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UC Celebration Meeting
 Wednesday on April 18 - 7:00 p.m.
 Standley Park Rec Center

Easter Egg Hunt
 April 7th, 10 am-12 pm
 for all ages.
 Standley Park and Rec center

Spring Clean Up in May
 May 12th, 2007
 Standley Pool Parking Lot

Kid's Night Out
 April 20th, 2007
 5:30 pm -9:30 pm
 \$10/child- Ages: 5-10
 Dinner is included
 registration deadline April 18th.

Easter Egg Hunt for children
 University City United Church
 at 10 a.m. on April 7.
 2877 Governor Drive

Standley Park & Recreation
 Council meeting
 April 26th 7:00pm
 Info: 858-552-1652

Contact the editor:
Glenn J. D'Abreo
 for upcoming events and other news items
 at uccanews@san.rr.com

Bike Rodeo/Helmet Fair...a Big Hit



Safety lessons were learned and gifts went home with kids at the UC Bike Rodeo, Saturday, March 17th at UC Baptist Church parking lot

The Bike Rodeo/Helmet Fair was very successful. All the kids attending went through a process of learning about safety on bikes, scooters and skateboards. Completion of the course got them a helmet, bike reflectors and a host of other gifts. Special thanks to Rebecca Leister, aid to Supervisor Ron Roberts, who attended and gave a short address. The community is also very grateful to Richard Morris of the First Baptist Church for providing the venue. The Bike/Helmet Rodeo was almost abandoned because of the difficulty in obtaining an open space in which to hold it.

This event was also possible because of the assistance provided by UCHS teachers and students, the Standley school PTSA, the Doyle PTA, Liberty Mutual, Say San Diego, Cancer Navigator, Safe Moves, San Diego Bike Coalition, American Medical Response, the San Diego Police Department, Health & Human Services (northern division), the Dental Health Initiative of San Diego and Foy Jones (former owner of Bikeland). We were privileged to give away many multi-purpose helmets and bike helmets to our community kids, Standley Park, and the police department. The grant money from the San Diego Foundation was very well spent.

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Way Back When.....



Jake Marquette... in UC since 1965

Jake Marquette was born in 1919 in a little town in New York State called Tonawanda, which is long way away from University City. In his eighty-eight years Jake has done a lot of moving around including serving in the Marine Corp in Iceland, Guadalcanal, Tulagi and Guam, all fighting the Axis during World War II. A veteran of the *Greatest Generation*, Jake now makes is home in UC where he and his wife and family moved in 1965. He bought his home on Governor Drive for as much as one buys an inexpensive second hand car today. Way back then Governor Drive ended one block down and the street was only paved on the south side. The north side was wilderness and the kids played in the canyon right in front of the house, frequently bringing home injured wildlife to be nursed back to health by the family. Jake says that they bought the home where it is in the 4000 block of Governor because it was a nice, quiet dead end street.



Governor Drive ended right here

A Tree Grows in UC.....



A sapling trying it's best to beautify UC, the committee in charge of the beautification project with City officials and UCCA President Hugh Pates receiving a check from Gary Roto of Ron Roberts' office.

The Office of Superintendent Ron Roberts awarded University City Community Association a \$3,000 grant to plant 10 jacaranda trees donated by The Village Garden Club of La Jolla. The grant will pay for planting, feeding, and watering the jacaranda trees for the first year. Anne Bolton, former UCHS principal, and Pam Ingersoll, a University City resident and former president of the Village Garden Club of La Jolla, nominated U. C.C.A. as a recipient of the club's jacaranda tree planting program. The San Diego City Council designated the jacaranda the official tree of the City of San Diego in October 2000.

Gary Roto, Deputy Director of the Office of Ron Roberts, was instrumental in getting the Community Projects funds for this beautification project. Roto attends the UCCA board meetings and learned about the need for trees and plants to beautify our community. Madeleine Baudoin, our liaison from Councilman Peters' office, is working with traffic engineers to insure compliance with traffic visibility standards. If everything goes well, Governor Drive should see 10 beautiful jacaranda trees within a month, in time for a special celebration on Arbor Day. Many thanks to the Village Garden Club of La Jolla and the Office of Ron Roberts.

Marci School Volunteer Program



Volunteers helping kids...one-on-one...with English at Marci School

Volunteers in University City have been a part of a program to help children with reading and comprehension. Each child gets one-on-one attention from the adult volunteer, who has them read and then explain what was read.

The program is helping kids who would otherwise be left behind in English class because their comprehension of the English Language is less than it should be for their grade and age. Included in this group of kids are children who speak Yiddish, Croatian, and Spanish.

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Spring Clean Up in May...

The annual UCCA Spring Clean Up day is always the second Saturday in May. This year the event date is May 12, 2007.

The clean up event has two parts - First: dumpsters are provided in the parking lot of the Standley Pool available for residents to dispose of their spring clean up items; Second: the cleaning up of medians and sidewalks by citizen volunteers participating in the event.

Certain items cannot be put into the dumpsters. The list of excluded items will be published in the May UCCA Newsletter.

University City United Church will offer a series of discussions "Thinking Critically - Living Faithfully" on the fourth Tuesday of the month in April and May. This month's topic is "The Big Picture-Global Citizenship." 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. For more information please call the church at (858) 453-3444.
Easter Sunday Services
9 and 10:30 a.m.
(858) 453-3444

Just Moved to UC?

If you are new to University City and would like your family mentioned in the newsletter please contact the Editor with information about your family. Where you moved from, why you chose UC, and what part of UC your new home is in. Send info to uccanews@san.rr.com

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EdUCate Receives Large Award.....

EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools, is proud to announce the award of \$157,000 in funding by the foundation this 2006-2007 school year for the University City public schools - Curie, Doyle, and Spreckels elementary schools, Standley Middle School, and University City High School. This is the largest amount ever awarded by the foundation in any given school year and represents a total of more than \$657,000 awarded to the schools during its 14 years of funding. After talking with all of the 230 teachers at the five schools, EdUCate! realized the need for computer/projection systems which are powerful teaching tools. The school district has agreed to partner with EdUCate! to provide training and maintenance for this digital presentation equipment. EdUCate!'s new ongoing, ambitious Dollar a Day campaign made it possible to purchase these systems and, although 100% of the funds raised were used for the project, there are still many classrooms in need of this equipment. A very generous donor boosted EdUCate!'s effort by committing to match dollar for dollar every donation made up to a total of \$10,000, yet EdUCate! has not reached its goal of 100% participation.

EdUCate! would like to appeal to those UC school families who have not contributed, to donate any amount at this time so that this school year's goal can be met. EdUCate! will be celebrating its success and showcasing the five UC schools at its sixth annual Friendraiser and Awards Ceremony to be held on Saturday, April 28, 2007, from 1:00-3:30 pm at University City High School, 6949 Genesee Avenue. Festivities will include the presentation of EdUCate!'s Honor A Teacher awards to deserving teachers, demonstrations of the document camera/projector presentation system, student performances, and, the highlight of every Friendraiser, a musical performance by the five principals! Admission is free and refreshment will be available. EdUCate!'s goal is to improve the quality of public education in the UC community. Funds are raised through the generosity of private donors and corporate sponsors which include the San Diego Marriott La Jolla, the La Jolla Golden Triangle Rotary Club, Ann Wille and Associates, Ruth Mills and Associates, Washington Mutual, Biogen Idec, the Marketplace in University City, Caryl Lees Century 21 Award, the San Diego Metropolitan Uptown Examiner and Daily Business Report, and Mark and Wade Tettenburn.

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UC High School Class of 2007 Annual Senior Fashion Show

Come join the **University City High School Class of 2007** for the annual Senior Fashion Show on Saturday, April 21st at 7:00 pm. The Fashion Show is a fund raiser to help support UC High Grad Nite, which is an ambitious all-night event held at the high school the evening after graduation, with its emphasis on a "fun, safe and sober celebration". Grad Nite was established by concerned parents after statistics showed the night of high school graduation had the highest number of alcohol and drug related accidents and deaths than any other night of a high school student's life. The Fashion Show features a diverse group of students, along with Principal Ernie Smith, modeling clothes from some of their favorite local clothing stores. Most of the organizing is done by the students themselves led this year by seniors Sarah Taniyama, Zach Warma, Danielle Caneva, Takeo Wendel, Riley Guza, and Mitchell Beacom.

Summer Concert HELP.

Sunday summer concerts in the park are very popular, and we have great bands lined up for the community. We need someone to coordinate the fundraising part. We can provide contacts for the volunteer coordinator who signs up to find funding for the bands. Time is running out. If you would like to help out a wonderful cause, contact Sandy at 453-2387.

Fourth of July Volunteers still needed.....

We still need volunteers to help with the planning of our annual neighborhood Fourth of July festival. There are plenty of small tasks for the day of the event that are perfect for the entire family! Please contact Pat Neugebauer at Patneugebauer@sbcglobal.net.

We request your book donations for our popular book barn. Please start cleaning out any unwanted books and save them for drop off at the beginning of July.

This year stores participating include Sport Chalet, Sun Diego, Clairemont Surf Shop, Charlotte Russe, Pacific Sun, Anchor Blue, Buffalo Exchange, The Closet, After Hours Formal Wear and the River! The public is welcome and encouraged to attend this upbeat and entertaining fashion show. Tickets range from \$6.00 for general seating; \$12.00 for VIP seating and \$15.00 for front row. Seating is limited and tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis. You may purchase tickets in advance from any of the UC High models or by calling Guza at 858.274.8393. Tickets will also be sold at the door. The event will take place at the UC High School Gymnasium. If you would like to donate to Grad Nite, checks can be made out to "Grad Nite" and sent to University City High School, 6949 Genesee Ave, San Diego, CA 92122.

Your Own Neighborhood watch

Lori Miller, a resident of the west end of UC and an active Realtor in the area is trying to establish a neighborhood watch program in the west end. There have been a rash of home invasion burglaries in the west end and the community needs to come together to prevent this from increasing. The only measure that works is neighbors watching out for neighbors. If you would like to start a group on your block please contact Lori at 858-452-9000.

We are taking applications for booth space at this time. Anyone interested in purchasing booth space should contact Joe McLaughlin at 619-980-5101 or e-mail him directly at Joe@homesofsandiego.com.

The next UC Celebration meeting will be Wednesday, April 18, 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.

Did You Know?...

...The **Monte Verde** project came before the **Planning Commission** on March 15th. City staff recommended approval of the project's 800 units in four 32-35 story towers. After discussion following a presentation by the developer and public comment by those for and against the project, the Planning Commission voted 4-1 to recommend to the City Council that the reduced size alternative of the project outlined in the FEIR (Final Environmental Impact Report) be approved. The reduced alternative calls for two 21 story towers and two 18 story towers and a reduction in the number of dwelling units. The City Council will make the final decision at a future meeting.

... To view archived video of the March 15th or any other Planning Commission hearing, City Council meeting or various other committee hearings, go to www.sandiego.gov. Click on the **CityTV24 logo** to open a page listing the various choices available then click on your choice. You can also sign up to receive weekly email notification of **CityTV24's broadcast schedule...**

... The combination of new **Passport requirements** and a busy Spring travel season mean longer waits for passport processing. If you're planning a trip, apply early. You can apply for a passport at the **Clairemont Community Service Center** on Lakehurst Dr. in the Clairemont Town Square Shopping Center. (858) 581-2411. **Passport Application Acceptance Hours:** Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. For more information about the center's passport services, check: www.sandiego.gov/servicecenters/services/passports.shtml. For renewal and other information, visit the state department's website, http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

... Californians will be casting votes for their choice in the presidential primary much earlier than in the past. **Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger** signed legislation moving the state's **presidential primary to Feb. 5, 2008...**

... There have been a number of home burglaries in our community in recent weeks. Sign up for Neighborhood e-watch at www.sandiego.gov to receive daily information on incidents in the community including home and auto burglaries, thefts, vandalism, citations, truancy, etc.

President's Perspective...

Near the end of every April, my mother would put the whole family, one husband and three sons, to work for a whole weekend "cleaning up the house and the yard!"

It was one of my least favorite activities of the whole year, since all the other guys were out on the baseball field having a wonderful time. In Minnesota spring usually came late, so getting in those precious days of batting the ball were very important to me.

After all, we'd been waiting all winter just to get the gloves on and throw the ball around. As much as I pleaded amnesty from this chore and as grumpy as I was during the activity, my mother always prevailed, even though my Dad was an ardent baseball fan too!

So as April arrives my thoughts turn to baseball and to "spring cleaning." This year our annual community spring cleaning day for U.C will be on Saturday, May 12th under the veteran leadership of Randy Furhman, Andy Freeburn and Richard Betzenderfer. It will also be celebrity day in our community as there have been strong indications that Mayor Summers and Councilman Peters will be on hand to work side by side with community members on this project. So if you have some ideas you'd like to share with these decision makers, arrive early and get placed on their cleanup crew so you can be both a valued worker bee and an informant on important district and citywide issues!

I will most likely once again be wistfully watching those little leaguers as they field their respective positions in their crisp new uniforms and hearing my mother's voice in my head reminding me, "come on, we've got lots more to do yet!" Please mark the 12th of May on your calanders as your day to set aside a couple of hours to help make our neighborhood clean and beautiful.

Also, if you haven't yet joined the Community Association, please do so at your earliest convenience. The application form is in this issue of the newsletter. For those of you who can't remember if you've joined or not, we have a list of current members in this issue to help refresh your memory.

The more members we have in the association the more we can truly be a "community" and the more we can do together to preserve and enhance the beauty of "our" neighborhood!

Hugh Pates
President

La Jolla Country Day Hoopsters score important win...

The La Jolla Country Day (LJCD) Lady Hoopsters won an unprecedented seventh straight section championship (2001-02 in Div. V and 2003-07 in Div.IV) and 10th overall when they defeated Francis Parker, 45-38, at USD's Jenny Craig Pavillion on Saturday, March 3.

Country Day coach Terri Bamford said that at the beginning of the game, the team was struggling a little bit in their offensive sets.

The Lady Torreys struggled enough to hold just a slim 14-9 lead at the end of the first quarter, which led to LJCD falling behind the Lady Lancers, 17-16, after two three-pointers by 5-foot-7 junior guard Kristina Mouritzen and a basket by 5-6 junior guard Adelle Walton. "Francis Parker did an excellent job of controlling the tempo," said Bamford. "They hit the big shots when they needed them."

Standley Spring Camp

The Standley Park and Recreation Center will host their **Spring Camp** for all children ages 5 to 12 years. The dates are April 2nd to April 6th, 2007. Regular hours are from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Fees for camp participation are \$120.00 per week, \$30 per day and \$ 40 for field trips.

The camp is also available for extended hours which go from 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

The fees for these extended hours are \$145 per week, \$35 per day and \$ 45 for field trips. All registration and payments, including payments for daily participation, must be paid in full prior to the first day of attendance. The field trip for Spring Break will be the movies and a visit to the arcade. For further information please call 858-552-1652.

Speaking of big shots, 5-10 sophomore Gizelle Studevent hit one for the Lady Torreys just before half-time to give LJCD an 18-17 advantage heading into the locker room. "So many things can factor into winning a championship," said Bamford. "If shots aren't falling, anything can happen in a playoff environment."

Fortunately, after the intermission, shots began to fall and the Lady Torreys were able to pad their cushion to 36-28 by the end of the third period. LJCD continued to maintain control down the stretch to seal the victory. With the win, the Lady Torreys improved their record to 22-7. With the loss, the Lady Lancers fell to 15-12. The Lady Torreys also defeated Francis Parker twice-by 62-50 and 56-45 scores-during Coastal South League play.

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Scholarship Opportunity

Bruce and Kevin Murray, the sons of the late Thalia Murray, are offering, again this year, a scholarship in her memory to an eligible University City High School senior via EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools.

Mrs. Murray taught in the San Diego Unified School District for 20 years, including 17 years at Marcy Elementary in UC. Thalia Murray received a scholarship which allowed her to attend a high-quality, four-year college. The experience dramatically influenced her life. Her sons want to provide a similar opportunity for a graduating UC High senior each year. Applications are due by Monday, April 30, 2007. Interested seniors should contact Nanci White, Counselor at UC High School, at 858-457-3040, ext. 222, for eligibility details, scholarship criteria, and applications. Applications can be downloaded from the EdUCate! website at www.uc-educate.org. The scholarship recipient, who will receive \$2000 for 2007, will be announced at the UC High School Senior Awards Program at UC High on Thursday, June 7, 2007, at 7PM.

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