

Upcoming Events

UCPG MEETING

Tuesday, December 9th

6:30 p.m. Forum Hall,

UTC above Wells Fargo Bank

Full Agenda available at UC Library &

UCCA web page

UCCA BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, December 10th

6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

UC Library

STANDLEY RECREATION COUNCIL

Thursday, December 11th

7:00 p.m. Standley Park

Public Welcome

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Friday, December 12th

6:30 p.m. Standley Park

UCHS HOLIDAY CONCERT

Thursday, December 18th

7:00 p.m., UCHS Auditorium

Free admission

Happy Holidays!!

UCPG MEETING

Tuesday, January 13th

6:30 p.m. Forum Hall,

UTC above Wells Fargo Bank

Full Agenda available at UC Library &

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UCCA BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, January 14th

6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

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Be informed. Check our web site
www.universitycityca.com



Holiday Tree Lighting December 12th

Bring your family and friends to the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony at Standley Park on Friday, December 12th at 6:30p.m. U.C. Community Association and Standley Recreation Council are co-sponsors. Miramar Wholesale Nurseries, located on the east end of Governor Drive, has graciously donated a 12 foot tree. Judy Bethel, our artistic director, and co-chairs of the event, Mary Ann Guerra and Darlene Ventigmilia, will gather some elves like Pat Drobeck and Bobbie Westdal the weekend before to decorate the tree. Barb Henshaw is making holiday bows for the trees lining Governor between Swanson

Pool and Spreckels School.

Last year's theme was sports-minded with basketballs, footballs, and soccer balls decorating the tree. At the top of the tree was a red and white U.C. Little League cap. This year's theme is a salute to our firefighters and police. We will collect gift certificates (Target, Home Depot, and Costco, etc.) to give to the victims of the October fire.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies will be served. Standley Middle School band and Tuesday Night Alibi will fill the night with holiday music. Turn off the television; tune out the mall. Come to Standley Park.

UC High Holiday Concert to Feature String Orchestra

A very special night of music is coming Thursday, December 18th as the UC High Music department presents its annual Holiday Concert. The first String Orchestra ever at University City High will be the featured performers. Also highlighted will be strings augmented with wind players creating our first Chamber

Orchestra.

The UC Music Department and Music Boosters have worked hard over the last 8 years to make this night a reality. There will also be an opportunity drawing for several gift baskets. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium at UCHS. Admission is free.

Neighborhood News...

UC Little League wants our readers to check out its website at www.ucll.org. January 17th tryouts for Minor Division and above will be held at Spreckels and McElroy Field. Opening day is March 6th, 2004...Speaking of sports, **Standley Rec Council** welcomes community members to its meetings; December 11th is the next meeting at 7p.m at the rec center. Outgoing president **Cathie Lester** will turn the gavel over to **Matt Xavier...Ben Stevenson**, longtime volunteer overseeing the Rose Canyon trestle restoration, is seeking volunteers to work on canyon restoration. He writes, "I would like to invite you guys on a Saturday of your choice from now through mid-February." If you're interested in this opportunity, contact Ben at syctree@juno.com. **Vic Villapando**, a U.C. resident of 42 years, is getting an early Christmas present, publication of his fictional novel, *Ana Rosa*, on December 1st. The book will be available at Barnes and Noble and Amazon.com...**U.C. Senior Center** has a lot planned for December; the Pawsitive Team service animals will visit on Dec. 4th at 1 p.m. Bingo fun is scheduled on Dec. 9th at 1 p.m. and Musical Memories at 11 a.m. on the 11th of December. Call Melinda Wynar at 550-5998 for a list of other events...**U.C. United Church**, 2877 Governor Drive, is hosting several holiday events. December 7th from 4-7 p.m. there will be a Family Christmas Festival with a visit from Santa and on the 21st of December at 4 p.m. a caroling party to bring cheer to shut-ins. Information on other activities can be found by calling 453-3444...Of course every U.C. resident will attend the **UCCA Holiday Tree Lighting** at Standley Park on Friday, Dec. 12th at 6:30 p.m...**Santa** will arrive the morning of December 13th at Standley Park. Call the rec center for details: 552-1652...UC resident, **Miyo Reff**, is a running for the school board in District A (Fran Zimmerman's seat)... Thanks and best wishes to **Gail Menotti**. After 13 years of helping customers at Postal Annex in U.C., **Gail** will retire in January. Gail and her husband **Jack** plan to travel and enjoy retirement...

UC Library

Storytimes

Toddlers and Preschoolers Storytime is presented on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. (Preschool groups are requested to contact Sharon Thomerson, Youth Services Librarian, to arrange for separate dates.

Please call 858-552-1655.)

Family Storytimes are presented on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

Free Puppet Show

Local author and educator Carolyn Marsden will present a puppet show based on her newest book, *Mama Had to Work on Christmas*. Afterwards, children will make holiday cards and be served Mexican hot chocolate with cinnamon and Mexican cookies. This holiday party will be in the UC Library Community Room at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10.

President's Perspective

Last month I had the honor and privilege of being elected President of the University City Community Association. It is my desire to share some of my thoughts about South University City and the activities of the Association in this monthly column.

I consider succeeding Sandy Lippe as President of the Association both a significant challenge and a wonderful opportunity. Sandy has long been an ardent champion and dedicated leader in our community. Her contributions to our neighborhood extend from banners on our streets to the enjoyable Summer Sunday Concerts. She has been constantly on the alert for ways to bring people together for community gatherings and for ways to enrich and improve our neighborhoods. She has contributed numerous days and nights to community activities and projects. For me she is the model of a concerned, caring citizen. Like a popular ad might trumpet, her love for and involvement with our community has been "priceless." It is my hope that in some small way I can step into her shoes and carry on with her hopes and dreams for a South University City that will continue to be a very special place to work, live and learn.

My best wishes to one and all for a joyful and delightful Holiday Season!
Hugh Pates

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Gingerbread House Craft

Come hear stories and make a gingerbread house at UC Library on Wednesday, December 17, at 4:00p.m. Space is limited to 35 children, ages 5 and up. Free registration is required.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The University Community Library will be closed from Thursday, December 25 through Thursday, January 1, 2004. The library will reopen at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, January 2. Please check the San Diego Public Library website www.sandiego.gov for branches which will be open during this time.

New Officers for UCCA in 2004

At the November general meeting, Hugh Pates, PhD was elected President of the University City Community Association for 2004. Mary Kay Hewitt, as newly elected 1st Vice President, will wear two hats: 1st V.P. and Education Liaison. Mary Ann Guerra is beginning her third term as secretary. Co-treasurers are a husband and wife team, Julie Witt and Joel Rosenberg. Several appointed offices fill out the board: Membership Chair, Barbara Henshaw; Historian, Darlene Ventigimilia; 2nd Vice President, Andy Freeburn; Landscape Chair, Mike Wilder; Volunteer Coordinator, Carole Pietras and, Past President, Sandy Lippe. We look forward to appointing a high school student on the board in order to keep UCCA aware of the activities and interests of the youth.

UCCA board meets the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the U.C. Library or the EdUCate office. There are four general meetings a year. Check out our website for more information:

www.universitycityca.com

Newsletter Editor

UCCA is seeking a volunteer to take over editor duties in 2004.

Contact Carole at caroleucca@sbcglobal.net for more information.

Future Development...

Following is a PARTIAL list of projects in the community plan area that are in the approval process or have been approved: (*Updates in italics*)

IN PROCESS:

Equity Office

Request to shift the land use designation for a 4.63 acre parcel from Scientific Research to Office Commercial; Revision to Development Intensity chart to allow development of office. Project proposes 2 office towers, one 9 stories (135 ft. tall) and one 16 stories (242 feet tall) for total office area of 547,228 sq. ft. at NW corner of La Jolla Village Dr. & planned Judicial Dr. Community Plan amendment proposed Completed 3rd review cycle 4/17/2003, Second draft EIR screencheck submitted July 24, 2003

Westfield/UTC Expansion

Request to add 751, 600 sq. ft. of additional retail, 250 room hotel, 750 residential units, and 200,000 sq. ft. office. Requires community plan amendment, Planned Development permit and Site Development permit. Completed the 1st review cycle, and community plan amendment has been initiated. Applicant has submitted a proposed Master Plan for a 5-phase development (over a 15 to 20 year period), which includes expanded retail, residential, hotel and office. Project last submitted 8/02 First draft EIR screencheck submitted July 24, 2003.

First cycle of City comments to Draft EIR submitted Sept. 4, 2003

Costa Verde

Amendment to the University Community Plan and the Costa Verde Specific Plan to allow development of 1094 multi-family dwelling units in four high-rise towers (30-40 stories in height) on a 4.77 acre site designated for a 400 room hotel. Located at the southwest corner of La Jolla Village Dr. and Genesee Av. Community Plan and Specific Plan amendment initiation approved by Planning Commission on January 16, 2003.

Draft EIR Scoping Meeting was held on July 1, 2003 at 6:00 pm at Forum Hall in UTC second floor of the Wells Fargo Building. 2nd review cycle to be completed on 10/17/03.

Additional information
on website:

www.universitycityca.com

click on Future Development

Costa Verde Commercial Center

Request to initiate an amendment to the University Community Plan & Costa Verde Specific Plan to allow for approximately 75,000 square feet of additional neighborhood/community commercial within the existing Costa Verde Commercial Center. The 14-acre site is located at the northwest corner of Nobel Drive and Genesee Avenue and is currently developed with a 178,000 square foot neighborhood serving commercial shopping center.

APPROVED PROJECTS:

University City Village (on Governor near 805)

Land use designation Multi-family residential. Approved by City Council October 3, 2000. 75 acre site on south side of Governor Dr. between Genesee and 805. Approved for 1109 senior units, including existing 510 unit senior housing apartment complex, construction of 599 additional senior units including 80 assisted living units, and 15 units of affordable senior housing. Construction will include second-story additions to existing single story units. Mitigated Negative Declaration was certified by City Council.

Project approved October 2000.

Substantial Conformance Review for interior site modifications completed 10/3/03.

La Jolla Crossroads

Multi-family Residential & Scientific Research. Located at the southwest corner of LJ Village Dr. and planned Judicial Dr. Dev. 1500 multi-family residential units on 25.7 acres Dev. 162,000 sq. ft. Scientific Research on 6.7 acres. Infrastructure improvements underway including installation of sewer and storm systems. Tentative Map Waiver for condominium conversion approved 3/13/02. Project approved 11/21/00

Recent fire destroyed units.

La Jolla Commons

From Visitor Commercial to a mix of Visitor Commercial, Office Commercial and Multi-family Residential. NE corner LJ Village, Judicial Dr. 327 room, 15 story hotel 115 unit, 32 story condominium 450,000 sq. ft., 20 story office bldg. 30,000 sq. ft 2 story Scientific Research Building, 8 level parking structure.

Project approved 11/14/00

Did You Know...

.....Representatives of developers seeking amendments to the community plan will come before the UCPG in December and January.

.....**Costa Verde Retail** is listed on the December 9th agenda with a request to initiate a community plan amendment to add 70,000 square feet to the existing 176,000 sq. ft. retail center...

.....David Doll of **Westfield Corp.** addressed the planning group in November and will come before the group again January 13th to present information on Westfield's expansion plans and answer questions raised in November...

.....Michael Grant, representing **University City Village**, will present information at the December meeting on the already approved expansion and renovation of the senior complex on Governor Dr. near I-805...

.....A partial list of proposed and already approved projects in University City is listed on this page. You'll find a complete list under Future Development at our website, www.universitycityca.com...UCPG monthly agendas are also posted on our website...

.....The November 2003 edition of **SANDAG's** electronic newsletter, **rEgion**, containing updated information on the **Regional Comprehensive Plan**, the **I-15 Managed Lanes/Bus Rapid Transit** groundbreaking ceremony and the latest transit public opinion survey can be found on **SANDAG's** Web site <http://www.sandag.org/enewsletter/>...

The I-15 Managed Lanes project will cost an estimated \$758 million and is scheduled for completion in 2007...

.....Improvements to **I-805** are not scheduled until **2030**...

.....Thanks to the efforts of military and civilian firefighters, last month's firestorm did not get past I-805 and 52 into University City.

Approved Projects Continued...

Costa Verde

54 acre site with approvals for 2600 dwelling units, 400 room hotel and 178,000 sq. ft. of neighborhood and community commercial. Site bounded by LJ Village Dr., Genesee, Regents Rd and Nobel Dr. 296 units in first tower under construction, 94 units planned for second tower 1505 existing units 2275 total under construction, planned or built 325 left to plan/construct for buildout of 2600 total units. Map waiver for south tower.

U.C.C.A

2004 Membership Drive

Since its rebirth in 2002, UCCA has worked for the benefit of our community. With your help and support, we will continue to grow, achieve our goals and enhance our community. Join or renew your membership today. Share your ideas and talents to make University City the best community in San Diego.

Goals:

Build Community Spirit by bringing together the members of the community for events, activities and common experiences.

Instill Pride by sponsoring beautification projects that can be embraced and enjoyed by all the members of the community.

Provide communication by means of the community newsletter and website.

Preserve and enhance our quality of life.

Activities and Accomplishments:

• **Provided Communication**

- Website, universitycityca.com
- U.C. Monthly Newsletter delivered by network of community volunteers
- UCCA meetings offer information on topics of interest to the community

• **Initiated Beautification Projects**

- Banners installed along Governor Dr.
- Landscaping projects begun on Governor Dr.
- Community wide tree plantings

• **Organized Activities**

- Community Clean Up Day
- Summer Concerts in the Park
- Holiday Tree Lighting

• **Established committees**

- Code compliance
- Traffic
- Graffiti abatement

• **Enlisted and received support from community volunteers, business sponsors, advertisers and Councilman Peters to support and achieve our goals.**

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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. Check our website, www.universitycityca.com for more information about UCCA.

UCCA Membership Application

One membership for your entire household for January to December 2004

New member Renewal

General member \$15 Community Supporter \$35 UC Community Angel \$50

Please print.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Listed below are activities and programs UCCA organized or supported in 2003. 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 2004:

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

UCHS Booster Club Announces Winner of Opportunity Drawing

The University City High School Booster Club is proud to announce the winner of our brand new Infiniti FX35. She is Jaye Fogelstrom. Ms. Fogelstrom is a retired Navy Chief Petty Officer who started work at the FAA 2 years ago. When asked by Ruth Anderson (Grandmother of Brooke and Dana Anderson of UCHS) to buy a ticket, she figured it was a good cause-and she had just begun to shop for a replacement for her 1995 Dodge Dakota truck. When notified she had won the car she said, "I can't believe it, I've never won anything in my life!" Congratulations to Ms. Fogelstrom. We hope to see you tooling around U.C. in that beautiful car.

Even more important, a huge "thank you" goes out to the many, many community members who purchased tickets. The UCHS Boosters are now in the process of reviewing applications for the over \$20,000 that was raised by this drawing. "We will be replacing funds that were cut from spring sports last year and doing everything we can to provide support to our campus teams and clubs for the coming year," states Elaine Hanson, Booster president. "Everyone worked so hard on this fundraiser and now comes the fun part! Thanks so much to Div Brasted, Kerry Scott, Faye Esaias, Leslie Anderson, Becky Ramirez, Rick Hagan, the Dougherty family, and each and every person who bought or sold a ticket for their heroic efforts!"

Graffiti Busters

Did you know that you could receive a cash reward of up to \$500. if you report a tagger who is making a graffiti addition anywhere in our neighborhood? Call the Graffiti Program Office at 525 - 8522 with your information. If you see any graffiti in the area you can call this number or the Police Graffiti Strike Force at 858 - 573 - 5049 to have it eliminated. If anyone is interested in joining an "Eliminate Graffiti in U.C." Group, please contact Jay Mager at 858 - 457 - 3123. Let's work together to eliminate this menace from our community!



Behind The Scenes... Volunteers sort the newsletters into bundles for delivery.

ADVERTISING INFORMATION:

Reservations for ad space will be accepted on a first come-first served basis beginning the 1st of the month preceding publication. A backup list will be maintained.

Ad copy in camera-ready format must be received by the 10th of the month preceding publication (i.e., Jan. 10th for February edition) by Terri Day, Advertising Manager, at uccaADS@hotmail.com as an attachment.

Hard copy of ad plus check for the proper amount made payable to UCCA should be mailed to:

UCCA Ads, 3368 Governor Drive, #121, San Diego, CA 92122. Payment is also due by the 10th of the month preceding publication.

Ad prices: The board approved a slight increase in ad prices and a new size category. Effective with the February 2004 issue, business card

ads will be \$45, 3.5" x 4" double business card ads will be \$80 and quarter page ads will be \$90.

Additional costs incurred for preparation of ads for publication will be billed separately.

Ad space may be reserved in advance only once per calendar quarter.

Please contact Terri Day, UCCA Advertising Manager at uccaADS@hotmail.com or 858-874-3900, EXT 108 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. only. Email contact is preferred, if possible.

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

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for February issue is January 10th

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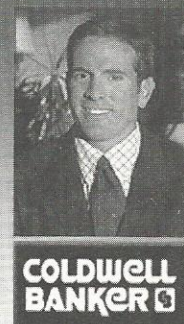
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Wishing you all happy holidays!



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Merry Christmas

Happy New Year

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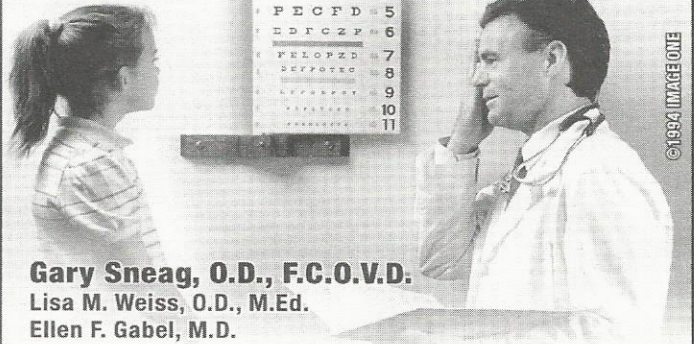
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At this time of year, I just want to thank everyone for their generosity and kindness and reflect on all of the wonderful blessings of the past year.

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