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Summer Concerts Rock UC



Riffide will perform on Sunday, July 19 during the Standley Park Summer Concert series.

Summer Concerts in Standley Park starts up again July 12 with the band Forecast, including UC's own Greg Pardue. The summer concerts have become a season favorite amongst UC residents, with many of the bands with UC ties. Besides Greg Pardue, other UC connections include Jill Harvey with Riffide (pictured above), Greg Zinser with Relative Minors & Friends, and Rick Kern with Teaser.

The concerts are on Sunday nights through August 16, then shifts to Friday nights for the final two bands. The community is invited to bring a picnic dinner, and set up chairs and blankets for a lovely night out. The concerts are always free to the community, thanks to the support of sponsors Scripps Healthcare and UCCA. Bands are the following (see page 13 for a cut out schedule):

Sundays from 5:00-7:00 pm: July 12 - Forecast, Jazz Fusion; July 19 - Riffide, Classic Rock & Top 40; July 26 - Chini & Camberos, Latin/Flamenco/Jazz-Rock Fusion; August 2 - Relative Minors & Friends, Oldies; August 9 - Swamp Critters, Cajun; August 16 - Nitro Express, Country

Fridays from 6:00-8:00 pm: August 21 - Teaser, Arena Rock, August 28 - Legends, '50s & '60s Oldies

UCCA VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION EVENT

Mark your calendars! On Friday August 21st, during the intermission of the Standley Park summer concert, featuring Teaser (approx. 6:00 pm), the UCCA will be recognizing and honoring its many newsletter and neighborhood watch volunteers. Please join us to enjoy the concert and show your support for what these volunteers do for all of us. Hope to see you there!



Independence Day & the UC Celebration
 Saturday, July 4, Standley Park

UCCA Meeting
 Wednesday, July 8, 6:00 pm
 UC Library

People for a Clean UC
 Sunday, July 12, 7:15-9:00 am
 Sunday, August 9, 7:15-9:00 am
 Starbucks, 3202 Governor Dr.

Summer Concerts
 Sundays, 5:00-7:00 pm:
 July 12, 19, 26, and August 2, 9, 16
 Fridays, 6:00-8:00 pm:
 August 21 and 28

UC Planning Group
 Tuesday, July 14, 6:00 pm
 Forum Hall at UTC

UC Garden Club
 Saturday, July 25, 3:00 - 5:00 pm
 6135 Radcliffe Drive

National Night Out
 Tuesday, August 4
 Various Neighborhood Homes
 Wednesday, August 5, 5:30-6:30 pm
 Food Trucks in front of Spreckels
 with Northern Division Police Reps

Banana Split Day
 Saturday, August 1, 2:00 pm
 Standley Park

Doyle Recreation Council
 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 pm

Standley Recreation Council
 4th Thursdays at 6:30 pm

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UCCA President Barry Bernstein

Hi everyone...summer is here! School is out and San Diego is certainly a great place to be in July and August. I hope many of you were able to get to the "Celebration" this 4th of July and enjoy the wonderful activities planned for our community. Congratulations and thank you to the event

chairman George Odero and the committee of dedicated volunteers, and Standley Park staff, in making this event something very special for University City. We hope you are looking forward to enjoying the "Concerts in the Park" summer series at Standley Park. *UCCA will be honoring its many volunteers, (newspaper, Neighborhood Watch, et al.), at the August 21 concert so please join us in recognizing their volunteer efforts. A special thank you to University City Round Table Pizza, (a UCCA "Buy Local" partner), for providing our UCCA volunteers with a special discount coupon. Another local business, Lorna's Italian Restaurant, (also a UCCA "Buy Local" business partner), was recognized by California House of Representatives Speaker Toni Atkins in late June as being an exemplary small business contributing to their community.

At our June meeting, Fire Chief David Connor, confirmed that the mayor's budget does include the provision for a "fast response team" to be located somewhere in South University City. He also alerted us to the extra dry conditions that exist and that it will be very challenging during the predictable late summer Santa Ana winds. Construction at UTC starts this month...and parking will be limited. You'll notice the City and Super Loop buses will be parked and operating out of lanes marked on Genesee. Drive carefully on all of our streets! On Governor Drive, medians in front of Standley Middle School and at the west end of Governor, have begun the repair work needed to make the transition to our new planned drought resistant landscaping. This project is being paid for by UCCA and Councilwoman Lightner's office. Please read Merle Langston's article on page 10. Last month an important meeting to discuss street safety in University City was held at our library. See page 4 for information.

Plans for "Imagine UC 2020" will continue to move forward during the summer months. Up to date information on this project and other community news will be available on our website: universitycitynews.org, NextDoor, Facebook, and Twitter. August 5th, at EdUCate's "Food Truck" location, SDPD will be around to say hello and thank many UC residents for hosting and participating in the police sponsored "National Night Out". See separate article on page 4.

UCCA will have its regular meeting on Wednesday, July 8th, please feel welcome to join us. There is no regular meeting scheduled for August, AND NO AUGUST NEWSLETTER, but we'll be hard at work addressing any and all community issues. My phone number is listed in this newsletter...I'd be most happy to hear from you and answer any of your questions. Have a wonderful and safe summer! Remember, "University City is more than just a neighborhood."
Sincerely, Barry

EDITOR'S NOTES... by Jemma Samala

Hats Off!
Congratulations Class of 2015!



Watch out, our Class of 2015 high school students are enjoying their last summer before starting life in the "real world." Whether starting college in the fall, or starting new jobs, or traveling for a year, our young adults have begun new chapters in their lives. It may be scary, but I know they will all do just fine – and they're a close-knit group who will look out for each other.

It's a reflection of the community really. Many of them have known each other since pre-school. Plus UC was ranked no. 3 in a study conducted by the city to identify the best neighborhoods for families with small school-age children. (See article by Jack Crittenden on ourcitysd.com, posted 12/30/14.)

Do you have a child ready for pre-school? Well, there are excellent pre-schools to choose from in UC. They include:

All Saints' Preschool, allsaintspreschool.org

Lighthouse Early Childhood Center, lighthouseecc.com

Mission Bay Montessori Academy, mbmacademy.com

UC Kindercare, kindercare.com

UC United Church Preschool, ucucpreschool.com

When my older son was busily taking pictures after the UCHS graduation ceremonies, it was heartwarming that some of those were with friends he knew since his pre-school days at the Lighthouse and kindergarten friends from Spreckels. And speaking of Spreckels, we say good-bye to Dr. Cecilia Fernandez who had recently begun there as principal when my son started, and hello to new principal Michel Cazary. We will miss Dr. Fernandez, but we're sure she will enjoy her retirement. We also say good-bye to Curie Principal Chris Juarez, who started about the same time. He leaves to take on a position closer to his home and young growing family. We wish him well too, and welcome new Principal Cara Ramsay.

But, oh yes – it's summer, woohoo! I hope it takes it time. It's already been busy, with groups planning for the start of the new school year. BTW, save the date for UC's Oktoberfest 2015 hosted by EdUCate! – Saturday, October 10 at Standley Park. (More info in the September issue.) I hope to see you at some of the Summer Concerts, and the Food Trucks Nights that will continue all summer, Wednesdays from 5:00-7:00pm. Bring your picnic chairs, and blankets and enjoy the lovely community events that make UC a great place to raise a family.

WELCOME TO NEW PRINCIPALS**SPRECKELS**

by Staci Torgeson

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to the new principal at Spreckels Elementary, Michel Cazary. Michel has been educating students throughout San Diego Unified School District for fifteen years. She began her teaching career as a primary teacher. She has served students and teachers as a Peer Coach/Staff



Developer, Literacy Resource Teacher, English Learner Support Teacher, and most recently, as a Common Core District Resource Teacher. Michel's love for education stems from her desire to foster creativity, collaboration, and empowerment within all learners. She is a strong believer that honest relationships are at the heart of a thriving, learning, and growing community. Being a school administrator is her passion and she is excited to be part of the Spreckels family.

CURIE Cara Ramsey was named the new principal of Marie Curie Elementary School. She has most recently been a Common Core Literacy Support teacher, working with principals and teachers in schools across the district, and she brings a wonderful spirit and energy to the position. She should be a very good fit and we are thrilled to have her.

STANDLEY MIDDLE Bill Pearson has officially been named principal of Standley. He was previously a science teacher, Dean of Students, and most recently the Vice Principal. Bill has already entrenched himself in the community, recently participating in the UC Spirit Run, and Taste of the Triangle.

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Captain's Forum Features Northern Division Officers

By Barbara Gellman

More than 50 Neighborhood Watch Captains from around Northern Division gathered at Standley Recreation Center on June 18, with Community Liaison Officer Holly Tafoya and other law enforcement officials to learn how to recognize and prevent elder abuse and financial crimes. Other topics included traffic accident investigation and the Quality of Life team. Panel members were (from left to right in photo above) Officer Holly Tafoya, Detective Farrell Layton, and Officers Joe Benavides, Phil Worthington and Collin Goverski. The forum was organized by UC Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Barbara Gellman (standing). Tips and takeaways were many.

From Detective Layton: The most frequent way scammers contact their victims is by telephone. There is no way to prevent these calls as many are made by computer using Internet technology, not regular phone lines. You can protect yourself from these crimes by being smart. For example, if a 'family member' calls with a request for money, verify their story with another family member before sending money or purchasing a pre-paid debit card.

From Accident Investigation Officer Benavides: Officers are seeing an increase in fatal pedestrian, bicycle and motorcycle accidents involving cars and trucks. Most often, it is not the car or truck driver who is at fault; it is the pedestrian, bicyclist or motorcyclist. To prevent these types of accidents, make eye contact with motorists and be especially cautious walking or riding at night, even in a crosswalk or designated bike lane.

From Quality of Life Team Officers Worthington and Goverski: This is a proactive team that responds to complaints from residents about people, often transients, who are interfering with the complainant's quality of life. To report an issue such as a homeless camp, loitering or people living in cars, call the police non-emergency number 619-531-2000. Homeless outreach and other services are offered to all who are contacted by this team.

From Community Liaison Officer Holly Tafoya: She is a source of information on any of these and other law enforcement topics. Contact at HTafoya@pd.sandiego.gov or 858-552-1703.

Touch base with your Neighborhood Watch Captain to learn more crime prevention tips and takeaways. Don't know who your Captain is? Then please contact Neighborhood Watch Coordinator Barbara Gellman at bgellman@yahoo.com or 858-452-2326.

Street Safety Concerns

By Barry Bernstein

Last month, an important University City "Street Safety Meeting" was held at our community library. This meeting was co-sponsored by UCCA and Councilwoman Sherri Lightner, and was an outcome of the April "Imagine UC 2020" general meeting held at Standley Middle School. There were several City of San Diego departments in attendance to listen and respond to the various concerns voiced by residents. Representatives from the San Diego Police Traffic Division and San Diego City Streets Department were there to hear and address the various concerns. A report compiled by Mr. Fred Goossens, San Diego City Streets Supervisor, will be filed with Sherri Lightner's office and will be made available to review on the UCCA website. Some concerns addressed include: the Governor and Genesee intersection, the "no turn on red" at Regents and Governor, bicycle lane design, and the general concern of speeding on our side streets.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT TIMES TWO

University City will be participating in our 3rd Annual National Night Out on Tuesday, **August 4, 2015** and Wednesday, **August 5.**

This is a national program where neighbors on the street or block meet outside their homes and participate in potlucks and/or barbecues; your neighborhood watch street captain is usually the initiator. It promotes crime prevention, safety and neighborhood unity and sends a message to criminals that we are organized and fighting back. Lock your doors, turn on the lights, add a little night music and enjoy.

In the previous years, many of our police from Northern Division drove around from house to house for brief visits at homes in the community. This year they will not be able to visit in the same manner, instead:

YOU ARE INVITED TO A NATIONAL NIGHT OUT COMMUNITY EVENT AT STANDLEY PARK

On Wednesday, August 5, UC Neighborhood Watch is partnering with our Community Officer Holly Tafoya and Northern Division to join the fun at Food Truck Family Night at Spreckels Elementary from 5:30-6:30pm. Meet and greet some of San Diego's finest. 10% of your purchases are directed back into the schools via EdUCate! to help pay for supplies and programs that are not in their yearly budget.

Please continue to have your own private gathering on August 4, but plan to extend the celebration the following evening at our park to show support to our police. Giveaways include reflective bracelets to the first 200 visitors to the Neighborhood Watch table.

Please contact Barbara Gellman, bgellman@yahoo.com or 858-452-2326, if you have any questions regarding either date.

Imagine 2020 and Other School Projects Progressing



John Lee Evans, Trustee, San Diego Unified

The UC community effort to enhance our schools and park facilities simultaneously is moving forward. At the June 2 meeting, where a semi-annual update on Propositions S and Z to the Board of Education, the Spreckels to Standley project was on the approved list for 2015-2017. This allows the staff to develop plans and work with the city in the hopes of developing the joint use project. We all win if the school district and the city can pool resources.

This project includes potentially upgrading the pool at Standley Park to a full aquatic center to benefit high school teams, as well as swim instruction and community use. Another proposal is the permanent stage/pavilion for school and community performances at a community gathering space in the center of the park. A third proposal is a jogging path that connects Standley Middle School and Spreckels (with its running club), which would also be used by the community.

Improvements will be made to each school in UC. The high school already has a new football field with Friday night lights and other athletic fields are currently under construction there, as well as upgrades to the school building. Curie is on the 2016 list for an artificial turf field to replace some of the decomposed granite field at the school. Doyle is revamping the entrance for security and is in need of an auditorium to accommodate its large enrollment. Spreckels will eventually have modifications to its interior.

Standley Middle School is the next up on whole site modernizations and meetings will begin this fall for input on what the school community needs to improve its facilities.

Unfortunately, even as we upgrade our facilities in the community, the school district has been called on to reduce its water consumption as we endure the drought. The sports fields will continue to be watered as needed, but ornamental lawns will not be watered in the same way.

We will have information about Imagine UC 2020 at the UCCA booth on the Fourth of July.

27th Annual 4th of July UC COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Event Date: Saturday July 4, 2015

Location: Standley Park, 3585 Governor Drive

Event Time: 8:00am to 7:00pm

- 1 MILE FUN + 5K RUN: 8:00am (Registration 6:30 -7:30am)
- PANCAKE BREAKFAST: 8:30 - 10:00am
- BIKE/PET PARADE: 10:30am
- (Accompanying Music by Standley Middle School Band)
- PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT: 12noon (Register 10:30-11:45am)
- POLYNESIAN DANCE: 12noon - 1:00pm
- FAMILY FIELD GAMES: 12noon - 4:00pm
- FREE SWIM: 12noon - 4:00pm
- CANNON BALL CONTEST: 2:00 - 2:30pm
- FESTIVAL BOOTHS: 11:00am - 4:00pm

Music and Entertainment by:

Don Mitschele, and Josh D'Amigo (daytime) and

"True Stories" featuring David Fleminger (5:00-7:00pm)

- ROCK WALL * DUNK TANK * INFLATABLES * BOOK BARN *
- GAMES * FOOD * SHOPPING * ENTERTAINMENT * SERVICE
- VENDORS * BEER GARDEN * FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK (PANCAKE
- BREAKFAST PROVIDED FOR ENTRANTS)
- FREE TROLLEY PICK UP & DROP OFF ALONG GOVERNOR
- DRIVE FROM 11:00 AM - 7:30 PM



FREE Bike Parade Decorations

Stop by the Spreckels Elementary booth (#33) at the UC 4th of July Celebration to receive free bike parade decorations! Throughout the day, enjoy posing for pics as Uncle Sam, playing games and enjoying crafts at our booth as well.

Fourth of July Plant Sale

The UC Garden Club is pleased to announce the resumption of the Fourth of July plant sale. A UC resident recently found it necessary to discard a large quantity of potted plants in preparation for a move out of state, and the Garden Club accepted the donation. Proceeds will go to providing a public resource for University City, possibly in the form of a meditation bench or steppingstones. If you have plants that you would like to donate, contact our President, Ginger Steketee, at 858- 453-2985, or send an email to ucgardenclub@gmail.com.

UC Community Library on Governor July/August Event Highlights | 4155 Governor Drive | 858-552-1655 | sandiegolibrary.org**Adults**

Qi Gong - Every Monday @ 9:30 - 11:30 AM (except July 20). Qi Gong (Chi Gong) is a simple preventative health method of relaxing and harmonizing the body. These gentle exercises are suitable for any age and health condition.

Zumba for Special Needs and Beginners - Every Monday @ 1:00 - 2:00 PM. Led by Lis Garces a licensed Zumba® instructor since 2007.

Lis is the Founder and Director of the Juan Carlos Organization which provides dance therapy exercise for the Special Needs Community.

Adult Yoga - Every Tuesday @ 4:30 - 5:30 PM. Gentle exercises to aid flexibility and improve concentration. Bring a yoga mat or towel.

Chair Sit Yoga - Tuesday July 7, 21, August 4, 18 @ 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Get fit where you sit! Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that is practiced sitting on a chair or standing using a chair for support.

Strategies to Maximize Your Social Security Income - Tuesday July 7 @ 6:30 - 7:30 PM. A workshop to learn social security strategies that could maximize your lifetime benefits. Call 1-800-955-0934 to RSVP.

Accordion Club - Saturday July 11, August 8 @ 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM. All are welcome! Second Saturdays.

OASIS: There's No Place Like MY Home - Thursday July 9 @ 2:00 - 3:30 PM. Examples and products to help maintain safety.

Friends of the Library Book Sale - July 16 - 18 (Thurs. 1:00 - 5:30, Fri. 9:30 - 5:30, Sat. 9:30 - 2:30). Support your library and buy books, music CD's, DVD's, etc. at our book sale.

SilverWood Concert - Tuesday July 21 @ 6:30 - 7:30 PM.

SilverWood is known for its full, rich sound and stirring rhythms performed over a wide spectrum of music styles.

UC Book Club - Wednesday July 22, August 26 @ 2:00 PM. July's book is Kazuo Ishiguro's *The Remains of the Day*. The August book is Alexandra Fuller's *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight*.

Online Security for Seniors - Thursday July 23, August 27 @ 2:00 - 4:00 PM. How to protect your computer and yourself on the internet.

Scrabble Club - Tuesday July 28, August 25 @ 5:00 - 8:00 PM. All welcome! Bring your own board and meet new friends!

San Diego Symphony - Wednesday August 5 @ 6:00 PM. A small ensemble performing a 45 minute concert followed by a Q & A session.

OASIS: Chronic Disease - Thursday August 20 @ 2:00 PM. Dr. Joy will share with you how acupuncture and Chinese medicine can be added to your treatment plan.

Children

Preschool StoryTime for Kids - Every Thursday @ 10:30 - 11:30 AM. Stories, crafts, finger plays and songs.

Makerspace Craft Station - All week long (Monday - Saturday), a craft station in the Children's Area during library hours with a different craft each week.

Tweens/Teens

Kendama Club - Every Wednesday @

1:30 - 2:30 PM. Test your skills against others, learn new tricks and just have FUN!!!

Video Game Fridays - Every Friday @ 3:00 - 4:00 PM. Wii gaming with your friends, get your game on!

SD Book Arts - Tuesday July 14 @ 6:00 PM. Read to the Rhythm Turkish Map Fold insert. Learn the traditional and magical map fold. The paper will be decorated with musical artwork and a quote on the topic. Call 858-552-1655 to RSVP.

Summer Reading Programs

Disney Animated Musical Movie - Friday July 10, 24, 31, August 7 and 14 @ 1:00 PM. Sing-a-long with your favorite Disney characters.

Magician Justin Rivera - Wednesday July 1 @ 2:00 PM. A nationally recognized professional magician and comedian, who has performed on several television shows and on stage at clubs and events.

Bayou Brothers - Wednesday July 8 @ 2:00 PM. With a sound straight out of Louisiana, Bayou Brothers will get you dancing.

Mad Science - Wednesday July 15 @ 2:00 PM. Mad Science delivers a unique, hands-on experience both entertaining and educational.

Sparkles the Clown - Wednesday July 22 @ 2:00 PM. An Award-winning clown, Sparkles has been clowning around since 1987!

Little Catbird - Wednesday July 29 @ 2:00 PM. Little Catbird presents Rhythm Red Riding Hood! It features original music, early jazz music, puppets and more surprises!

Scott Land - Wednesday August 5 @ 2:00 PM. Marionettes 'come to life', with fun and excitement; an entertaining and artistic experience.

Summer Reading Program Finale - Wednesday August 12 @ 2:00 PM. Craig Newton plays an incredible variety of musical instruments to accompany delightful songs about following your dreams; followed by light refreshments and Free Spirit the Clown providing face painting and balloon-twisting from 3:00 - 4:00 PM.

**North University City Library July/August Event Highlights | 8820 Judicial Drive | 858-581-9637 | sandiegolibrary.org****Events for Adults/Seniors**

Gentle Yoga - Fridays @ 10:00 AM. Learn basic yoga techniques, perfect for beginners, expectant mothers, seniors and persons with disabilities. Please bring your own mat.

Page Turners Book Club - Wednesday, July 8; August 12 at 5:30 PM. July's selection: *The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver.

Cinema Café - Wednesday, July 15; August 19 at 6:00 PM. Enjoy refreshments while watching a thought-provoking film. Title TBA. Please inquire with library staff for further details.

Events for Children/Families

Arts & Crafts Fridays - All day, all summer long! Each week we will have a fun craft activity to make and take home.

Music and Movement *NEW!* - Fridays @ 11:30 AM. This new fun and energetic program is for kids of all ages.

Craft Time - Saturdays @ 11:30 AM. Let your creativity run wild with a fun craft activity! Kids under 8 welcome with an adult or older sibling.

Young Artist Series - Select weekends @ 2:00 PM. Please inquire with library staff for details. Local young musicians showcase their talents in an informal, interactive setting designed to expose children to the world of music.

Cinema Sing-along - Tuesdays (through August 18) @ 2:00 PM. All ages are invited to our series of sing-along movies at the library! Call the library for more details.

Yoga Storytime - Monday, July 13 & 27; August 10 & 24 @ 10:30 AM. Stretch both your body and your mind in this unique program that

combines stories, songs and simple yoga poses. Families enjoy healthy fun and bonding. Please bring your own mat.

STEAM 2 Academy - Tuesday, July 14 & August 11 @ 3:30 PM. Science-based educational activities geared to students in grades K-3.

Paws to Read - Monday, July 20 and August 17 @ 4:30 PM. Practice reading out loud to a furry friend! Certified therapy dogs provided by Love on a Leash, San Diego Central Chapter.

Storytimes:

English - Thursdays @ 10:30 AM, French - Thursdays @ 11:15 AM

Sign Language - Thursday, July 2 & August 13 @ 12 noon

SUMMER READING PROGRAM: READ TO THE RHYTHM!

Special programs held Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM:

July 1 - Mad Science

July 8 - Alakazam Magic Show

July 15 - Wild Wonders Animal Show

July 22 - Sparkles the Clown

July 28 (Special Tuesday Night show) - Craig Newton Music

July 29 - San Diego Symphony ensemble

August 5 - Pacific Animal Productions

August 12 - Justin Riviera Magic Show

August 19 - SRP Finale Ice Cream Party with music by Twinkle Time

All summer reading programs will be held outside on the West Lawn. Please bring your own blankets and lawn chairs.

Notes: Many thanks to the Friends of the Library for their generous sponsorship. You, too, can be a Friend; ask at the Check Out Desk. Please call the libraries to confirm any given program. Changes are rare, but may occur. Libraries will be CLOSED both July 3 and 4 for the Independence Day holiday.

UCHS CLASS of 2015 EARNS OVER \$2 MILLION IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Congrats to the UCHS Class of 2015 for the extraordinary amount of scholarships granted, totally over \$2 million...and that's just for those who reported the awards. Following is a listing of the students, and the scholarships received at the UCHS Senior Awards Night.

Gates Millenium Scholarship: Boss Le, UCSD (full undergraduate and graduate scholarship to university of choice)

Centurion Foundation Scholarships: Coach Al Wilson Memorial – Dominic Juarez-Lewis
Centurion – Steven Phung
Lady Centurion – Emma Choi

EdUCate! Volunteer Service Scholarships: Pranaya Anshu and Woorin Lee

PTSA Citizenship Scholarships: Megan Hollyfield and Emily Shum

Sonnenberg Business Scholarships: Steven Phung and Abigail Tapang

Memorial Scholarships:
Thalia Murray: Susan Cruz
Tommy Misleh: Ryan Valenzuela
Ian Krebs Scholar-Athlete: Justin Holder
Ray Perkins: Hunter Reyes
E.J. Costa Scholar-Athlete: Trysten Hess
Mary Anne Wolfe: Christopher Chavarria, Alyssa Feinstein, Nolan McRae, and Estefany Sandoval
Captain Godfrey: Samuel Aguilar

UCHS, Local and National Scholarships (by student last name):

Rayyan Aburajab –Kiwanis of La Jolla, SD County Ford, Chemistry & Biochemistry SDSU
Nevin Agsalon – Senior Council
Samuel Aguilar – Brown University
Pranaya Anshu – Princeton Prize Symposium on Race Relations

Noella Arriaga Martin – UCHS Staff,
President's Univ. of SF
Madeline Balicoco – ASB
Danielle Bello – Achievement, and Conrad Prebys Honors SDSU
Amanda Borchardt – Academic Recognition Colorado State
Riley Burkart – Kiwanis of La Jolla
Christopher Chavarria – McAuley, and Aquidneck Island Multicultural Salve Regina Univ.
Jessica Chen – UC Berkeley
Joseph Claborn – Merit SDSU
Ashley Cochrane – Mother Mary Bernard, Gwynedd Mercy Univ.
Leah Coe – Conrad Prebys SDSU
Susan Cruz – SD County Citizens
Hannah Do – President's, and Ben Carson Univ. of SF
Riggs Egolf – UCHS Staff
Katherine Endsley – Achievement SDSU
Olivia Fanelli – Blue & Gold N. Arizona Univ.
Brad Gafford – Cal Poly SLO, Consor
Juan Gonzalez-Lopez – SD County Ford
Cole Grant – Nat'l Daughters of the American Revolution
Sharon Jahng – Chuck Courtney, Pro Kids
Casey Johnson – Dean's Chapman Univ.
Lee Hagaman – Phillip Huszar
Skye Hagstrom – Rotary Club of La Jolla
Crystal Hwang – Kiwanis of La Jolla
Ann Kelly – Merit Loyola Marymount Univ.
Carli Kenyon – Merit Oregon State
Franziska Komar – Presidential Stevens Institute of Tech.
Christian Lathrop – Merit, Athletic
Dominican Univ. of Calif.

Devin Lim – ASB
Tzu Chia Liu – Undergraduate, Global Edge
Dean's UC Berkeley
Lindsay Longstreet – Senior Council
Kevin Mai – Honors College Louise McNally SDSU
Christopher Martinez – Link Grossmont CC
Mackenzie Mason – Alumni, Denison Grant Denison Univ.
Destiny McLaurin – SD County Ford, American Chemical Society, Henry Williams, MLK Jr. Foundation, Jessica Klicka Foundation
Nolan McRae – Undergraduate McGill Univ.
Audrey Miano – Kiwanis of La Jolla, ASB
Michelle Miller – Henry Williams, CSU San Marcos
Elizabeth Mitchell – Senior Council
Haram Nguyen – Merit SDSU
Amanda Pence – ASB
Joseph Plaster – University, Grant Willamette Univ.
Jennifer Provencher – ASB
Alana Reiss – ASB, Dean's Chapman Univ.
Jacquelyn Reyna Trujillo – ASB
Estefany Sandoval – Kiwanis of La Jolla
Shoei Shibata – Senior Council
Varin Soontornniyomkij – Presidential, Univ. & Alumni Award, George Washington Univ.
Varun Soontornniyomkij – University Grant UCSD
Ryan Valenzuela – Mountclef, InCLUusive Calif. Lutheran Univ.
Alexa Woods – Founders Univ. of La Verne
Kenneth Yao - University Grant, UC Riverside
Leana Yearwood–President's Harvey Mudd

Additional awards presented included those for each UCHS department, National Merit, CSF, Academic Leagues, athletes, Students Serving Students, attendance and straight "A" students. The large number of recognized students is a true reflection of the success of the UCHS Class of 2015. Congrats to all students and their parents!

Upcoming UCHS Seniors: Garrett Woodward and Allison Blumenfeld



Garrett has earned the highest rank in Boy Scouts, and that is the rank of Eagle Scout. Garrett has performed community service, provided troop leadership and earned 33 merit badges. For his Eagle Project, Garrett built an info kiosk and benches

for the Curie garden. The pinnacle of his adventures was when he completed an 88-mile backpacking trek at Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico. He will receive the Eagle Scout award at a Court of Honor Ceremony in the UC United Church on August 8. For info on his Troop 271, go to www.troop271.com.

Allison represented UCHS and the State of California at the Global Youth Summit on the Future of Medicine, held in June at Brandeis University. She was one of only 240 delegates



selected worldwide, based on academics, test scores, and a documented interest in a medical or health career. Next year will mark Allison's fourth year in the UCHS BioMed Program which fueled her passion for medicine. BioMed students apply as Freshmen, and during their senior year, they participate in internship programs among UCSD Medical Center, Scripps Hospitals, VA Health Care System, The Scripps Research Institute and Sanford Burnham. Congrats Garrett and Allison.

Buy Local Business Briefs

Lorna's Italian Kitchen, at 3945 Governor Drive, near Vons, is offering an Early Bird Menu, Tuesday through Friday, 3-5 PM, during July and August. Smaller portions at lower prices for those looking for a lighter meal. Since the Early Bird Menu is already priced lower, no other discounts or coupons apply. BTW, Lorna's was the first to participate in UCCA's Buy Local program. Thank you!

Why support our local businesses? Because they help make University City more than a neighborhood.

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- **AlphaGraphics on Governor, Scott Weathers:** Save 20% on your first project (print, mail, large format, promotional products) of \$150 or more.
- **Bare Elegance Inc:** Receive \$15 off your first waxing service of \$50 or over and \$5 off your first service under \$50.
- **Better Than Home Placement, Merle Berman Langston:** \$200 toward moving costs when our free service helps you find an assisted living residence for your loved one.
- **Chabad Center of UC:** New members save almost \$30 monthly on the \$150 per month Family Rate.
- **ComForcare Home Care:** New customers receive 50% off your first 25 hours of care; also includes free nurse assessment.
- **Craft Pizza Company at UTC:** Members save 15% on dine-in, delivery, or catering. Free delivery within 2 mile radius. Cannot be combined with any other offer.
- **Create-A-Design Inside CLONE!** Specializing in invitations to suit your personality. Programs, napkins, place cards, party favors. UC Resident, store located in Del Mar. FREE ADDRESSING of envelopes to your guests on any order over \$500.
- **Cycle Quest:** Save 10% off MSRP on any store purchase (labor excluded) when you mention this UCCA Buy Local offer; or visit our website and share in the same savings by using coupon code "UCCA".
- **Dance Hula Fitness:** Save 10% on new, family, or group dancers ages 3 to adult.
- **Diane Medina, Pacific Sotheby's International Realty:** I'll pay your escrow fee when you buy or sell with me.
- **Discovery Property Group, Mark Powell, Realtor:** Free Home Warranty valued at \$450 when you buy or sell your next home with me.
- **ElizabethAnn Photography:** All UCCA members receive 15% off all photo sessions. Refer a friend and receive the "Treasure Print Collection" from your photo session for FREE (valued at \$150)! Specializing in Family, Maternity, Newborn, High School Seniors, and more!
- **Fine Art In Copper at Balboa Park:** Save 25% on custom copper address plaques; also 10% off other art on display.
- **Gray Loan Team, Wells Fargo Home Mortgage:** Free initial consultation with Steve Gray and mortgage pre-approval.
- **Helping Hands Senior Concierge Services:** Free 1 (one) Hour Service per month.
- **Hewitt WaterShapes:** Free consultation/estimate for any pool/spa matters.
- **JK Computer Services:** UCCA members receive 20% off any service, any time. Excludes hardware purchases.
- **Kelly Johnson Fitness:** Free consultation and 10% off fitness package for new clients.
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- **Lori Miller, First Choice Properties:** Save thousands in commission when you sell or buy with me.
- **Lorna's Italian Kitchen:** Save 50% on Bottles of Beer and Wine Sunday through Thursday (In-House Only). With current UCCA membership card, receive 10% off your meal. In July and August, enjoy the new Early Bird Specials Tuesday through Friday, 3-5 pm. Smaller portions, lower prices. Early Bird Specials may not be combined with any other discount.
- **Outcast Grill:** Free drink of your choice with the purchase of any meal on the first Wednesday every month! Limit one per person.
- **Reiki For Wellness:** New clients save 20% off your first relaxation and wellness session.
- **Remcon Design Build:** Free in home estimate & 10% off any Kitchen & Bathroom Remodels, Room Additions, or Complete Home Remodeling projects.
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- **Round Table Pizza on Governor:** Save 20% on any meal purchase, dine in or take out. Excludes alcoholic beverages. Not valid with any other offer.
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BROWN BAG OPERAS

Our Mother of Confidence Church continues their monthly Brown Bag Opera Series with two family friendly classics.

On July 29, W. A. Mozart's The Magic Flute performed by the Metropolitan Opera Company, will be shown starting at 12:30pm at OMC Church, located at Regents and Governor. The performance features a lively cast, singing in English. This timeless classic was designed by Mozart to attract children to opera. Then return on August 16 to watch The Barber of Seville, as high spirits return for the Met's family-friendly, English-language adaptation of one of opera's most beloved comedies. The comic masterpiece also starts at 12:30pm. These events are free to the community and there is no prior registration required.

SENIOR SOCIALS Our Mother of Confidence will also be hosting special get togethers for seniors and all members of the community on July 16 and August 20. Sign-ups starts at 11:30am and lunch will be served at 12 noon, with entertainment starting at 12:30pm. There is a \$7 per person charge for the event. Meet old friends and make new ones. And be an angel and offer someone who cannot drive anymore a ride to this fun event. For more info, contact Ellie McGlynn at 858-453-3554 or emcglynn@omcsandiego.org.



CLEANING UP UC

by Vince Reardon

On Sunday, June 14, 20 residents (15 shown above) collected 13 bags of trash and litter from major streets, roadways and parks. The haul weighed in at 132 lbs. As you can see from the photo, folks ranged in age from third graders to middle-agers to seniors. Our next litter clean ups, which is always on the second Sunday of the month, will be on July 12 and August 9, from 7:15-8:45 am. We meet at Starbucks at 3202 Governor Drive in University City. All supplies are provided. Please join us next month and help us keep UC a shining jewel. For info, contact vfreardon@gmail.com.



Lorna's Italian Kitchen Named UC's 2015 Small Business of the Year

by Diane Ahern

On Friday, June 26, Speaker of the Assembly Toni Atkins, represented by Rachel Gregg of the Speaker's office, recognized Lorna's Italian Kitchen and owner Steve Stern as **University City's 2015 Small Business of the Year** for its longstanding support of the community and steadfast commitment to customer service and high business ethics.

Steve was a high school home economics student, a hotel chef in Europe, a restaurant manager in Beverly Hills, and the owner of a restaurant business that grew to include five locations in Los Angeles. Lorna's, founded in 1988, currently employs a staff of 30, both full and part-time, and gives back to the University City community through donations, fundraising and participating in programs such as UCCA's Buy Local.

The next time you dine in or take out from Lorna's, give Steve a high-five and take the time to read the official proclamation. It's quite impressive. Congrats!



Assembly Speaker Toni G. Atkins is hosting a sock drive so that participants will have an ample supply of socks on hand during the Stand Down event on July 17-19. Stand Down is a weekend where the Veteran's Village provides shelter and services for San Diego's homeless veterans and their families. A collection bin is at the UC Library on Governor and will be picked up during the second week of July. For more info, contact Speaker Atkins' office at 619-645-3090 or speaker.atkins@assembly.ca.gov.

Making UC Medians Beautiful



Above is a median planting in Poway, which UC will be emulating.

The Beautification Committee of University City is proud to announce that we will be re-landscaping the Governor Drive medians at Radcliffe and Stresemann. The cracked asphalt and inner curbs have been removed by the City thanks to the generous support and help from Sheri Carr from Sheri Lightner's Office. All trees will remain. The larger pine trees will be trimmed in December. The plan consists of drought-resistant plants, boulder clusters with plants and dry riverbed pebbles with mulch outer edges similar to the Poway/Pomerado Road medians just east of Highway 15.

UCCA is reviewing bids from several contractors and will be making a decision by early July and hopefully completing the project within two months. UCCA is also preparing to set up a maintenance contract for the two newly planted Governor Dr. medians and also the non-irrigated hard surface medians on Genesee from Governor Dr. to Highway 52 and the Regents Road medians north and south of Governor.

Kudos to all those people who have become UCCA members in helping us to provide the funds for this project. We couldn't have done it without your support. **The 2016 membership campaign will begin in September.**

Merle Langston (Berman), Chair UCCA's Beautification Committee

Barbara Gellman, Co-Chair UCCA's Beautification Committee

Save Water - Get A Free Bucket

The San Diego County Water Authority is giving away free standard sized buckets that residents can use to save water during the drought. The containers can collect water during showers, while doing dishes or rinsing produce, or used to boil pasta or steam vegetables, according to the water authority. The collected water can then be used for watering plants, washing cars or windows, soaking dishes, and flushing toilets. The buckets are available at the water authority headquarters at 4677 Overland Ave. in Kearny Mesa, during regular business hours. For more info: www.sdcwa.org. (Info from ABC10news)



Water Regulations: Beginning in June, the state-mandated 16 percent water use reduction began for the City of San Diego as a whole. The City is strongly urging San Diegans to water no more than two times per week, for no more than five minutes per day, with:

- Homes with street addresses ending in an ODD number watering on Sundays and Thursdays
- Homes with street addresses ending in an EVEN number watering Wednesdays and Saturdays.
- And apartments, condos and businesses watering Monday and Fridays
- Previous restrictions remain in effect, and enforcement of these restrictions by City staff may increase.

UC Garden Club Meeting...

The UC Garden Club July meetup will be held on July 25 (Saturday), from 3:00 to 5:00pm, at the garden of Tama Varano located at 6135 Radcliffe Drive. Tama's garden includes a multitude of fruit trees, grapevines, and a grand seating area. Below is a photo courtesy of Theresa Fassel of the March meeting – can you spot the honeybee?



Into the Wild with Friends of Rose Canyon



During one of our walks a teacher from Curie Elementary was looking through the leaf litter with some of his students and discovered this skull. From the teeth, he identified it as likely an opossum.

by Deborah Knight

Friends of Rose Canyon brings hundreds of students a year from UC and Clairemont schools into Rose Canyon and Marian Bear Park. We divide into small groups, each with its own guide. Each group becomes a party of exploration – we never know what we’ll discover. Kids as well as any parents and grandparents who attend are encouraged to point things out. We sneak up on rabbits and lizards. We watch hawks hunt and ravens attack hawks in aerial combat. We catch spiders and insects and examine them with magnifiers before letting them go. We find bones, feathers, and scat. The kids run and climb. Above all, we have fun.

For students in grades 4 and up, we also offer bird walks. We come to the classroom a few days beforehand with enough binoculars for every student and practice by observing birds on the school grounds.

Thanks to grants from SDG&E, our programs are free to the schools. Our guides are skilled naturalists. We draw our inspiration from the words of Rachel Carson, who in a 1956 article for *Woman’s Home Companion* magazine encouraged parents to take their kids to wild places. She wrote:

“If a child is to keep alive his inborn sense of wonder, he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement, and mystery of the world we live in.” For info, go to: www.rosecanyon.org



UCHS students discovered these hatching insect eggs while on our Insect and Spider hunt led by Jim Berrian, entomologist at the SD Natural History Museum. Also leading the walk were his entomology interns from local colleges (great role models for the UCHS students) in addition to our guides.

Why Drought Tolerant Landscapes Work Best

Don’t panic folks! Yes, the drought is not a good thing for our green rolling lawns, but replacing it all with gravel or artificial turf may not be the answer either. Deborah Knight leads us to a recent editorial in the LA Times that explains why drought tolerant landscapes are better for all. Find the article at <http://www.latimes.com/opinion/op-ed/la-oe-lehrerlatanejacobs-gravel-should-not-be-the-new-grass-20150614-story.html>.

In the meantime, get some colorful ideas from Margaret Fillius, who submitted the photos below of San Diego native plants.



California Poppy (Eschscholzia californica) can be grown easily from seed.



Buckwheat (Eriogonum fasciculatum) - a low shrub - can be deciduous but needs very little water to stay evergreen. Has masses of white flowers that turn rust and looks great.



Right: Blue-Eyed Grass, our local iris that is perennial and can be grown from seed. Left: Lance-Leaf Dudleya (Dudleya lanceolata) has fleshy leaves and blooms at this time of the year. Good in rock gardens.

Thanks to the following new and renewing 2015 UCCA members!



MARCH-APRIL MEMBERSHIPS

INDIVIDUAL

- Karl Cranford –
JK Computer Services
- Robert & Diane Estus
- Lloyd & Eileen Farrar
- Barbara Jones
- Danielle Lindsay
- Nils Nordstrand
- Elizabeth Pelling
- Carole Riley
- D.M. Schmidt
- Janet & Fred Schwend
- Greg W. Stores
- Martha Weaver

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- Ian & Tina Grover
- John & Karen Liu
- *Steve Lyons –
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- Terry & Margie Watkins –
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* Visit Steve Lyons at the State Farm Agency booth at the Fourth of July celebration.

MAY-JUNE MEMBERSHIPS

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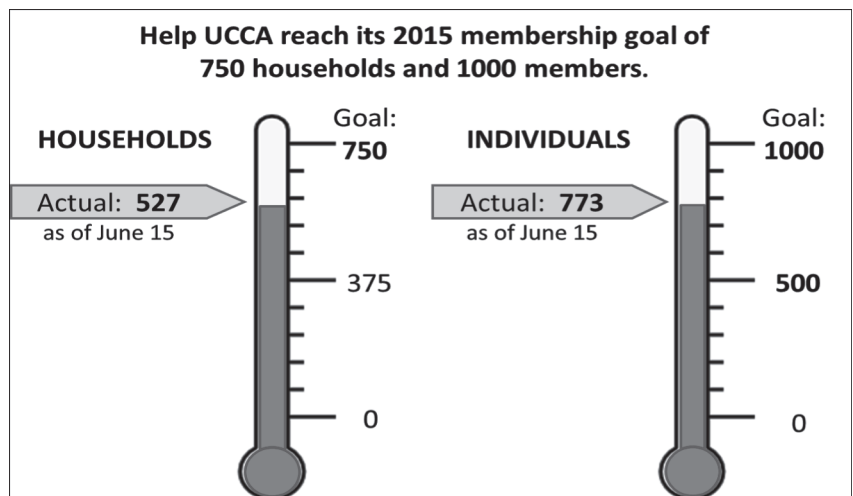
The San Diego Police Department's Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol (RSVP), Northern Division, is seeking additional volunteers to serve the communities of UC, UTC, Clairemont and La Jolla.

RSVP duties include patrolling local neighborhoods, while serving as additional eyes and ears for the police department. RSVP assists uniformed officers by directing traffic, making deliveries to various courts, search for stolen vehicles using computer driven license plate readers, and ticket vehicles parked illegally and out-of-date registrations. The volunteers visit elderly residents living alone to check on their safety and welfare, and check homes for residents on vacation.

Volunteers are from all walks of life, must be at least 50 years of age and possess a valid California drivers License. RSVP offers flexible schedules, a minimum of three days per month service, and time out for vacations.

Here is your opportunity to be part of a talented team of San Diegans serving their communities. Contact SDPD's Northern Division RSVP at 858-552-1737 or E-mail to: sdpdNorthern@pd.sandiego.gov

Thank you to all 2015 members for your support. Your UCCA membership dues make a big difference in our community. These funds help support our many worthwhile organizations, (i.e. public schools' fundraising, Standley Park, EdUCate, Neighborhood Watch, Garden Club, ImproveUC, Buy Local) as well as many special projects and activities such as median beautification, painted electrical boxes and street banners, 4th of July Celebration, summer concerts, December holiday tree lighting, and of course, our monthly newsletter delivered to your home and/or business. UCCA has ended its membership drive for 2015. The 2016 membership campaign begins in September.



THE UC PLANNING GROUP REPORT

by Nancy Groves, UCPG Rep District 1

Chairperson Janay Kruger announced the projects going forward to the Planning Commission: University Terrace East (Angelucci apts.), West End Project (houses on Regents Road). She also announced a public scoping meeting on single-use carryout bag ordinance. New crosswalk at La Jolla Village drive and Genesee and resetting the traffic lights is going forward within four months. Planning Group members were given a list of the 15 public projects, 20 private projects, and 3 potential projects being processed by UCPG.

Council person Sherri Lightner's rep reported on the 2016 city budget, addition of 3 lifeguards, support for the arts, 3 hours additional for libraries giving UC an 8 ½ hour day on Sat., Swanson Pool has been temporarily closed in March and May because of contamination, pedestrian safety and traffic, Doyle International Festival and Lightner's support for the UC 4th of July Celebration.

A UTC renovation update was given that starting in July much of the parking will be closed off for 12 months and busses will be moved out of UTC. All UTC watering will be purple piped recycled and will mitigate down to baseline for water neutral using no more than before.

The La Jolla Village Center is starting renovation and will close the Landmark theatre and several businesses in the center. The Post Office will have to move by Oct 31st when their lease runs out and is trying to find a new location. They have a neighborhood use permit for 800 P.O. boxes and need 2,400 sq ft in this area to service the current box holders. If you would like to make suggestions for a relocation mail ATTN: Dean Camaron, 1300 Evans Ave., Suite 200, San Francisco, CA 94188.

San Diego Forward Sandag, Regional Transportation plan is available and a UCPG subcommittee was appointed to review the plan and make comments by July 15.

David Akin, Public Utilities Customer Advocate spoke on the hot topic of water. The pure water project will purify wastewater and put it into the San Vicente Reservoir providing 1/3 of the city's water supply, but they are still building infrastructure so it will probably be 10 years before it is distributed. Also 10 % will come from the desalination plant. Discussion ensued and questions were asked about HOA's setting individual sub metering to encourage individual water conservation. It is possible but would cost \$350 per unit. Parks and Rec needs to make real efforts to save water. The purple pipes do not extend south so getting recycled water to Balboa Park is not now feasible. Planning and development must require drought tolerant plantings for new development. New construction should use recycled water for dust control when possible.

Aiken reminded people to change sprinklers to 2 times a week for no more than 5 minutes and to switch to micro spray and drip. Rebates for grass removal will begin July 1 at midnight; they must be preapproved and will be granted only until the \$350,000 is allocated. Watch for new rebates for grey water, rebates for micro sprayers and drip. Free home surveys are available from the water department. There is a new free app for the smart phone available called Waste No Water or go to <http://wastenowater.org>.

Brian Elliott presented information on the Climate Action Campaign. The draft climate action plan is to reduce the CO2 greenhouse gases 50% back to the mid 90's level by 2035 to prevent fires and deal with the rise of sea level. Transportation makes 54% and heating and cooling make the rest. By 2035 the climate action plan would have the 87% who commute by car reduced to 50%, the 10% who take public transportation change to 25%, the 1% who walk change to 7% and the 1% who bike change to 18%; we need to shift our transportation focus. Community Choice Energy would buy electricity, deliver energy, maintain lines and benefit customers with affordable rates with local controlled clean energy. San Diego is currently 2nd in the nation in solar installation meaning many jobs for the city. Learn more about the Climate Action Campaign at <http://www.climateactioncampaign.org>.

The Fire Stations Committee is working on design and traffic flow for station 50 on Nobel.

Next UCPG meeting is July 14 and there is no meeting in August.



Lightner joins Mayor Falconer in signing of the FY16 city budget.

Council President Sherri Lightner

Welcome to summer! The school year is finally over and everyone can now, hopefully, enjoy a nice break!

That said, I am once again looking forward to attending the upcoming annual "Oh Say Can U.C." 4th of July Celebration at Standley Park! It is such a great event, and I would like to say thank you to all the volunteers for the hard work and planning that goes into making this event a great success!

On June 8th, the City Council unanimously approved the FY16 Budget. This is truly the best budget we have seen in years. It restores public safety and neighborhood services, and also funds additional infrastructure. I was pleased to support increased funding for public safety, including three more Lifeguards and three additional Park Rangers. I'm also especially pleased to increase funding to our libraries to add additional hours on Saturdays at 23 branch libraries across the city, including the University Community Library.

In May, UC residents met with a panel of City staff (including my staff) and Police for a productive discussion on safety issues. A list of concerns was developed based on feedback, and it will be looked at and analyzed for improving safety and quality of life for community residents. I look forward to seeing the results of this effort.

Our office is also working on Swanson Pool contamination issues. Please help to keep this valuable community resource open by keeping an eye on suspicious activity taking place around the area after hours. If you see anything, please notify our office or contact SDPD via the non-emergency number at 619-531-2000. In the meantime, we are working with the staff at the Parks and Recreation Department to bring about a long-term solution so that we can keep the pool open for the summer.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AT STANDLEY PARK

Sunday concerts from 5:00 - 7:00 pm

July 12: Forecast – Jazz Fusion (with UC's Greg Pardue)

July 19: Riff tide – Classic Rock & Top 40 (with UC's Jill Harvey)

July 26: Chini & Camberos – Latin/Flamenco/Jazz/Rock Fusion

August 2: Relative Minors – Oldies (with UC's Greg Zinser)

August 9: Swamp Critters – Cajun

August 16: Nitro Express – Country

Friday concerts from 6:00 – 8:00pm

August 21: Teaser – Arena Rock (with UC's Rick Kern)

August 28: Legends – '50s and '60s Oldies



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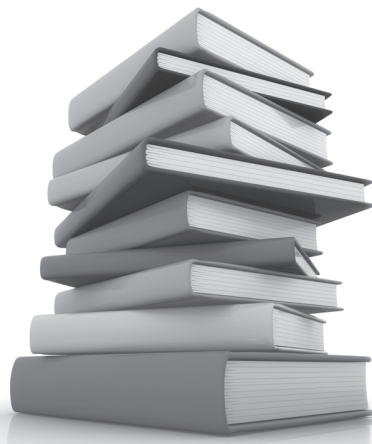
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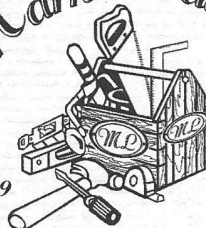


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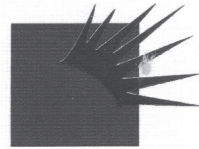
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Jorgen Heimburger says he and he wife Margit decided to start sponsoring the now annual Banana Split Day because it was a "good thing to do." Heimburger recalls that 34 years ago, then Standley Park Rec. Director, Steve Lyons went to an event where there was a 200 ft. banana split and brought it up to the Rec. Council, of which Heimburger was the Chairman. Heimburger says he thought "heck, we can do that, I'm in the business." He had a family dairy, which his son Karsten continues to run. In 1981, the Banana Split Day tradition began with the Heimburger family supplying the ice cream with participants bringing bananas.

The Heimburgers were transplants from Denmark and has lived in UC since 1972, raising their children here who all went to our local UC schools. Although UC lost a dedicated community member when Margit passed away a couple years ago, Jorgen remains committed to providing the ice cream for Banana Split Day, and feels it is "something to give back to the community, because any day is a good day with free ice cream."

Steve Lyons also continues to be active member of the UC community and his State Farm Insurance office is located in the Vons shopping center. I'm sure we're all glad he went to that event 34 years ago and brought the idea back to the Rec. Council.

The event has varied in size from year-to-year, from 200 to 400 feet, and from 300 to 1,000 in attendance for the larger milestone years. The event would not continue to be so successful without volunteers. Besides the Heimburger's donating ice cream, there are between 30 to 60 volunteers and past and present employees of Standley Park that come out to help with the annual tasty event.

Banana Split Day continues to be a great UC summer tradition. Bring family and friends, grab a banana, head on over to Standley Park on Saturday, August 1 around 2:00pm, and load up with ice cream, toppings, whipped cream and a cherry on top! Simple pleasures are so delicious in UC. And don't forget to say thank you to the Heimburger Family for helping make UC such a great place to live.

