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UNIVERSITY HILLS NEWSLETTER GOES ALL-ONLINE NEXT MONTH!

The University Hills Newsletter will change into an e-newsletter format beginning with the **April Newsletter**. This change comes as a result of the community survey, in which "91% of the 317 responses... said yes to converting to an e-newsletter." Our newsletter team is working on the changeover. For questions, please contact Lauri Barwick at lauri.barwick@cox.net. If you wish to receive the newsletter at an electronic address other than you or your spouse's uci.edu address, please contact Ron Reid at 824-2424 or rreid@uhills.org to update the master mailing roster.

HRB ELECTIONS

Because we have only 3 candidates to replace 4 outgoing HRB members, there will be no election next month. Sukumar Pal, Mike McNally and Cyril McCormick will join the HRB beginning in April to serve a two-year term. We are still actively looking for more candidates. If we receive multiple applicants in the next month, then there will be an election for the remaining HRB seat.

---Chris Hane, HRB

HRB CANDIDATES

Cyril McCormick - 95 Schubert Ct

I have lived in University Hills for a little over 2 years. I am an Electrical Engineer working with Earth System Science in the Physical Science Department. I think I can be useful as a resource on the solar power and computer networking projects. I am a team player and believe in the projects championed by the HRB. I enjoy living in UHills and would like to give back by serving on the HRB.

Michael McNally - 2 Virgil Court

I have lived in University Hills for almost 15 years. I am with the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, doing research and teaching in transportation and traffic engineering, transportation planning, and site development. For the past two years, I have managed a year-long senior design course addressing all aspects of land development in real planning areas in the City of Irvine. I've been associated with UCI's Institute of Transportation Studies for over 25 years. For the last 10 years, I have served on the Citizen Advisory Committee of the Orange County Transportation Authority. I served on the Faculty Senate Committee on Land Use and Environment for most of the 1990s, chairing it for 5 of those years (and as chair, I also served on the oddly-named Campus Physical and Environmental Committee). During this time, this committee (a) reduced the land take by the TCA for the toll road saving the highest point in the Ecological Preserve, (b) monitored campus development impacting U-Hills, and (c) lobbied to remove a direct link between Gabriellino and Newport Coast Drive. I've served on the California Avenue Review Task Force and the East Campus Planning Advisory Committee. I've worked with the Office of Campus and Environmental Planning on several projects over the years. Each of these roles has dealt with the physical development of the campus and of University Hills. My family and I make active use of amenities in the U-Hills community. My interests in HRB are, not surprisingly, the maintenance and continuing development of University Hills as a community.

Sukumar Pal

Sukumar is beginning his second year as an HRB representative.

The HRB needs volunteers to run for office for 2-year terms. Please contact Chris Hane (chrishane@cox.net) or Andrew Herndon (aherndon@uci.edu) if you are interested.

HRB MINUTES - Feb 6th 2007

Attending HRB Members: Chris Hane, Rachel Gamby, Mostafa Eldefarwy, Sukumar Pal, Aileen Anderson, Alan Terriciano.

Attending ICHA management members: Andrew Herndon, Ron Reid.

HRB Election

The HRB discussed the lack of candidates to serve on the HRB. There are two new candidates and Sukumar Pal to fill the 4 vacancies. The election will be done via e-voting as Nina McDonald has volunteered to make this possible. People who prefer to cast a paper ballot may do so at the ICHA office. If there are insufficient candidates we may delay the election for another month.

Community Center Update

The HRB reviewed the current set of Community Center plans. This viewing will be followed by a CCC meeting with Andrew Herndon on Feb 8th. This review may lead to another round of adjustments before plans are submitted for bid.

The HRB remains concerned that the community is not sufficiently aware of the current plans for the community center, especially their opportunities for comments. The plans are available for you to view at ICHA offices. Please make an appointment with Andrew Herndon (824-4068) to see the plans.

Complaints

The HRB received a complaint from a homeowner about a neighbor drying clothes on their driveway and sidewalk. While the HRB applauds the energy savings inherent in air-drying, please do so discretely. Also please talk to your neighbors before asking the HRB to intervene.

Parks

The restroom building for Gabrielino Park is out for bid. ICHA expects this work to be finished this fiscal year.

Pools

The gas water heaters in the pools are being replaced with tank-less heaters over the next months. The expense of the existing heaters was uncovered as part of the Pool Committee's work investigating the heating efficiency of the pools. Thanks!

Architectural Review

A phase 8 home expansion project was approved. Another solar electricity project was approved as well.

COMMUNITY BUILDING DESIGN UPDATE

Management is nearing completion of the final refinements on the office design for presentation to the ICHA Board in March. Simultaneously, the CCCII and the HRB are working with the architect to design a social structure that may be constructed with the first phase office building. This design will also be presented to the ICHA Board in March. The current plans are available for residents to view at the ICHA offices. If you would like to view the current plans, please make an appointment with Andrew Herndon at (824-4068).

---Andrew J. Herndon, Vice President of Community Development

UCI CLAIRE TREVOR SCHOOL OF THE ARTS PRESENTS...

Sunday in the Park with George

Don't miss the Claire Trevor School of the Arts' production of *Sunday in the Park with George*!

Book by James Lapine with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. Inspired by the masterpiece of the French pointillist painter George Seurat and bridging impressionist and contemporary art (and thought), this astonishingly innovative musical won the 1995 Pulitzer Prize for Drama and no less than ten Tony Nominations; it is one of the true "must sees" of the American theatre.

It is directed by Eli Simon, with musical direction by Dennis Castellano – (both University Hills residents).

Evenings: March 8, 9, 10 and 15, 16, 17 at 8:00 pm

Matinees: March 10 and 17 at 2:00 pm

Location: Irvine Barclay Theatre

Tickets available at the UCI box office from 12 - 4, Monday through Friday, or by phone (949-UCI-ARTS) during the same hours, or at ticketmaster.com

DISCOVER THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES LECTURE SERIES

The School of Physical Sciences hopes you will be able to join us for this year's third *Discover the Physical Sciences* breakfast lecture.

Karl Rubin, The Edward and Vivian Thorp Endowed Chair in Mathematics will present "Mathematical Mystery... Solved! The Solving of Fermat's Last Theorem," on Tuesday, March 20th at the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center.

Continental breakfast will be available from 7:30 - 8 a.m. the lecture will take place from 8 - 9 a.m. Please note that while the breakfast and lecture are free, we ask that you RSVP to events@ps.uci.edu or 949-824-7252. For further information please visit www.physsci.uci.edu. We hope to see you there!

Don't forget to save the dates for our next lecture:

May 22, 2007

Digging up the Dirt on Global Change

Associate Professor Kathleen Treseder

All lectures will be held at the Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center, with the continental breakfast available from 7:30 - 8 a.m. and lectures taking place from 8 - 9 a.m.

UCI ARBORETUM EVENTS

Saturday, March 24 – Saturday Plant Sale, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A wide selection of spring perennials and bulbs will be on sale, especially plants well suited to southern California and easy to grow, and that may add a special touch to your garden.

Wednesday, March 28 – New volunteer orientation, 10 a.m.

Orientation will include a brief tour of the Arboretum and cover all aspects of volunteering at the Arboretum; for ages 13 and up.