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## **UNIVERSITY HILLS NEWSLETTER GOES ALL-ONLINE**

The University Hills Newsletter will change into an e-newsletter format beginning this Spring. 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](mailto:lauri.barwick@cox.net).

## **HRB ELECTIONS ARE COMING!**

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

## **HRB MINUTES - January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2007**

**Attending:** Chris Hane, , Rachel Gamby, Sukumar Pal, Andrew Herndon

HRB elections. The HRB is soliciting volunteers to stand for election for 2007-2008 in the newsletter and via direct e-mail announcement. Because seeking volunteers to run has repeatedly been difficult at this time of year, the HRB has requested that ICHA change the election time to the post-holiday season permanently, with elections held in March and formal replacement of outgoing HRB members taking place in April. Self-nominated candidates must submit their campaign statements (to be distributed with the election ballot) to the current HRB Chair February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Chris Hane if you are interested ([chane@ilog.com](mailto:chane@ilog.com)). Ballots will be mailed with the March newsletter. The HRB has recommended and is investigating allowing an electronic election process to be incorporated to increase response rate from the community.

A complaint regarding tree trimming on Whitman Court was discussed.

Restrooms for the Gabrielino park are out for bid through the ICHA office. The ICHA construction deadline is for June of 2007, but with completion asap.

Residents have expressed concern regarding two intersections in UHills, Twain/Gabrielino park, and Murasaki/Russell. The closed portion of Gabrielino (between Russell and East Peltason is anticipated to re-open in March-April. Once the apartments are occupied, the HRB is recommending a re-analysis of the traffic situation involving Russell, Murasaki, Anteater and Peltason. In the meantime, Andrew is contacting Stacy Murren re: the timing of the light a Peltason/Anteater and the pedestrian crossing at the engineering gateway.

Architectural reviews. Proposed solar energy photovoltaic cells to be installed on the roof of a Phase 8 home were discussed; the HRB was supportive of any effort in this direction in UHills. There was designated review of a new patio structure material for a home on Alcott. A proposed front patio modification to a home on Urey was discussed. A proposed modification to an Area 8 home to create an enclosed front patio area was referred to designated review.

Pool schedule. A revised pool schedule is in progress.

CPEC meeting schedule. The new Campus Physical & Environmental Committee schedule has been released. Rachel Gamby has been the current representative to this committee, but is rotating off the HRB. A

permanent HRB representative will be designated after the elections, until then, Sukumar Pal will attend and Chris Hane will be the designated contact.

The speed on Anteater was reassessed in a recent traffic survey by the UCIPD, and has been lowered to 40mph. The HRB has requested that the UCIPD enforce this limit stringently during the night and weekend hours at least at the start of the quarter, Andrew is revisiting this on behalf of the HRB.

A concern re: landscaping in the area between Murasaki and Anteater was addressed by ICHA.

---Aileen Anderson, HRB

## COMMUNITY BUILDING UPDATE

In December, community committee members and ICHA management representatives met with Leason Pomeroy as part of the continuing design program for the Community Building and grounds. The group will meet again in late January or early February. Interested residents are invited to preview the draft drawings at the ICHA Office. Please contact Andrew Herndon to arrange an appointment.



## FAMILY DAY AT THE BEALL CENTER FOR ART + TECHNOLOGY

This event will take place at the Beall Center for Art + Technology, UC Irvine, on Sunday, February 11th, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Explore the art, science and sound behind hurricanes, melting ice caps, and air pollution, and gain a deeper connection to the unpredictable, complex rhythms and melodies of nature. Scheduled events include hands on art and science activities, art and technology demonstrations, videos, and more. Snacks and drinks provided. Event is free and open to the public. For additional information and directions go to [www.beallcenter.uci.edu](http://www.beallcenter.uci.edu) or call (949) 824-4339.

## UCI ARBORETUM EVENTS

### Saturday Plant Sale

The UCI Arboretum hosts its weekend plant sale on Saturday, February 3 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The sale will feature early winter bulb and perennials, plus a pre- season sale on select spring perennials.

### 'Prelude to Spring' Winter Bulb Festival

This annual winter bulb festival will take place on Saturday, March 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, March 4 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the UCI Arboretum. Guests can enjoy abundant late winter bloom, including rare and unusual species bulbs of *Gladiolus*, *Babiana*, *Watsonia* and others in our South African Bulb Garden, and drifts of early Iris and late daffodils. Admission is \$2 per adult; children under 12 are free.

The UCI Arboretum is located just south of the corner of Campus Drive and Jamboree Road on the UCI North Campus. For more information, call (949) 824-5833.

## IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT (IRWD) NEWS



- Too much water can stress plants and leave them susceptible to disease. According to the California Association of Nurserymen, more plants are lost due to over-watering than to any other cause. If you think you need to water, check the moisture of the soil 3-6" below the surface. With our heavy clay soils, the surface may look dry, but the clay remains moist beneath the surface.
- Avoid fertilizing your lawn this month. Fertilizers applied during this time of year are more likely to get

washed away by rain, contributing to pollution in the waterways. Cool seasons lawns can be fertilized in the spring and fall; warm season lawns can be fertilized in late spring and summer.

- Cut back roses.
- Bare root season for fruit trees and roses. Water to keep the plants moist, but not wet. Water deeply, not frequently. Build a mound 3-4" high around the planting hole and hand water the new plants directly in the early morning.

For more information and to access the IRWD monthly e-newsletter, visit

<http://www.irwd.com/FreePrograms/Newsletters/BI-2007-01.pdf>

## **UCI FILM AND VIDEO CENTER**

### **Winter 2007 Film Screenings**

<http://www.humanities.uci.edu/fvc/> (949) 824-7418; [fvc@uci.edu](mailto:fvc@uci.edu)

**Ticket Prices:** \$3 Students w/ ID, \$5 General Admission, \$4 UCI Staff and Seniors; Series Pass: \$25 general/\$20 UCI Staff & Seniors/\$15 Students. Unless otherwise noted, all screenings begin at 7 pm in Humanities Instructional Building 100.

#### **Thursday, February 8 - *Vertigo***

Screening: 7pm; Directed by Alfred Hitchcock. 1958, USA, 129 minutes, 35 mm. Introduction by Lauren Steimer, Lecturer, Department of Film and Media Studies. Featuring a newly restored 35mm print. An old college friend hires San Francisco police detective Scottie Fergusson (James Stewart) to watch his wife Madeleine (Kim Novak). Scottie follows her around San Francisco and is drawn to Madeleine and her obsession with death. He unwittingly becomes a figure in a complex plot, and is determined to discover the truth behind it all.

#### **Thursday, February 15 - DISAFFECTED YOUTH: A TRIAD OF TEEN ANGST**

*That Was Then... This is Now* - Screening: 7pm. Directed by Christopher Cain. 1985, USA, 102 minutes, 35mm. Co-sponsored by Tony Bandiera, TPA Transcom Services. Based on the novel by S.E. Hinton, the film stars Emilio Estevez and Craig Sheffer as two boys raised as brothers who take on the challenges of growing up and the challenges of the street with equal determination.

#### **Saturday, February 17 - *Beautiful Thing***

Screening: 7pm. Directed by Hettie MacDonald. 1996, United Kingdom, 90 minutes, 35mm. The film tells the story of two teens, Jamie and Ste, who are neighbors growing up in the lower middle class flats of London. The boys struggle with their sexuality and growing love for one another.

#### **Thursday, February 22 - *The Chumscrubber***

Reception: 6:30pm; Screening: 7pm. Directed by Arie Posen. 2005, USA/Germany, 108 minutes, 35mm; Q&A session with Director Arie Posen after the screening. A film of incredible depth and texture, *The Chumscrubber* is a dark satire, biting comedy and scathing send-up of the "perfect suburban California life." Dean Stiffle (Jamie Bell) tries to cope with death, growing up and peer pressure. With Glenn Close, Ralph Fiennes and Rita Wilson.

#### **Thursday, March 1 - *Lunacy***

Screening: 7pm; Directed by Jan Svankmajer. 2006, Czech Republic / Slovakia, 118 mins, 35mm

Shown in conjunction with the UC Irvine Visual Studies Graduate Student Association Conference, *Decadence: Excess, Erosion, And Transgression*: March 2-3 ([www.decadenceconference.com](http://www.decadenceconference.com)). The latest provocation from surrealist master Jan Svankmajer is loosely based on two short stories by Edgar Allen Poe and inspired by the works of the Marquis de Sade. Described by Svankmajer as a "philosophical horror film," *Lunacy* combines live action and stop-motion, grand guignol terror and gallows humor.