

Upcoming Events

Kids Night Out

February 16th and March 16
Standley Recreation Center
5:30 - 9:30 PM. Ages: 5-10
Games, Movies and Dinner
\$10.00 per child

Kindergarten Registration

March 14th - 1:00 PM at
Curie Elementary School
for neighborhood children
Lucy Goodwin
858-453-4184

4th of July Celebration Committee

February 21, at 7:00 p.m. at the
Standley Park Recreation Center.

Used Book Sale at the UC Library

March 16th at 12:30 pm
and March 17th at 9:30 am

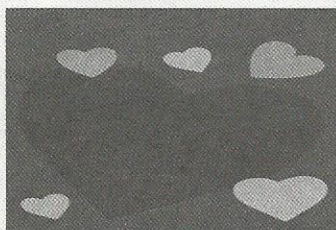
4th of July Celebration Planning

Wednesday, February 21,
at 7:00 p.m.
at the Standley Park
Recreation Center.

Bike Rodeo Helmet Fair

March 17th from
10:00 am to 1:00pm
Venue to be announced

Happy Valentine's Day



Christmas Celebration at Standley Park



Santa, Barbershop, Kids, Clowns, Carols, a Band and plenty of fun for all the families who came out to celebrate Christmas at the Park.

Kids and adults came out December 8th to light the Christmas Tree, sing Christmas Carols, get their faces painted by a clown, meet Santa and have a great deal of fun.

The air was filled with the music of Standley Middle School Marching Band led by their young, but energetic leader. The choir of Our Mother of Confidence Church sang traditional Christmas Carols and the Fog Nozzle Four provided close harmony while telling of Rudolph, Frosty and a Winter Wonderland.

The evening started with a welcome by UCCA President Hugh Pates and it

ended with hot chocolate and a visit with the big man in red, himself.

UCCA is especially thankful for the generous donation of a tree from Miramar Nursery and for the committee who decorated it. Also much appreciated was the lighting, refreshment and balloons provided by the Westfield Shopping Center.

Our next celebration will be July 4th. Volunteers are welcome and appreciated. See how you can volunteer elsewhere in this issue. Lend a hand to make the day memorable and fun for our whole community.

Wishing you a bright and Happy New Year!

Neighborhood Happenings...

The Christian Churches of University City celebrated the close of Christian Unity week with an evening prayer service at Our Mother of Confidence Church on January 21st. The service was well attended, with three choirs providing the uplifting music. The service was followed by a reception for neighbors to get to know each other.

University City United Church will offer a series of discussions "Thinking Critically - Living Faithfully" on the fourth Tuesday of the month in February, March, April and May. This month's topic is "Healing through Art and Music." Soup and salad will be served at 6 p.m., followed by the panel discussion at 7 p.m. in Koehler Hall. UCUC is at 2877 Governor Drive. Call the church (858) 453-3444 for more information.

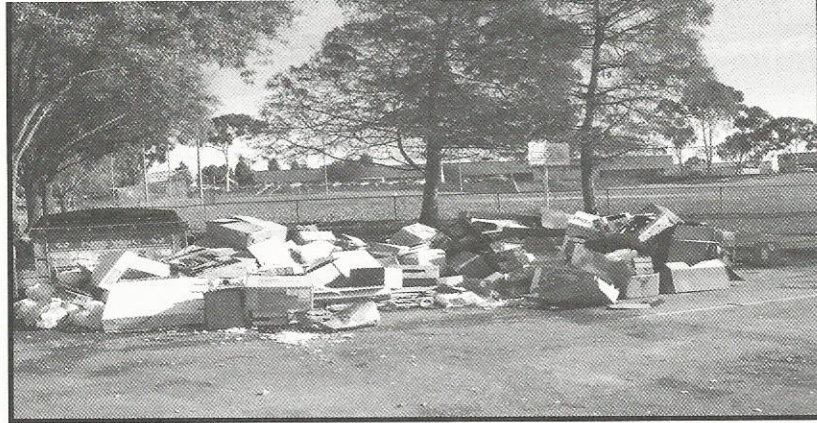
The San Diego Police Department have been issuing citations to homeowners with alarms system which have not be sanctioned by permit. The permit costs \$55 and not having a permit results in a Misdemeanor Citation with accompanying fine of \$100. For further information call 619-531-2377 Monday through Thursday.

Some UC homes have been receiving visits from "kids" who claim to live "down the block". The reason for the visit is to raise money for a visit to Disney World or buy a band instrument. None of these claims are true. Several residents have made police reports and have been advised never to fall for this scam. Keep your front door locked whether you are expecting visitors or not, and do not open the door if you cannot identify the person outside.

NOTICE

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

Recycling gone wrong....



Trash left outside the trash bins, which was not picked up by the Environmental Services Department

Residents of University City have been able to avail themselves of two recycling programs.

The Christmas Tree recycling which ended on January 19th, which was a well patronized program with thousands of trees being recycled.

There is a second program, an on-going one, which aims directly at recyclables generated by our community. Residents took wonderful advantage of this program which generates revenue that comes directly back to the recreation center.

Unfortunately, for this material to be picked up by the City's Environmental Services Department, it must be put into the bins available. All material left outside the bins is not collected.

This was the case last month, when an employee of the center had to bag everything up and put it in the center's trash bins.

In the interest of keeping UC beautiful and contributing to the recycling programs available to us, it is important for us to remember to put our recyclables in the trash bins provided. It might be necessary to return on another day if the bins are already full.

For information about trash pick-up days, please call the center at 858-552-1653.

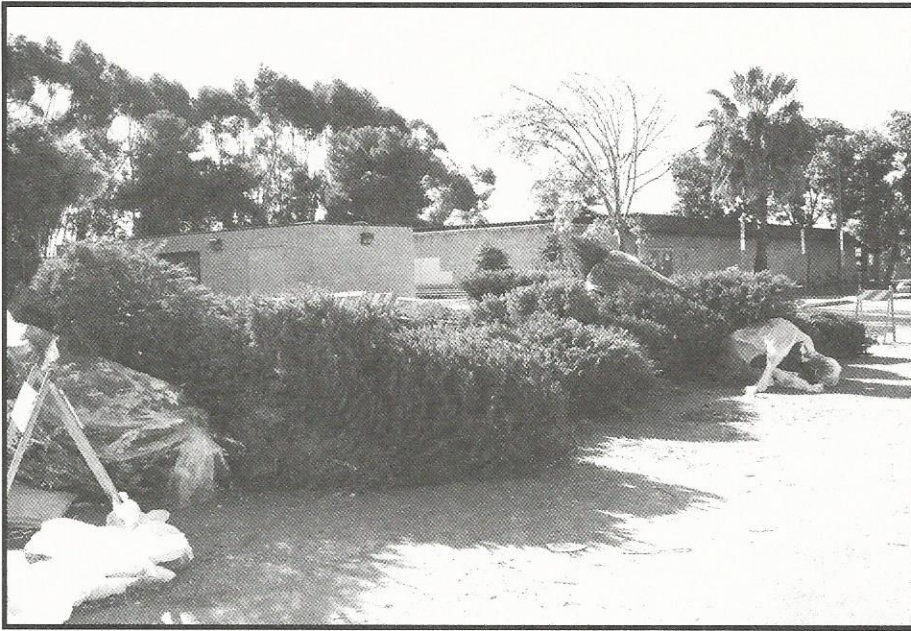
Fund Raising Book Sale at the UC Library

The Friends of the UC Library will be holding their "every-so-often" book sale in March, and they are going to be trying something new. Mark your calendars for FRIDAY March 16 and Saturday March 17 for the sale.

The doors of the UC Library open at 12:30 on Fridays, and the staff will be ready for you to rush in to purchase those gently-used bestsellers and other treasures. The group is experimenting with this expanded time period for two reasons: first, there are many in our community whose religion does not allow them to make purchas-

es on Saturday. Second: the reduced library hours on Saturdays have had a corresponding reduction in the amount that is earned at each book sale as a result. Since the money earned goes directly for purchase of new materials and funding of programs in University City, all are encouraged to be generous in buying books!

So, your friends at the library will be looking for you at the Book Sale on Friday March 16 at 12:30 and Saturday March 17 at 9:30.



O Christmas Tree!

It was a sad sight to behold. Christmas trees which, once in their bejeweled glory, delighted families in living rooms across University City, now lay awaiting a trip to the recycling plant to be turned into mulch. This is a real, though sad, commentary on the transitional nature of life. But there is good news. Every year 50 million Christmas trees are purchased in the United States and more than 30 million are turned in much. Evergreens produce a nitrogen rich mulch which helps decompose other vegetation faster than it normally would.

From the Editor...

As a 32 year resident of University City, I cannot imagine living in any other part of San Diego County. Our little Golden Triangle has an enviable "climate control" auto-control which keeps the temperature and the humidity at an enjoyable level almost all year round and all of us have come to take that rather for granted.

Our Newsletter helps foster the wonderful small town atmosphere we enjoy here and what keeps it coming is any piece of news which helps us get to know each other better.

Mulch containing ground up evergreen needles and wood provide excellent protection for newly planted spring flower seeds, keep weeds from overpowering shrubs in public parks and make those areas not covered with vegetation pleasant to look at along side freeways and county streets. So the next time you see a ocean of bright color while driving to work or to the grocery store, know that your Christmas Tree may have contributed to helping mother nature keep up the good work as she goes about her vernal duties in Spring.

So, please send me anything you think might be of interest to other families in UC. I can be reached at glenn.dabreo@gmail.com.

A special word of thanks to the Board and Hugh Pates, our President, for welcoming me to the Board and to Carole Pietras, my predecessor, without whose help I could never have taken on this job. She is, indeed, a hard act to follow.

Glenn D'Abreo
Editor

Did You Know?...

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...The City Council will hold a public hearing Monday, February 26th at 2:00 p.m. at the City Administration Building, 202 C St. 12th floor Council Chambers to consider proposed increases in water and sewer rates and charges. The Notice of Public Hearing sent to residents is also available on the City's website www.sandiego.gov along with additional information including the Water and Wastewater Cost of Service studies. You may also call Customer Service at 619-515-3500 if you have questions regarding the hearing, the proposed rates or how to file a protest...

...SANDAG (San Diego Assn. of Governments), is collaborating with Caltrans, the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS), the North County Transit District (NCTD), and the San Diego County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SAFE) to launch the state-of-the-art, free 511 traveler information service in March 2007. By calling 511, going to www.511sd.com or viewing CommunityView TV service, the public will be able to access Real-time traffic analysis, including incident reports, and congestion delays; traffic camera views; transit route and fare information; carpool and vanpool information; bicycle and commuting information; and roadside assistance via the San Diego SAFE call center. The free service will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For more information on calling 511 or other SANDAG programs, visit www.sandag.gov. You can also subscribe to SANDAG's electronic newsletter, rEgion, when visiting the website...

...The San Diego Community College District Continuing Education offers California residents a number of free classes at ten locations throughout the city including the North City center on Aero Dr. 619-388-1800 and the West City Center (619-221-6973) located at the corner of Balboa and Clairemont Dr. at Clairemont High. More information and catalogs are available on line at www.sdce.edu.

President's Perspective...

The University City Community Association welcomes Glenn D'Abreo as the new Editor of our Community Newsletter! I think you can see by the quality of this edition that Glenn has comfortably accepted the high standards for this periodical set by our former editor Carole Pietras. Not only has Glenn set a high standard for this production, he is a man who can also hit high notes while singing. Glenn has a beautiful tenor voice and has mastered repertoire from Opera to Broadway.

He currently serves as Director of the outstanding Our Mother of Confidence choir which performed so superbly for the community during our Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. If you have any questions or information you would like to share with the community in the Newsletter, you can reach Glenn at glenn.dabreo@gmail.com.

Mary Kay Hewitt, who has boundless energy and superb organizational skills for community events and activities, has taken the reigns as manager of the distribution of our newsletter. This is indeed an enormous task with at least 100 citizens working to make sure each community member receives their free newsletter during the first week of the month. If you would enjoy taking a short walk around your neighborhood to deliver this publication during the first week of the month, please contact Mary Kay at mkhewitt@san.rr.com.

For those of you who appreciate getting your newsletter each month, we invite you to become a member of your Community Association by filling out the membership form in this Newsletter. We need as many citizens as possible working together to build and maintain a clean, beautiful and safe University City!

Best to all for a very rewarding and healthy 2007!

Hugh Pates
President

e-Newsletter.....

The UCCA Newsletter has plans to publish the newsletter online on a website which has yet to be decided on. Features not included in the printed Newsletter will be included in this electronic edition. Some possible features will be Letters to the Editor, Recipes of the Month, Photographic competitions and Advertising.

Bike Helmet Fair

UCCA and County Board of Supervisors Ron Roberts' office are working together to bring this great event to UC for the youngsters in our community. The Bike Rodeo/Helmet fair will take place from 10:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at a location to be announced. Free helmets will be given to those riding bikes, scooters or skateboards. Circle March 17th on your calendar and plan to attend. Watch the next newsletter for more details, as well as the location of the Fair.

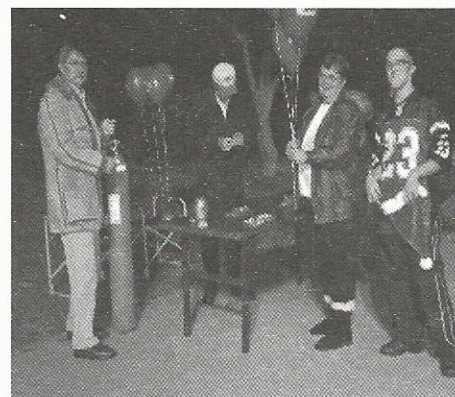
EdUCate! scores a fund-raising win!

Thanks From EdUCate! on Meeting Matching Funds Challenge

EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools, starts the New Year with good news. We did it! Thanks to the generosity of our community, EdUCate! was able to take advantage of the entire \$10,000 in matching funds offered by a generous UC family. That adds \$20,000 to our "Dollar-A-Day" fundraiser to purchase document cameras for our schools! The EdUCate! Board is thrilled to announce that in addition to funding the traditional teacher-written grants, EdUCate! will be able to fund HALF (about \$100,000) of our document camera goal!

The fundraising isn't over yet. Supplying all the needed document camera set-ups will cost close to \$200,000, so we have a long way to go to furnish our schools with this wonderful teaching tool. The "Dollar-A-Day" campaign is ongoing, and we cannot accomplish our goal without the help of ALL our families. If you haven't donated, please do so and help us attain our goal of 100% participation. If you'd like to really see your money at work, log on the EdUCate! website at www.uc-educate.org and click on DONATE NOW and then on "Dollar-A-Day". Any donation amount can be put to good use, and it's all tax deductible (questions can be sent to EdUCate! president, Elaine Hanson at

Up, up and away!



Bright red gas balloons made for part of the fun in the park at Christmas

president@uc-educate.org).

Every year, our teachers and staff have many needs. Our Allocations Committee is already busy considering applications for grants that have come in under our new "Early Application" process and will soon also be looking at the "regular deadline" applications. The point of this process is to get requests funded and into the classrooms as quickly as possible. This has been a significant increase in workload for every one of our EdUCate! committees - from Allocations to Marketing and Publicity to "Taste of the Triangle" to Governance to Development.

A large debt of gratitude is owed to every one of the volunteers for their tireless commitment to University City public education. Everyone is welcome to participate as we continue our recruitment for board and committee members in the New Year. There is special interest in recruiting a new board member who has expertise, experience, and interest in managing and regularly improving our website, as well as recruiting folks with business, foundation, and philanthropic connections. Please contact governance@uc-educate.org for more information. Thank you for supporting EdUCate! in our 100% Commitment to UC Public Schools!!!

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University City Community Association Annual Membership Drive

Please consider supporting your community association by renewing your membership or becoming a member.
The greater the support, the more we can do for University City, the best kept secret in San Diego.

UCCA Membership Application

One membership for your entire household for January – December 2006

New member Renewal

General member \$15

Community Supporter \$35

UC Community Angel \$50

Please print.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

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Individual and Business Members' names may be listed in the newsletter under membership. Please indicate if you do NOT want your name to be listed. Do NOT list my name.

Business Membership

January – December 2006

Silver member \$50

Gold Member \$100

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Listed below are activities and programs UCCA organized or supported in 2005. Please help us identify those that are important to our membership by checking the appropriate box below:

Activity/Event	Very Important	Important	Not Important	Comments
Beautification/Landscaping				
Community Clean Up				
Enhancement Committee				
Graffiti Abatement Committee				
Holiday Tree Lighting				
Monthly Newsletter				
Summer Concerts in the Park				
UC Celebration				

Suggestions for other activities, events or sponsorship in 2006: _____

Thank you for your continued support!

Please make your check payable to UCCA, and mail it with this form to:

UCCA Membership, 3368 Governor Drive #121, San Diego, CA 92122

Questions: Hugh Pates, UCCA President (858) 453-0645

TLC for Seniors

The University City Senior Center is a program of the Jewish Family Service which offers a caring and friendly place for seniors to spend their day, twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.

The center offers coffee, tea and cookies in the morning, followed by gentle and therapeutic exercise. A delicious, hot kosher lunch is served daily.

There are two programs each day, which consist of educational speakers, musical entertainment, bingo, videos and a lot of fun and TLC. Birthdays are celebrated monthly, as well as special holiday festivities.

The Center is located at 3813 Governor Drive in San Diego. The cost for lunch is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Reservations are needed. Round-trip transportation is \$5/day and is available upon request.

Some of the entertainment includes vocal recitals of Jewish music, piano/vocal concerts of Broadway music, arts and crafts, and a luncheon with a visit to the Opera, among other very entertaining events.

Call Arlene Gussin, Program Coordinator at (858) 550-5998 for further information.

Deadline
for the March issue
is
February 15th
For news, email
glenn.dabreo@gmail.com
For ads, email
uccaADS@hotmail.com

O say.....can you help?

Some of us have still to hoist those bankers' boxes of Christmas trinkets up into the rafters and yet it's time to look ahead.

Planning is in full swing for the 2007 Celebration on the Fourth of July. The celebration has become a UC tradition and it goes a long way to contribute to the small town fuzzy feeling so many of us want for our families.

If you were at any of the previous July 4th celebrations and you have ideas of how this could be an even more enjoyable event please consider joining the group that makes it happen.

Looking for News about UC....

If you have a loved one serving our country overseas, send us a short story with a photograph. From the next issue we will be including a new item called "Serving America" which will tell the story of one of our soldiers, as a special way of thanking our men and women in uniform and their families for serving us all.

News items of personal interest are welcome at the UCCA Newsletter.

Andy Freeburn, who heads the group will welcome anyone interested in making this holiday special. Even if you don't expect to be around on the Fourth, or you find yourself unable to head a committee, any help will be greatly appreciated.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 21, at 7:00 p.m. at the Standley Park Recreation Center. For further information, please contact:

Andy Freeburn at 858-336-4437

or e-mail to:

AndyFreeburn@century21award.com.

If you belong to a group with upcoming events or events which have already taken place, please e-mail information and photographs to the newsletter for possible inclusion. Items can include areas in University City which might need improvement, clean-ups which have been undertaken, children's events, church events and other social events which might be of interest to our community.

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To reserve space, please contact **Terri Day**, UCCA Advertising Manager at **uccaADS@hotmail.com**.

Ad copy in jpeg or tiff format **must be received by the 10th of the month preceding publication** (i.e., Feb 10th for the March edition) by Terri Day, Advertising Manager, at **uccaADS@hotmail.com** as an attachment.

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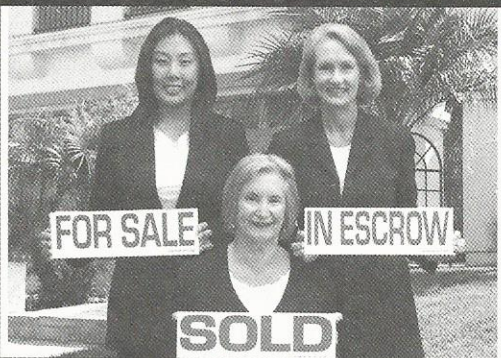
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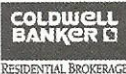


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