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University City Residents Organize Peaceful Protests

by **Jemma Samala**

On a quiet Sunday in early June, UC resident Brooke Scott decided to reach out to a few friends and neighbors to show their support of the Black Lives Matter movement. They made signs, wore masks and marched along Governor Drive with their children (pictured above left), and called it the UC March for Justice. At roughly the same time, Hannah Griswold, Lisa Bennett, and Charlissee Ringfield, incoming seniors at UC High School, created a UCHS Black Lives Matter group, and planned their own peaceful protests. They held their first protest on June 26 starting at the corner of Genesee and Nobel, and marched down and back to the high school (above right).

Brooke grew up in UC, and returned with her family seven years ago, and is a Special Education teacher at Coronado H.S. She believed "a lot of University City residents feel like they want to play a more active role in the Black Lives Matter Movement. I know for me, I want to take action and have a voice in making positive change and I think it has to start at the community level." She went on to say that "We have to teach our kids to speak up when we witness injustice. I hope that the march shows our youth and anyone from our community, that we can all lead, we can all speak out." Our local youth have already started leading and acting.

The UCHS students created an Instagram page @antiracist.sd and began planning their own action items. Hannah Griswold led the June 26 protest and said the group is "protesting to demonstrate to the UC community that we stand by our black and POC (people of color) neighbors in their fight for equality, justice, and against racism. University City is a very privileged and predominantly white neighborhood, so it is important to bring up issues of racial discrimination and police brutality that UC residents may not see or reflect on in their everyday lives."

Both groups plan to continue organizing community events and play a more active role in bringing these social justice issues to the forefront. Brooke reiterated that "Given our predominantly white neighborhood, I hope we find ways to share the voices of all ages who come from culturally diverse backgrounds to hear how we can improve our fellow community member's experiences." As we like to say, University City...more than just a neighborhood. (see more student quotes on page 10)



4th of July Virtual Photo Scavenger Hunt

While the usual UC Celebration is cancelled for 2020, the Photo Scavenger Hunt will continue in a virtual format. Photo Scavenger Hunt creator James Floyd will prepare the clues as usual.

The clues will be posted on the UCCelebration.com website on July 4. Participants can solve the clues at their leisure. The Photo Scavenger Hunt will be a fun family activity on the 4th and during the holiday weekend.

Stay tuned for more info and follow @UCCelebration on Facebook.



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UCCA Meeting Synopsis June 10, held via Zoom

by Jim Beshears, UCCA Secretary



COMMUNITY LEADER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Laura Ravine of the PTSA for UCHS reported the drive through graduation on June 9th was a success. Amazon Gift Certificates of \$25 were given to each participating student.
2. Katie Dunahoo of EdUCate! thanked the UCCA for its donation and discussed the future of Taste of the Triangle fundraisers, including a program with local restaurants the week of July 13-17 to promote the event.
3. Diane Ahern reported that Standley Park Rec Center was uncertain when and if it will open along with the Summer Concert Series as it depends if the Rec Center is open.
4. Chris Nielsen, chair of the UCPG, announced a meeting June 16 at 6:00pm to discuss local U.C. park issues.
5. Ron Belanger and Robert Marks of Citizens Advocating Safe Aviation (CASA) reported working with Scott Peter's office and local air traffic controllers regarding Miramar flight plans and pilots ignoring flight plan rules.
6. Jeff Dosick commented on how bike lanes are being omitted on Genesee by the High School and chopped up in the community by driveways, parking spots and obstructions. He asked if the UCCA could do something to get UCHS to reopen the bike path through the campus.
7. Liana Alston reported on the need for racial equality and opportunity in the area and increased funding for schools in poor and minority areas. She has organized a support and information share group on NextDoor.
8. Helen Lebowitz of the UC Library reported that it was still closed and was uncertain when it would re-open. She mentioned the need to do a local fundraiser to support the branch.
9. Barbara Gellman of Neighborhood Watch reported it was working on a morale booster and thank you plaque in the shape of a heart for the Northern Division Police Precinct.
10. Merle Langston of the Beautification Committee reported she was still waiting to hear from the landscaper on a bid to clean up some medians.
11. Don Hotz gave the treasurers report and said revenue was down but not bad considering the disruption in the community. The status of a \$500 a month grant from the County to support the print newsletter. It is uncertain if it will continue.
12. Hallie Burch reported there were 606 members and 6,000 newsletters were distributed for June.

LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVES:

13. Justine Murray, aide to Councilmember Barbara Bry, reported the City approved a new budget but the Councilmember did not get support for funding for a Fast Response Team for the fire department, funding for the office of the City Clerk and aid to South UC did not pass.
14. Mat Gordon, aide to Assembly member Todd Gloria, reported he was working on legislation for fair and just policing, including banning use of carotid restraints. Regarding the COVID-19 outbreak, he said the legislature was working on Phase 2 lifting of restrictions and getting to Phase 3, expanding vote by mail processing claims faster by the Unemployment Office and continuing to deliver home meals to seniors to avoid exposure.

The next meeting will be held on July 8, 2020 via zoom at 6:00pm and open to the public. To join the meeting, go to zoom.us, and enter meeting ID# 469 012 1178.



UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Summer is here...and we're keeping our fingers crossed that we'll be successful in the continuing battle against the COVID19 virus.

At this time, based on current COVID 19 guidelines, it does NOT appear to be a reasonable expectation that the Sunday concerts at Standley Park will be held. There's a MAYBE, that on August 1, the annual

"Banana Split" may be held. Please check our website (universitycitynews.org) and our UCCA E-blasts for current information.

It looks like our public schools will be open...starting August 31...with various options for our students. There will be plenty of work ahead of our school officials before final details are announced. At this writing, it looks like our kids will be able to get back to their usual manner of learning and being with friends and classmates. I think after these months of home/distance learning we can all appreciate our children's teachers that much more.

I want to acknowledge those in our community who have participated and supported efforts in promoting "social justice". This is an issue we all should give thought to, not only as individuals but also within the expanded world in which we live and work. (Below you can read UCCA's purpose and our non-discrimination section of our by-laws.)

This edition of the UCCA newsletter is a July/August publication. We will be meeting, via ZOOM on July 8, (please join us), however we will not be meeting in August. On behalf of our Board, I'd like to wish you and yours a very safe and fun summer. You can stay informed about University City happenings by going to our website and/or reading our E-blasts.

Remember, University City "is more than just a neighborhood." Be safe, be well. ~Barry

VIRTUAL UCCA MEETING

The next UCCA meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, July 8, starting at 6:00pm – the regular monthly meeting time.

Since libraries are still closed, the meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To participate, join at us02web.zoom.us/j/4690121178

You may also go to zoom.com, and join meeting ID: 469 012 1178

And you can also call in at: 408.638.0968, 4690121178#

We hope to "see" you there!

UCCA BYLAWS EXCERPT

University City Community Association provides for and promotes the safety, civic, cultural, social, educational, and recreational improvement of University City . . . and provides a meeting place to discuss related issues and concerns at monthly public meetings. University City Community Association does not discriminate against people of any race, religion, age, or sexual orientation.

To see the full version of the UCCA Bylaws, go to universitycitynews.org.

calendar

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Saturday, July 4

4th of JULY/UC CELEBRATION - CANCELLED
(Holiday observed Friday, July 3)

UCCA MEETING

Wednesday, July 8, 6:00pm

Zoom.us, meeting ID#469 012 1178

TASTE OF THE TRIANGLE UC RESTAURANT WEEK

July 11 – 18

More details at uc-educate.org

TAX DAY

Wednesday, July 15

UCUC BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, July 18, 8:00am – 1:30pm

Sprouts Marketplace

(Governor Drive & Regents Road)

INTERNATIONAL MAHJONG DAY

Saturday, August 1

NATIONAL BOOK LOVERS DAY

Sunday, August 9

NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

Saturday, August 21

NATIONAL DOG DAY

Wednesday, August 26

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (SDUSD)

Monday, August 31

UC PLANNING GROUP

Agendas and meeting information posted on
planuniversity.org

UC Community Plan Committee

Agendas and meeting information posted on
planuniversity.org

University City Parks Council Standley Park Community Rec Group

Contact Rec Center for meeting info:
858.552.1652



Heartfelt Thanks to Police

by Barbara Gellman

Last month "gratitude day" was celebrated at the Northern Division office of the San Diego Police Department. Sometimes, words are not enough to show our support and concern for our SDPD so we took it one step further. Toby Geisting, one of the Neighborhood Watch Captains on Via Cinta, baked tubs of chocolate chip cookies for our officers, all individually bagged and sealed. Once they stopped drooling, they turned their attention to the "Heartfelt Thanks" plaque that Barbara Gellman presented to the division officers from Neighborhood Watch in appreciation of their past and current support of this crime prevention partnership.

Summer Safety Tips

to help keep you and your property safe

Info provided by Officer Melanie Bognuda

The warmer weather brings open windows and a prime opportunity for criminals. Please remember to close and lock all windows and doors when you leave your home and when you are sleeping. Criminals will take the opportunity to crawl in to your home and help themselves to your belongings, even while you sleep.

Bicycles, scooters, and play equipment left out front and unattended make an easy grab for criminals. Do not let a criminal ride off on your property. Properly storing and securing your property will help prevent theft.

Do not advertise your travel plans or children staying home alone on social media. Criminals also use social media and would now be aware of a vacant home or easy targets for a scam to make their way in to your home. Wait until after you are home to post your wonderful photographs.

HELP OUR FIRST RESPONDERS

by Barbara Gellman

Help our police and fire/rescue personnel find you quickly by making sure your address is visible on your home and curb. I drove around U.C. last week delivering bandanas to our volunteers and couldn't believe the number of homes that were missing addresses. Please step outside, take a good look; can you see an address clearly from the street or sidewalk? Be sure it isn't hidden behind a bush or tree; don't make this into a "search & find" issue for our first responders.

Mayor Kevin Faulconer on the future of policing in San Diego



National protests have been punctuated by calls to defund police departments. Unfortunately, entrenched inequities cannot be rooted out overnight with a single vote. The City Council made the right decision to keep funding the Police Department so we can continue hiring and training officers who come from our neighborhoods and look like our diverse communities. But make no mistake: This budget does not mean City Hall's approach to SDPD will be business as usual.

For example, I have directed the creation of a new de-escalation policy for SDPD. This is in response to community comments provided at special public hearings I called in recent days. As we have a national conversation on whether police should have to take on so many of society's ills, I believe updating this policy will help support our officers in the field. The goal is to strengthen trust with the community by giving them clear rules of intervention to calmly control and resolve incidents with lower levels of force. Think of de-escalation as a guardrail that helps slow down a situation, so both officers and San Diegans go home safely.

I'm also backing a measure heading to the November ballot to create an independent entity to review police misconduct complaints, similar to what the Ethics Commission does for elected officials. Government transparency and accountability are always in demand, and it has my full support.

Historic inequality continues to cast a long shadow on more than just law enforcement. It affects everything from housing to employment to transportation.

We must continue to fundamentally change how City Hall invests in neighborhoods by prioritizing areas where the need is greatest. This has long been a focus of my administration. My staff has been working on structural fixes to equitably help disadvantaged areas — left wanting after decades of neglect — to become complete communities with the parks, infrastructure and amenities they deserve.

I encourage San Diegans to use this moment to truly listen to each other, especially our fellow citizens who continue to endure the dangers of racism. Regardless of race or political party, now is the time for all Americans to stand with Black Americans.

Note: This message from Mayor Faulconer and essays from other San Diego officials and candidates are available at sandiegouniontribune.com/topic/sdpd-budget

Call Police When You Observe Drag Racing

Residents who live along Governor Drive east of Genesee and in the La Jolla Crossroads area continue to report illegal drag-racing activity, especially late on Saturday evenings. According to Community Relations Officer Melanie Bognuda, street racing is not permitted nor sanctioned by SDPD. The Car Clubs use social media to publicize a meet up location. Very often, the sites are private and they wait until the very last minute to publish the location which leaves the police department without notice of the event.

Officer Bognuda says the police department needs the community to call the non-emergency line at 619.531.2000 to report when these groups are seen or heard gathering. In an emergency, call 9-1-1. This will create a radio call for service and allow officers to respond to shut down the illegal activity. The faster and more consistently we can call police as the gathering sets up, the less desirable a location will become to the Car Clubs. Please share this information with your neighbors so we can all work together.

Virtual Town Hall with Representative Scott Peters submitted by Jessica Brown, edited for space by Diane Ahern

US Congressman Scott Peters held a virtual town hall on June 16, with Chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, Rep. Hakeem Jeffries (NY-08), and Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, Rep. Karen Bass (CA-37), to discuss policing reform, including the Justice in Policing Act of 2020, and racism in America's law enforcement and criminal justice system. The event recording is available on Rep. Peters' Facebook page.

Rep. Jeffries called for creating accountability for officers who cross the line while doing their jobs. He expressed the fact that fatal encounters with police present an important challenge to tackle on behalf of all Americans, not just Black Americans. He reiterated the need to create independent investigatory authority outside of local District Attorney offices to ensure accountability for police officers who abuse their power. Rep. Bass clarified that "defunding the police" means: "We need to stop criminalizing problems. We need to invest back in communities and then you won't have to spend so much on police." She affirmed that the Justice in Policing Act of 2020 is not an "anti-police" bill; nothing in the bill cuts funding to police. It calls for national standards and accreditation for police officers. She discussed the need for White Americans to speak out about these racial injustices.

Rep. Peters called for changes on a local level, community by community, and explained that the federal government has a role to support good policing and public safety practices, root out the bad cops and hold them accountable. He said history will remember our response, and that political leaders can pass new laws, but law enforcement and our entire judicial system must commit to root out the racism that creates mistrust between law enforcement and our communities. He is an original co-sponsor of the Justice in Policing Act. Peters stated that he has stood with law enforcement and believes most cops are good. We need their help to fix this together.

SUPERVISOR KRISTIN GASPAR

These last few weeks have been some of the toughest many of us have experienced. We work hard each day to represent the people in our district, but our role is so much more than that, especially during difficult times. Like you, I am deeply concerned for our region, for our country. I am worried about our children. I am worried about the despair and disillusion, our health, and our livelihoods. Everyone is hurting but nobody should be hurting alone. I have been speaking with community leaders over the past few weeks and I will be navigating these major social challenges in partnership with them. It is hoped that this moment is the turning point in the fight against racism. Today, I want to say I am here. I am listening. And I am working to heal our community step by step.

GAME ON! We did it San Diego! Our mighty team of more than 200 parents, coaches, professional athletes, and volunteers stepped up to the plate and reached out to the Governor asking him to return our kids to play as part of San Diego County's accelerated reopening strategy. Having access to fields and gyms so our kids could resume practicing and conditioning ensures that they receive the physical, emotional, and character-building benefits that organized sports provides - in a safe environment. With input from my mighty team who participated in several Zoom meetings, I crafted a protocol that would allow our kids to safely return to sports and sent it to the Governor. As of June 5, youth sports organizations, leagues and businesses are able to reopen using the state's Day Sports Camp Protocol which can be found at gameonsandiego.com.

It is my pleasure to serve as your District 3 County Supervisor. Please feel free to contact me at Kristin.Gaspar@sdcounty.ca.gov or 619.531.5879.



Fire Station 50 — currently under construction at 7177 Shoreline Drive — will be a 12,000 square foot, three-story station including sleeping quarters for 10 personnel.

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry

Why We Passed the Budget

After nearly 12 hours, hundreds of phone testimonies, and thousands of emailed statements, I along with a majority of my City Council colleagues voted to approve the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2021.

The budget is not perfect. It relies on short-term fixes rather than addressing long-term issues like 101 Ash Street and developing a long-term real estate strategy. But it preserves basic neighborhood services. Our libraries and recreation centers will remain open. Code compliance will be made whole. Trees will be planted, brush will be removed and graffiti abated. The Council allocated \$1.5M for a person-centric homeless outreach program. In addition, the Council approved Councilmember Monica Montgomery's recommendation to create an office on Race and Equity to focus on healing race relations and disparity in our city.

Calls to Defund Our Police

We voted not to defund the San Diego Police Department. To help restore trust in our police department, we need to focus more on neighborhood policing which means recruiting more officers committed to this approach, providing them with better training and support, and strengthening community oversight. That is why I continue to support the ballot measure for a community-led independent police review board with subpoena power. As Chair of the Budget Committee, I will request regular expenditure updates, and I am asking that the Council host public discussion about implementation of the Campaign Zero policies.

UC Fast Response Squad

In November, Fire Station 50 is scheduled to open, serving University City with nine full-time firefighters. Because of this, unfortunately, the South UC Fast Response Squad will be disbanded as of July 1.

I fought to prevent this. I called for an amendment to redirect the squad's \$389,000 operations cost from either 101 Ash Street (the empty building whose lease I have asked that the city extricate itself from) or funds from the sale of the Mission Valley stadium site. But Council President Georgette Gomez rejected these amendments. Please know that I will continue to seek funding for this and any other projects that increase the safety of University City residents.



STAY-IN SUMMER READING CLUB

Monday & Wednesday

- 10 a.m. Daily Storytime
 - 12 p.m. Lunch Bunch: Story-a-Day
 - 2 p.m. Create!
 - 4 p.m. Live Teen Programs
- Monday - It Speaks to Me | Wednesday - Create!

Tuesday & Thursday

- 10 a.m. Daily Storytime
 - 12 p.m. Lunch Bunch: Story-a-Day
 - 2 p.m. Special Guest Spotlight
 - 4 p.m. Adult Programs
- Tuesday - All About Books | Thursday - Create!

Friday

- 10 a.m. Bilingual Storytime
- 12 p.m. Lunch Bunch: Story-a-Day
- 2 p.m. Children's Fiction Booktalks
- 4 p.m. Adult Program Series

Saturday

- 10 a.m. Science Storytime
- 2 p.m. Simple Science Activities

Sunday

- 5 p.m. Mayor Kevin's Storytime Challenge

● Ages 0-5 ● Ages 6-11 ● Teens ● Adults



University Community Library

An update from Melissa Martin, Branch Manager

Read, Investigate, and Discover this summer and join the Summer Reading Program: "Dig Deeper!" San Diego Residents of all ages are encouraged to sign up for this virtual event to dig below the surface and discover new things! Read 10 books or for 10 hours to collect prizes and complete fun at-home activities to earn digital badges. The program will last through August 31. For more information, visit: sandiego.gov/summerreading.

Is one of your goals for the summer to read more? SDPL Stay-In Summer Reading Club makes it easy with activities for all age groups 7 days a week, every week! Visit their Facebook page at facebook.com/groups/SDPLstorytime/ to see what's in store next!

San Diego Public Library's Pride 2020 has launched and it's virtual! From June 16- July 17, SDPL Pride will host events like PRIDE Storytime, Ask a Queer Librarian, and Lit Cafe on their Facebook page: facebook.com/SDPLpride/

E-Books are still available for checkout via CloudLibrary. If you are looking for inspiration, check out the staff-curated reading lists at sandiego.bibliocommons.com/user_profile/546674737

All holds and due dates for checked out items have been extended to July 13, 2020. Bookdrops will remain closed until further notice.

Dates and information subject to change. To stay up-to-date on the latest library news, visit sandiego.gov/public-library, follow us on Facebook facebook.com/universitycommunitylibrary/, or give us a call: UC-858.552.1655 or NU-858.581.9637 M-F, 9:00am-5:00pm.

OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE

Staying at home and tired of 24/7 news and old movies? The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UC San Diego has successfully moved its entire program online using Zoom and the summer quarter starts on July 6.

Attend a Virtual Open House on to learn more about the upcoming program offerings! Register to receive the link at: extension.ucsd.edu/olli/openhouse

The Institute is offering its 1,000 members twice daily remote, live discussions of current events and lectures on a variety of academic subjects featuring distinguished faculty from UC San Diego and other local universities, community leaders, artists and musicians, and others. Recent lectures have discussed the future of the European Union, How Baby Brains are Formed, the Life and Works of artist Marc Chagall, among others. The remote online program format is typically a one-hour lecture followed by an always-lively question and answer period.

Now in its 46th year at UCSD, the Osher Institute is a membership organization for adults over the age of 50 who wish to enrich their lives through continued learning and engagement. Both monthly and quarterly memberships are currently available. See the Osher website at extension.ucsd.edu/olli/join for current online program offerings and how to become a member. "Face masks are not required and parking is free."

2020: A Year to Remember and What to Expect

John Lee Evans, President, San Diego Unified School Board

Our high school seniors had a very different graduation process in 2020. All of our San Diego students participated in online learning for the last three months of the year. At the same time we have become painfully aware of racial inequities in our society. The year 2020 will long be remembered.

On June 16 at a school board workshop, after listening to public testimony sent in by hundreds of parents, we directed the Superintendent to develop a plan for students to return to the classroom all day every day. There will also be a high quality online option for those families who are not ready to send their children back to the classroom. This was a bold decision by the board, because we had to make a decision on an ambitious plan with incomplete budget information and constantly changing public health regulations.

By the time our students return to the classroom they will have been away almost six months with substantial learning loss. Starting the year with all students on distance learning was an unacceptable option. A partial return of half days or alternating days would not work for most parents and would impede the opening of the economy, as well as seriously limiting the learning process. As long as the Governor approves the budget by the time this article appears, we will have sufficient funds for the extra Covid-19 expenses (extra classroom cleaning, nurses at every school, social distancing modifications, changes to bus ridership) to open on the first day on August 31 and continue through the first half of the year. However, we will need additional federal stimulus funds (currently being considered) to cover those extra costs the second half of the year. The undesired alternative without those funds would be to revert to distance learning. But we decided that this path was better than just continuing with distance learning only all year.

Many details about safety requirements are still to be worked out over the summer in consultation with health officials. This opening will not be normal and will result in some changes and inconveniences, but having students in school is far better than the alternative.

NEWS FLASH! The long awaited ImagineUC2020 project (aquatic center, pavilion, jogging path and additional green field), all between Standley Middle and Spreckels Elementary, now has all the necessary permits and will be put out to bid this summer. This will finally allow us to begin construction in fall 2020, yes, in the year 2020.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

To stay on top of COVID-19 updates, following are a few government resources to guide you:

City of San Diego – sandiego.gov/coronavirus

County of San Diego –
sandiegocounty.gov/coronavirus

State of California – COVID19.CA.gov



San Diego County Board of Education From left to right: Alicia Muñoz District 3; Mark Powell District 1; Guadalupe González District 2; Paulette Donnellon District 4; Rick Shea District 5

Mark Powell, San Diego County Board of Education

When San Diego school districts closed their doors in the middle of March to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, they sent 500,000 students home for the remainder of the school year. As teachers scrambled to implement “distance learning” — a mode of remote educational instruction without face-to-face contact with a teacher — parents were handed over the responsibility of supervising their children’s education from home, a task that few were prepared for. COVID-19 has radically changed the concept of traditional education in San Diego.

Parents and students now understand that being physically present in a classroom isn’t the only option for effective learning. San Diego Unified schools will reopen in the fall with a focus on health and safety, according to a vote by the San Diego Unified Board of Education. Students will have a choice of attending class either on campus, online or a combination of both.

The official date for Back to School this year remains unchanged: August 31 for all schools on a traditional calendar. While schools are permitted to reopen, it takes significant modifications to begin working with students on campus. Reopening schools requires a great deal of planning and preparation, and many expenses that would not have been needed before the pandemic.

School leaders are looking forward to reopening schools and must do it in a safe way so we can accelerate learning, promote instructional continuity, and address social-emotional and mental health needs. If you find that your child is having difficulties adjusting to changes in the way schools will operate please reach out to your school principal, vice principal or school counselor.

The San Diego County of Office of Education is committed to supporting school districts, schools, students, and families with resources to improve their mental and emotional wellness during this transitional period. Our goal is to support the removal of barriers that impact student success. To learn more about the service the county office provides please logon to sdcoe.net/student-services/student-support/Pages/mental-health.aspx

To listen to recent UC Talks podcasts with John Lee Evans, and University City High School Seniors, where they discussed schooling during the COVID-19 shutdown, and distance-learning, go to universitycitynews.org and click on the links to UC Talks podcasts.



Father Mark Says Good-Bye by Sandy Lippe

Our Mother of Confidence Church in South UC has lost its popular pastor, Monsignor Mark Campbell, to retirement. After nine years of hard work, parishioner dedication, and some references to his place of birth, Ireland, Fr. Mark (as he prefers to be called), is ready to open another chapter in his life's story.

During the last weekend in June, hundreds of parishioners got into their cars and did a Drive By Goodbye in the OMC parking lot. Isn't that the new normal? Folks drove to say their farewells. Hopefully everyone wore a mask. Of course the parish would have preferred to throw a big party, but that was not to happen with COVID-19 threatening everyone. In Fr. Mark's final goodbye, he wrote: "So with a grateful heart for my years at OMC, I simply say it has been a delightful carousel. Thanks for the treasured memories. Let us continue to hold each other in prayer."

In return, Father Mark's U.C. friends share the Irish blessing with him: "May the road rise up to meet you/ May the wind be always at your back/ May the sun shine warm upon your face/ the rains fall soft upon your fields/ and until we meet again/ May God hold you in the palm of His hand".



Bike Safety in UC

submitted by Jeff Dosick

The safety of all the U.C. residents who commute by bike and ride for exercise is my concern. One-two years ago the bike lane on Governor Dr. going east from Genesee was removed for about 100 yards. Nothing was done to minimize this unsafe street construction. No signage, no green dash paint at driveways. With the bike path now locked thru UCHS, I and many others have no safe way

home, since the only way is now on Governor.

In the UCCA bylaws the first word is safety. The U.C. neighborhood HAD some of the best, connected bike lanes in the city. Over the years these lanes have become chopped up, adding turn lanes and car parking. Pre-covid UCSD students each day by the hundreds along with locals would not consider our UC roads safe.

The city, county, state, have been investing millions of dollars here in UC for proper, safe, bike routes. Example: Completed three years ago is the bike path in/out of Sorrento Valley to UCSD along the 5 freeway. The city/county is under state mandate to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions 19% by 2035.

Justine Murray from Barbara Bry's office has been working on finding the right contact at San Diego City Schools who will respond back to her on getting the bike path reopened at UC High. Whatever anyone can do to make this happen, along with having a Qualified City Traffic Engineer review what currently exists on Governor Dr., would be a big help in making University City safer.

Recreationally Speaking

by Diane Ahern

Community and neighborhood parks, as well as certain trails in open space parks, are open for passive purposes only (walking, jogging, or hiking) or for members of the same household to congregate in small groups. Due to COVID-19 restrictions prohibiting non-family gatherings, Summer Movies in the Park and the 4th of July UC Celebration at Standley Park have been cancelled.

Currently, the UC Racquet Club is open by reservation only; contact Brad Vo by email to make a reservation at gtriangle.tennis@gmail.com. University City recreation centers and Swanson Pool remain closed. The status of Standley Park summer events such as the Summer Concerts and the Ice Cream Social are unknown at this time and dependent on the re-opening of the Standley Park Recreation Center. For the current status on all City services and facilities, visit <https://www.sandiego.gov/status> UCCA will post updates when they become available on its website at UniversityCityNews.org

UCUC Blood Donor Champs,

After a skipped May Blood Drive, on Saturday, July 18, we'll have another UCUC San Diego Blood Bank Bloodmobile Blood Drive at the Sprouts/Starbucks/Hunt Financial Marketplace on Governor Drive from 8:00am - 1:30pm. You'll find the Bloodmobile in the center of the parking lot. If you know you're coming, you can sign up at: www.mysddb.org. Spontaneous Blood Donors and Blood Buddies are also welcome. Of course, the fun in all this isn't the blood, the needles, or even the free snacks; it's the satisfaction in helping others anonymously. So, join the bloody fun, and make it a 10-Gallon Habit. You'll help save others' lives, and maybe your own.

The next UCUC San Diego Blood Bank Blood Drives at the Sprouts/Starbucks/Hunt Financial Marketplace for 2020 will be on Saturdays: September 12/20, and November 14. Thank you - Always give 100%, except when giving blood. - Ray the Blood Man

DRIVEWAY CONCERTS CONTINUE INTO SUMMER

UCCA has received word that our neighborhood driveway concerts will continue throughout summer.

Greg Zinser and his invited musicians performs concerts on his driveway at 3385 Willard Street. This summer's concert series will be held starting at 4:00pm on the following Saturdays: July 11, July 25, August 8, and August 22. They play a wide variety of easy listening music.

Greg Pardue's Front Porch Pandemic Jazz Jams will be continuing with occasional guest musicians. They perform on the front patio at 5636 Bloch St. The band starts playing jazz around 4:30pm for a couple hours. They play classic jazz, along with some Latin styles like bossa novas and sambas.

Both groups truly enjoy playing for the community, usually playing at previous year's summer concerts at Standley Park. Guests are encouraged to enjoy their music while practicing social distancing guidelines, and wear masks when appropriate. Bring your chairs, stop by during walks, or sit in your car. Neighbors can stay in their own homes or sit in their driveways. Some bring wine and cheese, but remember to save some for the band!



EdUCate! Creates UC Restaurant Week

Help EdUCate! give back to our local restaurants! No percentage to EdUCate; No Tickets to buy; Just Dine-in or Take-out and Enjoy!

Featured restaurants include The French Gourmet, Lorna's, Ahi Sushi, Outcast Grill, Eureka!, Season's 52, Amardeen, Head Lettuce, Spitfire Tacos, California Pizza Kitchen, Vitality Bowls, Round Table Pizza and more. For more details go to uc-educate.org/Taste

The concept of the UC Restaurant Week was created after EdUCate! determined that the annual Taste of the Triangle fundraiser had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 county guidelines. EdUCate! will need to help support our local schools more than ever since extra funds will be needed to pay for additional sanitation products and staff. To learn more about EdUCate! and to make a donation, go to uc-educate.org



Backpacks for Kids

Sunday, August 2, from 3:00-7:00pm at Standley Park (Swanson Pool parking lot)-Coldwell Banker University City will be collecting backpacks, school supplies and hygiene products for the San Diego Unified Office for Children and Youth in Transition. Feeding America has also asked us to collect nonperishable food items. There are lots of options for giving this year! Thank you so much for your support. See you on August 2. For more info: email coldwellbankeruc@gmail.com

More Little Free Libraries

In the June 2020 newsletter, UCCA reported on Douglas Meade's visit to every Little Free Library listed in the April 2020 newsletter (go to universitycitynews.org to see previous issues). Along the way, he found additional libraries. His photos are added here, along with a list of all the other Little Free Libraries in UC. Make it a fun summer activity to visit the libraries, and if you find more, let us know at uccaeditor@gmail.com. To learn more about the program, go to LittleFreeLibrary.org.

Northwest UC: Arnoldson Avenue, by Travers Way

Southwest UC: Bothe Aveune, Sandburg Avenue, and –



New and old at corner of Bothe and San Clemente



Corner of Haber & Passy



Barkla Street

Northcentral UC: Mercer Lane (2), Wellesley Ave, Millikin Ave.

Southcentral UC: Corner of Eton Ave & Eton Ct, Carnegie St., Tulane St.

Northeast UC: Corner of Lipmann & Cather, and below left on Lipmann Ave near Governor Drive



Southeast UC: Via Cinta, Pennant Village on Erlanger St, and pictured above right on Cozzens

During the COVID-19 pandemic, please remember that the health in our community is most important. When visiting A Little Free Library, maintain a distance of six feet or wear a face covering over mouth and nose, routinely clean high-touch surfaces such as door handles, and wash your hands often.

Little Free Library photos courtesy Douglas Meade

End of School Scenes in UC



Curie (above) and Spreckels (below) Elementary schools conduct socially distant 5th grade promotion days.



Doyle shows the love to their 5th graders above, and Standley Middle to their teachers below.



Community Lawn Signs

Scattered throughout University City, residents may have noticed the abundance of lawn signs announcing graduating from college, high school, middle school, elementary school, and even pre-school. The local company and UC residents who created most of those is the Lee family, aka WikiTiki and AlphaPrint. They are now planning to offer socially responsible lawn sign messages. If you are interested, please contact Wendy Lee at wendy@wikitiki.com for more info.



Quotes from Student Leaders

Continuing from page one's story "University City Residents Organize Peaceful Protests", following are some additional quotes from local student protesters. Note that the student leaders felt it was important to note each person's color identity, and that Black voices from UC are heard.

"It's important to have protest to remind people that black lives still matter even though, that might now be a trending topic in the media. Especially in an area where people of color make up very little of the population, it's necessary to bring awareness, so as a community we can progress away from prestigious and racism towards people of color." – **Zoe Raymond**, Black UCHS Senior

"I protested today because I want to do what I can to be a part of the change we desperately need." – **Serena Scott**, White UCHS Senior

"I Live in a predominately white neighborhood, and I have seen racist acts at my school and on social media, which is why I want change. The reason I protest is simple, I want equal rights for everyone, no matter the color of the skin. I want our local and national government to support this statement and I want the 14th Amendment to be followed. Many people say 'all lives matter' but ... [it] won't be a true statement until black lives matter as well. We are fighting for the equality and inclusion of minorities. This isn't a political movement, it's a human rights movement...Being against Black Lives Matter shows no support for the people of color living amongst us. I hope it encourages more people to become educated on this topic. White supremacy is real, but Generation Z will be the one to change our community and country for the better." – **Elisa Delle Monache**, White UCHS Junior



La Jolla Country Day School Hold Drive-In Commencement

La Jolla Country Day School, a private school located in North University City, held their Commencement ceremony on Friday, June 5 outside of Petco Park. Eleven of the 122 graduating seniors are from University City. The school decided to reimagine their graduation drive-in style. They were able to walk across a stage to receive their diploma, while family members watched from their cars. The event was also live-streamed for friends, family and LJCDs faculty and staff who were unable to attend in person.

During the ceremonies, awards were presented, including the Faculty Prize, given to two seniors who, through effort, character, scholarship, arts and athletics, have demonstrated the ideas and spirit of LJCDs. UC resident Nicholas Doupsas was awarded one of those prizes and is pictured below.



Thanking UC Teachers on YouTube

Families sent in their thank you photos, as well as photos taken of signs posted at the local public schools to create a "University City Thanks UC Teachers" video.. Thanks to Mark Salata for creating the video, Jemma Samala for organizing, and Scott Weathers of AlphaGraphics for donating the banners. See the video on YouTube (find UC Talks channel) or go to universitycitynews.org for the link.



UCHS Seniors Parade for Graduation



UCHS Principal Jeff Olivero greets the parade of graduating seniors as they drive up the hill to get diplomas and take photos. Below are a few photos from the day, with much more taken by Greg Hom at ghom.zenfolio.com/p906392254



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. The following "GO – LEAVE EARLY" checklist is part of a year-long series of fire safety articles. Look at previous UCCA Newsletters for previous articles, or go to universitycitynews.org. Info provided by the San Diego Fire-Rescue, sandiego.gov/fire. Save the info below for reference.

GO! Leave Early

By leaving early, you give your family the best chance of surviving a wildfire fire. You also help firefighters by keeping roads clear of congestion, enabling them to move more freely and do their job in a safer environment.

WHEN TO LEAVE

Do not wait to be advised to leave if there is a possible threat to your home or evacuation route. Leave early enough to avoid being caught in fire, smoke, or road congestion. If you are advised to leave by local authorities, do not hesitate!

WHERE TO GO

Leave to a predetermined location (it should be a low-risk area, such as a well-prepared neighbor or relative's house, a Red Cross shelter or evacuation center, motel, etc.)

HOW TO GET THERE

Have several travel routes in case one route is blocked by fire or by emergency vehicles. Choose the safest route away from the fire.

WHAT TO TAKE

Take your emergency supply kit containing your family and pet's necessary items.

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 as a guide. More info at: 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, prescriptions, special medications
- ☐ Flashlight, battery-powered radio, and extra batteries
- ☐ Extra set of car keys, credit cards, cash, traveler's checks
- ☐ Sanitation supplies
- ☐ Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses
- ☐ Important family documents and contact numbers, including insurance documents
- ☐ Map marked with evacuation routes
- ☐ Family photos, valuable and other irreplaceable items that are easy to carry
- ☐ Personal electronic devices and chargers

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



CANYON FIRE SAFETY – BRUSH MANAGEMENT AND WEED ABATEMENT

by Diane Ahern

The San Diego Fire Rescue Department reminds all residents that San Diego's fire season is year-round. Even with recent rains, we are experiencing one of the driest periods in state history. It's important that every resident prepare their home and their family for the possibility of a major fire.

"Brush" is the predominant native plant community in the canyons of Southern California. When adjacent to homes, brush management is required to protect the homes from wildfire. The Fire Department has many resources on their website to help you protect your home at www.sandiego.gov/fire/safety/tips

The goal of brush management is to reduce the chance of fire and to keep small fires small. If you see fire activity, activate the emergency response system by calling 9-1-1.

How to reduce electricity costs by 40%

by Roger Bohn, Professor of Technology Management, UCSD

Summary: Between now and October 31, shift as much electricity use as possible to before 4:00pm or after 9:00pm. Washers, dryers, pools, electric hot water should be kept off during those hours whenever you can. Open your windows when the sun sets and shut off your AC until 9pm, if possible.

Explanation: A year ago SDG&E shifted to a new price structure called TOU, based on the time of day you use electricity. It confused me, partly because their marketing literature is somewhat deceptive. Here is what I figured out after wading through a variety of material.

1. From November through May, the price changes during the week are tiny. Ignore them.
2. Prices jump a lot on summer + fall evenings. From June through October, *minimize electricity use between 4pm and 9pm*, 7 days a week. This will cut your bill by almost 40%. (From .52 to \$.32 per kWh.)
3. You can save a little more by running dishwashers, washing machines, pool pumps, and similar shiftable loads between midnight and 8AM. (Midnight to 2pm on weekends.)
4. Again, on November 1 file these rules in the circular file until next June.

That's all you need! My numbers are for the TOU-DR1 rate and for people using more than 130% of "baseline," but the rules should work for anyone on the DR1 rate. The official explanation is at <https://www.sdge.com/whenmatters>. I found it confusing. Stay healthy. — Prof. Roger Bohn, UCSD



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Have a Heathy Summer and Let's Stay in Touch

None of us know exactly what the next few months will bring and we urge all to follow our City, County and State health guidelines. UCCA does not publish a University City News print newsletter in August. We will continue to update our news and social media sites with news and features. We also plan to send out periodic emails to our UCCA member email list and hope that the print newsletter will return in September 2020. Have a safe and healthy Summer.

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San Diego County's 2-1-1 is a free, 24 hour confidential phone service and searchable online database. 2-1-1 San Diego is a resource hub for finding services throughout San Diego County that can keep you healthy, safe and thriving during COVID-19. City and County residents will find resources related to food and nutrition, health, utilities, housing, finances, employment, mental health, wellness and many others. Search the website 211sandiego.org or call 2-1-1 to speak with one of the 2-1-1 call center staff.



Have you heard? UC Talks – Podcasts featuring conversations, interviews, and news of University City, are now available on both YouTube and SoundCloud. It seems as though everyone is using Zoom and so is UC Talks! Podcast host Jemma Samala chats with local leaders and neighbors in University City to dig deeper into some of the issues and opportunities facing University City and the surrounding area. Links to the podcasts on both YouTube and SoundCloud are available at www.universitycitynews.org.

Chris Nielsen, president of the University Community Planning Group chats about the purpose and set up of the planning group. They also cover the process for the update of the University Community Plan, which was last updated in 1987. Current projects are also discussed, including the highly anticipated renovation of the Costa Verde center.

University City High School Seniors talk about what it's like experiencing their last semester while under stay-at-home orders. Centurion seniors Rose Grimm, Julianne Hom, and Cole Roof share their thoughts and plans post-UCHS.

Liana Alston grew up in University City. After the killing of George Floyd, as a black woman, she felt compelled to share a post on NextDoor entitled "From not-racist to anti-racist in 2020: some tools" which garnered lots of positive feedback. From there, she was encouraged to start a NextDoor group, which Liana called UC Residents Against Racism! Many UC residents have joined the group and been motivated to act. In this episode, Liana talks about growing up in University City, a predominantly white neighborhood, educating ourselves about the Black Lives Matter movement, and how as an individual, you can find sources to help take your feelings about social injustice to action.

John Lee Evans, San Diego School Board President talks about the reopening of our local schools, how that will look like, and the many challenges to be faced. Evans was also one of the key organizers behind the neighborhood's ImagineUC 2020 project - new aquatic center at Standley Park, pavilion, and jogging path. As well as improvements to the Spreckels Elementary and Standley Middle school campuses. And most important, find out what park he take his dogs.

Mary Baker-Ericzen, Clinical Psychologist and UC resident, talks about what is mental illness, what to look for, and when to get help. Plus tips on how to keep your mental health positive. Mental health and mental illness are important topics, especially during the trauma of living during the COVID-19 pandemic. Mary shares additional resources on: Parent's Guide to Teen Depression, and Crisis Services and Resources for Teens with Depression and/or Suicidality - which are available on the UCCA website, www.universitycitynews.org.

Randall Tonini, UC Celebration Chair and Lead Pastor Grace City Church talks about the hard decision to cancel the UC Celebration. But on a more positive note, he talks about the upcoming merge of two University City churches: Grace City Church (services held at University City High School) and First Baptist Church (located at east end of Governor Drive). Randall also discusses how local churches are helping parishioners keep the faith during the COVID-19 pandemic, and in running virtual services and meetings.



City Gets the Ramps Done

by Jenny Sathrum

My husband, Aaron Sathrum submitted a request through San Diego City's 'Get it Done' app on November 19, 2019 for curb cuts throughout the neighborhood of Edmonton/Calgary Streets. We would like to be able to utilize the sidewalks more, but as there are too many ups and downs and corners that do not have ramps we are forced to use the street which can be busy during normal school times.

Aaron's original request description was "Many of the curbs in our neighborhood are not cut. Many young families including ourselves are forced to go in the street with our strollers. It would be fantastic if we could get the curbs cut/made to accommodate families with strollers please. Thank you."

We were so excited to see work being started around the beginning of April on the corners near the rear entrance to Curie Elementary school next to 6470 Edmonton Ave. Completed ramps, flat walkways around the adjacent driveway and across the entry to Curie were completed on April 15 and are wonderful to push a stroller across. We also appreciated the care taken to keep the original concrete stamp from 1969. While this does not address the rest of the neighborhood and just a few streets south another curb prevents continued walking on the sidewalk, it is a start.

An Associate Engineer from the San Diego City Street Division left a phone message describing future work replacing the water and sewer mains throughout our neighborhood. He also said this would trigger adding curb cuts where they are needed and upgrading any non-compliant curb cuts. This larger project is in the design phase and he estimated construction would not start until January 2022.

Thank you Aaron for drawing the City's attention to our neighborhood and successfully making an improvement.



COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE SUBCOMMITTEE (CPUS) UPDATE

by Katie Rodolico

Public Comment: Joann Sellick discussed the City's Housing Element draft document that is going through review. There are concerns about it allowing very dense multi-family development in previous single family neighborhoods, directly adjacent to single family homes.

Agenda Items:

Katie Witherspoon reviewed the progress to date and upcoming steps. She introduced the topic of existing park and rec facilities and explained that this did not include open space parks.

Martin Flores of the City Parks department reviewed the existing community parks, neighborhood parks, and mini parks in the University Community. He explained that the San Diego Parks master plan is under review and that process is separate, but very important.

Katie Witherspoon presented a series of live, online questions about individual parks. What was good about the specific parks, and what could be improved. **Martin Flores** stated that any changes or improvements would be more likely to happen if they did not require city funds to maintain or operate them. **Debby Knight** said we should not allow commercialization of public parks. **Katie Witherspoon** brought up the subject of proposed Regents Rd. overlook parks at the termini of Regents Rd to the north and south of Rose Canyon. **Martin Flores** presented examples of pedestrian promenade parks as an idea of what could happen along Regents Rd leading to overlook parks. It was mentioned that the right of way belonged to the streets department and adjacent residential properties, not the parks department so the Promenade park would allow park-like amenities in the road right of way.

Next Meeting: July 21. Discussion will include designated Open Space areas and areas designated under the Multiple Species Conservation Plan (MSCP).

Aviation Updates

courtesy of Citizens Advocating Safe Aviation (CASA)

University City residents are living under aircraft overflights and noise that compromise health and safety. As noted by Ron Belanger, co-president of CASA, SOCAL TRACON (the local FAA air traffic control) staffing has been reduced from five to only one controller for the San Diego region due to COVID-19 restrictions. Lindberg Field has less traffic now, but all other airports are at normal levels.

With fewer controllers juggling more flights, long-established noise and safety procedures are being cut short. The shortcuts take the pilots directly over the most heavily populated areas of University City, including homes, schools and hospitals. The result is more low level, noisy overflights and a reduction in safety.

Previously, most non-compliant departures were caused by pilots ignoring procedures. Lately the cause is overworked controllers. Now, MCAS Miramar pilots who aren't offered the shortcut are asking for it and getting it most of the time. This is legal if the controller approves, but reduces our neighborhood's safety margin. The safety and noise reduction benefit of flying DoD / FAA mandated departure routes is lost.

CASA continues a dialog with the FAA and Miramar; and have requested a meeting with the FAA. In addition, members have drafted a letter to Congressman Scott Peters requesting his help with the EPA to solve noise and safety problems caused by Miramar pilots' non-compliance with mandated departure routes. For more information about the safety efforts of CASA, please contact Ron Belanger through the group email address at CitizensAdvocatingSafeAviation@gmail.com.

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