UCCA General Meeting

Wednesday, April 13th 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Standley Middle School Auditorium

Guests: Barbara Ayers of CERT
Topic: Formation of a CERT
(Community Emergency Response
Team) in UC

Councilman Scott Peters will answer pre-submitted questions on various issues

Upcoming Events

UCPG Meeting Tuesday, April 12th 6:00 p.m. Forum Hall,

UTC above Wells Fargo Bank Full Agenda available at UC Library

UCCA General Meeting Wednesday, April 13th 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Standley Middle School Auditorium

UCCA Birthday Celebration Sunday, April 17th 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. The Skybox

UC Celebration Committee
Tuesday, April 19th
7:00 p.m.
Standley Park Rec. Center
All welcome

Standley Recreation Council
Thursday, April 28th
7:00 p.m. Standley Park
Public Welcome

Peace Pole Dedication Standley Park Saturday, April 30th 3:00 p.m.

Coming in May: UCCA Annual Clean UP Day Saturday, May 14th



UC High's newly formed Lacrosse team listens intently to their coach. (See related article on page page 6 regarding the birth of UCHS Lacrosse.)

UCCA's April General Meeting Will Cover Various Topics

Members of the community are invited to attend the UCCA General Meeting at Standley Middle School auditorium on Wednesday, April 13th from 6:00p.m 8:00 Councilman Scott Peters will answer previously submitted questions on various issues and topics including beautification, undergrounding of utilities, establishing a CERT, traffic and transportation, etc. If you would like more information, please contact Hugh Pates at 453-0645 by April 6th. Barbara Ayers, CERT Program Manager with the City's Fire Rescue Department, will open the meeting with a presentation about establishing a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) in our area. Several other communities including Tierrasanta. Scripps Ranch, University Heights, Talmadge and Alvarado/San Carlos/Allied Gardens have established or are in the process of establishing a CERT. Volunteers attend free classes offered by the City's Fire-Rescue department with a goal of building community teams to react in the event of an emergency. University City resident, Greg Hom. has already completed the necessary classes to become certified and is hoping others will join this important

Plan to attend this very informative meeting.

Daylight savings time begins April 3rd

Speeding along Governor Dr. and other UC Streets has residents concerned about safety. With daylight savings time starting, remember to slow down and watch for children and pedestrians!

Neighborhood News...

Congratulations to the following Spreckels students who received Choral Honor Choir status and performed at the county's concert on February 26: Emily Culp, Jessica Diller, Hannah Gradijan-Wahl, Evan Walsh and Alexander Wells. Other Spreckels participants included Lydie Huang playing the violin, parent Kazuyo Suzuki playing viola. Instrumental Music teacher Travis Keller on the trumpet, and Choral Director Paul Pitman on piano. ... Have you been dodging potholes left from the winter rain? Councilman Jim Madaffer has promised to remedy this situation. Call (619) 527-7500 to report where your worst pothole is located. According to the Union/Tribune, Madaffer will make sure potholes are repaired within 48 hours of being reported... David Armstrong, who heads the FIRE competitive program with Mesa Soccer, was one of only seven soccer coaches in the USA invited to observe the National Youth Soccer Teams during their special training camp in Florida. University City is fortunate to have such a talented coach sharing the same caliber of coaching enjoyed by the National team...U.C. Senior Center, a program of Jewish Family Service of San Diego, will host a mock Seder with Rabbi Leider on April 19th at high noon. Get the Passover spirit early. Gentle fitness exercise program meets each Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 a.m. Remember those full course kosher meals on the same days. Call Irene Neimark for more information on activities in April: (858) 550-5998... Educate is hoping to raise funds for the 5 UC public schools with its annual Friendraiser Funrun/Walk on April 3rd from 8-10 am at UC High's Stadium.

NOTICE

Flyers or handouts about businesses or non-UCCA events, activities, issues or organizations are neither inserted nor distributed with the UCCA newsletter.

Come Celebrate with UCCA

University City Community Association, dormant for several years, is celebrating its third birthday of the newly revived organization. Join other U.C. residents at The Sky Box Sports Bar in Clairemont Square on Sunday, April 17th between 5 p.m. and 7p.m. for dinner and a no-host bar. For \$15 per person, including tax and tip, you can dine on a steak or chicken, if you mail a check and reservation by April 14th to UCCA, B-day Party, #121,

3368 Governor Dr., San Diego, CA 92122. Write your entrée choice on your check. Your name will be on a list at the door. Day of the event the cost will be \$20.00, so make your reservation early. Bring your kids and order from the menu for them. Come celebrate, whether you're new to the community or a longtime resident. One of the owners of Sky Box Sports Bar is Mark Ventimiglia, who grew up in U.C.

Honor a Teacher or Staff Member

EdUCate! the University City Foundation for Public Schools, invites you to honor any teacher or staff member who you feel has made a difference. A tax-deductible donation to EdUCate! will not only benefit educational programs at all five University City schools but will publicly acknowledge the special educator of your choice with an announcement and a personalized certificate of recognition. Do you know a teacher, a counselor, an administrator, a school nurse, or someone on the office staff who has made life a little easier, more exciting,

or has done something special for your child? We're over half way through the school year! This is a perfect time to tell a teacher/staff member they are doing a great job. A little encouragement this time of year will put a smile on his/her face and refuel their spirits for the rest of the year! You can say "thank you" by honoring him/her with a contribution in his/her name and help fund school projects at the same time! Download the form from the www.uc-educate.org or pick up one in the black hat in the offices at any of the five UC schools.

Kindergarten Registration at Curie

Curie Kindergarten Registration for resident students only is Wednesday April 13, 2005: 1:00-3:00 p.m. Room B14. Please bring the following: birth certificate, immunization record, student's social security and proof of residency (SDG&E bill, phone bill, lease or escrow papers).

DEADLINE

for the May issue is
April 10th.
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For ads, email:
uccaADS@hotmail.com

Spreckels Market Pet Parade Kicks Off Book Fair

The Spreckels Market on Saturday, April 16, from 9am to 1pm, will host a Pet Parade to kick-off the Spring Book Fair that will revolve around a pet theme. The Book Fair will open during the market and runs the week of April 18-22. The Book Fair will also have evening hours during the general PTA meeting on Thursday, April 21.

If you are interested in reserving a space at the Spreckels Market, the cost is only \$10. Spreckels PTA is also working on hosting a weekly U.C. Farmers Market and welcomes your input. Contact Jemma Samala at jemmaSamala@Century21Award.com or.858-774-3266. Come by the Spreckels Market, Saturday April 16 from 9am to 1pm. It's a great time to do some spring-cleaning and sell your goods.

Recommendations for Identity Theft Prevention from Officer Cummings

Your personal information is one of your most valuable possessions. Crooks try to obtain this information to access bank accounts, credit cards and medical records, among others.

The following are a few simple guidelines that will help to prevent you from being a victim of identity theft and related crimes.

- 1) Secure your mail. Lock your mailbox or use a post office box.
- 2) Shred any paperwork including mail that contains any personal information, especially documents with your Social Security numbers. The cost of a shredder has dropped and should be affordable for most people. Only give out your Social Security Number when you are convinced it is absolutely necessary.
- 3) Find out what is in your credit report. Find out if someone has illegally accessed any of your accounts. Knowing what is on your credit report will also keep you from being harmed by incorrect information. The three major credit reporting companies are listed. This should be done once a year. A new Federal law allows everyone to obtain one free credit report per year. Experian (888) 397-3742; Equifax(800)685-1111; Trans Union(800) 916-8800
- 4) Keep track of your credit cards, debit cards and checkbook. Periodically look through your checkbook to be sure no checks are missing. Thoroughly read your bank statements. Immediately report lost or stolen credit cards, debit cards and

Thank you, Volunteers

A huge thank you to all our newsletter volunteers. We just have a few more streets that need coverage on a regular basis: Steinbeck and Bovet Way, and we can always use substitutes throughout the community. If you would like to help improve communication in our community and get some exercise at the same time, consider volunteering to help with newsletter delivery. If you would like to help or need more information, email caroleucca@sbcglobal.net.

checkbooks. Be sure to close the accounts. Never write PIN numbers where others can find them, especially on the credit / debit card itself.

- Don't carry unnecessary cash or documents with you, especially your Social Security card.
- 6) Don't leave your wallet, purse, briefcase, etc. in your vehicle. Unfortunately, vehicle thefts and vehicle burglaries occur all too often. Don't compound this by losing valuable personal possessions, including your identification.
- 7) Do not send sensitive personal information over the internet. This includes phone numbers, addresses, credit card numbers and your Social Security Number. Assume your internet communications are not private.

These are a few suggestions to prevent you from becoming a victim of one of the fastest growing crime trends. Look at your personal habits and patterns and take measures to protect yourself.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Officer Ralph Cummings San Diego Police Department, Northern Division (858) 581-9921

UCCA's Annual Clean UP Day Coming in May

Would you like to get rid of some clutter in the garage and around the house? Mark down May 14th for UCCA's annual clean up. Debris Box of San Diego has graciously donated 2 roll boxes (bins) for your oversize trash. They will be available at Swanson Pool parking lot from 8:00 a.m. till noon or until filled.

Volunteers are needed to help groom the medians along the main roads of University City. Please meet at Swanson pool on Governor Drive and Mercer Street with work gloves and tools.

If you have any questions, please contact Andy at 858-336-4437 or AndyFreeburn@century21award.com.

Did You Know?...

...The San Diego Community College **District** Continuing Education Div. continues to offer FREE computer classes for both the PC and MAC at the North City campus at 8401 Aero Dr. Classes cover a wide range including Introduction to Computers. Windows XP, Access 2002/XP, Word 2002/XP, CD and DVD Burning Basics. Database Management, Digital Camera Basics, Digital Photography File Management, Web Page Development, Autocad, and Wireless Technology. Classes meet 1 to 4 times on specific dates; many are single session. An updated schedule is available www:sdce.edu. Contact Lynda Reeves at 619 388-1800 Ireeves@sdccd.net for more information....

... Madeleine Lee of Councilman Scott Peters' office reports that University City residents have raised various concerns over the effects of oversized vehicles parked along residential streets for long periods of time. These parked oversized vehicles have affected traffic, security, and the character of your neighborhoods. these response to concerns. Councilman Peters and others support adding new provisions that would address these neighborhood issues. Councilman Scott Peters invites everyone to read and comment on the draft ordinance. He has also scheduled a public meeting to discuss the proposed Oversized Vehicle Ordinance on April 20th at 2:00 p.m., 12th floor of the City Administration Building, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101. You may view a draft copy of the proposed ordinance at the city's website:

www.sandiego.gov/planning/pdf/cp g/cpc/lrgvehicleordsummary.pdf...
The comment period for the Draft EIR for the UC North South Transportation Corridor ends at 5 p.m. on April 16th. The DEIR may be viewed at the Library.

There has been a rash of auto burglaries in UC. Officer Ralph Cummings reminds residents to lock their cars and not leave purses, wallets, packages and other valuables in the car...

President's Perspective...

My family and I recently had an opportunity to visit Disneyworld. During our visit, I was continually impressed by the cleanliness throughout the various theme parks. I think this clean appearance encourages the guests at the park to pitch in and help maintain this lovely environment.

I have thought also that I am very fortunate to live in University City, a community where neighbors are interested in and take responsibility for the cleanliness of their own properties and the common property of the area. I think this clean environment is an attraction for new homebuyers and preserves and even increases our property values. I think it also encourages all of us to pitch in and keep the neighborhood clean whenever we have that opportunity.

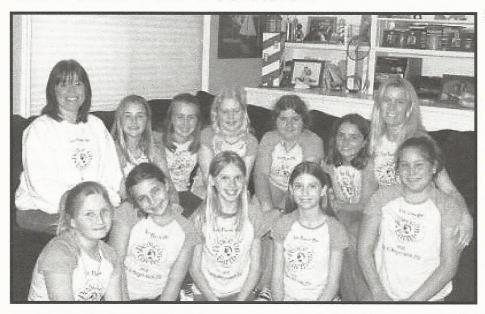
We have some citizens in the community who have taken on certain projects that have significantly improved the beauty of the neighborhood and been of benefit to all of us. Last summer Dave Buttemer, Gene Worscheck and Jerry Kendrick spent some significant time and effort to clean up the Genesee median between Governor Dr. and the 52 exit. Until their clean up efforts, the weeds had grown high; and debris had accumulated until it was an ugly sight driving to or from Hwy. 52.

Dean and Karen Williams have carried on a vigilant alert for any graffiti that appears in the neighborhood and report its presence immediately to the appropriate city offices. Due to their efforts and those of other good neighbors, our community is almost entirely graffiti free. If anyone should come across any graffiti, please immediately call the graffiti hotline at 619 - 525 - 8522.

The Community Enhancement Committee, under the leadership of Mary Kay Hewitt, has been able to rid the neighborhood of the clutter created by a roving billboard. In cooperation with homeowners in the community, they have also engaged in other significant cleanup and improvement projects.

In order to continue a neighborhood tradition of a community "spring

Girl Scout Troop 3045 Invites All to the Peace Pole Dedication



The community is invited to attend the dedication of the Peace Pole on Saturday, April 30, 2005 at 3:00p.m. at Standley Park. Festivities include Entertainment, Multi-cultural crafts and Food. Girl Scout Troop 3045 will host this special community event.

Under the direction of Troop Leader, Tama Becker-Varano, the Jr. Girl Scouts in Troop 3045, all 10 and 11 year olds, began working on the Peace Pole project last September to achieve their Bronze Award. The Bronze Award is the highest award the Jr. Girls Scouts can achieve. The Peace Pole was donated by Supervisor Ron Roberts and the Standley Recreation Council.

A Peace Pole is a hand-crafted monument that displays the message May Peace Prevail on Earth on each of its six sides, in 12 different languages. The troop chose the following languages for their Peace Pole: English, Hebrew, Spanish, Chinese, South African Xhosa, Arabic, Italian, Japanese, French, Russian, Hindi and Native American Kumeyaay.

University City is a prime location for a Peace Pole because it is a community full of diversity, both ethnically and religiously. The presence of a Peace Pole in University City announces that this is a special place, dedicated to peace on earth.

Troop 3045 hopes you will join them for this special community event! For more information, contact Tama Becker-Varano at (858) 405-5188.

President's Perspective...(cont.)

cleaning," UCCA is again sponsoring a "U.C. Clean UP" day on Sat. May 14th from 8:00 - 12:00 noon. If interested in being part of this project, just show up at 8:00 with some gloves, tools and energy at the parking lot in front of the Swanson Pool in the park. Lots of hands will make for little work. Andy Freeburn is chair of this event and can be reached at 858 - 552 - 0635 or Andyfreeburn@century21award.com.

Some community members have asked how they could join our University City Community Association. If you have been wondering about this process, just fill in the form in this newsletter, and send it on to us. We look forward to your joining with us in helping create a cleaner, safer and more beautiful University City!

Hugh Pates

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University City Community Association Annual Membership Drive

Please consider joining your neighbors in supporting your community association by renewing your membership or becoming a member. The greater the support, the more we can do for University City, the best kept secret in San Diego. **UCCA** Membership Application One membership for your entire household for January to December 2005 New member __Renewal General member \$15 Community Supporter \$35 UC Community Angel \$50 Please print. Name(s) Date Address Phone E-mail May we list your name in our newletter: Yes No Listed below are activities and programs UCCA organized or supported in 2004. Please help us identify those that are important to our membership by checking the appropriate box below: Activity/Event Very Important Important Not Important Comments Beautification/Landscaping Community Clean Up Code Compliance Graffiti Abatement **Holiday Tree Lighting** Monthly Newsletter Summer Concerts in the Park Suggestions for other activities, events or sponsorship in 2005: If you would like to volunteer to help with any of the following that may take place, please print your name below: UCCA officer Membership Newsletter distributor Newsletter Production 4th of July Celebration_____ Holiday Tree Lighting Landscaping Graffiti Abatement Community Cleanup_____ Summer Concerts Traffic Committee _____ Code Compliance Other

Thank you for your continued support!

Please make your check payable to UCCA, and mail it with this form to:

UCCA Membership, 3368 Governor Drive, #121, San Diego, CA 92122

Questions: Hugh Pates, UCCA President (858) 453-0645

Standley Park April Events and Programs

(call 552-1652 for more information)

→ Youth Basketball Registration April 9 through June 11

Grades: 1st - 9th Boys and Girls

Fee: \$85.00 before June 11, 2004; \$90.00 after June 11, pend-

ing availability

League games begin June 20, 2005 and end August 20, 2005

Spring Program Registration
Brochure available at Recreation
Center NOW!
Registration Begins: Monday,

March 14, 2005

Classes begin: Monday, April 4, 2005

Programs for youth include: Tiny Tots, Hula, Gymnastics, Pee Wee Sports, Soccer, Volleyball, Multi Sports, Aikido, Karate, Babysitters Training, Wacky Wednesday After School Program, Kidz Art, Volleyball, and Kids Night Out.

Programs for adults include: Aikido, Yoga, Fat Burners, Hula, and Karate, Co-ed and Men's Softball, Men's Basketball, & Coed Volleyball Leagues. Early registration is encouraged, spaces are limited.

→ Summer Camp information available in May!

UC Celebration Update

The UC Celebration committee will meet Tuesday, April 19th at 7:00 at the Standley Park Recreation Center. All are welcome to attend the meetings. This year's celebration promises to be bigger and better than ever, but community input and participation are needed. New this year will be a Bike Parade and pony rides for the little ones. The Book Barn, always a popular booth, will be back. You can help by saving and donating books. For information about booth rentals or volunteering, call Andy Freeburn at 858-336-4437 or email

AndyFreeburn@century21award.com

UCHS Lacrosse is Born

Merely a wish in two young men's hearts this time last year, the University City High School Boys Lacrosse Team is literally off and running having surmounted great odds to begin its inaugural season March 2, 2005 with a 12-3 victory over Venture Christian.

The journey began in May, 2004, when UCHS sophomores Kenny Bostwick and Steven Steinman approached Principal Ernie Smith to discuss the idea of forming a lacrosse team. The task seemed daunting in the face of all the obstacles associated with starting a new CIF sport at the school including recruiting a coach, working through school District rules to secure field space for practices and games and funding the sport since no support would be available from the school District.

In addition to conducting several meetings with interested students and parents at the end of the 03-04 school year and into the summer, Bostwick and Steinman enlisted the help of Patrick Coleman, UCHS Assistant Varsity Football coach, several par-

ents and other students to begin the work of creating a viable plan to field a lacrosse team. Coach Coleman located a grant opportunity for the team with USA Lacrosse. UCHS won one of only 20 grants awarded throughout the nation for new high school teams that provided full gear for 25 players. Coach Coleman enthusiastically agreed to coach the team, and Principal Smith worked consistently into the new school year to identify and secure the facilities needed for the new team.

Less than a year from inception, the UCHS Boys Lacrosse team is committed to building a legacy of lacrosse for University City. As part of this plan, we invite current players, former collegiate players and other interested UC residents to come out to games and cheer on these enthusiastic young men or to contact us to become involved in other ways such as assisting with coaching, providing equipment donations, sponsorships or other support. For more information, contact Jeff Bostwick, Booster Club President, at jsbostwk@san.rr.com

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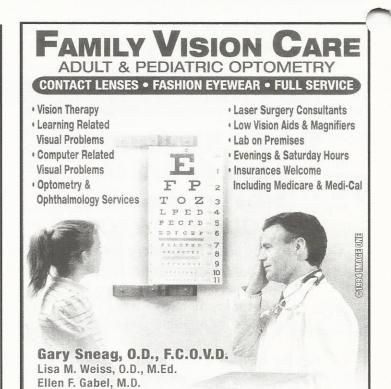
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