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Katie Rodolico Named UCCA Volunteer of the Year

On August 27, both the City of San Diego and the University City Community Association recognized and thanked Katie Nelson Rodolico for her years of voluntary service on the Community Plan Update Subcommittee representing the University City Community Association and the entire University City community. She has been generous with her time and energy as well as exhibited dedication to both the subcommittee and to UCCA by participating in countless meetings, writing summary analysis and articles for the newsletter, and presenting updates at community gatherings and meetings to help keep the community informed and engaged in the plan update process. Thank you, Katie!

UCCA enjoyed the last Summer Concert of the season and thanked its many volunteers during the annual volunteer recognition night. There are over 100 UCCA volunteers that help with: newsletter delivery, Neighborhood Watch captains/co-captains, and the UCCA board and committee members. UCCA is always looking for new volunteers. Contact universitycitynews@gmail.com if you would like to be a community volunteer. Remember to thank your UC volunteers, they all help keep University City be more than just a neighborhood!







Photos courtesy Greg Hom

UCCA ELECTION NOTICE

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The University City Community Association (UCCA) will hold its biannual election for officers this fall. The elected officers of UCCA are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Elected officers must be University City residents and are elected for a two-year term; the President may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

Self-nominations are welcome. All nominees for officer positions must be UCCA members and have attended a minimum of two regular meetings in the 12 months preceding the time of nomination.

For more information about UCCA and to review its bylaws, visit: universitycitynews.org/ucca-about-us.

The UCCA officer election will take place at the November 8, 2023 UCCA meeting. If you are interested in running for an elected officer position, or if you have questions about UCCA, please attend the September UCCA meeting; and reach out to us at UniversityCityNews@gmail.com.



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Be the Eyes and Ears of UC: The University City Community Association Newsletter is comprised of information sent to the editor. The association does not have reporters, photographers or staff. You are welcome to write and submit articles and story suggestions that pertain to community and residents.

Guidelines:

- Your article should be approximately 250 words or less, sent in a Word document and attached to an email.
- 2. Include who, what, why, where, and how.
- 3. Be as brief and concise as possible. Editing may result in errors.
- 4. DO NOT send articles in a pdf formats.
- UCCA does not guarantee publication.
- 6. Submitted materials may be published on the Internet.
- The Editor reserves the right to edit articles as needed.
- 8. Articles or ads considered to be political will not be accepted.
- Attach photos separately in a picture format at high resolution or straight from camera as a jpeg or png.
- 10. Send to UCCAeditor@gmail.com or jemmasamala@gmail.com.

Deadline for the OCTOBER 2023 issue: SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

Please send your submission as early as possible. The deadline for the October issue is **September 14, 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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*Non-Voting Member

SUMMARY OF UCCA MEETING

July 12, 2023 (Held via Zoom) by Jim Beshears, UCCA Secretary

President's Announcements: Diane Ahern reported: (1) Positions on the Board of Directors, including that of President, will be open for the two-year term starting after November. Interested people should contact Diane Ahern for details. (2) The City's food waste recycling is commencing in UC. Pails for the waste to dump into the green trashcans will be distributed throughout the community. (3) Summer concerts at Standley Middle School Pavilion are on Sundays from 5:00-7:00pm.

Officer Anderson Brown, of SDPD, reported: (1) With high heat, it is important to check on neighbors and pets to make sure they are staying cool. (2) Crimes in the district are mostly larceny, theft of cars, vandalism, burglary, and assaults. (3) If people see situations involving problems with mental health or substance abuse, and it is not an emergency, it is best to contact MCRT at 619.346.4020.

Katie Rodolico, UCCA liaison to CPUS, reported the CPUS has prepared a response to the City's Draft Community Plan Update and voted on July 11 on the consensus items.

Chris Nielsen, President of the UCPG, reported: (1) The UCPG voted to approve its response to the City's Draft Community Plan Update and submitted it to the City. The City will prepare a "Revised Discussion Draft", along with an Environmental Impact Report which will take about 3 months. Further comments from the public may be submitted at that time. (2) The City is preparing a list of Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). Included are improvements to Marcy Park in southwest UC and the library on Governor. Ideas for improvements are encouraged to be submitted. A survey by the City has been circulated in UC for people's priorities. (3) UCPG will be considering infrastructure improvements to Torrey Pines Park.

Legislative Representatives and Community Reports

Michaela Valk, aide to Mayor Todd Gloria (reported by Diane Ahern), confirmed that \$800,000 was approved for upgrading Marcy Park.

Zach Burton, aide to City Council Member Kent Lee, reported: (1) People should fill out and send in surveys on what capital projects they would like to see done. (2) The pails for food waste should be distributed to UC area. The waste goes into the green bins and should be put out for pick up weekly. (3) Meetings every two weeks with Council member Lee are being scheduled. Contact his office for a "Tea with Lee" if a meeting is desired.

Rachel Dugan, aide to Congress member Scott Peters, reported: (1) The satellite office in San Marcos is now open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. (2) A tech competition called "App Challenge" is open until November 1 for high school and college aged students and young adults. Details are on his website.

Marc Schaffer, aide to State Senator Brian Jones, reported: (1) The main office moved to Scripps Ranch at 10650 Treena Street, Suite 110, San Diego, CA 92131. The satellite office is still in Escondido. (2) The anti-human trafficking bill, SB236, passed the Senate and is pending in the Assembly. It provides for 11 counties to develop prosecution teams to be assigned throughout a case instead of rotating out. (3) The Violent Predator Act, SB 832, is still in the Senate. It addresses where to house convicted and released sexually violent predators. It also provides for an audit of Liberty Healthcare to review how living sites are chosen. (4) SB 811 has passed in the Senate and is pending in the Assembly. It provides for allowing out of state licensed teachers to teach in California and is part of an interstate agreement amongst many states. (5) AB 46, which exempts military pensions from state income tax, is pending in the Senate after passing the Assembly. (6) An internship program for high school, college and other adults is available through his office.

Suleyma Balderas, aide to Assembly member Tasha Boerner, reported (through Diane Ahern): (1) An extension of funding for Scripps Institute of Oceanography to study cliff collapses and prevention, was approved. (2) A bill to provide more benefits to lifeguards was approved. (3) More funding for libraries was also approved.

Evan Brigham, aide to County Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer reported (through Diane Ahern) that the Supervisors office was involved in passing the budget and legislation including programs for housing, mental health care, drug addiction for the homeless.

(Meeting summary continued on page 14.)



UCCA President Diane Ahern

Hello University City, I hope you had a great Summer. It is sure to be one to remember for many of us. I don't think I'll forget my first Summer Concerts at the new Standley Middle School Pavilion Stage (many thanks to concert chairs John and Andy), my first hurricane watch and

tropical storm warning, the first time that public school got off to such an early start, or my first green waste collection.

The UC Celebration on the 4th of July was one of the best ever. It brought community groups, neighbors, friends, city leaders and departments, runners and vendors, pancake lovers and music lovers, all together for another fun-filled tradition at Standley Park. And how about that Banana Split? It has been 40 plus years since the first. Many thanks to the Heimberger family for donating the ice cream.

Before we move on to September news and events, I'd like to issue a shout out to UCCA's many volunteers and board members who all help to make University City more than just a neighborhood. Many thanks to those who deliver newsletters and serve on neighborhood watch groups. And congratulations to this year's Volunteer of the Year Katie Rodolico.

UCCA was thrilled to learn that our request for funding was granted by the County Board of Supervisors. This grant award will help support our communications efforts such as this print newsletter, our website, and our event banners. We thank State Senator Toni Atkins and State Senator Brian Jones' representatives for joining us at the UC Celebration. We also thank Councilmember Kent Lee and his community reps for joining us at the UC Celebration and at the Volunteer Recognition.

September will bring many challenges to University City as Pure Water construction is expected to bring more disruptions to Genesee traffic at both the Governor Drive and Centurion Square intersections. As of this printing, it is my understanding that intersection work at the Governor intersection could begin the third week of September. Both UCPG (the planning group) and UCCA (our community association) will provide a community update on Pure Water construction at its September meetings.

Besides community updates at local meetings, it is my understanding that the Pure Water communication team has discussions with the businesses at the corner of Genesee and Governor. Households in the area should be on the lookout for a US mailer which will be supplemented by eblasts and updates provided via social media. As always, UCCA will continue to publish Pure Water updates in our print newsletter and post on our website and social media.

Our University City News print newsletter is unique. It is the only source of hyperlocal news in University City. You will 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 am confident that you, our readers, value the University City News as much as I do. You are welcome to update your UCCA membership for 2024. We need your support and donations to help keep our newsletter in print. We appreciate your support. Have a great September; 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.

One last message before I close my president's message this month. I want to confirm what I shared at the July UCCA meeting - I have decided not to seek re-election as president. This has been a difficult decision that came about after much thought and discussion with family. My term as president will conclude at the end of November. I hope to continue serving on the UCCA board in another capacity next year. I look forward to supporting the incoming president.

Could there be a UCCA board position in your future? If you are interested in learning more about UCCA as an organization and the upcoming election, please refer to the Election Notice published in this issue; or reach out to me directly at: UniversityCityNews@gmail.com.

Diane

Calendar

September 2023

PEOPLE FOR A CLEAN UC

No scheduled clean up in September

LABOR DAY

Monday, September 4

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

Tuesday, September 12, 6:00pm Info: planuniversity.org

UCCA MEETING

Wednesday, September 13, 6:00pm Pure Water Update at 7:00pm Zoom Meeting:

bit.ly/UCCA-Sept-2023-Zoom-Meeting Meeting ID: 897 6403 9153

Passcode: 180904

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

First Day - September 15

ROSH HASHANAH

Begins sunset Friday, September 15 Ends nightfall Sunday, September 17

MIRAMAR AIR SHOW

September 22, 23 & 24

YOM KIPPUR

Begins sunset Sunday, September 24 Ends nightfall Monday, September 25

STANDLEY PARK COMMUNITY REC GROUP

Thursday, September 28 7:00pm 3585 Governor Drive

SAVE THE DATE OKTOBERFEST by EDUCATE! Saturday, October 7, 2:00-6:00pm Standley Park

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RENEW YOUR UCCA MEMBERSHIP GO TO UNIVERSITYCITYNEWS.ORG OR SUBMIT MEMBERSHIP FORM

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You may wonder why UCCA hosts public meetings? It is 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



How We Celebrated National Night Out in UC

Three communities, University City, Clairemont and BayHo joined forces to celebrate NNO at Standley Park on Governor Dr. from 5:30-7:30pm on August 1. This is one way how we celebrate neighborhood unity, awareness, safety and police-community partnerships. Pictured above, Barbara Gellman, Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, and Nicole Crosby, President of Clairemont Town Council, are surrounded by Northern Command officers and personnel.

Lead by Officer Anderson Brown (below with the phone), our CRO from Northern Division, we all had the opportunity to chat with the Command Staff, that included Capt. Manansala and Lt. Brinkerhoff, Dispatch, Recruiting and the Fire Department personnel.



The children loved blowing the whistles that were given to them by Neighborhood Watch, all the different snacks available, the wrist bands from Command staff, ice cream from the Yummi Tummi ice cream truck, fire hats from the Fire Department and of course, climbing on the "big fire truck" and police cruiser. Clairemont Town Council provided pens and koozies and information.

The adults had the same opportunities and added questions to officers and fire staff and some city representatives. Some looked to be in serious discussions, others, not so much; everyone came away unscathed and smiling. It is always good to meet with old and new friends in a casual gathering for an exchange of ideas and show our support for our first responders and vice versa. Stay tuned until next year; lights on, gates locked, suspicious observations reported and kindness to each other.



AS JOAN RIVERS WOULD SAY: "CAN WE TALK?"

by Barbara Gellman, NW Coordinator

Consider being part of the crime prevention solution as a Neighborhood Watch Street Captain. We work in partnership with our police as the extra eyes and ears of the community. Learning how to report a



crime, how to recognize scams, how to prevent vehicle related crimes, home security tips and more; using education, observation and reporting, not confrontation. Knowledge leads to putting you in control, not the "bad guys".

If this leadership role sounds of interest to you, please contact me for further information at bggellman@yahoo.com. The following streets need a Captain and or Co-Captain to step up and lead:

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Araya	Finson	Soderblom
Arnoldson	Farley	Sandburg
Baeza	Gullstrand Syracuse	
Branting	Kantor Stadium	
Brannick	Maynard Steinbeck	
Carnegie	Merwell	Via Lapiz
Dunant	Occidental	Werner
Ducommun	Pennant	Whipple
Erlanger	Pavlov	Willard
Enders	Pauling	
Fried	Rous	



Reflective Address Curb Painting 2.0

Barbara Gellman, UCCA Neighborhood Watch

The first round of the painting of addresses on curbs in front of University City homes has ended. If you missed that first opportunity, we have good news for you. C&S Painting has agreed to return for a second round of curb address painting, (white background, black numbers).

Please check the curb in front of your dwelling to see whether your address is painted there. If it is not, or if the paint has faded, then here's your opportunity to help first responders identify your home more easily and quickly.

If you wish to proceed with reflective address curb painting for your home, email a message to uccurbpainting@gmail.com. Leave your name, address and phone number. You will receive a "thank you" message informing you that you are registered. Subsequently, you will receive an email to let you know when the painters will be in your area. September 16 is the final day you can sign up for this program. Your cost for this service is \$20 per curb address.

When the painting has been completed, the painters will leave a pre-addressed envelope for you to **mail in** your \$20 fee. Be sure to print "Curb" on the memo line.

UCCA's Neighborhood Watch, with the support of UCCA and the San Diego Police Department, thanks you for taking part in this project. Please don't miss this opportunity to enable the Police Department, Fire Department and EMT Services to easily identify your home in case of an emergency.

Please remember to enroll by September 16.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this project, email bggellman@yahoo.com.

Identity Theft Can Happen to Anyone, How to Prevent It

by District Attorney Summer Stephan

Scams come in every variety and target every segment of the population. From the grandparent scam to the get rich quick ploy, the common thread in each scenario is someone is faking their identity or trying to steal yours.

In San Diego County, our office prosecuted 2,800 cases involving some form of identity theft over the last five years. But as you've heard from me before on this topic, many cases go unreported because victims are ashamed of getting duped, especially senior citizens. San Diego County alone sees more than 1,000 elderly victims get defrauded each year losing an estimated \$20 to \$30 million to scams. But the elderly are not the only people being scammed. According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), a consumer protection agency, Millennials are 25% more likely to report losing money to fraud than people 40 and over. The top five frauds to which the younger group reports losing money include: Online shopping fraud, Business imposters, Government imposters, Fake check scams, and Romance scams.

Identity theft is the top fraud type reported in California, according to a report from the FTC. In general, identity theft is when someone represents that they are you by using your personal information for fraudulent or other improper purposes. When it comes to this type of crime, California is ranked 14th in the country for identity theft reports, according to the same report. To avoid becoming a victim of identity theft:

- Never give out personal information such as bank account or credit card numbers to anyone who calls you.
- If you suspect a scam, simply hang up.
- Keep your mail secured. Stolen mail can lead to identity theft.
- Invest in a shredder and shred any mail with personal identifying information and "courtesy checks."
- · Create different passwords for each of your online accounts.
- Enable two-factor authentication on financial and online accounts.
- · Review financial statements regularly for unauthorized charges.
- Review credit reports annually for unauthorized accounts.
- Do not leave wallets/documents with personal info in your vehicle.
- Do not carry your social security card.
- Lock up your personal information kept in your residence.
- Do not respond to unsolicited emails that request personal information.
- Do not click on links unless you verify a legitimate source of the email independently.
- If you've been a victim of ID theft, freeze your credit.
- If you've been scammed, report it to law enforcement or the FTC.

Last year, the District Attorney's Office partnered with the Identity Theft Resource Center to provide a live chat box on our public website in an effort to support victims of identity crimes. You can chat with a live agent in English or in Spanish about issues related to identity theft, identity fraud and data breaches. For more information, go to SanDiegoDA.com and search for identity theft.

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 that your personal identifying information has been unlawfully used by another, contact the local law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over your actual residence or place of business.

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.

District 6 Councilmember Kent Lee

Greetings University City neighbors from Councilmember Kent Lee and our team in the District 6 office. Despite the month of August being San Diego City Council legislative recess, our office remained busy hosting and attending events in the area. As summer comes to a close, we look forward to more upcoming community events.

At Standley Park, we had the pleasure of participating in the 40th Anniversary of National Night Out and wanted to thank CRO Anderson Brown and the whole team at Northern Division PD for organizing the event. The presence of SDFD and the support of our law enforcement and first responders in UC are greatly appreciated.

I had the honor of attending the grand opening celebration for Ramen Nagi in the UTC Westfield Mall. Congratulations to the whole team on opening their newest restaurant, it's an exciting addition to the mall. Our team was also thrilled to present a certificate and cut the ribbon at the grand opening of Everytable's new location in Renaissance Towne Center. Their dedication to making healthy food accessible to everyone is truly inspiring, and we're thrilled to see innovative food ventures thriving in UC.

The most recent "Tea with Lee" was hosted at Golden Donut in University City a few weeks ago. These monthly office hour sessions consist of 15 minutes one on one meetings with members of District 6. I was very impressed with the thoughtfulness and diversity of ideas that were presented in my meetings. Having such engaged constituents who care deeply about our community is something I cherish about this role. Be on the lookout for upcoming dates, to get on the interest list please visit bit.ly/TeaWithLee. I'd love to meet you there.



Special thanks to the City of San Diego Parks & Recreation Department for a fantastic Movies In The Park event at Nobel Athletic Fields and Recreation Center; my family and I had a great time and it was a pleasure meeting so many members of the community!

We are committed to maintaining a solid presence in University City. You saw us at events such as the last Summer Concert in August and future events such as Oktoberfest at Standley on October 7. We will also be partnering with the San Diego Humane Society in September to offer a community pet care event for District 6 residents. Please come by and say hello!

For more information about District 6, visit our website at: sandiego.gov/citycouncil/cd6

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

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

Library Hours and programs are subject to change. Call to confirm hours and events.

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.

Libraries will be closed on Monday, September 4 in recognition of Labor Day.

What's Happening at the Libraries? North University Community Library

Nuestra Cultura

The Library will recognize National Hispanic American Heritage Month with our own interpretation: Nuestra Cultura. We will celebrate this month with loteria, bilingual storytimes, and more programs throughout our library system. sandiego.gov/public-library/latinx-heritage-month

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Bilingual Storytime: Spanish (Hora del Cuento Bilingüe: Español): Saturday, September 2 at 10:00-10:30am.

A Poetry Reading with Courtney LeBlanc: Saturday, September 9 at 5:00-5:45pm.

Special Author Storytime: Lolo's Sari-sari Store by Sophia Lee: Saturday, September 16 at 10:00-10:30am.

EcoLogik Workshops: The EcoLogik Project offers unique workshops on ecology, nature, and technology. These workshops target a mixed age range group between grades 4 through 12. Perfect for families with kids in multiple grades! Contact Jeff at jgarthaus@sandiego.gov to register for workshops.

Camera Traps Workshop: Monday, September 18 at 3:30-5:00pm.

Biodiversity Snapshot Workshop: Monday, September 25 at 3:30-5:00pm.

Lotería (Game Play): Tuesday, September 26 at 6-7:30 p.m. In honor of Nuestra Cultura, we will play lotería, a traditional bingostyle game. Winners can claim free San Diego Public Library swag.

ALL AGES

Chess Club: Every Thursday at 3:00-4:30pm.

CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

Baby/Toddler variety program: Mondays at 11:45am-12:15pm.

Toddler Storytime: Wednesdays at 10-10:30 a.m.

Lego Club: Mondays at 6-7 p.m.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Fiction Lovers Book Club: Saturday, September 9, at 10:00-11:00am. The Secret Keeper by Kate Morton.

Amantes de la Lectura, Novelas Hispano-americanas en Espanol: Saturday, September 9 at 2:00-4:00pm. RSVP to tlampell21@gmail.com

Friends of the North University Community Library Meeting: Tuesday, September 12 at 6:00-7:00pm.

Brain Health Presentation and Memory Evaluations with the Sharp Neurocognitive Research Center: Friday, September 15. Presentation at 10:00-11:00am. Please call library staff at 858.581.9637 to schedule a 30-minute appointment occurring between 11:00am to 12:30pm or 1:00-2:30pm.

Art History at the Library - Vermeer: The Poetry of Line and Form: Saturday, September 16 at 11:00am-12:00pm.

San Diego Project Heart Beat Hands Only CPR/AED Training: Thursday, September 21 at 1:00-2:00pm.

Page Turners' Book Club: Saturday, September 23 at 1:00-2:30pm. Song of Achilles by Madeline Miller.

University Community Library (Governor Drive) ADULT PROGRAMS

Dances with Words - Wednesday, September 9, 4:30pm Richard Lederer, San Diego Union-Tribune columnist, and Bill Shipper, musical comedian, celebrate the crazy world of the English language with topics such as musical idioms, wordplay, limericks and the circus. This is truly "edutainment" - learning dressed up to have fun!

Rock Painting - Tuesday, September 12, 2:30pm. Pick your rock, and create a masterpiece to take home.

Persian Film Series (NEW!) - Saturday, September 23, 3:30pm. Join us for a film screening of Baran, followed by discussion and light refreshments. Films in this series are usually shown in Farsi, with subtitles. "Baran" is the story of Afghan refugees told through the eyes of an Iranian teenage boy named Lateef. His devotion to a person he barely knows leads him to the choice that will change his life forever. Academy Award nominated director Majid Majidi ("Children of Heaven"; "Color of Paradise") delivers a heartbreaking story of unrequited love.

Qi Gong - Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30am; no registration

UC Book Club: meets the 4th Wednesday of the month at 2:00pm in the community room. The selection for September is Horse by Geraldine Brooks.

Great Decisions: meets the 3rd Friday of the month from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Discussion group with selected readings and video which focuses on global affairs ranging from the economic warfare, China and the U.S., Iran at a crossroads, climate migration and more. The final regular meeting of the year will be held in September, followed by special meeting in October to wrap up 2023 and discuss plans for 2024.

San Diego's Most Haunted - Tuesday, September 12, 12:30pm. This presentation discusses the history and paranormal claims of various historical landmarks in San Diego, California with highlights from several investigations by the San Diego Paranormal Research Society. Presented by Nicole Strickland and San Diego OASIS.

Senior Advisory Group - Tuesday, October 24, 1:00pm Want to get involved at our library or want to have more input on programs offered to adults? UC Library is starting up a Senior Advisory Group that will meet a few times a year to brainstorm future programming for adults and seniors. Your participation and input is helpful so we can offer programs that meet your interests and needs. Meeting: Tuesday, August 8, 12:30-2:00pm.

CHILDREN/TEEN PROGRAMS

Toddler Storytime & Craft - Wednesdays at 10:30am Video Games - Fridays, 3:15pm (except September 29)

Paiama Storytime - 2nd Mondays at 6:30pm

Kids' crafts - 2nd Tuesdays at 2:30pm

Make & Take: Dessert in a Jar (all ages) - Friday, September 9, 3:00pm. This is exactly what is sounds like! Participants will make 2-3 delicious dessert options to make and take home or eat on the lawn outside the library! This class was brought back by popular demand. Recipes will be passed out in class to take home. Ages 8 & up.



First Generation College Students Helped by La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club

Our local La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club is gearing up for the school

year at Preuss Charter School, located on UCSD's campus. Every year these local Rotarians help Preuss School by providing scholarships, student awards, connecting with pupil peers in Afghanistan-sponsored schools, hosting an annual career day, sponsoring 150 pupils to participate in a joint Cygnet Theatre educational program, and engaging the students in Rotary Youth Leadership Academy, Model UN, and the Hands of Peace project.

The award-winning Preuss Charter focusses on students from low-income families and first-generation college students and has an impressive track record of preparing and admitting students into UCSD and other colleges. The partnership with La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club means more students can make college a reality and be given the tools for success in life.

Another joint venture between La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotarians and Preuss is the Interact program for high school age students. With meetings held on campus, Preuss students in the Interact Club become immersed in community responsibility through volunteerism. Similar programs can be established at other public schools, through a Rotary club sponsor.

The La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club meets every Friday at 7:00 am for breakfast at the UCSD Ida and Cecil Green Faculty Club and welcomes business, university, and community leaders as guests and members. Check out their website at lajollagtrotary.org and email Christy White at: info@lajollagtrotary.org to check out a meeting!

Volunteer Opportunity

Everyone A Reader (EAR) is recruiting tutors wanting to make a difference in the life of a child in University City. Doyle Elementary is seeking reading tutors for the 2023-24 school year. Tutors will read with students who have been identified by their teachers as needing help. Training is available through San Diego County Office of Education at community sites or at Doyle School. The tutoring commitment is about 2 hours, one morning a week (Tu/Wed/Th) during the school day, October through May. Materials are provided and you'll be working with the same students each week. Tutors substitute for one another for appointments, traveling and unexpected events!

For info specific to Doyle Elem., please contact Carol Parham at cjparham@gmail.com or 858.864.3141. For info about the Everyone A Reader Program (including other schools) contact the coordinator at cidunlevy@sdcoe.net.



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 7, the 14th Annual Oktoberfest at Standley Park. Games, food, drink, music, booths, beer & wine garden. Join us for a fun-filled afternoon that raises money for our University City public schools. For more info: uceducate.org.



UC DEL SOL SOFTBALL FALL BALL

UC Del Sol Fall Ball is officially in season! Practices started at the end of August. Anyone (ages 5-14) interested in joining is encouraged to register as there are still spots available, particularly on 6U, 8U, and 10U teams. Teams are organized by age and no experience is required. Plus, there are no registration fees for 6U! Gear can also be provided if needed. Please visit the UC Del Sol website at ucdelsol.com for more information. Referrals earn a \$25 discount on future registration fees!

UC Del Sol focuses on promoting growth in both character and athletic abilities based on the principles of teamwork, sportsmanship, leadership, and citizenship. It's a great way for the athletes to learn, have fun, and make new friends!



UCHS Music Starts on a New Note

by Andrea Lehman, Music Boosters Treasurer

The UCHS campus and canyon are starting to fill again with music as Marching Band season begins. This year, we are delighted to welcome Brandon Rhinehart, our new Music Director, to lead our award-winning program. Brandon has joined the UC community from Virginia, driving cross-country this summer with his fiancée, Brittany, for new challenges and adventures in San Diego.

The Director of UCHS Music instructs Choir, Orchestra, Concert Band, and Marching Band performing with Color Guard, again led by Tracy Williams. This year's field show is titled "A Thousand Cranes," and, with a Color Guard squad that is twice the size of last year, should be visually stunning.

UCHS Music Boosters, under the Centurion Foundation, need to raise over \$60,000 this year to cover the expenses of these various programs. One of our first fundraisers is Breakfast at Applebee's on September 23 where UCHS Music students will serve as waitstaff. Tickets are \$13 and can be purchased here: uchsmusic.ticketspice.com/uchs-music-applebees-breakfast-fall-2023. We would love to see you there and for all your community support!

COMMUNITY SHORTS SENIOR WALKERS

Join the friendly senior walking group. Meet your neighbors and make new friends. Gentle walks last about one hour. Meet in front of Swanson's Pool at 9:30am every Wednesday. Everyone is welcome. Note: We cancel if it rains. Contact: Marie, seekgene@aol.com.

LABOR DAY CELEBRATION PIES IN THE PARK

The Memorial Day Pies in the Park was so successful, hosts David Wright, JR So, and Jeffrey Smith are bringing it back for Labor Day. On Sunday, September 3, from 12:00noon to 3:00pm at Standley Park, there will be a bounce house, dunk tank, pony rides (three ponies and a mini), cotton candy, sack races, live music, spin giveaways, and of course...pies!

UCUC BLOOD DRIVE

Saturday, September 9 from 8:00am to 1:30pm at the UC Marketplace (Sprouts Shopping Center on Governor Drive). Slots fill up quickly, sign up at mysdbb.org. Walk-ins accepted.

MIRAMAR AIR SHOW RETURNS

The Blue Angels return to the MCAS Miramar Air Show in late September. This year's event will include ground displays and flight simulators; an innovation and tech expo; and military air/ground demonstration teams. The daytime air shows will feature military demonstration teams, civilian aerobatic teams, aerial solo acts, vintage aircraft and warbirds.

People in the area of MCAS Miramar are likely to witness and experience unfamiliar aircraft flying overhead in unusual flight patterns and experience increased levels noise including from simulated explosions and aircraft engines.

Aircraft, performers, and exhibitors are expected to arrive beginning Wednesday, September 20; practice day is expected to be Thursday, September 21. The Air Show is open to the public on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 22-24. The Marine Air-Ground Task Force (MAGTF) is scheduled at 11:30am; the US Navy Blue Angels and Fat Albert are scheduled to perform at 3:15pm. For more information, visit: miramarairshow.com



ROSE CANYON CONSORT PROGRAM

You are welcome to attend a concert of music for four string players and clarinet, scheduled Sunday, October 1, at 4:00pm, in the sanctuary at University City United Church (2877 Governor Drive). Proceeds from a free-will offering at this program will benefit UCUC. The musical selections will be two quintets by Mozart. The first is a quintet for strings, transcribed by Mozart from one of his wind octets, and performed here with clarinet and strings. The second is his famous quintet for clarinet and strings in A. Come and enjoy the program!



End of Summer Celebration & Concert

Where - Standley Park Pavilion - 3585 Governor Drive

Date - Wednesday, September 20

Time - 5:30 to 7:30pm

What - Live Music, Food Trucks, Neighborhood Fun

Back by popular demand, Valerie Upham Team's 2nd Annual End of Summer Celebration & Concert. Get ready for a second year of evening community fun, with live music from the Steal Dawn band! Join us to listen to the some of the greatest hits from multiple decades! Food will be available from some of our favorite local food trucks like Mr. Greek Lunch Truck, Gelū Italian Ice, and Taco Land! We had such a fun 9-21-22 zip code day celebration last year and people were asking us to host it again. We cannot wait to get back together once more at the end of this summer. Contact Info: Valerie Upham, 858.761.7890 or valerie.upham@compass.com.

Recreationally Speaking

submitted on behalf of the Standley CRG by Diane Ahern

Joint Use Facilities: Did you know that the City and the San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD) have been cooperating in the joint use of numerous recreational facilities since 1948? The City also has joint use agreements for the shared use of recreational facilities with six other school districts (including Del Mar, Poway, and Solana Beach) and one community college district. A list of the available joint use facilities including location, size, and amenities is available at: sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/parks/jointusefacilities

University City Pools Open with Fall Schedules: For information and to download the Fall Schedules visit: sandiego.gov/pools/standley-aquatic-center

- Swanson Memorial Pool offers warm water exercise classes, swim lessons, youth swim teams, recreational swim, and much more. Check the Swanson Pool website for current information.
- Standley Aquatic Center is a joint-use pool with the San Diego Unified School District. The water is cold and deep and ideal for lap swim. The pool offers community lap swim. Hours are subject to change; check the Standley Aquatic Center website for current information.

Fall Movies in the Park continue in University City; details at: summermoviesinthepark.com

- The Book of Life, Nobel Community Park, Oct. 13, 4:30pm
- Hocus Pocus, Doyle Park, Oct. 13 at sunset
- Hotel Transylvania 2, Standley Park, Oct. 28, 4:30pm

There's always something to do at our parks and recreation facilities: For information about University City and all San Diego recreation centers, pools and skate parks; public golf courses; local and open space parks; and facilities, programs and services, visit: sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation.



UC Garden Club Plants the Seeds

San Diego Master Gardener Jodi Bay gave a presentation about "seeds" to UC Garden Club members at the UC Library on Governor Drive, in August. She discussed how to collect and store the seeds, and to check if they are still viable. Jodi and other members brought seeds to share, which will also be used for the future Seed Library.



UC Library Manager Melissa Martin was also in attendance and discussed the library's plans to create the seed library. The plan to that not only can the community take seeds, but that many will also donate seeds. More info will be out as details get finalized. If anyone wants to help volunteer with the Seed Library, contact jemmasamala@gmail.com.



In July, the UC Garden Club gathered in the backyard of Glenda Sacks Jaffe, where she discussed the creation of her colorful front and backyard gardens, and the obstacles they had faced. She kept a meticulous scrapbook of photos and landscape plans which she shared. Her scrapbook included characteristics of each plant.



Following meetups include: September 23, 11:00am at UC Library about creative succulent containers; October 21, 2:00pm at the backyard garden of Zabrocki; and November 11, 2:00pm at the home of Jana Fortier about hydrosols and herbs. If you would like to get on the UC Garden Club mailing list, contact jemmasamala@gmail.com

2023 - Saying Good-Bye to UC Volunteers



Valerie O'Neill

Pictured above with husband Don Hotz

UCCA was saddened to learn that long-time University City and UCCA volunteer Valerie O'Neill has passed away. Valerie served on UCCA's newsletter committee and distribution team for years. She was also active with many roles with the 4^{th} of July UC Celebration and other events at Standley Park.

Valerie loved traveling, camping, and biking while enjoying time with family and her dog Riley. We remember fondly how much she and her husband and family enjoyed the Summer Concerts and Oktoberfest with friends and neighbors. More recently, she helped out with the volunteer reading program at Curie Elementary. Valerie will be missed by those of us who had a chance to know and volunteer with her.



Janay Kruger

UCCA also received the news that Janay Kruger has passed away. Janay was on the Board and Treasurer of the Center City Development Corporation, during the time that CCDC was instrumental in redevelopment of downtown San Diego, including Horton Plaza. In honor of her contributions, the City Council designated April 10, 2018 as Janay Kruger Day in San Diego.

She was Chair of the University City Community Planning Group for many of the years when rapid development was underway. She was a fierce defender of the community during construction of the Trolley, expansion of UTC, and the urbanization of the Golden Triangle. She was on the Northern Division Police Captain Commission of the SDPD. Janay also served on several Homeowner Association Boards over the years.

Distraught about the number of trees being destroyed by the expansion of UTC and the trolley project, Janay established and personally funded a nonprofit called Trees 1000, that planted and gave away free trees in the University City neighborhoods. UC will surely miss her presence.

BANANA SPLIT ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Annual event held on the first Saturday in August at Standley Park, sponsored by the Community Recreational Group.







SUNDAY SUMMER CONCERTS

Every Sunday in July and August (except the one Sunday with the Tropical Storm). A different band each week entertaining the community, from soul to classic rock, it was always fun for all.









SUMMER SAFETY SPLASH

A water safety event at the Standley Aquatic Center was organized by Falck, the City of San Diego's ambulance provider. Community members watched a simulated emergency drill, attended swim safety workshops, visited water safety booths, experienced an inflatable obstacle course, and got soaked from the foam machine. The event brought to light that drownings have increased 56% in SD County from 2020-2021. In addition to Falck, the event was sponsored by the City of SD, the Prevent Drowning Foundation of SD, SD Project Heart Beat, and Cal Coast Credit Union.





VOLUNTEER SPIRIT Big thanks to the UC Celebration Committee who make the annual event a success. Pictured above: seated - Gordon Parham, Carol Parham, Gary Young; standing front row from left - Hayden Stone, Barry Bernstein, Diane Ahern, Eric Holsti, Gendarme Docena, John Schindel, David Wright, Randall Tonini (Chair), Laura Tonini; back row - Jim Beshears, Billy Kilmer, Andy Freeburn, Tom Cartier. (Not pictured: Ellen Beshears and Bruce Stone) Proceeds support UC Rec Center activities, such as summer concerts.



COMMUNITY BREAKFAST Following a three year hiatus, the Knights of Columbus from Our Mother of Confidence Parish served Breakfast to over 400 University City neighbors at Standley Park during UC 4th of July activities on Tuesday morning, July 4th. Over 25 Knights, Ladies and fellow parishioners lent a helping hand in loading, setting up, cooking and serving a scrumptious pancake breakfast.

The Knights represented our OMC Parish well to the community. We heard many compliments on the cooking, friendly service, tasty food, and they expressed their happiness to have the Knights back cooking breakfast again. by Mike O'Hara





and UC has micro public transportation for the day



Photos courtesy Greg Hom

All Day Fun, Games, Entertainment and Visiting























UC Planning Group Meeting Update

by Chris Nielsen, UCPG Chair

For the UCPG meeting on July 11 the only agenda item was the preparation and approval by the UCPG of its comment on the Community Plan Update to the Planning Department, the Mayor's office, and our two councilmembers. Approval was by a vote of 11 Yes, 2 No, with 1 Abstain.

The UCPG took the comment prepared and approved unanimously by the Plan Update Subcommittee for the UCPG as the basis for its comment. On July 17 the UCPG turned in the final comment on the Plan Update to the planning department, with copies to our two council offices and the mayor. Thanks to everyone, from the subcommittee to the UCPG, who participated in the discussions and crafting of this comment. Specific thanks go to Andy Wiese for doing a superb job in drafting the comment document and leading the discussions at the subcommittee and UCPG.

The Planning Commission recommended approval to the city council for the Alexandria Science Village project, formerly known as "Podium 93". The Council gave final approval to the Biomed Reality "Towne Centre View" project. We did ask that the city amend its procedures to identify MHPA parcels in the Council agenda description whenever a transaction involving the MHPA is involved. Councilmember Lee amended the approval motion for the TCV project to include this language so a precedent was not established.

The UCPG met at a special time, August 1, for its August UCPG meeting to consider the Torrey Pines State Park Utility and ADA project. Unanimous approval of this item allows the Parks System to proceed with this important project, now scheduled to begin in 2024. The UCPG approved a revised CIP list and submitted it to the city. During the meeting we demonstrated how to fill out and submit the city's CIP survey form.

Vice Chair Roger Cavnaugh resigned at the end of the July UCPG meeting. Roger was an eight-year board member of the UCPG and provided invaluable insights and perspectives on the issues we face as a community. His voice will be missed at the UCPG, but clients of his psychology practice will benefit. The UCPG elected Fay Arvin as Vice Chair to replace Roger. One community member was proposed to replace Roger, who represented UCPG Area 3 (east of Regents, north of Rose Canyon). We expect to complete confirmation in September of Alex Arthur as the new resident seat 3B representative. Board member Rebecca Robinson-Wood resigned her business seat 2B seat prior to the beginning of the July UCPG meeting. The UCPG board is looking for a replacement for this seat.

The next UCPG meeting will be September 12. This will be a hybrid meeting so please join us either in person or online.

University Community Plan Update – Ensuring a Sustainable Future

Submitted by the

City of San Diego City Planning Department

The City of San Diego is updating the University Community Plan, which was last comprehensively updated in 1987. The updated Plan will provide guidance for how the University Community will be planned over the next 20 to 30 years and advances the City's climate, housing, equity and conservation goals. While planning for homes, businesses and public spaces, along with safe and healthy ways to get around, one priority of the Plan is to help address the City's goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

To do this, the updated Plan provides opportunities for future homes and jobs to be located near each other. The updated Plan also identifies improvements to pedestrian, bicycle and transit infrastructure and uses the recently opened Blue Line Trolley stations to reduce the distance people drive from home to work. The shorter distances people drive, the less greenhouse gas emissions enter our environment, helping to limit the effects of a changing climate.

When it comes to the community's buildings and its surrounding environment, plazas, paseos, promenades and other places people can meet while walking can improve their quality of life. The updated Plan promotes this type of community-serving design in new buildings, as well as increasing green spaces throughout the community through the planting of native plants and trees and the development of green streets and infrastructure.

Finally, the University Community's natural open space canyons and its parks help to define the community. The updated Plan celebrates the natural open space canyons by expanding open space to make sure it is protected for the future. The updated Plan also seeks to strike a balance between allowing people to appreciate and enjoy the open space while also making sure the plants and animals within the open space areas are protected.

To help guide this part of the Community Plan Update, the City of San Diego values public feedback. City Planning staff is currently revising the first draft based on public comments received so far and will then release a second draft Community Plan. This second draft will then be available for further public comment in the fall, which will again be updated based on further feedback before it is presented to the City Council for approval.

Learn more and read the first University Community Plan Update Discussion Draft at planuniversity.org.

Water Rate Increase (Proposed)

by Michael Dwyer

The Water Department is asking for a 2-year water rate increase starting December 1, 2023. The water rate increased January 1, 2023 and we are in the middle of a 4-year Sewer rate increase. An official Notice of Public Hearing was mailed to households in late July. It has a chart of the increase, lists use of funds and date of the City Council hearing where they will vote on the increase. (www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/prop 218 water rate increase for web.pdf)

Only if you received the Notice in the mail can you return the 'protest ballot' in the Notice to the City Clerk (details in the Notice.) At the Public Hearing on September 19 at 2:00pm, everyone can speak to the Council, either in Chambers or via Zoom, details in the Notice. Don't be alarmed by the 10% and 8% rate increase figures on the first page of the Notice; they are net figures that the Water Department needs for their budget considering all classes of service. My comparison of rates for a family of four using 9 HCF units of water between January and December 2023 shows only a \$2/bill increase, hardly noticeable. If you have questions about the rate increase, or other water questions, attend an Information Meeting on September 12 at the PB Library from 6:00-7:00pm, hosted by the Water Department. For more information including FAQ and previous rate increases, go to sandiego.gov/rate-increases. The UCCA is planning on adding this topic to their September 13 meeting.



National Preparedness Month: Preparing for Older Adults

from FEMA's Ready Campaign

The 2023 National Preparedness Month campaign puts the focus on preparing older adults for disaster, especially if they are living alone, are low-income, have a disability, or live in rural areas. Make a plan today. Your family may not be together if a disaster strikes, so it is important to know which types of disasters could affect your area. Know how you'll contact one another and reconnect if separated. Establish a familiar and easy to find meeting place.

- Plan how you will communicate if you have a communications need.
- Plan for food, water, and essentials for you and pets.
- Plan for your transportation if you need help evacuating.
- Create a first aid kit with medication, flashlight and water; and include items that meet your individual needs, such as medicines, medical supplies, batteries and chargers, in your emergency supply kit.
- Plan how you will have your assistive devices with you during an evacuation.
- Make copies of Medicaid, Medicare, and insurance cards.

For more information from FEMA's Ready Campaign Preparing for Older Adults, visit: ready.gov/older-adults

Could a Maui fire happen here?

by Tom Cartier, UC Fire Safe Council (UCFSC) VP

During the fall, when a high-pressure weather system to the North combined with a low pressure to the south, San Diego gets high easterly winds known as Santa Ana conditions. The high wind conditions caused by a tropical storm/hurricane in Maui were a contributing factor for their wildfire. A spark from a utility system, a freeway tossed cigarette, dragging chain or vehicle fire may ignite brush along the freeway, for example along the 805 or 15 freeways. What can be done to mitigate the propagation of a wildfire may be left up to individual homeowners, however local agencies are responsible for brush management on government land, especially in very high fire severity zones.

Recently the City of San Diego Auditors Department performed a review of the city's brush management program. The audit identified brush management findings that were submitted to the city chief operating officer for a response. This QR code has a link to the city audit that identifies needed changes in the city of San Diego Brush Management



program. The audit also has links to the very high fire severity zones within San Diego City and County so citizens can identify whether there property is within a very high fire severity zone.

The UCFSC website is: ucfiresafecouncil.com, which contains links to various accepted construction home hardening websites to prepare for wildfires. Our new motto is "Harden your home but not your Heart." There are also brush management tools including the guidelines for trimming and pruning brush within the defensible space zones (100' of your house). Citizens are also encouraged to submit brush management complaints through the city of San Diego get it done app sandiego.gov/get-it-done.



Pure Water San Diego Update

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 continue to work from Radcliffe Lane to Governor Drive and at the SR 52 overpasses through fall 2023. Work hours for this project are Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 5:00pm. Two-way traffic is maintained.

At the time of this publication, construction work through the intersection of Genesee Avenue & Governor Drive is planned to begin in September 2023. The work through the intersection will be done at night. Night work hours will from 8:00pm to 5:30am for approximately one month. The intersection will be open for traffic and pedestrians during the daytime, however, please expect delays and allow for additional time traveling through the construction zone. The left turns from northbound Genesee Ave. onto westbound SR-52, April Court and Radcliffe Lane will be reopened prior to work in the intersection. A notice will be posted to the project website when it is available. Crews began working on Towne Centre Drive south of La Jolla Village Drive to Towne Centre Gateway in early August 2023 and this work will continue through September 2023.

Ongoing construction in other areas of the alignment include the tunneling work at the I-805 shaft on Executive Drive and work for the San Clemente Tunnel located at the Genesee Avenue lot at Marian Bear Memorial Park. At the Genesee Avenue lot at Marian Bear Park, Alternate parking can be located at 5233 Regents Road. Additionally, tunneling preparation work at Rose Canyon will start in the Summer of 2023.



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.



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MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASED

by Julie Nyham, UCCA Membership Chair

Due to increased printing costs for our newsletter, annual membership fees have increased for 2024. A huge thank you to all our past and future members! Please take a moment to renew for 2024 by sending in your membership coupon below. You can also renew at our website: universitycitynews.org/join-ucca-today/.

Membership levels are \$25, \$50, \$75, \$100 and \$500 (corporate). Any additional donation is deeply appreciated! Your membership and donations help to fund the printing of our UCCA newsletter, UC schools grants, community events, and more!

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Cole Reed, aide to State Senator Toni Atkins, reported: (1) As acting governor for 5 days, she signed 3 bills to address budget issues and LGBTQ rights. The budget issues included \$5.6 million for exhibit space for the Fleet Science Center, \$2.0 million for Scripps Institute coastal monitors, \$2.6 million for small business improvements, \$3.1 million for San Dieguito River joint powers authority, and \$1.0 million for a diagnostics lab for San Diego Zoo.

Melissa Martin, of UC Library, reported: (1) Their summer reading program will end by late August. (2) They are giving away tote bags to adults and children. (3) A rock painting program will be in Sept./Oct.

Jeff Garthaus, Youth Librarian of North UC library, reported classes in playing bridge by a bridge master are starting on Saturdays at 3:00pm. Contact the library for advance signups.

Pure Water Status, by Clem Wassenberg and Sarah Bowles who reported: (1) One crew is southbound on Towne Center Dr. (2) The other crew is northbound on Genesee going up the hill toward Governor Dr., with the intersection reached by late August or early September. (3) Because the intersection has high volume traffic, work will be done at night, from 9:00pm to 5:00am. (4) Tunnelling under San Clemente Creek is underway. The parking lot in Marion Bear Park is closed but the trails are open, with access to the Park at Regents Road. (5) Some advance preparation work is being done on Genesee by UC High School and Rose Creek, including locating underground utilities, conducting bird surveys, and removing vegetation close to tunnels and trenches.

Water and Sewer Lines repair and Replacement Clem Wassenberg reported repairs and replacement of underground water and sewer lines in South UC in the area north of Governor and east of Genesee is required. Governor Dr. and many surface streets will have excavations. This will affect traffic. Efforts will be made to coordinate with Pure Water construction and keep the community informed.

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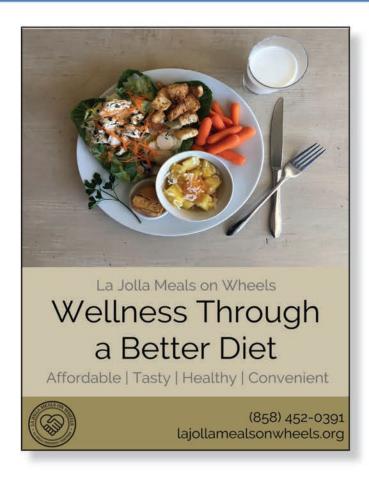
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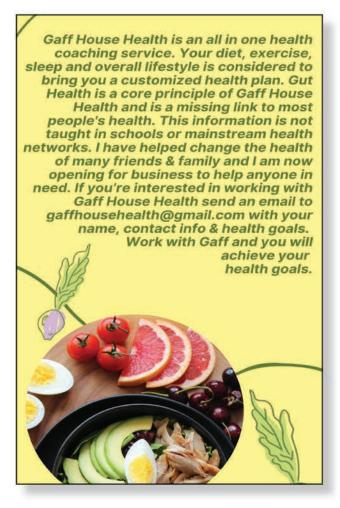
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