zumba® instructor since 2007),

Adult Yoga - Every Thursday @ 4:00 - 5:00 PM (except for March 3, book sale). Gentle exercises to aid flexibility and improve concentration. Bring your own mat or towel.

Chair Sit Yoga - Tuesday, March 1 & 15 @ 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Get fit where you sit! Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is practiced sitting on a chair or standing using a chair for support.

มม Accordion Club - Saturday, March 12 & 26 @ 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM. All are welcome! Second and fourth Saturday of each month. มมม Concert: SOL e MAR - Wednesday, March 2 @ 6:30 - 7:30 PM.

A musical collective of Brazilian and Latin fusion with a modern approach featuring the Brazilian samba, Bossa Nova, R&B, salsa, merengue, hip hop and funk. Powerful percussion combines with select and authentic instrumentation and vocals, creating pulsating energy.

Friend of the Library Book Sale - Thursday., March 3 @ 1:00 PM to close; Friday & Saturday, March 4 & 5 @ 9:30 AM to close. Come support your local library and purchase some books, DVD's, and CD's at the book sale.

UCCA University City Community Association - Wednesday, March 9, @ 6:00 – 7:30 PM. This is a community meeting featuring updates from law enforcement, fire-rescue service, legislative and other community leaders. All are welcome.

Online Security - Thursday, March 17 @ 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Brendan McHugh, from the San Diego County District Attorney's Office will talk about how to safely navigate the internet and how to avoid scams and other cybercrimes.

UC Book Club - Wednesday, March 23 @ 2:00 - 3:00 PM. The Book Club will be discussing. Girl in Translation, by Jean Kwok.

Events for Children

Preschool StoryTime for Kids - Every Thursday @ 10:30 - 11:30 AM (except March 31). Join us for stories, crafts, finger plays and songs.

LIVE! Homework Help - Every Tuesday & Thursday @ 2:30 - 4:30 PM. A volunteer will be at the library to help with homework.

Makerspace Craft Station - All week long (Monday - Saturday). A craft station is available in the Children's Area with a different craft each week

Tales for Tails - Saturday, March 5 @ 1:00 - 2:00 PM. Children can read aloud to trained and certified therapy dogs. "Tales for Tails" is designed to help children improve their reading skills and confidence in reading out loud. Children age 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Amazing Dana Magic Show - Wednesday, March 16 @ 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Come join us for Amazing Dana and his laugh-out-loud magic show.

Events for Tweens/Teens

Kendama Club - Every Wednesday @ 1:30 - 2:30 PM. Test your skills against others, learn new tricks and just have FUN!!!

Video Game Fridays - Every Friday @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM (except March 4). Wii gaming with your friends, Get your game on!

Teen Tech Week: Robotics Demo - Monday, March 7 @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM. Enjoy the Green Griffins demonstration about robotics. Learn about building robots, how to drive robots, and how to join or start a robotics team of your own.

Teen Tech Week: LED Throwies - Tuesday, March 8 @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM. Teens join us and make LED Throwies, which is an inexpensive way to add color to any magnetic surface.

Teen Writing Club - Wednesday, March 9 @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM. Each month the Teen Writing Club will talk about different techniques for improving your writing for school or that novel you're working on. If you have questions about a current project or an essay you're working on, there's always time after the session to ask questions.

North University Community March Highlights | 8820 Judicial Drive | 858-581-9637 | sandiego.gov/public-library

Events for Adults/Seniors

Small Business Assistance - Wednesdays at 11:30 AM. Dr. Adolpho Sanchez offers help in navigating the process to starting a business. Appointments available by calling the library.

Job Help Assistance - Wednesdays at 3:30 PM. Dr. Adolpho Sanchez offers help with resume writing and job searching. Appointments available by calling the library.

ESL Conversation - Tuesdays at 4:00 PM. Improve English conversation skills in an *informal*, small group setting.

Gentle Yoga - Fridays at 10:00 AM. Learn basic yoga techniques, perfect for beginners, expectant mothers, seniors and persons with disabilities. Please bring your own mat.

AARP Tax Preparation Help - Thursdays 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM. Volunteers from AARP will be here to help you prepare your tax returns. First come, first served walk-ins only.

Knitters' Circle - Thursday, March 2 & 17 at 1:00 PM. Yarn enthusiasts at all skill levels are welcome. Basic instruction is available.

Page Turners Book Club - Wednesday, March 9 at 6:00 PM. The Book Club will be discussing The Wright Brothers by David McCullough.

Cinema Café - Wednesday, March 16. Enjoy refreshments while watching a thought-provoking film. Title TBA. Please inquire with library staff for further details.

Events for Children/Families

Babies and Books - Mondays at 9:45 AM. This lap-sit storytime will introduce a love for books by using song, movement, rhythm and rhyme. Recommended age: Birth – 2 years. **Homework Help -** Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:00 PM

Basic homework help for all grades and subjects. For more information please call the library.

Kids' Art Studio - Wednesdays at 1:00 PM. A fun art lesson every week! No registration required. For grades K-6.

AND Music and Movement - Fridays at 11:00 AM at the Nobel Recreation Center. Sing, Dance and Play! Children enjoy songs and movement activities that build motor skills and increase independence.

Arts & Crafts - Saturdays at 1:00 PM. Let your creativity run wild with a fun craft activity! Children under 8 welcome with an adult or older sibling.

STEAM 2 Academy - Tuesday, March 8 at 3:00 PM. Science-based educational activities geared to students in grades K-3.

Yoga Storytime - Monday, March 14 & 28 at 10:30 AM. Stretch both your body and your mind in this unique program that combines stories, songs and simple yoga poses. Families enjoy healthy fun and bonding. Please bring your own mat.

Paws to Read - Monday, March 21 at 4:30 PM. Practice reading out loud to a furry friend! Certified therapy dogs provided by Love on a Leash. San Diego Central Chapter.

Tiny Tots Storytime - Wednesday, March 16 at 5:30 PM. Miss Kim reads books and plays the piano in this fun sing-along storytime complete with percussion instruments.

Weekly Storytimes

Chinese – Mondays at 11:30 AM

Hebrew - Thursdays at 9:45 AM

English – Thursdays at 10:30 AM French – Thursdays at 11:15 AM

Russian – Fridays at 10:15 AM

Sign Language - Thursday, March 10 at 12 noon

Notes: Many thanks to the Friends of the Library for their generous sponsorship. You, too, can be a Friend; ask at the Check Out Desk. Please call the libraries to confirm any given program. Changes are rare, but may occur. Library hours subject to change due to holidays.



UCHS Music Boosters Presents a Musical Journey

The 2nd Annual "Sights & Sounds Showcase - A Musical Journey Featuring Students, Staff & Special Friends" will be held on Friday, March 25, at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, JACOBS FAMILY CAMPUS, 4126 Executive Dr. Sponsored by the Centurion Foundation/UCHS Music Boosters, this evening will begin at 6:00pm with an adults-only (21+) cocktail reception featuring craft beers courtesy of La Jolla Brewing Company, tasty bites from The French Gourmet, a silent auction and a special performance by the Phil Marcus Trio. Theatre doors will open at 7:00pm and the entertainment will begin at 7:30pm. The Showcase is for the entire family and will feature performances from students and staff as well as a live auction with our special guest auctioneer, UCHS Principal Jeff Olivero. Intermission will feature a gourmet dessert reception. Tickets are now on sale at tickets.lfjcc.org; prices for adults through March 11 are \$30 (\$35 after March 11), and student tickets (Valid for show and dessert reception only) are \$12.50. New this year are specially priced tickets (\$20) for UC Cluster teachers and staff; please email uchsmail@gmail.com for the coupon code. **Parents: We will have a Teen Lounge open from 6:00 - 7:00pm where your teens can hang and enjoy a pizza dinner for \$5 while you attend the cocktail reception. (Please note that NO outside food may be brought into the Teen Lounge.) Email uchsmusic@gmail.com if you will be using this service or would like additional ticket information.



La Jolla Kiwanis Donates to UCHS Students

Pictured to the left is La Jolla Kiwanis member Mike France presenting a check in the amount of \$6,000 to UCHS Principal Jeff Olivero. The funds will fund scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000.

Doyle Spring Egg Hunt will be held on Wednesday, March 23 from 11:00am to 3:00pm. This is a free fun family friendly community event held outdoors on the Doyle Rec Center multipurpose field. Volunteers are also needed to help spread the eggs, distribute treat bags, monitor inflatables, make Arts & Crafts, and run carnival-like games. Interested volunteers should contact Salome Martinez, symartinez@sandiego.gov, or 858.552.1612.

Annie Warbucks runs through March 13, and UC residents Romi Bendet, Madeleine Jackson, Mikel Lemoine (as Daddy Warbucks) and Aidan Ideker are in the cast. Presented by J*Company Youth Theatre, Annie Warbucks tells the tale of what happens to everyone's favorite red headed orphan and the billionaire businessman, Oliver "Daddy" Warbucks, after adoption plans have been announced. For more info and to purchase tickets, call at 858-362-1348 or visit jcompanysd.org.

Spreckels Families to Sip & Bid

Fundraiser & Party Friday March 4 7:00pm – 10:00pm Rough Draft Kitchen 8830 Rechco Road

Tickets to the first off-campus Parent Party are on sale now. Every ticket includes drink and raffle options and a special



party favor at the door! Ticket prices are: Couple's Bundle \$45, which includes two tickets, two drink tickets and two party favors; or \$30 for one adult ticket and one drink ticket. Purchase tickets at: spreckelscommunityuc.com/#!store/c20dt. It's going to be a fantastic evening, with many fabulous auction and raffle items. Proceeds support Spreckels Elementary PTA.

Curie PTA's 3rd Annual Party With a Purpose

This years event will be on Saturday, April 9, from 5:30pm-10:00pm (last call), at the Karl Strauss Tasting Room and Beer Garden, 5985 Santa Fe Street (in Rose Canyon near the I-5 and 52 interchange). Tickets are \$30 each and includes a drink ticket (good for one beer/wine), tacos with all the fixings, a DJ and Live Auction ONLY (Silent Auction will be moving to online platform and will run mid-March to mid-April - more info to come). Casual attire and adults only. Just a chance to socialize with our fabulous Curie Community! Info at curiepta.org.

UC LIBRARY ADDS GOLD LEAF IN MEMORY OF DEE

by Helen Lebowitz

Marie McKinley, or Dee, as almost everyone knew her, had three great loves in her life: her family, her church and the University Community Branch Library. In the 30 years since her retirement from the DMV she devoted her time and energy to the branch on Governor Drive, both as a library volunteer and an active member of The Friends. Dee and her husband Jim and three children moved to UC over fifty years ago. Dee passed away in January.

Dee had trained as a teacher and was a substitute teacher in elementary school when her children were small. She always loved books and took the youngsters on frequent trips to the library. Her daughter Kathi told me that before going on family vacations there was always a trip to the library for books and to the candy store for candy - I assume the association of books with sweets was positive reinforcement! Her son David, in his eulogy to her, remembered he was not always fond of the books his mother brought home for him to read, that is, until he took the time to start reading them. More often than not he was hooked and often delved deeper into the subject matter. Dee held several offices on the Board of the Friends, and received many awards from the San Diego Public Library and The Friends for her long hours of volunteer service. Kathi told me her mother held some strong opinions and did not hesitate to make them known. When E-readers became popular a few years ago, Dee would have none of it. She could not understand why anyone would want one. She thought if they took over that people would never have the opportunity to "smell a book"! She needn't have worried. Books, both hardcover and paperback, are just as popular as ever.

Dee is survived by her three children, eleven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and her many friends throughout the San Diego Public Library system. A Gold leaf has been added to the UC Library's Giving Tree in memory of her and Jim.



Members Only: Here are this month's Buy Local Partners

Buy Local with UCCA connects individual UCCA members with local businesses. Customers must present their valid, current UCCA membership card at participating Buy Local

businesses at the time of purchase in order to take advantage of Buy Local offers. Here are some of the local businesses, which have already committed to the 2016 Buy Local program:

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Please go to http://www.universitycitynews.org/buy-local-withuccal to find out the specifics of each offer; and to find out more about how you, or your business, can participate in UCCA's Buy Local.

PEOPLE FOR A CLEAN UC SHOW THEIR LOVE

On Valentine's Day eight hearty UC residents took to the streets to show their love for their neighborhood. We collected 8 bags of litter and debris. Join us for our next neighborhood cleanup on Sunday, March 13 (Daylight Savings Time!) from 7:30-9:00am at Starbucks, 3202 Governor Drive.



Buy Local Business Briefs:

UCCA welcomes two new Buy Local partners this month.

Michael A. Cohen State Farm Agency, 3232 Governor Drive, Suite G (in the Sprouts Center) has been a long time advertiser in our monthly newsletter. UCCA is happy to welcome them to UCCA's members only program, Buy Local. The agency is offering members a shopping bag, calendar and gift card when making an appointment for a free, no obligation insurance and financial services consultation. Visit www.michaelacohen.com for more information.

Wikitiki Pacific Island Apparel, www.wikitiki.com, is an Internet shopping experience based in University City and founded by Wendy Lee. The company features screen printing and digital print services and Island Style design clothing. Also available through their website are aprons, accessories, gifts, collectibles, model airplanes, hair flowers and posters, all with a Pacific Island theme. And all designed to share their island culture through original designs. View their current specials on their web site. Wikitiki has also been a frequent supporter of UC community groups and schools.



Benefits UCHS 2016 Grad Nite

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 7:00 am to 12:00 noon

3026 Award Row, San Diego 92122

Start saving your valuables to donate to the sale. Items such as sports equipment, bikes, furniture, toys, and other valuables are most appreciated. Please donate items that are in good condition for resale. Items may be dropped off the week of the event, starting on April 17, drop off times to follow.

Volunteers are needed the week prior to and the day of the event. If you are interested, please email Shannon Wilson at volunteeruchsgradnite@gmail.com.

For more info about the garage sale, contact Stephanie Hagstrom, shagstrom@gmail.com, 352.665.1763, or Michele Hagstrom, 619.851.4464.

The annual Grad Nite provides a safe supervised celebratory environment for graduating seniors the evening of graduation. Grad Nite is a UCHS PTSA non-profit organization sponsored event.

UC Planning Group Report

by Nancy Groves, UCPG Rep District 1

Chair Janay Kruger announced: 1) Jerry Bischoff from VI has been added to the Costa Verde Committee; 2) The city changed speed limits on Charmant from 35 to 30 and on N. Torrey Pines Rd from 50 to 45; 3) Notices were posted about the new fire station 50; 4. The question of a possible violation of the Brown Act (open public meeting) because of private meetings and 1,000 private e-mails by MTS, SANDAG, UCSD, Ron Roberts and four members of the city council concerning the \$39 million naming rights of trolley stations.

Elections for the UCPG Executive Committee will be from 5:00-8:00pm on March 8 at the 10010 Campus Pointe Dr. building in the 1st floor lobby at the back of the building. One must be a registered member of the University City community and bring a photo I.D. that verifies your address in the district. The only contested seat is resident, District 1, which is occupied by myself, Nancy Groves who is being challenged by realtor, Glen Martin and by resident, Lou Rodolico. Bruce Rainey who has two years left to finish his term is resigning and Ross Caulum also from Scripps Health is running to complete his business-3 seat. After serving nine years, Nan Madden is running for another 3-year term since there isn't another businessperson running for District 1.

UCSD reported on the joint venture by SANDAG/MTS/UCSD to start building the Gilman Bridge located just behind the VA hospital to link the west campus to the east medical center over I-5.

Kyle Heiskala reported for Sherri Lightner on the city budget process and the priority memos being discussed: 1) Changing the UC Fast Response Squad from 12 hours to 24 hours; 2) Increasing pedestrian and bike safety, and off-season pool hours; 3) Code enforcement; 4) Wages for EMT/Paramedics; 5) Smart growth assets, and Torrey Pines Science Park. Besides the budget process, he has been looking into the odors complaints in south University City and Clairemont, the safety of the pedestrian bridge to UTC on La Jolla Village after having been struck, funds for widening and crosswalks. Boards and commissions have openings on gangs, parking, senior affairs advisory, human sourcing, libraries, internal affairs, and city attorney; if you would like to volunteer to serve contact Kyle. Discussions with Kyle included car break-ins, flooding, and the schedule for undergrounding of power lines. MCAS Miramar reported on the 52 citations issued recently for trespassing; they are working on more signage.

Dan Monroe reported that the existing conditions report of the transportation study to amend the University Community Circulation Plan was complete. The two traffic engineers explained the section analysis, pedestrian, bike, freeway, and ramps studies and details about how the studies were performed. The worst intersections were the La Jolla Village Drive/ Genesee and the Governor/ Genesee. They are studying existing deficiencies in the system and the four scenarios proposed while performing models for 2035 including the eventual trolley and in the not too distant future driverless cars. The future conditions report should be ready by May, the draft EIR by June, and lead to the update of the FBA.

John Haggerty from SANDAG introduced the construction contractor Frank Oswiany to give an information update on the construction plans for the mid coast trolley. Currently the right of way letters are out for acquisition. Work will be performed starting March 1 on Genesee for the undergrounding of the utilities and storm drains, and from September 2016 to January 2018 for the widening. The third phase will be the building of the overhead bridge down the middle of Genesee to UTC during September 2017 through October 2019. During construction the same number of lanes will be available by day and work will be at night from 9:00pm to 5:00am. The fourth phase will be done above the street level as they install the tracks and stations from October 2019 through January 2021. The 11.4-mile trolley will have 3 ½ miles above grade and should be complete by early 2021. There was discussion about heavy equipment on roads, the replacement of 21 trees, and the repaving of Genesee.

Verizon brought plans to remove and replace nine antennas and add three antennas, which are screened on the roof at 8775 Costa Verde Blvd. Approval was granted.



Standing Room Only at February UCCA Meeting

by Diane Ahern

Chairs were hard to come by at the February meeting. Special guests included District One City Council candidates Barbara Bry and Ray Ellis; Northern Division's Officer Holly Tafoya and CAPP (Community Assisted Party Program) Coordinator Robert Harvey; Fire Battalion Chief Craig Newell; District One representative Kyle Heiskala; San Diego County's Live Well Liaison Roberto Ramirez (pictured); Library Manager Melissa Martin; and local artist Julie Dennis who will soon begin a transformer art project on Governor near the library.

UCCA is in the process of applying for a grant from the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to purchase lightpole street banners, replacing existing damaged, older banners with a new look and welcoming message. Additional grant money would be earmarked to add artwork to transformers boxes along Governor Drive.

UCCA is also applying to the County to be recognized as a Live Well San Diego partner. As Roberto Ramirez explained it, the County's Live Well vision is for "safe, healthy and thriving communities where residents feel protected from crime and violence; neighborhoods are safe to work, live and play; and communities are resilient to disasters and emergencies." More info about Live Well San Diego can be found at www.LiveWellSD.org.

Environmental Impact Report Update

by Barry Bernstein

At the February UCPG meeting, Dan Monroe and George Ghossain, from the City Planning Department, reported on the recently published Existing Conditions Mobility Report. This is the first phase of a Traffic Impact Study, (100 plus pages), which was initiated by the City Council, for the Transportation Element Amendment to the University Community Plan. document can be found online at sandiego.gov. The second phase of this process, which by design will include future factors projected into the study, has begun. It will forecast assumptions projected into the year 2035. The results of this portion of the study will be completed sometime this Spring, with publication of those projected results made available to the public early this summer as part of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The final EIR will be completed in early Fall, with recommendations for City Council to consider for inclusion in the University City Community Plan.

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BRIDGE CLUB PEOPLE by Betsy Sickels



Enjoy playing bridge? Then Friday mornings at the Standley Recreation Center on Governor may be for you. From 9:15am to 12:00noon, there are six to eight tables of bridge being played. After four hands are played, tables and partners are changed, making for a variety of play and partners. In talking with Fu Ho, president, Vern Holmberg, vice president, and Jeanne McMasters, member, it is a morning enjoyed by all with good bridge and nice people. The group was originated by Joe Marchione and has been a favorite time of many players ever since. If interested, you can attend any Friday morning, or call to learn more.





CROCHET PEOPLE...Earl and Rita Newell



Earl and Rita Newell, UC residents since 1965, belong to a military camping group whose charity project is providing afghan lap robes to the veterans at the VA Hospital. The military group, SMART-SoCal, provides yarn to the Brig at MCAS Miramar. The prisoners crotchet the lap robes then Earl and Rita take them to the VA Hospital in La Jolla. This ongoing project needs yarn and if you have yarn that you would like to donate to this project, the drop off spot is at the Mail Exchange, 4079 Governor Drive, next to Rite Aid. *Photo courtesy Sandy Lippe*.

ROBOT PEOPLE



Drive a Robot @ Your Library By David Flores

You are invited to drive a robot at your local library. The University Community and the North University Community Libraries are hosting Teen Tech Week on March 6-12. Throughout the week there will be different activities/events focused on technology. The award winning Green. Griffins will be visiting the libraries with their robot for all to drive. Team members and mentors will be available to answer questions about robotics and how to join or start a team. Join them at the UC library on Monday, March 7 at 3:00pm or at the NUC Library on Friday, March 11 at 3:30pm. In 1989, Dean Kamen founded For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST), with the goal "...to create a world where science and technology are celebrated...where young people dream of becoming science and technology heroes." FIRST includes several programs for students ranging from 6 to 18 years of age. The Green.Griffins 10092 are a FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) team for grades 7-12. They are part of R & D Robotics Education Inc., a nonprofit organization helping students discover the world of robotics. Students throughout San Diego are invited to join our robotics programs. For information about R &D Robotics Education programs contact: green.griffins.10092@gmail.com. For info visit: firstinspires.org.

STAR WARS PEOPLE



A "Force" for Good by Jemma Samala

One UC resident is using his love of Star Wars to make a positive change in the world. James Floyd is two months into a charity fundraising project he started called "Wear Star Wars Every Day." This wearathon has two goals for the project: 1) Wear a different Star Wars-themed item of clothing each day of 2016. Every day, he posts a picture of him wearing that day's Star Wars clothing on the Wear Star Wars Every Day Facebook page, and on Twitter using the tag #WearStarWarsEveryDay, and 2) Raise \$10,000 for Collateral Repair Project, a non-profit that provides assistance to urban refugees. CRP is a grassroots organization that provides emergency aid, education, and community support for refugees living in Amman, Jordan. In the first two months, James has raised over \$1,000 in fixed donations. Check out James' fundraising site at GoFundMe.com/ WearStarWars2016 to learn more about Wear Star Wars Every Day or to make a donation. Let the power of the Force help some of our fellow global citizens!

SCOUT PEOPLE



UC's Cub Scout Pack 11, Webelos Den, took a recent tour of Sherri Lightner's council chambers

MATH PEOPLE...EVAN LIANG

University City High School Senior Evan Liang has recently been receiving international attention for a published math theorem he developed along with high school senior Ivan Zelich, who lives in Australia. The theorem makes the solving of certain math problems faster and more efficient. According to Zelich's

statements to the *Daily Mail*, the "Liang-Zelich theorem essentially reduces calcula-tions and makes things that are hard, simple. For example, a five-paged proof was simplified to four lines by one application of the theorem." Liang added, "We spent about five months trying to solve the problem. Once we discovered the theorem, we wrote a research paper and then published it." Liang said, "It [the



theorem's potential] really depends on what you're talking about. The media has said it could make an impact on intergalactic space travel, but in my opinion, that probably won't happen. I think it will have more of an impact in the field of geometry." They are two of the youngest ever contributors published in the International Journal of Geometry. (Info taken from UCHS The Commander article by Sebastian Rodriguez.)

BASEBALL PEOPLE



by baseball mom Jemma Samala, photos courtesy Coach Richard Frink

The UCHS Varsity Baseball players volunteered their time at the Sports Authority/Ripkin Baseball Field Day held at Hilltoppers Little League fields. Former MLB players Cal Ripkin Jr. and Ozzie Smith were on hand to offer advice and autographs. The UCHS players led the young participants in on-field instruction stations for infield, outfield, pitching, hitting and agility skills. Players enjoyed that they were referred to as "coach" for the day. Thanks to the Hilltoppers and Cyndie Waldichuk for giving UCHS Baseball the volunteering opportunity.



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*This membership is valid for the 2016 calendar year. Thank you for joining UCCA. If you have any questions, please contact our membership chairperson Hallie Burch at UCCAmembership@gmail.com.

WHY CALL THE POLICE ABOUT PARTY HOUSES

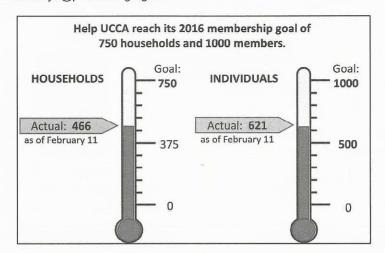
by retired Community Assisted Party Program (CAPP) advisor Fred Zuckerman and current advisor Robert Harvey

The police department is powerless to do anything unless they receive a call for service and see evidence of illegal activity. You have to call, then police officers can take enforcement action to stop it. If the police observe repeated violations they can take escalating enforcement measures that will usually result in eventual compliance. For example, call early, you DON'T need to wait until 10:00pm to call about a party/noise complaint. Call when the party first begins to get out of normalcy, meaning loud music, heavy vehicle traffic arriving, people outside drinking, loud talking yelling, fights, etc.

When you call the non-emergency number, 619-531-2000, you might be on hold up to 40 minutes. Please hold and wait for the dispatcher or you lose your place in line. Ask dispatch for the "incident number" and log that number, date, time. Save the data as your history on the complaint address because that is how the police department tracks the call. Encourage everyone who is disturbed to call; it provides the officer with additional information from different people. When you call, be prepared to give accurate and detailed information on what you hear and see. Estimate the numbers of persons at the party. Are partygoers arriving by Uber or Lyft? Vehicles illegally parked? If officers have not arrived and the noise continues, call back an hour later and continue to do so every hour. This provides the officers with evidence of the "calls for service" at a specific address.

The police maintain computer logs of all the calls they receive. These logs are a key statistical record used to determine how much crime occurs in San Diego, where that crime occurs, whether crime is increasing or decreasing in different communities and more importantly, where should additional police officers be transferred in order to respond to the trends. If neighbors do not report crimes, then the statistics will falsely show that crime is reduced in their community and it could affect future officer staffing levels.

You may request that the officers, upon arrival at the scene, speak with you first before they address the noise and party residents. Be sure you ask for the police person's name and ID# and add it to your log. Your information will not be disclosed to others. If there are a number of houses that are repeat offenders, you can always email the addresses to Robert Harvey RHarvey@pd.sandiego.gov or Officer Holly Tafoya at HTafoya@pd.sandiego.gov.



What's That Smell?

by Janis Deady

We all live in UC for a variety of reasons, and are the beneficiaries of incredible San Diego weather allowing us to be outside most of the year more than most. What gets me outside most is my garden and dogs. For you it may be an early morning jog, walking kids to school, BBQing, going to a park or simply going outside to your car to start your workday. In all cases we want to be able to take in a big breath of clean, fresh air.

In January 2015, early in the morning and late in the evening, I smelled a putrid, sour, decaying, rotten odor in our neighborhood that would dissipate as the sun came up. I posted on Nextdoor.com and confirmed others detected the odor too. Not knowing where to turn I communicated with our District 1 city council office as well as District 6, which is where the Miramar Landfill and Miramar Green Waste facilities reside, which is where I suspected the smell was coming from because it has a very distinct putrid, organic smell to it. After much communication with our council representatives offices they claimed to get the smell resolved and it subsided somewhat.

When the smell resumed in December 2015 and January 2016, worse than before, I was concerned since I have lived in the same UC house for 21 years and never had experienced this smell until my Jan 2015 complaint. I posted on Nextdoor.com again and noticed even more people who smelled the odor posting. I emailed our council reps, Sherri Lightner, the Mayor, his chief of staff, and everyone I could, to get someone to do something. What I did not realize was that the San Diego Air Pollution Control District (SDAPCD) is the agency who investigates odors. They handle air quality complaints that are a nuisance or annoyance concerning emissions of air contaminants including smoke, dust, and odors.

According to the California Health and Safety Code [www.arb.ca.gov/bluebook/bluebook.htm] Section 41700 states that no person can discharge air contaminants that cause injury, nuisance or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or the public, or discharge air contaminants that endanger the comfort, health or safety of such persons. If a business violates this prohibition or any other air quality requirement, the District may issue a Notice of Violation to the business. If a Notice of Violation is issued, the business must take action to correct the violation and pay a monetary penalty to the District.

When you smell the odor you need to file a complaint DAILY. Every person in a household should file a complaint. As I understand it each person, per day, counts as a complaint when they tally the number of complaints to analyze the complaints compared to the population to assign importance.

You can file a complaint by calling 24 hours a day and leaving info at: (858) 586-2650 OR - Get a Nuisance Complaint Form at: www.sdapcd.org/comply/complaint/complaint_form.pdf. Fill it out and email it to: apcdcomp@sdcounty.ca.gov. They are easy to fill out. One trick I have is to put a return address label on it where it asks for name and address so that I don't need to fill that part out!!!

I am concerned because we have not had this odor in past years so something is different than in the past 21 years. Since the lifespan of the Miramar Landfill was recently extended by 30 years past its original life expectancy by our city officials, we need to get this fixed before it gets worse. We should view complaints as communication with an agency (SDAPCD) designed to help rectify the odor.

If we all file communications every time each of us detect the odor, hopefully it will be addressed. The bottom line is, if we all don't band together to push this issue the smell may not get fixed and could be allowed to get worse. It could affect our daily lives, health, and even our property values so it should be a priority for everyone! Please let your neighbors know of the importance of the issue and where to file!



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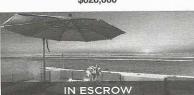
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Students Serve Community with a Smile



Spreckels Elementary... 40 Spreckels Elementary students and family members, including principal Michel Cazary, packaged 4,450 jars of peanut butter to benefit those in need around San Diego. The students joined the fight against hunger, while learning about teamwork and community service. The Spreckels students and families look forward to hosting more of these events in the future to promote the Spreckels Wildcat Way!

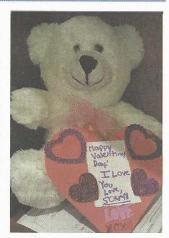




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Curie Elementary...

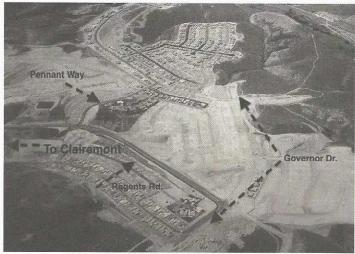
Curie's January Community Service Project was a major success! Ian Kim delivered over 100 handmade Valentine's cards to The Patrician in Bankers Hill. They would like to thank all the volunteers, including Girl Scout Daisy Troop 3142 and Brownie Troop 4226, who worked diligently to accomplish the ambitious goal of making Valentine's Day cards for every resident of the assisted-living facility. Also, a big thank you to Mrs. Vasquez, who donated a whole lot of supplies for the cards



and Mr. Barry, who kindly allowed the volunteers to use his science classroom as the card-making headquarters! And they couldn't make these community service projects happen without the astounding support from the Curie community, Principal Cara Ramsey and the Curie Elementary PTA.



Girls Scouts... Another sign of that spring has arrived is that Girl Scout cookies go on sale. Pictured above are Junior Girl Scouts Dalia Sanchez, Emily Berard and Grace Chrisopoulos from Troop 3209, based at Curie Elementary. They are selling the cookies, \$5 a box, through March 5 in front of Von's on Governor Drive. The troop is raising funds for a San Francisco trip to participate in Golden Gate Bridging, as they "bridge" from Junior Girl Scouts to Cadette Girl Scouts. (Submitted by Diane Ahern.)



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