

## MARCH CALENDAR



**UCCA GENERAL MEETING**  
**Council Representative**  
**Sherri Lightner**  
**March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Standley Middle School**  
**Media Center**  
**Residents Invited**

**Daylight Savings Time**  
**Begins**  
**March 8**

**UCPG Meeting/Election**  
Forum Hall at UTC  
March 10, 2009  
Voting at 5:00 p.m.  
Meeting at 6:00 p.m.  
Public invited

**St. Patrick's Day**  
March 17, 2009

**Standley Rec Council**  
Standley Park  
March 26, 2009  
7:00 p.m.  
Public invited



### To the residents of University City:

Please understand that the newsletter is intended as a notification vehicle rather than a reporting device. The UCCA board members are not professional journalists and rely on articles submitted by residents. The lack of informative articles on any particular UC event is due to a lack of any of our neighbors submitting an article to the editor. All articles concerning the community are welcome. We do not print editorials or opinions. Thank you for your understanding.

### The Friends of the University Community Branch Library is having a "Blowout Book Sale"

Everything Must Go!!! Great Bargains Galore!!!  
Friday, March 20th from 12:30-5:00 p.m.,  
Saturday, March 21st from 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and  
Monday, March 23rd 12:30-4:00 p.m.



### Saint Patrick's Day Community Celebration

Come and join us for a Ranch Catering Corn Beef Dinner, enjoy live music by The Frank O'Connor Band from San Francisco, and be entertained with a performance by the Malone Academy of Irish Dance. Everyone invited.  
**Saturday, March 14th, 6:30, \$30.00pp & Tx.**  
**Community Hall, Our Mother of Confidence,**  
3131 Governor Dr. City 92122.  
For information call Syd and John Walsh  
858 453 4817.



### Sherri Lightner Visits University City To Meet Her Constituents

Circle Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, and attend the UCCA general meeting featuring our newly elected City Council member from the 1<sup>st</sup> district, Sherri Lightner. Bring your concerns and kudos that evening, and Sherri will try to address your concerns. The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. in the media center of Standley Middle School. If you would like to send some questions for Councilwoman Lightner to research ahead of time, please email them to [EditorUCCA@aol.com](mailto:EditorUCCA@aol.com). Put Lightner in the subject line. Please invite your neighbors to come along. Having our Council representative visit is a great opportunity for the community.



## Neighborhood News

**K**udos to Barbara Birch and Rich Villa who not only rejoined UCCA, but chose to donate an extra \$50 to the Sunday Summer Concert fund

...Councilwoman Sherri Lightner will listen to Community Concerns on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Standley Middle School Media Center. Bring your questions and kudos

...U.C.'s Linda Canada will be leading a discussion of *The Zookeeper's Wife*, the One Book, One San Diego selection for 2009 on March 25<sup>th</sup> from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. If you would like to talk about the book and learn more about your neighbor's reactions to it, please join us in the Community Room of the University Community Library

...Friends of the Library would love to have you as a member. Pick up a membership envelope at the library circulation desk at 4155 Governor Drive. Your dues go directly to U.C. Friends and help fund programs and supplement U.C. library needs. Memberships run from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>

...Taste of the Triangle, the annual fundraiser of **EdUCate!**, is scheduled for April 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Torrey Pines Hilton. If you would like to help address invitations on March 2nd after 8:00 a.m., contact Mary Kay Hewitt at [mkhewitt@san.rr.com](mailto:mkhewitt@san.rr.com)...

...The task force seeking protocol changes after the December 8<sup>th</sup> plane crash invites local residents to join CASA, Citizens Advocating Safest Aviation. Email [piamsud@san.rr.com](mailto:piamsud@san.rr.com)

...Remember to spring forward on March 8<sup>th</sup> when daylight savings starts.

*Newsworthy Items?  
Contact the Editor  
Kay Goodfellow  
[editor@ucca-news.org](mailto:editor@ucca-news.org)*

## Did You Know?

**A**lthough we've had rain, we're still in a drought. If you would like information on ways to conserve water inside and outside your home, get information on rebates, or learn more about the drought and how it affects you, visit the City's water conservation website, [www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation/#convres](http://www.sandiego.gov/water/conservation/#convres). The County Water Authority website, [www.sdcwa.org](http://www.sdcwa.org) also has a lot of information.

...Caltrans has over 1000 cameras monitoring live traffic on California highways, including multiple cameras on highways 5, 8, 15 and 805. Check out [www.dot.ca.gov](http://www.dot.ca.gov) to take a look...

...Representatives from UC Village and Town Park Villas, the senior apartment community on Governor Dr. and Gullstrand near 805, are seeking an amendment to the Conditional Use Permit that will permit the construction of three story buildings on the site. They presently have approval to double in size by building two story buildings. An 80 bed assisted living facility is also approved. The UCPG (University Community Planning Group) will take up the issue again within 60 days, either at the March 10<sup>th</sup> or April 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

...If you missed the Budget meetings, you can still submit your suggestions at [www.sandiego.gov/mayor/budgetsuggestions.shtml](http://www.sandiego.gov/mayor/budgetsuggestions.shtml).

*Submission deadline for the April issue is March 18.*

### Friends of the University Community Library

**Membership:** For your convenience envelopes are available at the library. Your dues will go directly to the Friends of the University Community Library and will help fund programs and supplement Library needs. Memberships will help us demonstrate to our city government the importance of our community libraries. Memberships run from January 1st to December 31st of each year.



## President's Report Andy Freeburn, President, UCCA

**O**n behalf of the board I wish to thank all of you who sent your donations in what must have been hours after receiving your newsletter. By keeping our funds at a reasonable level, your community association can concentrate on planning activities and events that improve our neighborhood and bring value to our quality of life. Coming events include a town hall meeting in March with our City Council representative, Sherri Lightner, and our annual community clean-up in May. As communication is at the heart of any vibrant community, your support is essential in continuing the newsletter and its distribution to nearly 6000 residents every month. We couldn't organize our events without the knowledge that our newsletter would bring the crowds. Although we do receive money for newsletter advertisements, we limit the number of ads to about one third so as to provide an informative newsletter rather than an advertising vehicle. Therefore, ad revenue does not cover the monthly newsletter production costs. Your support also encourages the volunteer board to make the time sacrifices in order to bring you intelligent articles, beneficial activities, and informative events. If you haven't sent a donation yet, it's never too late to send a contribution to UCCA, 3368 Governor Drive #121, San Diego, CA 92122. Sincerely, Andy Freeburn President, University City Community Association

## Cub Scouts Explore Rose Canyon

It was a fine adventure for the boys from Den 8 and their parents who on January 25<sup>th</sup> went for a Friends of Rose Canyon nature walk in Rose Canyon Open Space Park.

They watched an aerial battle between two Red-tailed Hawks and two attacking ravens, the ravens croaking and one of the hawks striking back. When asked whose side they were on, the boys all yelled "the hawks, the hawks." The boys loved finding tracks and especially scat as a way to figure out what animals had been there. "Here's some more scat," they kept calling out. They learned about bobcats and coyotes, sycamores and coast live oaks, all the things that eat gophers, why ice plant is bad, and where Rose Creek goes.

One of the parents said afterwards: "We could have come here by ourselves, but we wouldn't have known anything about what is here." Everyone got to take home postcards of the plants and animals of Rose Canyon. All in all, a day of great fun in the canyon.

**Friends of Rose Canyon offers free guided nature walks** for schools, scouts, seniors, religious groups, parents at home with young children. Contact: Debby Knight, 858-597-0220, rose@san.rr.com.



Scouts: Left to right:  
Cole Storey, Thomas Mahady, Ben  
Holombo, Blaze White, CJ Chakarian  
Mikie Wals

Finally, something positive to report amid all the gloomy economic news! The folks at EdUCate! are taking a "glass half full" approach, focusing on the community's great response to their new **Teacher Wish List program**, rather than on the \$33Million mid-year budget cuts recently announced by SD City Schools. While hard times lie ahead for everyone, our teachers are receiving more than just moral support to get them through the District-imposed buying freeze. In the first month since roll-out of EdUCate's newest program, **more than \$400 in wishes have already been granted** - for items including folk music, watercolors, color printers, and classic DVD's. Please visit <http://www.uc-educate.org/teacherWishList.asp> to find out what your favorite teachers need. Talk it up, folks! If you don't see a listing from your child's school or teacher, call or e-mail them and encourage them to sign up. Thank you to those teachers who have already submitted requests.

Also exempt from the purchasing embargo will be gorgeous new **Apple MacBook laptops** that EdUCate! will purchase with proceeds from this year's Dollar a Day and Honor a Teacher programs. Depending on the net proceeds from Taste of the Triangle, EdUCate! hopes to exceed the Million Dollar mark for donations to the five UC schools over their 15 years of operation.

### Kindergarten Pre-Registration.

This is for Curie resident students for the 2009-2010 school year. Registration will be held on Wednesday, March 11, 2009, in the school auditorium from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Curie Elementary School

4080 Governor Drive  
San Diego, California 92122  
Email: [cjuarez1@sandi.net](mailto:cjuarez1@sandi.net)  
(858) 453-4184



### Chef Paul McCabe's Kitchen

1540 will be one of more than twenty fabulous restaurants featured at Taste of the Triangle on April 3rd. The event, with live and silent auctions, will be held at the Hilton Torrey Pines. Childcare will be available at Standley Park and Rec Center."

EdUCate's board members and volunteers are getting really excited about **Taste of the Triangle 2009!** The event is just around the corner on **April 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Restaurants are top-notch this year: Donovan's Steak and Chop House, Flemings, Harry's Bar and Grill, Kitchen 1540 from L'Auberge Del Mar, The Marine Room, and The Melting Pot just to name a few. Check our website for the most current listing. The Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines will provide a beautiful venue for a golf-themed evening under the stars. The live and silent auctions will again feature incredible vacation, theatre, golf and restaurant packages, along with artwork, jewelry, and other great values - all described by Bill Menish, auctioneer. Daycare will be available at Standley Park and Rec Center, so drop the little ones off, and then come eat, bid, and dance your way into spring break.



Visit **UCCA On-line**  
[www.ucca-news.org](http://www.ucca-news.org)

~ Thank You To Those Residents Who Have Joined UCCA for 2009 ~  
*You Make UC More Than Just a Neighborhood!*

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Postal Annex  
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**BUSINESS SILVER MEMBERSHIP**

Marc & Elaine Provencher  
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**W**hen 83-year-old Jerry Unitt slid behind the wheel of her car one morning last year she didn't know it would be the last time she ever drove a car. A short way into her journey Jerry began to feel ill and, before she could find a place to pull over, she passed out and crashed. Jerry's car was totaled but, thankfully, she was unhurt and no other cars were involved.

Every day older adults like Jerry and those with visual impairments all across San Diego lose their independence because they are no longer able to drive. For a year, Jerry relied on neighbors, the bus and taxis to get where she needed to go. Now Jerry relies on ITNSanDiego to get to

the studio.

**ITNSanDiego** is a non-profit, membership organization providing rides to seniors and the visually impaired. Trained volunteer drivers in private automobiles provide door-through-door service, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This might mean carrying packages, folding up walkers or wheelchairs, or just lending a steadying hand.

For more information, please visit [www.ITNSanDiego.org](http://www.ITNSanDiego.org) or contact ITNSanDiego at (619) 282-0073. We are also available to give presentations .



**University Community Branch  
Library Events for March 2009**

**Story time and Crafts Tuesdays  
@ 11:00 a.m.** a weekly “must” for  
children of all ages.

Spanish story time is back!!!!

**“Hora de Cuentos Para Nino’s”**

Saturdays @ 12:00 p.m. a fun  
introduction to the Spanish  
language.

**NEED HOMEWORK HELP—  
TUTORING IS AVAILABLE!!!!**

Every Monday, Wednesday, and  
Friday from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Designed for children and middle  
school students Pre-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**“Little Rascals Reading Club”**

at 4:15 p.m. in the Community  
Room—every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday.  
March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Designed for elementary school  
age children.

**Special Programs**

**Irish Musical with the Fiddle  
Lady, Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at  
6:30**

**Puppet Show featuring Icarus  
Puppet Production Company,  
Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30  
a.m. Designed for all ages.**

**Henna Tattoo Body Designs—  
create your own tattoos.  
Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 11:00  
a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Designed for  
tweens, teens and adults.**

**One Book, One San Diego Book  
Discussion—2009 Featured  
Book, Diane Ackerman’s The  
Zookeeper’s Wife. Wednesday,  
March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m..**



**Your Mother Doesn’t Work here and nor does your Grandma!**

**S**tandley Park and Recreation Center is the heart of the south University City community. The recreation staff and facilities crew provide more than any community could ask for in keeping the area pristine and ready for public use. It is therefore the responsibility of every resident to utilize the many garbage containers provided for park use. Leaving your coffee cups, beverage containers, and other trash in the parking lot for “someone” else to clean up is like me urinating on your porch and waiting for the rain to wash it away – yeah, it’ll get done eventually.

As a regular volunteer, I see adults leaving trash on the park property even though there is a waste container 10 feet from where they left their trash. If one can is filled, instead of doing us the favor of leaving your trash along side the over filled container, go the extra 30 feet to a receptacle that hasn’t see as much action.

By the way, your children aren’t so privileged that they can’t make the effort to help the park staff and

volunteers either. Perhaps between their first lesson in differential equations and the second primer on quarks, strangeness, and charms, you may teach them the Olde English phrase, “May I help you with something”. If ever you require assistance disposing of your trash after a recreation center event, please ask for assistance.

For those of you not picking up after your dog, I can only hope it’s your children that roll around in the contribution.

Now, to the meat of this article, the three dumpsters in the Swanson Pool parking lot are for RECYCLABLE products only. In case you are ever unsure of what is recyclable, each bin has its own list of items, in English and Spanish, complete with photographs of sample items. If NASA can expect a space being in the next millennium to interpret the graphics attached to Voyager 1, I think its reasonable to expect my neighbors to understand what may be placed in these bins. Mattresses, furniture, appliances, Styrofoam, and auto parts are not welcome items. If the bins are filled, please come back another day.

Removing recyclable goods from any of the parks recycling containers is prohibited.

The recreation center receives a stipend for all recycled items but the benefit will be offset if the park staff must dispose of items that have been illegally dumped. Yes, it is illegal to place non-recyclable products in (or out of) the bins as well as leaving recyclable products outside the bins. If the park wanted all your garbage, there wouldn’t be chastity devices on those dumpsters. So, take the time to read the bins, flatten your cardboard boxes, and empty your bag of cans and bottles directly into the bins.

Enough trash talk. Thank you for your cooperation.

**T**he Traditional Choir of Our Mother of Confidence Church will perform “The Seven Last Words of Christ” by Theodore Dubois, on Palm Sunday, April 5th, at 2:30 PM in the church sanctuary at 3131 Governor Drive, in UC. The work is a dramatic setting of the final words of Christ on the cross and is scored for Soprano, Contralto and Tenor soloists and chorus. This performance will be accompanied by Piano and Organ.

For more information all 858-452-0248. e-mail g8@san.rr.com or visit www.ucshowtime.com.

## UCHS Grad Nite Looks For Your Support

### Standley Park & Rec Upcoming Events & Activities

#### Spring Classes

Registration begins Monday,  
March 16 at noon.

Classes begin week of April 6

Classes include Junior Sports,  
Aikido, Soccer, Basketball,  
Volleyball, Hula Dance, Guitar, Tai  
Chi, Stressbusters, Kidz Art, Kids  
Night Out, Wacky Wednesday  
After School Program, Yoga, and  
two new classes Bollywood Dance  
and Henna Art.

#### Spring Day Camp

**April 6 - 10**

9:00-4:00pm \$120/wk or \$35/day

7:00-6:00pm \$145/wk or \$45/day

Registration begins March 1

All registration must be done in  
advance.

#### Spring Egg Hunt

**Saturday, April 11**

**10am - noon**

Egg Hunt begins promptly at  
10am. Participants meet in the  
gym at Standley Recreation Center.

*The University City Older  
Adult Center, a program of  
Jewish Family Service, offers a  
safe place for older adults where  
they can socialize, learn and grow.  
The Center offers two different  
programs for older adults in the La  
Jolla, University City, Clairemont  
and surrounding communities.*

*Both programs meet at  
Congregation Beth Israel located  
at 9001 Towne Center Drive.*

*During the month of March  
daily activities are offered, which  
includes Brain Fitness, Movies,  
Exercise, Sing Alongs, Musical  
Entertainment, Bingo, Lunch and  
more.*

*Call 858-550-5998 for more  
information and a event schedule.*

**G**rad Nite, the annual all-night party given by University City High School parents for seniors on the night of their graduation, will be held in the UCHS gymnasium starting at 8:30pm on Friday, June 12 and ending at 5:00am on Saturday, June 13. The event, now in its 19<sup>th</sup> year, will celebrate the success of the Class of 2009



before they step out into the world. Grad Nite is a fun, safe, chaperoned drug and alcohol free extravaganza with music, dancing, food, entertainment, games and prizes. To add to the magic of the night, the UCHS gym is transformed into an enchanted Roman Coliseum, a huge undertaking. It is anticipated that the graduating Centurions will leave the party with a lifetime of wonderful memories, plus some pretty cool prizes and mementos.

The planning and coordination duties are being performed by the Grad Nite Committee, which consists of parent volunteers who have been at work since October. They comprise a non-profit organization looking to other parents and the community for donations of money, food, prizes, and volunteer time to make the event possible. Volunteers are especially needed for the event's set-up (June 5-11) and take-down (June 13-14) as well as during the all-night event itself. Even one or two hours of time would be of tremendous help. If you can volunteer, please call Diane Hazard, the Grad Nite Volunteer Coordinator, at 760-942-2651 or email her at [dianehazard@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dianehazard@sbcglobal.net).

To add to the fun and excitement, prizes are given to the seniors throughout the night. No one leaves empty handed! To accomplish this, the Grad Nite Committee is looking for gift items. A gift card in any denomination from a restaurant, coffee shop, theater, spa, or clothing store would be greatly appreciated, or any other prize you think a 17 or 18 year-old would enjoy. Donations can be mailed to University City High School (specify Grad Nite on the envelope) at 6949 Genesee Avenue, San Diego, CA 92122, or can be dropped off at the school's main office at the same address. If you have a prize you want picked up, please call Julie Medlock of the Grad Nite Committee at 858-450-0101 (email [rmedlock@san.rr.com](mailto:rmedlock@san.rr.com)) and she will make the arrangements. Checks are always welcome and should be made payable to UCHS Grad Nite. All donations are tax-deductible. A receipt will be mailed to you so be sure to include your name and mailing address with your donation



Let's Make a Video from  
Grad Nite 2008".

The Grad Nite Committee is grateful to the many parents and community members who continue to make this unforgettable night possible for hundreds of graduating seniors. If you have any questions on different ways you can contribute, contact the Grad Nite Co-Chairs:

Lynda Jackson at 858-273-1033 (email [ejackson@san.rr.com](mailto:ejackson@san.rr.com)) or Lisa Grant at 858-453-0624 (email [lgrant1@san.rr.com](mailto:lgrant1@san.rr.com))



Thanks to you, the UCCA Internet site at <http://www.ucca-news.org> is about to become a community reference!

The UCCA Internet site is ranked number 1 with Google and Yahoo! while using the keywords University City Community Association. There are about 5-7 first time or returning visitors per day on the site for about 30 pages seen (see graph) with 15 visitors on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December 2008, the day of the F/A-18 crash and 22 – on the following day, for a grand total of 2553 to the day of 15<sup>th</sup> of February 2009. There are presently 25 external links to the site: the City Council District 1, the JFSSD (Jewish Family Service San Diego) and The Mira Mesa Town Council (MMTC), plus Wikipedia, to cite a few.

For the numbers crunchers again, since the site went on line more than 6 months ago in June 2008, about 25-30 pages are viewed daily. The most viewed pages are (well, no surprise!): Index, Events and News, respectively 3007, 1292 and 858 times, followed by the pages UC pictures, About us and Classifieds – 272, 271 and 161 times. The pages about the U.C.

schools, recreation, pool or parks have been viewed about 150-200 times each.

As you know, the information on the site, pictures and video (lately, the tree lighting, video crash and library protest) are updated monthly and on an as-needed basis. Since last December, the monthly events appear on the left, as they do in the newsletter for an easy cross-reference. So, please, check out our News and Events pages, plus our community calendar for all current news or events and... add your own community news, events or even classifieds on line (try it, it is easy!).

Hey, to finish, the surprising part about being a webmaster. Once or twice, while shopping in the neighborhood using a credit card, people would read the name, then take a look at you, smile and say: "Oh, you are the one who does the UCCA Internet site!" The Hollywood star system the U.C. way that makes you feel good about all those hours spent working on the site...

Thank you again for caring, U.C.!!  
Mila Anne CRIDLIG ;-)))  
UCCA Internet site

### UC Community Lends a Helping Hand

Thank you to all who donated gift cards for the Johnson and Wu families who were affected by the F-18 crash. The Wu's lost their home, and the Johnson's had to vacate their home because of damage. Your generosity is much appreciated and is a big help to both families.

It's not too late if you want to help. UCCA is collecting Target, Walmart, Macy's and Sears gift cards in any denomination. No cash or checks, please. Send your donation to:

UCCA—Families  
3368 Governor Dr., #121,  
San Diego, CA 92122.. Email Carole Pietras at [caroleucca@sbcglobal.net](mailto:caroleucca@sbcglobal.net) if you have questions or know of other families directly affected by the crash who need assistance.

**North University Community Branch Library**  
**8820 Judicial Drive**  
**March**

#### JUVENILE

**Story Time**,. and Saturdays at 9:45 a.m. in the Community Room.

**Songbirds**, Friday, 3/6 at 1:30 p.m. in the Community Room. Sign up at the YSL Desk one week before.

**Baby Sign Language:** Tuesday, 3/17 at 3:30 p.m. Teaching Sign Language to infants and toddlers  
**Sit up and Read:** Monday 3/9 at 3:00 p.m. Kids, read to a certified Therapy dog.

#### ADULTS

**Computer Classes--Saturday** mornings at 11:00 a.m. Free. No signup required.

3/7: **Create a personal blog**

3/14: **Create a presentation & burn videos/photos/music on dvd**

3/21: **Protection from computer viruses** 3/28:

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**Finance:** The Ten Biggest Wealth Mistakes 3/4, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

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**Reflexology:** Foot Reading with the Foot Ladies 3/17, 2:00-3:30 p.m Call to sign up.

**Movie time:** Like Water for Chocolate (Mexico), Wednesday 3/18: Starts at 7:30 p.m

**Adult Jewelry Craft:** Monday, March 23rd, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Call to sign up two weeks before class.

**Health:** Understanding Common Eye Conditions For Seniors 3/31, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

**AARP Tax Preparation Assistance** for lower income and seniors on Tuesday/Thursdays.

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

## Fifth Annual Thalia Murray Scholarship offered via EdUCate!

**B**ruce and Kevin Murray, the sons of the late Thalia Murray, are offering the Fifth Annual \$2,000 scholarship in her memory to an eligible Senior at University City High School (UCHS). They do this via EdUCate!, the University City Foundation for Public Schools.

### EdUCate!

Mrs. Murray taught in the San Diego Unified School District for 20 years, including 17 years at Marcy Elementary in University City. After graduating from high school, she received a scholarship, which enabled her to start attending a high-quality, four-year college from which she graduated. She made new friends and went on to earn her teacher's credential and a Master's Degree at San Diego State University. This very positive experience, which started with an anonymous scholarship, dramatically influenced her life. Mrs. Murray started

teaching back East, then continued teaching in San Diego, where she raised a family including her sons Bruce and Kevin, whose goal is to provide a similar opportunity for an eligible, graduating UC High senior each year.

A committee comprised of key EdUCate! members and her sons will select the recipient of the \$2,000 scholarship that will be presented on Thursday, June 4, 2009 as part of the Senior Awards ceremony at UC High School. Applications are due by Friday, May 1, 2009. Interested seniors should contact Ms. Nanci White, Counselor at UC High School, at 858-457-3040, X222, for eligibility details, scholarship criteria, and applications. Applications can also be downloaded from the **EdUCate!** website at [www.uc-educate.org](http://www.uc-educate.org) or <http://www.uc-educate.org/scholarships.asp>

deter the vandals.

You may obtain rejected paint at a fraction of the original price at any large home supply store. You may also contact the city's Paint and Materials Exchange Bank for assistance or questions pertaining to graffiti removal supplies and safety. The City of San Diego operates a Paint and Materials Exchange Bank in the Chollas View area where citizens can obtain free recycled paint in limited colors for graffiti removal. Call the paint bank at (619) 527-5419 to make an appointment for pick up of paint and supplies or submit on-line.

You may report Graffiti on-line by accessing the City of San Diego website at <http://www.sandiego.gov/graffiti/existing.shtml> Or you may also call the Graffiti Hotline at (619) 525-8522. Calls to the Graffiti Hotline are confidential.

City crews remove graffiti from city property, usually within four days of receiving a report. City code compliance officers must notify private property owners of graffiti on their property and of their responsibility to remove it. When graffiti is reported on private property, City staff must inspect and legally notify the property owner or obtain their written consent prior to graffiti removal. This process can take several weeks and the City asks for your patience with possible delays. Please keep in mind that response time can be affected by the number of complaints being processed at the time yours is received.

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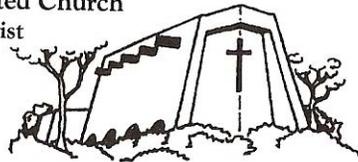
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