COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

# More than a neighborhood



# Calendar

- O April Fools' Day Monday, the 1st
- O Community Meeting -**North Coast Corridor Transit Project** Wednesday, the 3rd 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., La Jolla Country Day School (see universitycitynews.org for more details)
- UCPG Meeting Tuesday, the 9th 6:00 p.m., Forum Hall/UTC
- O UCCA Meeting Wednesday, the 10th 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., **UC Library**
- O UC Celebration Wednesday, the 17th 6:30 p.m., Standley Park
- Earth Day Monday, the 22nd
- O Administrative **Professionals Day** Wednesday, the 24th

# **University City Community** Foundation Comes to Life...

by Sandy Lippe

**UC Library is celebrating its 40th anniversary** in April. UC Celebration will celebrate its 25th anniversary in July, if enough community volunteers answer the call of chair George Odero to help out. Another community organization is being born on April 9th, University City Community Foundation, and it promises to be a good steward for UC. UCCF, as it will be called, is the brain child of Greg Zinser. UCCF came to life with some help from the UC Community Association which underwrote the costs of UCCF becoming a 501C3 organization dedicated to facilitating community improvement. What does that mean? As a 501C3, UCCF can accept tax deductible donations that will go to projects improving the aesthetic look of the community, but there is more than just that as UCCF's mission. In coming issues of our UCCA newsletter, you will read more about the group. Residents will also be given an opportunity to share their wish list for UC.

You might recognize the names of the probable board members: Greg Zinser, Chris Rappley, Jeff Cawdrey, Lynn Shields, Michael Alston, Robert Shaughnessy and Mack Langston, UCCA is proud to introduce this new community organization and we wish it well...

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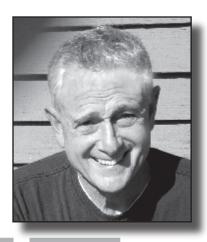
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# Deadline for the May 2013 Newsletter Publication is April 15th

Please send your submission as early as possible. Although the deadline is the 15th of the preceding month, *the newsletter can fill up before the deadline*. Articles reviewed on a first come basis with priority given to time sensitive material. Articles may also be edited down for allowed space. For advertising, please contact *uccaADS@hotmail.com*. The UCCA does not discriminate against nor endorse all information in the monthly newsletter.

## **Message from the President**

**Barry Bernstein** 



appy Easter and Happy Passover to all of you and your families who may celebrate these important religious holidays. A beautiful and busy spring is here for all of us to enjoy, whether it be in our gardens, parks, or the greater San Diego community. Now that we're all somewhat adjusted to the change of our "clocks" being pushed forward, and having accepted some losses in our March Madness basketball selections, we can get on to the regular routines of work, family, and community. Congratulations to Nancy Groves being elected to represent south UC on UCPG, and to Greg Zinser for getting UCCF, (University City Community Foundation), off to a great start. A special thanks and congratulations to special SD Northern Division police officers. Community Officer Sinclair was promoted to patrol status and Lt. Voss will become a permanent Lt. and will be moving to the San Diego State University area. Officer Larry Hesselgesser is replacing Officer Sinclair and assisting with our sponsored Neighborhood Watch programs.

MEMBERSHIP! If you are reading this column and not a member of UCCA, please take a moment to reflect on the many things UCCA does for YOU and the community in which you live. Please give consideration to joining and helping us in helping the community maintain and improve the quality of life here, something that we sometimes take for granted (see page 9 for the application).

Have a great April and please feel welcome to drop by our library and join us for our next UCCA meeting on Wednesday, April 10th, 6:00 pm.

UCCA...more than just a neighborhood!

## Barry



by Jemma Samala

- University City Little League's opening day celebration gathered a huge crowd on March 2nd, including UCLL alumnus and former MLB player Mike Saipe, and city council member Sherri Lightner who proclaimed the day "UCLL 50th Anniversary" day in the city of San Diego. (See photos page 8.)
- If you haven't been to the UTC mall lately, you're in for a big change. There are lots of comfortable seating areas, a new Arclight Cinema, and several new dining establishments, such as: Seasons 52. It offers local-inspired dishes each under 475 calories, including desserts. There is also Jersey Mike's. They make sliced-to-order sandwiches which remind east coast transplants of home. They have been very supportive of our local schools and youth group's fundraising efforts. Another is Eureka! Burger serving delicious gourmet burgers and is also participating as a tasting restaurant at this year's Taste of the Triangle.
- The Taste of the Triangle is scheduled for Friday, April 19th, from 7:00 to 10:00 pm at the UCSD Faculty Lounge. Tickets are \$75 and well worth the price to get tastes from such fabulous restaurants. Go to www.uc-educate.org to see the full list. Make sure to bring your checkbooks and bid on the silent auction baskets!
- Do you get nervous about seeing new teenage drivers, especially if they may have been drinking? Parents, grandparents, and neighbors should all attend MADD's Power of Parents program scheduled on Thursday, April 11th, at 6:30 pm in the UCHS Media Center. The open event is hosted by the UCHS PTSA and will cover and give advice about how to prevent underage drinking and the resulting tragedies. The program will also discuss any liabilities adults have in allowing underage drinking, whether you are home or not.
- · Are you a UCHS alum? The Centurion Foundation and the UCHS Hall of Fame Committee is planning to create an alumni database. They are looking for alumni volunteers to help out.
- Finally, how many of you get your morning pick me up at Starbucks? I see many of you there when I get my hot cocoa. From now until April 12th, Starbucks is having a Hands Against Hunger Food Drive. Along with your prepaid Starbucks platinum cards, please bring some non-perishable canned food items and drop them in the basket. Let's make it overflow and show how much the UC community cares!

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Like to walk? Like to walk a couple of small hills? Syracuse Street and Way need newsletter deliverers for April and beyond. Please contact Val O'Neill at voneill95@yahoo.com to volunteer. You will receive a benefits package: good health from walking and good feeling for helping.

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Please submit your articles to: editorucca@gmail.com

# **Neighborhood Watch News Update**

by Barbara Gellman

Officer Larry Hesselgesser is our new community officer, replacing Officer Omar Sinclair. Officer Hesselgesser's phone number is 858-552-1631 and his email is Lhesselgesser@pd.sandiego.gov.

Auto break-ins seem to be the primary crime in this neighborhood. Please do not leave any valuables in your vehicle, especially in plain sight. Lock all doors and the trunk and close the moon roof if you have one. Do not leave a garage remote in your vehicle when you are parked outside. If someone breaks into your vehicle, they can come through the garage into your home and/or steal items out of the garage. Be sure you lock the door into your home when you leave and also at night before bedding down.

If you are going to be gone from your home for a day or more, contact a neighbor and RSVP at 858-552-1737. They will drive by and check if something is suspicious. Arrange to have trash cans taken out and put back on trash day. Put lights on timers that can be seen from the front, back and sides of your home. You can also add motion detector lights for the outside. A dark house is a magnet for crime. You can also turn off your phone ringer while away. A burglar casing a home will listen for the phone to ring, and if no one picks it up, will assume that no one is home and try to get in.

Many thanks to all of the captains who were able to attend the March UCCA meeting and speak with Officer Hesselgesser. Officer Hesselgesser will try to attend the UCCA's monthly meetings held on the second Wednesday of every month, from 6:00–8:00 pm, at the library on Governor Dr. I hope to see many more of you in the months ahead. This is your community organization, headed by volunteers, and your input is appreciated.

Remember: A lot of police work consists of matching up bits of information from diverse sources to identify a criminal. If you see something, say something!

The Burn Institute in San Diego will install free smoke alarms for seniors (62 yrs.+). They recommend that each bedroom, dining/living room, hall areas have an alarm.

Call 858-541-2277 to make an appointment for your free alarms and installation; volunteers will come out to install.

## WANTED

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH STREET CAPTAINS MINOR EFFORT, MAJOR REWARD Please email: bggellman@yahoo.com for further information University City Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

# 2013 July 4th Community Celebration in Jeopardy!

by George Odero

ommunity members, neighbors and friends, I am pleading with everyone to join in and help our 25th, July 4th celebration, to be a reality and success. Time is running out for event preparation, and without a firm commitment from our community neighbors and friends, this lively community event MAY NOT SUCCEED THIS YEAR.

With the support and commitment of our few, core, dedicated, regular volunteers, we are still severely short of meeting the number of volunteers we will need to make the event a success. Thanks to our community member, Barbara Gellman, who has stepped up to join in to help with volunteer recruitment. Also thanks to our considerate and dedicated Standley Park employee, Shawna Aybuchon. She has indicated that she would reach out and help by getting some of her friends involved in volunteer recruitment efforts.

The question is, where are the rest of the community members? As such, we pride ourselves in our unity and caring about things that matter to us in our neighborhood. Does our community celebration of this significant national event (which has bought this community together once a year for the last 24 event years) matter?

We need your help in all areas of activities with special emphasis for young volunteers, ages 14 to 25, to help

in the children's activity area and adults to help support the parking lots.

If you can volunteer or help again in 2013, please contact George Odero at *godero@goreadusa.org* or Betty Pardue at *bpdolphin@san.rr.com*. Let us know what activity would interest you. We need volunteers to:

- Assist in organizing 5K run event (sanctioned or non-sanctioned)
- Children's activities
- New games and activity suggestions
- The set-up or tear-down, beer gardens, parking lot, book barn, ticket sales, pet and bike parade, gift donations, solicitation, follow up and more.

Our next monthly meeting will be on April 17th, at Standley Recreational Center, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

You do not need to attend meetings to volunteer and help\*. Please just give us two hours of your time on the 4th and enjoy the rest of the day with family and friends. See you there!

\*Beer garden training is required. You must be 21 or older to participate. Free training will be provided prior to the event for those volunteers planning to sign up to support this activity.

## First Annual SCSBOA

by Sharon Joe-Hom

The UCHS Music Department, under the direction of Mr. Brandon Corenman, is hosting their First Annual SCSBOA (Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association) Music Festival. The judged music festival will run on Saturday, April 13th, in the UCHS auditorium from 9:00 am to about 4:00 pm. Come and watch San Diego high schools, including UCHS and Standley Middle School, perform. The event is free for spectators. For more information, please visit our website at http://www. uchsmusic.com under the festival tab for the current schedule or contact Sharon Joe-Hom at homscouts@gmail.com.

# Reading Tutors Needed

by Carol Parham

Want to make a difference in the life of a child in University City? Doyle Elementary is looking for reading tutors to work with elementary students who have been identified by their teachers as needing help. Once you are trained, you will tutor about an hour-and-a-half one day a week working with the same students each week. Tutoring times are during the school day in the morning.

For more information visit our website http://www.sdcoe.net/lret2/media/?loc=ear or call 800-711-READ.

For Doyle Elementary information, contact Carol Parham at cjparham@gmail.com.

You may also join UCCA by going to our website at www.universitycitynews.org

# **UC LIBRARY CELEBRATES 40 YEARS!**

by Sharon Thomerson

University Community Branch Library invites you to celebrate 40 years of service on Saturday, April 20th, 2013, 12:00-2:00 pm.

Please join your friends and neighbors in celebrating University Community Branch Library's 40th anniversary of service to the community! In March 1973 (40 years ago), University City opened its first temporary branch library in a tiny storefront in the Marketplace Shopping Center at Governor and Regents. Previously, the only library service was a weekly bookmobile, which parked in this same location. Strong community support brought about a ground-breaking for a permanent facility in 1976 at its present location, 4155 Governor Drive. The new library, as it stands today, opened its doors to the public on April 10th, 1978.

The University Community Branch Library has evolved along with the community's needs and interests. In addition to adding 16 new public internet and word processing computers, this branch library continues to provide an environment to browse and check out in-print books, audio books, DVD's, magazines, and newspapers, many in different languages, to serve our ever increasingly diverse population. The library offers enriching and entertaining programs throughout the year for all ages including, story times, tutoring for younger children by our after-school teens, free concerts, and quality lectures and workshops—and it's all free!

The University Community Branch Library is generously supported by a dedicated Friends organization, whose primary activity, fund-raising, is accomplished through their very successful book sales. Music and refreshments will be provided. Council person Lightner has accepted an invitation to join us for this gala event. Hope to see you there!



The Univeristy City Library at 4155 Governor Drive.

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# **University Community Library**

4155 GOVERNOR DR. (858) 552-1655 San Diego, CA 92122

#### **UC'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:**

Join your friends and neighbors in celebrating University Community Branch Library's 40th Anniversary of Service to the community! Music and refreshments will be provided. Council person Lightner has accepted an invitation to join us for this gala event. SATURDAY, APRIL 20th, at 12:00 - 2:00 pm.

TRAVEL BACK IN TIME TO SAN DIEGO'S COLORFUL PAST: Jim Bregante's historical presentation of San Diego's Waterfront and Little Italy from the 1930's to present. Jim is a Docent for the San Diego Maritime Museum, a member of the San Diego History Center and the Italian Historical Society of San Diego.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9th, at 6:30 pm.

#### **RUMLEY STUDIO FLUTE RECITAL:**

Students of all ages will present a flute recital from the Rumley Flute Studio.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17th, at 6:30 pm.

FBI: PROTECT YOURSELF FROM IDENTITY THEFT & SENIOR SCAMS: John Roberts, FBI Special Agent. FBI Agent Roberts' presentation will cover identity theft and other scams that can specifically target seniors. He will focus on his personal casework as well as on a case that targeted senior citizens and was successfully prosecuted. An OASIS presentation.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18th, at 2:00 - 3:30 pm.

#### **SAN DIEGO ZOO ART FOR KIDS:**

Artist Joe Nyiri is best known for his art classes to children at the San Diego Zoo. He will teach an animal portrait pastel class for children. ADVANCED SIGN UP is required as space is limited.

WDENESDAY, APRIL 10th, at 1:00 pm.

#### **OPERA TALKS:**

San Diego Opera Docent Ms. Josie Gomez concludes her popular opera talks for this season with AIDA by Giuseppe Verdi. Zandra Rhodes' vivid designer's eye enhances the staging for this tragic love triangle set in ancient Egypt. FRIDAY, APRIL 19th, at 10:30-11:30 am.

#### **MONTHLY EVENTS**

#### KNITTING AND CROCHETING CIRCLE:

Do you love to knit or crochet, or have you always wanted to learn? All levels welcome.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5th, at 1:00-2:30 pm.

#### **UC BOOK CLUB:**

The UC Book Club will discuss *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain. The Paris Wife captures a remarkable period of time and a love affair between two unforgettable people: Ernest Hemingway and his wife Hadley. Pick up your copy at the checkout desk.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24th, at 2:00-3:00 pm.

#### **PAWS TO READ:**

Love on a Leash brings adoring dogs for children to practice their reading skills.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25th, at 4:00-4:30 pm.

#### **SIGNING TODDLER STORYTIME:**

Sign language fun for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers with Jennifer Duncan.

MONDAY, APRIL 29th, at 3:00-3:30 pm.

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

#### **ZUMBA GOLD!:**

Calling all baby boomers! An exhilarating workout with easy-to-follow moves to Latin music!

EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY at 12:00-1:00 pm.

#### **SUMI-E BRUSH PAINTING CLASS:**

Sumi-e is an Asian art form in which paintings from nature are depicted in black ink on white paper. Sumi-e, along with Zen Buddhism, was introduced from China to Japan in the 15th century.

EVERY TUESDAY at 12:30-3:30 pm.

#### GO GAMING CLUB:

Learn the ancient mind game of Go with the President of the San Diego Chapter of the Go Association. All ages welcome.

EVERY TUESDAY at 2:30-3:30 pm.

#### PAJAMA STORY TIME WITH MISS BARBARA:

Families, wear your jammies and cuddle up with some good books. Join Miss Barbara for stories, songs, and fun!

EVERY WEDNESDAY at 6:30-7:00 pm.

#### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME:

Stories, song and fun! All wee ones welcome.

EVERY THURSDAY at 10:30 -11:00 am.

#### **GAME ON!! WII GAMING - ALL AGES:**

Join your friends for some friendly video game competition.

EVERY FRIDAY at 3:00-4:30 pm.

Please call the library to confirm any given program. Cancellations are rare, but may occur.

Many thanks to the Friends of the UC Library for their generous sponsorship.

This information will be made available in alternate formats upon request.

# I-805 North Express Lanes Project Underway

by Carole Pietras

The I-805 North Express Lanes Project spans approximately four miles from just north of SR-52 to just north of Mira Mesa Blvd. Work will be done in five (5) stages. Construction in stage one (1) will add one carpool (HOV) lane in each direction and build a south-facing Direct Access Ramp (DAR) at Carroll Canyon Road. Scheduled completion date for the first stage is winter 2015.

Per the construction notice, which can be viewed at www.KeepSanDiegoMoving.com, construction activities will take place along the median in both directions. Traffic lanes will be shifted slightly. The median will be eliminated from SR-52 to Mira Mesa Boulevard. A temporary concrete barrier will be installed to protect workers. The notice also advises motorists traveling through the construction zone to use extra caution for slow-moving vehicles entering and exiting the median. Please allow more time and anticipate possible travel delays during this time.

Work hours are Monday - Friday, 6:30 am - 5:00 pm, with weekend and night work as necessary. Temporary night work is scheduled along the freeway in both directions from 9:00 pm-5 am, Sunday through Thursday, for about two weeks when construction begins. During that time, work will also be done on the following freeway ramps: Governor Dr., Nobel Dr., La Jolla Village Dr/Miramar Rd, Mira Mesa Boulevard, Vista. SANDAG has expanded the San Diego Freeway Service Patrol (FSP) along I-805 North to help stranded drivers.

For additional information, visit www.keepsandiegomoving.com. You can also call the project hotline at (877)821-4280 or email I-805North@KeepSanDiegoMoving.com.

### EdUCate! Pairs with Food Trucks

by Jesse Rubin

Have you heard about the latest trend in good eating? While food trucks have been providing people with easy on-thego dining options since the late 17th century, San Diego has recently discovered the craze. With more than 50 different food options, San Diegans can try different types of cuisines they normally wouldn't have access to and 10% of every purchase will be donated to EdUCate!

Starting April10th, EdUCate! will be hosting a rotation of gourmet food trucks every Wednesday through November in the Spreckels parking lot on the corner of Governor Dr. and Stadium St. from 5:30-8:00 pm. The first week of trucks will include:

- Devilicious (foodnetwork and food channel) - Lobster/comfort food
- Mangia Mangia Mobile (food network, food channel & just filmed for daytime talk show The Chew)- Italian • Chubby's Food Truck- SoCal Comfort • T10- Thai Food
  - Green Go Grilled Cheese Truck Grilled Cheese

We will be rotating trucks in and out to keep food options fresh for clients. All San Diego trucks will receive an invitation to attend. The schedule will depend on availability of trucks.

In its 18 years of existence, EdUCate! University City Foundation for Public Schools has distributed over \$1,200,000 to the five University City public schools. The money has been raised primarily through events and programs such as Taste of the Triangle, Oktoberfest, Dollar-A-Day and now EdUCate! Food Truck Wednesday.

Thank you for supporting our local schools!

# **University City Community Shredding Event**

by Katie Dunahoo

Just is time to shred some old tax files! Coldwell Banker is sponsoring the annual "Shred-fest", a huge super-fast shredding truck, on April 20th, 9:00-11:00 am, at the Standlev Park parking lot on Governor Drive. You don't even have to remove staples and paperclips. This event is free to the community. Katie Dunahoo/858-775-1239

# **Good Citizens!**

by Sandy Lipee

Sometimes street banners fall down from wind, rain, or vandalism. When our installer gets MAN DOWN in the subject line of an email from UCCA, he knows one has fallen. Tom Keegan found a downed banner in the canyon near Governor and Greenwich. His wife Jennifer called and returned the banner to UCCA, although the Keegans wouldn't let me take their picture with the banner. Many thanks for being good citizens.

# NORTH UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY LIBRARY 8820 Judicial Drive, San Diego, CA 92122 • 858-581-9637

**OASIS presents:** The Reader's Circle, Monday, April 15th,1:30 pm. Join teacher and book lover, Mary Shannon, as she shares with you some of her new favorite titles along with some oldies but goodies. Participants will be encouraged to share their favorites with the group.

**So Say We All Creative Writing Workshop:** Tuesday, April 9th 6:30 pm. Share your stories, make new friends and learn the craft of writing creatively. Hosted by So Say We All!

**Cinema Café:** Enjoy refreshments while watching a thought–provoking film! Wednesday, April 17th, at 6:00 pm. Please call for further details.

**Page Turners' Book Club:** Second Wednesday, April 10th, at 5:30 pm. This month's selection is The Elegance of the Hedgehog.

**Calligraphy Class:** Tuesday, April 9th at 6:00 pm. Learn basic calligraphy and the techniques and tools for making beautiful letters. All materials provided.

**Preschool Craft with Ms. Catherine:** Bring your preschooler to enjoy a simple, easy craft! Every Tuesday at 1:00 pm.

**Zumba Gold:** Latin-inspired dance fitness. Ideal for beginners, boomers, active seniors and new mothers. New Time! Thursdays at 9:30 am.

**Homework Help:** Need help with that assignment? We've got it covered. Homework help every Wednesday 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

Young Artist Series: Every Saturday we showcase the talent of a local young musician at 1:00 pm.

Please call the library to confirm any given program. Cancellations are rare, but may occur. Many thanks to the Friends of the UC Library for their generous sponsorship.

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photos by Michele Mowad

# University City Little League's Opening Day Celebration



#### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**

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See the change in UCCA Membership next page.

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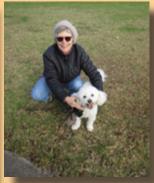
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Current UCCA Membership Levels

#### photos by Sandy Lippe









# An Update on the Memorial Fountain for Peter Burch

by Sandy Lippe

Dog lovers from Marcy Park have overwhelmingly supported the Peter Burch memorial fountain that will serve four-legged friends as well as two-legged ones, ablebodied and disabled. What is it Colette wrote about pets? "Our perfect companions never have fewer than four feet." The dog fountain will serve the many pups who walk around Marcy (on leashes, of course) with their "parents." Please look at the accompanying photos of donors and dogs, some who have met Peter and others who want to help out because it's a good idea.

Here is a short note from the Franks:

"Dear Friends and Family of Peter Burch,

Please accept my condolences on your loss. I did not know Peter or Barclay, but I, too, have a wonderful Golden Retriever, Wally, and we love to play at Marcy Park. I've been coming to Marcy with dogs for almost 20 years and have always wished for a dog fountain. Wonderful of you to make this happen! Please accept the enclosed check towards the memorial fountain. On the donor plaque, please list us as The Franks Family.

Thank you. Sharon Franks"

Please make a donation for the fountain and accompanying plaque in honor of UCCA's past president who succumbed to cancer last September. You can mail your check made out to UCCA/Peter Burch Memorial Fountain in care of Mauro and Lippe, 2549 Angell Avenue, San Diego 92122. Questions? 858-945-2387



Left to right: Brody and Ben Weinbaum,
Front row: Roxie, dog (owner?), Shelley Plumb and Jasper, Barbara
Mauro and Charlie, Barbara Alley and Magnolia
Back row: Bill Brook and Harry (dog) Stephanie Webber & Wiley



Buy Tickets Now for Taste of the Triangle 2013 - "A UC Affair to Remember" April 19th, 7:00 to 10:00 pm (6:00 pm VIP reception).

In last month's edition of this newsletter, we answered all your FAQ's about Taste, and now it is time to buy your tickets to attend the event. Tickets are on sale now at www.uc-educate. org. They cost \$75 in advance (until April 16th) and will be \$85 at the door. Chef Bernard Guillas and Master Sommelier Lisa Redwine will lead an exploration of food and wine pairings at the VIP reception. Check our website www.uc-educate.org/ aboutus/supporters to see if you have donated \$250 or more since July 1, 2012.

Auction items include a special dinner for six at Truluck's, a Catalina hotel stay, Comic-Con four-day passes, handmade jewelry and pottery, paintings by local artists, and much more. Buy It Now items will be posted on our website April 10th. Participating restaurants include: 3rd Corner Bistro and Wine Shop, Baskin Robbins Costa Verde, Bite of Boston, Carriage Trade Catering, Eureka! Burger, Great Maple, Herringbone, Islands, Leucadia Pizzeria and Italian Restaurant, Lorna's Italian Kitchen, Prepkitchen and Whisknladle, Sushi on the Rock, Tender Greens, The French Gourmet, The Marine Room, The Melting Pot and The Palm. Music for your enjoyment will be provided by Standley student musicians and The Classic Jazz Trio.

We thank our corporate sponsors: Caryl Lees, Century 21 Award, the American Dream-Maker; Nancy Beck, Century 21 Award, UC Specialist; Steve and Terri Gray, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Law Offices of Thomas F. Feerick and UC Marketplace.

Enter to win two tickets to Taste of the Triangle 2013 by joining our text mobile club at TEXT: TASTE2013 TO: 90210 Winner will be drawn April 8th, 2013.

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by Sherri Lightner

## **Great Graywater Challenge**

Since taking office in 2008, I have advocated for making it easier to install graywater systems because they help conserve water and can save consumers money.

Simply put, graywater systems allow untreated wastewater from a home's washing machine, bathtubs, showers and sinks to be recycled on-site for outdoor irrigation.

Unfortunately, the City of San Diego has long had unclear and contradictory rules regarding graywater, which has inhibited the use of graywater systems.

The good news is that the city is now exploring ways to increase awareness and usage of graywater. Recently, the Natural Resources and Culture Committee approved the following recommendations:

- Expanding the "no permit" requirement for some larger systems.
- Streamlining the existing permitting process for both "simple" and "complex systems."
- Developing a public outreach and education program, including a social media campaign, to promote graywater usage.

It is important to note that graywater is something other cities such as Phoenix, Santa Barbara and San Francisco have been doing for years and it is high time that San Diego follows suit.

In addition to the city's efforts, local environmentalists also have launched the "Great Graywater Challenge," which includes a series of workshops designed to de-mystify graywater. According to the San Diego Sustainable Living Institute, if just 365 graywater systems were installed over the next year, or a system a day, San Diego could save as much as 5 million gallons of water annually.

To find out more about the "Great Graywater Challenge," visit http://sdsustainable.org/.



by John Lee Evans

# Unanimous Selection of New Superintendent

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Cindy Marten as the next Superintendent for San Diego Unified. The Board selected a Superintendent who would carry out our long term plan: Vision 2020: A Quality School in Every Neighborhood.

Last month, Superintendent Bill Kowba announced his retirement when his contract finishes on June 30th. Mr. Kowba brought stability and integrity to our district in a time of great financial turmoil.

To continue forward with our San Diego version of community based school reform, we selected one of our team to lead us. Cindy Marten has been an educator for 25 years. She started in the Poway School District and then came to San Diego to work at one of our most challenging schools in City Heights where she has been for 10 years. She started off as a teacher and then became the principal. Central Elementary serves 850 at-risk youth of which 100% live in poverty and 85% of the students are English learners. She has delivered on the promise of a high-quality neighborhood school in spite of all its challenges.

Ms. Marten believes that a child should not have to leave his or her neighborhood for a quality education. She has worked hard for 10 years with a team to make this dream a reality through their motto: "Work hard. Be kind. Dream big. No excuses." She believes that the quality of our schools can be improved in all of our neighborhoods from City Heights to University City.

The Board was unanimous and enthusiastic in its decision to appoint Cindy Marten. This is a bold step forward for the district's mission of an excellent education for each and every student in our district.

**Please Note:** The next UC School Cluster Committee meeting will be held on April 22nd at 4:30 pm in the UC High School Media Center. Meetings are held the fourth Monday of each month. Additional dates are on website: www.uccluster.com<http://www.uccluster.com>.

by Carole Pietras

#### We don't have an official raceway in our community, but many residents throughout UC feel as if they are living on one as drivers speed up and down their streets and run or roll through stop signs. Who are these offenders? According to police officers, we locals are the guilty ones. While some new V-Calm signs will remind us, it's up to each of us to make a conscious effort to slow down, observe the speed limit and keep our streets safe. Let's do it!

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# CPR Training in Your Neighborhood!

Council president, Pro Tem Sherri Lightner, invites council member Marti Emerald and Rural/Metro Ambulance, the City of San Diego's ambulance provider, to host NeighborhoodBeat. This is a city-wide community CPR training program! This **FREE** event will be hosted on Saturday, April 13!

All members of the community are invited to learn life-saving CPR skills. Training will be from 9:30–11:30 am (trainings will begin at 9:45 and 10:45) and will be held at the University City Library at: 4155 Governor Dr. San Diego, California, 92122. Please arrive at least ten (10) minutes prior to start times.

Note: CPR certification is NOT provided. RSVP to the council office below.

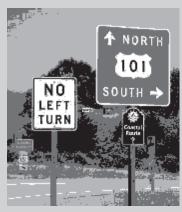
RSVP to Janie Hoover at *jmhoover@sandiego.gov.* or phone (619) 236-6611.

# Wheeling Around

by Sharon L. Goodis

I always rode a bicycle. I can't remember my first bicycle, so either I have a poor memory, or I started cycling at a really young age. Fast forward to 2001. Our children were grown and my husband and I were looking for a new form of exercise. We didn't have to look too far. We pulled out our old bikes, filled the tires, checked the brakes and started pedaling around University City. It didn't take long before we wanted to go beyond UC, but every

way out involved climbing a hill! We didn't think about that while driving a car! So we cycled more, got stronger, bought newer bicycles, learned the rules of the road and joined a San Diego bicycling group (The Knickerbikers of San Diego County) that enjoyed touring. We had never toured and had no idea what we were in for! We talked about cycling from Los Angeles to San Diego which is about 130 miles. The next thing we knew, in May 2002, we were on the 6:45 AM (yawn!) train up to Santa Barbara with our more experienced touring friends. We got off in Santa Barbara, hooked our panniers (bags) on our bikes, rode about 500 feet and stopped for lunch! Not a bad start!



The big decision.. that wasn't!

(We might have been addicted at that moment!) We cycled our way south with the wind at our backs, along the 101, on winding bicycle paths and along ocean boardwalks. We carried all we needed in the panniers on our bikes and stayed in a hotel/motel each evening. We enjoyed all we ate because we were burning up those calories! On Sunday afternoon, after cycling about 200 miles, we arrived back in Solana Beach. Our first tour was absolutely glorious. It was so amazing to see the coastline so close! We are now avid cyclists – enjoying San Diego and beyond in a way that can only be appreciated by bicycle!

Want to ride with us?
Check out www.knickerbikers.com or info@cyclequestsd.com.

# Yandel Jr. Memorial Tournament To Be Held

by Dawn Yandel

The 2nd Annual Larry Yandel Jr.

Memorial Youth Sports Fund Softball
Tournament will be held on
April 13th & 14th, at Standley Park
with co-ed teams.

Please contact Dawn Yandel at
dawnyandel@aol.com for
more details.

# UC Garden Club by Tanya Howe Aeria Garden Tours Every Month!

#### PLANT SALE APRIL 21st!

If you have seedlings, garden art, plants, or other garden items to sell, please call me to set this up at our April 21st garden event! 619-884-2658

## April 21st, from 10:00-12:00 pm, at Hannah's Garden

Hannah's garden features a bounty of blooming flowers, roses and a large canyon lot on Gobat Street. No need to call - just follow the signs from Governor Drive. Gobat is located at the far west end of University City. Signs will direct you to her house on the day of the event.

June & September- December are still without a garden to show off. Please call me if you are at all interested in hosting a garden event. Our garden committee brings everything to entertain - you just provide the location! 619-884-2658

Looking forward to seeing you all!

Next Tour:
April 21st,
10:00-12:00 pm,
Hannah's Garden

# -Journalism at UCHS-

by Emily Siegler

While newspapers are shrinking in size and circulation, the feel of newsprint and ink on one's fingers can't be replaced by the internet. Journalism programs in US schools have suffered cuts, and it is my goal to keep them alive in UC.

Currently a junior at UCHS, I started taking journalism in 7th grade at Standley. I became senior editor in 8th grade and wrote for the UCHS paper my freshman year. I worked my way up from staff writer to editor-in-chief of *The Commander*. Journalism has taught me what my core academic classes can't, including leadership and collaboration. It has improved my writing and aided my schoolwork. It has given me a sense of community with my co-editors. These are opportunities that cannot be taken from UC students.

Since I was five, I've been involved in Girl Scouting. This past summer, I heard journalism at Standley was cut due to class size requirements. This saddened me, and I decided to make this the topic of my Girl Scout Gold Award. In collaboration with principal Heidi Lyon and teacher Jennifer Huszar, I have worked to run an after-school journalism club for Standley students. Twenty-five students meet with me once a week to put together newspapers. Students work together dedicated to writing articles. We have produced three editions this year. Support for school newspapers is crucial. They provide a service to students, faculty, and the community, and offer great opportunities to students involved in their production.



**Emily Siegler** 



Left front going clockwise: Sarah Moore, Carina Lopez, Katelyn Ormsby, Hagar Kousba, Kayli Sandoval and Naomi Kelley, all part of the newspaper team.