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# Standley Park Summer Concerts

# Calendar

Independence Day Thursday, July 4th

Sunday Summer Concerts
July 12th - August 25th
Standley Park(see details here)

Ramadan Starts Tuesday, July 9th

# **UCPG Meetings**

Tuesdays, July 9th & August to be determined 6:00 pm, Forum Hall/UTC

# **UCCA Meetings**

Wednesdays, July 10th & August 14th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm UC Library

# UC Celebration Planning Meetings

Wednesday, September 18th, 6:30 pm Standley Recreation Center

# Banana Split & Movie in the Park

Saturday, August 3rd, 2:00 - 4:00 pm Standley Recreation Center

UC Celebration
Planning Meetings
Thursday (tentative),
September 18th, 7:00 pm
Standley Recreation Center

- O Friday 7/12, 6:00 to 8:00 pm, **TEASER**, 80's & 90's Arena Rock with local UC resident, Rick Kern
- O Sunday 7/21, 5:00 to 7:00 pm,

  \*\*RELATIVE MINORS & FRIENDS,

  Classic Rock & more with local UC resident,

  Greg Zinser
- O Sunday 7/28, 5:00 to 7:00 pm,

  MICHELE LUNDEEN & BLUES STREAK, Blues
- Sunday 8/4, 5:00 to 7:00 pm, ROADHOUSE,
   Swing & Classic Jazz from
   the Great American Songbook
   with local UC resident, Greg Pardue
- Sunday 8/11, 5:00 to 7:00 pm, 3 CHORD JUSTICE, Country
- O Sunday 8/18, 5:00 to 7:00 pm,
  The **LEGENDS**, Oldies from the 50's & 60's
- O Sunday 8/25, 5:00 to 7:00 pm, FORECAST, Funky Jazz & more with local UC resident, Greg Pardue See page 11 for last year's photos.
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# **Message from the President**

# **Barry Bernstein**



t's summer for sure, and I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at the 4th of July Celebration. UCCA is a major supporter of this annual event. Since it is the 25th Anniversary Celebration, we hope many of you who perhaps have not attended in the past, will be able to enjoy the various family centered activities. There will be local vendors/organizations/ a beer garden, (our local accordion club will be there to provide some great polka music) and our special bike/pet parade. A special 5K run and 1-mile family run/walk are also scheduled this year. Some great evening music is provided by the very outstanding Y3K band. (See the schedule of events on page 20). UCCA will have a booth, so please stop by and say hello. If you haven't joined UCCA, you can be sure we'll have membership envelopes handy! This edition of our newsletter is a combined July/August edition.

Look on your doorstep the first week of September for our next edition. UCCA's newly revised by-laws require prospective nominees for elected office positions to have attended at least two regular UCCA board meetings. If you are interested in running for office, be sure to attend our meetings this fall. Elections take place the second Wednesday in November.

Standley Park's acting director, Courtney Roberts, is now our official permanent director. Congratulations, Courtney!

Our July 10th, UCCA library meeting at 6:00 pm, is open to everyone. We will host assistant fire Chief Ken Barnes who will be discussing the plans for building a fire station in South UC. Also, we have invited Toni Atkins, California State Assemblywoman, to give us an update on how our state legislature is doing. We are also expecting Mr. Mike Borchard, franchise owner of the newly rebuilt Carl's Jr., to give us details of their planned grand opening. UCCA has so many wonderful volunteers. On Sunday, August 18th, at 4:00 pm, prior to the summer concert, UCCA's Volunteer Recognition Event will be honoring and celebrating the contributions of our newsletter and Neighborhood Watch volunteers. These are the individuals who give of their time and energy to make our community "more than just a neighborhood." UCCA has accomplished so much this year with your help and support. We thank you! Have a safe, healthy, and fun summer. Best wishes,

Barry

# Newsletter Deliverers and Neighborhood Watch Volunteers Will Be Honored in August

by Barbara Henshaw

If you deliver UCCA newsletters or are involved in Neighborhood Watch on your street, please circle Sunday, August 18th, the day to honor you. The public appreciation event will take place at Standley Park during the summer concert that begins at 4:00 pm. The UCCA board wants to thank you for your help and dedication to our community. Your help makes UC more than a neighborhood.

# **What's Missing with MTS?**

by Sandy Lippe

Ask anyone who waits for a bus on the south side of Governor close to Regents what is missing at the bus stop? The regular bus patrons will tell you there is no place to sit, other than on the ground. UCCA has investigated the reason for the missing bus bench normally placed on the concrete. According to Councilwoman Lightner's office by way of MTS, there are electrical systems below that concrete pad and ADA regulations that make it impossible for the bench to be installed.

UCCA didn't like that answer and pursued the issue. Now there will be a new bus bench installed on the dirt patch adjacent to the concrete patch. While bus benches are not works of art, other than displays for ads, they do serve the community of bus riders who have to wait. Watch for the new bus bench, and give thanks to MTS and Councilwoman Lightner's office. If you have complaints, contact UCCA, your community association, that loves to solve problems. If you haven't joined UCCA yet, can we complain back?



Bus stop and no bench.

# **Notice:**

There is an open business seat on the UCPG executive committee. Dr. Deryl Adderson has resigned from the board. He has a conflict on Tuesday nights. Anyone who is interested should contact John Bassler, membership chair, or Janay Kruger, chair, before July 5th. They should plan on attending the July 9th meeting where applicants will be interviewed. They will be serving out Dr. Adderson's term until March, 2015. They then could run for re-election.



bv Jemma Samala

UC's summer scene is upon us, and we begin to experience some familiar sights, sounds and smells that come along with this outdoor season.

Soon after school let out, I saw a sight of what I feel is a childhood must do—running a lemonade stand. I made sure to stop by the stand where Madison Menvielle, Hope Denison, John Denison, and Tyler Morton were showing signs of early entrepreneurship. They were selling not only lemonade but also orange juice and candy. Make sure to stop by these pop-up venues and encourage our future businessmen and women.

In UC, the sounds of summer include the music played by the many bands performing during the Outdoor Summer Concert series at Standley Park. What I love is the local connection, as a number of the bands have UC residents as band members. UC's got Rick Kerns with Teaser (July 12), Greg Zinser with Relative Minors & Friends (July 21), and Greg Pardue with two bands, Roadhouse (August 4), and Forecast (August 25). Come out and enjoy our locals' music. Plus, it's FREE, courtesy of our Standley Recreation Council.

Neighbors around Greg Zinser's home get the added value of musical sessions held there on Saturday afternoons. These sessions give musicians the chance to play and sing music in a casual group setting. Some guests just come and listen. The sessions became so popular, Zinser started one just for beginner to intermediate guitar players.

For your daytime outdoor listening pleasure, the UTC Mall offers their Plaza Unplugged series of musicians that perform Wednesdays through Sundays, 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm, in the central court. Performers include Blu Gruv, ZB Savory, Sonia Rao, Josh Domingo, and Matt & Jasmine Commerce. More information about these free musical events can be found on their Facebook page.

The UC Library gets in on the music act too. They're offering a Bluegrass Concert on July 31st, at 6:30 pm, the Villa Musica Women's Chorus on August 13th at 6:30 pm and for the kiddos, Hullabaloo on July 17th at 1:00 pm. That will get the youngsters hopping.

The UC library is also host to a club that has a special meaning to me, The Accordion Club, which meets the 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9:30 to 11:30 am. Why? As a youngster, my grandparents had visions of a grandchild prodigy who would one day grace the stages of the Lawrence Welk show. I was that grandchild, and the accordion happened to be the instrument of choice. Needless to say, I never got on that stage. Could it be the fact that the accordion always seemed bigger than me? But I had some nice pictures taken. My accordion is collecting dust in my living room. Yes, I still have it, and I used to play a mean Edelweiss.

You'd be glad to know we have much more musically inclined youth in UC. We had quite a talented bunch that performed in the pit orchestra of the CYC Theatre production of Les Miserables shown at the Lyceum Theatre in June. Local UC student musicians that worked in the pit orchestra included students from UCHS - Allie Pilkington, Spencer Pilkington, Lee Hagaman, Yooka Kim, Kimia Nouri, Jenna Hom; Jessica Hall (Standley), and Michael Baddour (Francis Parker). Congrats to these talented musicians who may one day be performing at one of our local concerts.

In the meantime, we look forward to hearing the sounds of Y3K at our Fourth of July Celebration to officially kick off the summer. I'll see you all there! Afterwards, I'll be heading off for a traditional BBQ with friends, where the delicious smells of summer keep me out of a bikini.

(Keep me updated on your UC Scene: jemmasamala@gmail.com)

# **Neighborhood Watch News Update**

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A big thank you to our newest neighborhood watch captains. Some have already had street meetings or will have them soon. Please plan to attend. The information that is discussed could save you future aggravation. We need everyone involved.

Stan Betts on Nansen
Rachel Rigoli on Lord Cecil
Mike & Betsy Pelling on Passy/Haber
Ruth DeSantis on Lamas
Pat Stickels on Notre Dame
Diane Ahern on Kantor/Gullstrand in La Jolla Del Rey
William Burfitt on Benhurst
Terry Jones on Rous

The following story was printed in USA Today on June 9th, 2013, concerning a medical alert scam targeting seniors, specifically those who are disabled or diabetic.

It's a robo-call and the voice implies that somebody signed the elderly person up for a medical alert system. Right now, this scam is taking place in Michigan, New York, Texas, Wisconsin and Kentucky.

Some computerized calls claim they're associated with an insurance company or another well-known name. Some scams even claim that free services come through Medicare, which is not the case at all. If you press the button accepting this service, it could also be a way for conartists to obtain bank or credit card information or even social security numbers to use later in ID theft.

The Federal Trade Commission took action against Instant Response Systems and its other name, Medical Alert Services.

The BBB is telling consumers to just hang up the phone, do not press any buttons, and if someone does talk to you, be sure to first ask for the company's physical address. If the representative wants your address but won't give out its own address, it's a red flag to a scam.

What to do if you receive one of these calls: CALL 877-382-4357, THE CONSUMER RESPONSE CENTER, or file a complaint electronically at www.ftccomplaintassistant.gov/.

Several communities are reporting break-ins during the day because residents are leaving doors and windows open, not locking their gates to their backyards or using their alarm systems. Please check that these measures have been taken before leaving your home at any time.

### Reminder:

For crime in progress or medical emergency, call 911.

A crime that occurred that you didn't observe or you notice suspicious activity such as someone taking recyclables out of the trash, finding car tires slashed or solicitors, call 619-531-2000 to report the problem. Ask for an incident number for tracking purposes. We suggest that you add this phone number into your cell phone.

The San Diego Police Department needs your help in preventing vehicle burglaries and thefts.

- Do not let your guard down when parking in secure parking garages.
   Vehicle thefts and vehicle burglaries are highest in these areas.
- Do not prop open doors or hold the door open for people to enter your apartment facility. Suspects are not breaking in. They are relying on you to let them in.
- Use a steering wheel locking device.
- Do not leave ANYTHING in view in your vehicle.
- Never leave your garage door opener in the vehicle.
- Write down the serial numbers of your property.
- Report suspicious activity. Most law enforcement arrests start as a call from a concerned citizen.

# WANTED

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH STREET CAPTAINS MINOR EFFORT, MAJOR REWARD

Please email: bggellman@yahoo.com for further information University City Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

# **EYES & EARS**

UCCA would like to salute RSVP, Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol, comprised of 40 volunteers in the Northern Division, who partner with the San Diego Police Department as extra eyes and ears. They serve the communities of University City, La Jolla, Pacific Beach, Mission Beach, Bay Park, Bay Ho, Mission Bay and Clairemont.

RSVP volunteers provide assistance to uniformed officers with non-confrontational duties such as: daily neighborhood patrols in residential areas, shopping centers, schools and banks to determine and report suspicious activity. RSVP can monitor traffic speeds using radar, check and cite violators for red-zone parking, disabled parking and vehicles with expired registrations. They patrol for stolen vehicles and license plates. They will contact the police directly if there is something that requires police intervention. They will also assist detectives and sworn officers on investigations and special projects.

Vacation home checks are another great service. By filling out forms at the RSVP office at 4275 Eastgate Mall, La Jolla, you give them permission to access your outside property. If they find something suspicious, then you are contacted or whoever you listed is contacted. If necessary, the police will be called. Keep in mind they are not a private security company.

The You Are Not Alone (YANA) program is awesome. These trained volunteers will check on shut-ins to ensure their safety and well being. Again, detailed forms must be filled out before this service is implemented.

According to Jack Porath, the administrator of the Northern Division of RSVP, there aren't sufficient volunteers to cover this service so, if you are an active senior, 50+, and are interested in enhancing our community, this flexible RSVP program might be right for you. Call 858-552-1711 for more information.

We are so fortunate to have RSVP services available in this community as an added safety net. Wave when you see their marked RSVP patrol cars and give a big "thank you."

# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IS AUGUST 6th, 2013

This event was introduced in 1984 as "America's Night Out Against Crime." It began as an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and to send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. The traditional "lights on" campaign can be organized street by street with the help of your neighborhood watch captains. This would include block parties, cookouts or just sitting together on lawn chairs, chatting, listening to great music and lights glaring around. Our police officers will be visiting as many streets as possible to share their support. If you are planning to do this, please let me know, and I will give Officer Hesselgesser a list of homes that are involved. Usually the event begins around 5:00 pm and ends around 9:00 pm, but keep those lights on later. Let's "light up" University City big time!

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# Becoming a UC-er!

by Rachel Tait

"We need a dog," I announced to my husband one Saturday morning soon after we'd moved into our little ranch in UC, breathless, as I carried in a large pickaxe I'd purchased for three dollars at a garage sale a few streets away. The hike up and down the hill had, sad to say, winded me.

"Really?" he asked, eyebrows raised, clearly amused at both my haul and my suggestion. Neither one of us has ever had a pet, and I'd never expressed any interest in one of the canine variety before we purchased our new house.

The thing is, it seemed like everyone in the neighborhood had a dog or was out walking a dog or was just out walking. In the few short weeks we'd lived here, I'd started going to yard sales bright and early, on weekend mornings, to see if I could find any treasures to help complement our sparse furnishings. Driving to houses only blocks away seemed ridiculous, so I'd gotten in the habit of walking. And there were people out everywhere, usually with a dog in tow, stopping to chat in the middle of a side street or charging across a busy intersection to get to the local donut shop.

As a new member of the UC club, it's so easy to see that this is a friendly, active neighborhood. It's one of the main reasons we were attracted to the area when we were home shopping. We've been welcomed with smiles, cookies, and with promises of help if the need arises. And, not surprisingly, we've also been strongly encouraged to get a dog. So don't be surprised if you see me out one early Saturday morning, leash in hand, conversing with a neighbor. I'll be just one of the UC-ers.

# **Standley Recreation Center**What's Coming?

## **Summer Movies in the Park 2013**

Saturday, June 8th: Sandlot PG Movie begins at dusk. Standley Community Park 3585 Governor Drive 858-552-1652

### YMCA Summer Davcamp

Ages: 5 to 12years

Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; extended care provided. Register online beginning April 15, 2013 at www.lajolla.ymca.org Please call the YMCA at 858-453-3483 for details.

# Master Sports Youth Basketball League

Grades: 1 through 9

Dates: June 22 through August 11, 2013
For information or to register online: www.masteryoursports.com

# **UC Celebration, Banana Split & Summer Concerts**

Summer is almost here!! Volunteers needed!

If interested please call

Standley Recreation Center at 858-552-1652.



Julie Lee, outgoing public relations staff member of Scripps Healthcare, visited the June UCCA board meeting and posed with Sandy Lippe. Julie assured UCCA that Scripps will continue to support worthy activities like the street banners Scripps sponsored. Both the summer concerts at Standley Park and the UC Celebration received monetary help from Scripps Healthcare.

### by Barbara Gellman & Merle Berman

We are always looking for ways to improve the appearance of University City which includes the commercial district and residential areas. If you see a commercial area that needs attention, please let us know, and we will talk with the owner or landlord. Residences are another matter.

We all know of one or more homes on our street that need some improvements on the outside. It can be weeds or dead/overgrown shrubs, empty pots lying around, garbage containers sitting out in front or broken fences dangling from their hinges.

Some folks physically or financially can't do the work needed and are hesitant to ask for help. Could you and other neighbors offer to pitch in and get it done? The longer these homes remain in unacceptable conditions the greater the risk for health hazards and fire. As you well know, that by helping others you help yourself so, dig in, one plot at a time.

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# <u>University Community Library</u>

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Libraries will be closed July 4th for Independence Day. http://tinyurl.com/universitycommunitylibrary

TIPS FOR SHOPPING FOR ASSISTED LIVING Are you considering moving into an assisted living facility or looking into one for a family member? Consumer Advocates for RCFE (Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly,) will guide you through the first and only website in California to offer online public documents on assisted living facilities. FRIDAY, JULY 12TH, at 10:30 AM

### **UC BOOK CLUB**

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel-a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24TH, at 2:00 PM

### **COMPUTER BASICS**

Learn computer fundamentals in simple and easy steps, including how to set up an email account, type a Word document, surf the Web and more! Sign up at the front desk. Space is limited!

SATURDAYS, FROM JULY 20th THROUGH AUGUST 31st at 10:30-11:30 AM

### VILLA MUSICA WOMEN'S CHORUS

Villa Musica is San Diego's premiere community music center, enabling people of all ages and backgrounds to discover, explore and enhance their music skills. TUESDAY, AUGUST 13TH, at 6:30 PM

### **UC BOOK CLUB**

Weird Sisters by Eleanor Brown

The Andreas family is one of readers. Their father has named his three daughters after famous Shakespearean women. When the sisters return to their childhood home they are horrified to find each other there. But the sisters soon discover that everything they've been running from, one-another, their small hometown, and themselves might offer more than they ever expected. AUGUST 28TH, at 2:00 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. TUESDAYS, at 12:30-3:30 PM THROUGH AUGUST 6TH

## KNITTING AND CROCHETING CIRCLE

Do you love to knit or crochet, or have you always wanted to learn? All levels welcome. First timers' materials provided. FRIDAY, JULY 5TH AND AUGUST 2ND, at 1:00-2:30 PM

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

### SPECIAL NEEDS ZUMBA

Lisbeth Garces leads a safe, fun workout created for persons with special needs.

EVERY MONDAY at 1:00-2:00 PM

### ACCORDION CLUB

New members are always invited to join! SECOND AND FOURTH SATURDAYS at 9:30-11:30 PM

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM

THIS YEAR'S THEME IS "READING IS DELICIOUS!" Read fun books, attend fun shows, win fun prizes all summer long!

TEEN CAKE DECORATING CLASS Austrian pastry chef Kurt K. Lechner of the Art Academy of California at San Diego shares how to create a sweet masterpiece. Teens will decorate cupcakes. Space is limited to 50 so sign up today. JULY 9TH at 4:00 PM

### **TEEN MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY!**

Join your friends and bring your snacks this summer for free movies! Call the library at 858-552-1655 or email Ms. April at AGilbertatsandiego.gov for the movie titles. FRIDAY, JULY 12TH, at 3:00-4:30 PM

FRIDAY, JULY 19TH, at 3:00-4:30 PM FRIDAY, JULY 26TH, at 3:00-4:30 PM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND, at 3:00-4:30 PM FRIDAY, AUGUST 9TH, at 3:00-4:30 PM

TEEN BOOK CLUB will discuss Hoot by Carl Hiaasen.

Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site. A special guest will visit from The Living Coast Discovery Center with Burrowing Owls. Middle and high school students welcome. Snacks provided. Please pick up your book and read it before attending the meeting.

TUESDAY, JULY 23RD, at 3:30 PM

TEEN BOOK CLUB will discuss Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein. In 1943, a British fighter plane crashes in Nazi-occupied France and the survivor tells a tale of friendship, war, espionage, and great courage as she relates what she must do to survive while keeping secret all that she can. TUESDAY, AUGUST 20TH at 3:30 PM

TEEN EMPLOYMENT AND INTERNSHIP WORKSHOP Career Connections will give interview tips and insight into local internship opportunities. TUESDAY, JULY 16TH AND AUGUST 13TH, at 4:00 PM

IT'S BOOKTIME WITH RONALD MCDONALD! Ronald McDonald inspires elementary-aged children to read in this fun-filled educational program. Puppets, music, and magic will reinforce the value of books and the enjoyment that comes from reading. TUESDAY, JULY 2ND at 4:00 PM

VENTRILOQUIST JOE GANDELMAN A library favorite. Joe shares laughs with favorite "friends" along with a positive message about reading. WEDNESDAY. JULY 10TH at 1:00 PM

**HULLABALOO** Tasty tunes by local favorite musicians. WEDNESDAY, JULY 17TH at 1:00 PM

COOKING FOR LIFE Kids learn to create their own healthy snacks from Cooking for Life. Sign up for one or both classes. Space is limited to 30 participants. WEDNESDAY, JULY 24TH AND JULY 31ST, at 12:30-1:30 PM

AMAZING DANA MAGIC SHOW Come to this fantastic magic show and volunteer to float in mid-air!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7TH, at 1:00 PM

### **END OF SUMMER READING PROGRAM PARTY WITH CRAIG NEWTON**

Enjoy some tasty tunes with this versatile musician and celebrate all your summer reading. Reading logs are due. THURSDAY, AUGUST 15TH, at 1:30-2:30 PM

PAWS TO READ Children practice their reading skills with patient, loving dogs brought by their handlers from Love on Leash THURSDAY, JULY 25TH AND AUGUST 22ND, at 4:00-4:30 PM

PAJAMA STORYTIME Families, wear your jammies and cuddle up with some good books. Join Miss April for stories, songs, and fun! EVERY WEDNESDAY at 6:30-7:00 PM

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME Stories, song and craft fun! All wee ones welcome.

EVERY THURSDAY at 10:30 -11:00 PM

FAMILY YOGA Gentle exercises to aid flexibility and improve concentration. Bring own yoga mat or towel.

SATURDAY, JULY 20TH AND AUGUST 17TH, at 10:30-11:00 AM

SIGNING TODDLER STORYTIME Sign language fun for babies, toddlers and preschoolers with Jennifer Duncan. MONDAY, JULY 22ND AND AUGUST 26TH, at 3:00-3:30 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

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.

# **Updates on Schools in UC**

by Pia Mantovani-Sud

We know. The school year has just ended, but here is a rundown of what's coming up. Of notice is the fact that Standley Middle School will start at 8:05 am and end at 2:50 pm or 12:49 pm during minimum days. All other school times will remain unchanged. Keep this schedule in mind come September if you are swimming at Swanson Pool or just driving around Genesee/Governor during that time frame

## 35th Annual Curie Craft Fair

The 35th Annual Curie Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, November 2nd. Booth rentals are now available. Please contact our booth chair, Dusty Reisch, at *curiecraftfair@gmail.com* for more information.

# **All incoming Curie Kindergarten**

Students and their families are invited to informal play dates at Dinosaur Park, east of Curie, on the corner of Gullstrand and Governor, on Sunday, August 11th, 3:00-5:00 pm. Other dates are Friday, August 23rd, 3:00-5:00 pm and Friday, August 30th, (after class posting until 5 pm).

Curie class posting for all grades will be Friday, August 30th, from 2:00-2:30 pm at Curie Elementary.

University City TB clinic for volunteers will be held on Wednesday, September 11th, 8:00 am-12:00 noon. The clinic will be in the back parking lot of Partner's Urgent Care, 4085 Governor Dr., SD, CA 92122. Partner's Urgent Care will be offering \$20 TB shots (a \$5.00 savings).

# A Wildcat Welcome to Spreckels Kindergartners

Summer Play Dates for Incoming & Advancing Spreckels Kindergartners

Sunday, August 11th, 4:00-5:00 pm at Standley Park Saturday, August 24th, 10:00-11:00 am at Standley Park Thursday, August 29th, 4:00-5:00 pm at Spreckels K Playground Sponsored by the Spreckels PTA

### It is Official!

Effective Tuesday, September 3rd, Standley Middle School will have the following bell times:

Regular day: 8:05 am - 2:50 pm Modified day: 8:05 am - 12:49 pm

# 2013-2014 Prep Day at Standley Returns

Once again, you will be able to come to school prior to the first day to complete official paperwork and purchase\* PE clothes and yearbooks, as well as join the PTSA. This one day event is tentatively planned for Tuesday, August 27th. Please watch your mail, listen for a phone call and check your email for final date information and times.

\*Purchase of items not required

# UC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS OH, THE PLACES THEY'LL GO!

# **Look Where Our Seniors are Headed!**

by Marie Byrd

These are some of the colleges and universities our UCHS Seniors will be attending this fall. We're very proud and wish our students the best of luck! American University-Washington, D.C.; ASU; Art Institute of SD; BYU; Brown University; Cal Poly – Pomona and San Luis Obispo; CSU Northridge; California Institute of Technology; Carnegie Mellon; Case Western Reserve; City College; College of the Desert; Colorado State; Columbia; Concordia; Cornell; CSU Chico; CSU East Bay; CSU Fullerton; CSU Long Beach; CSU Monterey Bay; CSU San Marcos; Cuyumaca College; Dartmouth College; Depaul University; Eastern Nazarene College: Eastmean School of Music: Florida State: Grossmont; Hawaii Pacific; John Paul the Great Catholic University; Kaplan College; Mesa; Miracosta College; Miramar; Montana State; New Mexico Highlands University; New Mexico State; North Western Michigan; Northern Arizona University; Norwich University; Northern Michigan University; Nova Southeastern University; Oaberlin College; Paul Mitchell School; Pima Medical Institute; Point Loma Nazarene; Saint Mary's of Minnesota; SDSU; San Francisco State; San Jose State; Santa Monica College; Savannah College of Art & Design; Smith College; Sonoma State; Southwestern College; Stanford; Syracuse; Texas A&M; UC Berkeley; UC Davis; UC Irvine; UCLA; UC Riverside; UCSD; UC Santa Barbara; UC Santa Cruz; University of British Columbia; University of Colorado-Boulder; University of Hawaii; University of Michigan; University of Montana; USD; University of San Francisco; University of Vermont; University of Victoria; University of Washington; UTI Tech Institute; Washington State; and West Virginia Weslyan College.

# **To Parents of Incoming Freshmen:**

by Pia Mantovani-Sud

Is your student interested in playing on a sports team at UCHS? If so, please refer to the athletics section of the UCHS website for all sports tryout information, coach contact info, athletic packets, etc.

### **Registration Packets:**

UCHS registration packet pick-up days will be on July 17th from 9:00-11:00 am and August 14th from 5:00-7:00 pm.

Parents are invited to come to the high school (6949 Genesee Avenue, San Diego 92122) on one of these days to pick up the necessary forms and information for the 2013-2014 school year. Please know that when picking up registration packets, photo identification is necessary.

# BACKPACKS FOR KIDS AT STANDLEY PARK

by June Kubli

It's once again time to purchase backpacks, school supplies packaged socks, and other items that children less fortunate may use to begin their school year. The UC Agent Group of Coldwell Banker, in conjunction with the Office of Children and Youth in Transition, will collect all you have to offer at Standley Park on Sunday, August 4th between 3:00-6:00 pm.

Last year, thanks to the overwhelming support of UC'ers, we collected enough backpacks and accessories to supply many of the 5000+ students who are supported by the Children and Youth and Transition Office. This year, with your help, we hope to fill two trucks!

Look for our truck parked in front of the swimming pool at the park. You may drop off your contributions and then stay to enjoy the musical concert featuring Roadhouse. If for some reason you will not be able to join us on August 4th, we would be happy to pick up your donations. Just call your local Coldwell Banker agent or 858-353-0406, and we will arrange to pick up your contribution.

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Summer Reading! Sign up for summer reading and be eligible for prizes and more!

7/03: Animals by Wild Wonders! Come to the library and pay a visit to the food truck SnoCone!

7/10: Science by Krypton Yvonne! 7/17: Music by Raggle Taggle! 7/24: Magic by Craig Stone 7/31: Literature Comes to Life

### All shows at 6:30 pm!

Cooking with Vera: July 20th at 11:30 am and July 30th at 6:00 pm. Come meet chef Vera and learn how to make some great dishes in the kitchen! Free food!

Family Yoga: 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 10:30 am. Music, stories, games and props will be integrated in this fun child-centered class. Please bring your own mats.

Job Search Assistance: Mondays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Receive job coaching, resume and interview help! Please call ahead to make an appointment.

Knitter's Circle: Now on a new day of the week. Please join this informal knitting club and learning how to knit, crochet. Make new friends while making great new creations. 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month 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.

# EdUCate!

by Diane Lueke

## **EdUCate! Math Academy**

The EdUCate! Math Academy 8-week pilot program was a resounding success! All student participants claimed improved performance in their math classes. The most dramatic gain was realized by a seventh grader who raised her grade from a D to a B-!! Stay tuned as we gear up to roll out the EdUCate! Math Academy this fall!

# **Food Truck Family Night**

To date, the EdUCate! Food Truck Family Night has generated more than \$3,000 since our first night back in April! Thank you for supporting EdUCate! and our local schools. In addition to helping raise money for the five University City schools, the weekly event has become quite the social gathering where families with and without children in UC schools come together to eat and enjoy being amongst friends and neighbors.

Our community has hosted close to 15 different trucks featuring food from all over the world as well as regional dishes from the US. The July schedule includes the following trucks, but make sure to check the EdUCate! website (http://www.uc-educate.org), Facebook page or Twitter @UCEdUCate account for updates to the truck lineup.

### July 3rd

Chips Beach Eats Mastiff Sausage Tabe **Urban Eats** Super O Not So Fast July 10th Slider House Underdogs Devilicious NY on Rye Pizza Pazza Little Miss Shortcakes

Chubby's Two for the Road Tortally Tasty Greengo Asian Persuasion Little Miss Shortcakes

July 17th

July 24th

Crepes Bonaparte Devilicious Opera Chips Beach Eatz Crab Cakes 911 SnoCal July 31st

Chubby's Chop Suey Calbi Dog Schack **Urban Eats** Little Miss Shortcakes

As a reminder, the Food Truck Family Night program is scheduled to run through November. Ten percent of all purchases go directly to the EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools.

# **EdUCate! Volunteer Scholarship and Memorial** Scholarships Awarded for 2012-2013.

by Anne St. Louis

Congratulations to University City High School class of 2013! EdUCate! honors recipients of our annual volunteer scholarship as well as recipients of three important memorial scholarships.

EdUCate! Volunteer Scholarship Winners: (\$500 each) California Simmons and Priscilla Perez with 2012-2013 EdUCate! President Brook Feerick. California Simmons is attending City College where she will pursue student health care and Priscilla Perez will also go to City College for general study. Nominated by UCHS counselors, teachers and administrators, these two ladies received the most nominations. We commend California and Priscilla for their history of volunteer commitments at UCHS.

Thalia Murray Memorial Scholarship Winner: (\$2000) Sarah Em with Bruce Murray. Sarah will attend Case Western Reserve University and plans to major in nursing so that she can give back to her community. Sarah's school counselor, Michelle Barnier, describes her as "perceptive, thoughtful, and determined. She never has to be pushed or encouraged as she is highly selfmotivated and passionate about many aspects of life".

Patricia R. Preston Memorial Scholarship Winner: Kristin **Balicoco with Levonne Cook.** Chosen for her strong academic and community service achievements, Kristin embodies goals consistent with the late Ms. Preston. Kristin will attend San Diego State University in the fall. Pat Preston was an active supporter of her son, Ryan, in K-12 schools, sports and social activities. This is the eighth year this \$2000 scholarship has been awarded.

Ray Perkins Memorial Scholarship Winners: (\$500 each) Kristen Page and Benjamin Philips each received this scholarship for their work in science. Kristen worked on a tuna boat in the fall of 2012 assisting researchers on tagging and assessing the health of the tuna fishery. She will attend Nova Southeastern University Florida. Benjamin is interested in pursuing environmental/marine studies at UC Davis and studied both AP environmental science and marine science at UC high school.

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

# -May-June-2018-UPPA-Memberships-

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# **Stephen Shaw, a Homegrown Hero**

by Sandy Lippe

mall American flags were planted on lawns in UC around Memorial Day, and some of these flags are still waving proudly on July 4th, America's birthday. A lighted American flag flies daily at the Shaw home in University City, where Stephen Shaw grew up, went to Marcy, Standley, and UCHS. He was a proud graduate of the UCHS Class of 1990. Stephen was killed in the line of duty on May 17th this year, while as a Special Agent with the FBI, Stephen was part of a hostage rescue team practicing off the coast of Virginia.

Stephen served his country his adult life in the Border Patrol, Diplomatic Security, Customs, and the FBI. He would have celebrated his 41st birthday on July 14th, but Stephen's birthday and his courage, commitment to the country he loved will never be forgotten by his wife and two small children, his mother and sister, his many friends in University City who watched him grow up or grew up with him.

One of his passions was dogs and especially dogs who worked along with him in hostage rescue situations. Donations in his memory can be sent to Search Dog Foundation, SDF Headquarters, 501 East Ojai Avenue, Ojai, CA. 93023.

Stephen gave his life in the defense of his country, and his hometown will never forget him.



Barbara Gellman and Merle Berman put up flag display on trees in front of Standley Park, a UCCA tradition on Memorial Day.



Flags placed around UC on Memorial Day.

# **5th-Grade Curie School Students Partner with the Hyatt Regency La Jolla**

by Mark Powell

At the beginning of the school year, every 5th-grade student at Curie Elementary School was given the opportunity to enter into a community-based work partnership contest. Curie students who turned in every homework assignment, book report or project on time were allowed to enter into a raffle to win "A Day At The Hyatt Regency La Jolla". The students who won the raffle were given the opportunity to shadow a worker at the Hyatt for half a day. Some of the job areas included front



Fifth grade student Arielle Powell working the front desk with hotel staff.

desk, food and beverage, culinary, engineering, and guest services. The students worked side by side with Hyatt staff preparing meals, checking in guests, transporting luggage and working with building maintenance. 5th grade teacher Annette Saavedra along with human resources manager, Katie Ferguson, helped to coordinate the event which proved to be educational and enriching. School-work partnerships are nothing new, but bringing it to the elementary school level is visionary. Our students are competing in a global economy, and one of the best ways to prepare them is to partner with local businesses and provide them with real-life experiences.

# Family Concert

Friday, July 12th at 7:00 PM

by Andy Freeburn

# Standley Park Summer Concerts

**Our first summer** concert will be on Friday, July 12th at 7:00 pm. I wish to invite all families unable to make the Sunday concerts to attend our one and only Friday concert. If the Friday venue is well attended, we will schedule more concerts on Friday evenings. Food trucks will be selling favorite summer foods. Please join me in kicking off the weekend in a festive way in Standley Park at 7:00 pm on Friday, July 12th.



The horn section and guitar from Roadhouse with Mark Davis/guitar, Alan Charlesworth/trombone, Dennis Burton/ alto sax and Greg Pardue/tenor sax. Shown left to right.

Forecast in front of the stage during break. Rick Nash, Greg Pardue, Randy Meyers & Max Zape. Left to right.





# UC Garden Club

by Tanya Howe Aeria



July 21st, Sunday Garden Event
10:00 am-12:00 noon
July's Garden Event will be at
Barbara's house on Wellesley.
Please look for signs leading up to this
fine canyon backyard.

October 17th, 10:00 am-12:00 noon, there will be a SPECIAL EVENT with the UC GARDEN CLUB. We are now forming an interest list for a tour at the San Diego Water Reclamation plant. Please email ucgardenclub@gmail.com if you are interested.

We are still looking for YOUR backyard to showcase in 2014. Please email or call Tanya at 619-884-2658 or email UCGardenClub@gmail.com.



by Sherri Lightner

As I am sure many of you have heard, the trolley will be coming to University City and UCSD in the near future as part of the long-awaited Mid-Coast Corridor Transit Project. Construction on the project is scheduled to begin in 2015 with service starting in 2018.

The trolley extension's proposed route begins at the Old Town Transit Center and continues next to the railroad tracks alongside Interstate 5 up to Gilman Drive. The route then crosses to the west side of I-5, just south of Nobel Drive and continues onto the UCSD campus. After making its way onto the campus, the route crosses back over I-5 near Voigt Drive to the UCSD east campus and medical centers on the east side of I-5. Finally, the route transitions into the median of Genesee Avenue and continues down Genesee Avenue to the Westfield UTC transit center.

Just last month, the Environmental Impact Report was released for public review and comment. This document thoroughly analyzes any potential impacts that are associated with the project, such as noise, air quality and traffic.

I will be reviewing the document carefully and providing input to the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), which is the agency overseeing the project, by the close of the public comment period on July 17, 2013. I encourage everyone interested in this project to send their comments about the project to SANDAG by July 17th.

To submit your comments, please contact:

Leslie Blanda, Project Development Program Manager **SANDAG** 

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# **Memorial Fountain Dedication for Peter Burch** September 21st

by Sandy Lippe

The new fountain that accommodates abled and disabled, as well as dogs, will be dedicated on Saturday, September 21st, at Marcy Park. The donors and all community members are invited to this event. The time will be announced in the September newsletter. Please do mark September 21st on your calendar. Peter Burch, former president of UCCA, passed away in September of 2012 after a courageous battle against cancer.

Well over 100 people donated to this memorial with donations ranging in amounts from \$10 from an individual to \$2500, seed money from Standley Rec Council. The fountain cost \$5,000 and the accompanying plaque with donor names will be an attractive work of art.

Many people would like to see Marcy Park spruced up. UCCA hopes to see this memorial as step one in the process. We thank Johnny Chou and Courtney Roberts of Park and Rec leadership for their support. We salute our new representative from Sherri Lightner's office, Mel Millstein, who will help us through the city process.

Finally, we salute the UC knew Peter and or a specia who will enjoy a drink of wa at his eye level.





# University City Home Brew Contest

by Diane Lueke

Get ready home brewers for the 5th Annual University City Home Brew Contest! This year's contest will again take place during EdUCate!'s Oktoberfest celebration, which will be held on October 5th at Standley Park. Any home brewer is encouraged to participate. This year's category is "Stout." Please use the BJCP guidelines found at *bjcp.org*. More information about Oktoberfest and the Home Brew Contest will be posted on *www.uc-educate.org* soon. Get brewing! More informationt to come in the September issue.

# Wheeling Around

by Sharon L. Goodis

Want to ride with us? Check out

www.knickerbikers.com or info@cyclequestsd.com.

Personally, I think University City is a hidden gem within San Diego. I'm certain many residents, past, present and wannabes, share my view. However, University City could be viewed as a road cyclist's dream or nightmare, because to go somewhere else, a cyclist needs to climb uphill! However, let's look at it in a positive light!

On any Thursday afternoon, we are lucky enough to have a thriving certified farmers market in University Towne Center near Macys. The hours of the farmers market are 3:00 to 7:00 pm. Until the end of August, the sun doesn't set until after 7:00 pm, so we have a lot of time to enjoy the market while there is still light. To make a trip to the farmers market an outing, go by bicycle! Yes, it is uphill both ways, but there are also two wonderful hills you can swoop down! For every up, there is a down!

So, pump up your bicycle tires, grab a bicycle lock, strap on a backpack or fit your bicycle with a basket or panniers (bags) and huff it up the hill. If it is a struggle, walk your bike. When you get to the farmers market, stroll around and enjoy the ambience. Pick up some fresh produce to enjoy at home. To fuel your return ride, have a light bite. There are so many tasty choices.

Honestly, it is a tougher ride south along Genesee, but the trip is definitely terrific exercise and most enjoyable!



# **UC Artist**

by Sharon Thomerson

UC resident,
Helen Lebowitz,
a member of the
San Diego Fellow
Calligraphers,
displayed the
featured original
work, "Excerpt
from Ancient
Japanese Sutra"
in a recent
exhibit at the
Mission Valley
Branch Library.



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# **UC 4th of July Celebration is Here**

by George Odero

Only two-and-a-half weeks away, University City community's biggest event, 4th of July Celebration, will be here for the 25th time for all the residents of University City. I am very happy to announce that the 5k Race and 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk will be back this year thanks to some new members of the Planning Committee who volunteered to bring this event back. Registration is still open. Please go to www.universitycitynews.org for registration. More volunteers are still needed to help with the success of this celebration. Please contact Betty at bpdolphin@san.rr.com.

This year we welcome Chubby's food truck which is joining our food vendors. They provide delicious, quality food with a wide variety of items. Chubby's serves burgers, sandwiches, wraps and desserts. Familiar food vendors offering menus of hot dogs, popular popcorn, rootbeer floats, the pancake breakfast and others will also be present.

Mark your calendar to come and join us with your family and friends at Standley Park in celebrating this 25th, July 4th, national and community event.

Next scheduled meeting will be September 18th, 2013.

# 2013 July 4th Community Celebration Activities Schedule



5K Race, 1 mile fun run: 8:00 AM (See route: on UCCA website www.universitycitynews.org)

Pancake Breakfast: 8:00 - 10:00 AM

Bike/Pet Parade: 10:30 AM
Starts from Standley Middle School Parking lot
next to Governor Drive

Photo Scavenger hunt: 12:00 Noon (Register at 10:30 -11:45 AM)

Polynesian Dance: 12:30 - 1:00 PM Family Field Games: 12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM

Free Swim: 12:00 – 4:00 PM (Swanson Pool)
Festival & Booths: 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Music by Y3K: 5:00 - 7:00 PM



## Other activities:

rock wall, inflatables, book barn, games, food, shopping, entertainment, Geocache and beer garden

Please join other community members, families and friends for an Independence Day of celebration and fun.







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