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UC STUDENTS WALKOUT FOR GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE

by *Jemma Samala*

Over 350 students from University City High School and Standley Middle School walked out of classes for a class period on September 20 to join in a Global Climate Strike, with over 150 countries participating. The student run event included a march from UC High School to Standley Park, where Standley Middle School students met the high schoolers. Once at Standley Park, students led a rally speaking about the need to make changes to reverse the result of climate change. Over 25 schools throughout San Diego County participated in the Global Climate Strike, and students did need to have parent permission to join the Strike. Student leaders also encouraged voter registration, and forms were available to those who will be eligible to vote, including pre-registering 16- and 17-year-olds. To learn more about the strike, go to: globalclimatesrike.net. Go to page 11 for more info.



WHERE IN UC WILL YOU FIND THE BANNER?

UCCA recently obtained a nice large "monument" banner to display at local events. These photos were taken at the last summer concert and recognition event. Where in University City will you find the "University City More Than Just A Neighborhood" banner? Attend local community events to find out.



Next UCCA Meeting is Wednesday, October 16, 6:00pm
UC Library, 4155 Governor Drive

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- 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.

Deadline for the November issue: OCTOBER 15, 2019

Please send your submission as early as possible. The deadline for the November issue is October 15, 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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UCCA Meeting Synopsis September 11

by Deanna Ratnikova,
UCCA Secretary



- San Diego Community Police Officer Melanie Bognuda presented the new What to Know Before Calling 911 cards, which are available in both English and Spanish. She also addressed vehicle theft and break-in issues. Officer Bognuda indicated the investigation into the graffiti at the Park Condos was still active.
- Miller Saltzman will be replacing Chevelle Tate as the representative for Senator Toni Atkins. He announced the upcoming deadline for residents to get a real ID: <https://realid.dmv.ca.gov>
- Justine Murray now represents Councilmember Barbara Bry for our community. She addressed the moratorium on electric scooters and the graffiti issue along the Mid Coast Trolley Trail, which was promptly cleaned up.
- Matthew Gordon with Assemblymember Todd Gloria's office provided some legislative updates including AB262 (Hepatitis A response), AB423 (County Air Pollution District bill), AB893 (Gun Show ban at the Del Mar Fairgrounds), and AB1588 (CA Jobs for Veterans).
- Erin Magee with Congressman Scott Peters announced he is back in DC after the August recess. She provided updates on two bills (The Super Pollutants Act and Ending the Diagnostic Odyssey Act). Erin also announced the Congressional App Challenge (deadline November 1) and Service Academy nominations (deadline October 25).
- Corrine Busta with County Supervisor Kristen Gaspar announced Supervisor Gaspar's effort with improving facilities for breastfeeding mothers and the veteran's program at the Vista jail.
- Chris Nielsen with UCPG reported that the City is beginning its housing element update and will be hosting two scoping meetings to kick off the effort. At the most recent UCPG meeting, reps from Costa Verde presented an updated plan, and it will not currently make any changes to the McDonalds, Chevron and car wash. The next UC Plan Update meeting is the third Tuesday of the month and will be held at UC High from here out.
- The UCCA Board heard two requests for funding: (1) \$1000 for EdUCate's Oktoberfest and (2) \$565 for Curie Elementary's PTA program surrounding Red Ribbon Week. Both requests were approved.

The next UCCA Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 16 at the UC Library, located at 4155 Governor Drive.

All are invited and welcome; networking begins at 5:30pm; meeting is called to order at 6:00pm.

Listen to new "UC Talks" podcasts on SoundCloud.com – search for "UC Talks" or go to universitycitynews.org and look for the "UC Talks – Podcasts" tab



UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Fall is here...and all is well in University City and the City of San Diego. Well almost! The Padres managed to not make the "play-offs" again and we must watch NFL games on TV...however our SDSU Aztecs are on their way towards another great football season. School is in full swing for our K-12 students...and UCSD has opened to its largest enrollment ever! The Jewish High Holy Days end October 9 with the all-day "fasting" custom associated with Yom Kippur.

City Council and City Mayoral candidates are making their presence known in UC...maybe a bit early as compared to old campaign standards, but don't forget the California "primary" is on March 3.

This reminds me...UCCA will be electing officers soon.(two-year terms)...so if interested please send an "intent to run for office" with a short bio to: UniversityCityNews@gmail.com. UCCA elections are scheduled to be held at our November 13 general meeting. Todd Gloria, candidate for mayor is scheduled as our guest speaker at that meeting, so come early, get a good seat, and vote for UCCA officers, (if you are a member), and meet one of the leading candidates for San Diego mayor. The UCCA Board welcomes new legislative community liaisons: Justine Murray, (Barbara Bry's office), Matt Gordon, (Todd Gloria's office), and Miller Saltzman, (Toni Atkins office). You can meet them in person and have your questions and concerns answered at our UCCA meetings.

Our street medians along Genesee, just north of UC High, got a good cleaning recently...thanks to the Westwood/Irvine Corp...for sharing the costs with us. EdUCate's Oktoberfest is the big community event for this month...Be sure to be there and support UC's public schools. Standley Park will sponsor a fun Halloween party for our kids on Friday, October 25, check page 9 for details. And of course planning for the community "Dinner with Santa" and Tree/ Menorah Lighting on Friday, December 13 is underway.

Being that much of University City is surrounded by natural canyons, and we now live in a 12-month fire season. UCCA's Newsletter Editor, Jemma Samala, is researching what other communities in San Diego County have developed in the way of a Community Fire Council. Jemma will be providing information about the organizing and focus of such a council in UC at our October 16th UCCA meeting.

Our Community Plan Update process is moving along...you can read Katie Rodolico's report on page 12 for the recap of the September 17 meeting. We learned at UCPG, that the Costa Verde Mall revitalization plans have changed considerably...and when their new EIR is approved the entire mall will be closed for two years to facilitate the work on their "new look"...the exception being the McDonalds and the service station which will remain open during the renovation.

UCCA has postponed plans for its January 2020 mayoral forum, and will be re-scheduling the co-sponsored event with the San Diego League of Women Voters in late Spring after the winning primary candidates will be known. This event MAY combine both the District 1 City Council candidates AND Mayoral candidates.

You will find our 2020 membership application on page 13. Our November issue will have a membership envelope attached for your mailing convenience. We have many challenges ahead of us as residents and business owners in University City...by joining UCCA you have a voice in what is happening and what is being planned...JOIN UCCA and be part of what makes University City "more than just a neighborhood". Have a fun and safe Happy Halloween! ~Barry

NOTICE: UCCA ELECTIONS

UCCA will be electing 2020 officers at the November 13 meeting. Candidates for: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be published in the November newsletter. In order to run for office, you must be a member in good standing and have attended at least two UCCA meetings during this calendar year. If you are interested in running for office, or have any questions, contact: UniversityCityNews@gmail.com

calendar

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 8, sundown

UC PLANNING GROUP

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

OKTOBERFEST by EdUCate!

Saturday, October 12
1:00-6:00pm, Standley Park

PEOPLE FOR A CLEAN UC

Sunday, October 13
7:30-9:00am

Cleanup volunteers meet at Starbucks
3202 Governor Drive, supplies provided

COLUMBUS/NATIVE AMERICAN DAY

Monday, October 14

BOSS'S DAY

Wednesday, October 16

UCCA MEETING

Wednesday, October 16, 6:00pm
UC Library, 4155 Governor Drive

UCPG COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE SUBCOMMITTEE (CPUS) MEETING

Tuesday, October 22, 6:00pm
University City High School
6949 Genesee Ave.

UC PARKS COUNCIL

Thursday, October 24
Recreation Council - 6:00pm
Advisory Group - 7:00pm

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Friday, October 25
5:00-7:00pm, Standley Park

HALLOWEEN

Thursday, October 31

SAVE THE DATE

CURIE CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, November 2



You Are Invited to join the:

SOUTH UNIVERSITY CITY SENIOR WALKING GROUP
Endorphin booster Stress reducer

To be held: Wednesdays 9:00-10:00am starting October 16
Meet: In front of Swanson Pool on Governor Drive
How long: 30 minutes - 1 hour (flat surfaces to start)
Questions: Contact: Geri @ 858.558.1888
No walk'n in the rain

Streets Too Dark, Contact SDGE

If you live on a street with wood street light poles, you can contact streetlighting@sdge.com and request an additional light. There is no installation fee for this dusk to dawn light, but a monthly fee from \$16.00-\$71.00 depending on the wattage. Ask your neighbors to chip in; no need to stay in the dark.



District 1 Candidates Attend Local Forum

by Jemma Samala

A crowd packed into the home of Tama and Marshall Varano in September to attend the District 1 Candidate Forum, which included candidates: Aaron Brennan, Joe LaCava, Will Moore, Harid Puentes, Lou Rodolico, and Lily Zhou. Besides their personal statements, candidates answered questions on: homelessness, climate action, no fee trash collection, criminal justice reform, short-term vacation rentals, bicycle lanes, the Regents Road Bridge, as well as other issues. A video link to the forum can be found on universitycitynews.org. (Note: Since the forum, James Rudolph has also declared his candidacy for the District 1 Council position.)

The forum was hosted by Change Begins with Me, the local Indivisible group. More information about CBWM can be found at: changebeginswithmesite.wordpress.com. The Indivisible group is also hosting a Mayoral Candidate Forum on Sunday, October 6 (see info below).

Up to 20% of trauma deaths could be prevented each year with effective bleeding control.

Free Bleeding Control Basics Class

Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla

Schaetzel Center
Ogilvie Room

9890 Genesee Ave
La Jolla, CA 92037

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Presentation and Hands-on Training

All ages Welcome

Parking Validation Provided





Please RSVP at (858) 626-6160 or injuryprevention@scrippshealth.org

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STOP THE BLEED TRAINING CLASS

In an emergency, would you know how to help someone who is bleeding?

Make a difference. Get trained.

Hosted by Indivisible

MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM

Sunday, October 6

Doors open: 3:30 • Forum: 4:00PM - 6:00PM
Mission Bay Montessori Academy
2640 Soderblom Ave., SD 92122



BARBARA BRY



TODD GLORIA



TASHA WILLIAMSON

Candidates will be asked to address a range of topics, including affordable housing, transportation, climate change, livable neighborhoods, and more.

Refreshments provided

Please RSVP to <http://tiny.cc/dfymcz>

Questions? Email Changebeginswithmesd@gmail.com

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - RSVP REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION

District 1 Updates from Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry

Construction on La Jolla Village Drive and Regents Road

Constituents have inquired about the ongoing construction issue at the northwest corner of La Jolla Village Drive and Regents Road. We reached out to both the Shift organization and to the City's Traffic Engineering Department to ask for an update regarding this intersection. We were able to confirm that this project is a part of the offsite improvements for UTC/Westfield with the installation of a right turn only lane at this intersection.

The contractor resumed the work a few weeks ago. They had to temporarily stop due to a conflict with underground utilities that has now been resolved. Currently, they are installing the storm drain system, and will then backfill and start working to finish up the public improvements. Their updated completion due date estimate is mid-October. We are sorry for the inconvenience and have asked if the time for the left-hand turn lane can be increased.

Nobel Park

Some community members have voiced concerns regarding off leash dogs at Nobel Park. The City's Parks and Recreation Department and the Area Manager for University City Recreation Centers are aware of this issue. The Parks and Recreation Department staff has approached people and asked them to put their dogs back on a leash, but they do not have the ability to ticket or cite any park patron. The best option for those wishing to report an off-leash dog is to call the San Diego Humane Society at 619.299.7012. The Parks and Recreation Department has asked the Humane Society to keep Nobel Park on their list for unannounced checks.

Illegal dumping in UC

The UCSD fall quarter is quickly approaching, and both new and returning students are making their way to campus and to UC neighborhoods. During this time, there can be an increase in furniture (including mattresses) left out along residential streets and sidewalks. The best way to report this type of litter to the City is through the Get it Done Service. You simply start a report, pick the illegal dumping category, and describe the issue and the location. (Pictures are also helpful.) This allows City staff to better understand and respond to the issue. Please note that these types of reports can take up to 30 days for staff to evaluate and remedy. My office is also more than happy to initiate these reports on your behalf. Please contact UC Community Representative, Justine Murray, at jrmurray@sandiego.gov or 619-236-6979 for assistance.

County Supervisor Kristen Gaspar

After more than a year of difficult conversations and negotiations, the County Board of Supervisors reached a tentative agreement with Tri-City Medical Center to restore its inpatient psychiatric unit at its Oceanside campus. The deal was approved at the September 10 Board of Supervisors meeting and involves building a new 16-bed facility. While this is a step in the right direction, if we are to truly evolve the entire system, we must provide more access to behavioral health services throughout the region.

I am urging city council members from our 18 municipalities across San Diego County, to step up and help facilitate siting these critical services in their communities. We need preventative care. Let's not wait for people to hit that point of crisis. Let's invest in a coordinated system that has a therapeutic approach rather than one that reacts to the crisis. My fellow Supervisors and I look forward to seeing a final agreement with Tri-City in January. I would like to thank Supervisor Jim Desmond and County staff for their help in making this tentative partnership a reality.

Time to Act on Short-term Rentals

by City Attorney Mara W. Elliott

Short-term rentals in San Diego should be regulated in a clear and objective manner that respects the rights of all property owners, protects our quality of life, and preserves our housing stock. Instead of adopting a regulatory framework, however, San Diego has opted to rely on existing laws that address noise, trash, parking, and other problems created by visitors who rent properties through online services like Airbnb. This is frustrating to those of us who believe that short-term rental property owners and neighborhood residents deserve clear rules that they can live with.

While the politics of short-term rentals (STRs) are complicated, the law is clear. The Municipal Code, which houses our City's laws, does not specifically regulate or prohibit STRs in single-family residential zones.

Under what is known as a "permissive" zoning ordinance, the City of San Diego has created zones that define how land within the City may be used. If the use is not listed, it is not permitted, which is the case with STRs. At a minimum, our policy makers must define STRs so that citizens understand how the land can be used, and so that law enforcement can enforce the law.

In March 2017, I issued the first of several memoranda summarizing the law and suggesting potential solutions, including the enactment of an ordinance that reflects "the reasonable compromise our communities seek," a compromise that allows for participation in the innovation economy as well as the quiet enjoyment of our homes.

Following the memo's release, the Mayor's Office said that it would not change enforcement practices until the City Council took action to regulate short-term rental properties.

In August 2018, after hours of public testimony, the City Council enacted on a 6-2 vote an ordinance to regulate STRs. The Ordinance had been introduced by the Planning Department and amended by the City Council. Attorneys in my office advised on the law and drafted Municipal Code amendments to meet the policy makers' goals.

The STR industry did not like the ordinance. Although they openly threatened to sue, they instead chose to bankroll a petition drive to suspend the ordinance and force a public vote on it. In such cases, the Council has a choice: it can repeal its ordinance outright or place it on the ballot. By an 8-1 vote, the Council repealed its ordinance, even though it had been years in the making.

Under the law, the Mayor and City Council had two alternatives. When the City Council repeals an ordinance suspended by a referendum, as was the case here, the Council could introduce a substantially similar ordinance one year after the date of repeal.

The one-year anniversary of the repeal is November 13, 2019. The Council could also immediately introduce a new STR ordinance that does not substantially mirror the repealed ordinance. Unfortunately, no action has occurred since the repeal, and STRs continue to flourish.

The Mayor and City Council have a golden opportunity to bring this long conversation to a meaningful and productive end by finally putting in place rules that are objective and clear, and again they will have the full support of my office in doing so. In the meantime, my office stands ready to prosecute any STR-related nuisance cases brought to us by mayoral departments.

Libraries closed Friday, October 11, for Staff Training; book drops remain open.**University Community Branch | October 2019 | 4155 Governor Drive | 858-552-1655**

Note: Friends of the Library Book Sale is Thursday, September 26 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Friday, September 27 from 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Saturday, September 28 from 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Special Events

Concert: Celtic Notes - Wednesday, October 2 @ 6:30 p.m. (live concert).

Public meeting: University City Community Association (UCCA) monthly meeting - Wednesday, October 16; networking at 5:30; meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

One Book One San Diego Story Time—Dreamers, by Yuyi Morales, followed by a special craft, October 28, 10:30am

Monthly Events

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, October 4, 11, 18, & 25 @ 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Classic Book Club - Thursday, September 12 @ 12:30 p.m.

Making Macramé - Join us for a fun class making macramé with Liz. Instructions and supplies are provided, and the project for the day is to make plant holders. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Saturday, October 12 @ 1:00 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, October 18 @ 10:00 a.m. & Noon.

Zentangle is an easy-to-learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Monday, October 21 @ 12:00.



OASIS: Richard Lederer, Union-Tribune Language Columnist: The Joy of Names—find out all you ever wanted to know about first names, last names, baby names, nicknames and more. Wednesday, October 23 @ 1:30 - 5:30 p.m.

UC Book Club will be discussing *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance. Wednesday, October 30 @ 2:00 p.m.

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. Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Kid's Craft - Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Monday, October 14 @ 3:00 p.m.

Sugar Skulls - Come in and make some sugar skulls, which are a traditional offering for Day of the Dead. Each child will learn how to make sugar skulls and will complete a skull using their own design embellishments. Minimum age of 8 years old. Space is limited, please call (858)552-1655 to RSVP. Monday, October 16 @ 2:00 p.m.

Tweens/Teens

LibraryNexT: LEGO Mindstorm - In this workshop, students will learn the basics of robotics and build autonomous robots using the LEGO Mindstorm EV3 kit. Students will engage in both independent and group robotics competitions. No prior experience is required. Middle school grade required. Space is limited please RSVP online. Tuesday, October 1 @ 4:00 p.m.

Video Game Fridays - Come play video games on Nintendo Switch with your friends. Friday, October 4, 11, 18, & 25 @ 3:00 p.m.

North University Community | October 2019 | 8820 Judicial Drive | 858-581-9637**Events for Adults/Seniors**

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

DIY for Grownups: Halloween Wreath, Saturday, October 5 at 11:00 a.m. Make a festive Halloween-themed wreath to decorate your door for the season! All supplies provided. This event is for adults. Registration required.

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

Fiction Fanatics Book Club, Saturday, October 12 at 10:00 a.m. Title to be discussed in October is *The Witness* by Nora Roberts.

Guided Meditation, Sunday, October 13 & 27 at 12:30 p.m. Guided meditation followed by tea.

A Cup of Creation: Art Classes for Adults, Sunday, October 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.

Page Turners Book Club, Saturday, October 26 at 1:00 p.m. Title to be discussed in October is *Uphaval* by Jared Diamond.

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 1:00 p.m. A fun art project every week! Due to space limitations, this program is limited to 20 participants. Signups begin same day when the library opens. 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, October 5, 12, & 26 at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Nancy sings, dances, and reads books in Chinese and English.

Yoga Storytime, Friday, October 13 & 27 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.

Paws to Read, Monday, October 21 at 4:30 p.m. Therapy dogs provided by Love on a Leash (Central San Diego Chapter) foster a supportive environment for emerging readers.

Books Are Always for Sale at the UC Library

by Helen Leibowitz

As library patrons of the University Community Branch on Governor, you may have noticed the lack of a discrete Friends book store as some larger libraries seem to have. We believe we have something better! Separate bookstores are only opened for business when staffed by a Friends volunteer. While usually there is someone helping out with sales, there are often times when a volunteer may not be available. At UC our sale books are located on several shelves just inside the Governor Drive entrance. You can make purchases during all open hours of the branch. You will find the price chart prominently displayed and payment is on the honor system.

The Friends have a dedicated team of volunteers who make this possible; Val, Char, Barb and Judy work every day sorting through donations and rotating stock so that there is always something new on the shelves to discover. You have probably noticed the lovely hand stitched bookmarks in our glass display case. Volunteer Barb has donated countless hours and all of the materials in their production. They sell for \$5.00 apiece and so far have earned the Friends, and therefore the library, nearly \$1000.00! In addition there are other interesting items for sale such as the ever popular stuffed bears, one of a kind books and other memorabilia. As holiday season approaches, be sure to keep checking out the space for gift ideas.

And don't forget our "Specials" shelf, located near the Community Room doors. Priced just a little higher, exceptional bargains in books and media are always available. We continue to appreciate all good, clean, unmarked up donations so keep them coming. All sales benefit the UC Branch helping to provide programs and materials for our community. And, by the way, if you'd like to join our "super book posse", make new friends and feel really good about yourself, talk to our manager Melissa Martin and she'll point you in the right direction.



Curie Craft Fair: Saturday, November 2

The 41st Annual Curie Craft Fair is right around the corner! There will be great shopping and family fun at Curie Elementary School from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Artisans will be selling their quality handcrafted wares including holiday gifts, ceramics, jewelry, clothing, bath goods, stationary, candles, stocking stuffers, and so much more. All items for sale are handmade by local artisans, no commercial resale items are allowed, creating a unique and fun shopping experience. There will also be plenty of exciting events for the whole family: bake sale, silent auction baskets, lunch grill, used book tent, and more. *NEW THIS YEAR* is a bounce house for the kids, along with a magic show and other entertainment. Entry to the fair is free and the fair benefits one of our own local elementary schools, Curie PTA! Please email with questions at curiecraftfair@gmail.com. See you there!



UC High School's Graduating Classes of '83, '84, and '85 to Host Reunion Bash

by Steve Smith, Class of '83

The class of 1983 was the first at UC High School. And now, *UC80s Bash* is just around the corner. On October 19, the University City High School graduating classes of 1983, '84 and '85 are meeting up at Tower23 in Pacific Beach to celebrate thirty-five plus years of laughter and friendship. Enjoy the beautiful setting and a 'one of a kind' night to remember. Grads will enjoy an amazing culinary adventure featuring award winning coastal cuisine. After champagne toasts and the famous Sea Diego sunset, dance the night away under the stars to the 80s classics. Over 150 grads have RSVPed so far, so don't miss out. Hotel discounts available for overnight stays. Festivities start at 5:30pm. For information and tickets, go to www.uc80sbash.com

UNIVERSITY CITY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2009 REUNION

Join us at our *UC High School Class of 2009* ten-year reunion at Amplified Ale Works Kitchen + Beer Garden; 1429 Island Ave San Diego, on Saturday, November 30, 4:00pm-7:00pm. Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite (note: +1's must have their own ticket) and includes:

- Admission to event
- Two drink tickets
- Mediterranean Street Taco Bar

It's been 10 years since we've all gotten together! We have booked the entire venue for our event so let's fill it up! We hope you'll join us and also help spread the word to other '09 classmates. Just like back in high school, ticket prices will go up, so purchase yours soon. Thank you and we're looking forward to seeing you all! For more information, please check out the reunion Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/events/2258776397735519/.

UCHS VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Completed:

August 23 v. Valhalla – Loss 34-20
August 30 v. Bishops – Loss 58-12
September 6 v. Mission Bay – Win 27-26
September 13 v. Mater Dei Catholic – Loss 61-26
September 20 v. Kearny – Loss 49-27

Upcoming:

Saturday, October 5, 7:00pm @Christian High School
Friday, October 11, 6:30pm @Home v. Point Loma
Friday, October 18, 6:30pm @Home v. Mira Mesa
Friday, October 25, 6:30pm @Home v. La Jolla
Friday, November 1, 6:30pm @ Morse High School



JCompany Presents Disney's *My Son Pinocchio Jr.*

by Lisa Fox

It is no lie, Disney's *My Son Pinocchio Jr.* is Coming Soon. JCompany Presents Disney's *My Son Pinocchio Jr.* from November 2 - November 17.

WHAT: Join Geppetto, Pinocchio, the Blue Fairy, and the rest of *Disney's My Son Pinocchio Jr.* cast in the musical adventure of a lifetime. Come see local kids sing and dance their hearts out. Family members of all ages will enjoy this performance with its lively cast and musical favorites such as "When You Wish Upon A Star" and "I've Got No Strings." Its meaningful theme will warm hearts as it focuses on the importance of honesty, bravery, understanding and selflessness. Come see *Disney's My Son Pinocchio Jr.* and you will see that wishes do really come true.

WHY: JCompany's Artistic Director, Joey Landwehr, explains, "It's a story about the true meaning of family relationships. In the original, the story was focused on Pinocchio's perspective, so it's interesting because in this version we share the story through the lens of Geppetto. Families in the audience will cherish this relatable musical with their children." A special thanks to our show sponsor Geppetto's Toys!

WHEN: November 2 through November 17, 2019. Showtimes are 8:00pm on Saturdays and noon and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

WHERE: Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, David & Dorothea Garfield Theatre, 4126 Executive Drive.

TICKETS: Go to: sdcjc.org/garfield/boxoffice.aspx to purchase tickets. Group rates available.

BROWN BAG OPERAS

Our Mother of Confidence Church invites the whole community to their Brown Bag Operas every month. The event is free of charge and held in the church hall, below the church, at 3131 Governor Drive. There is no need to register. The operas start at 1:00pm. The operas for the rest of the year are: October 20: *Don Carlo* by Giuseppe Verdi, and November 17: *La Fanciulla Del West* by Giacomo Puccini. There will be no opera in December. The videos are all part of the "Live from the Metropolitan Opera", high definition Library, and viewed on a 25-foot screen with surround sound. All are welcome. Bring your own sack lunch, snacks and a bottle of wine. Bring your friends and neighbors.



Pictured above is a UCUC Octet group performing at a May 2019 concert.

Music for Winds and Strings

by Steve Shields

SAVE THE DATE! Please save Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 7 PM for a performance in the University City United Church sanctuary of Beethoven's Septet, opus 20, written for an ensemble of four string players and three wind players. Proceeds from a free-will offering at this program will benefit University City United Church.

This program will feature the Beethoven Septet, written early in Beethoven's career and one of his most successful early compositions. The piece is a 45-minute long serenade, written for an evening's entertainment; however, it calls for an unusual ensemble of clarinet, horn, bassoon, violin, viola, cello, and bass.

Come and enjoy the program! The Beethoven septet is perhaps my favorite piece of chamber music, and I am particularly looking forward to sharing it with you all!



Councilmember Ward to Discuss Homelessness

The Social Concerns Committee of University City United Church (UCUC) continues a two-part series on homelessness to provide information about the current status of homelessness in San Diego and to consider additional ways the community might become involved.

On Sunday, October 20, UCUC will host a presentation and discussion led by the Chair of the San Diego County Regional Task Force on the Homeless. Starting at 11:45am (immediately after church), there will be lunch and remarks from City Councilmember Chris Ward. Councilmember Ward is vice chair of the committee on land use and housing and chair of the San Diego County regional task force on the homeless. He will discuss current city and county efforts to address homelessness and review available resources. The session will conclude with a group discussion of reactions of the audience and an exploration of possible additional efforts to address homelessness in the immediate neighborhood and city.

UCUC is located at 2877 Governor Drive (at Stresemann). The public is welcome; the events are free of charge; donations welcome. Call 858.453.3444 or visit www.UCUC.org for more information.



Serving Military Heroes in Transition

Golf Tournament to Benefit Warrior Foundation Freedom Station

By Clair Palkovic

Grab your foursome and let's play golf. Jason Palkovic with Sellstate Next Gen Realty invites you to participate in the 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament at the beautiful San Diego Riverwalk Golf Course on October 19. Shotgun start at 12:30pm. ALL proceeds of this golf tournament will benefit a selfless, 100% volunteer organization, Warrior Foundation Freedom Station. This organization's mission "is to be the leading force in assisting, honoring and supporting the military men and women who have so bravely sacrificed of themselves for our country. We are committed to supporting our warriors in a variety of ways including providing quality-of-life items, support services and transitional housing designed to assist them and their families during both recovery and transition processes."

The Charity Golf Tournament at Riverwalk Golf Course is a great way to have fun, enjoy a day of food and fun on the golf course, and give back. Don't golf? Sponsor a soldier. Get ready for an amazing time once again. We look forward to seeing you this year. Contact our Golf Committee Lead Jason Palkovic at 619.980.1702 for more information on sponsoring some of the fun; or visit our website for more information at www.swinginwithsellstate.com.



Celebrate Clean Air Day and Get a Free Ride

MTS Free Ride Day (October 2) returns in 2019 to coincide with California Clean Air Day. All MTS and NCTD fixed-route services will be totally free that day; Access Services not included. More than 50,000 extra trips were taken on the first-ever regional Free Ride Day last year. Participating in Free Ride Day is a good reminder that when we choose transit, we can make a big (collective) impact to keep the Golden State golden. For more information, visit <https://www.sdmts.com/free-ride-day>.



California Clean Air Day (October 2) was built on the idea that shared experiences unite people to action to improve community health. On October 2, San Diegans can come together as a community to take action to clean up our air and reduce pollution from cars. More people walking or biking, and taking public transit. California Clean Air Day is the perfect opportunity to take public transit for the first time. California Clean Air Day is a project of the Coalition for Clean Air. For more information, visit cleanairday.org/

Haunted Happenings and Fall Festivities at Local Parks

You and your family and friends won't want to miss the free fun at our University City parks in October.

- **October 4** – Doyle Park hosts Halloween Movie in the Park "Casper"
- **October 12** – Standley Park is the site of EdUcate's annual "Oktoberfest"
- **October 24** – Nobel Park hosts Halloween Carnival
- **October 25** – Standley Park hosts Halloween Carnival

For more information, visit the City's website at www.sandiego.gov and search by park or call the Recreation Center.

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Volunteers needed
If you are interested please call the Standley Park front office at (858) 552-1652.

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Residents Get Prepared for Emergencies

by Jemma Samala

Local residents helped get themselves prepared for emergencies by attending CPR, First Aid & AED classes organized by the University City Community Foundation. Held in July and September at the Standley Park Rec Center, the participants learned CPR on both adult and infant dummies. And it was noted that if you learned CPR in the past – timing yourself with the song “Staying Alive” – that the current standard is much faster. Over 50 residents were certified, which means more neighbors that can help in case of an emergency. If you are interested in a future CPR class, or need to renew your certification, contact UCCF President, Ruth DeSantis at rgd@san.rr.com. For more info on UCCF, go to uccfsd.org.

Doyle Park Art in the Park

by Deanna Ratnikova

The Doyle Park Art in the Park event, held on September 15, featured both musical performances and creative artists.



Left: Musical artist Michelle De Nicola is a vocalist, composer, and voice over artist in San Diego. She sings Jazz, and Bossa Nova songs and covers of contemporary – classic songs. Michelle is writing her first album of original songs this year. Michelle's website is michelledenicola.com.

Right: Creative artist Jacqui Hart has always had a passion for creating with her hands. She first became interested in creating dolls in the fall of 2013 while on a trip to Arizona where she fell in love with the work of a local artist. Her creative process involves the use of repurposed materials and unusual beads and jewels, combining fabrics, colors, and textures, making each doll a one-of-a-kind handmade and intricately designed piece. Jacqui's website is creativecreationsbyq.com.



Cleaning Up Nobel Park

Over 20 people signed up to help clean up Nobel Park as part of the I Love a Clean San Diego's Cleanup Day on September 21. And clean up they did, as 50 bags of shrub

and greenery were collected to help make the park and playground more beautiful and balanced. Only some trash was picked up as Nicole Otjens (far right pictured above), Nobel Rec Center Director noted that the “staff is really good on trash maintenance.” They plan on future cleanup events in October. Nobel Rec Center is also having a Halloween Carnival on Thursday, October 24, from 11:00am – 1:00pm for children ages 0-5. There will be carnival games, face painters, temporary tattoos, and a bounce house. Nobel Athletic Fields and Rec Center is at 8810 Judicial Drive.

Spreckels Teacher Publishes Book of Poetry

by Jemma Samala

I first met Sonia Gomez-Neri in September 2003, when she starting teaching at Spreckels Elementary, coming over from Burbank Elementary. I became her first Room Parent and I remember Sonia mentioning that one day she would like to write children's books. Now, she's a published writer.



Sonia's book of poems *One Last Chance* was inspired by her faith, and a death in her family. She's also written a story entitled *Shivery the Skeleton* which is a Halloween themed story for children with message about friendship. She's in the process of writing more books, including family memoirs and gift books.

When asked about why she loves to write, she calls writing her “soul's release” and feels she was always meant to write and “release what's deep about me.” But teaching is still her calling and she feels that “teaching children the core subjects is making a good impact with kids, and it's a challenge but a joy as well.”

You can get a copy of *One Last Chance* on Amazon.com.

La Jolla Writers Conference

Gomez-Neri was able to publish her book after attending the Annual La Jolla Writers Conference. The next event is scheduled for October 25-27 at the Hyatt Regency La Jolla, which offers more than 60 intimate classes to foster personalized attention taught by *New York Times* best-selling authors, literary agents, and industry experts.

While attendees come from all over the United States and multiple countries to attend the annual event, the LJWC takes pride in advancing the careers of local writers and supporting local teachers and schools in the UC cluster. In 2016, the LJWC started the Blakey Scholarship to provided full scholarships to teachers in the UC clusters of schools and local active/retired members of the military. Since then, they have provided more than a dozen full scholarships to those in the UC community. To apply for a Blakey Scholarship or attend the conference, visit www.lajollawritersconference.com.



Standley Park is Site for Local Climate Walkout

Hundreds of students took part in the local version of the Global Climate Walkout, with high school and middle schools marching to Standley Park. Once at the park, various student leaders spoke on the importance of taking action to help reverse the effects of climate change, including changing your diet and less reliance on fossil fuels. Chants were led by Zachery Patterson, with the crowd repeating "our planet, our future", "climate justice is what we need, we say no to corporate greed", and "show me what democracy looks like, this is what democracy looks like." Patterson also pointed out that a sign "denial is not a policy" is one of the reasons that students need to be proactive now and not follow the indifference of political leaders.

Following is a statement by one of the student leaders, Mackenzie Connor, sophomore at UC High School, on why she participated:

"I found it important for students to participate in the climate walkout so we could raise awareness about what's happening to our planet and how each and every individual can make a change bringing us closer and closer to reversing the effects of climate change. I not only touched on what climate change is and how it's affecting our planet in my speech, I also talked about how we can make changes in our everyday lives in order to stop this crisis."

Students can now make those changes that I mentioned, as well as spread the word, do more research, inspire others, and take action. I've already had friends tell me that they've talked to their parents about what they learned at the walkout and their parents are doing things like making more plant based meals as well as cutting down on the amount of plastic they buy when shopping."

Our High School has recycling bins up around school as well as vegetarian meals offered, but I think it would really be beneficial if our school could include more lessons on environmental issues in our curriculum, to truly inspire students to make that change, fight for our future, and stand up for what we stand on. I am very passionate about saving our planet and there's nothing I want more than for others to be too. I'm a girl who's in love with the world, and I want my kids to grow up in the same world as I did, and I want their kids to do the same. I want them to grow up in this beautiful, breathtaking, miraculous planet we call earth and we get the privilege to call home. I have so much faith in this generation and I thought what took place at the walkout yesterday was truly beautiful."

The local Indivisible group Change Begins With Me was also on hand to help students register to vote. The local Climate Walkout was assisted by the group SanDiego350.org.



Rocktoberfest Sneak Peek for Oktoberfest



Community members were able to get a sneak peek at the beer offerings for EdUCate's Oktoberfest by attending "Pints with a Purpose" at Rock Bottom on September 20. 15% of all sales were donated to EdUCate!, as well as 25 cents from every pint order of "Rocktoberfest" – one of the beers to be served at Oktoberfest on October 12 at Standley Park (see below). EdUCate! provides supplemental funds to all five University City public schools.

EdUCate! Oktoberfest – Saturday, October 12

Mark your calendars and go to the 11th Annual EdUCate! Oktoberfest on October 12, 1:00-6:00pm at Standley Park on Governor Drive. There's the famous beer and wine garden, a variety of food offerings, music, booths, loads of games for the kids and more. It is more international than German, but you'll have lots of fun raising money for the five UC public schools. Donate a Dollar-a-Day (\$180) or more, and receive unlimited pours for two of beer, wine and soda. Special thanks to the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors for our Oktoberfest grant. See you there!

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UNIVERSITY CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION-UCCA

CPUS Meeting Report – September

by Katie Rodolico

Agenda and supporting documents for this meeting, and previous meetings can be found at:

www.sandiego.gov/planning/community/cpu/university/subcommittee-university-documents

or the new plan update website: www.planuniversity.org/

Barry Bernstein requested that childcare and refreshments be provided at future CPU meetings to allow younger families to participate. This would mitigate the lack of age diversity in the participants.

Harry Mathis asked Dan Monroe if, given the CA Supreme Court decision that clarified what constitutes a project under CEQA would the Regents Road bridge be considered in the plan update process. He also asked how the city determines what parcels are 'underdeveloped' and how increasing density would be mitigated in the updated community plan.

Diane Ahern explained the formation of the new, combined University City Parks Council and invited the public to attend the meeting at Standley Rec center where the bylaws will be voted on.

Joann Selleck commented on the new protected bike lane on Beech St and suggested this would be a good solution for Nobel. She also noted that she agreed with Barry Bernstein about providing childcare.

Dan Monroe provided a recap of progress to date.

Dyett and Bhattia presented an overview of the community plan survey results. It was promised that the complete results will be posted to the city's website.

Dyett and Bhattia presented the limitations on areas that could be rezoned for additional density. Zoning is restricted by the MCAS Miramar Land Use plan, the MHSCP, and already built out condo and single family homes. This left commercial and rental communities.

A breakout workshop was done to suggest potential sites for rezoning, and to identify outdated information on the maps provided. **Debby Knight** raised the point that tearing down existing rental units to build new rental units would effectively reduce less expensive housing units since the new units would be more expensive. The next meeting will be on October 15 at UC High School. Agendas for the meetings will be posted at the UC community library and north UC library 72 hours before each meeting.

Water Rates Increased in September

In case you didn't notice, the following "Rate Increase Reminder" was included in the most recent water bill: "The City of San Diego reminds all water customers that rates are increasing **6.28 percent** on Sept. 1, 2019, as approved by the City Council in 2015. The funds will be used for water purchase, water reliability and infrastructure improvements."

New Box for Proper Disposal of American Flags

The flag of the United States is a living symbol of national heritage, noble deeds, splendid accomplishment, and untold sacrifices, which combined to establish the moral character of our country. It signifies a people dedicated to liberty, justice, and freedom for all. Public libraries throughout San Diego provide U.S. flag disposal boxes to allow residents to properly and conveniently dispose of worn, faded or tattered U.S. flags. The boxes are collected regularly by local Boy Scout troops and delivered to the American Legion or the US4Warriors Foundation for appropriate disposal in accordance with the United States Flag Code.

Recreationally Speaking

by Diane Ahern

University City has three Recreation Centers (Doyle, Nobel and Standley), one pool (Swanson), and several neighborhood parks. Events of 50 people or more require a special event permit approved by the Center Director. Reservations for parks and facility use of sports fields, picnic areas, indoor space, party jumps and special events can be reserved by calling or visiting the recreation centers. Call Doyle at 858.552.1612; Nobel at 858.552.1626; Standley at 858.552.1652; or Swanson Pool at 858.552.1653.

University City Parks Council to Adopt Amended Bylaws

The University City recreation councils (Doyle, Nobel, and Standley) have been taking steps to form a 501(c)3 Parks Council to support all University City parks. The Recreation Councils engaged the services of Hoffman & Forde, Attorneys at Law, to facilitate the name change and amended bylaws for "University City Parks Council". The Parks Council was expected to vote on the name change and amended bylaws at its September meeting which was to take place after the October newsletter went to print. Check the University City News site (www.UniversityCityNews.org) for the latest information. The Parks Council meets on the 4th Thursday of every month at Standley Recreation Center, 3585 Governor Drive, at 6:00pm. The Standley Park Recreation Advisory Group (RAG) meets the same day at 7 PM. Both meetings are open to the public and all who have interests or concerns about any University City parks are invited and encouraged to attend.

UC Fire Safety Council to be Formed

by Jemma Samala

UCCA is in the works of forming a University City Fire Safety Council, when it came to the attention of members that such a council would benefit the community, during an August presentation by the San Diego Fire Rescue Department. After some preliminary research and guidance from the creators of the Scripps Ranch Fire Safety Council and the Fire Safety Council of San Diego County, the UC Fire Safety Council is ready to be formed. Issues to be decided include: council boundaries, evacuation routes, education programs, and prevention services. If you are interested in serving on the council, please send an email to: jemmasamala@gmail.com. In the meantime, some advanced preparation tips include:

1. Update your homeowners insurance.
2. Create a home inventory.
3. Prepare a defensible space for firefighters.
4. Trim flammable vegetation away from wood structures.
5. Remove flammable litter from your roof and gutters.
6. Test your smoke alarms and change batteries.
7. Check expiration dates on your fire extinguishers.
8. Protect your vents and eaves from embers.
9. Shake and pre-position your Fire Prevention Gel.
10. Register cell phones for emergency alerts at readysandiego.org
11. Prepare a list of daily essentials.
12. Pack Grab-and-Go Bags for each family member.
13. Make copies (paper or electronic) of important documents.
14. Learn your children's school Disaster Plan.
15. Prepare travel cases and a plan for pets.
16. Study the evacuation routes for your neighborhood.
17. Know your evacuation destination
18. Establish a family meeting place outside University City.
19. Plan for evacuation assistance, if necessary.
20. Become familiar with "2-1-1 San Diego" services.

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Monthly Meetings: UCCA meets on the second Wednesday, at the University Community Library, 4155 Governor Drive, except in August and December. Neighbors who wish to network are urged to join us at 5:30 PM as we begin our setup; meeting is called to order at 6 PM; all are welcome.



Coming Soon: REAL ID for Domestic Air Travel

Starting October 1, 2020, you will need a valid passport or federally approved document to fly within the U.S. or enter a secure federal building. One option is to get a federally compliant REAL ID driver license or identification card through a Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) field office. In California, applicants must present original or certified documents proving identity, Social Security number and two different documents to verify California residency. For more info: visit dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/realid

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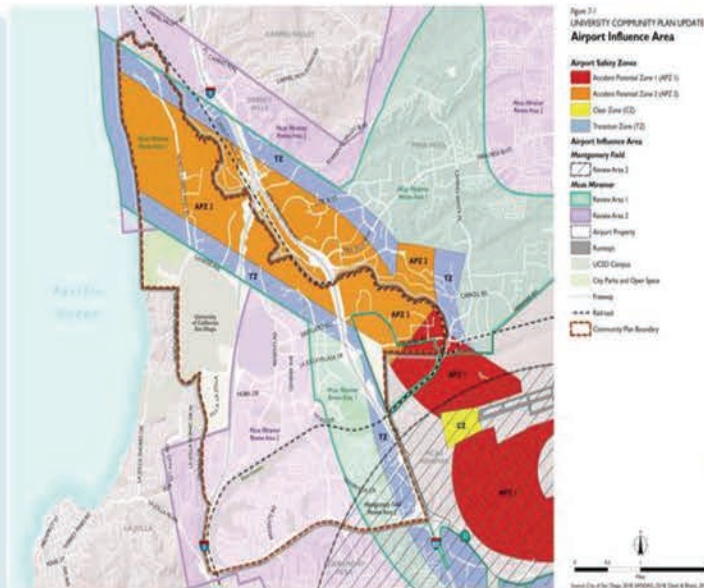
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 If you have any questions, please contact our Membership Chairperson
 Hallie Burch at UCCAmembership@gmail.com.

Miramar Matters: F-35 Squadrons expected at Miramar

MCAS Miramar will be home base for single engine F-35 Joint Strike Fighter squadrons in early 2020. Hanger construction and other preparations are well underway. The F35 will replace the F/A-18 Hornet at Miramar. For more information about the F-35 at MCAS Miramar and links to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIR), visit UCCA's website at UniversityCityNews.org and search on "final environmental impact statement".

Below: Image of Airport Influence Area from University Community Atlas courtesy of City of San Diego Planning Department.



University City Planning Group Update

by Chris Nielsen

Two significant projects in the UC plan area were presented as information items at the UCPG meeting on September 10, 2019.

The revised "Costa Verde Revitalization" project was presented by John Murphy, Regency Centers. The proposed plan leaves the McDonald's, the Chevron station, and Car Wash as is. The amount of retail space will be unchanged (rather than expanded, as in the previous plan) but completely renovated, along with the parking. A hotel is still part of the proposal. In a major change, Regency proposes to partner with Alexandria Real Estate who will develop 400,000 square feet of office, R&D, and Tech space on the property. A UCPG subcommittee will be formed at the October meeting to review the project in detail.

The City of San Diego Public Works department presented the Coastal Rail Trail/Gilman Drive Capital Improvement Project. This consists of connecting the bike path at Gilman Drive and La Jolla Colony Drive to an improved bike path along Gilman Drive. Protected bike lanes and sidewalks are to be added to the Gilman. The City will present the environmental documents to the UCPG in a few months. We hope to have representatives from CalTrans at this meeting since they control the intersection and on/off ramps to I-5 at Gilman Drive.

The next UCPG meeting is on Tuesday, October 8, 6:00pm at 10300 Campus Point Drive.

SHIFT PROGRAM CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Rideshare Week: September 30 – October 4

Join iCommute for the remaining days of Rideshare Week through Friday, Oct. 4 as they celebrate the many benefits of commute alternatives. Rather than driving alone, share the ride and socialize, work, rest or read while someone else drives. For more information on how you can participate this week and throughout the year, visit icommutesd.com/events/rideshare-week.

Mid-Coast Trolley Construction, SANDAG Project

Trolley Underpass at La Jolla Colony Drive

To accommodate work on the Trolley underpass, lanes of La Jolla Colony Drive have again been widened and restriped as of Wednesday, Sept. 11 to provide one lane of traffic in each direction on La Jolla Colony Drive allowing for a continuous flow of traffic while construction is ongoing. Construction of the Trolley underpass is expected to be completed in early 2020.



Traffic configuration at La Jolla Colony Drive

Southbound I-5 Auxiliary Lane, SANDAG Project

The I-5/Genesee Avenue Auxiliary Lane Project will construct a new southbound auxiliary lane between Genesee Avenue and La Jolla Village Drive. The auxiliary lane will improve merging patterns and traffic flow on I-5 between the two intersections. Current work includes hauling materials and drainage out of the construction site.

Fire Station 50, City of San Diego Project

Fire Station 50, to be located on the southeast corner of Nobel Drive and Shoreline Drive, is anticipated to open in late summer or fall 2020. Recent work, planned to be complete by the end of September, included the framing of the second-floor deck and site grading. The cast-in-place concrete walls – meaning the walls that were poured and set on-site – are topped out for the structure, paving the way for structural framing to continue.

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WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE CALLING 911

Mental Evaluation 911 Checklist When Calling for Help

If your family member or loved one is in a crisis and is a danger to themselves or others, **CALL 911**.

Read from this list when you call 911 so you can give the dispatcher the following information:

- ☐ Your name
- ☐ Phone number
- ☐ Location to which police should respond
- ☐ Nature of emergency
- ☐ Weapons or access to weapons
- ☐ Name of person in crisis
- ☐ Age of person in crisis
- ☐ Height, weight & physical description
- ☐ Clothing description
- ☐ Are there others present?
- ☐ Prior or current violent behavior
- ☐ Diagnosis
- ☐ Medications or drug use (current or past)
- ☐ Triggers (what upsets them?)
- ☐ Prior police contacts and what has helped

Additional info:

Current medications:

Doctor's phone numbers:

IMPORTANT: You are asking an officer to resolve a crisis. They will only have the information that you provide them. Gather as much information as possible before a crisis occurs.



THE POLICE RESPONSE



What to expect and who will respond to your crisis

The 911 dispatcher will send **uniformed patrol officers** to your location.

Officers may detain your family member, **which will include handcuffing**, which is for the safety of everyone, including your family member.

Officers will conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether a crime occurred.

Officers will conduct a preliminary mental health investigation to determine whether your loved one is a danger to him/herself, danger to other(s), or gravely disabled due to a mental illness (CA WIC 5150)

Officers will inquire about any **firearms** or **other deadly weapons**.

A Psychiatric Emergency Response Team (PERT) clinician will be dispatched if available, but they will not be able to intervene until the situation is rendered safe.

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