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BACK TO SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS FOR UCHS CAMPUS



University City High School students not only started the new school year in new classes, but amid newly completed facilities upgrades. Like many of the district's high schools, there are major changes occurring inside and outside of the classrooms. The student and staff parking lot facilities at UC High were completely renovated, and solar additional carport systems were constructed in the parking lot. Safety upgrades included driveway improvements, new bus drop-offs, and a new pedestrian ramp. Lighting, irrigation and landscaping were upgraded as well.

The school also received new athletic facilities including three storage buildings, three restroom/concessions/ticket booth buildings, one monument tower, a new baseball field and softball field with bullpens, batting cages, dugouts, and scoreboards, as well as a new synthetic field with a cooling system, new track and field throwing facilities, new field hockey and soccer fields, a new parking lot for the upper fields, new entry walkway to stadium, accessibility upgrades at the stadium, and reconfiguration of the existing outdoor tennis and basketball courts. Many of the facilities are already completed. The rest will be finished this winter.

A College, Career & Technical Education (CCTE) facility focusing on engineering will be completed this winter as well. This project includes the modernization of the existing woodshop and adjacent classroom to become a state-of-the-art CCTE fabrication and design facility with an emphasis on engineering. Later this year, the high school will begin getting air conditioning in rooms without them, and more campus-wide improvements during its whole site modernization project.

In 2011 and 2012, new stadium lighting, an electronic new scoreboard and new public address speakers were installed in the stadium. The existing dirt track and grass field was replaced with a synthetic turf field and all-weather track. Grading, drainage and irrigation system improvements were also done.

These upgrades were funded by Propositions S and Z, San Diego Unified School District's capital improvement bond programs passed by voters in 2008 and 2012 respectively. For more details go to: <https://fpcprojects.sandi.net/Pages/Reports.aspx?SchoolName=9355>. For more information on Propositions S and Z, click <https://www.sandiegounified.org/facilities-bond-program-propositions-s-z>.

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Oktoberfest by EdUCate!

Saturday, October 1
2:00 – 6:00pm, Standley Park

Rosh Hashanah

Begins sundown Sunday, October 2

People for a Clean UC

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

**Columbus Day
Native American Day**

Monday, October 10

UC Planning Group

Tuesday, October 11, 6:00pm
Scripps, 10010 Campus Pointe Drive

Yom Kippur

Begins sundown Tuesday, October 11

UCCA Meeting

Wednesday, October 19

4:00pm, UC Library

***Note change in date and time**

UC Celebration Committee

Wednesday, October 19, 6:30pm
Standley Park Rec. Center

Doyle Recreation Council

Tuesday, October 25, 6:30pm

Standley Recreation Council

Thursday, October 27, 7:00pm

Halloween

Monday, October 31

UNIVERSITY CITY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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- Include who, what, why, where, and how.
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- The Editor reserves the right to edit articles as needed.
- Name the file appropriately so it can be identified.
- Attach photos separately in a picture format at high resolution or straight from camera as a jpeg or png.
- Send to UCCAeditor@gmail.com or jemmasamala@gmail.com; email any questions.

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UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Fall season has arrived...and we didn't experience our usual few very hot September days this year. We hope you enjoyed Oktoberfest on October 1st at Standley Park to help EdUCate! provide funding for our five public schools in University City.

For some, this time of year is when we figure out what sort of cool weather vegetables to plant or how to manage the carpools for school and soccer weekends. For others, it might be seeking a way to stay calm when barraged by all the political TV advertising/phone calls for the gazillion or so confusing city and state proposed measures. Ballot pamphlets can be very helpful. For me, a mail-in ballot has been my choice for years. It's said that once your mailed in ballot is received, telephone calls will drop dramatically. Can't say that for U.S. mail however. Unfortunately, candidates for office at all levels of government this year have been affected by the negative/personal approach at the National level. One wonders, if whomever is elected as our next President, will Congress get anything of importance done!

UCCA's new street banners (provided by the grants we received from SD County Supervisors) should be installed by mid-October. We hope you like them, as they are designed to feature the wonderful amenities and lifestyles of University City families. The new street crosswalk patterns were completed this past month...and UCCA is working with the city to enhance those crosswalks with colorful and appropriate designs.

South UC projects, "ImagineUC 2020" and the Marcy Park Improvement plans are moving forward. Curie Elementary is looking into a "joint-use" grass field option with City Schools and the City's Park and Rec. A public meeting on October 27 at the Standley Park Rec. Center is scheduled to provide for community input. Also UCCA will be painting the electrical boxes this month that SDG&E replaced last year.

Please note UCCA's meeting date has been changed to October 19, 4:00pm from October 12 to accommodate the many Jewish families observing Yom Kippur. In this month's issue you will find our 2017 UCCA membership form. We invite/encourage you to join UCCA. We will be inserting a special membership form/envelope in our November issue when our official 2017 membership drive begins. Election of officers will be held at our special general meeting in November. (See election/nomination information on page 3.)

Have a great month of October and have a fun and safe Halloween. Remember, "University City is more than just a neighborhood." ~Barry

GINNY CHARVAT

Our UCCA Board was saddened to hear the recent news of Ginny Charvat's death. Ginny was our treasurer up to 2015, at which time her illness prevented her from continuing.

We will all miss her and acknowledge her devotion to the South UC community for over fifty years. A memorial service in her honor is being planned for October 8, at Our Mother of Confidence church. (More info about Ginny on page 10.)

EDITOR'S NOTES... by Jemma Samala

I love October...basically because it's my birthday month. Plus, next to Christmas, Halloween is my most favorite holiday. How can you not like Halloween? As a kid, I got to dress up as a little princess, and walk around at night getting free candy. Maybe I can still do that?

When my kids were very little, we went around the mall with them in strollers, and I would figure out matching outfits for my boys — Steve & Blue, Batman & Robin, Jedi Knights. Then they started wearing spookier costumes in elementary school. Afterwards, all they wanted was a pillow sheet to use to collect as much candy as possible. As long as I got my share of Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, I was good with it.

It's nice that we have a neighborhood where I still feel it's safe for kids to walk around by themselves, while us adults stay home and have our own trick or treats. Well, someone has to pass out the candy. Now I'm wondering if we should get a costume for the dog and walk around getting dog treats. Maybe that can be a new UC Halloween tradition — bark or bones. I'll start it, if you come by my house with your dog, I'll hand out a doggie treat for their Halloween bowl.

I do love a good costume parade, and loved being in and watching my kids in the school Halloween parades. Such a simple tradition that provides lots of memories. It's nice to have traditions for every holiday, including Halloween. Besides a birthday celebration for me, I always remember Halloween as when my older son lost his first tooth when we had the neighborhood kiddoes over for Halloween and had them dunk for apples. Then there were those years we had massive fires and the air quality was so bad that trick o' treating was not allowed! Yes, a major tragedy indeed. We made do by having garage jack o'lantern making parties and putting together Halloween treat goodie bags.

Once Oktoberfest is over (Saturday October 1 at Standley Park from 2:00-6:00pm), I'll start decorating for Halloween. And my favorite items to put out — the many Halloween arts & crafts projects my kids made at and the costume parade photos taken at Spreckels. Happy memories for this mom.

If you're looking for Halloween activities for the youngsters, Doyle Rec Center will be having a free community event on Friday, October 28 from 2:00-5:00pm. There will be arts & crafts, inflatables, carnival booth games, and a costume parade.

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UCCA ELECTIONS**November 9**

UCCA will be electing its officers for the 2017 calendar year. Positions that will be voted upon are the following:

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Treasurer

The candidates' names will be published in our November newsletter. Nominations will be accepted prior to and at the election meeting. In order to run for office, you must be a member in good standing and have attended at least two UCCA meetings during this calendar year. If you are interested in running for office, or if you have any questions concerning the election process, please contact me.

Thank you, Mack Langston,

Chair UCCA Nominating Committee

619.818.4205

SPECIAL GUESTS AT UCCA MEETING

Fire / rescue team members from our local Station 56 fast response team paid a surprise visit to our September UCCA meeting.

Note: Station 56's special vehicle is required to back into its drive-out position. Please be aware and patient if such a circumstance occurs when you're driving west on Governor Drive.

Brian Elliott, rep for Congressman Scott Peters, was on hand to discuss Peters' recent work on getting over \$2 million back to constituents for missing social security, veteran's, and tax benefits. Other reps on hand were from the offices of Sherri Lightner, Jan Goldsmith and Barbara Bry.



SHERRI LIGHTNER, City Council, District 1

Fall is here and the general election is fast approaching! With absentee ballots arriving in mid-October, I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you about a number of citywide measures the Council has placed on the November ballot. Here are some brief descriptions on what you can expect to see when you cast your vote.

Measure E: Charter Amendment Regarding Qualifications, Vacancy, and Removal for Mayor, City Attorney, and Council. To make it easier to remove and replace city elected officials if they are convicted of a felony, found civilly liable for fraud, or declared incapacitated, and would create a clear procedure for filling vacancies.

Measure F: Charter Amendment Regarding the Probationary Period for Deputy City Attorneys. To reduce the probationary period for Deputy City Attorneys from two years to one year.

Measure G: Charter Amendments Regarding the Citizens' Review Board on Police Practices. To rename the Citizens' Review Board to the Community Review Board, give both the Mayor and Council joint oversight of this board, and require that the board review all in-custody deaths and all officer-involved shootings.

Measure H: Charter Amendments Regarding Purchasing and Contracting Processes for the City of San Diego. To improve the city's process of competitive bidding for public works projects and consultants, and the procurement process for goods and services to ensure the city is able to get the best value for our tax dollars.

Measure I: Charter Amendment Regarding Balboa Park and San Diego High School. To allow the City to continue to lease to San Diego Unified School District the dedicated park property in Balboa Park that is currently occupied by San Diego High School, provided that the property continues to be used for a public high school.

Measure J: Charter Amendment regarding Mission Bay Park and Regional Park Improvement Funds. To change the way money collected in the regional park fund is allocated so that 65% will go to Mission Bay Park and 35% will go to the City's other regional parks to allow for additional funding of capital improvements in other city regional parks.

Measure K: Charter Amendment to Conform the City's Election Process. To the federal and state election process by requiring the top 2 candidates for city elected offices advance from the June primary election to a November run-off election.

Measure L: Charter Amendment to Conform the City's Election Process for citizens' Initiatives and referenda. To the state election process by requiring that all citizens' initiatives and referenda be placed on the November general election ballot.

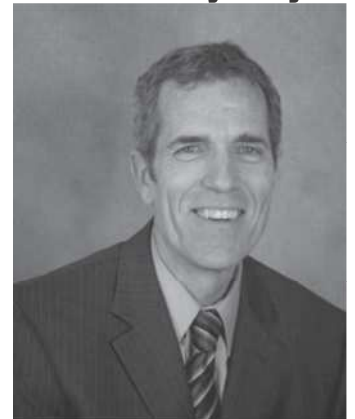
Measure M: Affordable Housing Measure. To increase the cap on affordable housing units that can be built in the City of San Diego from the current cap of 10,500 units to a new cap of up to 38,620 additional affordable housing units in the city, without raising taxes.

Measure N: Cannabis Business Tax Measure. To place a business tax on all recreational cannabis businesses operating in the City of San Diego. This measure will only go into effect if recreational marijuana is approved statewide by voters in November.

To learn more about these measures and the many other state and regional initiatives, please visit the County Registrar of Voters website at www.sdvote.com.

Back to School for University City

John Lee Evans SD Unified Board of Education



San Diego Unified celebrated the first day of school at University City High School on August 29. Cheerleaders and band members and other students and teachers gathered before dawn at U C High to be there for the TV cameras from all of the local stations. The construction staff was also there to show off the new curb appeal of the high school entrance and improved drop off areas. Also on display were the new athletic fields and other amenities.

UC High ended last year with the highest graduation level of the 16 comprehensive high schools in San Diego. It was also the first year that the more rigorous graduation requirements were in place. This is another example of higher expectations producing higher results with the strong support of our teachers. This fall we learned that San Diego Unified's standardized test scores were mostly at the top of the large districts in California.

It was also a special day for UC High's freshmen. In 2009 the Board of Education adopted Vision 2020 when the Class of 2020 was in first grade. They are headed for graduation in 2020 and our schools are continuing our reforms to better prepare our students for college and technical careers and responsible citizenship.

It was also a special day for the Class of 2029 that entered kindergarten this year. For the next four years our schools will have a strong focus on K-3 literacy to ensure that all of our students are proficient in reading by the third grade. This critical skill will allow our students to be the creative, critical thinkers needed for participation in a global society.

University City always rallies around our five public schools. Oktoberfest at Standley Park on October 1 is an annual fundraiser for our schools and another sign of strong public support for our neighborhood schools.

Neighborhood Schools and Enrollment Options

This is a reminder that the Choice application window for 2017-18 will begin on October 3, 2016 and close on November 14, 2016. This is a change from prior years, and will align the length of our application window with our neighboring school districts as well as other large urban districts. It also will provide sites with non-resident numbers and names for master planning purposes, and in advance of budget planning.

Go to: sandiegounified.org/apply

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

Events for Adults and Seniors

Qi Gong (Chi Gong) is a simple preventative health method of relaxing and harmonizing the body; suitable for any age and health condition.

Every Monday @ 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. (Except October 3)

Zumba for Special Needs and Beginners led by Lis Garces, licensed Zumba instructor since 2007. **Every Monday @ 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**

Chair Sit Yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is practiced sitting in a chair or standing using a chair for support. **Tuesday, October 4 & 18 @ 2:00 p.m.**

Adult Yoga Gentle exercises to aid flexibility and improve concentration. Bring your own mat or towel. **Every Thursday @ 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

Accordance Club meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month. **Saturday, October 8 & 22 @ 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

CERT Meeting educates individuals about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area. **Tuesday, October 4 @ 6:30 p.m.**

Concert: Bill Jones, Classical Guitar. Mr. Jones serves as Artist-in-Residence at Canyon Crest Academy where he works with small ensembles. Featured works by Gaspar Sanz, Fernando Sor, Matteo Carcassi, and Francisco Tarrega. **Wednesday, October 5 @ 6:30 p.m.**

Film Screening: Juan of the Dead. First, there was Dawn of the Dead. Next came Shaun of the Dead. Now, the zombies have invaded Cuba and only one man stands between the apocalypse and freedom. **Tuesday, October 18 @ 6:00 p.m.**

University City Community Association (UCCA). This is a community meeting featuring updates from law enforcement, fire-rescue service, legislative and other community leaders. All are welcome. **Wednesday, October 19 @ 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.**

Latin Dance Class - Learn the basics of bachata, merengue and salsa. Help integrate different parts of your brain through the

coordination, rhythm and strategy of dance. **Wednesday, October 19 @ 6:30 p.m.**

Covered California: Re-enrollment Assistance. Meet one-on-one with experts from the Family Health Center of San Diego to re-enroll in a health insurance plan. **Tuesday, October 25 @ 2:00 p.m.**

Cal Coast: Retirement Planning. Learn the importance of setting goals and reviewing your retirement resources. **Tuesday, October 26 @ 6:00 p.m.**

The **UC Book Club** will be discussing *Ordinary Grace*, by William Kent Krueger. **Wednesday, October 26 @ 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

Events for Children

Preschool Storytime for Kids; stories, crafts, finger plays and songs. **Every Thursday @ 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.**

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

Art with Elizabeth, where school aged children can learn how to draw and do other art projects. **Tuesday, October 4 @ 5:00 p.m.**

Events for Tweens/Teens

Video Game Fridays, Wii gaming with your friends, Get your game on! **Every Friday @ 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.** (except October 7)

Teen Writing Club will talk about different techniques to improve your writing. **Wednesday, October 12 @ 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

Sugar Skulls, a traditional offering for Day of the Dead. Each child will learn how to make sugar skulls and will complete a skull using their own design embellishments. Minimum age 8 years old. Space is limited, please call (858) 552-1655 to RSVP. **Wednesday, October 19 @ 2:00 p.m.**

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

Events for Adults/Seniors

Hatha Yoga, Mondays at 12:00 pm. This Hatha Yoga class uses postures and stretches in combination with the breath to increase flexibility and relaxation. Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a yoga mat or floor towel.

Small Business Assistance, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 11:30 am. Appointments available by calling the library.

Job Help Assistance, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 3:30 pm. Appointments available by calling the library.

ESL Instruction, Tuesdays at 3:30 pm. Review of vocabulary and grammar with a native speaker.

ESL Conversation, Tuesdays at 4:30 pm. Improve English conversation skills in a small, informal group setting.

Gentle Yoga, Fridays at 10:00 am. Learn basic yoga techniques, perfect for beginners, expectant mothers, seniors and persons with disabilities. Wear comfortable clothes; bring yoga mat or floor towel.

Knitters' Circle, Thursday, October 6 & 20 at 1:00 pm. All yarn enthusiasts are welcome.

Fiction Fanatics Book Club, Saturday, October 8 at 10:00 am. Fiction Fanatics will discuss *The Orphan Train* by Eowyn Ivey.

Page Turners Book Club, Wednesday, October 12 at 6:00 pm. Page Turners will discuss *The Omnivore's Dilemma* by Christina Baker Kline.

Concert: Pianist Jarel Paguio, Sunday, October 16 at 3:00 pm. Born and raised in San Diego. Throughout his career, his influences have developed from a wide array of musical styles, including rock, jazz, country, hip-hop, electronic, and others. Mr. Paguio will play original tunes, as well as pop tunes redone in a jazz fashion.

Cinema Café, Wednesday, October 19 at 6:00 pm. 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/Fridays at 10:00 am.

This lap-sit storytime will introduce a love for books by using song, movement, rhythm and rhyme. Recommended age: Birth – 2 years.

Homework Helpers, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:00 pm. Homework help for students in grades K-6.

Kids' Art Studio, Wednesdays at 12:00 pm. A fun art lesson every week! No registration required. For grades K-6.

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.

LEGO Club, Fridays at 3:00 pm. Make new friends and build amazing creations every week.

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.

Yoga Storytime, Monday, October 10 & 24 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.

STEAM 2 Academy, Tuesday, October 11 at 3:00 pm. Science-based educational activities geared to students in grades K-3.

Halloween Carnival, Wednesday, October 13 at 11:00 am. Treats, carnival games and more! Music provided by The Bayou Brothers. This Carnival is a joint event presented by the North University Community Library and the Nobel Recreation Center.

Paws to Read, Monday, October 17 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, October 19 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

English – Thursdays at 10:30 am

French – Thursdays at 11:15 am

Sign Language – Thursday, October 13 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. Check with libraries about holiday closings.



SPRECKELS SPIRIT JOG-A-THON

7th Annual Spreckels Spirit Sprint Jog-A-Thon
Friday, November 4

The annual event will bring new prizes and special incentives for our Spreckels Families this year. Details will be sent to families and can be found at: www.spreckelscommunityuc.com/jog-a-thon. If you'd like to volunteer for the jog-a-thon committee or for the day of the event, please email jamielya@yahoo.com or biturria@hotmail.com

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS!

STUDENT RAFFLE: This year, if a Spreckels student brings in a **Corporate Sponsor** at any level (\$100, \$250, \$500) they are entered into a raffle to win a \$50 gift certificate to Vans. *One raffle ticket for each sponsor!

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP DETAILS: Spreckels would love to grow our Community Partnerships this year! Your tax-deductible donation contributes to enhanced educational opportunities for Spreckels' students. Sponsors at various support levels will have their company logo and website in a UCCA ad purchased by Spreckels PTA, company banner on Spreckels' fence facing Governor Drive, and recognition in online Spreckels website, communications & in the newsletter. Please contact us for more information. Thank you UC for your continued support! For more info visit www.SpreckelsCommunityUC.com or contact Jamie Apodaca, jamielya@yahoo.com.

Get those running shoes ready! It's sure to be a **FUN & ACTIVE DAY** at Spreckels!



CURIE JOG-A-THON

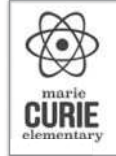
Wednesday, October 19

Please partner with Marie Curie Elementary as a Community Business Sponsor. For as little as a \$300 donation your business can be listed on

the Jog-A-Thon shirt worn by over 600 children. These shirts make our students so proud and are worn throughout the year, year after year to show their school spirit. Your logo will be displayed on our website until the next Jog-A-Thon in 2017! 100% of your tax-deductible donation will go to Curie Elementary and our PTA supported programs.

The goal is to raise over \$100,000 needed to maintain our current level of educational excellence in our community. Excellent exposure: Our Curie Community includes over 400 families and 600+ students. For more info, go to www.curiepta.org.

Curie Elementary: 4080 Governor Drive San Diego, CA 92122 www.curiepta.org CRAFT FAIR & CARNIVAL



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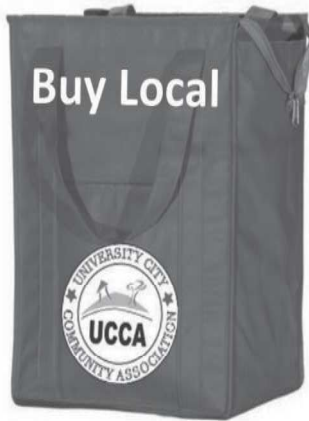
by Megan Bryden

Join us Saturday, November 5 or great shopping and family fun at Curie Elementary School's 38th Annual Holiday Craft Fair! From 9:00am to 3:00pm artisans will be selling their quality, handcrafted wares including holiday gifts, ceramics, jewelry, clothing, folk art, and so much more. All items for sale are handmade by local artisans, no commercial resale items are allowed, creating a unique and fun shopping experience. There will be also be plenty of exciting events for the whole family: carnival games, silent auction baskets, bake sale, Dad's Club lunch, used book tent, cake walk, photo booth, etc. Entry is free and proceeds benefit the Curie PTA. Please feel free to email us with questions at curiecraftfair@gmail.com. See you there!

EDUCATE! Math Academy

The very popular EdUcate! Math Academy has already begun at UCHS and will begin at Standley on October 4. Community volunteers are needed at both schools to help our UC students master math concepts. If you aren't strong in math but are organized and like working with students, EdUcate! is also looking for a volunteer to manage the program. If you can give even an hour per week, please contact Lori Longstreet at 858.945.6860 or email ericnlori@aol.com.

The EdUcate! Math Academy is a unique program that is just one of the things that makes UC schools great. Please consider donating to EdUcate! today: www.uc-educate.org



BUY LOCAL UC

Here's What Happens When
UCCA Members Connect with
Local Businesses

Why shop at local businesses and restaurants? When we Buy Local, eat local, and drink local, we keep our money and tax dollars in our own community.

Many local businesses are owned by local residents (just like us)

who contribute to local events, schools and charities. Additionally, we support the stores and restaurants that make our community more than a neighborhood.

UCCA and its local business partners make it easier than ever to Buy Local. UCCA has enlisted many local businesses to provide special offers to UCCA members. When you become 2017 UCCA member, you are issued a 2017 membership card. That membership card entitles you to take advantage of special offers provided by UCCA's Buy Local Business participants.

UCCA's 2017 UCCA membership drive begins this month. There are two ways to join UCCA. Complete and return the membership coupon included in this newsletter; or visit UCCA's website www.universitycitynews.org/ and join through PayPal.

MORE ON BUY LOCAL

If you are a local business owner/operator who would like to participate in UCCA's Buy Local, please visit the UCCA website at www.universitycitynews.org/ and click on the Buy Local link.

OCTOBER IS EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS MONTH

by Mike Lawson, UC CERT Team Leader

Earthquake preparedness begins with you wanting to protect you and your family. Have you secured your wall mounted TV's, cabinets and other items that may and will tip over during a strong earthquake. You can get earthquake straps at different stores such as Home Depot, Dixieline and others whom has a wide selection of straps, glues and other methods to secure your cabinets. Practice what you will do when an earthquake hits our community. Don't wait until it happens! What documents will you be able to retrieve from the wreckage? Will you have enough supplies to survive for a few days to a week? Do you have a safe to put all of your valuable documents into that will withstand the possible damage that may happen to your home? Prepare NOW for all could be lost or protected Only if we would prepared today and not wait until tomorrow. The next CERT meeting is October 4 at the UC Library.

Why Support UCCA by Joining UCCA?

University City Community Association (UCCA) is a non-profit (501c4) organization funded through membership dues, which provides and promotes the civic, cultural, social, educational and recreational development and improvement in University City; and provides a forum where the interests of residents may be expressed and contributions made to the protection of life and property in the community.

Your membership dues help to support many local worthwhile organizations such as public schools' fundraising, Standley Park, EdUCate!, Neighborhood Watch, ImproveUC, and Buy Local. In addition, UCCA provides monetary support to many special projects and activities such as street median beautification, pedestrian and motorist safety, painted electrical boxes and street banners, 4th of July Celebration, summer concerts, December holiday tree lighting, and our monthly newsletter delivered to your south UC home and/or business, libraries and recreation centers. Join now or renew your UCCA membership today and support your UC community where we are more than a neighborhood.

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Your UCCA membership dues make a big difference in our community.

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*This membership is valid for the 2017 calendar year. Thank you for joining UCCA.

If you have any questions, please contact our membership chairperson Hallie Burch at UCCAmembership@gmail.com.



PLAY BALL IN YOUR COMMUNITY

by Meredith Kennedy

University City Little League (UCLL) Fall Ball is underway in UC. For information about baseball in UC, visit www.ucll.org.

Thank you Sean Dunne, UCLL President, for his time and dedication over the last 2 years as his term as president comes to an end. We wish him well and hope he enjoys all the free time he will now have! Welcome to incoming President, Dusty Reisch, as she begins her term this month, along with the 2016-17 UCLL Board members. We'd like to also thank all the parent volunteers that help manage, coach, and participate as team parents for the 2016 Fall Ball season. We couldn't run the league in our community without all the great volunteers!

Ready for Spring Baseball?!?! UCLL Spring baseball registration will open on November 1 on www.ucll.org. Register before December 21, afterwards there is a \$20 late fee.

There will be a **FREE** Skills Clinic held on Saturday, December 10 from 9:00am-1:00pm at Canyonside Baseball and Softball Academy. There will be document collection the same night as basketball assessments (date TBA) and at the Free Skills Clinic. Please check www.ucll.org to confirm dates, locations and times.

Please bring the following to document collection.

- Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residency OR School Enrollment Form
- Medical Release Form
- Snack Bar Deposit and Snack Bar Agreement

You can also upload all of your required forms online at www.ucll.org and just drop off your Snack Bar Deposit and Agreement. Like us on Facebook at @UCLL! Register online at www.ucll.org! **PLAY BALL IN YOUR COMMUNITY!**



UC has its own PGA Golf Professional

Congratulations to Jack Klein for being elected to PGA membership in September. This designation starts with a rigorous, 36-hole playing test followed by two years of apprenticeship and three levels of education and training. This is a big accomplishment at any age so kudos to Jack for doing it at 62!

Submitted by Katie Dunahoo (Proud wife)



STRAUSS AND DVORAK MUSIC FOR WINDS AT UNIVERSITY CITY UNITED CHURCH

by Steve Shields

On November 6, an ensemble of current and former members of the La Jolla Symphony orchestra will perform Richard Strauss' *Suite* and Dvorak's *Wind Serenade*. The program will begin at 7:00pm, will last for about one hour and includes a free-will offering benefiting the church and its music program. UCUC is located at the west end of Governor Drive; the address is 2877 Governor Drive.

Strauss' *Suite* was written in 1884, when Strauss was just 20 years old, at the request of Hans van Bülow, conductor of the orchestra at Meiningen. Van Bülow had seen Strauss' earlier *Serenade*, and was so impressed by the teenager's work that he commissioned him to write another. The piece makes use of the standard wind section from a symphony orchestra of his day, consisting of two each flutes, oboes, clarinets, and bassoons, with a contrabassoon and four horns.

Dvorak's *Wind Serenade* was written in 1878; it makes use of an unusual ensemble of two oboes, two clarinets, two bassoons and contrabassoon, three horns, cello and bass. Dvorak's music is strongly influenced by the folk music of his native Czechoslovakia; this piece, written at the same time as the first set of his famous *Slavonic Dances*, has much of the same folk-music and gypsy feel as that more famous composition.

Both of these pieces are from the romantic period; they are written to evoke emotions through their expressive nature. They are tuneful and dramatic, and the Dvorak in particular is a favorite of players and audiences alike. We're looking forward to presenting them!

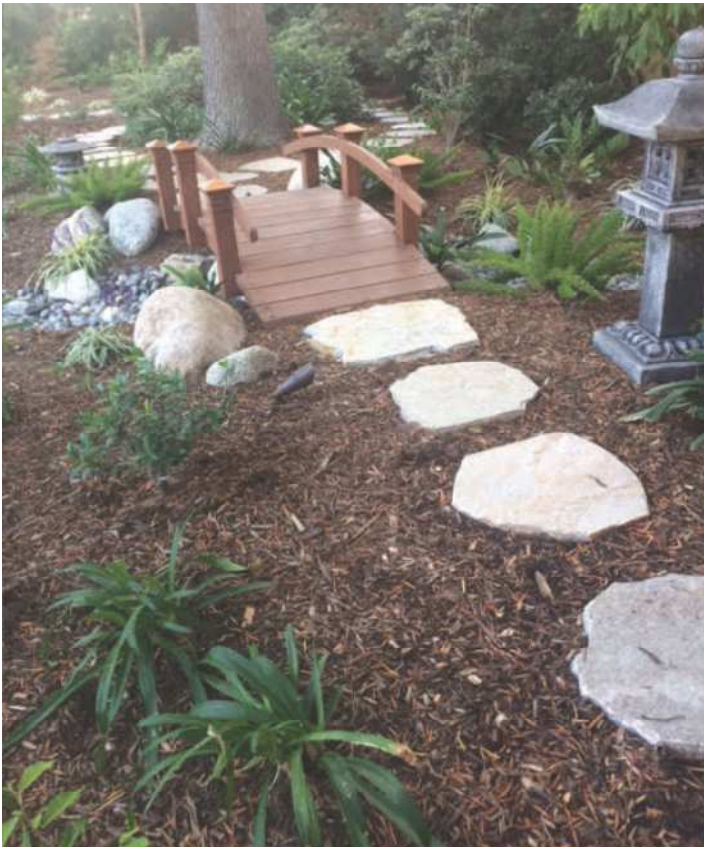
Fall Festival at University City United Church

by Derek Andonian

Fall is here so let's celebrate and have fellowship together! University City United Church is having its annual Fall Festival on Saturday, October 22 from 4:30 – 6:30pm. There will be games, crafts, and other fun activities! Potluck dinner- please bring a dish to share. Costumes are encouraged! Fun for the whole family, especially children!

Call 858.453.3444 or visit our website at UCUC.org for details. The church is located at 2877 Governor Drive, by the canyon at the corner of Stresemann. The parking lot is around in back, off of Gobat and Stresemann.





UC Garden Club To Host October Meet-up

Come join the UC Garden Club on Sunday, October 9, 4:00-6:00pm at the home of Merle and Mack Langston to experience a newly re-landscaped University City backyard, Asian style, in a woodsy Zen like setting complete with fountains, bridge, statues, bonsai, BBQ island, fire pit and large pergola with polycarbonate skin on top. See photo above for a preview.

Learn about the process required to create this outdoor living space while enjoying refreshments, a featured speaker and an informative tour of this beautifully done landscape upgrade.

Contact the UC Garden Club at ucgardenclub@gmail.com for more information and exact location.

Celebrating Diversity at Doyle Park



Children pictured left were enjoying the first "Celebrating Diversity" event at Doyle Park in September. The new annual event will feature a different country and culture each year. The inaugural event focused on the country and culture of India.



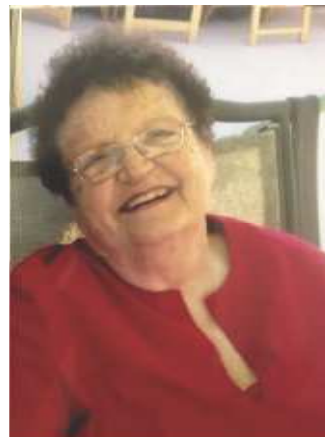
BEFORE

AFTER

Thanks to all our University City neighbors who keep their sidewalks clear for pedestrians like me. I love to walk and I appreciate a clean sidewalk. I don't like to walk in the street. Just last month, neighbors along Gullstrand, north of Governor, have been cleaning up the ice plant and overgrown vegetation that had been encroaching the sidewalk. Thanks for keeping University City a walkable community. And UCCA's Beautification Committee thanks all neighbors who keep their homes and yards clean and well maintained.

Diane Ahern

**Please note: Homeowners are responsible for maintaining the "parkways" on their property. Parkways are the areas between the city streets and public sidewalks. When notified by concerned residents of unsafe or unsightly conditions, the UCCA Beautification Committee provides friendly "clean-up notices" to those homeowners/occupants that might need a "kind" reminder.*



VIRGINIA "GINNY" CHARVAT

UC recently lost longtime UCCA board member Ginny Charvat, who was devoted to our community for over 50 years. She had moved to UC in 1962, where she raised three boys and was an active volunteer at six schools: Curie, Marston, Clairemont High School, Spreckels, Standley, and UCHS.

A proud boys mom, she co-founded UC Little League (she loved her Padres), was a Cub Scout Den Mother, and guided all three boys through catechism and first communion at Our Mother of Confidence Church, where she volunteered for over 50 years.

Ginny's son Jeff remembers "she loved being a part of the UCCA and was particularly proud of the art project where they painted all the electrical/service boxes." She was also quite active in the Neighborhood Watch program, and was the UCCA treasurer until her illness prevented her from continuing in 2015.

Last month Ginny and her husband Jim celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. A memorial service in her honor is being planned for October 8 at Our Mother of Confidence Church.

THE BATTLE FOR THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE



YEAR ONE GOES TO LA JOLLA COUNTRY DAY

La Jolla Country Day School's Varsity Football Coach Tyler Hales is shown above raising the first ever "Golden Triangle Trophy" as the Torreys beat out the UCHS Centurions 51-12 on September 16. The game was the first of a new Rivalry Game between La Jolla Country Day and University City High School, "The Battle for the Golden Triangle." The moniker represents the two schools being blocks apart on Genesee Ave and the only two high schools located in the Golden Triangle area. The golden triangle trophy, with each year's winner engraved on it, will be held by the winning school until the following year.

Above photo from LJCD's Twitter feed posted by Christian Pederson, additional photos below courtesy Kendra Littlewood.



The teams get ready to rumble above, while the fans cheer on below.



UCHS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

Friday, October 7, 4:00pm
University City High School Media Center

The 2016 inductees will be:

David Michael, '83, Professor UCSD School of Global Policy & Strategy

Captain John Ring, '84, Captain of the USS Nimitz

Colonel Susan Romito-Davis, '87, Author, Army Medical Specialist

Yari Allnutt, '89, World Class Soccer Player

See next month's newsletter for more info on the inductees.

October 7 is also UCHS Homecoming Day. The Homecoming Varsity Game starts at 6:30pm and the Centurions are playing Serra High School. The Homecoming Dance will be held in the school gym after the game.

Go UC Centurions! UC, U Know!



AND WHO WILL WIN THIS CROWN?

What is it, you ask? It's the crown given to the annual Oktoberfest Principal's Challenge. It's currently sitting in the office of UCHS Principal Jeff Olivero. Go to Oktoberfest, Saturday October 1 to see where it will sit for the year. See below for Oktoberfest info.

EdUCate!'s 8th Annual Oktoberfest

October 1, 2016 - 2:00-6:00 pm at Standley Park

Live music provided by:
The Standley Marching Band, UCHS Band, Harbor Church Band, Victims of Authority, Reminiscence, and Rumba y Soul. Special Guest Appearance by Supervisor Dave Roberts.



Tickets \$1 each or 25/\$20
Games (1-5 tickets)
Root Beer \$1
Commemorative cup for sodas \$1
Beer \$20
Includes five tickets good for one 4 oz. pour each and commemorative cup.

Visit our Food Vendors
A portion of the proceeds go to EdUCate!
Hot Dogs • Brats • Kettlecorn
Shaved Ice • Pretzels • Bake Sale
Bottled Water • Gigantic Book Sale
Food Vendors are Cash Only!

FUN AND GAMES!
Including the Rock Climbing Wall, Castle Super Jump, Penguin Flinger, the Principals' Challenge and more!

UC TEACHERS!
Stop by the ticket booth to get your **10 tickets** for non-alcoholic beverages as a thank you for all you do!

UNLIMITED POURS!
Donate \$180 to our **Dollar-A-Day** campaign before or during Oktoberfest and receive two commemorative reusable cups and **ALL-YOU-CAN-TASTE** beer or specialty soda. Plus, receive VIP service in the beer garden!

UC SCHOOLS ALUM!
Wear any school spirit gear and get one **FREE** ticket for a **FREE** pour (adults) or **FREE** game (kids)!

HOME BREW CONTEST!
www.mashheads.com | Category 21: American IPA
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Groundbreaking Celebration for Mid-Coast Trolley

Grab a blanket and join SANDAG Saturday, October 22, 11:00am-3:00pm, on the grass at the Preuss School field (3750 Voigt Drive on the UCSD campus, simulation of station pictured above) for the Mid-Coast Trolley Groundbreaking Celebration. They will kick-off construction of the Mid-Coast Trolley project with a big picnic on the grass, including free food, live music, a commemorative gift, and lots of fun family activities. Learn about the Mid-Coast Trolley extension, which will run from Old Town to UCSD and UTC. For more info, visit the SANDAG.org website and search for Mid-Coast Trolley.

UCSD Trolley Extension

by Sydney Patchett, UCHS Newspaper Editor

An approximately \$2 billion Mid-Coast trolley project is under operation here in University City, San Diego, and is estimated to finish around 2021; the Mid-Coast Trolley will extend from the city's current stop, Old Town, all the way to the University Of California, San Diego.

Chair of the University Community Planning Group, Janay Kruger, says that the trolley will provide transportation between the three universities: USD, SDSU, and UCSD, while also linking the large employment sectors of the city. Major local construction and utility relocation should be expected within the University City community in late 2016, she added.

According to Kruger, the new extension will "head north from the Old Town Transit Center, hug the east side of I-5, cross under Gilman Drive, and then continue past La Jolla Colony before crossing over I-5 just south of the LDS Temple." 50 percent of the construction and finances are being covered by San Diego's half-cent sales tax surcharge for transportation projects, while the remaining balance is supposed to be federally funded by a transit administration grant, said Kruger. With this new project, the board is also requesting more security from MTS (Metropolitan Transit System) to be provided at the 6 stations, however; Kruger stated that little progress is being made in this department.

"I feel that the trolley system offers a safer public transportation option. The stations are usually well lit and maintained with transit officers providing security and safety for those who travel on the trolley. Much like the stations near SDSU, I'm sure that special attention will be paid to these concerns with service going to UCSD (and with the line being in such close proximity to our high school), stated Vice Principal, Mike Parades. "I believe that the new trolley stations will also provide our UCHS students with an environmentally friendly option to get around San Diego."

Senior Damen Kohli has a similar opinion regarding the new trolley extension. "It has the potential to be very beneficial for all citizens of San Diego, as well as decreasing our need to always use motor vehicles as a method of transportation. Environmentally, it will have a great impact," said Kohli.

4 TIPS: IN PREVENTING BIKE THEFTS

1. Choose a lock based on your needs

Any bike lock can really only keep honest people honest. Just like car thieves, professional bike thieves have ways to get the bike they want. A small, lightweight cable lock is usually good enough for quick mid-ride stops at local coffee shops. If you're leaving your bike unattended all day while you're at work or school, you would be better off investing in a more heavy duty lock. U-Locks are a solid choice as they are not too big to carry but offer a decent amount of protection.

2. Lock your bike frame AND wheels to an immovable object

For maximum security, your cable lock or chain should be long enough to wrap around the bike's frame, both wheels, and whatever you are locking your bike to. If you can't include both wheels, then wrap the lock or U-Lock around the frame and the front wheel. Many opportunistic thieves will avoid removing the rear wheel. Using a U-lock and cable provides the most secure and versatile way to lock up every major part of your bike. Lock your bike to an enclosed object that won't let the lock be slipped off. Ideally, use a bike parking rack, if available. If you have to use a free-standing pole, such as a parking meter or sign post, be sure that it's high enough or bulky enough that your bike and lock can't just be lifted right over the top.



3. Choose a location that offers protection with visibility

Choosing a good location to leave your bike unattended can be a trade-off situation. If you choose a secluded, out-of-the way location, then it might be less likely to be noticed. However, a secluded location provides a thief a better place to work on taking your bike without being noticed by a passing law enforcement officer or Good Samaritan. Well lit (night) heavily travelled areas make for a good balance. Finally, use your lock even when your bike is parked in your own garage at home. Garage doors accidentally left open have offered opportunistic thieves an easy target.

4. Keep a record of your bike and the serial number

Find the serial number of your bicycle, and make a note of it in your records at home. Keep a picture of the bike with your records, too. The serial number of a bike is usually stamped on the underside of the bottom bracket shell--this is the part of the bike frame where the pedals connect.

There are several online resources available (some free and some paid) that let you register your bike's serial number, and report it as stolen if necessary. Check out the National Bike Registry or BikeRegistry.com.

In the unfortunate event that your bike is ever stolen, the serial number can help get your bike back. Many law enforcement agencies have stolen recovered bicycles that have no record and must be auctioned off after a certain amount of time has passed, usually 90 days. If the police cannot prove the bike is yours they will have a difficult time retrieving it for you in the event you find it in someone else's possession. Online secondary sellers like Craigslist are a good place to post your stolen bike and to check if someone is trying to re-sell it.

**Tips provided by the San Diego Police Department.*

Crime and Safety Tips

by Officer Holly Tafoya Community Relations Officer Northern Division

REPORTING AN INCIDENT

1. Identify yourself. Give your name and phone number.
2. Give your exact location and cross street.
3. Is a crime in progress?
4. What happened?
5. What time did it happen?
6. Weapons seen? Knife, gun etc.
7. How many suspects?
8. Description – head to toe description.
 - a. Color of skin
 - b. Height
 - c. Weight
 - d. Length of hair
 - e. Facial hair
 - f. Color of hair
 - g. Color of clothing from top to bottom
 - h. Any distinct lettering, designs, patterns
9. Direction of travel?
10. Is suspect carrying objects: TV, VCR, video games, etc?
11. Injuries:
 - a. What is the injury
 - b. Is person conscious, breathing
 - c. Approximate age
 - d. Male/Female

LAST THOUGHTS

1. Press charges. Don't let the suspect get away with a crime.
2. Never let strangers use your telephone.
3. Don't give rides to strangers.
4. If you suspect someone is in your house, DON'T GO IN – CALL POLICE!
5. If you get a person calling you with a wrong number, DON'T GIVE YOUR NAME OR NUMBER – HANG UP!
6. If you are out with friends and meet someone new, exchange phone numbers, not addresses.
7. If you are separated from friends when you go out, find your own ride home. Don't take rides from strangers.
8. Don't become physically involved. Better to observe and report.
9. Don't hesitate to call police – use the non-emergency line to keep the lines free for EMERGENCIES.
10. Take self-defense classes and stay informed of crime trends.

*Part II of Crime and Safety Tips from Officer Tafoya.
See September issue for: Personal Protection Tips

UC Celebration Committee Needs 2017 Chairperson

UC Celebration Committee needs a Chairperson to replace George Odero, who is stepping down after chairing the committee through five July 4 Celebration events. The new chair will be responsible for leading the team of volunteer committee through its organization of the 2017 29th Annual July 4 community celebration event. There is a small stipend provided by SPRC for the responsibilities associated with the job. Please contact George Odero via e-mail at: Godero@goreadusa.org, if interested in this rewarding leadership position. The new chairperson will be announced at the committee's October 19 meeting.

UC Planning Group Report

by Nancy Groves, UCPG Rep District 1

Since I was not available in August to do a report for the September issue, let me catch you up on the events of the very important July 12 meeting. Most people in UC are interested in the University Community Plan Transportation Element. Andy Wiese, Chair of the Sub-Committee read the draft response of the committee to the DPEIR. After hearing community speakers in support of the amendment and community members in opposition to the amendment, the final motion was voted on by the UCPG representatives. The removal of the Regents Road Bridge and Genesee Avenue widening from the project is the environmentally superior alternative. The vote on the motion was 11 in favor, 1 opposed, 3 abstentions and at the end of the meeting a motion was made to reconsider the vote in order to make technical changes in regards to Chapter 10 of the EIR to note that we oppose TRA1.6, and TRA 2.3, because they are inconsistent with the project description; the vote was 10 in favor, 1 opposed, 4 abstentions.

The September 13 meeting was less contentious but informative. The Chair advised using the "Get It Done" app to report potholes, etc. and that there are ongoing meetings for the Westfield Sub-Committee, the Costa Verde Sub-Committee, and City Planning Commission meeting on October 27. The SDPD announced a new phone tree for the Northern Division to improve efficiency: 619.531.2000. Anu Delouri gave the UCSD update and left printed copies at the door. Peter Krysl and Nancy Groves are the two UCPG reps to the UCSD Long Range Planning Committee. Kyle Heiskala from Council Chair Lightner's office reported on the completion of the new UC Village Tot Lot, repairs on Governor Drive, the fire near Nobel, new crosswalk painting, the re-vegetation process in Rose Canyon, and Development Services' review of the proposed building at 5807 Regents Road. Dan Monroe from the city Planning Department set forth the dates for review of the UC Plan amendment: October 27, November 16, and December 6.

The public comment speakers spoke on the Audubon conservation project to ReWild Mission Bay. The second speaker, Barbara Bry reminded everyone to vote; her opponent Ray Ellis has withdrawn but his name will still appear on the ballot. Isabel brought up the La Jolla Village Dr. renovations in the Whole Foods shopping mall, which seem to have many hazards and no sidewalks continuing from Nobel into the area. She will follow up with Development Services and Transportation.

BioMed Realty had speakers present a plan to revitalize the site at 9775 Towne Centre Drive to create updated scientific research buildings. The project would involve demolition and replacement of existing buildings, the transfer of development rights from other properties, and implementation of a TDM (Transportation Demand Management). They will provide bike and other transport options but discussion ensued about how to account for employees' use of these alternatives. They will come back to the planning group; this was just a vote to allow them to initiate a community plan amendment.

Information was presented on the Pure Water Project, pump stations and lines. San Diego imports 85% of its water and 150 million gallons a year of treated sewage goes into the ocean. Though there is a Pure Water Demonstration plant the city is now building the real facility and has changed plans from pumping water into the San Vicente Reservoir to now pump the water much closer to Miramar Lakes. The water from the pure water plant will be mixed with the Miramar water and then go through the city purification system for reuse. By 2035 one third of the city water will be recycled 'Pure Water'. There are no plans to place more purple pipes (recycled water). There is a site in Scripps Ranch where one can buy recycled water but no plans to locate other sites.

La Jolla Village II, 31.06 acres along Gilman Drive, was presented by the owner as an information item. The owner would like to develop the land into small research units. Discussion ensued; the land is zoned open space and was mitigated as open space when the condos above were built. Mitigated land designated as open space should not be rezoned.

**Next UCPG meeting: October 11, 6:00pm
Scripps Office Bldg., 10010 Campus Pointe Drive**

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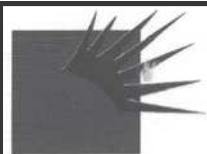
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6845 Florey Street	3	2	\$629,000
7157 Teasdale Ave	3	2	\$572,000
6885 Lipmann Street	3	2	\$635,000
6910 Dennison St.	3	3	\$722,500
6823 Fisk Avenue	3	2	\$787,000
6062 Scripps Street	4	2	\$775,000
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MARCY PARK RENOVATION PROJECT KICKOFF



Rendering of Marcy Park renovation project

by Ruth DeSantis

On the West end of University City is a hidden jewel. Long time residents know it well and keep the secret to themselves. Once pristine, well maintained and valued, Marcy Park was the west end's crown jewel 40 years ago. It sits perched high on a quiet canyon with cool ocean breezes and no freeway noise. Parking is limited and there are no bathrooms or lighting, which keeps Marcy Park special and quaint to local residents. But it is for those reasons that Marcy Park has been forgotten by City officials who control the disbursement of funds to area parks.

Marcy Park has been eclipsed by newer parks with infrastructure and rec centers that attract a wider resident base. A portion of the fees paid by residents for activities at these newer parks are set aside for maintenance and improvements. When a park has funds in their own account to commit to improvements, the City and Rec Council are more likely to match that contribution. With no separate recreation center to generate income, Marcy Park is the eternally dependent child.

There were no ADA requirements in place 40 years ago, so Marcy Park has no handicap accessible ADA play equipment. The existing 2- to 5-year-old play structure is inadequate, rusted and chained off due to its danger. The sand in the play area is filthy from dog urine and animal droppings. Park tables and benches that have been destroyed over the years have never been replaced. Fallen trees go unnoticed until residents complain and then they are removed and never re-planted. Overgrown shrubs have become shelters for wild animals and homeless alike. Apart from its natural beauty, Marcy Park has fallen into a sad state of disrepair.

Over 200 signatures have been collected in support of the renovation of Marcy Park. On Sunday, September 25, local residents met at the park for the unveiling of such a plan. Under this new proposal, a newer play structure that incorporates ADA access and equipment. The sand would be replaced with poured in place rubber and the equipment would be nature themed.

A second matching themed play structure would be added in the area adjacent to the chain link fence that abuts the Mission Bay Montessori school. This presently useless area would be cleared of overgrown brush and utilized as a 5- to 16-year-old play area with picnic tables and benches. Donors contributing \$1,000 or more will have their name engraved on a steppingstone in the picnic area. A handicap parking space would be added and part of the sidewalk would be reworked to address the steep incline and allow for handicap access. Low visibility log benches that look like split logs would also be added along the perimeter walkway as rest areas. All existing open green space would remain untouched and the park would continue to be a dog-friendly leash-only park to be enjoyed by human and pet alike.

The cost estimate for such a renovation is upwards of \$400,000. With the support of the community through fundraising and with matching financial support from the City, the rebirth of Marcy Park could become a reality. It will not happen without community effort.

Please go to MARCYPARKPROJECT.COM for more information, to make a tax-deductible donation or to contact Marcy Park Project Co-Chairs, Ruth DeSantis and Don Hotz.



Marcy Park Project Co-Chairs Don Hotz and Ruth DeSantis



Local residents attend Marcy Park Project Kickoff event on September 25.