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# BREAKING NEWS



# City APPROVES High Pressure Raw Sewer Line in UC

by Ruth DeSantis and Don Hotz, University City Community Foundation (UCCF)

The Pure Water Project ("Toilet to Tap Project") was approved by our City Council.

\*UCCF/ UCCA/ and UCPG have voiced their opposition related to the proposed pipeline route through University City These same organizations support and understand the need for Pure Water, but want the City to thoroughly explore other existing feasible routes that would have less impact on the quality of life for its residents.

# Why do you care?

- A High pressure (250PSI) raw sewage line buried only six feet deep, will run through Clairemont up Genesee Avenue (see above map). When a break occurs, our neighborhoods would be at risk of injury and contamination.
- Vent pipes will be positioned along Genesee Avenue. Near our schools, a temple, businesses and most importantly, your homes! Do we believe that charcoal filters will stop the toxins and smell?
- This line will feed raw sewage to the reclamation plant in Miramar where water will be extracted, "purified" and introduced to your drinking water supply!

## What can you do?

 Go to the GoFundMe account by visiting: www.improveuc.org to support future legal action (donations are tax deductible).

> NOTE: Please refer to page 13 for additional details and specific locations most affected by the construction.

#### **MEMBERSHIP FORM PAGE 14**

# May Day

Tuesday, May 1

#### **UC Celebration Committee**

Wednesday, May 2, 6:30pm Standley Park Rec Center

# Cinco de Mayo

Saturday, May 5

#### People for a Clean UC

Sunday, May 6, 7:30-9:00am (Note: different week this month) Cleanup volunteers meet at Starbucks 3202 Governor Dr. Supplies provided.

# National Teacher Day

Tuesday, May 8

#### **UC Planning Group**

Tuesday, May 8, 6:00pm 10300 Campus Point Drive

#### **UCCA Community Meeting**

Wednesday, May 9, 6:00pm UC Library

#### Mother's Day

Sunday, May 13

#### Ramadan

Begins sundown, Tuesday, May 15

#### **Armed Forces Day**

Saturday, May 19

#### **UC Cluster Committee Meeting**

Monday, May 21, 4:30pm Standley Middle School

### Memorial Day

Monday, May 28

## Doyle Recreation Council

Tuesday, May 22, 6:30pm

#### Standley Recreation Council

Thursday, May 24, 7:00pm

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- Your article should be approximately 250 words or less, typed in a document and attached to email or pasted inside the email.
- Be as brief and concise as possible. Editing may result in errors.
   Type in plain text format; no pdf formats.
- Include who, what, why, where, and how.
- UCCA does not guarantee publication.
- Submitted materials may be published on the Internet.
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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.

#### Deadline for the June issue: MAY 17, 2018

Please send your submission as early as possible. The deadline for the June issue is May 17, but the newsletter can fill up before the deadline. Articles and news items are reviewed as they are received. Priority may be given to UCCA members and time sensitive material. Articles may also be edited for allowed space. UCCA does not discriminate against nor endorse all information in the monthly newsletter. The UCCA Newsletter receives information and advertising from a variety of sources. UCCA cannot and does not guarantee the accuracy of the information or the complete absence of errors and/or omissions, nor does UCCA assume responsibility for the same. Publication does not constitute an endorsement.

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#### **Executive Board**

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# **UCCA President Barry Bernstein**

# DO YOU CARE ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY?

University City may become a victim of the City of San Diego's poor planning to construct a major sewer pipeline through our major streets. Are you willing to let

that happen? This is much more than the temporary construction concerns such as; health hazards, traffic control, environmental problems...it means that forever University City may be called the "smelliest", unsafest, most congested community in San Diego. Wake up...join the efforts of UCCA, UCCF, and UCPG and fight this battle to save our community from the planned sewer pipeline route.

\*\*Donate to the GO FUND ME\*\* legal campaign to stop this ill-conceived idea to put our community, our quality of life, at risk. What sort of legacy do you want to leave for your children? I hope you will be able to tell them how you made the effort to keep University City "more than just a neighborhood."

I hope "Cinco de Mayo" activities and most certainly "Mothers' Day" gatherings will bring you very happy and memorable times with family and friends. Those April showers we didn't get, and the forecast of little or no rain the next few months, will make this year one of the very driest on record! I am personally exploring a drought resistant grass for my backyard as a realistic solution of sorts.

UCCA and some concerned residents met with Congressman Peters and Col. Woodworth, (MCAS, Miramar), to continue the efforts to establish a dialogue to discuss varying safety issues. I will report on that meeting at the Wednesday, May 9 UCCA meeting. I hope all residents, in particular those living east of Genesee, will plan to attend. Have a great month of May. Remember, University City is "more than just a neighborhood". \*Keep an eye out for new street banners."

~ Barry

#### **ELECTED UCCA MEMBERS**

Congrats to the following elected board members:
President – Barry Bernstein
Vice-President – Diane Ahern
Secretary – Deanna Ratnikova
Treasurer – Don Hotz

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry invites you to a District One

## **BUDGET FORUM**

Saturday, May 5th

La Jolla Village Community Center (adjacent to the AMC Movie Theatres) 8657 Via La Jolla Drive

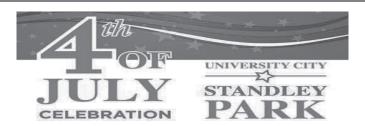


# UCCA Meeting Synopsis

### April 11

by Deanna Ratnikova UCCA Secretary

- Officer Brandon Broaddus of San Diego Police Department explained the new neighborhood policing unit/department that will now be centralized and provide quality of life services such as for the homeless, party houses, and services for vulnerable populations. He also reviewed a recent arrest involving a car/foot chase near Governor Dr. and Cozzens, as well as legal problems with "squatters" taking over privately owned vacated residences.
- The hearing for the Pure Water pipeline (which UCCA, UCCF and UCPG sought a delay in approving because of the route through University City) took place on April 10, and the City Council approved the EIR unanimously 9-0. The project is scheduled to start in 2019.
- Chevelle Tate, Toni Atkins' representative, explained SB 970 and SB 1086. SB 970 will require all hotels and motels to provide training for their employees on how to spot the signs of human trafficking and report those signs to law enforcement. SB 1086 allows family of a public-safety officer who dies from a job-related illness to qualify for state-provided survivor death benefits up to 420 weeks after diagnosis.
- Erin Magee, Scott Peters' representative, announced a number of funding allocations including pay raises to troops and the National Institute of Health. Social Security Numbers will be removed from all Medicaid cards, and CMS will be mailing new Medicaid cards – there is no cost for this.
- Corrine Busta, County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar's representative, announced the closed session on April 17 to discuss the Trump administration's lawsuit against California's sanctuary state laws.
- Robert Brown with UCSD briefly discussed the university's long range development plan and Triton Week.
- UCCA heard a funding request for the EdUCate Party at the Cove fundraiser and the Standley Park and Recreation Council's 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration. Grants were awarded to the high school's Grad Nite celebration and EdUCate.
- Ann Kerr-Bache, La Jolla Town Council President and Working Group Chair of the Short-Term Vacation Rentals (STVR) Working Group, provided the history, philosophy, and operating principles of the working group. She outlined their framework for regulating STVR and presented the San Francisco model as an example.
- UCCA's board, with the input of those in attendance, voted to support the San Diego Coalition of Town Councils and the efforts of the STVR Working Group to develop sensible and safe neighborhood STVR recommendations. UCCA Board member Mack Langston will be UCCA's representative to the STVR Working Group.



#### All Day July 4th Starting at 7:30am

University City's all-time favorite annual event returns for the 29<sup>th</sup> time. This year we continue with both traditional and some new activities.

What's new? Plan for Snow Play – yes, SNOW! We will have a special area for kids to sled down snow hills and have some snowball play.

With the success of last year's first UC Car Show at the Celebration, it will continue at the Spreckels parking lot with a special car parade. Car enthusiasts of all ages will be able to share their pride and joy with the community.

Don't stress out though, we haven't forgotten our UC traditions. Get your red, white and blue blood flowing early in the morning as we kick off the day with the 5k Race and 1-Mile Fun Run. Participants can then run over to the Rec Center where they are treated to a delicious Pancake Breakfast. The community is all invited to dine on pancakes and sausages. Then take an easy walk down Governor Drive during the colorful Pet & Bike Parade.

Throughout the day there will live entertainment, vendor booths to shop at, raffle baskets to win, free Swanson Pool swim time, games for the children and fun field games for everyone, Beer & Wine Garden, plus food, food, food! The trolley will also be providing free transportation up and down Governor Drive.

The popular Book Barn returns, and books are being collected now, especially children's books. Donated books can be dropped off anytime, but please no textbooks, encyclopedias, manuals, or tapes. Drop off book donations at: 4315 Huggins Street anytime, or deliver on July 3 to the Rec Center.

#### Needs to pull off a successful event:

- Booth Rental we need groups and small (or large) businesses to be vendors. Food, arts & crafts, clothing, activities, your family, clubs. We need lots of booths to create our Celebration festival atmosphere. Download the booth application on the website, early bird until May 26.
- **Volunteers** we need lots, sign up on the website.
- Sponsors & Donations gift certificates, themed baskets, vacations, anything you yourself would like to win, we will accept. We also need event sponsors – you'll get special recognition and a free booth! To become a sponsor or to donate, contact jemmasamala@gmail.com.
- You we need you! Make sure to plan and attend our annual UC Celebration. Bring your chairs and blankets, bring your friends and family, bring your beloved pooches.

It takes the UC Village to pull off the Celebration, so whatever you can do to contribute, please do. The next UC Celebration Committee meeting is Wednesday, May 2, 6:30pm at Standley Rec Center. Make sure to check out the website for more and updated information – www.uccelebration.com, and like the Facebook event page @UCCelebration. Be there UC!

#### SAVE THE DATE

# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AUGUST 7 Community Event

# IDENTITY THEFT AND TELEMARKETING FRAUD

Provided by the San Diego Police Dept. Elder Abuse Unit

#### **IDENTITY THEFT WARNING SIGNS:**

Your purse or wallet was stolen.

Your bank account is overdrawn or there is unusual activity on your account.

Your credit card is over its limit or there is unusual activity on your account.

Your monthly bank/credit statements do not arrive.

You are denied credit or a loan you have applied for.

#### Preventative steps:

- Reduce the items you carry in public such as extra credit cards, Social Security card and checkbooks. Consider carrying a photocopy of your Medicare card with all but the last four digits blacked out.
- Shred into small pieces, not strips. All mail and documents which contain bank/credit information, Social Security number, your name and address.
- Do not leave mail with bills to be paid attached to your mail box. Make sure they are deposited in a U.S. Mail bin, the Post Office is the best.
- Ask for new/replacement checkbooks to be mailed to your bank for pickup rather than delivered to your residence.

#### **TELEMARKETING FRAUD WARNING SIGNS:**

You must pay money up front for taxes or fees to participate. You must pay with a "Green Dot" card.

You must make an immediate decision, before the call ends or the offer will be rescinded.

You are called more frequently by a multiplying variety of telemarketing solicitors.

#### Preventative steps:

- It is not rude to interrupt a caller or hang up on them.
- Use an answering machine to screen your calls.
- Use Caller-ID to identify who is calling you before you answer.
- Never, under any circumstance give any portion of your credit card number, bank account number or Social Security number to a caller.
- Sign up for the National Do Not Call Registry for both your home and cell phones.

The National Do Not Call Registry 888.382.1222 or www.donotcall.gov

Additional information on elder abuse can be found at: www.sdcda.org/helping/financial-elder-abuse.html

Stay safe and look out for your neighbors!



## Saturday, June 2, 8 - 12

Sponsored by Coldwell Banker University City

Signs, advertising & maps will be provided, free of charge. The deadline to be on the map is May 30. Maps and addresses will be at Coldwell Banker in the VONS Center starting at 7:00am, June 2. Please contact us to include your home in this huge University City event. To sign up, e-mail: ColdwellBankerUC@gmail.com with your name, address, phone and a few of the items you are selling.

#### Tips for a Successful Garage Sale

- 1. Set up your "store" the night before. Cover up or put away any items in your garage that are not for sale.
- 2. Tag all items, but be prepared to haggle. Make sure appliances work. Clean/dust everything you can.
- Have lots of coins and small bills handy for making change. Use a "fanny pack" to carry your money around with you.
- Don't open the door until you are ready for business. Be prepared for early shoppers. They are the pros. Remember the maps go out at 7:00am.



# VANDALISM: WHAT IS IT AND WHAT SHOULD YOU DO ABOUT IT

"Vandalism is the willful, malicious destruction, damage or defacement of property."

A few examples of this can be graffiti, posting signs on private property fences without permission, damaging or destroying someone's landscaping, breaking into a car or emptying trash on someone's lawn. How to prevent: Install LED lights, monitor security cameras, lock side gates, post a "private property" sign, report damage to the police non-emergency number 619.531.2000, teach children to value other's property and participate in your Neighborhood Watch group.

## **Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry**

#### **Key Amendments to the Pure Water Program**

I want to thank everyone from the UC community who contacted my office or who testified before the City Council on the Pure Water Program item on April 10. I heard your feedback and concerns loud and clear. In response, I proposed several amendments which were included in the motion that passed. Your testimony was very important in convincing my colleagues to support the amendments. These amendments include:

- On Towne Center Drive and Nobel Drive, construction to begin during the day and to end at 4:00pm.
- On Genesee Avenue construction to begin during the evening hours after 7:00pm.
- Extra water trucks to keep down the fugitive dust.
- No construction on Sundays along Genesee Avenue.
- Establish a Working Group of community members keep to construction schedules per segment to reduce issues with driveway access for office buildings and apartments/ condos. Keep each segment to under 90 working days to the extent feasible of construction to keep disruption and noise to a minimum. Working Group to be able to call a phone number attached to a real person.
- Reduce the need for tree removal in the parkways, medians, and public right-of-way.
- Study the possibility of sleeving pipe between Governor Drive and Genesee Ave.

The Working Group mentioned in the amendment will be comprised of interested community members. We particularly want people who have construction experience. A representative from my office will attend the meetings to assist in the public oversight. The UC working group meetings are expected to start in June/July 2018 and will continue as needed through the end of construction. The feedback will be important in developing the final project schedules and mitigation opportunities. It is anticipated that construction contracts will be advertised in the fall 2018 and awarded in the spring 2019 with construction starting in mid-2019.

Several community members have asked if the City had looked in to alternative pipeline pathways. Yes, other potential alignments were considered. Alternative alignments were evaluated based on factors which included utility conflicts, easement and property acquisition, operational complexity, energy demand, schedule, risks, construction feasibility, and community and environmental impacts. In considering these factors, city staff believed there were significant problems with the alternative pathways. The SDG&E alternative had been reviewed and was not deemed viable due to the environmental impacts and the expense of major tunneling. Another two alternatives were along the 805 freeway which falls under the purview of Caltrans. Its bylaws state that a right of way cannot be accessed if there's a viable alternative. Unfortunately, CalTrans considered the alignment that was passed as a viable available alternative.

This was a difficult vote. I share many of the community's concerns which is why it was so important to include amendments that specifically address those issues. If you have any additional questions or concerns relating to the Pure Water Program, or an interest in serving on the UC working group, please contact my University City Council Representative Bridger Langfur at blangfur@sandiego.gov or 619.236.6611.



**Local Woman of the Year** 

Naomi McLean was named one of Assembly District 78's Women of the Year for 2018. She was recognized for her outstanding service to the Doyle Community Park. McLean is shown above with Assemblymember Todd Gloria. *Photo courtesy Deanna Ratnikova*.

#### San Diego Unified Honored for Best Academic Gains in the Nation

John Lee Evans, Trustee, SDUSD

San Diego's Superintendent Cindy Marten recently appeared at the National Press Club in Washington, DC when it was announced that San Diego Unified had made the biggest gains in the nation in reading and math scores. Sample testing was done in 25 big city school districts across the nation. Students were tested in fourth grade and eighth grade.

We have focused on improved student achievement for all students across the district since the inception of Vision 2020 several years ago. Now we are seeing the result of all the great work that the teachers and students have been doing. There have been changes in recent years to the state testing, which makes comparison to past years difficult. However, the National Assessment of Educational Progress is a common assessment used across the country to measure student progress over time as part of the National Report Card.

The high scores are a testament to the work that all the students and teachers have been doing throughout elementary and middle school. This means that they will be well prepared for high school. We have been working towards higher levels of meaningful high school graduation as we approach the graduation of the Class of 2020. Now we are also placing a focus on early literacy with the ambitious goal of having all our third graders in 2020 at a proficient reading level

We do not directly focus on testing results, but test scores go up when effective teaching strategies are focused on the whole child. That is why we continue to focus on the arts, athletics, technology and many other programs to fully prepare our students. And take a moment to thank our teachers for a job well done.



### University Community Library Friends Book Sale Thursday, May 31 from 1:00 - 5:30

Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2, from 9:30 - 5:30

#### University Community Branch May Highlights | 4155 Governor Drive | 858-552-1655 | sandiego.gov/public-library

#### **Events for Adults**

**Qi Gong** (Chi Gong) is a simple preventative health method of relaxing and harmonizing the body. These gentle exercises are suitable for any age and health condition. Friday, May 4, 18 & 25 @ 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

**University City Community Association** - This is a community meeting featuring updates from law enforcement, fire-rescue service, legislative and other community leaders. All are welcome. Wednesday, May 9 0 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**Jewelry Making**, take home something you made yourself! Make your own earrings and/or other pieces of jewelry with an experienced crafter. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Friday, May 11 @ 10:00 a.m. & Noon.

**Accordion Club** meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month. All are welcome! Saturday, May 12 & 26 @ 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Chinese Brush Painting show and sale. Students of Jean Shen, Master brush painter and calligrapher, will be showcasing their paintings in the Community Room, April 28 through June 30. Artists' reception is on Saturday, May 12 @ 2:00 p.m.

**UC Book Club** will be discussing The Tin Horse by Janice Steinberg. Wednesday, May 23 @ 2:00 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). Live! Homework Help - A volunteer will be at the library to help with homework; through end of May. Tuesday @ 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**STEAM with SET** - High school volunteers with the Scientists and Engineers of Tomorrow club will conduct a hands on experiment, this month it will be on light reflection and refraction. Wednesday, May 2 @ 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

**ThoughtSTEM** is back again for a coding program for kids 7 and up. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Tuesday, May 15 @ 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Challenge Island - Destination, Blow Cart Beach. On this island destination, kids will tackle the challenge of designing a wind-powered tribal car that could go the farthest distance in a few puffs. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Wednesday, May 16 @ 2:00 p.m.

#### Events for Tweens/Teens

**Video Game Fridays**, Wii gaming with your friends, Get your game on! Every Friday @ 3:00 p.m.

**Girls Who Code Club** - These are programs for 6th to 12th grade girls to explore coding in a fun and friendly way. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Tuesday, May 1, 8, 22 & 29 @ 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Spring into STEAM - NASA Foam Rocket Launcher. We are recruiting astronauts to build a ballistic, rubber band-powered foam rocket. Students will construct rockets made from pipe insulating foam and use them to investigate the trajectory relationship between launch angle and range in a controlled environment. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Wednesday, May 9 @ 2:00 p.m. LEGO Club - Come build anything you can image with LEGO. Wednesday, May 30 @ 2:00 p.m.

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

#### **Events for Adults**

**Chess Club,** Mondays at 3:00 p.m. Casual public chess meet open to all ages and skill levels.

Knitters' Circle, Thursday, May 3 & 17 at 1:00 p.m. All yarn enthusiasts are welcome.

**Guided Meditation,** Sunday, May 13 & 20 at 12:30 p.m. 20 minute guided meditation followed by tea.

**Dramatic Readers Group,** Wednesday, May 9 at 3:00 p.m. Experience a play through oral reading in a minimalist setting — no scenery, no props, no lighting or stage direction, just books and voices. The group will be performing *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder.

Page Turners Book Club, Wednesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m. Title to be discussed is *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly.

Fiction Fanatics Book Club, Saturday, May 12 at 10:00 a.m. Title to be discussed is *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman.

Cinema Café, Wednesday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy refreshments while watching and discussing a thought-provoking movie. Please call the library for the month's selected feature.

A Cup of Creation: Art Classes for Adults, Sunday, May 20 at 1:00 p.m. Each class will utilize a different art technique to inspire the creation of unique pieces. Participants are asked to bring a small sketchbook to class; all other supplies provided.

Stroke Prevention Seminar, Tuesday, May 22 at 6:00 p.m. Led by a stroke program registered nurse, participants will learn to prevent and recognize the signs of stroke. Presented by Sharp HealthCare, the official health and wellness partner of the City of San Diego.

#### **Events for Children/Families**

**Babies and Books**, Mondays at 10:00 a.m. This lap-sit storytime will introduce a love for books by using song, movement, rhythm and rhyme. Recommended age: Birth – 2 years.

Music and Movement, Mondays at 11:00 a.m. at the Nobel Recreation Center. Sing, Dance and Play! Children enjoy songs and movement activities that build motor skills and increase independence. LEGO Club, Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. Make new friends and build amazing creations every week. Recommended for grades K-6 Kids' Art Studio, Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. A fun art project every week! No registration required. Recommended for grades K-6. Preschool Storytime, Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Stories and songs in English promote early literacy skills.

**Fun with French**, Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. Explore the French language through song in this bilingual program.

Chinese Storytime, Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. (no storytime on May 19). Ms. Nancy sings, dances, and reads in Chinese and English. Yoga Storytime, Friday, May 11 & 25 at 10:30 a.m. Stretch both your body and your mind in this unique program that combines stories, songs and simple yoga poses. Please bring your own mat. STEAM2 Academy, Tuesday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m. The subject for May

STEAM2 Academy, Tuesday, May 8 at 3:00 p.m. The subject for May is the Science of Fairy Tales.

Sign Language Storytime, Thursday, May 10 at 12 noon. Baby Sign Language Basics author, Monta Z. Briant puts on a super-fun sign language performance for babies through preschoolers. Includes songs, fingerplays, books, fun toys and props, and bubbles!

Tiny Tots PJ Storytime, Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. A fun evening storytime with music.



# Celebrating at UCUC Preschool

At the end of the school year, UCUC Preschool will celebrate the retirement of Paula Reis as director. The school was founded by University City United Church in 1970 as an outreach program for the UC community and the

surrounding areas. The preschool has been committed to being open to students of any religion, race, color and national or ethnic origin. Mrs. Reis, as she's known to the kids, has been director since 1988. She has ensured that every child is known by name, that each child's individual needs are met, and that the school continues to be well known in the community as an excellent preschool. Following her retirement, Tracy Martin will move from Assistant Director to Director, allowing for a seamless transition at the preschool.

To help UCUC Preschool celebrate the retirement of Paula Reis after 30 years, all past students are welcome to attend worship at UCUC at 10:30am on Sunday, June 10 or be present for the celebration starting at 11:30am. Additionally, past students and/or families are encouraged to email memories or words of thanks to Pastor Iona (pastoriona@ucuc.org) for a scrapbook.

# Annual Grad Nite Tradition Provides Safe Party for UCHS Seniors

The UCHS PTSA 2018 Senior Grad Party Committee is busy planning this year's event for the graduating seniors the evening of graduation. This year we will be celebrating the 27<sup>th</sup> year of the Senior Grad Party (formerly known as Grad Nite), a safe, sober and supervised all-night event for our graduating seniors, which has been a tradition since 1991.

PRIZES AND DONATIONS NEEDED: This wonderful evening is always enhanced by support from the community around us, as well as our local businesses and merchants. The Prize Committee is in need of cash, gift cards/certificates for services or products in any amount. Go to www.uchsptsa.org to make a monetary donation, or contact Prize Chair Michele Hagstrom, at hags4@yahoo.com to make a prize donation or for more information.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: This is no ordinary party, this is an extravaganza that takes an enormous amount of effort to set up. For six days...yes that is correct...not a typo, we will need volunteers to help before, during

and after the party. The fun begins in the UCHS gym starting Friday, June 8 through Tuesday, June 12 (with Sunday off), where we set up and transform the gym into a Roman Coliseum with a plethora of entertainment for the students. The party is held on graduation night, Wednesday, June 13 followed by tear down on Thursday, June 14.

If you can spare some time to join in the fun and lend a hand, please let me know uchssgp@gmail.com and I will send you the sign-up schedule. Contact: Stephanie Hagstrom, UCHS Senior Grad Party Volunteer Coordinator, uchssgp@gmail.com



#### **TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Date: Tuesday, May 15
Time: 5:30 – 7:30pm
Location: Crab Catcher, 1298 Prospect Street

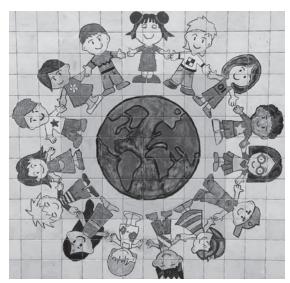
**Join EdUCate!** for a "Party at the Cove" at the Crab Catcher, a Premier La Jolla Cove Ocean View Restaurant. Crab Catcher has been family owned and operated for over 35 years.

**Auction**: Preview items for the EdUCate! Spring Online Auction with the option to "Buy-It-Now". There will be special auction items available only at this party! The Online Auction will continue until Monday, May 23.

Attire: Dress for a Party!

**Tickets**: \$35/person. Ticket holders will receive one drink voucher with each ticket. Appetizers will be served. Buy tickets online now at uc-educate.org/events/party-at-the-cove/

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### Doyle International Festival

On Friday, June 1, Doyle Elementary School will host their 23rd Annual International Festival from 4:00 to 7:00pm. Join the festivities on the school's grass field and the blacktop for multicultural performances and booths representing a variety of countries. This exciting event is free to the public. Food trucks will be available for purchasing dinner and dessert. For more information, please contact Doyle Principal Kimberly Moore at kmoore@sandi.net.

#### Parks, Recreation Center and Swanson Pool Updates

by Diane Ahern, UCCA Vice President

Standley Park Recreation Council held its monthly meeting at the Recreation Center at the end of April and UCCA was there.

- Parks and Recreation Area Manager Berenice Garcia announced that the finance and budget reports related to the transfer of Recreation Council funds were under way. The new fiscal year begins in July. The SDUSD (school district) and park joint use project (Imagine UC 2020) is in the preliminary planning stages. School representatives have met with UC Little League representatives. In other area updates, a fence will be installed at the canyon edge of the playground commonly known as Dinosaur Park. The Doyle Park renovation is scheduled to begin soon. The security light poles in the Swanson Pool parking lot will be inspected for safety and rust deterioration.
- Center Director Roger Hughes announced that more than 400 children and families participated in the Spring Egg Hunt. The gym floor is being refinished.
- Swanson Pool Manager Annie Flynn announced that the pool opened on August 2 and the water temperature is heated to between 84 and 87 degrees.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration committee is meeting regularly and is planning a snow event for kids. Promotional banners for the Celebration are expected to be installed the week of May 6 in the Standley Recreation Center parking lot.
- UC Del Sol reported that the Tournament of Champions is underway as is All Star selection. Unfortunately, equipment valued at \$1800 (including a pitching machine) was stolen. Fundraising is underway.
- Roger has received a request from a local realtor to host movies in the park at the Tot Lot at Florey and Cather. There were no objections raised.
- Lights have been replaced and repaired at the outdoor courts.
- The Recreation Council approved a request from Spreckels School to borrow the grill for a school BBQ; to provide a stage and sponsorship for National Night Out in August; to purchase new Santa and Bunny costumes for special events; to service and repair the six indoor basketball backboards, cables, and related apparatus; and to refresh the softball infield with new infield dirt.

Standley Park Recreation Council are volunteers who advise Park and Recreation staff on matters related to programming, events, equipment and improvements. The Recreation Council meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 7:00pm at the Recreation Center on Governor Drive. Meetings are open to the public and any adult who is interested in making an impact or has concerns about the neighborhood parks and recreation center should attend the meetings. Next meeting is Thursday, May 24.

#### UNIVERSITY CITY BLOOD DRIVE Saturday, May 12, 8:00am - 1:30pm Sprouts Marketplace on Governor Drive

You'll find the Bloodmobile in the center of the parking lot. You can sign up at www.mysdbb.org or walk-in. The best walk-in times are between 10:00am and 1:00pm. Since UC donates 43% above average, there will be an extra Blood Super Crew person to help speed things along. The fun in all this isn't the blood, the needles, or even the free snacks; it's the satisfaction of helping others anonymously. The remaining 2018 blood drives will be on Saturdays, July 14, September 15, and November 10.

Thanks – Ray the Bloodman



**UCHS HALL OF FAMER CONTINUES TO LEAD** 

Jennifer Gross, the UC Davis head women's basketball coach and a UCHS '93 grad and Hall of Famer, was named as one of 10 finalists for the 2018 United States Marine Corps/Women's Basketball Coaches Association's Pat Summitt Trophy awarded to the nation's coach of the year. Gross was selected as the Big West Conference Coach of the Year for the second straight year, after leading the Aggies to their second consecutive Big West regular season crown. Gross became the first repeat coach of the year winner in the Big West since 1999-01.

Gross started her basketball career at Standlev Rec Center. After a few years of playing with the boys, her father Steven started a league for the girls. Gross and her friends played through their high school years at UCHS, winning a CIF Championship their senior year. Gross then went on to play at UC Davis, where she set records for career assists, steals and three-pointers, the first of which still stands. After graduation, Gross played basketball in Denmark and Israel before returning to San Diego to coach at UCHS from 1999-2002. In her four seasons on the sidelines at UCHS, the team won four straight league titles and two CIF Championships. She then accepted a coaching position as an assistant at San Diego State, before returning to coach at UC Davis in 2004. Gross married UC Davis associate head coach Joe Teramoto in 2010 when they were both assistants on former coach Sandy Simpson's staff. The couple has a son, Joshua (6), and a daughter, Amelia (3).



People for a Clean UC Going Strong

Last month approximately 25 UC residents conducted a Spring neighborhood cleanup along heavily-littered streets and avenues in UC, including Governor Dr., Regents Rd., Genesee Ave., the on- and off-ramps of I-52 at Regents, the underpass at I-805 and Governor Dr., and Gilman Dr. Volunteers that morning included four teenagers. The next monthly cleanup is on Sunday, May 6, instead of May 13, which is Mother's Day. All supplies provided. Meet at Starbucks in the Sprouts Marketplace at 7:30am. Please join People for a Clean UC and tell a friend or neighbor!



#### **OMC Organizes Trip to LA Museum of the Holocaust** May 26: 8:30am - 7:00pm

The Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust presents the history of the Holocaust. The Museum's architecture and layout play significant roles in how you experience your visit. You will notice the rooms descending and decreasing in light as you progress towards the darkest part of history; from there you will ascend and return to a world of normalcy and illumination.

You must bring your own lunch or snacks drink. We plan to leave the OMC parking lot at 9:00am. We will arrive in Los Angeles, at the Museum, at 11:30am, take an hour to for lunch and start the tour at 12:30pm. We expect to finish and be back on the bus by 4:00pm, returning to OMC by 7:00pm. You must be paid in full by no later than May 7. Contact Glenn D'Abreo for ticket cost and if you have questions, call/text 858.736.4128, or e-mail seats@omcshowtime.org. The earlier you book your seat, the closer to the front of the bus you will be. Be an early bird and book

#### **OMC Brown Bag Opera: Puccini's TURNADOT**

Sunday, May 20 - 1:00pm

The Brown Bag Opera is provided Free of Charge and is streamed live from Metropolitan Opera at Our Mother of Confidence Church - Sierra Hall, 3131 Governor Dr. Bring a sack lunch, beverage or a bottle of wine. All are welcome. The opera, based on a Persian fairy tale set in ancient China, young men are literally dying to marry a princess. Time and again, Turandot poses three riddles to her suitors, sentencing them to death if they fail. When Calàf, the Prince of Tartary, sees the icy beauty, he too falls under her spell and risks his life to win her love.



Rose Canyon Harmonie returns to UCUC

On Sunday, May 20 the Rose Canyon Harmonie, a wind ensemble made up of current and former members of the La Jolla Symphony orchestra, will return to UCUC to perform Gordon Jacob's Divertimento and Mozart's Serenade No. 11. The program, which will begin at 7:00pm, will include a free-will offering benefiting the church; it should last for about one hour. Both of these pieces are beloved works in the wind ensemble repertoire. They make use of an ensemble of 8 wind players (pairs of oboes, clarinets, horns, and bassoons). The Divertimento by Gordon Jacob was written in 1968; it is a delightfully melodic piece that is enjoyable to hear and to play. The Mozart Serenade is a beautiful piece as well, full of life and beauty. This is joyful music, full of wonderful melodies and harmonies, and we're looking forward to performing these pieces for you!

#### **UCLL Baseball is in Full Swing**

As we are approach the end of May and the regular season, Closing Day and Tournement of Champions and All-Star will begin. Closing Day will be Saturday, June 2, which includes a Homerunn Derby, playoff games, and the Closing Ceremony at 2:00pm. We will end the day with a movie in the park

celebration!



- Rookie of the Year. Snack bar open will be open with the BBQ going, as well as bounce houses with a purchased wristband. Come join us for this end of the season

Join us for some post-season baseball and cheer on our teams: \*Tournament of Champions (TOC)- All in Mira Mesa: Minors June 9 -15; Intermediate June 2-9; & Juniors TBD.

\*All Star Tournaments: Intermediate June 11-28; Juniors @University City, McElroy Park June 23 - July 5. 8U All Stars June 23 - July 12; 9U All Stars June 23 - July 12.

For specifics on times and locations, please see www.ucll.org.

Please join our wonderful group of parents and friends to raise funds for our local University City Little League. The C Yoga Studio, located in the Sprouts shopping center on Governor Drive, will be holding a fundraiser on Saturday, May 5 from 7:30am -8:45am. Please see the flyer on ucll.org, registration is required.

#### Friday Night Lights Challenger Games will be Friday, May 11. 6:30pm game: Peninsula vs Scripps Ranch 7:45pm game: University City vs. PQ

The Challenger baseball division are for those players who have disabilities and want the opportunity to play Little League baseball. University City will provide buddies for all players. We are reaching out to the UC community to get involved in this game. There will be t-shirts for all buddies. We hope that a lot of people will come out to watch this game.



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UC Library Celebrates 45 Years

by Diane Ahern

Library staff, volunteers, and patrons of all ages enjoyed a Saturday afternoon filled with music and memories, activities and refreshments, and even a book sale, as the University Community Library celebrated their 45th anniversary with an Open House on April 28. UCCA wishes all a happy birthday and many thanks for helping University City be more than just a neighborhood.







# Residents Attend Impromtu Pure Water Sewer Pipeline Rally

by Barry Bernstein

Saturday, April 28 a quickly organized informational rally was held at Standley Park for the purpose of providing background information related to the concerns for the planned sewer pipeline route going through University City.



Pictured above is Barry Bernstein, UCCA president, being interviewed by Channel 10 News. Below is Don Hotz, UCCA Treasurer and UCCF Board Member, explaining the pipeline map.





# Sights and Sounds of UCHS Talent

by Sharon Hom, photos courtesy Greg Hom

The 4th Annual Sights and Sounds Showcase, an event coordinated by the UCHS Music Boosters/Centurion Foundation, was a huge success and fun for all! Students and parents were excited to see Mr. Phillip Marcus and listen to his jazz trio. While eating tasty appetizers, adults socialized and bid on the silent auction items overflowing on the tables. The musical evening featured talented students and staff performing on instruments, singing and dancing. Music genre included a little something for everyone - classical, musicals, rock, and pop. The event closed with Mr. Brandon Corenman performing with the Latin jazz band Rumba y Soul and everyone on their feet dancing (pictured above). University City is a great community with involved families and community supporters. Thank you to UCCA and Regency Centers for supporting the UCHS Music Department and our talented students!





### Kindness Rocks at Curie

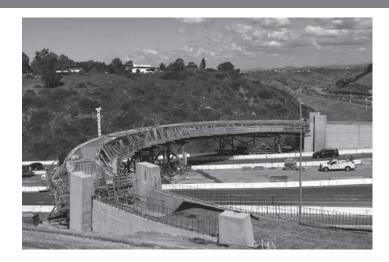
by Suzie Seldess, Curie Elementary Art Committee Chair

The Kindness Rocks Project, a national movement started by Megan Murphy (www.thekindnessrocksproject.com), inspired the Art Committee at Curie Elementary to create their own version of the Project. Ms. Murphy encourages people to leave rocks painted with positive messages for others to discover as they travel through their daily lives. During the month of April, every student, teacher, and staff member at Curie Elementary decorated their own rock with cheerful words, phrases, and colorful pictures. In the coming weeks, our beautiful rocks will be used to make a rock border around our Library Garden. If you're on the Curie Elementary campus around the end of May, please check out our own Kindness Rocks Project!

The Art Committee would like to thank all the teachers, staff, and students who participated in the Project, in addition to the parent volunteers who generously gave their time, everyone who donated Sharpie paint markers, Diane Stockton of Clairemont and Southwest Boulder and Stone for donating over 600 rocks, and Home Depot for donating spray paint. Kindness Rocks!



UC MarketPlace Property Manager Kerrie Ozarski and Starbucks Manager Lana Rodriguez greet Starbucks regulars during the dedication of the new patio area in front of Starbucks and Primos. Garden planters were installed to create barriers between patio guests and parked cars, due to recent accidents of vehicles crashing onto both storefronts.



## **Shift Program Construction Update**

<u>I-5/Genesee</u> Interchange, SANDAG/Caltrans Project: The construction team recently poured the bridge deck and removed the falsework — the framework structure that will support construction — for the pedestrian/bicycle bridge that will connect Voigt Drive to Genesee Avenue and Genesee Avenue to Sorrento Valley Road. (See above photo.) Crews will begin the final activities on the bridge by constructing the concrete barriers and the bridge to the north and south segments of the bike path.

The project is expected to be completed in late May/early June 2018. Once completed, the project will improve east-west connectivity and access to and from the freeway. Additionally, it will create a new separated and protected bike facility linking the Sorrento Valley Coaster Station to UC San Diego, Scripps Memorial Hospital and Westfield UTC. Keep up-to-date:

- Access the weekly closure list at ShiftSanDiego.com/Improvements/Notices.
- Sign up for I-5/Genesee Interchange Project updates at KeepSanDiegoMoving.com/transnet-contact.
- Learn about transportation solutions at ShiftSanDiego.com.
- Sign up for our newsletter at ShiftSanDiego.com and receive the most up-to-date construction impact notifications straight to your inbox.

Mid-Coast Trolley Construction Along Genesee Avenue, SANDAG Project: Drilling and column work for the section of the viaduct, the bridge structure that will carry the trolley, from La Jolla Village Drive to Regents Road on Genesee Avenue is underway and is expected to be completed in spring 2018. Once completed, the construction team will bring in pre-cast tubs for further assembly of the viaduct. While this work takes place in the median, motorists are encouraged to follow signage indicating the appropriate speed in active construction zones. For more information visit KeepSanDiegoMoving.com/MidCoast.

Gilman Drive Public Sewer Improvements, UC San Diego/ City of San Diego Project: The new 21-inch sewer main on UC San Diego property — from the southbound I-5 off-ramp to La Jolla Village Drive and La Jolla Shores Drive/Gilman Drive off-ramp has been constructed. To address public safety concerns, modifications have been made to the existing travel and bike lanes on Gilman Drive. Continued impacts are expected for Gilman Drive, from La Jolla Village Drive to Via Alicante, until late summer 2018.

Visit ShiftSanDiego.com to sign up for email alerts about major construction updates and access the map of all ongoing projects.



# SHORT TERM VACATION RENTALS DISCUSSED IN UNIVERSITY CITY

by Diane Ahern

Facilitated by La Jolla Town Council president Ann Kerr-Bache, University City Community Association (UCCA) members and board participated in a conversation about short term vacation rentals (STVR) at the April UCCA meeting.

In November 2017, the La Jolla Town Council (LJTC) held a forum on STVR with other Town Councils, Associations, and concerned citizens. The outcome was the formulation of the San Diego Coalition of Town Councils, which chartered a Working Group on STVR. The STVR Working Group, with many years of knowledge and experience, has developed a concise set of Recommendations for Regulations for Short Term Vacation Reptals

After the presentation and discussion, UCCA's board, with the input of those in attendance, voted to support the San Diego Coalition of Town Councils and the efforts of the STVR Working Group to develop sensible and safe neighborhood STVR recommendations. In addition, board member Mack Langston volunteered to be UCCA's representative to the Working Group. For information about the STVR Working Group, visit www.lajollatowncouncil.org/short-term-vacation-rentals

#### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning May 19, 2018
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- Dialing 9-1-1 remains unaffected, as well as 211, 311, 411, 511, 611, 711, and 811 where they are available.
- Phone Numbers and Pricing is Unchanged. Calls that are in a consumer's local calling area remain local calls.
- In April 2017, the CPUC ordered that the 619/858 will serve the same geographic area. For more info: contact your telephone service provider or www.cpuc.ca.gov/619areacode.

### Explaining the Pure Water Project as Currently Approved by City Council

by Katie Rodolico

On April 10, the San Diego City Council heard the issue of whether to certify the Pure Water Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The City Public Utilities department presented the project and explained that if the EIR was not certified as presented, the process would be delayed by 18 months. The city risked state grants and might not be eligible for federal low interest loans. The Metro Biosolids center was built in 1998 and the Utility Department offered no explanation as to why they waited until 2016 to investigate pipeline options.

Community members and organizations from University City, Clairemont, and Scripps Ranch made public comment in opposition to portions of the project. UCCA, UCCF, and UCPG were all represented by speakers opposing the Morena pipeline alignment. Councilmember Bry (University City) proposed amendments to address some of her constituents' concerns, as did Councilmember Kersey (Scripps Ranch). The measure passed, unanimously, to certify the EIR.

The schedule calls for construction to start on the Morena Pump Station and the North City site first, followed by the pressurized pipeline between the Morena Pump Station and the North City Water Reclamation plant. Construction on the Morena forcemain will start in early 2019 and last through 2020. The forcemain, and its return brine centrate line, will run through University City along Genesee to Nobel, then Nobel to Towne Centre, up to Executive, before tunneling under 805 to the North City site. Most of the construction is open trench, requiring lane closures at night, along Genesee.

The trench will be approximately 15' wide to accommodate the 48" pressurized sewage line and 30" pressurized return sludge line. When work is not happening, the trench will be covered with steel trench plates. There will be a staging area for equipment and removed materials in the Marian Bear parking lot at Genesee. This will limit access to the parking lot except on weekends. Construction along Genesee will occur at night, after 7:00pm, and during the day at Nobel and Towne Centre Drive. There will be trenchless construction (tunnels bored) under San Clemente Creek and the ramps south of 52 as well as under Rose Creek and the Amtrak rail lines.

A working group will be formed with community members, the city utility department, and the contractors to address community construction concerns. It is important we hold the city to the promises made at the hearing including verification and removal of contaminated soil from Genesee and Governor in a legal and responsible manner.

This sewage forcemain, if it proceeds as planned, will be constructed directly adjacent to the following residents, businesses, and synagogue in University City and UTC: The Villas at University Park; Regency Villas Condominiums; the west side of Tamilynn Street; the Park Condos; University Square shopping center; east end of Millikin Ave; east side of Fisk Ave; La Jolla Park East; La Jolla Park West; The west side of Calgary Street, Pacific Gardens Apartments; La Jolla Nobel Apartments; Cambridge Terrace; University Towne Square; Costa Verde shopping center; Westfield UTC Mall; Torrey Pines Village; Vista La Jolla; Westwood Apartment Homes; Renaissance La Jolla; Renaissance Towne Centre; Congregation Beth Israel; La Jolla Gateway; Embassy Suites Hotel; One La Jolla Center; Devonshire Woods; Alexandria Technology Center; and La Jolla Commons.



#### Meet Chris Nielsen Newly Elected UCPG Chair

Chris reports that he has resided in University City for the last 44 years with the last 11 years in La Jolla Colony. While studying Mathematics at UCSD (BA, 1974, MA, 1977) he was part of a team that developed transformative X-ray detector instrumentation for scientific

research. In 1983, he became a founding partner in a business, Area Detector Systems Inc., which commercialized this technology. For the next 32 years, they developed and sold detector technology worldwide. In fact, many of the research institutes (UCSD, Scripps, Salk, Burnham) and pharmaceutical companies along North Torrey Pines have been customers or users of their instrumentation. He retired at the end of 2015.

He strongly supports preserving and expanding open spaces, from small parks to canyon land. He is a supporter of the Mid-Coast Trolley project and the bus/shuttle systems that support our local housing and businesses. He is especially keen to participate in the upcoming revision of the University City Community Plan.

# San Diego's Recreation Council Working Group

by Deanna Ratnikova

Recreation councils have been in existence in San Diego since the 1950s, and until recently, have worked well with and on behalf of the City in providing recreation services. A legal opinion issued by the City Attorney's office on September 8, 2017, set in motion major changes to recreation council operations. This memo stated that all funds collected by recreation councils are 'city funds' and thus subject to applicable provisions in the SD Charter and SD Municipal Code. The issue appeared before City Council late last year and resulted in modifications to recreation council and Parks and Recreation Department operations.

All in all, the changes to recreation councils occurred fairly quickly, and the speed with which this happened and the lack of clarity on next steps were not well received by most volunteers who serve on these councils. A Working Group was formed in early 2018 to develop recommendations for changes to update the existing Council Policy on Recreation Councils (700-42) to meet legal requirements and incorporate necessary changes per the City Attorney's legal opinion. I was selected for this Working Group as one of the representatives from Council District 1.

To date, we have held five public meetings and have heard from a variety of speakers including Deputy City Attorney Heather Ferbert (who developed the September 8<sup>th</sup> legal opinion), Assistant Director of the Parks and Recreation Department Andrew Field (who has been a leader in the transition process), and Area Manager II Sara Erazo (who is working on the proposed updates to Council Policy 700-42).

The Working Group will continue to craft policy changes while also providing updates on our progress to the Park and Recreation Board, the Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Council Committee, and to the Community Parks I and II Area Committees. Our work will culminate with a recommendation to City Council in early June. All our background documents, meeting agendas, minutes and recordings, and other related material is available at: www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/general-info/reccouncilresources



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- Give "favor coupons" filling with "coupons" she can use when she needs a break.
- Make it a party and coordinate with friends to host a Mother's Day party.
- Compile a family photo book by printing pictures of family and friends.
- Schedule an activity together and give your mom and/or the special women in your life the gift of time. Treat her to dinner at a nice restaurant, a cultural event like a ballet or play, or take her to the spa.

#### Why Join 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. UCCA is the source for University City News.

Your UCCA membership dues help UCCA provide donations to many worthwhile local organizations, public schools and projects. And this year, you will have the opportunity to make an additional donation to support your preferred project or activity. Please refer to the membership coupon in this issue for more information and to join UCCA.

# Local Mother's Day Specials

UCCA reached out to our Buy Local participants to see what they were offering in honor of Mother's Day. Here are three additional ideas to make the women in your life feel special:

- Dogtopia of Miramar suggests treating mom's dog to a bath. They are offering a free dog bath with the purchase of a bath. For more information, contact Dogtopia of Miramar, located at 5260 Eastgate Mall, by phone at 858.225.7072 or visit www.dogtopia.com/san-diegomiramar/
- Dancing Hula Tai Ji is offering a Mother's Day special of \$6 off per month and \$2 off per single class in May and June 2018. For more information, visit www.dancehula.webs.com, email dancehula@mail.com or phone 858.552.9062.
- AlphaGraphics suggests writing a family history and putting it all together with their turnkey book binding services. For more information, contact AlphaGraphics, located at 3202 Governor Dr. Suite 102, by phone at 844.937.7468.

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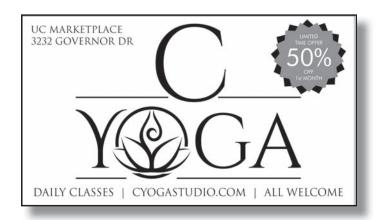
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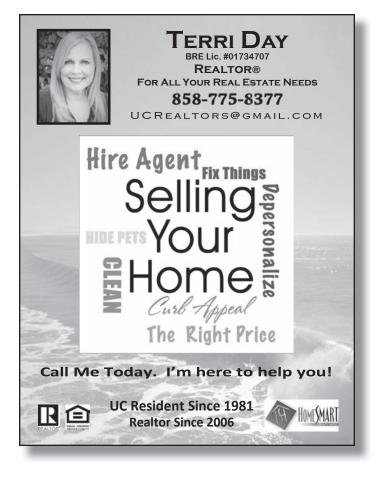
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