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Upcoming Events

Tree Planting
Saturday, March 1st

UCLL Opening Day 40th Anniversary

Sat., March 8th 9:00 a.m. at Cap Field (Softball field next to Middle School)

UCPG Tuesday, March 11th

Election - 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Meeting 6:30 p.m. Forum Hall, UTC above Wells Fargo Bank Full Agenda available at UC Library, & UCCA web page

EdUCate! Friendraiser Sat. March 15th 11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. University City High School

UCCA Social Hour, Sunday March 16th 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at OnTap!

UCCA Tuesday, March 20th
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
UC Library
Governor Dr. Beautification Project
Councilman Scott Peters

UC GARDEN CLUB

Thursday, March 27th 6:00 p.m. First Baptist Church of San Diego 5055 Governor Dr. Speaker: Phil Peck Topic: Epiphyllum

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



UCCA 2nd VP, Dr. Hugh Pates shares ideas at January Beautification Workshop

Next Step in Governor Dr Beautification Project to be Presented March 20th

Governor Dr. between Mercer and Stadium is the focus area

UCCA's general meeting March 20th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the UC Library will feature Councilman Scott Peters and the team of professionals who are working on the Governor Dr. beautification project. Randy Robbins and Steve Pomerenke of AVRP landscape architects together with Mitch Berner and Tiffany Sherer of Public Solutions will lead us in the next steps in the process. Residents are encouraged to attend and give input. The team introduced the beautification concept and elicited ideas from the community at the November UCCA meeting. Working in groups, residents brainstormed and expanded on these ideas at the January 23rd workshop held at

Standley Middle School. Now it's time to tie these ideas together and implement them. AVRP will provide various sketches based on ideas developed during the January workshop, review the designs and get input from the community as to their preferred design direction.

Plan to attend this very important meeting. You can help determine positive changes along our community's "main street," Governor Dr. Although the focus area of this project is Governor Dr. between Mercer and Stadium St., the goal is to beautify the length of Governor Dr. and add gateway signs in the future.

EdUCate! Friendraiser to Benefit UC's Public Schools

Student work, activities to be showcased

EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools, will hold it's second annual Friendraiser Saturday, March 15th, at University City High School, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event will showcase the many educational opportunities and activities for students at Curie,

Doyle, and Spreckels elementary schools, Standley Middle School, and UC High School.

View displays of student academic work. Enjoy performances by students participating in music, choir, band, drama, dance, drill and cheer.

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Neighborhood News...

UC Resident Matt Hammons reported to spring training camp with the Milwaukee Brewers. Have a great season, Matt... University City Senior Center at 3813 Governor Dr. is offering a full schedule of activities and speakers in March. Enjoy unusual animals from Wild Animal Express, a program of SD Wild Animal Park on Tuesday, March 4th at 10 a.m. Then travel to Bali at 11 a.m. with Corinne and Barry Smedley. Mari Madden of Aging and Independent Services will present "Healthy Snacking" Thursday, March 6th at 11 a.m. Jennifer Frumer will present "How Can I Really Talk with My Kids" Thursday, March 13th at 1 p.m. Dr. Zalman of the Cardiovascular Disease Foundation will speak about "Modern Understanding and Treatment of Heart Disease and Stroke" on Thursday, March 20th at 1 p.m. Join the group every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. for gentle chair fitness. For more information, contact Melinda Wynar, Program Director at 858 550-5998.

...Congratulations to **University City Little League**. Past presidents, participants and volunteers will gather at the Cap field on March 8th to celebrate UCLL's 40th season. Longtime residents will recall ball fields where the condominiums now stand behind Vons and at Chapparel Field now known as Costa Verde.

UCCA General Meetings

March 20th August 21st
May 15th November 20th
Watch for details

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UCCA 2002 Financial Review

UCCA had income of \$29,358 and expenses totaling \$29,874 in 2002. The majority of the income, \$12,252.48 (40%) was donated by International City Bank for the banners lining Governor Dr., Genesee Av. and Regents Rd. The banners also made up the majority of expenses, \$12,969 (43%).Membership fees contributed \$7308 (25%). The newsletter (first published in May) was the second largest expense at \$5,806 (19%). The printing costs were partially offset by newsletter advertising income of \$2,659.

Of the events, the summer concerts had the largest net expense, \$1,451. Concert donations of \$909 from the audience and \$800 from the Rec Council, totaled \$1,709 while expenses totaled \$3,160. Oktoberfest realized a net income of \$201 largely due to the donated beer and wine by Hops! (now On Tap!). The holiday tree lighting had a net expense of \$89. Promotional items, license plate frames and tee shirts, accounted for \$340 and \$290 of income and \$371 and \$480 of expenses. Insurance costs, \$1139 and accounting and IRS charges totaling \$650 made up the majority of the general expenses. Looking ahead in 2003

The UCCA board established a budget for 2003. Membership income will again help fund the newsletter and other activities.

UC Library News

New Toddler Storytime Added

Children's librarian Sharon Thomerson announced a new Toddler storytime will be added on March 5th. The storytime schedule is as follows:

Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. Preschool and Kindergarten

Wednesdays 10:30 a.m Toddlers 0-3 Saturdays 11:00 a.m. Family

To all who have joined or renewed membership, thank you! If you haven't yet sent in your donation, it's never to late. The greater the number of mer bers, the more we can do for the community. Membership applications are available at the Postal Annex, UC Library and Mail Exchange or may be downloaded and printed from the UCCA website, www.universitycityca.com.

We appreciate the generous donations and newsletter advertising by businesses in our first year and hope UCCA can count on continued support of the newsletter and events in 2003. We are in the process of scheduling Sunday summer concerts. It would be wonderful if local businesses would consider sponsoring or co-sponsoring individual concerts. If interested, please e-mail carole.ucca@att.net or call Sandy at 453-2387.

UCCA also relies heavily on donations of time and talent. UCCA would not be able to function without the help of terrific volunteers who plan and work the events and deliver the newsletters throughout the community each month. To each of you, *thank you* for making difference in our community. Working together in 2003, residents, local businesses and business owners will continue to demonstrate that University City truly is *more than a neighborhood*.

UC Friends of the Library invite everyone interested in being of service to attend the next REGULAR MONTH-LY MEETING of the Friends of the UC Library on Tuesday, March 11, at 5:00 p.m. at the University Community Library 4155 Governor Drive.

Deadline for April edition is March 10th

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UCLL's 40th Season

Opening day festivities begin 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 8th on the Standley Park softball field along Governor Dr. ceremony will last about one hour and will focus on the 40th Anniversary and the countless volunteers that have helped build UC Little League into the organization it is today. The league will pay special tribute to all past presidents. Also, 'Red' from Red Robin restaurant will be there to help throw out the first pitch. Everyone is welcome to spend "a day at the park." The snack bar will be open.

Garden Club

Epiphyllum, the True Jungle Cactus, is March Topic

Phil Peck, member and past president of the S.D.Epiphyllum Society will tell us all about the care and cultivating of this easy to grow and spectacular plant. Epiphyllums are true cacti and are more properly labeled epicacti or jungle cactus and are native to the jungles of Mexico, Central and South America.

The Christmas Cactus is one of the more commonly known hybrids. The Wild Animal Park houses a comprehensive collection which is maintained by the S.D Epiphyllum Society. They are the perfect answer for the gardener who can no longer bend or stoop, as they can be hung in easy to reach places and are not hard to look after. While they do thrive with neglect, given a little care they will provide blossoms that are breath-taking and very spectacular.

Learn all about this fabulous plant at the Garden Club meeting 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. March 27th, at the First Baptist Church located at 5055 Governor Drive. Call 535-9214 or 457-9676 for more information.

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There will also be displays and sales of student work in art, ceramics and woodshop, games and activities for all ages, interactive activities in science, math, dance and drama and a special performance by our Principals. The Opportunity Drawing will feature a Friendship quilt made by UCHS staff bers. Admission is free.Proceeds them the sale of food, student work, games, activities and the opportunity drawing will benefit the students. For more information, please call Rashmi Bhargava at (858) 457-4295.

See You at On Tap!

OnTap! at UTC will be the site of the March 16th social event commemorating UCCA's first birthday as a revived community association. UCCA members and friends are invited to come to On Tap! from 5:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Tickets for an appetizer buffet are \$7.00 for members, \$8.00 for non-members if purchased by March 9th or \$10.00 at the door. Drinks, including green beer in honor of St. Patrick's Day, are no host. Send your check made payable to UCCA to:

UCCA Attn: Sandy, P O Box 121, 3368 Governor Dr., San Diego, CA 92122

Some Area Homeowners May Qualify for Free inspection, Installation of Security Devices

Low to moderate income homeowners in District 1 City Council District are invited to see if they qualify for the free inspection and installation of security devices such as: security screen doors, motion sensor lights, wide angle viewers, deadbolt locks, dusk to dawn lights, sliding door locks, window locks, carbon monoxide/smoke detectors. Call Tevita Moala, Program Technician at the San Diego Imperial Counties Labor Council. She may be reached Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 619-584-5836. This program is funded by the Housing Commission of San Diego in conjunction with Council Member Scott Peters' Neighborhood Fight Against Crime.

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...You can call (619) 527-3482 to find out the **street sweeping** schedule for your area...

...The **Off Leash Dog Park** at Doyle Park is now open and has one area for large dogs and one for small dogs...

...The timing of traffic signals along Genesee is slated for improvement. New traffic counts will be taken, and interconnects will also be made. It is estimated that it will take two months for the new traffic counts and about two months to do the interconnects...

...The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Regents Rd.Bridge/Genesee widening is now estimated to cost up to \$1.5 million dollars. PDC has been named the consultant. Gordon Lutes is the project manager. Katz and Associates will handle the public participation process. A community working group of 25-30 people will be established in March. It is to include representatives of various stakeholders in the community ranging from large employers to community organizations. Meetings will be open to the public. ...

...The UCPG, University Community Planning Group will hold an election at the March 11th meeting. To be eligible to vote, one must be a member of UCPG as of February 11th. Resident members may only vote for the residential candidate in their district. South University City is District 1. Business representatives will vote for business candidates.

... Garden Communities was asked to bring a rendering or model to the next UCPG meeting showing how the 40 story building and three 30 story buildings they hope to build at the corner of Genesee and La Jolla Village Dr. will relate to the existing buildings at Costa Verde. The height of the buildings and density (1100 residential units) raised concern among those in attendance at the February UCPG meeting.

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