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University City











University City Has Heart

On NextDoor.com, UC resident Suzie Seldress relayed the message from Curie Elementary Principal, Dr. Ough, suggesting that the neighborhood put hearts out, so families would see them on their walks. University City once again, did not disappoint. We saw lots of hearts, and as Seldress said, "it's an easy way to 'love thy neighbor' from a socially responsible distance." During this "stay-at-home" season, try to find these hearts, as well as put up your own hearts, and show why University City is more than just a neighborhood.



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Local Parks and Trails to Remain Closed

Local parks and trails will remain closed for an indefinite time, due to preventing the transmission of COVID-19. The city libraries and recreation centers are also closed, and accordingly, events and meetings have been cancelled. Residents are still able to go outside and walk with their household members and dogs, while keeping the "six-feet apart" distance recommendation. Friends of Rose Canvon Executive Director Debby Knight is also asking residents to please not enter Rose Canyon and Marian Bear Park. Rather, since there so much of nature around us, send photos of birds, butterflies, insects, etc rosecanyon@san.rr.com, to share on their website rosecanyon.org.



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UCCA Meeting Synopsis

March 11

by Jim Beshears, UCCA Secretary



- Melanie Bognuda of the San Diego Police Department reported on their work to get cases through the system, traffic violation enforcement and graffiti control.
- Lane Woolery of the San Diego Fire Department reported on efforts to prevent the spread of coronavirus, planning for fire safety and prevention.
- Beth Binger and David McCullough of Wilmark gave a
 presentation on plans for Gullstrand and the golf course
 property. They said the golf course would not be restored
 but the canyon would be preserved as open space. They
 said the old landscaping had to be removed and would be
 replaced to comply with City regulations.
- Justine Murray, representative of City Councilwoman Barbara Bry, discussed the City's "Get it Done" website to report problems. She also reviewed what the City is doing concerning Wilmark development, budget issues for the City, the status of a stop light for Lakewood and Governor, and height increase of Miramar Landfill.
- Lisa Wood, Project Manager for Miramar Landfill, discussed plans to increase height of landfill by 25 feet. She also discussed efforts to control odors.
- Miller Saltzman, representative for Assemblywoman Toni Atkins, discussed the California budget, the issuance of bonds to build housing close to jobs and transportation, and "Real ID" requirements by the end of the year.
- A report from Congressman Scott Peters was read on the record. He discussed efforts to fight the coronavirus, and meeting with local community groups.
- Chris Nielsen of University City Planning Group reported on board elections with new members now on the board.
- Mark Salata of EdUCate Foundation made a request for funding the Taste of the Triangle fund raiser on May 8, 2020. (This event has been postponed.)

The next UCCA meeting was scheduled for April 15. Due to the closure of the library, the Order banning gatherings of 10 or more, and the general recommendation of social distancing due to the Coronavirus outbreak, the **April meeting has been cancelled**. Keep up with local news by going on the UCCA website: universitycitynews.org, and follow UCCA on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @universitycitycommunityassociation.



UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Dear Newsletter Reader,

(reaching you in a new way)

April is here, and it has unfortunately brought much more than the usually welcomed "showers".

Our normal home newsletter delivery, in consideration of the welfare of our volunteers, needed to change.

These are unprecedented times, and requires all of us to think of the health and safety of others and how to modify our social interactions during these unknowing times.

I hope when reading this column, the spread of coronavirus has started to level off in our country and the rest of the world, and there soon will be a return to some level of normalcy. However, we must remain vigilant and respect the CDC, National, State, County/City guidelines. Most, if not all, public meetings have been canceled this month.

You've probably read/heard of the serious impact upon the economics of our country and how government is addressing this issue. If each of us does their part, maybe in the not too distant future we will be able to look back upon these challenging times and feel some pride in how we came together to "overcome".

April traditionally is a month for what has been a family gathering time as both Easter and Passover holidays brings many of us together to celebrate. For many these plans have needed to be changed.

Major sports events, tournaments, seasons have all be postponed or eliminated...and in Japan the Olympics has been re-scheduled for July 23 through August 8, 2021.

How this pandemic may affect our National, State, and City elections set for this November is a big question mark.

The U.S. Census survey has arrived for most...and with all that's going on, sending in your response card is still expected...so don't forget.

And of course, as I suspect you know, the filing date for our taxes has been delayed until July 15.

Here's a little tidbit...since we're all home-bound and needing to create some diversions and perhaps learning some new skills at the same time...There are rumors that a six foot square mah jong/Bridge table can be ordered on Amazon with a drop-down tile/card sanitizer in the middle ... It comes with robotic-like hand-held arm extensions. All this, plus the anxiously awaited 2020 mah jong player's card and a "Bridge for the Beginners" handbook.

I could go on and on mentioning some other mundane life activities each of us has taken for granted, but that doesn't seem important these days.

Thank you to our front line health professionals and elected officials who have been working overtime to provide us with needed medical services and information. I am cautiously optimistic that based on health/city officials' recommendations that our May issue may return to our regular hard copy edition. If not, I'll be with you again, online.

The UCCA Board wishes you and yours good health and safety...and to those who observe, have a wonderful Easter and Passover. Stay well University City, where we're more than just a neighborhood. ~Barry

calendar

APRIL FOOL'S DAY Wednesday, April 1

WORLD HEALTH DAY

Tuesday, April 7

PASSOVER

Begins sundown, Wednesday, April 8 Ends sundown, Thursday, April 16

EASTER

Sunday, April 12

PATRIOT'S DAY Monday, April 20

EARTH DAY Wednesday, April 22

ARBOR DAY

Friday, April 24

NATIONAL MAHIONG DAY

Thursday, April 30

SPRING EGG HUNT

Cancelled

MONTHLY MEETINGS CANCELLED

(usual meeting days)

UC Planning Group

(2nd Tuesdays)

University City Community Association (2nd Wednesdays)

People for a Clean UC (3rd Sundays)

UC Community Plan Committee (3rd Tuesdays)

University City Parks Council Standley Park Community Rec Group (4th Thursdays)



Neighborhood Watch Deals with More Than Crime

by Barbara Gellman

Neighborhood Watch is not just about crime prevention, it covers how and why we interact with our neighbors. This health crisis

is an excellent opportunity to reach out to others(while keeping six feet of social distancing); knowing each other diminishes the stress levels if one needs to ask for help.

Feel good tips to help others:

- Early walkers: if the newspaper has been delivered, move it up to the neighbor's door.
- Making a "store" run: check with a neighbor who can't get out for one reason or another and pick up what they need.
- Do a "neighbor" check; call to be sure they are ok, it lets them know that someone cares.
- Can you walk their dog if they are unable to do this, assuming you are equipped to handle the dog.
- Recommend a movie or special program from one of the TV channels, Netflix, Streaming, etc. for kids and adults.

What to do if stationed at home for yourself and family:

- Set up 3 boxes, one that says donate, one keep and one maybe. Start going through closets, drawers, cabinets, shelves inside the house and then the garage. Call a charity to pick up the donation boxes. Reorganize.
- Sort through old photos and decide how to store them; do it with children if they are home; you are teaching them family
- Read books, listen to music, dance
- Go for walks or bike rides
- Walk along the beaches
- Try a new recipe
- Teach your children how to cook AND clean up
- Craft projects

Stress compromises your immune system so, try to stay active and positive and add some of your own ideas to share with other friends or family.

WHEN REQUESTING EMERGENCY SERVICES

IF YOU HAVE FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS, ARE **OUARANTINED, OR UNDER SELF-OUARANTINE AND NEED EMERGENCY** SERVICES, PLEASE LET THE DISPATCHER KNOW.

SHARING THIS INFORMATION WITH 911 DISPATCHERS WILL HELP OUR FIRST RESPONDERS TAKE THE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS.









Tips to Help Prevent Bicycle Theft

Info from Officer Melanie Bognuda, Northern Division SDPD

Tips to Help Prevent Bicycle Theft

If you lock your bicycle up correctly, thieves will pass it over and move on to an easier target that is less secured. And if you insure your bicycle, your insurer will compensate you for your loss if your bicycle is stolen after all.

Lock Up Your Bicycle

Secure your bicycle frame with a heavy duty lock, such as a U-lock. Then use an additional locking system as a secondary to secure your wheels. Do some research on all the different types of bicycle locks available out there and pick what you will actually use.

• Secure your Bicycle Components

Replace your quick release skewer or bolt which holds your seatpost or wheels with a locking skewer. Also, check out the locking top cap bolt to secure your fork. Contact your local bicycle shop and ask for additional tricks which can thwart thieves.

. Park your Bicycle Correctly, Use the Bicycle Rack

Remember that when your bicycle is locked up outside, it's only as secure as the thing you've locked it to. Street sign poles are not a secure option. Thieves can remove the sign or if your locking system stretches, they simply lift your bicycle over the top of the pole to remove it.

• Take Your Accessories with You

If you enjoy the convenience of a bicycle light, rack, bag, or basket which can be easily removed, then you should take it with you when you lock up your bicycle on the street. Thieves want nice accessories too. They will look for goods which they can easily grab

Store Your Bicycle Inside

And by inside, we mean inside your residence or garage. Avoid advertising your bicycle by not storing it on your front porch or balcony. Also, use your bicycle lock while at your residence. If a thief is able to gain access, they will have one more hurdle to jump before riding away on your bicycle.

Know Your Bicycle Information

If your bicycle is stolen, you will need to be able to provide the make, model, Serial Number, color, and any other distinctive features which make it stand out. Please file a police report. Call 619.531.2000 to report.

Police and Fire Dispatchers Asking Additional Questions Related to COVID-19

San Diego Police and Fire/Rescue Departments have asked for the public's help to keep our first responders safe. Let dispatchers know if you have symptoms or are under quarantine so they can take the necessary precautions. In San Diego, call-takers for 9-1-1 Emergency will ask for additional information and are asking questions such as:

- Are you having flu-like symptoms, such as fever, cough or shortness of breath?
- In the last 14 days have you traveled to a high-risk area for transmission of COVID-19?
- Have you been in close contact with someone confirmed or being evaluated for COVID-19?

First responders report that the answers to these questions will help them be better prepared to serve those who may be infected with COVID-19 and also reduce the risk of further spread of the virus. For more information, visit the City's website at www.sandiego.gov

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry

COVID-19

COVID-19 is a rapidly evolving situation, so to aid the spread of timely, accurate information, the Office of Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry will be delivering a daily update on federal, state, county, and city COVID-19 related developments. This update will be releasing via social media every day by 5:00pm. To receive these updates follow @barbarabryd1 or subscribe to email news alerts at sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd1.

In the meantime, stay up-to-date with COVID-19 news with the following resources:

San Diego City: www.sandiego.gov/coronavirus San Diego County: www.sandiegocounty.gov/coronavirus/ California Department of Public Health: www.cdph.ca.gov/

Center for Disease Control (CDC): www.cdc.gov/

The Office of Councilmember Bry is here and working for you, and we appreciate your patience during this time.

Climate Emergency Resolution

On March 10, my Council colleagues and I voted to pass a Climate Emergency Resolution. I'm proud to have voted in favor of this resolution, which affirms San Diego's commitment to addressing the prevalent, pressing effects of climate change. In their annual report, the Climate Action Campaign awarded our City a silver ranking in regards to our efforts to combat climate change. While our we have made some strides, there is more to do, and I am committed as a City Councilmember to addressing this important global concern.

Using Red Flag Law to Combat Hate Crimes by City Attorney Mara W. Elliott

When a 35-year-old Clairemont man threatened on Facebook to "shoot up" a gay bar in Hillcrest and then kill himself, our Office intervened with a Gun Violence Restraining Order (GVRO) to prevent this attack. This is just one example of more than 300 situations where our Office obtained GVROs to avert potential gun violence tragedy. While most GVRO cases referred to our Office involve domestic violence or threats of suicide, we've also found them to be a valuable tool for preventing hate-fueled violence in our community.

Using California's Red Flag Law, our Office obtains GVROs to safely remove firearms from individuals who pose a danger to themselves or others. They also serve another purpose – preventing the person named in the order from acquiring new guns and ammunition. Here are other examples where GVROs prevented potential hate crimes:

- A man bumped, punched, and pulled a hijab off Muslim women in Little Italy, yelling, "Go back to your country!" When police went to his home, he answered the door with a gun in his hand.
- A man left disturbing telephone messages referencing bullets and guns at an English as a Second Language school, and tried to intimidate its students from taking a field trip to his neighborhood.
- A man vowed to commit the largest mass shooting in U.S. history and broadcast it on Instagram. He mentioned a specific school where he wanted to kill people based on their race.

Hate crimes have increased dramatically since their decade-low rate in 2014, and increasingly target individuals as opposed to property. With GVROs, we protect our most vulnerable populations, particularly those who face threats of violence because of their race, religion, national origin, gender identity or other characteristics.

As City Attorney, my job is to ensure all San Diegans feel safe in their own communities, and I rely on vigilant members of the community like you to report these kinds of threats.



Kristin Gaspar

SD County Board of Supervisor, District 3

This is a really challenging time for all of us. We are navigating through uncharted times that can feel frightening and overwhelming. As a parent of three children, I understand the tremendous impact our school closures will have. With our children not being in the classroom, we MUST be vigilant and make sure they stay home.

The County Public Health Officer implemented this order because although children may not show symptoms, they can be carriers of the coronavirus. It is crucial that as parents we understand this is not an early spring break, this is a public health crisis that we are trying to contain. You might be thinking that it's ok to have your kids' friends come over, continue to have birthday parties, sleepovers and play dates. But doing so may unintentionally bring the virus into more homes and transmit it to someone's grandparent or someone whose immune system is compromised. We must all do our part to stop the spread of this powerful virus. Being the strong and resilient community that we are, it is important that we heed the advice and guidance from our public health officials and make prudent decisions for the health of our region and our families.

Our elderly relatives, friends and neighbors are among the most vulnerable in our community. As we experience one of the most challenging crises of our lives, it's so important that we remember to check on them to make sure they have enough food and are getting the proper care they need and deserve.

Thankfully, we have some community partners that are stepping up during these difficult times. The San Diego Food Bank and the North County Food Bank are continuing their food distributions and their 200 sites around the county are still open for families and seniors who need food assistance.

The County's Aging and Independence Services also continues its regular meal deliveries and now, is expanding its reach to include meal deliveries for anyone who is under a quarantine or isolation order from the Public Health Officer. To connect with AIS call: 1-800-339-4661.

Seniors may also be eligible for low cost computers from the San Diego Futures Foundation. To apply, go to www.sdfutures.org, then to the computer section where you can fill out an application. Thank you for looking out for our elderly neighbors.

It is my honor to serve as District 3 Supervisor. Please feel free to contact me at Kristin.Gaspar@sdcounty.ca.gov or 619.531.5533.



It's all happening at the eLibrary

A Message from San Diego Public Library Director Misty Jones

As you know, all San Diego Public Libraries are closed until at least April 6 and programming and events have been

postponed or cancelled. Our staff miss seeing you and we look forward to getting back to helping you in person. Our mission is to inspire lifelong learning through connections to knowledge and each other. We know that mission is best served when our outstanding Library staff can provide you one-on-one assistance.

Until that is possible again, please take advantage of the free online resources available in our eLibrary. Listed below are just some of those valuable resources. Many require you enter your Library card number. Don't have a library card? You can apply for a card online and use your temporary card number and password to login and access the eLibrary at www.sandiego.gov/public-library/elibrary

- U.S. Newsstream: Read daily editions of newspapers including Los Angeles Times, New York Times and Washington Post.
- Audiobooks and eBooks: Fire up your Kindle and start downloading a library of eBooks, or download an audiobook to listen to while cooking dinner. RBdigital, enki Library, and cloudLibrary offer thousands of eBooks and digital audiobooks.
- Learn a New Skill: Gale Courses offers more than 300 highly interactive, instructor-led courses that you can take entirely online. Learn more about computer programming, criminal law, or digital photography.
- BookFlix: A literacy resource that pairs classic children's video storybooks with related nonfiction eBooks from Scholastic. This is an interactive way to build a love of reading and learning.
- Rosetta Stone: Parlez-vous français? Learn a new language for free with Rosetta Stone. Select from thirty easy-to-use language courses.
- Health and Wellness: Gale Health and Wellness offers access to full-text medical journals, magazines, and more. MedlinePlus and MedlinePlus en Español offers important information on diseases, conditions, and wellness issues, including COVID-19 updates.
- Flipster: Read your favorite magazine online. Flipster is an easy-to-use digital newsstand that offers access to bestselling digital magazines.
- Testing and EducationTesting & Education Reference Center: Prepare for tests, download test handbooks, plan for higher education, explore career paths, build a resume, and access job interview tips.
- Resources to Get Online: Two San Diego Public Library Foundation partners and Library supporters are stepping up to help San Diego children obtain low-cost computers and providing internet help for lower-income customers.
 - Computers 2 Kids San Diego (C2K) is dedicated to broadening access to computers and technology for all San Diego children and their families, regardless of their economic status. For those who qualify, C2K provides a desktop computer for \$80 and laptops for \$100.
 - Ox Communications is helping K-12 students without internet at home by offering 60 days of free internet for new participants of its Connect2Compete program. Cox is also offering a lower cost internet tier with no annual contract for those in need such as seniors and college students, and is relaxing data usage overage charges for all tiers.

For more information about Library services available through the eLibrary, visit www.sandiego.gov/public-library/elibrary



SDPL announces Spring Reading Program

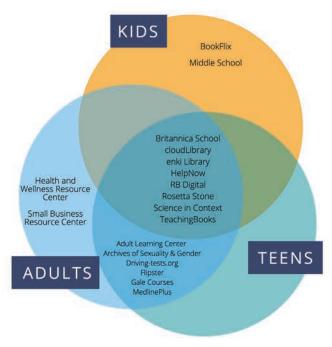
Temporary Library Cards Available for eLibrary

Registration is now open for the San Diego Public Library's Spring into Reading Program for readers of all ages. Looking for books to read at home? Visit the SDPL eLibrary to view all of the options. The CloudLibrary app, which can be downloaded to phone or tablet, is a great place to start.

To register, have your San Diego Public Library card handy, which begins with the digits 01336. Don't have a library card? You can apply for a card and use your temporary card number and password to login and access eLibrary.

All reading counts. For example, listening to audiobooks and watching story times online are great ways to complete your reading log. For more information on the Spring into Reading Program, visit www.sandiego.gov/springreading





Visit https://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/elibrary to access these digital resources and more!



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Learn at Home Resources from KPBS

Available During COVID-19 School Closures

In collaboration with the San Diego County Office of Education and San Diego Unified School District, KPBS has launched an at-home learning response to school closures for all children and youth in San Diego and Imperial counties. This response includes a new educational schedule for broadcast on KPBS 2, as well as free digital content for at-home learning and support for teachers and parents navigating this new learning landscape throughout the state.

KPBS is broadcasting a California state standards-aligned educational television schedule, created by PBS SoCal/KCET and the Los Angeles Unified School District. This TV schedule was developed to help schools and districts bridge the digital divide and provide equitable access to learning for all students at home, regardless of access to internet or computers. Educational programming aligned with state standards runs each weekday 6:00am to 6:00pm on KPBS 2. Grades TK-3: 6:00am – 8:00am; Grades 4-8: 8:00am -1:00pm; Grades 9-12: 1:00pm – 6:00pm. For more information, visit www.kpbs.org/

Important Tips for Parents on Homeschooling

by Mark Powell, SD County Board of Education, District 1

The San Diego County Office of Education is continuing to build out their COVID-19 website with additional resources and materials to assist teachers and families during this crisis. There are also pages dedicated to mental and emotional health for students and families, as well as support resources for families. SDCOE is updating the site daily with additional materials so I encourage you to check the site regularly at sdcoe.net. And with over 500,000 students across San Diego County being homeschooled parents are now taking on the role as classroom teacher. Here are some tips for parents on "The Essentials of Homeschooling":

- Create a parent chat using Facetime, Zoom or Skype for parents to discuss teaching techniques. A teleconference would also work.
- Allow your kids to do homework with their classmates online
- · Monitor your kids when they are learning online
- · Have a daily routine and put it in writing, make a schedule
- Create a space in the house designated for learning
- Include your children in the learning process
- Exercise and take breaks throughout the day
- Access district resources and school websites daily for information
- Monitor your email and phone messages for school updates
- Email your child's teacher with questions on assignments
- Do not be too hard on yourself or your kids and try to keep your stress level as low as possible

UC STUDENTS WILL SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE SCHOOL YEAR

by John Lee Evans, SD Unified Board President

The Superintendent and the Board of Education have approved a plan to continue the 2019-20 school year with distance learning. While this does not meet the ideal of direct contact between students and teachers, we do not want to further delay the education of our students.

High school students will receive credit for the courses they are currently taking. High school seniors will still graduate in June. If at some point we are allowed to return to our buildings we will quickly move back, but we are not going to wait around for that undetermined date.

San Diego Unified has been teaching students in the classroom for over 150 years. Now we are going to make the transition to online learning in about a month. The "soft launch" of the program will begin immediately after the traditional Spring Break on April 6. During the first three weeks we will be training teachers on best practices for online learning and we will be distributing thousands of computers to those students who do not have them at home. No one will be left out. During the first three weeks teachers can make contact with their students and practice the new system to allow students to continue progressing in the curriculum. On April 27 we will begin the formal assignments, testing and grading.

Many teachers have already been doing amazing things. One kindergarten teacher hosted a group reading on Zoom on the first day of the closure. Another teacher was delivering materials to students that same day. Teacher appreciation has gone way up as frustrated parents contend with helping their children. One said, "I have been teaching my six year old and eight year old for one hour and 11 minutes and I think teachers should be paid a billion dollars a year."

The first couple of weeks have been a challenge for everyone. Parents and students will welcome the new structure as it is gradually implemented. This is all an unprecedented challenge to our teachers, parents and students, but we are all in this together.

SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

Courtesy Mark Powell

Daily Schedule

Second Grade - 2019-2020











8:45-9:00 Unpack & Morning Routines 9:00-9:15 Morning Meeting 9:15-10:15 Math 10:15-10:40 Writing 10:40-11:30 Special 11:30-12:20 Core Extension 12:20-1:05 Lunch

1:05-2:10 Language Arts

2:10-2:40 Phonics

2:40-3:15 Social Studies/Science
3:15-3:30 Pack Up & Dismissal Routines



Special thanks goes out to the Thygerson family for putting up one of the Spreckels Elementary class of 2020 5th grade gifts.



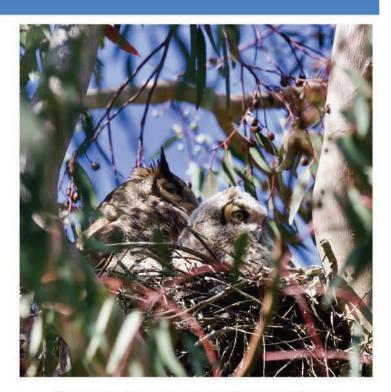
UNIVERSITY CITY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL SEASON COMPLETED

by Marie Minnick

The UCHS boys basketball team just completed the 2019-2020 season with an appearance in the CIF Division 2 Championship final game vs San Diego High School. Though they lost in the Final game they were invited to the California State Championship tournament and won their first round game against Calexico High School.

The team traveled to Downey, California and lost to St Pius-St Mattheis High School in the 2nd round of the State Championship game to end the season at 21-10 record. Most of these boys have played together since Standley Middle School and have made UC proud.

Team members are: Zeke Cotsirilos, Wesley Clarkson, Jack O'Donnell, Jonah Doolittle, Tyler Billings, Luke Minnick, Kasen Dickerson, Jalen LeFear, Carson Truong, Dylan Pursel, Alex Kohlenberg, Frankey Naguidebe, and Hansen Lee.



Owlets Spotted at Marcy Park

Alison Dorvillier submitted the above photo, taken by her mother Frimmel Smith, of the Great Horned Owlets (baby owls) nesting at Marcy Park on Stresemann St. The nest is one vacated by a Red Tail Hawk. Placed in a nearby tree is a large owl box for the Barn Owls, a project of the University City Community Foundation. Additional boxes, all built by UC resident Robert Wiegand, are located at UC Gardens Park and Standley Park. The hope is that local owls will increase and the rodent population can be controlled naturally.

Jewish Family Service Provides Food, Meals, Transportation

Jewish Family Service of San Diego (JFS) has expanded its most vital programs to serve families and individuals of all faiths, background and ages, impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and wants San Diegans to know: Food, meals and transportation are available for those in critical need!

Available services:

- Foodmobile: Expanded home-delivery meal service for homebound seniors and disabled adults. Deliveries may include hot/ready-to-eat meals, frozen meals and groceries to create home-cooked meals. For more information or to get help, call 858.637.3210.
- Drive-Thru Food Assistance: Those in critical need can pick up bags of fresh and non-perishable food via a new drive-thru service at the JFS Joan & Irwin Jacobs Campus at 8804 Balboa Avenue every Monday-Friday from 11:00am to 1:00pm. No appointment needed.
- On the Go: Older adults and/or their caregivers can schedule rides to the grocery store or medical appointments. Rides are provided by volunteer drivers and through rideshare service Lyft via JFS's On the Go Navigator service. For more information or to request a ride, call 858.637.3210

Little Free Libraries Abound in uc

by Jemma Samala

Little Free Library is a nonprofit organization that aims to inspire a love of reading, build community, and spark creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges. While public libraries are closed, this would be a good time to visit, borrow, and leave a book. They are also becoming places to leave extra supplies that neighbors can leave for others (such as food items, toilet paper, etc). We took a drive around University City and put together the following guide. If we missed one, let us know. For more program, about the LittleFreeLibrary.org. Also note that future UCCA newsletters will be left at each Little Free Library.



Northwest UC - photo above, Arnoldson Avenue (by Travers Way)

Southwest UC





Bothe Avenue Sandburg Avenue

Northcentral UC





Both pictured above are on Mercer Lane



Wellesley Avenue



Millikin Avenue

Southcentral UC



Corner of Eton Avenue and Eton Court



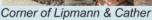


Southeast UC

Northeast UC









Via Cinta



Pennant Village on Erlanger Street



Open Restaurants in University City

The following restaurants in South UC are open for takeout only/delivery or drive-thru. Best procedure is to call ahead and pay with a credit/debit card, or have delivered. For a complete restaurant guide that includes North UC, Westfield UTC, and grocery stores, go to universitycitynews.org for a Open for Business restaurant under the Buy Local section.

UNIVERSITY SQUARE (Governor & Genesee)

Lorna's Italian Kitchen 858.452.0661 | Iornasitalian.com

Ahi's Sushi & Grill 858.678.0286 | utcahisushi.com

Ramon's Taco Shop 858.452.9446 | ramonstacoshop.com

Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf 858.784.0286 | coffeebean.com

Carl's Jr (4199 Governor) 858.623.8441 | carlsjr.com

SPROUTS MARKETPLACE (Governor & Regents)

AA-harn Thai 858.242.6389 | 858.242.6389

Round Table Pizza 858.457.2334 | roundtablepizza.com

Primos Mexican Food 858.412.4688 | primosmex.com

Outcast Grill (6104 Regents Road/corner Governor Dr) 858.202.0097 | outcastgrill.com

Golden Donuts and Starbucks temporarily closed

Area Restaurants Helping During Hard Times



Scott and Thai Slater recently opened two new restaurants, Spitfire and Head Lettuce, in the Regents Park Center (Regents Road & Regents Park Row. They recently started a new program where they are personally matching 100% of all donations to bring ready-made meals to front line medical workers and assisted living centers in UC/UTC/La Jolla Medical Center. They are also planning drops to Rady Children's Hospital, UCSD Medical Center, and the VA.

Sample deliveries for the a week included: Scripps Memorial (75 meals), San Diego VA (75 meals), Scripps Green (75 meals), UCSD Medical Hillcrest (75 meals), Acorn Senior Living (30 meals).

The Slater's are partnering with the Kavod Fund and donations can be made on their GoFundMe.com account "Ready Meals for Medical and Assisted Living". With the couple matching every dollar donated, they will be funded through all of April. Then plan to do this as long as they can!

The restaurant websites are: spitfiretacos.com and theheadlettuce.com



UC resident Michel Malecot, Chef and Owner of the French Gourmet in Pacific Beach, is partnering with Our Mother of Confidence Church for food delivery. The French Gourmet will deliver ordered meals to the church every day at 5:30pm, or they can be picked up directly from the restaurant too. The OMC church is located at 3131 Governor Drive. The French Gourmet has also been a continuing participating restaurant for EdUCate's Taste of the Triangle. Order at: thefrenchgourmet.com.

COVID -19 RESOURCES

The coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak has led to a large number of government and informational sources. Rather than trying to duplicate the information, which is continuously changing daily, even hourly; UCCA has chosen to list the resources below, where more detailed information can be found. Additionally, UCCA's website master, Diane Ahern, regularly posts relevant articles at: universitycitynews.org

> City of San Diego sandiego.gov/coronavirus

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State of California COVID19.CA.gov

Federal Government Task Force coronavirus.gov

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cdc.gov/coronavirus

World Health Organization who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

2-1-1 211sandiego.org

Scripps Health COVID-19 Nurse Line: 888.261.8431

UCSD Health COVID-19 Nurse Line: 800.926.8273

San Diego Access and Crisis Line 888.724.7240

Drive-up testing at SDCCU Stadium – with doctor referral

COVID-19 Resources Page

created by UC resident Tama Becker-Varance Changebeginswithmesite.wordpress.com

San Diego Unified School District sites.google.com/sandi.net/covid19

PBS Learning Resources pbslearningmedia.org

Enjoy La Jolla Shores from Home scripps ucsd edu/piercam

LIVE WELL @ HOME





San Diego County and Live Well San Diego have launched Live Well at Home, a collection of free resources aimed at helping San Diegans in maintaining a healthy mind and body while staying indoors. These resources are categorized by age group and topic to match the needs of the community. For info, go to livewellsd.org/ and click on the Live Well @ Home link.

The University City Community Association (UCCA) is proud to be a recognized Live Well San Diego partner.

What is UC doing to keep occupied?



Karen Rudenberg submitted this photo of her neighbors on Dirac playing "street bingo" while social distancing

Ruth DeSantis finished a 1,000 piece puzzle



Teresa Rizzo, Terri Day, Elizabeth Bradfield, and Camilie Nicole (pictured) are sewing masks

Guillaume & Monique Gao pulled weeds



Rita Newell finished a Christmas quilt

Davis Mills and Diane Romito tried out home barbering and is fostering some puppies



Angie Weathers and her children cleaned up Governor Drive from Genesee to the 805 freeway

Meghan Wanzek left a note for her elderly neighbors "Please call or stop by if you need anything at all!" and they wrote back "Thank you for your concern. Everything ok to date."

Fire Safe Council of UC South

by Jemma Samala

The Fire Safe Council of University City South will be concentrating on education to the UC community about fire safety during 2020. As part of a year-long series of fire safety articles, the following focuses on preparing an Emergency Supplies Kit. This list was originally set to be the last installment of the series, but I thought this may be a good time for everyone to get emergency kits together. Info provided by the San Diego Fire-Rescue, sandiego.gov/fire. Save the info below for reference.

EMERGENCY SUPPLIES LIST

The American Red Cross recommends every family have an emergency supply kit assembled long before a wildland fire or other emergency occurs. Use the checklist below to help assemble yours. For more information on emergency supplies, visit www.redcross/org/get-help.

Three-day supply of water (one gallon per person per day)

 Non-perishable food for all family members and pets (3- day supply)

First aid kit

___ Flashlight, battery-powered radio, and extra batteries

Extra set of car keys, credit cards, cash or traveler's checks

Sanitation supplies

Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses

_ Important family documents and contact numbers Including insurance documents

Map marked with evacuation routes

Prescriptions or special medications

_ Family photos, valuable and other irreplaceable items that are easy to carry

Personal electronic devices and chargers

Keep a pair of old shoes and a flashlight handy in case of a sudden evacuation at night

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Preparing Get Home Bags

J Smith, Fire Safe Council of University City South member, has put together emergency kits for each of his cars. He's sharing his list of items with the community. One of his bags is pictured above. His list is below and is an excellent guide for your own "get home" bags for each car, which you can adjust to your own needs:

Water: six aluminum cans, empty water bottle

Food: granola energy bars, nuts, beef jerky

Hygiene: baby wipes, hand sanitizer, tampons/pads, toilet paper

Illumination: headlamp, flashlight, chem light on string

Storage: ziplock bags (small/large), extra small foldable bag,

carabiners, long zip ties

Clothing: hat (wide brimmed), socks, rain poncho, facemask

Electronics: phone, headphones, dongle, lightning cable

Printed Items: local map, contact phone numbers, pictures of each family member and pets, printed list of items in "get home" bag

First Aid: Band Aids (small, large, knuckle), gauze (patch and roll), wound closure strips, blister bandages, moleskin, scissors, tourniquet, medical tape, eyewash, alcohol or iodine pads, burn gel, antibiotic ointment, two pairs nitrile gloves, CPR barrier, tweezers, bandana, prescription and pain meds, tiny medical guide

Misc: sunscreen, lip balm, P100 smoke masks (4), gloves, whistle, matches/tinder source, pole saw, notepad/super post-its, multi tool, pocket knife, large survival blade, gorilla tape, cash (\$100), 550 paracord (50 ft), crank power radio/usb charger (charge/test), survival blanket, air tight safety goggles

CAL Fire / San Diego County Fire Join San Diego Fire Rescue on PulsePoint

PulsePoint is a mobile phone application that allows users to view and receive alerts on calls being responded to by fire departments and emergency medical services. After downloading the app, users can follow both San Diego Fire Rescue (San Diego FR) and CAL FIRE / San Diego County Fire Authority (San Diego County FD). More information is available at www.pulsepoint.org

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REAL ID Deadline Extended

The deadline for Real ID driver's licenses and ID cards has been extended as the spread of COVID-19 forces millions of Americans to social distance and stay home.

Previously, the deadline for all states to be compliant with Real ID, which requires stricter security checks to be issued and an in-person visit to the DMV, was October 1, 2020. The extension date will be announced soon.

When the Real ID's do finally go into effect, travelers will either need their passports or the Real ID identifier to board a domestic flight. Real ID-compliant licenses feature a star in the upper portion of the ID.

But in order to receive one of these enhanced licenses, people need to visit their local DMV for an in-person meeting. Last month, the Department of Homeland Security said people can submit proof of their identity online to expedite the process, but it does not replace that in-person visit.

Administration said it would allow people to use an expired driver's license to pass through security if that traveler is not able to renew it right now.

Additionally, the TSA is allowing people to bring hand sanitizer in quantities of up to 12-ounce bottles in their carry-on luggage, increasing the liquid requirements for that item.



Be Counted UC: Complete the Census Today

By now, your invitation to participate in the 2020 Census should have arrived at your households through the US Mail. This invitation includes instructions on how to respond to the 2020 Census online or by phone. If you haven't already done so, please respond to the 2020 Census by using the provided Census ID. No matter how you respond, it is important to do so to be counted.

That's because Census statistics help determine the number of seats California holds in the U.S. House of Representatives and how billions of dollars in federal funds are allocated to state and local communities for the next 10 years. For more information, visit 2020census.gov/

Isabel Lemus, Partnership Specialist from the US Census Bureau, reminded us that, "we need community participation, Census statistics is used for many things, among them: distribution of more than 675 billions dollars for public services, representation in Congress, public schools, seniors centers and others."

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Shift Program Construction Update

As construction continues in the University City area, Shift is your one-stop shop for updates on construction impacts and upcoming closures in your area. The Shift program collaborates with construction partners to collect and distribute monthly updates on the major public, private and transportation infrastructure projects. Visit ShiftSanDiego.com or follow @ShiftSanDiego on Twitter for the most up-to-date information on construction impacts in the area, as construction details are subject to change. For any questions regarding current or ongoing work, contact Shift at info@shiftsandiego.com or text ShiftSD to 797979 for alerts sent directly to your phone.

Mid-Coast Trolley Construction, SANDAG Project Interstate 5 Trolley Overpass, South of Nobel Drive Falsework removal at the Mid-Coast Trolley overcrossing was completed in early March. The work, which required full overnight closures of Interstate 5 (I-5), progressed ahead of schedule and was completed four days earlier than anticipated. Crews are continuing to remove falsework along the west side of I-5, moving north from the overcrossing. Once complete, slope work underneath the Trolley bridge will begin. This will include hauling soil on and off site and will require lane closures.



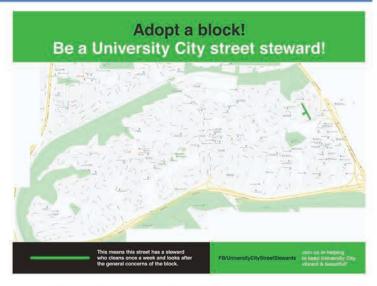
Crews wrap up falsework removals over southbound I-5 lanes

Along Genesee Avenue

Mid-Coast Trolley crews continue to remove falsework along Genesee Avenue. The final section of falsework is tentatively scheduled to be removed from the future UTC Terminus in mid-April and may require overnight partial and full closures of Genesee Avenue between La Jolla Village Drive and Nobel Drive. Traffic controls and detour routes will be in place. Storm drain work along Eastgate Mall and Executive Drive is in progress, but schedules may change due to inclement weather. The latest details, including impacts and timing, will be posted to ShiftSanDiego.com in advance of the closures.



Aerial view of construction progress at the future UTC Trolleys Station along Genesee Avenue



Street Stewards looking for volunteers in UC

Contributed by Diane Ahern: This information came in recently through UCCA's Facebook page from Aaron Null, the founder and driving force behind Street Stewards, a group of volunteers who clean up neighborhoods block by block. Given its success in communities such as Ocean Beach, Pacific Beach, North Park, and Point Loma, Street Stewards has created a University City map and would like to invite residents to participate. The idea is simple: adopt a street or two around your home and go out about once a week to clean your block. There are currently two ways to Adopt a Block:

- "Like" the University City Street Stewards Facebook page at www.facebook.com/UniversityCityStreetStewards and add a comment to let Aaron know you'd like to adopt your street; don't forget to include the name of your street.
- Send an email directly to Street Stewards at streetstewards@gmail.com with name, email, and address.

UCCA is providing information to the community; this activity is not endorsed or sponsored by UCCA. It's up to you (or any resident) to decide to adopt a street for cleanup (or not). I personally think it's a very good idea ... and I've volunteered to clean up my block in University City. In this time of social distancing, it's a nice way to walk outside with a family member and do some neighborhood cleanup. For more information, visit the Street Stewards website at streetstewards.com/

What's the Plan for the Costa Verde Revitalization Project?

The draft environmental impact report (EIR) is now available for public comment through April 27, 2020. the project includes retail and dining areas, hotel, and office space as well as parking for cars and bikes. The Costa Verde Revitalization Project No. 477943 draft Environmental Impact Report is accessible on the City of San Diego website at www.sandiego.gov/ceqa/draft

Community Plan Update Mobility Vision Presentation Available Online

Due to conditions caused by COVID-19 restrictions, the March 2020 in-person meeting was cancelled. Instead of meeting in person, the scheduled presenters recorded the scheduled "Mobility Vision Presentation". To view the presentation, and submit comments or questions, please go to www.PlanUniversity.org and check for the presentation link in the "UPDATES" category.



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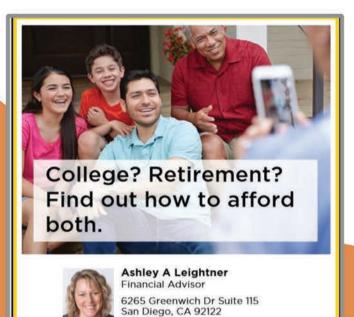
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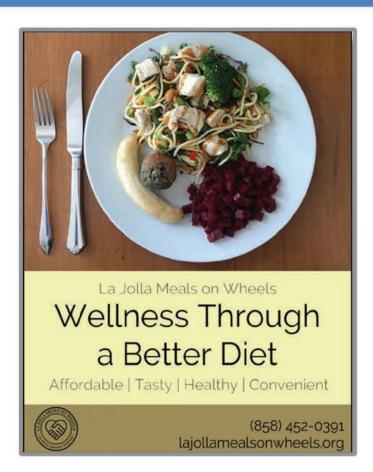
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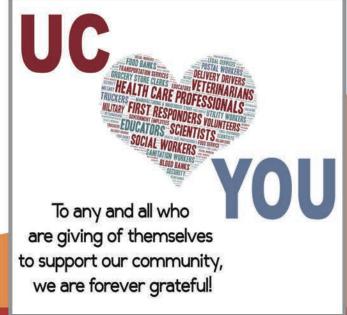
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