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UC Del Sol Opening Day Highlights

by Stephanie Cheng

The UC Del Sol Girls Fastpitch Softball League celebrated its annual Opening Day Ceremonies on Saturday, February 24 at Standley Middle School. The festivities included softball games, team banner parade, a giant bounce house, home-to-home plate races, a silent auction, and other fun activities to kick off the 2024 Spring Season. Team coaches also demonstrated good sportsmanship by participating in a Pie-Your-Coach pie toss! Big thanks to the coaches, volunteers, sponsors, UC High Drumline, and Girls Scouts of America for making this Opening Day fun and memorable!

Come watch and cheer on the UC Del Sol softball teams this season! Home games are hosted at Standley Middle School every Saturday between February 24 – May 4. The softball fields and parking are located off Radcliffe Drive.



Time to Play Ball in UC

University City Little League Opening Day

by Christine O'Bannon



To kick off the 61st season of University City Little League, the league had their Opening Day Ceremony on February 24 at the Standley Park stage.

The event started with players from T-Ball as young as three years old to Intermediate as old as thirteen, dressed in their uniforms gathered around the Standley Park pool. Followed by an introduction of teams as they ran or walked through the UC Little League Arch. There was an impressive display of banners with creative team names like the El Ninos, The Pizza Waves, Chickens and more.



A group of students played the National Anthem on various instruments from the stage then concluding the event was the famous T-Ball Otter Pop race.



Games will take place at or around Standley Park every Saturday from morning through afternoon. Community members are encouraged to make purchases at the snack bar which is entirely volunteer operated. Hot dogs, beverages and other snacks are available for purchase at a reasonable price while also helping to raise money to support the little league.



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ONE & ONE: PURE WATER

February 12, 2024

by Jemma Samala, UCCA President

The University City Community Association held its first One & One event on February 12 at the Nobel Rec Center on the Pure Water construction topic. The One & One events will be spent on one topic or with one person for one hour. They are intended to spend more time discussing important issues, rather than a short report at a regularly scheduled public general meeting.

Clem Wassenberg, Pure Water Project Manager, presented some general information about the project, as well as the current status of construction. Two pipelines are being placed, one going north carrying wastewater to the North City Wastewater Reclamation Plant, and one heading south bringing brine water to the Point Loma Wastewater Treatment Plant. Three tunnels are being built in the process, under SR52, Genesee at Rose Canyon, and at I805.

Next construction plans are continuing northbound on Genesee, and Towne Center Drive from Excalibur Way to Nobel. Lots of coordination with UC High School and residential apartments along the way are in place. There is no parking allowed in the current construction areas, and residents may experience possible road closures if needed. The current phase is expected to be completed in March 2024, while we don't expect the project to be operational until sometime in 2025.

Of big concern when the project was first publicized were the longstanding pine trees along Genesee Avenue. Wassenberg reported that the project arborist has determined them to all be safe at this point, and that none need to be replaced. Also, while the Marian Bear parking is closed at Genesee, the lot at Regents Road is available and the trails continue to be open to the public.

To receive Pure Water updates, contact 833-UTC-PWSD, or sbowles@sandiego.gov. Also, follow on social media networks.

Everett Hauser, Transportation Department, spoke on the bikeway coordination and enhancements once the Pure Water construction is complete. Towne Center Drive and Nobel Ave will have continuous lanes, with a wider bikeway buffer and posts. On Genesee, the bike lanes will become 7-feet wide with post barriers. All will keep the same number of lanes.

Although not part of the Pure Water project, it was shared that west of Genesee, along Governor Drive, that the restriping of the bike lanes after a future project may lead to single lanes. Many of those in attendance voiced their concerns about the already heavy traffic around the neighborhood schools.

SAVE THE DATE

ONE & ONE – Councilmember Kent Lee

Monday, April 22 at 6:00pm

Location: TBD

Send questions in advance to: jemmasamala@gmail.com



UCCA President Jemma Samala

I felt all the love in the air this past February, especially all the love shown to Les High at his 100 Year Birthday Celebration. Make sure to look at page 11 at a photo recap and an article by Wendy Remington – and big shout out to Wendy who was a big force in planning the event. You will also find a link to Les's YouTube channel (yes, he has a YouTube channel), where you'll find a preview and event videos. While on his YouTube channel, make sure to watch

his witty excerpts about life lessons. You can learn quite a bit from a centenarian. And I was proud to shake his hand (pictured above) and congratulate him, and he asked me if he made the community proud? You sure have Les, life goals for all of us.

Thinking about Wendy, there are so many of us that help make the University City community so well-loved by its residents. We are fortunate that our community consists of active, go-getter residents, like Vince Reardon, who I highlight below, and who decided one day to clean up trash along Regents Road and then the next month starts People for a Clean UC. Then we have new community volunteers, like Stephanie Waring (pictured with me right), who I met during my February office hours at Starbucks, became a UCCA paid member and volunteered for the cleanup the next day.



While we do have great volunteers in UC, remember we still need more help. UCCA is looking for a few good people to help with: membership, grant writing, newsletter delivery, Neighborhood Watch captains (see street list on page 14), holiday events, and in working on new projects to continue to build our community.

Attend our next UCCA General Meeting on March 13, 5:30pm and/or come by my next open hours on Saturday, March 16 at Starbucks on Governor Drive, from 9:00-11:00am. Let's chat about how you can help our community (UCCA or other local groups). Of course, I'll also accept your membership forms and donations!

Oh yes, in March we celebrate Spring! Looking forward to all the flowers that will spring up after our welcomed rainy season. And okay, yes, you can bring me bouquets of flowers too. Growing and giving adds to our community spirit. Let's see what I can grow and give – I'll update you next month.

Jemma

Thinking Locally, Acting Neighborly

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT VINCE REARDON

Vince Reardon and his wife Ellen have proudly called University City their home since 1987, and love the friendly, small-town atmosphere of the community. They are now retired, Ellen a former nurse, Vince worked in journalism, public relations, and most recently in corporate communications in the biotech industry. Notably, he was the on-air business reporter for KJOY/103.7 from 1984 to 1989.

In their retirement, Vince and Ellen enjoy volunteering as mentors at the Preuss School UCSD for the past ten years.

Vince is the founder of People for a Clean UC, which began back in March 2014, when as he was driving to a meeting southbound on Regents Road toward I-52, he couldn't ignore the sight of papers strewn across the entire west side of the street. Returning home, he was disappointed by the unchanged scene, he took matters into his own hands, grabbed a couple of trash bags and cleaned up the mess. The satisfaction he felt afterwards was similar to the gratification one feels after donating blood. By the next month, People for a Clean UC was founded. That community spirit from Vince's first cleanup has only grown over the past ten years. Thank you Vince for your ongoing dedication to University City, and a Happy 10 Year Anniversary to People for a Clean UC!

*If you know of a longtime, behind the scenes volunteer, contact
jemmasamala@gmail.com.*

Calendar

March 2024

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, March 5

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS

Saturday, March 10, 2:00am

"spring forward" clocks one hour

PEOPLE FOR A CLEAN UC

Sunday, March 10

8:15-8:30am – meet & greet

8:30-10:00am – work

(One hour later due to time change)

Cleanup volunteers meet at Starbucks

3203 Governor Drive, supplies provided

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

Tuesday, March 12, 6:00pm

UCPG Election Day – voting starts at 5:00pm

9880 Campus Point Drive, Third Floor

Info: planuniversity.org

UCCA GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, March 13, 5:30pm

Meet & Greet 5:15pm

In-Person Meeting

UC Library on Governor Drive

JEMMA at STARBUCKS on SATURDAY

UCCA's President Open Hours

Stop by to discuss UCCA and University City

Saturday, March 16, 9:00 to 11:00am

Starbucks on Governor Drive

FIRST DAY OF SPRING

Tuesday, March 19

UC CELEBRATION 4th of JULY

COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 20, 6:00pm

Standley Rec Center

STANDLEY PARK COMMUNITY REC GROUP

Thursday, March 28

For meeting details, call: 858.552.1651

CESAR CHAVEZ DAY

Sunday March 31

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday March 31

SPRING BREAK - SDUSD

April 1 to 5

RENEW YOUR UCCA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2024

GO TO UNIVERSITYCITYNEWS.ORG, OR
MAIL IN MEMBERSHIP FORM ON PAGE 14



POLICE BAIT PROGRAM Catching Bike Thieves

*Info courtesy SDPD Officer
Melanie Bognuda*

The San Diego Police Bait Bike Program was implemented in 2014.

What is the Police Bait Bike Program?

Bait bikes have a GPS device embedded in their frames. When

they are stolen, the police can track the theft happening in real-time and apprehend the criminal. Authorities say there is a 100% chance of bait bike thieves being caught and prosecuted. The police have several Bait Bikes placed strategically placed and have been successful in catching bike thieves. Since October 2023, the program has made 27 felony arrests. Most suspects have narcotics and property from burglaries. Some have warrants. Three of the bike thieves were parolees at large.

Do many bike owners receive their stolen recovered bikes from the police?

Almost half of the stolen bikes are eventually recovered by the police. The only reason that just 5% of stolen bikes are returned to their owners is that the police can't link the bike to the owner.

What can bike owners do, in case their bike is stolen?

Always taking a picture of your bike, and writing down the manufacturer and serial number is important. You will have a better chance of recovering your bike by doing this. If your bike is stolen, always file an online police report. There are also a few sites to register your bike's serial number. One of these is a free site called Bike Index.

How does it work?

You register your bike with your name, serial number, and manufacturer of the bike. If your bike is stolen, you would report it missing to Bike Index. Next, they will post the stolen bike on their website, and help you recover it.

What else can you do?

- Lock up your bike – secure your frame with a heavy duty lock, and use an locking system as a secondary to secure your wheels. Do your research and find a type that you will actually use.
- Secure your bike components – replace your quick release skewer or bolt that holds your seat post or wheels with a locking skewer.
- Park your bike correctly, use the bicycle rack – when locked outside, it's only as secure as the thing you've locked it to.
- Take your accessories with you – thieves want nice accessories too, and will look for good they can easily grab and go.
- Store your bike inside – store inside your residence or garage, and out of sight. Do not store on your front porch or balcony.
- Know your bicycle information – if your bike is stolen, you will need to be able to provide the make, model, Serial Number, color, and other distinctive features which make it stand out. File a police report, call 619.531.2000.

Introducing Lt. Nicole Robertson

by Barbara Gellman

Lieutenant Robertson joined the San Diego police Department in 2007 after graduating from Fresno Pacific University with Bachelor's degree in Chemistry. She is married to a San Diego Police Motorcycle officer and has two school age daughters.



Prior to her recent promotion to Lieutenant, Robertson has worked a large variety of assignments throughout her career with the SDPD. Her experiences include patrol operations, traffic collision investigator, Neighborhood policing division which included management of special programs such as PERT, the Serial Inebriate Program, Safe Parking and Homeless Outreach. Her most recent assigned was in Financial Crimes, specializing in Elder Abuse where she sought justice for some of our most vulnerable population.

This will be Lieutenant Robertson's third time being assigned to Northern Division, in a different capacity each time. She is familiar with the communities and some of the issues that are important to them. Lieutenant Robertson believes there is always a solution, and sometimes we must think outside the box in order to find those solutions. She is excited to build new relationships and become a resource to the community.



A UCCA, Neighborhood Watch program

GUESS WHAT!!!

PICKLEBALL SOCKS for men and women will be available along with other new styles in the middle of March. You can download the updated sock flyer to see all styles available for children, men and women by

going to universitycitynews.org, then click on Neighborhood Watch/socks. To order, list the style number, color, description and email bggellman@yahoo.com or email directly for the flyer.

For every \$5.00 donation, you will receive a pair of socks of your choice and the funds will be reinvested in Neighborhood Watch for signs, programs, opportunity drawings and appreciation gifts for those who support and protect us. Take action and purchase for friends, relatives, yourself or whoever; make someone happy and keep those feet warm and with style.

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 10, at 2:00am. On Saturday night, set your clocks forward one hour (i.e., losing one hour) to "spring forward." There will be more daylight in the evening. When you change your clocks in the spring and fall, check your smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms too. Put in fresh alkaline batteries if your alarms use them, and replace the alarms if they're out of date. Working smoke and CO alarms are essential home safety tools. They should be installed on every level of your home and tested every month.

Change your clock. Check your alarm.



When you change the clocks, check your smoke alarms.
If they are 10 years old, replace them.
Working smoke alarms save lives.



Mayor's Office Reports

Selected Excerpt: Potholes

With the series of recent storms, our roads are taking a hit. Rain exacerbates the formation of potholes in roads through water seeping into cracks in the road surface. Repairing potholes is part of routine maintenance at the City of San Diego, and especially during this time of year. Timely and effective pothole repair is imperative to ensure road safety and prevent escalating infrastructure deterioration in the wake of these weather events.



On a normal day, we have nine dedicated Patch Trucks with two-person teams repairing potholes. With the effects of recent storms, our Transportation Dept. has augmented our teams with 36 additional 2-person crews repairing potholes. That's 90

people dedicated to repairing potholes on a daily basis! Additionally, we've had crews working extended shifts into the early evenings on weekdays and full workdays on Saturdays to help get things done. I ask residents to please help us identify the potholes in your community by reporting them through the City's Get it Done app; online at: sandiego.gov/get-it-done

Office of Assemblymember Tasha Boerner

Adapted from an email communication: In recognition of Women's History Month, the Women of Impact awards, facilitated by state Assemblywoman Tasha Boerner, honor women who have had a positive impact in the past year in Boerner's 77th Assembly District, which includes University City. All people who identify as women of all ages and live, work, attend school or volunteer in the 77th District are eligible to be nominated. Awards are presented for the categories of advocacy and activism, military community, health and human services, education, community service and volunteerism, civic engagement, business and entrepreneurship, and arts and young leader (reserved for high school students). The awards ceremony will be held on Saturday, March 16, at the La Jolla Recreation Center. To learn more, go to: a77.asmdc.org/2024-women-impact-nominations.



Adapted from an email communication: Rain is not an everyday occurrence in San Diego County, but as most of us found out last month, Mother Nature decided to be extra generous. Our County is prepared for storms and flooding and pending precipitation, and I encourage you to do the same.

- Monitor weather forecasts and news alerts
- Receive our County alerts by downloading the Alert San Diego app: alertsandiego.org
- Have your sandbags ready; get them free from County: alertsandiego.org/en-us/recovery/sandbags.html
- Create a family contingency plan in case a flood happens in your area: alertsandiego.org/en-us/preparedness/make-a-plan.html

District 6 Councilmember Kent Lee

Hello University City Neighbors,

Lunar New Year festivities are in full swing both in our District and across the City – and my family, staff, and I have truly enjoyed partaking in these many celebrations this time of year alongside our community!

Our office was especially honored to celebrate Lunar New Year at San Diego City Hall. Joined by local API community leaders and the organizers of many of our region's Lunar New Year Festivities, the City Council proclaimed February 10 through the Lantern Festival Day of February 25 as "Lunar New Year Week" in San Diego. We also put forward the first Proclamation in San Diego's history recognizing this Zodiac year, the Year of the Dragon — also known as Năm Giáp Thìn or 龍年 to many San Diego families.



I want to also acknowledge that despite this past month being one full of celebrations for many families – this has also been an especially challenging time for many of our fellow San Diegans whose lives were changed forever by the floods on January 22.

As these San Diego families have been forced to be resilient in ways they never should have been, it is clear that our City has much continued work to do in order to support families as they rebuild as well as to invest in much-needed stormwater infrastructure. I also want to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the first responders, City crews, and numerous volunteers who acted quickly to help their fellow San Diegans in need.

As always, if you have any concerns our office can help you with, please feel free to contact me or my University City representative, Zach Burton, at ZBurton@sandiego.gov

Your Vote is Your Voice; the Final Day of Voting is March 5

The March 2024 Presidential Primary Election Day is Tuesday, March 5. Registered voters have been able to use the US Mail to return their mail ballot for the March Presidential Primary Election or to use any one of the official ballot drop boxes located around the county. On March 2, 218 vote centers will open throughout San Diego and will be open daily from 8:00am to 5:00pm through March 4. On March 5, all vote centers and official ballot drop boxes will be open from 7:00am to 8:00pm. Avoid long lines by taking advantage of the early voting. Voters have the option of casting their ballot at any vote center around the county. Voters can find more information and an official ballot drop box or vote center location online at the San Diego Registrar of Voters site: sdvote.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

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 11:30am 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, April 1, in observance of Cesar Chavez Day.

What's Happening at the Libraries?

North University Community Library

Program Highlights

Spring into Organizing: Saturday, March 16 at 12:30-1:30pm. Are you overwhelmed by your "stuff?" Join us for a presentation by professional organizer Unison Frances (pictured left) on how clutter is robbing you of your time, energy, and relationships, and how letting go of clutter can create space for a better life!

Works in Progress: Getting the Book Published: Thursday, March 21 at 1:00-2:30pm. The San Diego Independent Scholars (SDIS) is presents a lecture by Grace Johnson, Curator Emerita of Latin American Collections at the Museum of Us. She will discuss the process of book publishing.

Meditation: A New Kind of Freedom: Saturdays, March 23 and 30 at 3:30-5:00pm. This six-week class led by Dr. Jaime Pineda of UCSD will provide an introduction to mindfulness meditation as a practice that offers an opportunity to experience the mind as free from reactivity. The goal of the class is to teach you how to be mindful of the present moment so as to live a full and fulfilling life. The class is recommended for ages 18 and up.

All Ages

Chess Club: Every Thursday at 3:30-5:30pm

Children's Programs

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

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

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

Read Across America Storytime and Craft: Saturday, March 2 at 10:00-11:00am

Adult Programs

English Corner: Wednesdays at 4:45-5:45pm. Community members with a basic grasp of English language can have fun themed conversations and build relationships with one another.

Page to Screen: Friday, March 5 at 5:30-7:30pm. We will screen *Brooklyn* (2015) directed by John Crowley.

Fiction Lovers Book Club: Saturday, March 9 at 10:00-11:00am. *Beyond That, The Sea* by Laura Spence-Ash.

Bridge: Learn the Game from a Master: Saturdays, March 9 and 23 at 1:00-3:00pm. To get on the waitlist or receive more information, contact BridgeFun1430@gmail.com.

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

Amantes de la Lectura, Novelas Hispano-americanas en Espanol: Saturday, March 16 at 2:00-4:30pm. *La desconocida* by Rosa Montero. RSVP to tlampell21@gmail.com.

Page Turners' Book Club: Saturday, March 23 at 1:00-2:30pm

Celebrity Memoir Book Club: Tuesday, March 26 at 6:00-7:30pm. Title tba.



University Community Library (Governor Drive)

ADULT PROGRAMS

Qi Gong (adults) – Thursdays, 9:30-11:30am

Friends of the UC Library: 3rd Wednesday, 4:00-5:00pm, bimonthly (next meeting March 20)

Special Event: Introduction to Qi Gong: Saturday, March 9 at 9:30-10:30am. If you are interested in improving your health, please join us for a one-time class and find out what Qi Gong is all about. This one-hour class is led by an experienced, patient instructor and is perfect for beginners who have never tried Qi Gong before. No registration needed, class size limited to the first 20 participants.

Lectures at the Library: Eleanor Roosevelt, First Lady of the World (San Diego OASIS) Tuesday, March 12 at 12:30pm.

One of our most active and influential first ladies, Eleanor traveled throughout the country and the world during the Great Depression and World War II bringing back to the White House a perspective that Franklin Roosevelt valued, appreciated and often implemented.

Lectures at the Library: Aging in Place: Home Modifications for Successful and Independent Living (San Diego OASIS) Tuesday, March 26 at 12:30pm

Explore essential strategies to optimize the safety, comfort, and livability of your home. Learn about simple fixes and remodeling projects specifically designed to reduce the risk of accidents and injuries while prioritizing your well-being and independence.

CHILDREN/TEEN PROGRAMS

Toddler Storytime & Craft – Wednesdays at 10:30am

Children's Craft: Make your own lucky clover for St. Patrick's Day! Tues March 12 at 2:30pm

Children's Take-home Craft: Tuesday, March 26



COMING IN APRIL!

Join City Ballet of San Diego for "A Book and a Ballerina!" Enjoy listening to a read-aloud story, hear from a professional ballerina, and learn some basic dance steps. This hour-long program is an introduction to the world of classical ballet for kids in grades Pre-K through 5th.

Exhibit: January - March: Associated Fine Artists. An exhibit of works by San Diego artists in a broad range of styles and mediums: oils, pastels, watercolors, colored pencils and collage (Community Room). On exhibit through March 28, 2024.



Volunteer Earl and his wife had his participant, a visiting MD from Korea and his family, over for dinner

UCSD Volunteers Needed

by Shelly Taskin

Are you globally minded and interested in meeting International Visitors and helping them improve their English conversation fluency? The UC San Diego International Services & Engagement's (IESO) English-in-Action (EIA) Conversation Program is looking for University City volunteers who will enjoy meeting with an international student, scholar or spouse for 1-2 hours on a weekly basis to assist them in improving their English conversation skills and to share our American culture.

Participating in EIA is very rewarding, as it provides considerable cultural insight and a deeper appreciation for diversity which helps volunteers gain a greater respect and appreciation for other cultures. No knowledge of foreign languages or teaching experience is required. EIA volunteers attend an orientation session and have access to the materials and resources of the International Students & Programs Office. Volunteers can work with participants individually or in small groups and typically meet for 1-2 hours/week at a location that is convenient for both, including remote meetings, on campus or off campus.

Please visit our bit.ly/EIAVolunteerExperiences page to hear about current volunteer experiences. Here's a link to some more information about the program: <https://bit.ly/EIAInformation>. To apply or for more information, please visit our website: eia.ucsd.edu Questions? Please email Shelly Taskin at eia@ucsd.edu

La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club Awards Peacemaker of the Year

On February 9, 2024, the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club's Pathways to Peace Committee awarded the Peacemaker of the Year Award to San Diego International Sister Cities Association. The recipient was recognized for their work inspiring positive change and fostering a future defined by unity, understanding, and global peace. The Committee, chaired by David Tansey, was formed to advance Rotary's Peace and Conflict Prevention Area of Focus by helping Rotarians maximize the peacebuilding aspect of every Rotary project. The Committee is committed to assist in the accomplishment of Rotary's mission to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace. If you would like to learn more about the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club, Pathways to Peace Committee, or San Diego International Sister Cities Association, email info@lajollagtr Rotary.org or check out lajollagtr Rotary.org.

Curie's History

by Mrs. Sipe's First Grade Class

To celebrate Curie Elementary's 60th anniversary, we interviewed Mrs. Sullivan and Ms. Hambright to learn about what the school was like a long time ago. Mrs. Sullivan started teaching at the school in 1968 and she taught 5th grade for almost 30 years. She had 35 kids in her class. Ms. Hambright started teaching at Curie in 1973 and taught for more than 40 years. She taught kindergarten through 4th grade. She had 24-35 kids in her classroom.



Marty Hambright



Cathy Sullivan

Curie had only bungalows when it opened. There was dirt everywhere and no grass field. Sometimes, there were rattlesnakes that the principal had to catch! The school had four tracts so there was always a group of students on vacation. The school year was year round and they went to school for nine weeks and then had three weeks off.

We also learned that there were no computers, smart boards, or white boards in the classrooms. They had chalkboards, overhead projectors, and the playground equipment was made out of metal and wood. The classrooms had no walls in between them, so you could see the class next door and hear them. It would be noisy. After lunch they would have an uninterrupted reading time where the students and the teachers would be reading their own books. There were fun field trips to Balboa Park, camp at Palomar Mountain, and San Clemente Canyon. Some classrooms would bake bread in the cafeteria oven. They would also cook in the classroom and make applesauce and pancakes. It was fun learning about the history of Curie!



Curie's Party with a Purpose

**March 8th
6pm - 10pm**

Alsmith Brewery

\$50 Ticket includes:

Dinner, Drink and Dancing

Scan to purchase
Or make checks payable to
"Curie PTH"



COMMUNITY SHORTS



NEW OPENINGS AT WESTFIELD UTC

Panini Kabob Grill: Made from scratch Mediterranean food with the highest quality ingredients made fresh every day, seven days a week. Their largest location to date, Panini Kabob Grill is located next to the Genesee Avenue parking structure on the lower level, and includes a variety of indoor and outdoor seating.

The Alley: Debuting at UTC this March, The Alley has earned a well-deserved reputation as a renowned nona tea shop since its inception in 2013. With a cozy and inviting atmosphere, it is a go-to destination for tea enthusiasts with a menu that boasts an impressive selection of handcrafted beverages, with a focus on using premium ingredients to ensure a superior taste, including fan favorite and signature Royal No. 9 Milk Tea. The Alley will be located close to Room & Board, adjacent to Starbucks, Cariloha and Woofpack Park Kitchen

SAN DIEGO BLOODMOBILE ON MARCH 9

The UC Blood Champs, the UCUC San Diego Blood Bank Bloodmobile will be at the Sprouts Marketplace on Governor Drive on Saturday, March 9 from 8:00am to 1:30pm. If you're 17+, healthy, looking incredible, feeling spectacular, and want to help people anonymously, you can sign up at: musdbb.org or call 619.400.8251. Appointments are encouraged. Special shout out to special early sign uppers: Pamela M., Brooke C., Beverly B., Jennifer K. and Susie D. Remaining bloodmobile dates for 2024 are: May 11, July 13, September 14, and November 16.

UCUC MARCH FOOD DRIVE REMINDER

University City United Church's (UCUC) March food drive for the benefit of Community Christian Service Association (CCSA) will take place on Sunday, March 3 from 11:30am to 12:30pm at the UCUC parking lot. UCUC's parking lot is located off of Gobat Avenue, directly behind the Church's 2877 Governor Drive location. A member of the UCUC congregation will be onsite to enthusiastically unload your car and eagerly transport your items to the nearby CCSA site in Clairemont.

CCSA supplies emergency food to individuals and families in the local area who are experiencing hardships. Donations of **unopened** and **unexpired** packaged food items, baby food and diapers, dog and cat food as well as personal care products are welcomed. Fresh fruits and veggies are the perishable foods that we are able to accept and which are always in high demand at the two CASA service centers. Additionally, there continues to be an ongoing need for small cans of chicken and Vienna sausage. A list of other recommended items, together with further details about the invaluable services CCSA provides, may be found at www.ccsasandiego.org. An informational brochure about CCSA is also available at the food drop-off site.

With the predicted rain holding off for February's drive, the neighborhood folks again came through with a vast array of needed food items. We are grateful to all who participated, the drivers as well as the walkers, and hope to see everyone again on the March 3. Information about UCUC may be found at www.ucuc.org

La Jolla Community Church "Passes Baton" to Grace City Church

This past October, members of La Jolla Community Church voted to support the transfer of their Eastgate Mall campus and "pass the baton" to Grace City Church who have been meeting on Sunday mornings for the past eight years at University City High School. The combined congregations are now under the leadership and vision of Grace City Church.



In October 2014, Pastor Randall Tonini along with his wife Laura and three young children moved to University City with a call to plant Grace City Church and a vision of being a church for the city. A year later, they launched their first Sunday gathering at the high school.

Stated Pastor Murray, "We could not be more excited about supporting Grace City's eight years of ministry and mission to the University City and La Jolla area by providing them a campus that grounds and extends their capacity for ministry to our neighbors and diverse community." "We are committed to being a faithful presence in this influential area of San Diego to reach all generations of people," shared Pastor Tonini. Pictured above is Pastor Tonini (left) and Pastor Murray (right).

Grace City will celebrate Easter Sunday, March 31, with services at 9:00am and 11:00am at their new church property. All are welcome to attend!



UC Racquet Club News

Winter Tennis Leagues and Spring Tennis League Kickoff

The courts are heating up at UCRC with ongoing USTA league matches! Join our team or compete against us! Winter leagues are currently underway, with matches every Saturday, Sunday, and

Tuesday. Keep an eye out for Spring Leagues forming soon; reach out to UCRC to express your interest in competing.

Youth Tennis Clinics Is your child showing interest in tennis? Or perhaps you're seeking an activity to get them out of the house? UCRC offers multiple youth clinics every week for ages 5 and up. Whether they're learning the basics or refining their skills, all are welcome.

Adult Tennis Clinics and Open Play Elevate your game with engaging group lessons and open play on weekdays at UCRC. Connect with fellow enthusiasts!

UCRC to host Wounded Warrior Tennis Program Once a month, UCRC proudly hosts the Wounded Warrior Tennis Program clinic and lunch. Run by the San Diego District Tennis Association with help from volunteers, these events create a sense of community using tennis as recreation therapy. Servicemen and women forge new friendships, improve their tennis skills, and enjoy a complimentary lunch. Visit us at www.ucrcennis.com and follow us on social media, Facebook and Instagram.



UC Celebration Needs a Few Good Volunteers

by Andy Freeburn

The UC Celebration planning committee is looking for volunteers to help out many positions including the vendor booths, 5K fun run and walk, the book barn, volunteer coordination, publicity, website, ticket sales, and many more. It takes parents and volunteers working together to create lasting memories for the children and grandchildren in our community.

The next meeting of the UC Celebration committee will be on Wednesday, March 20, 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. Please contact Randall Tonini for meeting and other information: randalltonini@icloud.com or visit our website at: uccelebration.com

Standley Aquatic Center at Standley Park 3605 Governor Drive

Pool hours effective through May 12, 2024 are:

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Recreation Swim

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Sunday – 12:00-5:00pm

Admission is \$4 for adults, 16 and older; \$2 for child/disabled/senior. Discount passes are: adults - \$85/30 swims, \$30/10 swims; child/disabled/senior - \$40/30 swims, \$15/10 swims. Passes are good for one year from date of issue and can be used at any City pool.

All persons entering the facility during Recreation and Lap Swim times MUST pay the admission fee and wear proper swim attire always. No re-entry is allowed. Specific lanes/areas will be designated for Lap & Recreational swimming, however, the pool may be utilized for other programs during those times.

A paying parent or responsible adult in a swimsuit must accompany children under 8 years of age or less than four feet tall. While in the water, a parent or responsible adult must remain within arm's reach of the child. The city of San Diego swimming pools may close without notice during inclement weather conditions.

The Pool is CLOSED Fridays and Saturdays, holiday closure on Monday, April 1, and for scheduled pool maintenance from May 13 to May 31. Additional closure days and times are: March 5, 14, 19, and April 11 from 5:30-7:00pm; and on April 10 and 17 from 6:00-8:30pm.

Spring Egg Hunts in University City

The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting Spring Festivals and Egg Hunts throughout the City. Below are flyers for the events in University City. For more info, visit: sandiego.gov/parks-and-recreation.

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<p>Egg Hunt Times</p> <p>10:30 am 0-2 yrs. w/Parent 11:00 am 3-5 yrs. 11:30 am 6-8 yrs. 12:00 pm 9-12 yrs.</p> <p><small>*Children should bring their own basket for collecting eggs and return them for a Goodie Bag Parents should bring their camera for photos with the bunny!</small></p>	<p>Activities begin @ 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>Arts & Crafts bags Community Resources Food Vendor Photos with The Bunny</p> <p><small>PRIZES, CRAFT BAGS, GOODIE BAGS, AVAILABLE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!!</small></p>
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3 - 5 years 10:15 a.m.	9 - 10 years 10:45 a.m.

Activities include Arts & Crafts, Spin art, and more!



VOLUNTEERS PLANT IN ROSE CANYON

by Debbie Knight

Friends of Rose Canyon welcomes volunteers of all ages at our planting events to restore the native habitat in Rose Canyon, such as the volunteers pictured above on February 24. Getting muddy is guaranteed. This winter, volunteers planted acorns to grow our native Coast live oak trees. Scrub jays eat the acorns of Coast live oak trees, and California sister butterflies lay their eggs on its branches. Volunteers also planted a variety of other native plants. Many species of birds, butterflies and other animals depend on these native plants. To sign up for our volunteer list and be notified of volunteer events, email rosecanyon@san.rr.com.



CONGRATS IRAJ

Congratulations to Iraj Hashemzadeh, one of our UC residents, who at the age of 84, competed in the Palm Desert Senior Games. The Track & Field events were held at Palm Desert High School on February 4. Iraj was awarded a Silver medal in the 50 and 200 meter sprints, and a Bronze in the 100 meter.



GARDEN CLUB LOOKS UP TO THE OWLS

by Jemma Samala

The rain gods stayed away long enough in late February for the University City Garden Club to gather in Ruth De Santis backyard overlooking Marcy Park and the canyons below. The featured speaker was Robert Weingard, UC resident since 1963 and local owl expert. He has built owl boxes for every park in UC and eight more in the neighborhood, plus countless more in Southern California and other states



The inside of an owl box, info display board, and host Ruth De Santis talking to guests.

The approximately 40 attendees also learned about the differences between Barn Owls, that live in owl boxes, and Great Horned Owls that do not and which is a predator to the Barn Owls. In fact, Ruth became interested in the owls when she found a Great Horned Owl on her patio. Robert pointed out that one owl can eat up to 900 rodents a year and hunt at night. A very eco-friendly way to protect your garden. Owls mate for life, which is about 4-5 years, and can lay up to 13 eggs. The owlets leave the nest at about six months, then the owl box or nest may be empty for five to six months until the cycle is repeated. Owl boxes can be put up in a tree or a pole, and can last 15-20 years. Owl box owners do have to monitor the boxes, as bees may swarm in and turn them into their beehive. The owl boxes are very popular in wineries, where Barn Owls are known as "protectors of the vine."



The UC Garden Club thanks Ruth for sharing her beautiful backyard for the owl presentation, and for bringing owl boxes to our local parks through a grant from the University City Community Foundation.

If you would like information about the UC Garden Club and be added to the email list, contact jemmasamala@gmail.com.



NEIGHBORHOOD GATHERS TO WISH HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY TO LES HIGH

by Wendy Remington

On February 11, a beautiful, bright and most importantly sunny Saturday, over 100 people gathered to celebrate longtime University City resident Captain Les High's 100th birthday. The crowd was entertained by Les telling jokes off the top of his head, sharing stories about how he started his walks with his wife Carol and how to live a long and happy life.



In addition to the UC residents, three Coast Guard "Coasties" came bearing presents of a new shirt and a photo of a Coast Guard Search and Rescue helicopter. The best surprise was that out of the clear blue sky, a helicopter came and circled over the party as a celebratory flyover to congratulate Les on his birthday, as well as his esteemed career in the Coast Guard.



After the 15-minute program, people stayed and talked to Les personally, took pictures, chatted with old and new friends. Les's son-in-law expressed that he felt that this type of neighborly love is exemplified in University City.



Lisa Nevling shared, "it was an absolute pleasure to come and meet Les today." Vessela Stoanova commented, "We loved meeting Les and taking part in the celebration of such a remarkable and inspiring man! He is so youthful, I think we will be celebrating many more birthdays with him!" Lastly, Kathy Niess said, "What a great turnout for him and his 100th birthday celebration. Not expecting the helicopter flyover, I got a little teary eyed. Such a proud moment."

That's what University City is about. Neighbors caring and showing up for one another! And thank you Les for bringing everyone together, Happy Birthday.



Les's son has added a video to Les's YouTube channel, and can be viewed at: www.youtube.com/@LesHigh_Coast_Guard. You'll find a short minute and a half trailer video, plus a longer 30 minute video of the event. Plus watch many of Les's videos of short quips about life, and his wife Carol. Lots of wisdom after 100 years.

Photos courtesy Wendy Remington and Jemma Samala

UC Planning Group Meeting Update

February 13 UCPG Meeting

by Chris Nielsen, UCPG Chair

Revised University Community Plan Update Draft EIR comment period. The revised University Community Plan Update and Draft Environmental Impact Report are expected to be released soon. The minimum duration comment period for an EIR for a CPU is 45 days. By a unanimous vote, the UCPG asked for a 90-day comment period for the DEIR. Members of the UCPG feel that the size and scale of the Draft EIR justifies a longer comment period, especially when considering that the draft Plan is being released simultaneously, there are many stakeholders from which we need input, the size of the DEIR will be massive, and the document technical. Our community's organizations, including the Plan Update Subcommittee and UCPG, need this additional time to respond.

March 12 is UCPG Election Day - Candidates as follows:

SEAT	CANDIDATES
R1-B	Georgia Keyser
R2-B	Joann Sellick
R3-B	Alex Arthur
R2-C	Daren Esposito, Tim Garrett
B1-B, B2-B, B3-B	Open

There was a Candidate's Forum at the February 13 UCPG meeting. Candidate statements may be found elsewhere. March voting procedures will be as in the past few years. From March 4 to March 11 a ballot box will be available at each of the two UC libraries to cast a ballot. Ballots and instructions will be posted no later than Friday March 1 and may be found here: sandiego.gov/planning/community/profiles/university/agendas

In person voting will also be available at our UCPG meeting location: 9880 Campus Pointe Drive, third floor, from 5:00 to 8:00pm. We'll use the patio area outside. This has the additional advantage of providing an outdoor, but covered, voting location in case of rain. Thanks to Alexandria for this location!

All current members of the University Community are eligible to vote for candidates of their membership type (residential or business) in the district where they reside. Any member of the community who is not yet a UCPG member may sign up and vote in person on March 12, 2024, between 5:00 and 8:00pm at 9880 Campus Point Drive. Results of the election will be announced at approximately 8:00pm on March 12.

Bicycle Lane Striping along the Pure Water Route Everett Hauser presented an item describing the city's plans for restriping Genesee Ave., Nobel Dr., and Towne Centre Dr. along the Pure Water route once the project is finished. This will involve reduced-width vehicle travel lanes and wider bicycle lanes but no loss of vehicle travel lanes. The UCPG also voted to recommend changes to Nobel Drive eastbound at Towne Centre Drive and Towne Centre Drive northbound just south of La Jolla Village Drive to improve bike safety along these segments which are not scheduled to be restriped after completion of Pure Water.

Automated People Mover Project between Downtown and the Airport The UCPG heard an information item on an Automated People Mover project between Downtown and the Airport that would feature two-minute frequencies. The presenter, from non-profit RideSD, asked for a recommendation, but the UCPG declined due to a need for additional information.

Around the Community

Here is information of interest around the community.

- There is no news on the Tentative Map Waver for the Aventine property. This has not been rescheduled.
- The Miramar-Sorrento double-tracking project is delayed at the UCPG until the SANDAG consultants respond to MSCP and Parks & Rec comments from DSD and DSD in turn responds. This will give the UCPG substantial information on important environmental issues for the project needed to evaluate the project.
- I have tentatively scheduled an "extension of time" request by Alexandria for its Costa Verde redevelopment project for the March UCPG meeting.
- The 4249 Nobel project, located between Cargill and Genesee is under review by DSD which issued its first assessment letter for the project. It consists of about 28 pages of issues to be addressed by the applicant. At present, there is one issue (height > 95 ft) requiring a Process 2 (decision by DSD). The UCPG should get this in 6 months plus or minus, but it is unclear at this point which points of the project will be reviewed. The current timeframe on this project is 10-12 months for a project of this size.



UCPG Residential Seat 2B Candidate Statement for Joann Sellick

My name is Joann Sellick, and I am running for re-election as the incumbent R2 candidate. I have served for the past 6 years on the UCPG board and wish to continue to do so for the balance of the period for which I am eligible under our Bylaws.

I have learned an enormous amount during my tenure on the board about the planning and development process and how this particular community functions – including the interests, concerns and goals of its residents and of the businesses located here. I do not take the responsibility of this position lightly – it requires hard work, a significant time commitment, patience, the ability to listen, a willingness to be open-minded, and even calls on analytical skills!! Even through sometimes difficult conversations and passionate opposing views, I have enjoyed working with my impressive colleagues as well as numerous others in the community who have contributed so much to making the University community what it is today as well as to helping to shape its direction for the future. Democracy is, indeed, messy!

In terms of who I am, I have resided in North UC since 1989 as both a tenant and subsequently as a homeowner. I am an attorney and after many decades as a litigator I began working as a civil mediator about 8 years ago. In addition to my private mediation practice, I am also employed as a mediator by the Ca. Civil Rights Dept., mediating employment and housing discrimination cases. I am on the board of the non-profit, Torrey Pines Conservancy (preserving and protecting the State Reserve) and involved in a variety of volunteer activities.

Thank you for the opportunity to continue to be of service to this community.



UCPG Residential Seat 2C Candidate Statement by Darren Esposito

My name is Daren Esposito, and I am running to be one of the representatives for Residential District 2 for the seat to be vacated by Isabelle Kay. I have lived in UTC since 2021 and plan to stay in the area long-term. Some of the things that I love about District 2 are the friendly neighbors, open spaces, dog parks, and easy access to major roads and shopping centers.

I am a lawyer with over 20 years of experience with an interest in community planning. I understand the issues at stake, and I care about the community and its future plans. I have a collaborative approach focused on gathering stakeholder inputs to mitigate risk and drive solutions. I am willing to invest my time and energy in this planning group, and I would be honored to represent District 2. Thank you for your consideration.



UCPG Residential Seat 2C Candidate Statement by Tim Garrett

My name is Tim Garrett, and I am running for the UCPG Resident-2C seat. I would like to support good projects and make the community safer, more sustainable, and more accessible. For me, that means making it easier, more convenient, and more dignified to use public space and get around without needing a car or in fear of getting hit by one. While I mostly walk and ride transit to travel around, I would love to bike more often if there were safer routes. UC offers just as much or better access to jobs, education, recreation, and transportation as any other place in the region. I believe that advantage will only increase as we welcome more neighbors, and I look forward to shaping growth to maximize opportunities for people to live close to their daily destinations and enjoy high-quality, well-maintained services. Thank you, and I hope to have your vote.

CALIFORNIA INSURANCE COMPANIES ARE CANCELLING FIRE INSURANCE

by Louis Rodolico, University City Fire Safe Council

All across California insurance companies are cancelling homeowner policies due to fire losses. Homes within 500 feet of a wild canyon have seen the highest number of cancellations. Building flammability, volatile landscaping, distance to fire hydrants and fire equipment access are all factors.

If you think a conflagration cannot happen here you are mistaken. Had the winds persisted a few hours longer in the 2003 Cedar Fire, University and Clairemont neighborhoods would have caught fire. Like Maui the entire community could have been destroyed. Government will soon implement additional fire safety requirements. Homeowners can prepare by switching out to non-combustible exterior building materials. Within five feet of homes; remove plants and anything combustible, use non-combustible ground cover. Large trees should be at least 20 feet from a house. Fences that touch the house should be non-combustible as well. Soffit vents should be fire rated. To learn more go to: fire.ca.gov

Fire upgrades will improve the chance that you will have a livable house to return too after a firestorm. The Fire Safe Council will hold a public presentation; 1:00pm Saturday, March 23 at the UC library on Governor Drive.



Miramar Matters – Tour of MCAS Miramar

*by Ron Belanger and Matty Wuest from Citizens
Advocating Safe Aviation (CASA)*

Colonel Thomas M. Bedell, commanding officer of Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, invited community members to tour the base last month and more than 20 UC residents took advantage of the opportunity. We toured the ramp areas for F-35, F-18, C-130 aircraft and multiple helicopter types. We then visited an F-35 maintenance hangar and the shaded parking pads with support equipment for each F-35, with Marines briefing us.

We finished at Base Operations where they explained the changes made so that departing aircraft follow mandated routes and procedures on departures. San Diego has the busiest, densest air traffic in the world.

It's vital for safety that all departures follow mandated routes, which are designed to minimize noise on departure. They ensure all squadrons at the base follow the mandatory departure routes. But, many safety and noise concerns are caused by transient aircraft which visit to use the desert and ocean training areas and aren't used to such strict departure routes.

Col Bedell took direct and effective actions. Visiting aircraft, once they have landed, now cannot take off again until the pilots attend a mandatory briefing on the course rules. Pilots who don't follow the mandatory departure routes, speed limits and altitudes are sent home. For more information, visit: miramar.marines.mil/Departments/Operations/

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The Five Things You Need to Know About Fire Insurance



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- 1) Home Hardening
- 2) Proximity to Canyons
- 3) Proximity of Plants to Your Home
- 4) Distance and Condition of Fire Hydrants
- 5) Access for First Responders and Their Vehicles

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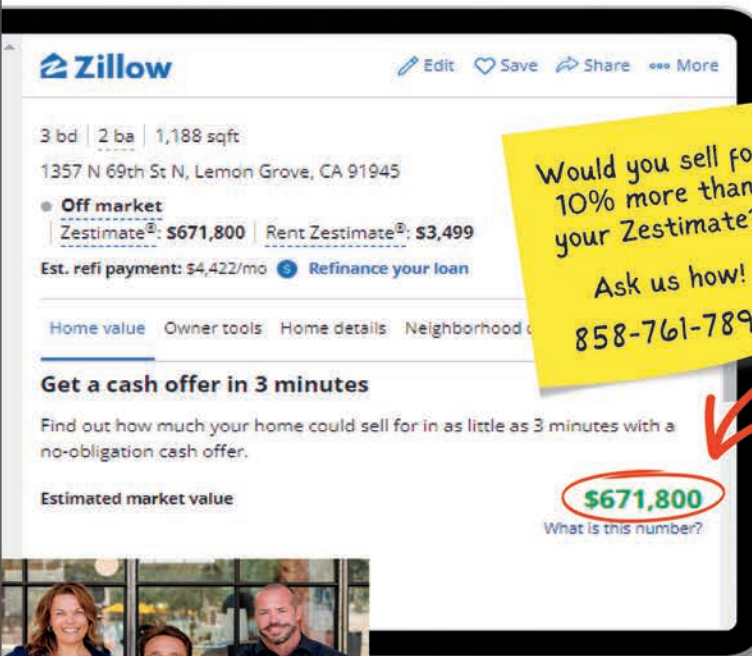


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