

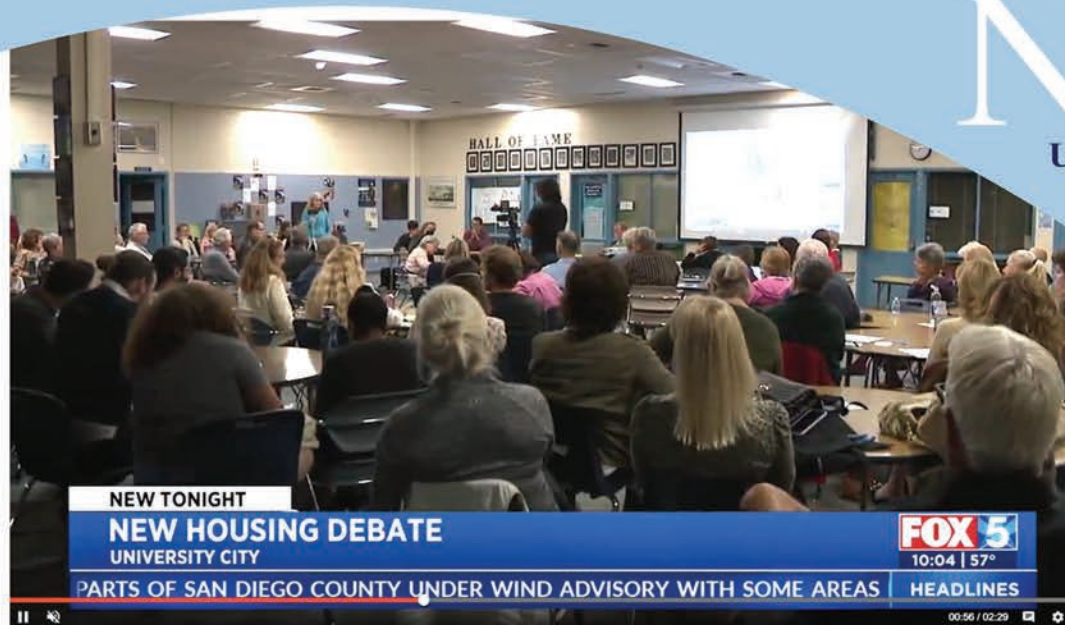
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Community Plan Update:

The Conversation and Comments Continue

As reported by Fox 5 at the April 18, 2023, Community Plan Update Subcommittee meeting: Residents in the University City area met once again to discuss plans that could lead to more high-density housing in the area, sparking debate Tuesday night [April 18] as to how the community will move forward.

There were a mix of voices Tuesday in a University City Community Planning meeting, with people who live in and outside of the area fighting either for or against what could lead to more medium to high-density housing units. With the last update back in 1987, contention is now mounting surrounding how the city plans to develop over the next 30 years.

One resident expressed concern Tuesday that pro-development organizations outside the University Area were fighting for the future of his home. Meanwhile, others vied for plans that could prompt tens of thousands more units between the years 2025 through 2050 near the UTC Transit Center.

- To view the full report from Fox 5, visit: fox5sandiego.com/news/local-news/potential-of-high-density-housing-prompts-debate-in-university-city
- To view the Livestream Video, visit: facebook.com/UniversityCityCommunityAssociation/videos
- To read and comment on the Community Discussion Draft of the Plan Update, visit: planuniversity.org

To read more articles about the Community Plan Update, go to pages 9 and 12.

EDUCATE! CHOSEN AS NONPROFIT OF THE YEAR BY STATE SENATOR BRIAN JONES

EdUCate! University City Foundation of Public Schools is proud to announce it has been selected as a 2023 California Nonprofit of the Year by State Senator Brian Jones.

EdUCate! is one of more than one hundred nonprofits that will be honored by their state senators and assemblymembers for their outstanding contributions to the communities they serve. EdUCate!, is a nonprofit foundation whose mission is to improve the quality of education in the five University City public schools since 1993.

Kendra Cole, President of EdUCate! says, "This prestigious award is a reflection of the commitment from our past and current board members, volunteers, principals, teachers, staff, and overall community. EdUCate! only exists because of our 30-year history of continued passion and participation by an all-volunteer organization."

Now in its eighth year, the Nonprofit of the Year initiative provides the opportunity for each California state legislator to choose a nonprofit organization doing outstanding work in their district. The program culminates with a celebratory luncheon at the State Capitol on California Nonprofits Day, which this year is June 7.



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2. Include who, what, why, where, and how.
3. Be as brief and concise as possible. Editing may result in errors.
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10. Send to UCCAeditor@gmail.com or jemmasamala@gmail.com.

Deadline for the JUNE 2023 issue: MAY 18, 2023

Please send your submission as early as possible. The deadline for the June issue is **May 18, 2023**, but the newsletter can fill up before the deadline. Articles and news items are reviewed as they are received. Priority may be given to UCCA members and time sensitive material. Articles may also be edited for allowed space. UCCA does not discriminate against nor endorse all information in the monthly newsletter. The UCCA Newsletter receives information and advertising from a variety of sources. UCCA cannot and does not guarantee the accuracy of the information or the complete absence of errors and/or omissions, nor does UCCA assume responsibility for the same. Publication does not constitute an endorsement.

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SUMMARY OF UCCA MEETING

*April 12, 2023 (Held at Cal Coast)
by Jim Beshears, UCCA Secretary*

Todd Lane, CEO of California Coast Credit Union and former University City resident, made opening remarks welcoming UCCA and members of the public to their offices. The space at 3202 Governor Dr., Suite 102, will be offered in the future. He stressed his long-term commitment to University City.

Sarah Bowles, of the City Pure Water Project, noted that construction at Executive Dr. and Town Centre Dr. is expected by the end of April. Then construction crews will head south on Town Centre towards La Jolla Village Dr. Work on the tunnels under San Clemente Creek and under the 805 is underway, as is work on Genesee from Hwy. 52 to the intersection with Governor Dr. Trees in the median on Genesee between Governor and Luigi Terrace were trimmed to prepare for construction vehicles before they get into the area.

Officer Anderson Brown, of SDPD, noted reported crimes for UC and surrounding areas decreased 21% from 2022 to 2023. South UC decreased 50%. But this is "reported crimes" and many crimes are not reported. He said it was important that all crimes be reported. He also announced the Northern Division, which includes UC, will add 3 new officers and 2 new detectives within the next week. Police dispatchers are being honored this week and officers will be honored in May.

Tom Cartier announced the Fire Safe Council commissioned a brush management survey with the goal of identifying areas of excessive brush near homes adjacent to the open space canyons. City code requires "defensible space" of 100 feet for homes by canyons and fire prone areas. He noted the need to trim and prune brush rather than totally clear land around buildings. He also said that studies show that most wildfires come from the northeast so those areas around buildings are the most important areas to maintain. If homeowners see natural areas with a lot of vegetation that needs maintenance, they should report it on the City's "Get It Done" app and request vegetation management.

Melissa Martin, branch manager at the Library on Governor, announced that the North University Library on Judicial will now be open on Sundays from 1:00-5:00pm. The Friends of the Library are planning a book sale on Saturday, May 13 from 10:30am to 5:00pm.

Legislative Representatives

Michaela Valk, aide to Mayor Todd Gloria, reported (1) The City was supporting a new ordinance to prevent unsafe camping on City property. (2) The City was looking into redeveloping the downtown City government center of about 6 blocks around C, First and Third Streets. (3) The City is proposing to have more smart street lights installed throughout the City without intruding on the privacy of people living adjacent to City property.

Marc Schaefer, aide to State Senator Brian Jones reported: (1) Sen. Jones office was auditing Liberty Healthcare for placing released felons found to be sexually violent predators in private housing. He is proposing that state properties be used to house such released felons. (2) The Senator is requesting the reconsideration of passage of the "Safe Act" (which provides for licensing and regulation of mortgage loan originators). (3) He is promoting SB31 which provides for removing homeless camps from areas where there are children, such as schools and parks. (4) The State has a driving course for seniors, which once taken, can reduce insurance costs. (5) If people have problems with various state agencies, they should contact Lorie Burns in his office to assist in resolving them. (6) EdUcate! Foundation is a finalist for an award given to non-profit entities for public service.

Rachel Dugan, aide to U.S. Congress Member Scott Peters, reported the Congress member was investigating the problem with household chemicals that could be a safety hazard to homeowners and first responders, and determining what regulations should be proposed.

Suleyma Balderas, aide to Assemblymember Tasha Boerner-Horvath, reported that the Assemblymember had been involved in proposing 22 bills including: (1) AB 45 regarding areas and buildings subject to the Coastal Commission approvals; (2) AB66 to facilitate expansion of Scripps research facilities; (3) AB 715 to prevent out of network transportation (ambulance) billings; (4) AB 1188 to adopt safety regulations for E-Bikes. She also said that she is the coordinator for internships and is receiving applications.

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UCCA President Diane Ahern

Hello University City. It's May already! And just like that, we're well into the 2nd quarter of the year.

May is Arthritis Awareness Month, Better Sleep Month, Mental Health Awareness Month, National Walking Month, and Women's Health Care Month. May is also Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month and Military Appreciation Month.

May is a month of special days including Bike Anywhere Day, May Day, Memorial Day, Mother's Day, National Pizza Party Day, National Smile Day, National Sunscreen Day, Star Wars Day, and World Laughter Day.

Get some sleep, take a walk, ride a bike, eat some pizza, put on some sunscreen, thank a service member, smile ... No matter what you chose to commemorate or celebrate this month, I hope your May is special this year.

What's your focus this month? My focus is to help keep our community informed with news and events related to University City. UCCA's volunteers and contributors help me do that through UCCA's University City News print newsletter, website and social media, community outreach, event support, and public meetings.

Of course, we encourage community participation in the Community Plan Update process and we urge you to attend meetings and submit suggestions to the planning department. Read on ... you'll find articles from the planning group, CPUS, and planning department in this May newsletter.

Our University City News print newsletter is unique. It is the only source of hyperlocal news in University City. You'll find news and features here that you won't find anywhere else. We thank all the UCCA members, contributors, and newsletter advertisers who help to keep us in print.

I'm confident that you, our readers, value the University City News as much as I do. If you haven't had a chance to join UCCA for 2023, now is the time. We need your support and donations to help keep our newsletter in print.

A special shout-out to California Coast Credit Union University City branch for hosting our in-person meeting in April and providing us with yummy tacos from Primo's. Thank you! Congratulations to EdUCate! for being named a California nonprofit of the year!

This month, we return to an online meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, May 10, at 6:00pm. I hope you can join us. We expect to have the Pure Water Construction Team as our guest presenters. In addition, we expect to have news about upcoming community events, from the police department, planning group UCPG, community plan update CPUS, and legislative representatives including city council, county, state and federal representatives. UCCA meetings also provide a public forum at which community interests may be expressed and discussed.

You may wonder why UCCA hosts public meetings? It's part of UCCA's mission ... to provide a forum where the interests of residents may be expressed and contributions made to the protection of life and property in the community. If you have an agenda item to share or wish to speak during the meeting public forum, please contact me at UniversityCityNews@gmail.com.

Have a great May; I hope to see you out and about in University City this month. We have a lot to talk about. Thank you so much for helping to keep University City more than just a neighborhood

Diane

**UCCA will hold a public meeting via Zoom on
Wednesday, May 10, at 6:00pm
Please join us. All are welcome.**

For your security and the security of other online participants, please log into your Zoom account to check for updates before you join UCCA's meeting.

Zoom: UCCA University City Community Association Monthly Meeting

Time: May 10, 2023, 6:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://bit.ly/UCCA-May-2023>

Meeting ID: 897 6403 9153

Passcode: 180904

Calendar

May 2023

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

CINCO DE MAYO

Friday, May 5

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

Tuesday, May 9

6:00 – 7:30pm

Info: planuniversity.org

UCCA MEETING

Wednesday, May 10, 6:00pm

Zoom Meeting:

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TASTE OF THE TRIANGLE BY EDUCATE!

Friday, May 12, 7:00-10:00pm

Farmer and the Seahorse

Info: uceducate.org

PEOPLE FOR A CLEAN UC

Sunday, May 14

7:15-7:30am – meet & greet

7:30-9:00am – work

Cleanup volunteers meet at Starbucks
3202 Governor Drive, supplies provided

MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday, May 14

COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, May 16 from 6:00 - 8:00pm

University City High School Media Center

6949 Genesee Ave.

Info: planuniversity.org

UC CELEBRATION 4th of JULY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 24, 6:00pm

Standley Park Rec Center

Contact: randalltonini@icloud.com for more info.

STANDLEY PARK COMMUNITY REC GROUP

Thursday, May 25

7:00pm

3585 Governor Drive

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 29

**RENEW YOUR UCCA MEMBERSHIP GO
TO UNIVERSITYCITYNEWS.ORG
OR SUBMIT MEMBERSHIP FORM
ON PAGE 14**



Reflective Curb Address Painting Still Available

**Barbara Gellman,
UCCA Neighborhood Watch**

Thank you to all of those who signed up so far; don't stop, we continue to take names of interested parties, this is ongoing for several months.

The purpose in doing this is to enable emergency responders to look to a common place, besides the house, to identify an address. House numbers along with curb numbers allow firefighters, police and emergency medical crews to find the target address quickly without having to leave vehicles.

University City Neighborhood Watch (NW), with the support of the University City Community Association (UCCA), San Diego Police Department, is pleased to provide this service to the community.

Steps to sign up:

1. Send an email with your name, address and phone to uccbpainting@gmail.com. You will receive a "thank you" and that lets you know, you are on the list.
2. You will be emailed by the NW Coordinators when your street will be scheduled so you will have nothing blocking the curb.
3. The contractor will leave a PRE-ADDRESSED envelope at each home to mail in the \$15.00 fee.

Any questions or concerns, please contact me at bggellman@yahoo.com. Be part of the solution, think safety.



SOCKS FOR SAFETY

Looking for a special gift where you don't have to go to a store to purchase? Check out our socks for children, women and men; order online and pick up the next day.

Go to bggellman@yahoo.com, request the sock flyer and voila, so many choices: Children: fits shoe size 5-8.5. Sports, burgers and fries or whimsical smores and camp fires and more.

Women: fits shoe size 4-10. Gardening, ladybugs, coffee time, peacocks and more.

Men: fits shoe size 10-12. Many sports such as baseball, football, tennis, soccer along with whimsical chili peppers, pineapples and more.

Then there are the puppies: Unisex, fits to size 10. Designs such as dachshund, golden retriever, pug, yorkie and more. Funds are used for safety programs or purchases of items that relate to safety, for opportunity drawings or appreciation gifts for our First Responders.

Whatever you choose, it will be a conversation starter and graduation is just around the corner. Add a few pairs of these to bring a smile to the faces that you love. Sit, order and done.

Donations welcomed.

Impersonator Scam: Who's Really on the Phone? *by District Attorney Summer Stephan*

As tax season ends, it's the perfect time to remind the public that if you get a call from the "IRS" saying you owe money and you need to pay immediately using cryptocurrency, a gift card or some other unusual form of payment, this is a scam.

Even if your caller ID says IRS or any other legitimate sounding government agency, know that career scammers use technology to make any number they want appear on a caller ID. No government agency will call, text or reach out via social media and threaten to arrest you if you do not pay. In addition, cryptocurrency, gift cards or a wire transfer service are never forms of payment with government agencies, so you should see requests like this as a red flag.

Impersonation scams were the top reported scam in 2022 according to data released by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), which reports that it received more than 700,000 reports about impersonation scams, many of them involving the loss of money. Here are tips on how to avoid being scammed by an impersonator:

- Do not provide your social security number or banking information to any caller, even if the caller ID shows IRS, Social Security or another known government agency.
- If you get one of these calls, hang up and call the IRS or government office yourself to verify.
- Scammers use technology to make any number they want appear on a caller ID.
- Many calls cannot be traced because they originate overseas.
- If you get a call saying someone you know is in jail and needs bail money, verify this is actually the case by contacting the person that the caller claims is in jail and their immediate family members.
- If the caller tells you not to tell anyone about your conversation, hang up. It is a scam.
- Never pay anyone who insists you pay with cryptocurrency, a wire transfer service like Western Union or MoneyGram, or a gift card – this is a typical method that scammers use to bilk you.
- Never click on links in unexpected emails or text messages including those that claim to be your Apple, Netflix, Amazon, or any other account, and do not give remote access to your computer to anyone who contacts you unexpectedly.

One of the most important things you can do to prevent yourself or a loved one from becoming a victim of a financial scam is to never provide your personal or financial information to anyone you don't know or trust. This is especially true when it comes to getting cold calls on your phone. There are so many fraudsters who make a living off of scamming people, so the best defense is to prevent the crime by not falling for their tricks in the first place.

As your District Attorney, I'm committed to increasing communication and accessibility between the DA's Office and the public in order to keep you safe. I hope these consumer and public safety tips have been helpful. The DA's Consumer Protection Unit is composed of Deputy District Attorneys, Investigators and Paralegals dedicated to protecting consumers and law-abiding businesses from fraudulent or unfair business practices. To report a consumer complaint, you can call 619.531.3507 or email consumer@sdccda.org.



District 6 Councilmember Kent Lee

April was eventful month for our community! First, the City's Planning Department released the community discussion draft of the University Community Plan Update. I encourage all residents to check out the draft at the planuniversity.org website, which also contains an updated FAQ section and a helpful timeline. Second, this past month, Mayor Todd Gloria also released his Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed City of San Diego Budget. It is a \$5.12 billion proposal that I encourage folks to learn more about at sandiego.gov/finance/proposed or by attending my upcoming Budget Town Halls, one of which is in University City.

Lastly, the month of April also welcomed the University Community Branch Library's 50th anniversary! Initially opened as a reading center in 1973 to serve the residents of University City and employees and students of UC San Diego, the library is now entering its 50th year—and at City Council, I was excited to proclaim April 29th, 2023, to be University Community Branch Library Day in the City of San Diego.

My office just returned from a trip to Washington, D.C., where I joined local leaders in raising awareness of our community's priorities to federal departments like the Department of Transportation and advocating for more federal funding, particularly for regional infrastructure. As we enter the month of May, my office is also now moving forward with the budget process here at City Hall. As mentioned, while the Mayor did release his proposed budget, his proposed budget is still a proposal—and we are now looking to District 6 and University City residents for their feedback on our City's budget.

To review the Proposed Budget and voice your priorities to our office, please join me and the Independent Budget Analyst for our **City Budget Town Hall on May 4, 6:00pm at Alexandria GradLabs, 3rd Floor, 9880 Campus Point Dr, San Diego, CA 92121.**

To RSVP and submit any questions or concerns in advance, email D6Budget@sandiego.gov. I look forward to hearing from and advocating with you for a budget that will include priorities such as street and sidewalk improvements, water and infrastructure, public safety and fire, recreational programs and services, housing, and much more.

Thank you, and as always, if you have any concerns our office can help you with, please feel free to contact me or my University City representative, Dustin Nguyen, at DVNguyen@sandiego.gov.

Child Safety Webinar – Resources to Keep Our Kids Safe

*from the office of Terra Lawson-Remer,
San Diego County Supervisor*

As a mom, I think constantly about how to keep my daughter safe, healthy, and happy - but in an increasingly digital world, it can be challenging to keep up with the latest developments online.

That's why as your County Supervisor I am inviting you to an important webinar on Child Online Safety that I am co-hosting with San Diego County District Attorney Summer Stephan, where we will update you on the current threats facing our children and strategies to keep them safe. This information is crucial for parents, guardians, caretakers, educators, and anyone who works closely with children to learn the latest safety measures.

Join us on Thursday, May 4 at 12:00pm via Zoom, as we cover a range of important topics, including online dangers facing children, human trafficking, and fentanyl. Register at: bit.ly/43JX7bH-ChildSafety or scan the QR Code.



CHILD SAFETY WEBINAR

Preventing Crimes Against Children
Thursday, May 4, 2023 12:00 PM

Hosted by
District Attorney Summer Stephan
Vice Chair Terra Lawson-Remer




California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA)

The California Consumer Privacy Act gives consumers more control over the personal information that businesses and entities such as University City Community Association collect about them. "Personal information" means information that identifies, relates to, describes, is reasonably capable of being associated with, or could reasonably be linked, directly or indirectly, with a particular consumer or household. Personal information includes, but is not limited to, the following: Identifiers such as a real name, alias, postal address, email address, account name, driver's license number, passport number, or other similar identifiers. As of January 1, 2023, consumers have new rights such the right to limit the use and disclosure of sensitive personal information collected about them. If you have any questions about how UCCA uses and safeguards your personal info, please contact us at: UnivesityCityNews@gmail.com.

University Community Branch, 4155 Governor Drive, San Diego, CA 92122: 858.552.1655

sandiego.gov/public-library/locations/university-community-library

North University Community, 8820 Judicial Drive, San Diego, CA 92122; 858.581.9637

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Library Hours are subject to change.

Local libraries are currently open on Monday and Tuesday from 11:00am to 8:00pm; and Wednesday through Saturday from 9:30am to 6:00pm. University branch closed Sundays; North University branch open Sundays 1:00-5:00pm.

What's Happening at the Libraries?

*Libraries will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day

North University Community Library

Featured Program: Asian American Joy

The Friends of the North University Community Library are proud to present Asian American Joy, a free celebration of Asian American heritage and culture on Saturday, May 20 from 12:00-3:30pm. Join us for story time, a dance lesson, and song and dance performances from community partners including the Chinese Dance Association at UCSD and Samahan Filipino American Performing Arts & Education.

ALL AGES

Chess Club (ages 10+): Thursdays at 3:00-4:00pm. We welcome players with all levels of chess experience from beginners to advanced.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

New Toddler Program occurring EVERY Monday at 11:45am-12:15pm: Toddler Art: 1st Monday, Signing Storytime: Every 3rd Monday, Dance Pants: Every 2nd and 4th Monday, Signing Storytime every 3rd Monday.

Toddler Storytime: Wednesdays at 10:00-10:30am

Lego Club: Mondays at 6:00-7:00pm

Flapping Sarimanok Puppet Craft: Saturday, May 6 at 4:30-5:30 pm. Kids ages 8+ are invited to create a puppet inspired by the legendary Filipino bird called the Sarimanok with ToshWerks. Registration required.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Fiction Lovers Book Club: Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 to 11:00am: *Naked in Death* by J.D. Robb;

Amantes de la Lectura, Novelas Hispano-americanas en Espanol: Saturday, May 6 at 2:00-4:00pm. RSVP to tlampell21@gmail.com.

Page Turners' Book Club: Saturday, May 27 from 1:00-2:30pm: *The Perfect Predator* by Steffanie Strathdee;

Friends of the North University Community Library Meeting: 2nd Tuesday at 6:00-7:00pm;

Queendom: Every Tuesday from 11:30am to 1:30pm. Queendom is a program for Russian and Kazakh speaking women in San Diego that meet regularly to learn and grow together to encourage and support each other to lean in and step outside our comfort zone.

San Diego Food Bank donations can be accepted at the North University Community Library during regular business hours. Please limit donations to 1-2 bags of non-perishable goods. We are unable to accept homemade goods, items in glass containers, or items with expiration dates beyond twelve months.

Programs are subject to change. Please call the library at 858.581.9637 if you'd like to confirm an event scheduled that day. Follow on Facebook (www.facebook.com/NorthUCLibrary) for the most up-to-date information about our branch.

University Community Library (Governor Drive)

Temporary Closure

The UC Library will be closed the week of **May 8-12** for facilities maintenance. The book drop will be closed during this time. Patrons will have an extra week to pick up their existing holds. For assistance and access to library services during the closure, please visit our neighboring branch, North University Community Branch Library, 8820 Judicial Dr., San Diego, CA 92122 or call 858.581.9637.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

Saturday, May 13, 10:30am to 5:00pm

Select from popular fiction and nonfiction titles, children's books, puzzles and more. Terrific prices, terrific selection!

SPECIAL: Purchase tickets for an opportunity drawing for a beautiful quilt – the drawing will take place at the end of the day; winner does not need to be present to win. Tickets available inside the library through May 12 and outside during the book sale on May 13. \$1 = 1 ticket, \$5 = 6 tickets.

All proceeds benefit the University Community Branch Library. Support Your Local Library!

ADULT PROGRAMS

The Genetics of Wolves and Dogs

Tuesday, May 9, 12:30pm, San Diego OASIS, Presenter Henry George. We humans became best friends with wolves and later became their enemies, and then became best friends with dogs. In this lecture we will explore these curious relationships. As lines of evidence, we will use paleontology, archaeology, folklore, and genetics to understand how these relationships evolved over time.

Foods of the World: Celebrating AAPI Month (Make & Take)

Tuesday, May 23, 4:00pm. Join us for a Make & Take program where you will discover recipes to celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Art Exhibit: "The Magic of Pastels" presented by The San Diego College of Continuing Education, Older Adult Program – Rochelle Bradford, Instructor; runs April - June 2023 in the Community Room. The exhibit is available for viewing during library operating hours. Staff recommend calling to confirm as the room may be closed during certain programs.

CHILDREN/TEEN PROGRAMS

Pajama Storytime – 2nd Mondays at 6:30pm

Toddler Storytime - Wednesdays at 10:30am

Saturday Storytime with Ms. Harlynnne – May 20 at 10:30am

As of April 2023, San Diego Public Library is proud to open 14 locations seven days a week. You can now visit the **North University** branch and the following locations on Sundays from 1:00-5:00pm: Carmel Valley Library, Central Library, City Heights/Weingart Library, La Jolla/Riford Library, Logan Heights Library, Mira Mesa Library, Mission Valley Library, Otay Mesa-Nestor Library, Pacific Beach/Taylor Library, Point Loma/Hervey Library, Rancho Bernardo Library, Serra Mesa-Kearny Mesa Library, and Valencia Park/Malcolm X Library. All services remain the same and meeting room capacity may be altered due to operational need.



Asian American Joy: An Asian American Celebration

by Scott Burton, North University Community Library

The pandemic saw a sharp rise in hate crimes against Asian Americans with some blaming Asian Americans themselves for the virus. This rhetoric and violence was deplorable and continues to need to be combated but we must also now celebrate Asian and Pacific Islander culture in America. May is Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month. AAPI Heritage Month is an annual celebration that recognizes the historical and cultural contributions of individuals and groups of Asian and Pacific Islander descent to the United States. AAPI people are a diverse and growing population that make up about 7 percent of the U.S. population.

During AAPI Heritage Month, the North University Community Library will be hosting an event, AAPI Joy. The event will take place on Saturday, May 20 from 12:00 to 3:30pm. The event will consist of bilingual Tagalog story time featuring local author Dr. Joy Francisco, a Korean Pop dance workshop by KOTX, a performance by the Chinese Dance Association at University of California, San Diego, songs by Onkur Bangla Language Academy, and a performance by Samahan Filipino American Performing Arts & Education Center. The program is made possible by the generous support of the Friends of the North University Community Library. We look forward to seeing you there. For more info: sandiego.librarymarket.com/event/asian-american-joy



Honoring Library Volunteers

Friends of the University Community Library recently threw a party in honor and appreciation of their wonderful volunteers! Food, drinks, and music were enjoyed as they gave out swag bags as part of our boundless thanks felt for their work in helping serve the UC community. And congratulations to two volunteers who were awarded with Presidential Service awards for their efforts. The volunteers are Helen Lebowitz, President of the University Community Friends of the Library (pictured third from the left), and Preston Cale (holding the certificate in the middle).



6th Grade Girls from Standley Middle School Win Problem Solving State Bowl Awards

by Katerina Shapazova

In April 2023, Sana Tadokoro, Elisabetta Petrova, and Elizabeth Dennis competed in California Future Problem Solving State Bowl (FPS) junior division (4-6 grade) in program Global Issues Problem Solving (GIPS) winning first place, and sixth place for their presentation of action plan taking place at Nueva School, San Mateo, California. This year, the theme was Throwaway Society. They are invited to compete at Future Problem Solving International in June 2023, taking place in UMass, Amherst, Massachusetts.

Future Problem Solving Program (FPS) was founded by Dr. E. Paul Torrance in 1974. FPS teaches students in and out of the classroom a problem solving process to help them positively make a difference in their global and local communities now and for the future. The skills taught by FPS coaches and teachers align with today's Common Core ELA and STEM standards. To learn more about FPS go to www.cafps.org and www.fpspi.org.

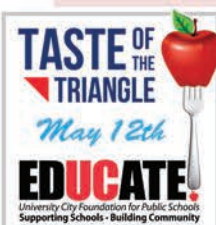


Save the Date!

Bike Anywhere Day (formerly Bike To Work Day)

Thursday, May 18, 6:00 – 9:00 am

The countdown is on for @SANDAG Bike Anywhere Day! GO by BIKE with thousands the morning of May 18 and pedal to work, school, or ... *anywhere!* Stop by Spreckels Elementary School for some swag and motivational support! For more info: www.sandag.org/bikemonth



Taste of the Triangle Friday, May 12, 2023

EdUcate! is excited to bring back another major community event, Taste of the Triangle, May 12, 7:00-10:00pm. It will be held at the beautiful Indoor/outdoor venue, Farmer and The Seahorse restaurant.

Local restaurants bring samples of their cuisine to Taste. There will be music, a silent auction, and a VIP Reception preceding the event. This is a benefit for the UC Public schools - Spreckels, Curie, and Doyle Elementary, Standley Middle, and University City High School. \$85 early bird tickets, \$100 after 4/30. \$75 for teacher/staff sponsored tickets. VIP packages available. Visit uceducate.org/taste-of-the-triangle/ for tickets and information.

COMMUNITY SHORTS



COMMUNITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

Saturday, June 3, 8:00am – 1:00pm

The annual community event is sponsored by Coldwell Banker University City who will provide signs, advertising and maps. The deadline to be on the map is May 31. Maps and addresses will be at Coldwell Banker in the VONS Center on Governor Drive beginning at 7:00am, June 3. Please contact the following to include your home in this huge University City event: email coldwellbankeruc@gmail.com or call 858.352.6587.

ROSE CANYON BIRD WALKS

Sunday, May 7 and Saturday May 13, 8:00-10:00am

A nearby nature adventure open to adults and kids (age 9 and up recommended). Hosted by Friends of Rose Canyon, binoculars are available if needed and led by skilled birders. Meet at Regents Rd/Lahitte Ct and plan to arrive 10 minutes in advance. RSVP to Debby Knight, rosecanyon@san.rr.com.

CONCERTS IN THE DRIVEWAY

Sunday, May 13, 3:00pm

Greg Zinser and friends are looking forward to resuming Concerts in the Driveway with a great afternoon of music at one of San Diego's most neighborly music venues located in the driveway at 3385 Willard Street in University City. You may want to consider coming early to claim your place in the sun, or spot in the shade if you prefer. With plenty of room to set up chairs on the sidewalk or in the street.

SAN DIEGO MAHJONGG MEMORIAL DAY JAMBOREE

Saturday, May 27, 11:00am to 3:00pm, \$5 per person

Nobel Rec Center will be hosting a Mahjongg Memorial Day Jamboree. Open to ages 18+, with a maximum of 40 and minimum of 4 participants. Come along and join a game or invite your friends to play – it's not a tournament, but both experienced and newer players are welcome. Light snacks will be provided. Signup online at: sdreconnect.com, with code: 105523. The Nobel Athletic Fields and Rec Center is located at 8810 Judicial Drive.

RECREATIONALLY SPEAKING

Get Outside! There's always something to do at our University City parks and recreation facilities. More Information on the City website at: sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation

- Doyle Recreation Center has a playground and dog park and offers Tiny Tots, Karate, Table Tennis and much more
- Nobel Recreation Center has a playground and dog park and offers Mahjongg, Pickleball, Tai Chi and much more
- Standley Recreation Center has a playground and is home to the UCRC Racquet Club, UC Celebration, and Summer Concerts. Standley offers Pickleball, the Quilt Again Club, Hatha Yoga and much more
- Swanson Memorial Pool is currently closed for maintenance; once the pool is reopened, Swanson will offer warm water exercise classes and much more
- Standley Aquatic Center is a joint-use pool with the San Diego Unified School District; it offers community lap swim during designated hours



Help Wanted for the UC Celebration

Planning is underway for the 32nd annual UC Celebration. It's the biggest networking event in

University City! Many volunteers are needed to help make this community event at Standley Park a huge success. If you and your family plan to attend, please also plan to help out.

- Booth rental registration now open
- Volunteer registration is now open
- Visit our website at: uccelebration.com

The next meeting of the UC Celebration committee will be on Wednesday, May 24, at 6:00pm at Standley Recreation Center. This is a public meeting and anyone with suggestions and an interest in the UC Celebration is urged to attend. The Celebration planners are seeking event sponsors, and help with vendor booths, the Book Barn, and volunteer coordination. Please contact Randall Tonini for meeting and other information: randalltonini@icloud.com



UCHS Celebrates Transgender Visibility Week

by Clay Shaughnessy, President of UCHS GSA

In late March, University City High celebrated Transgender Visibility Week, the week before spring break. The school's GSA (Gender & Sexuality Alliance) welcomed the teachers and staff to participate and wear transgender flag stickers as a way to show their acknowledgment and affirmation of the trans students. Students were also welcome to wear the stickers which the GSA passed out during lunch.

The GSA organized Transgender Visibility Week because it is incredibly important to participate in holidays such as this to celebrate the resilience of the trans community today. After decades of protests, parades, and progress, the LGBTQIA+ community, especially the trans youth community, is facing tremendous amounts of discrimination and intolerance due to recent policies and laws in many state governments. The UCHS community showed their love and acceptance for trans students during this particularly difficult time for trans youth in our nation.

The event was part of the GSA's ongoing commitment to encourage the schools and UC community as a whole to actively support LGBTQIA+ students and adults and do it visibly. Other events planned include the Day of Silence for April 14, a joint meeting with the Standley GSA for Harvey Milk Day, and the district flag raising ceremony in June.

Pictured above: UCHS principals, counselors, administrators, and staff wearing transgender flag stickers to support all the transgender and nonbinary students at UCHS.



Supporting a Thriving Community

by Tara Lewis, City of San Diego Sr Public Info Officer

With cutting-edge research, high-tech, biotech and healthcare industries, the University Community is one of the region's premier economic centers. As the City of San Diego continues to work with community members on updating the University Community Plan to guide development over the next 30 years, it's imperative to reinforce and prioritize the area's role as a major employment center to help support both the local and regional economy.

Last month, the City released the Community Discussion Draft of the University Community Plan, which has not been comprehensively updated since 1987. The Plan advances the City's present-day and future climate, homes, equity and conservation goals. Contained in this Discussion Draft are five main priorities that represent positive outcomes from the Plan, and one of those priorities is to support a thriving economy.

The Plan presents policies that will continue to allow for the growth and success of biotech industries, life science laboratories, hospitals, small start-ups, business incubators and accelerators. As these industries change quickly, these policies will make it easier for them to plan for their futures by providing certainty in land use regulations.

The Plan also recognizes that biotech and high-tech companies choose to be near UC San Diego since it is a major center for research and innovation. To encourage students to stay in the area for schooling and to fill the demand for workers in these industries after they graduate, the plan also provides policies to encourage affordable homes near jobs and the university. This not only supports the economy but cuts down on harmful greenhouse gas emissions by locating homes near transit, jobs, the university and other daily activities.

Finally, to support the economy and make it easier and more enjoyable to access schools, work, shopping, parks and other daily needs, the Plan envisions compact, mixed-use urban villages at trolley stations and bus stops with high-frequency service. These mixed villages will improve existing neighborhood services and increase the supply of homes and jobs in the area to take advantage of recent transit investments. Supporting the thriving economy, along with the four other priorities listed in the Discussion Draft, will help achieve the long-term success of the University Community.

The City values community feedback and uses it to help inform how the plan can best guide the future of the community to improve the lives of all San Diegans.

- Read and study the Discussion Draft at: planuniversity.org
- Email comments and suggestions by June 30 to: planuniversity@sandiego.gov

Note: Over the next few editions of University City News, the City will discuss the five priorities of the plan

2023 – Community Milestones

UCCA: 5 Years of Reporting on the University Community Plan Update

by Diane Ahern

- 222 - Number of CPU news articles (to date) posted on University City News site – Ref: universitycitynews.org/category/ucpu/
- August 29, 2018 – Date of UCCA's first CPU publication promoting the University Community Open House on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 – Ref: universitycitynews.org/2018/08/29/updates-to-community-plan-for-university-city-area-to-begin-september-26/
- October 2018 – Community Plan Update Open House cover story in UCCA's newsletter – Ref: universitycitynews.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/October-2018-Newsletter.pdf
- January 2019 – First scheduled Community Plan Update subcommittee meeting – Ref: planuniversity.org/meetings
- 5 years – Project Timeline from Open House in late 2018 to (expected adoption) in late 2023 – Ref: planuniversity.org/materials
- April 2023 - University City residents have a say in how the community will grow. – Ref: planuniversity.org/contact

If you are just now entering the stage of CPU awareness, UCCA's University City News sites, print newsletters, social media, and the PlanUniversity.org site are great places to start to help move along to the action stage. There is still time for public input. If you haven't submitted your own personal suggestions for the community plan update, you will find the information and the email addresses you need on UCCA's website at: universitycitynews.org/UCCA/CPUCommunitySay



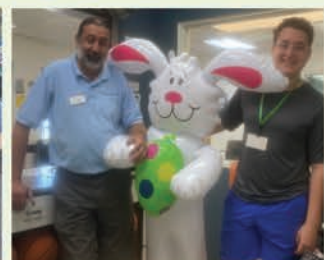
The Community Plan Update Subcommittee (CPUS) met at the University City High School in April to take public comment and feedback on the Community Discussion Draft. People may also provide feedback online at: planuniversity.org.

For those who were not able to attend in person, the CPUS meeting was livestreamed to UCCA's Facebook, a recording can be found at: facebook.com/UniversityCityCommunityAssociation/videos

April also included an in-person meeting for UCCA at California Coast Credit Union, which included a visit from their CEO Todd Lane, former UC resident and UC Little League player, shown speaking to meeting attendees below.



Large Crowds Attend Local Park Egg Hunts at Standley Park...



Sights & Sounds Showcase — A musical fundraiser for University City High School's Music Program was held in April. Guests were entertained by students and staff, enjoyed appetizers and dessert, and bid on silent auction baskets. Info at: uchsmusic.org.
Photos courtesy Greg Hom, more at ghom.zenfolio.com/p390875072





Newly Painted Utility Box on Governor Drive

Brooke Howay recently completed a UCCA utility box beautification project on Governor Drive, located between Lakewood and the First Baptist Church. Brooke is a self-taught artist who grew up painting with her grandfather, always being her passion and hobby. For the design, she has always loved lily flowers because she believes when they bloom they are a reminder of new birth and are a great representation of how creation praises God. When COVID-19 hit in 2020, she lost her job as a waitress but continued painting during lockdown. She began painting "bee" themed things and began to sell some of her original work in order to continue to pay for her way through grad school. That is where the honeycomb comes from which has been a theme of hers for the last few years. Brooke says "I loved being able to create for our community and consider it a privilege!" And thank you Brooke!



Goodbye Hallie

UCCA is saddened by the news that Hallie Burch, our past Membership Chair, neighbor and friend, passed away in April. Hallie was a dedicated volunteer to UCCA and the community, and she will be sorely missed. She is pictured above with her husband Peter, who was a past president of UCCA and passed away a decade ago, and her dog Barkley (passed away last year) who had always kept her on a steady pace around the neighborhood.



Friends of the Library Book Sale

Stock up on children's books, fiction for all ages, find a great cookbook, puzzles, bookmarks and so much more—all at great prices.

Quilt opportunity drawing at the end of the day!

Proceeds benefit the UC Library.

University Community Branch Library

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**Saturday
May 13
10:30a-5:00p**



Information available in alternate formats upon request.



UC Garden Club Presents: The Art of Bonsai

The Art of Bonsai will be the topic for the May UC Garden Club meeting on Saturday, May 13, 2:00pm at the home of Sandie and Ron Bee. The speaker is UC resident Jordan Farar, a bonsai landscape artist. He will speak about the history of the art of bonsai, selecting the right type of tree, looking for different shapes and styles within a tree, wiring, training the branches, pruning, foliage, and making the right soil mixes. He will also discuss how to select a complimentary pot to put your bonsai in, how much watering with the right amount of sunlight, and finally how to display your tree. Jordan will be bringing a few trees for display.

To get on the UC Garden Club email list, and to get the location address, contact jemmasamala@gmail.com.

Save the date: Saturday, June 17, 2:00pm at Margie and Terry Watkins home. Topic: Tropical Plants and Bromeliads.

UC Planning Group Meeting Update

by Chris Nielsen, UCPG Chair

The UCPG met for the first time on April 11, 2023, in a hybrid format. This will be a permanent change. Members of the UCPG board need to attend in person, but we welcome presenters and members of the public to join us either in person or virtually. The new meeting location is the Terranova Conference Room of the "GradLabs" building located at 9880 Campus Pointe Drive, third floor. Thanks to Alexandria Real Estate for providing the meeting room with excellent hybrid capabilities.

The UCPG elected board officers at the beginning of the meeting. Chris Nielsen was reelected Chair, Roger Cavnaugh Vice Chair, Anu Delouri Membership Secretary, and Carey Algaize Recording Secretary.

The main agenda item was the initial presentation of the Community Discussion Draft of the updated Community Plan. City of San Diego Sr. Planner Nancy Graham presented the Discussion Draft and then engaged in a lively question and answer afterwards. This presentation including Q&A was recorded and can be found at planuniversity.org under "Meetings" and expanding the April UCPG meeting. The presentation Power Point PDF can be found there as well. The Discussion Draft may be downloaded by accessing planuniversity.org.

Next month we have scheduled an information item from Alexandria on mobility in the Campus Pointe area, an information item from MTS/SANDAG on a potential Rapid 41 bus route, action item on the CPG reform package from the city, and the Torrey Pines State Park utilities and ADA item that has been pending for about 18 months, and an action item on HAP 2.0. Please join us either in person or by zoom on May 9.

Housing Action Package 2.0

The city is working on the Housing Action Package 2.0 (HAP 2.0) which aims to implement state law to allow the construction of more new homes near transit, provide protection to existing residents, and increase the supply of land available for new home development. The Community Planners Committee (CPC) was asked to form a subcommittee to review the proposed amendments to the Land Development Code and met on March 30. I participated on this subcommittee, and we made the following recommendation for CPC to consider on April 27:

Regarding SB 10 Implementation/Missing Middle Income Homes, the subcommittee recommended, as to Section 143.1520, that the affordability requirement be increased to 30%, to be composed of 15% very low- and low-income households, and 15% for moderate income households. It further recommended, as to Section 143.1525, that because of the impact that enhanced density will impose, Developer Impact Fees generated under SB 10 upzoned land be directed to the planning area where the projects are built. However, we recommended the city find a different way to implement these regulations without adopting SB10. We also recommended adopting the Complete Communities Housing Solutions amendments to the LDC as proposed. Since income is used to determine eligibility for some housing under HAP 2.0, we requested that the Planning Department investigate and determine the feasibility and desirability of defining the "Area" utilized for Area Median Income as the community where a project is proposed.

Community Planning Update Subcommittee

by Katie Rodolico, CPUS Member

Documents for the April 18 meeting are at planuniversity.org.

Andy Weise Presented an overview of the Discussion Draft Community Plan. Acknowledged it included some language protecting retail and promoting inclusionary housing.

Non Agenda Public Comment:

Jesse O'Sullivan, CirculateSD: Hoped meeting would go forward without 'hissing' at pro-housing advocates. Advocated for Scenario 1.

Jen Dunaway: How are verbal comments being fed back to city? UC Residents should have greater voice than outside organizations from other areas. Asked how more dwelling units guarantees more affordable housing.

Matt Ramirez: Apologized for rudeness at previous meeting. People become more engaged with issues when they have kids.

Tom Hekman: Planning group and subcommittee are supposed to represent the community. Lobbyists should be identified.

Nancy Powell: Why is 40% of needed housing targeted in UC? Agenda Items:

Andy Weise discussion to be on land use and mobility with specific comments on the document

Lisa Heikoff: Concerned about ageism. Many seniors in the area. Students have a POV, but so do seniors who want to age in place. Traffic and mobility are important to seniors.

Bill Beck: City has no obligation to accept comments made to them about the plan. Where will the money for infrastructure like bike lanes and parks going to come from?

Charlie Frazier: Likes plan vision. Plan assumes cars = emissions which ignores EVs. "Streets for people" ignores older and disabled people. LJCC and Good Samaritan are marked as Urban village rather than institutional for churches. Complete streets seems to ignore need for handicap parking.

Linda Beresford: Previous comments not incorporated in this discussion draft. Vons and Sprouts should stay at existing 29 du/acre. Overall plan should have a max of 140 du/acre. Plans added housing includes ADUs and other state zoning changes.

Pete Hekman: Seems to be a disconnect between plans added housing and schools. Where is the plan for schools?

Jenn Dunway: Where is the data to support Governor Drive as 2 lanes. Infrastructure for new roads, fire egress & evacuation not in plan. Sprouts isn't a TPA, take that upzone off the plan.

Nicole Lilly: It is emotional for long term residents but also for students and young people who want to be part of the community. Supports more housing near transit.

Katie Rodolico: Several things wrong with map from plan. Conflicts in some of the plan guidelines.

George Lattimer and Andy Weise: discussion of whether churches should be marked institutional.

Andy Weise: Try to get consensus on some ideas: Sprouts not be upzoned, but Vons should be since on a bus line. Language to protect retail services. Height limits at Vons to protect adjacent properties. The subcommittee generally agreed.

Jeff Dosick: Bike lanes need to have bulb outs for right turns so that cars don't cut off bikes when turning right.

Tom Ruff: Why is the plan ignoring added housing under SB9 and the new housing package?

Andy Weise: North UC, Whole foods and Ralphs shopping centers should be upzoned. Height limits raised. Protect retail services. Not strict mixed use - community village.

Debby Knight: Need a park there if density is increased.

Petr Krysl: Suggest taller tower to free ground space for a park.

Andy Weise: Need to be careful about adjacent properties. Appeared to be consensus among the CPUS for these ideas.

The next meeting will be on May 16 at the UCHS media center.



Firefighter Training at MCAS Miramar

U.S. Marines with Marine Corps Air Station Miramar volunteered to undergo S-130 Firefighter Training at MCAS Miramar. After completing an Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior module, new firefighters were trained in basic firefighting skills that included a required arduous field exercise.

A firefighting Hand Crew is responsible for constructing a fireline to prevent the spread of wildfire. Resembling a hiking trail, a fireline requires the removal of burnable woody material down to mineral soil that cannot burn or smolder.

The S-130 Firefighter Training was conducted by the Miramar Fire Department in March over the course of five days and upon graduation, the 29 Marines formed the Marine Corps' first active-duty Marine Hand Crew. They are prepared to defend the installation and the community in the event of a wildland fire. For more information, visit: facebook.com/MCASMiramarCA

A Fire Can Start At Any Time, Are You Prepared? Here are the five leading causes of house fires

by Bill Beck, Retired Fire Chief

1. Cooking fires are the leading cause of home fire injuries and the second-leading cause of home fire deaths. Kitchen fires are usually ignited by grease when it exceeds 375 degrees. If you see wisps of smoke, act fast to prevent the oil from igniting. Shut the burner, cover the oil with a metal lid, pour baking soda over smaller grease fires, or use an ABC fire extinguisher. Never use water or move the burning pan as both could spread the fire.

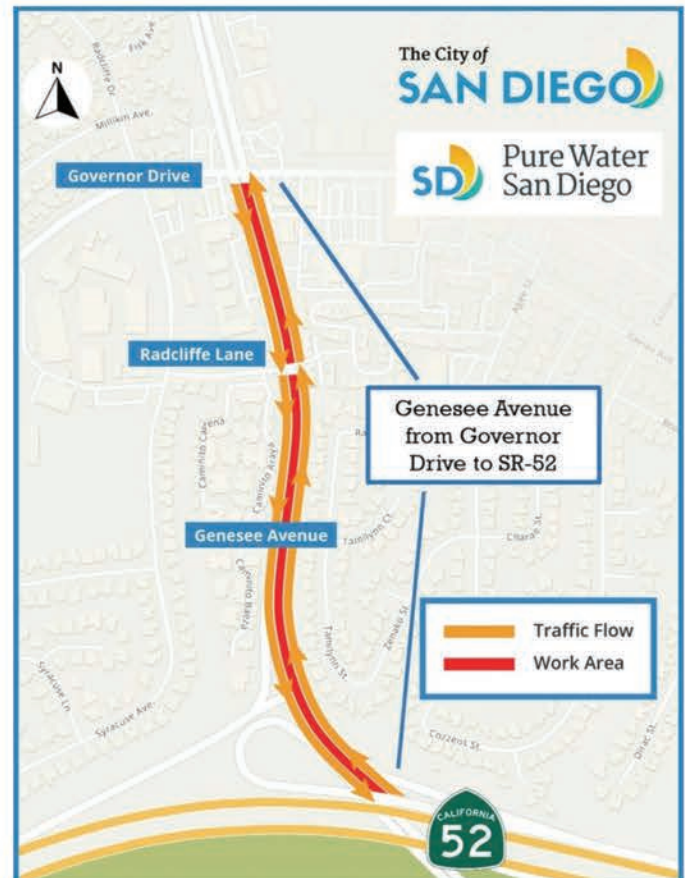
2. Heating (portable space heaters) fires are the second-leading cause of home fires and injuries. It is essential to always read the safety guidelines. Heaters that use fuel are more likely to cause a fire than their electrical counterparts.

3. Electrical fires are caused by malfunctioning electrical, cords, lamps, appliances and outlets. Therefore, you should inspect these regularly.

4. Smoking accounts for only 5% of all home fires but are the leading cause of deaths in home fires. While some smoke to relax, there is a likelihood of falling asleep, allowing the lit material to ignite flammables. Therefore, it would be best to smoke outside. Remember to always fully extinguish any lit butts.

5. Candles are used to celebrate, see in the dark and relax. But never forget that candles are an open flame. They should never be left unattended. Always extinguish them before leaving the room or going to bed. Keep all candles at least 12 inches away from flammables.

Remember smoke and carbon monoxide detectors save lives. Install them!



Pure Water San Diego Update in University City

Construction continues in the University City area for the Morena Northern Pipelines & Tunnels project, part of Pure Water San Diego Phase 1 construction.

On Genesee Avenue, crews are working from State Route 52 to Governor Drive. Work hours for this project are Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 5:00pm through November 2023. Two-way traffic will be maintained, and there will be no intersection closures as part of this work.

In mid-April, tree trimming occurred on Genesee Avenue between Governor Drive and Luigi Terrace to prepare for future access by construction vehicles and equipment on Genesee Avenue. Work on this section will begin when the current work on Genesee Avenue between SR-52 and Governor Drive is completed later this year.

Looking ahead, crews will be working on the Towne Centre Drive and La Jolla Village Drive intersection this summer. More information about traffic control, phasing and schedule will be coming soon.

Ongoing construction in other areas of the alignment include the tunneling work at the I-805 shaft on Executive Drive, work at the Executive Drive and Towne Centre Drive intersection and work for the San Clemente Tunnel located at the Genesee Avenue lot at Marian Bear Memorial Park.

For more information, and to see a map of the full alignment, please visit the Morena Northern Pipelines & Tunnels project webpage. For any questions, email purewatersd@sandiego.gov or call 833-UTC-PWSD.



Thank You to Renewing and New UCCA Members

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We're Counting On You

by Barbara Gellman

The University City Community Association, (UCCA) for over 20 years has been an organization weaved into the fabric of the community, and now needs your help. With UCCA's mission to improve the lives of University City residents, UCCA aims to provide donations to our schools (music & sports gear, graduation events, etc.), EdUCate!, Recreation Centers (July 4 and Summer Concerts), and other special community projects, programs, and events.

Our monthly newsletter provides much needed current community news that you won't find anywhere else and include articles from Council and State Representatives, our libraries and law enforcement, and many local organizations.

The various UCCA committees such as Beautification, Neighborhood Watch, Holiday Events, Utility Box Painting, Newsletter Delivery, Banner Program, Membership, and the Website are all volunteer driven, UCCA is a well-organized group of residents who love the community and are able to give back in hopes of keeping us fresh and involved.

The one area, right now where we need help is "donations" or in other words, "membership." Our newsletter is supported by dues and advertisers, but the cost of printing has increased substantially. The newsletter is delivered to about 5,000 homes and only 500 families are members; this is concerning, we can do better. Every newsletter has a Membership form included and for as little as \$20 a year, you will be a member supporting the efforts of all the other volunteers and your community. You can also go to universitycitynews.org and join. Either way, I am asking you as a longtime member of UCCA and your Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, to help us continue the good works of this University City organization. Thank you.

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Dustin Nguyen, aide to City Council Member Kent Lee, reported there will be a "Budget Town Hall" on May 4th at 6 p.m. at Alexandria GradLabs, 3rd Floor, 9880 Campus Point Drive. There will be another Budget Town Hall meeting on May 8th in the eastern side of the council district. He also announced Clairemont Mesa Blvd. and Convoy Ave. are scheduled for resurfacing.

Community Leaders and Open Forum

Katie Nelson Rodolico, UCCA liaison to the CPUS, reported the Discussion Draft of the Community Plan Update has been released by the City. Comments will be taken through June, but they should be "actionable items" rather than general opposition to the Plan Update. Comments should be submitted via email to planuniversity@sandiego.gov. It is important to read, study and comment.

Barbara Gellman, Chair of Neighborhood Watch, announced the contractor to paint addresses on curbs has been selected. Costs will be \$15 payable directly to the contractor. So far, 143 people have signed up after only one week of promotion. Two utility boxes will be painted, one on the eastern end of Governor Dr. and the other by Standley Park pool.

Diane Ahern, UCCA president, announced that UCCA and UCHS will feature 21 UC High School seniors on the SD County Fair street banners this year. The May UCCA meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, May 10, at 6:00pm.

University City Community Association 2023 UCCA Membership Application*

Members will receive a 2023 membership card and a special thank-you gift for joining.

___ \$20 Individual | ___ \$40 Supporter | ___ \$60 Angel | ___ \$100 Gold | ___ Additional donation enclosed \$_____

Please print Name(s) _____

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Please make your check payable to UCCA; mail to UCCA, 3298 Governor Drive, #22574, San Diego, CA 92122. Payment is also accepted through PayPal on UCCA's website at universitycitynews.org/join-ucca-today. Your UCCA membership dues (and additional donation) make a big difference in our community. These funds help support many local worthwhile organizations, as well as many local projects, events, and activities. Your membership due also support UCCA's University City News print newsletter, and UCCA's website and social media sites. Would you like to volunteer? We welcome your time, talent, comments and suggestions. Please let us know by emailing us at UniversityCityNews@gmail.com. *This membership is valid for the 2023 calendar year. UCCA is a 501(c)4 organization and membership dues are not tax deductible. Thank you for joining UCCA.



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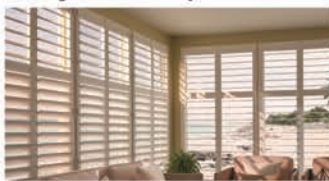
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