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University City on Track to Update Community Plan

There are four generic community "needs for update" categories that are being emphasized in the San Diego Planning Department's "Community Plan" re-writing process. The elected committee of 20+ members is a "sub-committee of the University City Planning Group. It is anticipated the new plan for University City will take approximately three years, and will allow for public participation at their meetings, and a wide range of "input" opportunities. Andy Wiese, has been elected as the chair. The four categories are listed below:

1. Population and Demographic changes
2. Enhancement of our quality of life
3. Planning for necessary infrastructure
4. Addressing climate change

For an update on the community plan, and information on participating in important upcoming UCPG elections in March, please continue reading on page 12.

NEWS FLASH!!!

Ruth DeSantis, University City Community Foundation President, reported that years of effort has finally paid off!

UCCF (Improve UC) was notified by Councilmember Barbara Bry that \$27,141 was approved to fund the preliminary engineering for upgrades to Marcy Park.

That means Phase 2 of the Marcy Park renovation is in process!

Next UCCA Meeting is Wednesday, February 13, 6:00pm
UC Library, 4155 Governor Drive

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- Send to UCCAeditor@gmail.com or jemmasamala@gmail.com.

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UCCA Meeting Synopsis

January 9

by Deanna Ratnikova
UCCA Secretary

- Appreciation plaques were presented to Costa Verde/Regency Centers and Scripps Health thanking them for their corporate sponsorships of UCCA.
- Officer Brandon Broaddus with SDPD answered questions on delivery truck parking and red light running.
- Chevelle Tate with State Senator Toni Atkins outlined new laws that went into effect on January 1, 2019.
- Bridger Langfur with City Councilmember Barbara Bry announced an agreement to build a fire station on UCSD's campus. He also discussed micro-mobility solutions (dockless bikes and scooters).
- Samantha Hurst with the newly created University City Democratic Club invited all to attend their upcoming community mixer on January 21. In giving of "equal time", Barry has extended an invitation for a representative of a local Republican organization to give an organizational update at our February meeting.
- Members of C.A.S.A. reported on the December 8 crash memorial event and expressed concerns that aircraft from MCAS Miramar are not following DoD prescribed flight paths and procedures. C.A.S.A. has sent a letter in response to questions from MCAS Miramar personnel about the DoD FLIP mandated procedures.
- Katie Rodolico reported on the first community plan update meeting (a subcommittee of UCPG). Andy Weiss was elected chair and Rebecca Robinson was elected vice chair. The next meeting is February 12, 5:30-7:00pm, preceding the UCPG meeting.
- Diane Ahern announced that there is a community clean-up in the planning stages. More will be announced in the coming months.
- The full minutes will be posted on the UCCA website once they are approved (universitycitynews.org).



UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Welcome Back to our newsletter readers...I hope this past holiday season was full of joy and good health for you and your families.

Lots of important and exciting things have been happening in our community since last I've written. Here are just some:

It seems that San Diego is on track for a "normal" amount of precipitation, the Los Angeles Chargers had a very successful NFL season, (if you bit your tongue and watched), and a new Super Bowl Champion will be crowned.

The Padres will be starting Spring Training in Peoria this month. The word is out that we will see the new version of the brown/gold Padre

uniforms in 2020, it's their 50th Anniversary as part of Major League Baseball and the management likes the idea of a "throwback" to the colors of the "Friars" initial season.

UCCA has begun its series of podcasts...check it out and let us know what you think and what you'd like to hear.

UCPG's elected subcommittee, whose responsibility will be to write a new Community Plan have begun this three-year process. Their next public meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 5:30pm at the Campus Point location. A report/update of that committee's actions will be provided at every UCCA meeting by our elected representative to that committee, Katie Nelson Rodolico.

CASA (Citizens Advocating Safe Aviation) was recognized by UCCA for their efforts in trying to improve communications with Miramar, MCAS, and their help with the December 8 Crash Memorial event. At the January 9 meeting, UCCA presented appreciation plaques to Scripps Health, Costa Verde Mall, and Westfield/UTC for their partnership and support of University City community events.

UCCF's Lawsuit

The lawsuit against the City Water Dept.'s plan to construct the two large sewer pipelines through UC as part of the planned "pure water" project is tentatively scheduled to be heard for the first time in Court this month. UCCF, under the leadership of Ruth DeSantis, is leading the cause for our community. Ruth will provide a progress report at our February UCCA meeting.

LOCAL POLITICS

Barbara Bry, (our elected U.C./District 1 City Councilperson), and Todd Gloria, (CA Assemblyman), have announced/filed their intent to throw their "hats into the ring" for the San Diego mayor's job. I'm guessing other familiar qualified candidate names will soon be added to the short list. Former mayoral candidate and California Assemblyman, Nathan Fletcher, (who previously resided in UC) was elected/sworn-in to serve on the San Diego County Board of Supervisors. UCPG will be electing a South U.C. resident to sit on their Board at the February/and or March meeting. If interested in nominating yourself, please contact John Bassler at: jbassle1@san.rr.com.

UCCA STUFF

At our February 13 UCCA meeting, an important and long-awaited update on the "Imagine UC 2020" project, (new Standley Park swimming pool, jogging path, and performance pavilion), will be delivered by Dr. John Lee Evans, Board of Education trustee. Ruth DeSantis, UCCF president, will be providing an update on the lawsuit opposing the construction of the sewer pipeline in UC. These are just two important reasons to mark your calendars and to plan to attend our meeting.

Keep informed, JOIN UCCA...and remember, University City is "more than just a neighborhood". ~Barry

calendar

**LUNAR NEW YEAR
YEAR OF THE PIG**
Tuesday, February 5

**UC CELEBRATION COMMITTEE
4th of JULY EVENT**
Wednesday, February 6, 7:00pm
Standley Park Rec Center

PEOPLE FOR A CLEAN UC
Sunday, February 10
7:30-9:00am

Cleanup volunteers meet at Starbucks
3202 Governor Drive, supplies provided

UC PLANNING GROUP
Tuesday, February 12
Community Plan Writing Committee -
5:30pm
Monthly UCPG Meeting - 7:00pm
10300 Campus Point Drive

UCCA MEETING
Wednesday, February 13 6:00pm
UC Library, 4155 Governor Drive

VALENTINE'S DAY
Thursday, February 14

PRESIDENT'S DAY
Monday, February 18
Schools closed February 15 and 18

UC CLUSTER COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, February 25

DOYLE RECREATION
Tuesday, February 26, 6:30pm

STANDLEY RECREATION
Thursday, February 28, 7:00pm

**DON'T FORGET!
IT'S TIME TO JOIN OR RENEW YOUR
UCCA MEMBERSHIP**



SOCIAL SECURITY CALLING? NOPE, IT'S SCAMMERS

Latest impostors ask for personal info to grab your cash

This article submitted by Susan Tompor appeared in the Sunday, December 23, 2018 Union Tribune; she writes for the Detroit Free Press.

Her report states that crooks are impersonating an official from the Social Security Administration, making harassing calls similar to the annoying Internal Revenue Service calls.

In the Social Security scam, they're spoofing the 800-number for the Social Security Administration. The crooks have the ability to spoof caller IDs to make it look like you're being contacted by a legitimate source.

What to look for regarding this scam:

- Sometimes the number on your caller ID can show up as (800)772-1213. It's a legitimate number but that doesn't mean the call isn't from a scammer.
- If someone asks for information in order to make sure that you get a bigger Social Security check each month, it's a fraud.
- Social Security also isn't going to call and threaten that your benefits will be terminated.
- Some crooks claim that the Social Security computers are down and they need you to help to provide some information. A huge red flag - Social Security already has your Social Security number and won't be calling to ask you to hand over that number to them.
- If you receive a suspicious call from someone alleging to be from the Social Security Administration, you should report that information to the Office of the Inspector General for Social Security at (800) 269-0271 for the Social Security fraud hotline. Or you can make a fraud report online at oig.ssa.gov/report.

Also be aware of someone going door-to-door offering "better Medicare plans" They will ask to see your old Social Security card, taking that information for their system. A phone caller may claim to be returning a call about an inquiry involving Social Security benefits, hang up.

Be alert to any of these scenarios, hang up and report; do not give any information and let seniors, who are living alone or you feel vulnerable, know what to do.

REMINDER

It is recommended, by first responders, to mark your curb with your address and make sure you have a visible address on your home to save time in an emergency.

CUT OUT THE LIST BELOW AND SAVE

Neighborhood Watch Crime Prevention Contact List (February 2019)

University City Neighborhood Watch Coordinator
Barbara Gellman: email bggellman@yahoo.com
universitycitynews.org
sandiegoneighborhoodwatch.com

Police and Fire:

- Police Emergency and Fire/Rescue or Medical Emergency: Call 9-1-1
- Police non-emergency: Call 619-531-2000 or file online complaint at sdpdfilemypolicereport.org/
- Northern Division, 4275 Eastgate Mall, San Diego, CA 92037, SDPDNorthern@pd.sandiego.gov or 858-552-1700
- Northern Division's Community Relations Officer: Brandon Broaddus bbroaddus@pd.sandiego.gov or 858-552-1703

City and County Services:

- Abandoned Vehicles: Get-It-Done app at sandiego.gov/get-it-done
- Aging and Independence Services: sandiegocounty.gov/hhsa or 800-510-2020
- Air Pollution District: sdapcd.org/ or 858-586-2650
- Animal Control: Humane Society 619-299-7012 or sdhumane.org/
- Burn Institute: burninstitute.org or 858-541-2277
- CAPP (Community Assisted Party Program): Call 619-531-2000 or email CAPP coordinator SDPDNorthern@pd.sandiego.gov
- Citizens Request: sandiego.gov/police/forms/citizen-request
- City of San Diego website: sandiego.gov
- City of San Diego services, non-emergency complaints: Get-It-Done app at sandiego.gov/get-it-done
- Code Enforcement: Call 619-536-5500 or Get-It-Done app at sandiego.gov/get-it-done
- County health, safety and community disaster services: 2-1-1 San Diego at 211sandiego.org
- Crime Statistics and Alerts: crimemapping.com
- Drug and Gang Activity: sandiego.gov/police/forms/citizen-request
- Fire Prevention Bureau: sandiego.gov/fire
- Graffiti: Get-It-Done app at sandiego.gov/get-it-done
- Homeless Services (San Diego): sandiego.gov/homeless-services or 858-300-1211 or 2-1-1
- Miramar Operations Duty Officer (noise and operations concerns): miramarmcas.odo@usmc.mil or 858-577-4277
- Noise and Other Nuisances: 619-531-2000 or sandiego.gov/police/forms/citizen-request
- Poison Control: calpoison.org or 800-222-1222
- Project Wildlife: projectwildlife.org or 619-225-9453
- Street division: 619-527-7500 or Get-It-Done app at sandiego.gov/get-it-done
- Trash Pickup: Environmental Services at sandiego.gov/environmental-services
- Vacation Check (RSVP) and 'You Are Not Alone': Email SDPDNorthern@pd.sandiego.gov or call 858-552-1737
- Vector Control: sandiegocounty.gov
- Water & Sewer Emergency: Call 619-515-3525

District 1 Updates from Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry



UCSD Fire Station

The UC San Diego Fire Station moved one step closer to construction. I was happy to make the motion when it was both at the City's Public Safety and Livable Neighborhoods Committee and the full City Council where it was unanimously approved.

UC San Diego will provide the City of San Diego \$20.6 million and land for the new station on North Torrey Pines Road at Northpoint Driveway, just south of

Genesee Avenue. In exchange, the City of San Diego will build a 10,500-square-foot station and pay for the equipment and the annual costs of operation.

This fire station is long overdue and I am appreciative of UCSD for their patience and commitment throughout the process. The UC San Diego Fire Station is a much-needed infrastructure addition which will greatly benefit the surrounding community.

Capital Improvement Funding to University City

Fire Station 50 was awarded \$1 million in funding for a fire engine. These funds are from a facility benefit assessment (FBA) which are development impact fees (DIF). DIF are one-time payments that must be paid prior to building or construction permit issuance.

Also, \$27,141 is being allocated for design upgrades for Marcy Park which could include the replacement of trees, upgrades to the park benches and tables and revamping the play structure. Marcy Park is an asset to the University City community and it definitely deserves the design upgrades.

UC Community Plan Update Invitation

I want to extend an invitation to attend the next University City Community Planning Group's subcommittee for the University City Community Plan Update. The meeting will take place at 10300 Campus Point Drive on February 12 at 5:30 pm. My UC Community Representative, Bridger Langfur, will be attending the meeting.

Touring One of Our District's Gems

My staff and I toured Rose Canyon with Debby Knight. I want to personally thank Debby and Friends of Rose Canyon who have dedicated so much time and care to the preservation of one of the many natural spaces that make District 1 so special.

Debby's understanding of the native flora and fauna in the canyon was very informative. I hope that you all have an opportunity to enjoy Rose Canyon.

Remembering the Yoon Family

I was honored to be among so many friends who honored the Yoon family at University Village Park for the 10th anniversary of this tragic event. I would like to thank the community for putting together a beautiful event in memory of the Yoon family who died when a military plane crashed in University City.

Parks and Recreation staff, UCCA, UCCF, and CASA led by Pia Montovani-Sud planted a beautiful living memorial in the form of four Jacaranda trees. I was pleased to see so many people join us for the memorial and as I said at the event, in the Jewish tradition, "May your memory be a blessing".

Thank you for allowing me to serve and represent you on the City Council. Please feel free to contact my office with any questions, concerns or feedback at 619-236-6611 or barbarabry@sandiego.gov.

Supervisor Kristin Gaspar

San Diego County has an opioid and prescription drug problem that unfortunately continues to get worse. A few months ago the San Diego County Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force released the 2018 report card and it revealed that the number of San Diegans who died from unintentional drug-related deaths rose for the fourth year in a row. Fentanyl and heroin continue to be public enemy number one, infiltrating our borders at a record pace. Prescription drug abuse is an equal opportunity killer and can affect anyone, crossing socio-economic status, ethnicity, gender and age.

Last October, I introduced an initiative at the Board of Supervisor's meeting to fight opioid and prescription drug abuse in the County. We have partnered with the "Safe Homes Coalition" and the "San Diego Association of REALTORS" – which has 20,000 members. On April 6, real estate agents and anyone who would like to volunteer, will walk neighborhoods all around the county providing homeowners with bags to collect expired and unused medications in their homes. The process is anonymous. Postage on the bags will be pre-paid and the prescriptions will be shipped to a DEA-compliant disposal facility where they will be weighed and then incinerated. Our San Diego region has a long history of proactively addressing community problems. As government, we cannot solve complex issues alone and we must work with our community partners to realize this vision. Our coalition is working hard to plan this event in April and need as many boots on the ground as possible. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer on April 6, visit makeitasafehome.org/ and register there.

From Vision 2020 to Vision 2030 John Lee Evans, San Diego School Board

Back in 2009 when we began working on Vision 2020 the Class of 2020 was in first grade. Next year they are going to graduate being better prepared for college and career than previous classes. This year's first graders are the Class of 2030 and we need to begin focusing on Vision 2030. We need to make sure they are prepared to navigate world in which they will be doing jobs that do not even currently exist. These students need to be a very creative and innovative generation to succeed.

Right now we are concentrating on K-3 literacy. We increased the graduation rate by paying attention early in high school to those students who were at risk. But we need to look even earlier. Not being proficient in reading by third grade is a strong predictor of future failure in school.

We are facing two achievement gaps. The first is the gap between Latinos, African Americans, English Learners and low income students compared to the other students. But even our best performing students are not performing nearly as well as their peers from other countries on international tests. Our students need to be prepared to compete in a global economy.

Singapore is an example of a country that went from being quite poor to a world class economy by focusing on education. By looking at a few countries that are producing stellar results there are several common factors. There is a focus on early literacy. In San Diego we are in the middle of our K-3 literacy focus. These countries also provide quality preschool for all students. We are gradually moving towards universal preschool in California. Extra resources and attention are dedicated to those most disadvantaged in the successful countries. Our Local Control Funding Formula provides extra funds for low income, English Learners, foster and homeless youth. In all of the successful countries the position of teachers is quite prestigious with competitive entry, internships and early career support and pay commensurate with the prestige of the profession.

One area in which we excel in San Diego is in the broad curriculum and extracurricular activities. Our music programs are expanding across the district and earn many awards. We have a wide variety of sports in our athletic programs, which resulted in a many of our teams participating in CIF championships.

Full and fair funding is also a key element for a world class school system. Money itself does not automatically produce academic improvement (our district has plenty of examples of no or low cost improvements), but insufficient funding does hold us back from the progress we could achieve with all of our students. Stay tuned as together we continuously transform our schools to meet the needs of all of our students.

February 2019: Library Holiday Closure; book drops will remain open.

- **Monday, February 18: CLOSED in observance of Presidents' Day**

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

**Friends of the Library Book Sale**

Thursday, January 31 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Friday, February 1 from 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 2 from 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

University City Community Association

Community meeting featuring updates from legislative, law enforcement, fire-rescue service, and other community leaders. All are welcome. Wednesday, February 13; networking @ 5:30; meeting @ 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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, February 1, 8, 15, & 22 @ 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Classics Book Club will be discussing Good-bye Mr. Chips by James Hilton. Monday, February 4 @ 3:30 p.m.

Accordion Club meets on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. All are welcome Saturday, February 9 & 23 @ 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

OASIS: Louvre and Prado - This lecture explores the world-renowned Musee du Louvre in Paris and Museo del Prado in Madrid. Artist Amanda Schaffer discusses and compares the history, architecture, and collection highlights of both museums. Friday, February 15 @ 12:30 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, February 25 @ 10:00 a.m. & Noon.

UC Book Club will be discussing Ellen Browning Scripps: New Money and American Philanthropy by Molly McClain. Wednesday, February 27 @ 2:00 p.m.

Zentangle, an introduction. This class will be an introduction to Zentangle. If you can draw lines and circles, you can Zentangle. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Wednesday, February 28 @ 1:00 p.m.

Events for Children

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

Live! Homework Help - A volunteer will be at the library to help with homework. Tuesday & Thursday @ 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Valentine's Day Craft - Make a book with pop-out hearts that each have a message for someone special or maybe for your family. Decorate with hearts of all sizes and colors. Your own words and drawings make it special. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Wednesday, February 13 @ 2:00 p.m.

LEGO Club - Come build anything you can image with LEGO. Thursday, February 14 @ 3:00 p.m.

Rainbow Blooms Pot Craft - Come and let's make a home decor piece of craft. Roll up papers of different colors and make florets and arrange them in a Popsicle pot. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Wednesday, February 20 @ 2:00 p.m.

Video Game Fridays - Come play video games on the Nintendo Switch with your friends. Friday, February 8, 15 & 22 @ 3:00 p.m.

North University Community February Highlights | 8820 Judicial Drive | 858-581-9637 | sandiego.gov/public-library**February Special Event**

Concert of Romantic Music; Sunday, February 10 at 3:00 p.m. Adrienne Nims plays a medley of romantic music.

Events for Adults/Seniors

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

Knitters' Circle; Thursday, February 7 & 21 at 1:00 p.m. All yarn enthusiasts are welcome.

Fiction Fanatics Book Club; Saturday, February 9 at 10:00 a.m. Title to be discussed in December is *The Mermaid Chair* by Abraham Verghese.

Guided Meditation; Sunday, February 10 & 24 at 12:30 p.m. Guided meditation followed by tea.

A Cup of Creation: Art Classes for Adults; Sunday, February 10 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.

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.

Sign Language Storytime; Thursdays 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!

Chinese Storytime; Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Nancy sings, dances, and reads books in Chinese and English.

Yoga Storytime; Friday, February 8 & 22 at 11:00 a.m. 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.

Tiny Tots PJ Storytime; Tuesday, February 11 & 25 at 6:30 p.m. A fun evening storytime with music.

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 for more information and to confirm any given program. Changes are rare, but may occur. **Check with libraries to verify holiday closings.**



A Girl Scout Gold Project to Promote Music in the Elementary Schools

by Sharon Hom

All 4th and 5th graders are invited to a Band and Orchestra Music Clinic at Standley Rec Center on Friday, February 8 from 2:45-4:15pm. Julianne Hom will be recruiting her UC High classmates to volunteer. If you are interested in signing up your child, please email music.gsgold18@gmail.com.

Donate your child's old elementary music method book. The following books are needed for all band and orchestral instruments:

Band only:

- Standard of Excellence Book 1: Comprehensive Band Method
- Standard of Excellence: First Performance

Band and Orchestra:

- Essential Elements Book 1
- To donate, please email music.gsgold18@gmail.com.

Music Stands for Spreckels Elementary: Julianne is also trying to raise money to purchase quality music stands. If you would like to donate, please email music.gsgold18@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATES

EdUCate! - Taste of the Triangle 25th Anniversary Silver Celebration

Friday, May 3
Pirch at Westfield UTC
More info to come at: uc-educate.org

Curie - Party with a Purpose

Friday, March 8, 6:00-10:00pm
AleSmith Brewery
More info at: curiepta.org

Doyle - International Festival

Friday, May 31
More info to follow

Spreckels - Fiesta de Mayo

Wednesday, May 1
More info to follow

Volunteer Opportunities

READERS – Reading to Elementary School Students

Is your New Year's Resolution to make a difference in the life of a UC child? Here's your opportunity! Doyle Elementary EARS (Everyone A Reader) program is searching for a Thursday reading tutor! You will read with students who have been identified by their teachers as needing help.

Training is available through San Diego County Office of Education at community sites or at Doyle. The tutoring commitment is about two hours on Thursdays for the remainder of the current school year. Materials are provided and you'll be working with the same students each week. Tutors substitute for one another for appointments, traveling and unexpected events. Thanks for considering this request!

For more information contact cidunlevy@sdcoe.net. For information specific to Doyle Elem., please contact Carol Parham at cjparham@gmail.com or 858.864.3141.

WALKERS – UCCA Newsletter Delivery Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help distribute the UCCA newsletters. A once a month commitment to deliver newsletters, usually available the first weekend of the month. You get the months of January and August off. Volunteers are needed for the following routes:

72 homes - Stadium, Stadium Ct and Way, Ithaca and Ithaca Way (central UC)

35 homes - Fried St. (West UC)

45 homes - Renault and Renault Place (West UC)

Have a friend join you to enjoy walking our neighborhood. If interested, contact Don Hotz don.hotz@yahoo.com.



Friends of the Library Book Sale

Thurs 1:00p-5:30p • Fri 9:30a-5:30p • Sat 9:30a-5:30p

Stock up on children's books, fiction for all ages, find a great cookbook or discover some long-lost favorite movies on VHS or DVD—all at great prices.

Proceeds benefit the UC Library.

Jan. 31, Feb. 1,
& Feb. 2



University Community Branch Library

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Swanson Pool to Reopen February 24

Save the date! The Spring Schedule will begin Sunday, February 24, subject to weather and facility condition. Swanson Pool, located at 3585 Governor Drive in Standley Park, offers both lap and recreational swim, water fitness, youth swim team and youth water polo, swim lessons and more. For program information, call the pool at 858.552.1653 or search "Swanson Pool" on the City's website at www.sandiego.gov.

Westfield UTC to Begin Charging for Parking

The Westfield UTC Shopping Center will begin charging for parking on January 30. The new parking plan allows visitors to park for free for the first two hours. After that, shoppers will be charged \$2 for every hour (\$2 for visits lasting two to three hours, \$4 for visits lasting three to four hours, \$6 for visits lasting four to five hours, etc). Those who park at the mall for longer than nine hours will be charged a \$15 daily maximum. Customers of Arlight Cinemas, 24-Hour Fitness and the Ice Sports Center can receive validations for extra hours of free parking.



Flashback to the 70s

Who remembers houses selling for \$37,000? Thrifty and Safeway? University Gardens and University Village subdivisions? Gas stations at Regents? San Diego Trust and Savings? The early days of Curie Elementary? A time without Standley Park or the Library on Governor? Cars with wood paneling? Wide open fields and construction vehicles? That's our University City history.

Take a look at University City street videos of Governor Drive, Genesee Avenue and Regents Road from 1970 courtesy of the City Clerk's Office. This collection consists of film created by the Transportation and Storm Water Department from January to October 1970. Described as a Photolog by the department, each reel of 35mm color film was taken by a camera attached to a car driving down the street or highway, producing street level views. The individual reels were converted to a digital version by the City Clerk's Archives. Links to over 250 San Diego street videos are available at www.sandiego.gov/digitalarchives/film-audio/street-videos

UC DEL SOL OPENING DAY

IS FEBRUARY 23

Please join us on February 23 as UC Del Sol's Girls Softball League celebrates "Opening Day 2019"! We have a full day of fun and activities scheduled to kick off the 2019 Girls Softball Season.

The top of the fun list will be an appearance by San Diego's very own Famous Chicken. The Chicken will throw out the ceremonial first pitch and judge our team banner contest, plus be available for selfies and interaction with fans. And who knows what else?

Also appearing will be the Standley Middle School band, who will perform a few numbers for us, including the National Anthem.

A jumping station, carnival-type games and a cookie design table will be set up for the little ones. The winner of our first annual T-Shirt design contest will also be announced, and those shirts will be available for sale.

Oh, and softball. The first games will begin at 9:00am at Standley Middle School fields, followed by the Opening Day ceremonies, which will begin at 11:00am. At that time, all of the UC Del Sol softball teams will parade onto the field holding their team banners. Then will be the marquee game of the day, which will include the ceremonial first pitch, and will occur around 12:15pm. We hope to see you there! Come hungry and support girls' athletics and UC Del Sol softball!



Fast Times for UC Little League Fundraiser

University City Little League will be having a Parent Night Fundraiser on Saturday, February 9, at Fast Times, located at 3065 Clairemont Drive. The event helps support UCLL baseball in the UC community. UCLL is a 100% volunteer organization which needs funding for equipment, uniforms, field improvements and umpires.



The event starts at 5:00pm with dinner, music, raffle, silent and live auctions. At 7:00pm, live band Classic Buzz starts performing. Cost is \$25 per person, and includes dinner (tri-tip or veggie), and one raffle ticket. The fundraiser is for adults only, and is a good time to meet friends and fellow baseball lovers, and enjoy an evening supporting local baseball. More info at ucll.org.

Old equipment exchange/donation on February 16. Contact UCLL for more info.

Opening Day is Saturday, March 2! Join UCLL as another baseball season begins in UC. Opening Ceremonies begin at 9:00am followed by the traditional T-Ball Otter Pop race, snack bar specials, games and other fun activities. We hope to see you on the field!

UC SPOTLIGHT: THOMAS LEVY, PH.D. IT'S ALL ABOUT ROOTS

by Vince Reardon



Who are we and where do we come from? For UC resident Thomas Levy finding answers to these questions have driven him across continents, beneath oceans and beyond millennia in a career spanning 40 years. Thomas Levy is a Distinguished Professor of Anthropology and holds the Norma Kershaw Chair in the Archaeology of Ancient Israel and Neighboring Lands at UCSD. Author of 15 books and hundreds of scholarly research papers, he was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2008.

Growing up in Los Angeles, Levy was captivated by the stories of a family friend and anthropologist, Count Taylor, who had done field work in West Africa. "He was an influence. I was convinced by the age of 12 that I wanted to become an archaeologist," he said. In no time Levy volunteered for a dig in Pacific Palisades, and then all through high school he went on digs in Arizona and New Mexico. After a year at college, the 17-year-old volunteered for his first serious dig in Israel at Tel Gezer, a famous Biblical archaeological site. Professor William Dever, who would become one of the most prominent American archaeologists of the Middle East, organized the project. Fatefully, after transferring to the University of Arizona in Tucson, Levy met up with Professor Dever who had begun teaching there. Dever eventually became one of Levy's important mentors.

Earning a Ph.D. in Prehistory & Archaeology and the University of Sheffield in England, Levy spent the next 13 years doing field work in Israel, while holding Assistant Directorships at the Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology at the Hebrew Union College and the W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research – both American research centers in Jerusalem. In 1992, he joined the Anthropology department at UC San Diego.

While the image of the archeologist as a collector of old things is thankfully a thing of the past, some may still wonder if archaeology speaks to modern people. Enter Tom Levy! Colleagues say he is not only a great field archaeologist but also a technological innovator, combining traditional best practices with the latest advances in technology. Levy uses tools, such as GPS, virtual reality and others, to analyze, archive and disseminate the things our human ancestors created, used, changed or discarded.

Armed with these powerful tools, he and his colleagues are expanding the boundaries of their discipline into cyber-archaeology and marine archaeology. "Today, we can use IT [information technology] to control the context of all the stuff we excavate," he said. For example, Levy and Steve Savage, a research associate at the California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (Calit2) – Qualcomm Institute at UC San Diego, developed an interactive digital archaeology atlas of the Holy Land with over 40,000 sites.

In 2016 Levy received a \$1 million grant from the UC Office of the President to use virtual-reality technology to archive and safeguard 10,000 years of the cultural heritage of some of the most at-risk cultural objects in Greece, Turkey, Jordan, Israel, Egypt and Cyprus. "Large-scale virtual-reality kiosks [showcasing the ancient sites] have been set up in libraries and museums on four university campuses, including UC San Diego," he said.

Levy's most recent endeavor is in marine archaeology. He and Richard Norris, a Professor of Oceanography at Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD, have conducted underwater expeditions in Greece and Israel to study how ancient people adapted to climate change, especially rising seas. In February, Levy is off to Israel for a marine archaeology project along the Mt. Carmel coastline.

Levy and his wife Alina, who has collaborated on many of his projects, co-authored a book with him about traditional bronze casters in India. They have two adult sons, Ben and Gil.

For some archaeology is an interest, for others a job, but for Tom Levy it has been the adventure of a lifetime. "It's about discovering our roots and how we adapt to our natural and cultural environments and look at it from a deep-time perspective," Levy said. "That has always fascinated me."



Girl Scouts Paint Electrical Box

In January, Standley Middle School eighth-graders Lyla Thygerson and Tatiana Nagai, from Girl Scout Troop 3333 in University City, painted an electrical box as part of their Girl Scout Silver Award, which is the second highest honor a Girl Scout can earn. The Silver Award is a project that addresses a community issue and leaves a lasting impact.

The painted electrical box, which is located in the Marketplace shopping center near the intersection of Governor Drive and Regents Road, displays how trash from mountains and rivers goes into the ocean, harms animals, and causes pollution. Lyla and Tatiana believe it is important that people are aware of this issue because it affects everyone, and the fish and seafood we consume are affected by the trash dumped in the ocean. The painted electrical box reminds the community to "reduce, reuse, and recycle" so that the ocean and its wildlife are preserved for the future.



Musical Evening at Newman Center

Everyone is invited to A Wonderful Musical Evening at Good Samaritan Church (43231 Eastgate Mall) at 7:00pm, on March 2. There will be performances by the San Diego Mandolin Orchestra, national and international competition winning harpist, 13-year-old Isabella McCormick, and the A'Peal Good Samaritan Bell Choir. The event is presented by the Newman Center at UCSD Women's Ministry. Tickets are \$15 each. For more information and tickets contact: Teresa Cooper or Bessie Floyd at womensministry@catholicucsd.org



Memorial and Tree Dedication

I would like to express my gratitude for all of you who came to the Memorial and Tree Dedication on December 8, 2018, to honor the victims of the military crash of 2008. Many of you found the event to be meaningful and helpful.

A special thank you to Ruth DeSantis for getting the permit and planting, as well as for the funding, through UCCF, of the four jacaranda trees. Thank you UCCA, UCCF, SD Park & Recreation Department, SD Fire, SD Police and all the elected officials and their representatives who came to remember with us, as well as the Citizens Advocating Safe Aviation.

The next step is to get a memorial bench in the park, since the City won't allow us to install plaques.

Respectfully submitted - *Pia Mantovani-Sud*



Newly Formed UC Democratic Club Meets and Greets

by Mack Langston

Many members of the newly organized University City Democratic Club (UCDC) joined together January 21 at the Smokeyard restaurant in UTC. The meeting was intentionally designed to allow the UCDC members to mingle while simultaneously recognizing the Martin Luther King Day holiday by inviting several members of the Black American Political Association (BAPAC) of California to join in the event.

SD City Council Member, Barbara Bry, and US Representative, Scott Peters, spoke to the crowd. Additionally, Dr. Willie P. Blair, President of BAPAC, gave an enthusiastic and well received tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King.

(*Editor's Note: Local Republican Party representatives will be attending the next UCCA meeting on February 13.)



UC Cars & Coffee Meetup Group Attracts Local Car Enthusiasts

by Jemma Samala

University City residents heading out to get their morning Starbucks on the fourth Saturday of the month may notice classic and exotic cars parked in the lots. Not a car show, but the UC Cars & Coffee meetup group casually shows off to show off their cars and to check out shared vehicles. UC's own Ryan Ahearn and David Wright run the group, whose meetups have been a popular monthly UC activity. They also run the annual "car show" at the UC Celebration on the 4th of July. The February Cars & Coffee meetup is scheduled for Saturday, February 23, from 8:00-10:00am in the UC MarketPlace (Sprouts shipping center) parking lot, 3202 Governor Drive. To keep updated on the group, join the Facebook group @UCCarsandCoffee.





Lighting Up the Night in UC

by Barry Bernstein, photos by Greg Hom

Friday, December 14 was a "Night of Celebration" in University City. Following the traditional Rec. Center's "Dinner with Santa", (spaghetti meal from Lorna's), UCCA's decorating elves lit up the evening sky and performers opened our hearts with music from the Our Mother of Confidence children's choir, and two local girl scout troops known as, "The Caroling Kids from UC."

Lively holiday music provided by the Standley Middle School Band and the Tectonics quartet added to the holiday spirit, as Tom Ventimiglia sang his own rendition of "Hanukkah, oh, Hanukkah" during the lighting of the menorah. Then it was time for the countdown for the lighting of the Tree and for the long awaited welcoming of Santa Claus. Delicious hot chocolate, cookies, donuts and other tasty morsels, (provided by Coffee Bean and Carl's Jr.), were enjoyed by all.



CONTINUING THE TRADITION

by Sandy Lippe

Valentine's Day is around the corner and the community members who worked on setting up decorations for the Tree and Menorah Lighting have a short poem for you.

*Roses are red
Violets are gold
the decorating group
is getting old.*

Please consider volunteering to help for the 2019 Tree and Menorah Lighting by contacting our hardworking chair, Darlene Ventimiglia, who will tell you how much fun she has had the last 17 years. Jim Simon has served as chief engineer in setting up the tree. The year's tree was artificial. Santa's helpers were real: Dave Buttemer, designer Judy Bethel and her granddaughter, Betsy Sickels, Rudy Molina, Barry Bernstein, Barbara Henshaw, Sandy Lippe, Don Hotz, and Andy Freeburn. Please follow through and come on board for 2019.



Pictured above: Darlene Ventimiglia and Barbara Henshaw, co-chairs of Tree and Menorah Lighting, look at the finished product with Jim Simon, a longtime volunteer.



UCPG University Community Planning Group holding elections Tuesday, March 12

Don't delay; register today. In order to vote in the March 12, 2019, UCPG election, you must be registered as a general University Community Planning Group UCPG member before February 12, 2019. There is no cost to be a UCPG Planning Group member; membership does not expire; but members must have current address information on file with the Membership Secretary. For more information and to download the UCPG registration form, visit UCCA's website www.universitycitynews.org and search on "Get ready to vote!"

Community Plan Update by Katie Rodolico

The first meeting of the University Community Plan Update (CPU) subcommittee was held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019. The group is a subcommittee of the University Community Planning Group (UCPG). The goal is to update the existing community plan, which is the document used by UCPG and the city's planning department for our community. It addresses topics such as land use and transportation in the area.

The subcommittee was selected in October. It is made up of ten UCPG board members and nine members of the community who are not on the UCPG board. Andrew Wiese was elected as the subcommittee chair. He is a UCPG representative for South UC. Rebecca Robinson was elected as vice chair. She is a business representative for the La Jolla area. Andy Hosch, UCSD student representative, was elected as the recording secretary.

There was extensive discussion on when the public meetings should take place. Agreement was made for the next meeting to take place prior to the UCPG meeting on Tuesday, February 12, from 5:30-7:00pm. The UCPG meeting will start at 7:00pm to accommodate this. The meeting will be held in the conference room above Green Acres restaurant at 10300 Campus Pointe Drive. The meeting in February will include a presentation on the feedback received from the Community Plan Update open house held on September 26, 2018. There will be discussion of what the vision of the community will be in 20-30 years.

The March meeting will discuss land use. Specifically looking at what parcels/areas are ripe for change from the existing community plan. Discussion will include open space and public facilities (parks, libraries, fire stations), as well. Spring will bring discussions of multi-modal traffic: auto, public transit, pedestrian, and bicycle. Land use will be revisited in the summer.

These meetings are open to the public and is the primary manner to provide input to the community plan. Documents related to the community plan update, which includes a link to the University Community Atlas - an intensive look at the University Community demographics, transportation, wildlife conservation areas, etc.) can be found at: www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpu/university

Agendas and minutes are maintained at: www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpu/university/subcommittee-university-documents

*The next Community Plan writing committee meeting will be held at 5:30 at the Campus Point location. Public invited.

BUY LOCAL UC

by Diane Ahern

Buy Local with UCCA connects individual UCCA members with local businesses. Customers must present a valid, current 2019 UCCA membership card at the time of purchase in order to take advantage of Buy Local offers. UCCA thanks all the local businesses which are partnering with us for 2019. For a complete listing of Buy Local businesses and offers, please visit www.universitycitynews.org/buy-local-with-ucca/

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- Westfield UTC Mall
- Wikitiki Pacific Island Apparel
- Your Acne Solutions

Flight Information Planning (FLIP) at MCAS Miramar

by Stephanie Jed and Ron Belanger
co-presidents Citizens Advocating Safe Aviation

Citizens Advocating Safe Aviation (CASA) is a watchdog group that came together as a result of the December 2008 F-18 fatal crash that took the lives of four neighbors in University City. At the December 8, 2018, Victims' Memorial and Tree Dedication, representatives of MCAS Miramar asked CASA representatives to substantiate community claims that Miramar aircraft departing Miramar airport are not permitted to fly west of the 805 until north of Carroll Canyon Road.

On January 7, 2019, we sent an email response to our contacts at Miramar with 8 specific assertions about DoD mandated Miramar flight operations derived primarily from the current DoD Flight Information Publication (FLIP AP/1). To view our analysis, visit UCCA's website at www.universitycitynews.org/category/miramar/

MCAS Miramar plays a vital role in the operations, training and readiness of our military forces and is proudly supported by our community. It's our belief that adherence to existing procedures will enhance the safety and efficiency of operations and training at MCAS Miramar with no reduction in readiness or increase in costs. At the same time, that discipline will enhance the safety of surrounding communities while also reducing noise impacts.

While our focus is on safety, we know that the procedures and regulations, when followed, also yield a reduction in perceived noise.

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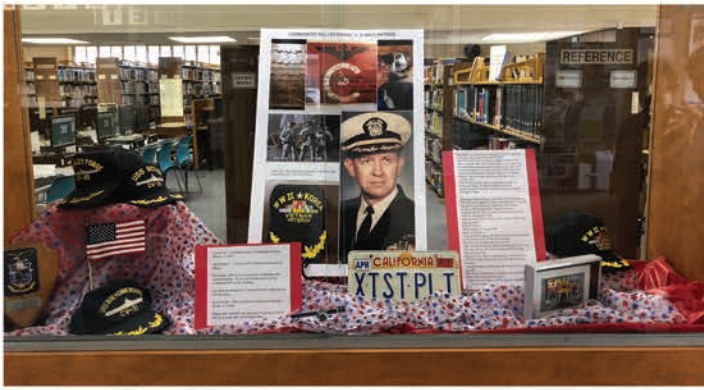
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*This membership is valid for the 2019 calendar year. Thank you for joining UCCA.

If you have any questions, please contact our Membership Chairperson
Hallie Burch at UCAmembership@gmail.com.



University City's military hero, Commander William Brook Jr, USN, is featured in a display case in our local library through the end of February, after being a subject of an article in the November UCCA newsletter. He served in WW II, North Korea and Vietnam. Check out the display at the South U. C. library on Governor Drive. At 94 years old, Commander Brook is part of the Greatest Generation.

UCCA Thanks Community Businesses



UCCA President Barry Bernstein presented thank-you plaques at the January meeting to: above – Monica Montano, Scripps Health; and below – John Murphy, Costa Verde Vice President, and Jack Straw, Southwest Strategies. They received the awards as appreciation for their support of University City and UCCA sponsored community events.



County Board of Supervisors Now Accepting Grant Applications for Community Enhancement Program



The Community Enhancement application to seek funding for Fiscal Year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 is now available. Applications and packets must be received no later than Friday, March 1, 2019. The Community Enhancement Program is funded by a set percent of Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) revenues.

The goal of the Community Enhancement Program is to stimulate tourism, promote the economy, create jobs, and/or a better quality of life. Entities and activities currently funded are cultural activities, museums, visitor and convention bureaus, economic development councils, and other similar institutions/organizations, including County programs and projects, which promote and generate tourism and/or economic development within San Diego County. For more info: www.sandiegocounty.gov/auditor/commehnc.html

Please note: In the past, UCCA has been the proud recipient of funding under this grant for street banners, summer events promotion, full-color newsletter, podcasts, and utility box beautification. UCCA thanks the County Board of Supervisors for their ongoing support of University City and University City Community Association.

Opportunities for Improvement

by Diane Ahern

Remember when the mayor used to talk about his one San Diego plan for improving all neighborhoods in San Diego? I am relatively new to San Diego and I remember being inspired by that concept: that every neighborhood has opportunities for improvement (OFIs) and every neighborhood is important and deserving of improvement.

In my neighborhood, I am sometimes affected by noise, low flying aircraft, odors, dog poop, litter and traffic. I am concerned about safety in general and about maintaining a good quality of life. I love my neighborhood, OFIs and all. And I would bet that if you are reading this, you love your neighborhood too.

For those of you who are interested in improving our neighborhoods, I suggest you attend a community association meeting, participate in your planning group, call your local recreation center, volunteer for a community cleanup, visit your library, call your city council representative. I could go on and on. There are many OFIs in San Diego and many ways to participate in the neighborhood improvement process.

Community Cleanup Event Planned for June

Good news! The Environmental Services Department has released the Community Cleanup event schedule and we're on for a Community Cleanup Thursday, June 20, 2019. Community Cleanups, provided by the City through the Environmental Services Department, are designed to help San Diegans properly dispose of recycle bulky items that do not fit in the City's refuse collection or curbside recycling containers.

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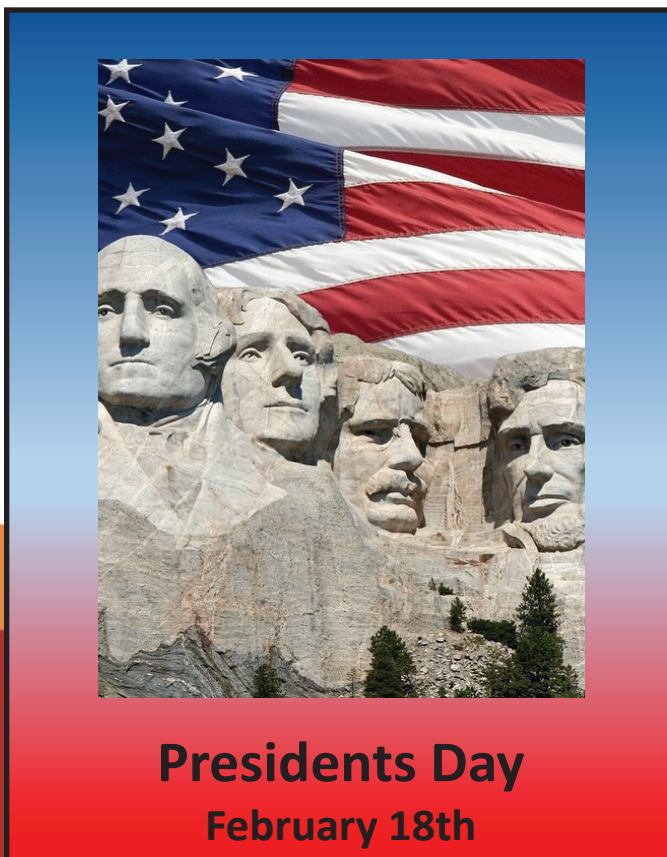
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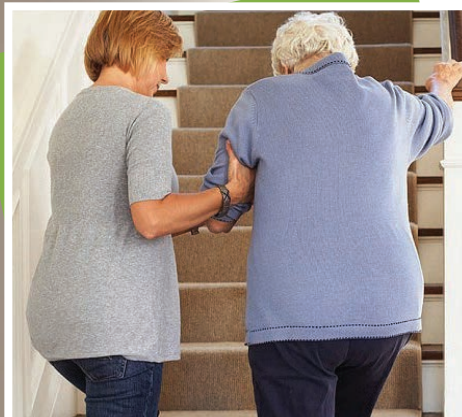
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Key Metrics	2017	2018	Percent Change	Thru 12-2017	Thru 12-2018	Percent Change
New Listings	7	8	+ 14.3%	164	189	+ 15.2%
Pending Sales	4	7	+ 75.0%	135	137	+ 1.5%
Closed Sales	12	8	- 33.3%	139	132	- 5.0%
Median Sales Price*	\$808,500	\$861,313	+ 6.5%	\$855,000	\$902,000	+ 5.5%
Percent of Original List Price Received*	97.0%	97.4%	+ 0.4%	97.6%	98.7%	+ 1.1%
Days on Market Until Sale	39	33	- 15.4%	24	18	- 25.0%
Inventory of Homes for Sale	11	15	+ 36.4%	--	--	--
Months Supply of Inventory	1.0	1.3	+ 30.0%	--	--	--

* Does not account for sale concessions and/or downpayment assistance. | Percent changes are calculated using rounded figures and can sometimes look extreme due to small sample size.