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UHCA MEETING AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2008

Concerned about parking in University Heights? Join us Thursday, February 7th to hear Melisa Tintocalis Manager of the Mid-City Community Parking District. She will give an overview of the Community Parking District Program, discuss strategies for optimizing existing parking and options for increasing parking. She will also share examples from other San Diego communities who have worked on parking concerns.

- **6:30 - 7 pm - Crime Watch Meeting**
- **7- 7:30 pm - UH Community Association Business Meeting**
- **7:30 pm - Guest Speaker: Melisa Tintocalis, Manager of the Mid-City Community Parking District**

The UHCA will meet at the Birney Academy Auditorium, located at 4345 Campus Avenue. Parking is available in the lot just south of the school. As always, coffee and snacks will be provided. And be sure to check out our new University Heights T-shirts! We look forward to seeing you!

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CRIME WATCH MEETING

Come meet our new SDPD Community Relations Officer, David Surwilo. He joins Linda Lafond at the storefront office that covers all of Western Division. Many of you have filled out a 'Trespass Arrest Authorization' enabling SDPD to go on your property to make arrests for various problems such as: urinating, illegal lodging, harassing customers, defecation, narcotic activity, littering, panhandling, drinking and

loitering. The form needs to be filled out the beginning of each year and will be available at the Crime Watch meeting. Regarding graffiti: please take a picture and email it to Officer Brian Hewett: bhewitt@pd.sandiego.gov. Include your name, location of graffiti and the time it appeared. If you spot someone in the act of committing the crime of graffiti, call 911 (crime in progress). See you at the 6:30 pm Crime Watch meeting.

CELEBRATE 120 YEARS!

University Heights will celebrate its 120th anniversary in 2008 and the UH Historical Society is looking for an enthusiastic group of volunteers to help us plan, promote and implement a fun event for the entire community!

The anniversary celebration is scheduled for Sunday, October 12th from 2 pm to 5 pm at Trolley Barn Park.

If you have some fun, creative ideas and energy to contribute to the event, please bring them with you to our first planning meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 12th at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall at Grace Lutheran Church,

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UH LIVING LEGEND CAROL BARAS by Nan McGraw



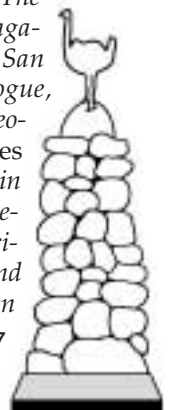
Bill Baras Ph.D. and Carol Baras, Co-Founders of the Baras Foundation 1978

It is a privilege to interview Carol Baras, a living legend of University Heights. Carol and her late husband, Bill, transformed countless lives through their nationwide seminars: Hypnos Morpheus and Baras Seminars. For 28 years they helped people transform their lives through hypnosis, from stopping smoking to passing the bar exam. Hypnos is the Greek god of sleep and Morpheus, the god of change. Carol is the essence of energy, optimism and change. Going back, she was the 'first girl disc jockey' in San Diego from 1947 to 1948. Not afraid of the mike, she since has been interviewed by our local radio stations and nationwide stations such as ABC Radio, Canadian Broadcasting, PBS and others. And, not afraid of the camera, she has been on the Today show, Good Morning America and many more. Print

media includes: *The New York Times*, *The Los Angeles Examiner*, *The Chicago Tribune*, *MS Magazine*, *Modern Maturity*, *San Diego Business Journal*, *Vogue*, *San Diego Magazine* and *People Magazine*. The list goes on, including: *Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who of American Women*, *Notable Americans*, *Community Leaders* and *Noteworthy Americans*, *Men*

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Primary Election Tuesday February 5th - Be Sure to Vote!





University Heights Community Association

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THE OSTRICH STORY

University Heights, one of the oldest districts in San Diego, is a historic community. Mission Cliff Gardens, San Diego's premiere park during the early part of the 20th century was situated at the intersection of Park Boulevard and Adams Avenue in University Heights. Its Trolley Barn was the destination of San Diego's first trolley line.

Adjacent to Mission Cliff Gardens was the Harvey Bentley Ostrich Farm. In the early 1900's the ostrich farm became prominent due to the immense demand for lady's ostrich-feather hats and garments. The farm was a popular attraction for park visitors who were allowed to ride on the backs of the great birds.

The ostrich is brought back, on these pages, as a reminder of the color and character of our community's proud heritage. The Trolley Barn Park is a beautiful achievement due to the University Heights Community Association. Capturing the style of the original Mission Cliff Gardens, the park was awarded the prestigious AIA Orchid award in 1992.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER *by Greg Sorini*

It's 2008. That means it's time for a new injury. Two years ago it was a broken collar bone. This year it's a badly sprained ankle.

It was the day after Christmas and we were all playing soccer. Large sized brothers-in-law, little nieces and nephews, regular sized sisters, all running around with some semblance of organization, trying to make a goal or stop one from being made. It was the last drive of the game (of course) and one of the bigger brothers-in-law and I were charging towards my goal. The next thing I knew, we were tumbling over each other and I came to rest with my right foot at an unusual angle. He didn't score and luckily my ankle is just swollen and painful, but not broken.

Moving around on crutches has given me the chance to look at things from a different perspective. How people act, driving, carrying things and bathroom locations to name a few. Not having your body work the way you are used to is trying to say the least. It's frustrating to have the desire to do something but not the ability because one of your limbs isn't up to snuff. Here are some of the things I've realized in the past couple of weeks:

- Ice feels good on a swollen foot.
- People can hear you coming from a long way away when on crutches.
- You can use your mouth to carry things .
- Braking causes more pain than accelerating when driving.
- Walking with crutches can be considered exercise, in some cases even cardio exercise.
- Crutches cost \$5 at the thrift store and \$40 from a medical supply store.
- Downstairs restrooms are good.
- Strangers will help you without even having to ask them.
- Strangers will let the door close right in front of you, oblivious to your predicament.
- It's good to have friends with X-Ray machines when out of town on the day after Christmas.
- It's nice to have a wife that knows how to drive a stick shift (or we'd still be in Stockton!).
- Saving the goal isn't always worth it.
- I take for granted having all my limbs in good working order. *Stay safe this year!*

REVERSE 911: REGISTER YOUR CELL PHONE

City of San Diego residents can register their cellular phones to receive emergency alerts - such as an evacuation notice - from the city's Reverse 911 system. Go to www.sandiego.gov/ohs/reverse911/index.shtml. Residents will need to provide their cell phone number, home address and e-mail address. The County of SD also offers an outstanding webpage on disaster preparedness. You can visit that page at: www.sdcounty.ca.gov/oes/ready/. You can sign up for the County's Reverse 911 system at: www.sdcounty.ca.gov/oes/ready/signup.html.

DIAL 511 FOR ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE

Did you know that you can now dial 511 for Roadside Assistance on our roads and highways? If you get stranded in a non-emergency situation, you may use your cell phone to dial 511 to be connected to the Call Box Answer Center for assistance. To find out more about this, visit SANDAG's 511 website at <http://www.511sd.com/> (911 & 511 articles courtesy The Toni Times, January 2008)

MEMBERSHIP

NEW

Scott Nespor, Mike & Linda Burke.

Thanks for joining!

RENEWALS

Sharen Gibson & Roxanne Hoffert, Rebecca Estrada, Karen Keltner & Evelyn DeLaRosa, Jessica Colosimo & Case Iest, Laurie Parker, Mary Jo Barr & Jane Gilbert, William & Maria Hirst, Joan Seifried & J. Fagerstrom, H.J. Seagram, Ron & Pat Johnston, Breton & Patricia Lobner.

Thanks for renewing!

The UHCA appreciates your continued support. And a special thanks to those who made extra donations!

PICK UP YOUR UH NEWS AT ONE OF THESE DROPS

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- Monica's at the Park
- Mystic Mocha • Park Blvd. Deli
- Quality Market
- Rocky's Antiques
- Shearz, the Salon
- Summer's Market
- Terra Restaurant
- Texas Market • Twiggs
- UHDC Office • UH Library
- Well Spring Tea Room

Visit University Heights on the web at www.uhhd.org or www.neighborhoodlink.org!

MEMBERSHIP/TEAM SIGN-UP

Support your UH Community Association! Clip and return to: **UHCA P.O. Box 33032, San Diego, CA 92163**

NEW **RENEWAL** **Membership** **Team Sign-up** *(check all that apply)*

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- \$50* **Vermont Street Bridge Builders**
- \$100* **Golden Ostrich Elite**
- \$ _____ **Donation** for 'Keeping up the Good Work'

Become Part of The Team! The success of the UH Community Association has been largely dependent upon the volunteer efforts of area residents. If you would like to volunteer your time as a team member of any of the following special interest areas, please sign up below:

- Blockwalker Team** *(Help to prepare & deliver this newspaper to homes on your block)*
- Neighborhood/Zone Watch Team** *(Join neighbors to help keep our community safe)*
- Historic Team** *(Help to research and preserve UH's history)*
- UH Park & Rec Council** *(Participate in overseeing UH's recreational facilities)*



LUCIANA SOUZA BRINGS BRAZILIAN JAZZ TO ATHENAEUM'S UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS STUDIO

The Athenaeum presents Luciana Souza: The New Bossa Nova at its School of the Arts Studio on March 1st. This evening of Brazilian jazz features vocalist Luciana Souza, with guitarist Larry Koonse and bassist Larry Klein.

Souza made her San Diego debut in September 2001 on the Athenaeum's Jazz at The Neurosciences Institute series as a member of Danilo Perez's quintet and last appeared at the Athenaeum in January 2004. Her star has been on the rise since the mid-90s. She has performed with leading jazz musicians such as Hermeto Pascoal, Kenny Werner, Fred Hersch, and John Patitucci and also appeared with major symphony orchestras.



Luciana Souza

Souza's CD Brazilian Duos earned her a Grammy nomination for best jazz vocal recording in 2002, and was #4 on *The New York Times*' list of the year's 10 best jazz recordings. She then garnered Grammy nominations for North and South in 2003 and Brazilian Duos II in 2005. *DownBeat* proclaimed: "Souza, already one of the best of her generation, is only getting better."

The concert will be held at the Athenaeum Music & Arts Library School located at 4441 Park Blvd. on Saturday, March 1st at 8 pm. Tickets are \$19 for members, \$24 for non-members. Jazz at the Studio concerts tend to sell out, so it is advisable to purchase tickets well in advance by calling (858) 454-5872.

HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR TO ALL! Submitted by Holly Sandy

Once again, we are coming upon the Chinese New Year! The official day is February 7th and 2008 is the year of the Rat. Rat people are said to be charming, attractive and love to chat! They are also ambitious, resourceful, and lean towards being perfectionists. Although thrifty, they love to acquire possessions. Rat people are usually very successful!

We are lucky to have the Buddha's Light Temple & Buddha's Light Book-

store in our UH community! They will be hosting a New Year celebration and absolutely everyone is invited! The Temple is located at 4538 Park Blvd. The schedule of events is: **February 6th - 9 pm to 10 pm: A special service for peace and blessings of all people**, and **February 7th - 8 pm to 9:30 pm: A special service to welcome the Chinese New Year**. For more info please call the Buddha's Light Bookstore at (619) 298-2800. *Happy New Year!*

ART PRODUCE GALLERY IN NORTH PARK

International Artists in Three Spring 2008 Exhibits at ART Produce Gallery Combine Events with a New Mediterranean Café/Wine Bar Julien Colombier, an artist living and working in Paris, France will kick off the Spring exhibit schedule in March with his bold billboard scaled paintings of brush and colorful fictional "personnages". Artist reception will coincide with the grand opening of a new, hip European style café that will include a monthly series of "Dining with Art" food/wine events inside the gallery.

April's artist, Sandra Doore, from British Columbia will return to the gallery with her stuffed and stitched together sculptural works that contain an "intense psychological theatricality". (*R. Pincus, SD Union Tribune, July 2006*)

In May the exhibit, Push/Pull, will pair a group of artists from Vancouver Island with several well known San Diego artists.

The ART Produce Gallery is a unique artist run storefront exhibition space in North Park, a diverse and historic urban community of San Diego. The gallery was designed to accommodate sculptural installations, cross-disciplinary works, digital media, and performance events. The space is entirely visible from the sidewalk and allows for unconventional presentation opportunities for artists and unexpected art encounters for viewers. Intended to enliven the experience of the pedestrian it is an experiment in public art that is accessible to everyone in the community - an attempt to render visibility and transparency into the art process itself. Originally built as a produce market, the ART Produce Building now houses the storefront gallery, artist's studios, a café, a community room, and the San Diego Shambhala Meditation Group. The community room is utilized for public meetings, classes and workshops, film screenings and performance events. For more information about the gallery please contact, Lynn Susholtz, (619) 584-4448 or email: lynn@artproducegallery.com.

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EARLY BEGINNINGS OF UH

by Kristin Harms

The history of University Heights begins during San Diego's first period of large-scale urbanization. After completion of the Santa Fe transcontinental railroad in 1885, San Diego's population increased by approximately 2,000 new residents each month.

Several speculative real estate developments were initiated to accommodate the increased demand for housing – one of them was University Heights. In 1887, a large windswept tract of land overlooking Mission Valley was subdivided by the College Hill Land Association, a syndicate of businessmen owning land in the proposed subdivision.

Headed by Daniel Choate, who was also developing City Heights to the southeast, the syndicate promised prospective buyers that a branch college of what would eventually become the University of Southern California would be located in University Heights. The proposed San Diego College of Arts was to be the drawing point of the subdivision.

On August 6, 1888, Subdivision Map #558 was filed with the San Diego County Recorder, delineating the University Heights subdivision. Trapezoidal in shape, the subdivision stretched along the

south rim of Mission Valley, from the present-day boundary of Freeway 163 on the west, to the divisional boundary between city pueblo land and ex-Mission San Diego land (today's Boundary Street). The southern boundary was along Fillmore Avenue (today's University Avenue).

According to literature published by the syndicate, an endowment fund of \$2 million would be created to help establish the college. Part of the cost of each lot sold in the subdivision would go into a college building fund, guaranteeing the development and maintenance of the college.

However, construction of the college never advanced beyond the planning stage, as the real estate boom suddenly burst in 1889. Prospective buyers figured out that, besides sunshine and land, San Diego had no other readily marketable commodities to exploit. There was no oil, coal, lumber, or most importantly, an adequate supply of potable water.

The only legacy left from this abortive attempt to establish a college-centered community is reflected in the street names: University Avenue, Park Boulevard (which originally only stretched from Fillmore Avenue to today's El Cajon Boulevard) and Mission



Early UH subdivision map

Avenue (which headed to Sandrock Grade – today's Texas Street), as well as the name of the community – University Heights.

In our next issue: *The Grand State Normal School is Built in UH.*

**SAVE OUR HERITAGE -
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Save Our Heritage Organisation (SOHO) is commencing a 10-month exciting series of lectures about San Diego's history, architecture and

culture, 6-7:30 pm February through November. Lectures include Q & A followed with light refreshments and book signing. Lectures will be held at 3950 Conde Street at the Adobe Chapel in Old Town.

Lectures will be based on the local history books published by Arcadia Publishing: *Aviation in San Diego, Camp Pendleton, Cemeteries of San Diego, Del Mar Race Track, San Diego, Pacific Beach, San Diego's Balboa Park, San Diego's Little Italy, Surfing in San Diego* and *Wells Fargo*.

Those interested can RSVP in advance and save \$10 – \$25 includes lecture and book; \$35 at the door or \$15 lecture only. For more information visit online at: www.sohosandiego.org.

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3993 Park Boulevard in University Heights, at the southeast corner of Park Boulevard & Lincoln Avenue.

Parking is available in the lot behind the church. Enter the church from the back alley – go through the gate and then the metal door. Proceed up the stairs to your right. The Fellowship Hall will be on your left at the top of the stairs.

We hope to see you on February 12th. If you have questions, please contact Ernie Bonn at (619) 297-3166 or uhcdc@netzero.net!

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SEN. KEHOE ANNOUNCES COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOPS FOR LOW-INCOME STUDENTS

Sen. Christine Kehoe announced today that several free workshops will be held across the county to help low-income high school students apply for college scholarships that pay up to \$9,700 each year.

"Too many families in our region are concerned that college is out of reach for their children because of skyrocketing tuition and fees," said Kehoe. "These scholarships help meet many financial needs and allow deserving students to pursue a higher education." Kehoe will speak at the March 1st workshop at San Diego City College starting at 9 am.

The workshops explain the scholarship application process, and help students complete the application forms. For a schedule of workshops in San Diego County, call (888) 224-7268 or visit the website at: www.calgrant.org.

In 2000, the California legislature passed a law which guarantees up to \$9,700 each year to low-income high school graduates to cover college costs. These funds are called CalGrants, which are not loans and don't have to be repaid. Students may use the grants to attend community colleges, universities,

and private colleges.

To qualify for the scholarships, students must exhibit a financial need, have at least a 2.0 grade point average, and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form before March 2, 2008. Students may obtain the form at their high school or college financial aid office, or at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS PET OF THE MONTH

To have your animal companion be Pet of the Month, send a brief description and a photo to the *University Heights News Pet of the Month*, P.O. Box 33032, San Diego, California 92163. Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope if you'd like to have your photo returned.



BLOCKWALKERS NEEDED

Blockwalkers are needed for the 4300 – 4499 blocks of Georgia Street & the 1600 – 1799 blocks of Adams Ave.

Please call Nan McGraw at (619) 260-0668 if you would like to volunteer.

The Plume Award

The University Heights Community Association Proudly Salutes

AMANDA HAMMOND-WILLIAMS, PRINCIPAL OF ALICE BIRNEY ACADEMY

The principal of Alice Birney Academy, Amanda Hammond-Williams, is the recipient of our February Plume Award. Amanda has turned this school around from a low performing, underachieving school to one of distinction. Thanks to her efforts, Birney is now an International Baccalaureate School (IB) feeding into the other noted neighborhood IB Schools, Roosevelt and San Diego High. The IB program is much like a private school curriculum with a rich academic and social environment. Amanda is tireless in her efforts to improve Birney Academy. She recently secured a \$500,000 grant for academic programs. She reaches out to neighborhood parents inviting them to visit the school. Birney has a partial day preschool for three to five year olds and a 6 to 6 program providing parents with a safe place for their children to be supervised before and after school. She reaches out to the community too: supporting our efforts to have a mixed use playing field on the campus, providing meeting rooms for our various public meetings, supporting our annual Arts Open (Birney Academy is a starting point) and supporting community-student garden projects. The community of UH is indeed fortunate to have Amanda Hammond-Williams as principal of Birney Academy. She is a mover and shaker determined to fulfill the vision of an ideal neighborhood school of which we can be proud. Thank you, Amanda, for your contribution to our community.

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UH PARK & REC COUNCIL

The UH Park & Rec Council will meet on Thursday, February 7th, beginning at 5:30 pm. Meetings are held in the Birney Academy Library.

The Council oversees three areas in our neighborhood – Trolley Barn Park, University Heights Point Open Space, and the soon-to-be restored Joint-Use Ball Field at Birney Academy. Council meetings are open to the public, and new members are welcome. Membership is easy – just attend three consecutive meetings and you're in!

This is an exciting time for the Park & Rec Council, and the UH community. We're all looking forward to having our joint-use field back! Residents who have lived in UH for more than ten years remember the field at the corner of Meade Avenue and Park Boulevard. It had grass, lights, and bleachers, and sports were played there when school wasn't in session. Saturday morning softball games were a frequent sight. Then the enrollment at Birney grew and temporary bungalows had to be installed on part of the field for the new students. This made it impossible to have sporting events there, and the city's Park & Recreation Dept. removed the bleachers and lights and stopped maintaining the field. Now, ten years later, the community will again have access to the area.

A plan has been approved by the Council and the city, funding has been allocated, and work will hopefully begin late this year or early 2009. There will be a grass field, surrounded by a walking/running path. Entry will be through the art gate at the corner, and a ramp will be installed for easy access. Decisions on potential plantings near the gate are still being made.

For more information contact Park & Rec Area Manager Debra Jones, (619) 235-1161, or e-mail to djjones@sandiego.gov.

–Pat Johnston

FRIENDS OF BUCHANAN CANYON

Greetings to all Buchanan Canyoners, and to future visitors. It is great to see the positive changes in our neighborhood canyon, resulting from a variety of reasons. There are changes in the seasons, changes in the weather, changes made by the City, and changes made by encampments. There are, also, changes because of our non-native arundi (bamboo looking vegetation) irradiation projects. Because of education of canyon history and facts being shared. Because of our planting and care taking of native vegetation. Because of our clean-up projects. Because of our fun interpretive hikes, and because of the wonderful neighbors and friends

we interact with. Join us Saturday, February 16th for another day of change. Always bring gloves, water and smiles, and meet on the Johnson Avenue side of the canyon, north of Lincoln Avenue. See you then. –Jeanne Hine

GREEN HILLS, BIG THRILLS AT UH POINT

The monthly clean-up and weeding reception was canceled this January because of a nice, soaking, rain, and see for yourself what's blooming this time: On February 2nd at the corner of Golden Gate and New York Avenues, at 1 pm. Please join us for a lively session of weeding and other volunteer habitat maintenance at The Point! Call Jim Ricker or email (jtdesert@pacbell.net) for more info. –Jim Ricker

QUARRY FALLS DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED IN MISSION VALLEY

Mission Valley's last remaining sand and gravel quarry is located on the north side of Friar's Road between Mission Center Road, 1-805 and the southern border of Serra Mesa. As proposed, the 230 acre Quarry Falls project includes 4,780 residential units, 603,000 square feet in retail and 620,000 square feet of office space. Other portions of the acreage will provide 28% public

parks, open space, civic area; 11% private open space and 12% landscaped public parkways. Ingress and egress will be off Friar's Road. The projected average daily trips will be 66,000 requiring multi-million dollars in traffic improvements since 70 intersections will be affected.

The project developer is Sudberry Properties, Inc. and they have been in the planning stages with the City during the past five years. The development will be in four phases over fifteen to twenty years. The concerns are the funding of the necessary traffic improvements and the increase in delay times that will ensue in a number of critical areas that will affect University Heights. Significant delays will result at Texas St./Camino del Rio South, Madison Ave., Monroe Ave., Meade Ave., and El Cajon Boulevard. We are already faced with traffic impacts in those areas as well as the intersection and traffic lights at the base of Texas Street heading north.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) has been completed and public comments were closed as of January 7th. A copy of the DEIR and appendices, which include the traffic and other technical studies, can be viewed at the Mission Valley Library or the Main Library downtown. We will try to keep you updated as this project proceeds through the City. –Ernie Bonn



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FROM THE LIBRARIAN'S DESK *by Pat Benefiel*

The University Heights library welcomes back its librarian, Vy Tu, and looks forward to an event-filled year with her back at her desk.

We have two special activities planned for the children's story time program in February. On February 7th, we'll celebrate the Chinese New Year with fortune cookies, stories, and crafts. On February 14th, we'll have a Valentine's Day party. Please call the UH library (619-692-4912) for details and time.

The volunteer who teaches our adult computer class has been offered a job with SDPL, so this will be the last month for computer classes until we can find another volunteer. If anyone is interested in volunteering to teach the basic classes, please contact Librarian Vy Tu.

We've received lots of new books, movies, and music. Come in and investigate them.

Happy New Year and Happy Valentine's Day from the UH staff!

FRIENDS OF THE UH LIBRARY

The Friends of the University Heights Library will have their first meeting of the new year on Saturday, February 2nd, 10 am, in the downstairs room of the branch

library, 4193 Park Boulevard.

The UH Friends will be undertaking projects this year to improve the appearance of the exterior of the building, and the book sale area inside the library.

Tote bags and T-shirts with the historic Annex building design (hopefully to be the new University Heights Library) are available. For information on these items, please call Ernie at (619) 297-3166.

Support your local library! Become a Friend!

UH BOOK CLUB & SALON

The University Heights Book Club & Salon will meet on Wednesday, February 27th, 6:30 pm, in the downstairs room of the University Heights Library, at the corner of Park Boulevard and Howard Avenue.

Copies of the current reading selection are available at the branch library. Pick up your copy and join the club members on the 27th for what is always a fun and interesting discussion. New readers are always welcome!

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS LIBRARY TASK FORCE

The task force started out the New Year at its meeting on January 12th, with a new action plan for

2008. At the February meeting, Wednesday, February 13th, 6:30 pm, at the University Heights Library, a letter writing campaign, focused upon the new School Superintendent, Dr. Terry Grier, and the School Board members, will be discussed and kicked off.

If you would like to attend the meeting and become involved in this community-vital project, and are a resident of University Heights, please contact Ron Johnston at (619) 683-7600, or send an email to: alfaron@yahoo.com.

—Ron Johnston
UH Library Task Force Chair

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS T-SHIRTS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

UHCA has new T-shirts for sale! A new version of the popular University Heights street sign neon design is now available at all community association meetings and events.




The shirts are black with the University Heights name in green neon. There are short sleeve styles at \$15, and long sleeve at \$20. Sizes are Large, Extra Large, and Extra Extra Large. The shirts will sell fast so be sure to attend the February 7th UHCA meeting at Birney to purchase yours!

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and *Women of Distinction* and the *International Book of Honor*. Recently Carol was voted to be on the board of the Honorary Deputy Sheriffs Association. The selfless service she has provided to the Police and Sheriff Departments, the Superior Court Family Services, the development of specialized training for investigators and helping young women and children who are wards of the court has earned Carol many awards and commendations.

In 1993 she and Bill started the non-profit Baras Thrift Shops. It is impossible to include everything Carol has accomplished in this limited space. But one thing worth mentioning is Carol's dedication to children. From 1978-2005 she had a kids program called "Story Lady". Children could call a number and hear a story from Carol's own lips! Carol's greatest joy is helping people discover their own potential for living life happily, healthily and successfully. Print has said she is articulate, dynamic and indefatigable.

When confronted with being a workaholic, she states 'No I am a pleasureholic. To me, this is pleasure. When it becomes work, I'll quit'. Well, this energizer bunny is far from quitting, lucky for us. *Thank you, Carol.*

F E B R U A R Y						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mail calendar happenings to uhnewsed@yahoo.com or: UH News P.O. Box 33032 San Diego, CA 92163 All meetings are open to the public unless otherwise noted.			FEBRUARY is Black History Month		1 	2 Friends of the UH Library 10 am UH Point Clean-up 1 pm Groundhog Day
3	4	5 Uptown Planners 6 pm — <i>Joyce Beers</i> <i>in Uptown</i>  Primary Election	6 UHDCD Meeting 6:30 pm 4452 Park Boulevard Suite 104	7 UH Park & Rec Council Mtg. 5:30 pm Crime Watch 6:30 pm UHCA Meeting 7 pm <i>Birney / Curbside Recycling</i>	8	9
10 UH News DEADLINE!	11	12 <i>Street Sweeping</i> UH 120th Planning 6 pm Grace Luthern Church <i>see article on page 1</i> LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	13 UH Library Force Task Meeting 6:30 pm	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15	16 UH Library Book Sale 8 am - 3 pm Friends of Buchanan Canyon 9 am 
17	18 PRESIDENT'S DAY	19 North Park Planning 6:30 pm 2901 North Park Way	20	21 <i>Curbside Recycling</i>	22 WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	23
24	25	26 <i>Street Sweeping</i>	27 UH Book Club & Salon 6:30 pm / UH Library UH News Distribution	28	29 Leap Day	PLEASE NOTE <i>Curbside Recycling Dates this Month:</i> Thursday, February 7th, Thursday, February 21st

RETURN TO MACARTHUR PARK WITH JIMMY WEBB @ AcousticMusicSanDiego.com
by Michael A. Johnston

Saturday, February 9th at AcousticMusicSanDiego.com's venue at 4650 Mansfield will be a very rare event. Singer-songwriter **Jimmy Webb** will make an uncommon appearance on the West coast telling the stories behind his illustrious songbook, and playing many of them as well. Like fellow ASMD songwriter P.F. Sloane, Webb was signed to Dunhill Records as a resident songwriter. In many ways, once Sloane left the label, Webb was slotted into his spot. Webb's big break came when he was told to compose material for actor Richard Harris, whom Dunhill had signed after his success with the musical, "Camelot". Webb presented Harris about eight songs, which he had rejected, then, reluctantly, Webb pulled out a song that he thought was too personal to record. The minute Harris heard the song, he said, "That's the song I want!" The song became a number one hit, and with "MacArthur Park", Jimmy Webb's career went into overdrive.

Webb has written songs for Glenn Campbell, ("By The Time I Get To Phoenix", "Witchita Line-man", "Where's The Playground

Susie" and "Galveston"), The Fifth Dimension, ("Up Up And Away" and "This Is Your Life"), Art Garfunkel, ("All I Know"), and many, many more. He even wrote a song for his former Dunhill pal, "P.F. Sloane", (there is a small contingency that will be there to get him to play this).

Tickets for this show are \$18 - \$30 and are very limited. The concert will start at 7:30 pm, as usual for their concerts.



Jimmy Webb

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OLD AND NEW APPEAR THIS MONTH AT AMSD.COM

by Michael A. Johnston

This month at AcousticMusicSanDiego.com will be four concerts, two by relatively new artists, and two unsung legends. Concerts take place at 4650 Mansfield at 7:30 pm.

The first concert of the month will be **Jimmy Webb** from the article profiled earlier. Webb has had numerous songs recorded by

various artists over the years, but is best known for his songs that he wrote for Glenn Campbell, "Galveston", ("By The Time I Get To Phoenix"), the Fifth Dimension, ("Up Up And Away") and Richard Harris, ("MacArthur Park"). This will be much like the Al Kooper shows with both music and stories.

February 11th will be returning blues legend **Dave "Honeyboy" Edwards**. Edwards knew Robert Johnson, and sat at the feet of the master. He also knew Muddy Waters, Charlie Patton, Howlin' Wolf, and even performed with Peter Green's Fleetwood Mac. His last concert here was a real treat, so this promises to be more of the same.

February 15th brings a newcomer to our stage with a first time appearance by former Toad The Wet Sprocket front man, **Glen Phillips**. Phillips joined the fledgling band in 1986 at age 14, and created six albums with them until their break-up in 1998. He has since started on a solo career that has also included writing material with members of San Diego's own Nickel Creek. He has also toured with them. Opening for Phillips is up and coming singer-songwriter **Jonathon Kingham**.

February 23rd brings the final performer in another returnee, Roy Zimmerman. Zimmerman has been called a modern day Tom Lehrer, and his strong "Lefty" humor has won

him favorable reviews and fans throughout the country. He has also shared the stage with other comic luminaries such as George Carlin, Dennis Miller and Bill Maher. Be ready to laugh, and enjoy yourselves at this show. Tickets for Jimmy Webb are \$18 - \$30, and the dinner package has long been sold out. Tickets for all other shows are \$15-\$20 with dinner package tickets being \$40. For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call (619) 303-8176, or visit their website at: www.acousticmusicsandiego.com.

"H.M.S. PINAFORE" AT SAN DIEGO LYRIC OPERA

San Diego Lyric Opera presents Gilbert and Sullivan's classic light opera, "H.M.S. Pinafore" this month at the Birch North Park Theatre at 2891 University Avenue. Directed by David Brannen, the production features J. Sherwood Montgomery as Sir Joseph Porter K.C.B.

Performances held February 8th, 10th, 14th, 16th-17th, and 22nd-24th.

Tickets for performances are \$25-\$45 depending on seating location. Times for performances are 7:30 pm for February 8th, 14th, 16th, 22nd and 23rd and 2:30 pm on February 10th, 17th and 24th.

For tickets and more information, please call (619) 231-0662, or online at: www.lyricoperasandiego.org or www.birchnorthparktheatre.net.

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**JAZZ IN THE PARK:
JACKY TERRASSON**

New York pianist Jacky Terrasson will be making a rare west coast appearance Wednesday, February 6th for this month's Jazz In the Park. Terrasson will be playing tracks from his new solo debut CD, "Mirror". From his classical music roots in his native France to stints with Betty Carter & Dianne Reeves, Terrasson has been developing his own musical voice, and this up and comer should be a pleasure to see.

Tickets are \$18 for members, \$22 for nonmembers and \$10 for students. Concert will start at 5:30 pm at the Copley Auditorium.

**GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE
SERIES CONTINUES**

This month at San Diego's Natural History Museum, the next in the continuing series "Global Climate Change: Species And Places" will be held February 20th.

"Climate Change And The World's Oceans" will be hosted by Jane Lubchenco, Ph.D. of Oregon State University. As the earth continues to warm up due to climate change, the oceans also warm as well. Also, more and larger storms have been occurring with more and more regularity, and the oceans have also become more acidic in nature. Learn about the causes and solutions for these situations, as well as unexpected events that have occurred, such as a seasonal dead zone along the Pacific Northwest coast.

Lecture will be held from 6:30 pm - 8 pm, and is free with admission to the museum. For more info, call (619) 255-0203, or visit: www.sdnhm.org.

**SD MUSEUM OF NATURAL
HISTORY COOKING CLASSES**

Two cooking classes are going to be held this month at the San Diego Museum Of Natural History Museum. First on Wednesday, February 6th will be "Introduction To Chocolate Molding" hosted by Mark Jacobson. Each participant will learn the microwave chocolate-melting

method, how to mold and "paint" with chocolate and learn how to create a "Blooming Chocolate" centerpiece. The class will be from 6:30 pm - 8 pm and tickets are \$35 for members / \$43 for nonmembers.

Then on Saturday, February 23rd will be the second cooking class, "Cooking Inspired By Pompeii" hosted by Chef Elizabeth of Elizabeth's Kitchen. Learn how to make a three course meal of Chicken Vesuvius, which is chicken breast with herbs and hot sauce, vermicelli with lemony vegetables, and "White Russian" tiramisu. The class will be from 10 am - 12:30 pm & tickets are \$25/members & \$33/nonmembers.

For more info, please call (619) 255-0203, or visit: www.sdnhm.org.

**PACIFIC COLLEGE
CELEBRATES
CHINESE NEW YEAR**

In celebration of Chinese New Year, Pacific College will host a free event for the public on Saturday, February 9th, from 10 am to 3 pm at their campus at 7445 Mission Valley Road, Suite 105.

Free acupuncture and massage treatments will be offered from 10 am to 1 pm. There will be 15-minute acupuncture treatments targeted for smoking cessation and stress reduction, as well as 10-minute tui na massage. The event also includes Tai Ji and Qi Gong demonstrations, an informational lecture entitled "A Discussion of Integrative Medicine and its Profession", and lectures featuring women's health and pediatrics.

Refreshments provided. For info/ to RSVP, call (619) 574-6909 ext. 130.



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European Market & Deli

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Gulf Coast Grill • 4130 Park Blvd. • 619-295-2244

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SEND A SINGING VALENTINE TO THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE!

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INTL. DANCE FESTIVAL AT BALBOA PARK CLUB

The International Dance Association of San Diego County will be holding their International Dance Festival this February. The festival includes workshops, performances, ethnic costumes, food vendors, etc. For more info and dates, please call Tom Withers at (619) 286-1588 or Anne Marsh at (619) 422-1584.

CHANGES TO TRASH & RECYCLING IN SAN DIEGO

On January 1, 2008, the City implemented a number of changes to its trash and recycling services including a new recycling ordinance, revised fees at the Miramar Landfill and the implementation of a fee for

the replacement of refuse containers.

Recycling Ordinance The new recycling ordinance effective January 1st requires residents of the City of San Diego who have City-provided blue recycling containers to separate recyclables from other trash and put each in the appropriate container.

- The new requirement is one component of the City's new recycling ordinance affecting single-family residents, apartment and condominium dwellers and businesses alike.
- The ordinance was enacted to decrease the amount of waste entering local landfills and to help San Diego meet a State mandate that requires cities to keep at least 50% of our waste out of landfills. The new requirement is expected to increase the lifespan of the Miramar Landfill which at current capacity is expected to close in 2012.
- Requirements for apartments, condominiums, businesses & special events will begin February 11th & will be phased in over the next 2 years.

The Recycling Ordinance has been in the works in San Diego for many years, and has the support of most of the recycling & business community. "65% of the material entering area landfills is recyclable. When fully implemented, the City Recycling Ordinance is expected to keep 100,000 tons of material out of local landfills each year," said

Elmer L. Heap, Jr., Environmental Services Department Director.

Miramar Landfill – Adjusted Fees and Hours The City has also made changes to a number of fees in place at the Miramar Landfill.

- Fees for "self-haul" flat-rate vehicles such as pick-up trucks and trailers are increasing for the first time since 1993.
- Prices for compost, mulch and woodchips have been adjusted January 1st in order to bring the prices for these commodities in line with market prices and to cover the costs for making the products.
- As of January 1st, loads that require hand unloading will not be allowed into the landfill after 4 pm. This will reduce overtime costs and increase the efficiency of operations at the landfill.

New Refuse Container Replacement Fee Also effective January 1st—new fee to cover cost of replacing stolen, lost, damaged or worn out automated refuse collection containers.

- The new fee returns the responsibility for obtaining and maintaining refuse containers to City residents. The City's Municipal Code states that residents are responsible for placing refuse out for collection in approved containers. In order to ease the adjustment from manual collection to automated collection in 1994 the City purchased one new automated refuse container for each resi-

dent. Second containers were available for a \$50 fee. The new fee policy will affect requests for all containers.

- Second containers and replacements for stolen, lost, damaged or worn out refuse containers will now require a \$70 fee if obtained from the City of San Diego. There will be an additional \$25 charge for delivery **unless the container is picked up from the Department's Operations Center at 8353 Miramar Road, San Diego, 92121.** Containers approved for use in the City can also be purchased from other sources such as home improvement stores.
- Blue recycling containers will continue to be free if picked up at the department's operations yard. There will be a \$25 fee for delivery of the recycling containers.
- The replacement refuse container fee will help offset costs to the City's General Fund for the repair, replacement and delivery of refuse containers for customers of the City's refuse collection service.

Questions about the changes for refuse collection and recycling can be answered by calling the Environmental Services Department customer service line at (858) 694-7000 or by checking www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services.

Recycling Ordinance and new fees effective January 1, 2008.

—Jennifer Ott, Outreach Coordinator, SD Environmental Services Dept.

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Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol (RSVP)	619-291-8228
SDPD Community Relations Office Linda Lafond or David Surwilo (Ocean Beach Storefront)	619-531-1540
SDPD Western Division 5215 Gaines Street	619-692-4800
San Diego Crime Statistics	http://www.sannet.gov/police/
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After School 6 to 6 Program	619-666-2098
University Heights Public Library 4193 Park Boulevard	619-692-4912
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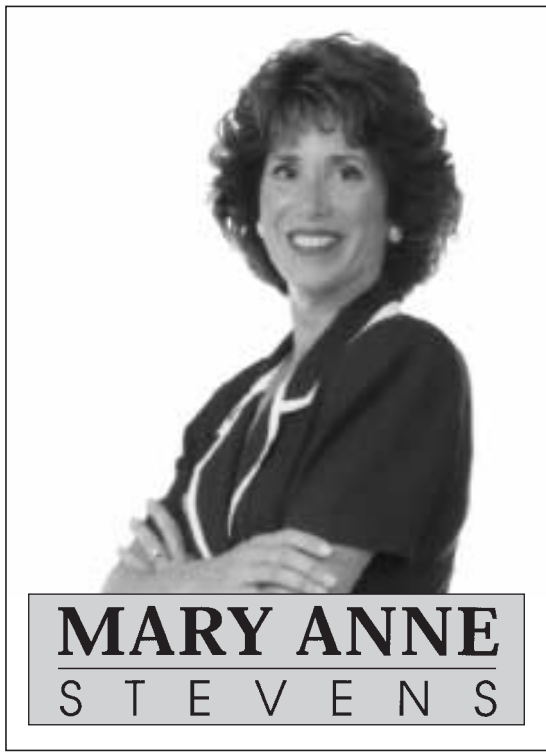
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