

**NEXT UHCA MEETING  
NOVEMBER 1**

ALICE BIRNEY ELEMENTARY  
AUDITORIUM / 4345 CAMPUS AVENUE  
6:45 pm CRIME WATCH, 7:00 pm MEETING

**LENNAR FAMILY HOUSING PROJECT ON  
PARK BLVD. AT EL CAJON AND MEADE**  
AN INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION AND  
OPEN FORUM ADDRESSING COMMUNITY  
CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROJECT.



University Heights Community Association November 2018

**HOUSING PROJECT AT PARK AND EL CAJON  
LENNAR TO SHARE PLANS WITH COMMUNITY**

Please join us at UHCA's monthly meeting on Thursday, November 1, which includes an informational presentation and open forum addressing community concerns about the proposed Lennar Multifamily Communities (LMC) housing project on Park Blvd. between El Cajon Blvd. and Meade Ave. Unlike the Ed Center and DMV projects, the project proposed by Lennar Corporation is far enough along to be real, but not so advanced that it's too late for improvement. Representatives of Lennar's LMC division have accepted UHCA's invitation to share their vision, unveil their plans, and hear from the UH community at our November meeting.

Apparently, the project will comply with all current zoning regulations and community plan policies, which means that

it can go forward with just the required permits (what the city calls "ministerial approval"). It is not subject to Community Planning Group, Planning Commission, or City Council approval. Therefore, we may have minimal power to influence the scope or appearance of the project.

Lennar has assured UHCA it looks forward to meeting with our community now that their plans have begun to firm up. Their objective is to answer questions, allay fears, and perhaps even discover ways to improve the project from the people who will be most affected by the project. Our goal with this meeting is simply to let the community know what is coming. Although all of us recognize the need for additional housing in UH and in San Diego as a whole, we are concerned that a project of this size and scope will

affect the appearance and character of our neighborhood.

Please take this opportunity to welcome your new "neighbor," get the facts from the horse's mouth, and add your voice to the discussion of this important issue in our neighborhood. Join us at Birney Elementary School Auditorium on Thursday, November 1.

We will also have a short Thanksgiving-themed discussion at the November meeting. What are you grateful for this Thanksgiving holiday? Come share your story with your neighbors, or just list the things in your life that you are thankful for. We will also provide a few holiday treats at the meeting. — *Bill Smith and Maureen Markey*



*Credit: Atlantis Group Land Use Planning*

**NEW COMMUNITY BENEFIT DISTRICT**

New City America, Inc., has proposed a new community benefit district (CBD) for our neighborhood. This corporation, established by Marco LiMandri, has created similar CBDs elsewhere, including in Little Italy. A group of developers and retailers along the portion of El Cajon Blvd from Texas St. to Park Blvd. (referred to as The Three Sisters, which represents the three overlapping neighborhoods of UH, North Park, and Hillcrest), drafted and funded the original plans for this CBD, designated as West End/ Park Blvd. Property owners along the southern portion of Park

Blvd. have joined in this effort, and now the area of Park Blvd from Meade Ave. to Adams Ave is being asked to support the concept of a community benefit district as well.

The main functions of a CBD are oversight of trash removal; maintenance of sidewalks and landscape; brand building for the entire area; and advocacy on behalf of the neighborhoods in conjunction with the city, MTA, Caltrans, and other groups. A weighted assessment of benefited property owners along the streets represented in the plan would

fund the new CBD. A survey is currently being circulated to affected property owners. Questions yet to be answered concern the following: the overlay of this new CBD with existing organizations in the area; whether and how University Heights will be able to retain its current identity, which we have fought hard to establish for 30 years; and any negatives that might result from the implementation of the CBD. More information will be forthcoming as we learn more about the impact and the response from the property owners. — *Bernie Horan*

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**THE NEXT UHCA MEETING  
WILL BE THURSDAY,  
DECEMBER 6, 2018**

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**HOLIDAY DESSERT POTLUCK**  
Bring a dessert to share with your neighbors.

**AWARDS**  
Help us recognize and thank the many people who make UH the special community it is.

**REMEMBER TO VOTE**

**NOVEMBER 6**  
IS ELECTION DAY.

VOTE LIKE YOUR RIGHTS DEPEND ON IT—BECAUSE THEY PROBABLY DO.

REMEMBER, DEMOCRACY IS NOT A SPECTATOR SPORT! DO YOUR PART.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**CAROLING  
IN THE HEIGHTS**

EVENING OF  
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7**

TIMES & LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED  
**STAY TUNED**

**UHCA  
NEEDS TECH  
VOLUNTEERS!**

UHCA is looking for a web designer/developer who has the time and desire to help our organization serve the community with a more usable and informative website. Experience with Wix would be useful but not essential. Also, if you a Salesforce power user or developer (or know one), we need help fine tuning and migrating membership data to the Non-Profit Success Pack (NPSP), as well as implementing the Volunteer Management module. Contact Bill Smith at wlsmithjr@msn.com if you're interested.



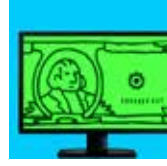
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- Beautification & Planning** Keep UH beautiful.
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- Membership** Help meet record goals for 2018 membership and meeting attendance.
- Neighborhood/Zone Watch** Join your neighbors to keep UH safe.
- UHCA News** Write articles, take photos or sell ads; these are just a few of the many ways to contribute your talent, creativity and energy to our paper.
- Program & Events** Plan and oversee the various events and general meetings.



**UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

## UHCA NEWS

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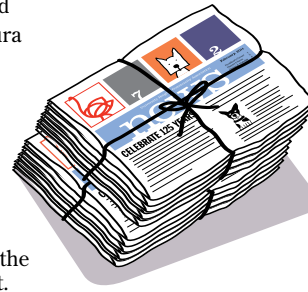
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Zone Watch Coordinators manage email lists of participants wishing to receive University Heights crime watch information and updates. Download more on the UH Zone Watch program at uhsd.org or contact your zone's coordinator, or Nan McGraw.

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### NEW CRIME WATCH SIGNS

Be on the lookout for the new signs that are now up. If you know of an old dilapidated sign that should be given priority, please email UHCA Secretary Kurt Hermansen at: kdh@habeaskurtus.com.



### SLOW DOWN SIGNS

Speeding on neighborhood streets in UH is a chronic problem. Shaving time off trips by speeding has small benefits and high risks. Set your alarm clock 15 minutes ahead and slow down.

## UH PHONE BOOK

**Emergency • Police • Fire • Medical** 911  
**Non-Emergency** Suspicious Activity, Homeless Outreach Team, etc. 619-531-2000  
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 Graffiti Hotline: 619-257-7500  
**SD Vector Control** mosquitoes / ticks / rats 858-694-2888  
 Online: vector@sdcounty.ca.gov  
**Https://getitdone.force.com/** Download and use this app if you see a non-emergency problem in the city like potholes, graffiti, etc..  
**If all else fails, email** TRenner@sandiego.gov at Councilmember Chris Ward's office.

### DISASTER CONTACTS

In case of a major disaster such as an earthquake or fire, have two out of state contacts on speed dial. When the power is off cordless phones won't work. Have a basic phone you can plug into a phone jack that you can use for calls.



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

CAROL NEIDENBERG

Thanksgiving is one of my favorite days of the year because it reminds us to give thanks, not to mention the delicious food options. So many things become unimportant when we realize how lucky we are to live here in the United States and specifically San Diego.

People often ask about what I am grateful for. I usually start off with my family. Despite being raised by a single working mother, I am grateful to have a loving family. Though I was often ashamed of wearing the hand-me-down clothes from my older cousins, I knew I was loved and encouraged to grow. I am grateful for the opportunities to attend college, travel through Europe, and live in India for a half a year after graduation.

I am also grateful for snagging a rent-controlled apartment in Manhat-

tan's West Village that helped me survive while going to graduate school. With skills and experience, I was easily able to get jobs and have a career in mental health, which led me to live in Memphis, Houston, and Nashville before moving to San Diego, which has been my home for more than 30 years. Since moving here, I've not lived more than a mile and a half from my first apartment. So for this I am grateful.

I am extremely grateful that I am healthy, have a very happy daughter (and soon, a delightful son-in-law), and live on an extraordinary block in UH with caring neighbors. Lastly, I am grateful to you, dear neighbors, for everything you do to make University Heights a great place to live.

Wishing you and your family a safe and healthy 2018 Thanksgiving!

## SCHOOL BOARD BOND MEASURE ON NOVEMBER BALLOT

PROMISES MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS TO UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY

The Board of the San Diego Unified School District (School Board) has placed on the November ballot a bond measure known as the "Neighborhood School Safety and Repair Measure" to finance improvements to San Diego city schools and to the School Board property located at 4100 Normal Street in University Heights. Although the bond measure is primarily designed to provide \$3.5 billion to city schools, if the bond is approved by the voters in November, University Heights stands to receive multiple benefits from the new bond measure, including the preservation of historic buildings, added green space, increased parking, and major improvements to our quality of life. UHCA played a critical role in collaboration with the Board of Education to assure that this measure got onto the ballot. In July, the School Board unanimously approved a resolution to partner with University Heights in

planning for the future of the property at 4100 Normal Street that currently houses the School Board's district headquarters.

As we work together to design a better future for our community, this is also a good time to stop and reflect on what we have already accomplished. After nearly two decades of neighborhood struggle to make the Education Center property into the jewel of our community, we now have a clear path to victory. We have a definite commitment from the school district to transform the Normal Street headquarters into a benefit for the whole community if this bond measure passes. It behooves all of us as University Heights residents to seriously consider this bond measure that will benefit not only San Diego schools but also the unique School Board property that functions as a critical gateway to University Heights.

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# IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Our October 4, 2018, University Heights Community Association (UHCA) meeting included the following:

### CRIME WATCH (6:45 pm)

SDPD Officer Ricardo Piñon reported that the entire command team will be at UHCA's Cookies With the Cops event on October 10.

SDPD sponsored a well-attended Coffee and Slurpees With the Cops at Starbucks by the Vermont St. Bridge and Joyce Beers Community Center.

Homeless persons have established camps in the steep and dangerous canyon at the north end of Campus at Gold- en Gate.

The UH homeowner who shot a city worker who was working on water lines is in custody, and the city worker is recovering.

### COMMUNITY MEETING (7:00 pm)

#### Announcements

VP Maureen Markey opened the meeting with a welcome and announcements.

• Nan McGraw: Friday, Dec. 7, is the date for the annual UH Caroling in the Heights. Watch for details in Nov. & Dec. News.

• Nan McGraw: The last Movie in the Trolley Barn Park series is on Saturday, Oct 13 at sunset. Toy Story Terror and the Princess Bride. Free popcorn and face painting!

• MaryBeth Chruden: UH Beautification update: Fall clean up near Meade and Park, both inside and outside Birney Elementary.

• 2nd Annual Tag Sale will be in April in Trolley Barn Park.

• Annual Lights in the Heights will take place in December.

• Zeina Guoin: UH Library. UH has had only temporary librarians for about two years, and another new librarian will start on Monday. UH was the first branch library in San Diego.

• Melissa Leitch: October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The American Cancer Society & Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event is October 21 in Balboa Park. Flyers distributed.

• Beth Deig, a Birney parent and immediate past president of Friends of Alice Birney Elementary (FOABE), Birney's foundation. Birney wants to get the UH community involved with an upcoming fundraiser, the Big Give Challenge, on December 13 from 7 am to 7 pm.

• Bill Smith: Our state representatives have put a pause on the DMV project. People don't want to lose the Hillcrest Farmers Market, which the proposed project might jeopardize.

### Elected Officials' Reports

Tyler Renner for Councilmember Chris Ward:

- Large water main break near North Park Rec Center. Crews out there all morning.
- Short term vacation rental issue back before Council. Referendum on ballot next year.
- Homeless forum on October 16 at Joyce Beers Center.
- Styrofoam ban coming. See Fightthe-foam.com for information.
- Lennar Family Housing development ongoing. Rep will come to UH meeting in November.
- Councilmember Ward supports SDSU West ballot initiative for Qualcomm stadium redevelopment; opposes SoccerCity.

Zach Bundschaff for US Representative Susan Davis:

- Distributed Davis Dispatch newsletter.
- Lemon Grove Community Center event on October 18 for middle or high schoolers interested in attending elite academies.
- Foreign relation series ongoing. October 20 panel discussion on China.

### UHCA Elections

Current slate of officers up for reelection: Carol Neidenberg, Pres.; Maureen Markey, VP; Kurt Hermansen, Sec'y; Stu McGraw, Treas. No other nominations received. Only UHCA members eligible to vote. Motion made, seconded, and passed to re-elect current slate of officers by acclamation.

### Featured Speaker: Professor Ron Shaheen

Professor Shaheen, an Adjunct Associate Professor of Music at the University of San Diego, a Fulbright Scholar, and an inveterate "political junkie" (self-described), explained several key state and local propositions on the November ballot. The detailed and informative presentation included the state measures about repeal of the gas tax, the treatment of farm animals, and the authority of local governments to enact rent control, as well as the local competing SDSU West and SoccerCity measures regarding the future development of SDCCU (formerly Qualcomm) Stadium. The presentation was followed by a lively Q and A session.

### Adjournment

The meeting ended with several final comments, including an exhortation to the audience to vote on November 6, and a reminder about the next UHCA meeting on November 1. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. — Kurt Hermansen, UHCA Secretary, and Maureen Markey



# A FRESH (AIR) TAKE ON UH FAVORITES

Two of my favorite parts of living in UH come together when my family does picnics in the park: the amazing cuisine that Park Blvd has to offer and Trolley Barn Park. As a parent to two young children, Trolley Barn serves as an extension of our backyard. But on those nights when cooking at home feels like a drag and a delicious California Burrito from El Zarape or Pad Thai from Bahn Thai calls to me, my wife and I thoroughly enjoy taking in the calories as my children run them off.

A lot of the best places to eat on Park Blvd don't deliver, but they do offer take-out. So my family has developed a great routine: order our choice of food, load the kids in the stroller, pack a blanket and beverages, walk to pick up our dinner as we stroll down Park Blvd, and set up at Trolley Barn to enjoy. For us, this is the

perfect way to relish being a proud UH resident. We get to see and say hi to our neighbors as we walk through the 'hood, support local businesses by purchasing local eats, and enjoy one of San Diego's best neighborhood parks, all at the same time!

Picnics in the park have become such a staple for us we'll often have friends meet us at the park or join us for the whole journey, making this a great way to show off our neighborhood, get some exercise in, and entertain guests without the cleanup required. So next time you're in the mood for Red House or Plumeria and need an excuse to get an evening walk in, consider a picnic in the park to enjoy your meal. Oh, and now that Pop Pie is putting in an ice-cream shop, I can predict the detour we'll be making on the way home!

— Breanna Strand

# UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS SALUTES ITS VETERANS

On Veterans Day, November 11, please take the time to thank a veteran. Because of the support of our local businesses, individual donors, and the Hillcrest-Mission Valley Lions Club, you will notice the flags flying on Park Boulevard that day. Think about how you can show a veteran some extra appreciation. Attend a Veterans Day parade or event in your area. Ask a veteran about his or her service and really listen to the response. Visit a VA hospital. Display the flag outside of your home to salute our veterans.

Thank you to the Lions Club for keeping our flags flying. With the help of community volunteers, the Lions Club puts the flags up all along park Blvd. not just on Veterans Day, but on Memorial Day, Labor Day, Presidents Day, and several other national holidays every year. If you would like to participate in or contribute to this effort, please contact Nan McGraw at nmcsan@aol.com or 619 260-0668 for information. Our veterans will thank you!



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## NOVEMBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<p><b>1</b></p> <p><b>UH Rec Council Meeting</b> Alice Birney Library, 5:30 pm</p> <p><b>UHCA Meeting</b> Alice Birney Auditorium, 6:45 pm</p>	<p><b>2</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>The Point Clean Up</b> 1:30 - 3:30 pm Golden Gate btwn RI &amp; Del.</p>
<p><b>4</b> Hillcrest Farmers Market 9 am - 2 pm</p>	<p><b>5</b> UHCA News Deadline for December issue</p>	<p><b>6</b> <b>ELECTION DAY</b></p> <p><b>Uptown Planners Meeting</b> Joyce Beers Center Uptown Complex, 6 pm</p>	<p><b>7</b> UHCDC Meeting 4452 Park Blvd. Suite 104, 6:30 pm</p>	<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p>
<p><b>11</b> Hillcrest Farmers Market 9 am - 2 pm</p> <p><b>Veterans Day</b></p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b> Hillcrest Town Council Joyce Beers Center, 6 pm</p> <p><b>Friends of the Library, UH Chapter</b> UH Branch Library, 6 pm</p> <p><b>Board of Ed Meeting</b> Eugene Brucker Auditorium 5 pm</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p><b>Preview Book Sale (Friends members only)</b> UH Library, 3 - 6 pm</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p><b>Book Sale (open to the public),</b> UH Library, 8 - 3 pm</p>
<p><b>18</b> Hillcrest Farmers Market 9 am - 2 pm</p> <p><b>Bag O' Books sale (open to the public)</b> UH Library, 12 noon-4pm</p>	<p><b>19</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> North Park Planning Committee North Park Christian Fellowship, 2901 North Park Way, 6:30 pm</p>	<p><b>21</b> UH Library Task Force Meeting UH Branch Library, 6:30 pm</p>	<p><b>22</b> </p> <p><b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>
<p><b>25</b> Hillcrest Farmers Market 9 am - 2 pm</p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>27</b> December UHCA News out <b>Board of Ed Meeting</b> Eugene Brucker Auditorium 5 pm</p>	<p><b>28</b> UH Book Club &amp; Salon UH Library, 6:30 pm</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b></p>	



STREET SEEN

# IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

A Simon and Garfunkel aroma of “Parsley, Sage, Rosemary and Thyme” fills the air this month. While rolling out the piecrust dough, throwing a hint of Port wine into the gravy, and maybe some toasted cumin and orange juice on the cooked carrots, thoughts excitedly turn to holiday gifts.

**Liberty Station**, with the reimagined old Naval Training Center buildings turned into an Arts District, could be a fun day trip and shopper’s destination, far from the mall and the Internet. Start at the new **Pigment**, a second incarnation of the successful North Park location, with a third on the way in Del Mar come Spring. This big, airy, and bright **Pigment**, on Perry Road near the Barnett Avenue entrance to Liberty Station, has everything and then some. You’ll find plants, pots, and plant classes galore. It is color themed to the nth degree, with adult, baby, and children’s clothes, toys, paper goods, and culinary items. This qualifies as hip, general store chic. Unique to this location, is the T-shirt bar for designing and printing a custom T-shirt (with help), a super gift. A perk this season is a real Santa on the deck so bring the kids along.

**Visions Art Museum** has wonderful contemporary quilts on display and a tiny gift shop that carries artist jewelry, baskets, and such. Search (online or on directories near the Liberty Public Market) for the studios of many individual artists who can provide one-of-a-kind gifts like a portrait of yourself or family. For jewelry, there’s **7 Stitches Jewelry**, cool chokers, and earrings. Also

original designs at **Anneville Studio** by Anne Wolf, who studied with legends Arline Fisch and Helen Shirk. The **Apricot Yarn & Supply** has just the thing for any knitters on your list. Go to **California Hardwoods** for everything from walnut cutting boards to custom tables. **Point Loma Tea** or **Chi Chocolates** are other suggestions and there’s even more.

At the Liberty Public Market, you can customize food baskets, from nuts to cheese, and grab a quick picnic lunch as a respite between purchases. Mingei International Museum in Balboa Park is closed for renovation, but worry not; their marvelous gift gallery has moved to Liberty Station as **Shop Mingei** on Historic Decatur Road, along with **Café Mingei**.

Closer to home, of course, shop the UH neighborhood at **Cecilia’s Fine Jewelry, Park Blvd., Art Works, Original Skin & Body Care**, and numerous restaurants that provide gift certificates for dinners a deux, or for more.

It’s major news in case you haven’t heard, that the **Breitbart Hall of Champions** on Balboa Park’s Plaza de Panama has folded, sort of. Sad but true. Items auctioned, returned, relocated to Petco Park, the SD History Center and maybe the SD Public Library downtown. Comic-Con, a big money earner for our city, has committed to opening a **Comic-Con Museum** in the old Hall of Champions space, set to open around 2020. Sure to be a winner. — *The Unknown Shopper*



The new Shop Mingei at Liberty Station



Rainbow bracelet by Anne Wolf



The new Pigment shop at Liberty Station is like a general store.



Gift Gallery at Visions Art Museum



The deck at Pigment where events and plant classes can be held



Some of the cutting boards at California Hardwoods





FOOD AND BEVERAGES

# THANKSGIVING WINE SELECTIONS

Thanksgiving is one of my favorite holidays for two simple reasons: family and food! I always make my signature dishes including Gulliver's Corn, cranberry sauce with orange zest and cinnamon, and chocolate pecan pie. I also bring all the wine, making me the most popular person at the gathering.

I like to kick off the celebration with something festive and lower in alcohol since I will typically pop the cork on a bottle before noon while the turkey is filling the house with its savory scent. Sparkling wines including Italian Pro-

secco and Spanish Cava are the perfect choice because they can be mixed with an array of juices. I like to use cranberry juice, then garnish with a few of the berries.

This year, I'm going to put some beautiful red wines from the Southern Rhone on the table. Grenache-based blends pair beautifully with turkey as they have enough bright, plush red fruit to appeal to everyone while also providing a delicate acidity that complements all the rich food being served. I really enjoy wines from Cairanne, Roche-gude, and

Puymeras. If you want to splurge, go for Chateaufeuf du Pape; if not, choose Beaujolais.

Since I aim to please all palates, I always serve white wine as well. This year, I plan to put both Brut Champagne and Pinot Blanc on the table. Champagne is wonderful with turkey and keeps the celebratory mood going. Pinot Blanc is refreshing and cleanses the palate between bites.

Once the dishwasher is loaded and the pies are on the table, I pull out the

dessert wines. French Sauternes are a definite favorite with their golden sweetness. I also like to have Moscato from Italy on the table, because I don't think one can ever have too much sparkling wine on a holiday. These wines are frizzante, meaning somewhat sparkling, or spumante, meaning fully sparkling, with amazing aromas of Asian pear and peach and a delicate sweetness. — *Jennifer Williamson is a professional wine consultant with Quigley Fine Wines. You can contact her directly with any wine related questions at [jwilliamson@quigleyfinewines.com](mailto:jwilliamson@quigleyfinewines.com).*

## HOLIDAY RECIPE CRANBERRY RELISH

- 2 lbs. (2 pkg.) cranberries
- 3 large apples (4 cups), peeled or unpeeled
- 3 large oranges, peeled
- Orange zest from 1 orange
- 2 cups walnuts
- 1-2 cups sugar, according to taste

Wash, drain, and dry cranberries. Process in food processor until coarsely chopped. Place in large bowl. Zest one orange and add zest to bowl. Process apples and oranges in food processor until coarsely chopped, and add to bowl. Process walnuts until coarsely chopped. Add to bowl. Add sugar and mix thoroughly. Refrigerate several hours or overnight to let flavors meld.

This recipe makes a fairly large quantity, which always worked well in my family where Thanksgiving dinner invariably included 20+ people. If you have a smaller crowd, you can easily cut the amounts in half.



Although I have seen dozens of cranberry relish recipes over the years, this one is unusual in several ways. First, it uses raw cranberries rather than cooked; and second, it uses both apples and oranges, instead of one or the other, as most recipes do. This recipe, our standard cranberry relish every Thanksgiving, was my Mother's recipe, passed down from her mother and grandmother. It is a very refreshing side that cuts the richness of the rest of the typical Thanksgiving menu.

— *Maureen Markey*

## STELLA JEAN'S ICE CREAM SHOP

As we went to press, the Grand Opening of Stella Jean's Ice Cream on Park Blvd., next to Pop Pie, was scheduled for October 18. With the final permits in hand, owners Steven Torres and Gan Suebsarakham said they were prepared to share with the community the results of many months of research and development, testing, tweaking, and sheer determination and hard work!

Steven and Gan are San Diegans who believe in San Diego and all that it stands for. That means community, opportunity, and creativity. Stella Jean's is a community space that offers chef-made, innovative, handcrafted ice cream and neighborhood interaction. Leveraging their sister company, Pop Pie Co. (@poppiecosd), Steven and Gan created Stella Jean's with the same philosophy: great food, celebrated with valued friends and neighbors. They aim to continue their tradition as a business that believes in a strong sense of community that includes employees, patrons, and San Diego as a whole.



Photo: Harrison Photographic

## HOLIDAY RECIPE BEN'S TOMATO GOUGERE

When growing up, my family's Thanksgiving dinners and subsequently, my own, were ceaselessly traditional. Now that I have turned over the cooking to another generation, it's this preprandial highpoint that staves our hunger, prepared by my son-in-law (from a 1989 Lee Bailey's Soup Meals cookbook). Adults and children, all gather in the kitchen in enthusiastic chattering groups, with a cold glass of something in hand, as the puffy, cheesy, tomato-fingd gougere comes out of the oven, set upon and pulled apart by the appreciative crowd.

I am thankful today to perch on the odd collection of unmatched chairs and benches for inclusive roastings of a turkey, a whole salmon, and nut/quinoa loaves, to share the new traditions with family and friends.

### Ben's Tomato Gougere

- 1 1/2 cups water
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) + 1 Tbsp unsalted butter
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- 6 eggs
- 2 cups grated Emmenthal cheese \*
- 1 cup coarsely chopped, drained sundried tomatoes



Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Grease cookie sheet with butter. Bring water to boil in medium saucepan and add butter. When melted, add salt and flour all at once. Stir over low heat until mixture makes a ball and pulls away from sides of pan.

Off the heat, beat in the eggs, one at a time, mixing well after each addition. Reserve 1/2 cup cheese and mix the balance, along with the chopped tomatoes, into the dough. Using heaping tablespoons full, make a circle of dough on the cookie sheet, leaving a 2" space in the middle. Keep adding tablespoons full of dough to the outside of the circle, touching each other, until all dough is used. Sprinkle with reserved cheese over all. Bake until golden and puffy, 35-40 minutes.

Serve warm. Pull apart to eat. \*You could substitute the Emmenthal with a good grated Gruyere or very sharp cheddar.

— *Phyllis Kessel*

## UHCA NEEDS VOLUNTEER BLOCKWALKERS!

Blockwalkers are those special people who deliver the UHCA News every month within University Heights. We need blockwalkers to cover the following blocks ten times a year: All of Van Buren St.; 2000 Mission Ave. to Texas St.; Texas St. from Meade Ave. to Lincoln Ave.; 4000 Normal St.; Georgia St. from El Cajon Blvd. to Lincoln Ave. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Nan McGraw at [nmesan@aol.com](mailto:nmesan@aol.com) or 619-260-0668.

## CORRECTION

The address given in the October issue for the restaurant review was incorrect. El Tianguis is located at 2810 El Cajon Blvd., not 2610. We apologize for the error.



LIBRARY NEWS

# THE FRIENDS OF THE UH LIBRARY GRATITUDE

November is a time when many people's thoughts turn to the people and things they are grateful for, and the Friends of the University Heights Library is no exception.

We are grateful to our dedicated library staff, many of whom have been with the San Diego Public Library for more than 20 years! Angelica Benitez - 24 years; Bethany Koehn - 4 months; Buffy Budz - 23 years; Erin Wilson - 30 years; Fran Knori - 6 years; Laura Yee - 5 years; Shawn Aguiar; Zeina Guoin - 4 years. And of course, a big thank you to our hard-working volunteers: Bryan, Gisela, Izabela, Julie, Melissa, Nathaly, Sheila, and Caroline. We also want to recognize the Friends of San Diego Public Library and University Heights Community Association partners. We couldn't do it without you!

The mission of the Friends of the UH Library is to support our branch library, and we are grateful to all our Friends of

the UH Library members. Our ability to support the programs and services at our branch relies on membership dues and donations, so please help us continue to support the UH library by joining the Friends of the UH Library and encouraging your friends and neighbors to join as well. Membership is as low as \$5 for students and seniors, and \$10 for individuals. And if you join now, your membership will be valid through December 2019. That's two bonus months of membership. You can pick up a membership form at the branch.

Thank you for your support. — *Isabel Schechter, Secretary, Friends of the University Heights Library*

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## MARCIA AND GREG SORINI

This month, we're pleased to honor an amazing UH renaissance couple: Greg and Marcia Sorini (aka Madame Sorini). These wonderful neighbors immediately got involved with UHCA as soon as they moved to University Heights in 2001.

Greg has had three jobs since college (not bad for a history major): Bird trainer at the Wild Animal Park, Corporate Librarian at Qualcomm, and now Customer Service Representative for Alaska Airlines. He has taken classes in everything from wine tasting and guitar to Irish dancing and music appreciation. Greg has volunteered for numerous UHCA projects since he arrived in UH 17 years ago, including an extraordinary six years as president of UHCA, during which UH celebrated its 125th anniversary with a very successful bash in the Trolley Barn Park. He recently stepped in to head the Summer Movies in the Park Series (Breaking Away, Finding Nemo, and Princess Bride). Seeing the happy smiles on everyone before, during, and after the movies, is its own reward.

As for Marcia, you can call her Madame Sorini, or the Face Painter, or the Birney Giving Tree Elf, or the Caroling in the

Heights greeter, or a UH Library Book Sale cashier. Marcia has done it all. After teaching young children for years, she retired— and went back to school to become a hair stylist! Marcia has also been involved with UHCA since moving to the neighborhood, always happy to help and full of creativity, smiles, and sparkle. Being a former teacher, she knows how to manage a crowd, and she's a natural organizer. She's never met a stranger and loves to connect people that have something in common or can benefit each other with their respective talents. She is always up for an adventure, whether it's visiting a new neighborhood in San Diego, taking a road trip, hiking around Maui, or exploring the Cliffs of Moher in Ireland.

Greg and Marcia are selfless individuals who volunteer when no one else does – from face painting to setting up for UHCA meetings, from introducing the speakers at Cookies with the Cops to setting up for Caroling in the Heights. There's nothing this power couple hasn't done to help the community. UH is fortunate to count Greg and Marcia among its treasures. We look forward to their continued involvement in the community.



Greg Sorini



Marcia (Madame Sorini)

## BOOK CLUB & SALON

# REMARKABLE CREATURES

BY TRACY CHEVALIER

Tracy Chevalier's *Remarkable Creatures* is a recreated fictional account of two real-life 19th century amateur scientists, Mary Anning and Elizabeth Philpot, who were brought together in a unique friendship over fossils. Mary was born in 1799 to a poor family and was neither educated nor literate. Her interest in fossil hunting developed at a very young age through her father, who collected these "curies" (curiosities) to sell for extra money to support his family. The fossils intrigued the tourists who visited the coastal town of Lyme Regis where Mary and her father lived.

Elizabeth Philpot, on the other hand, was one of three middle class unmarried sisters who moved to Lyme Regis from London. In narrating the story of Mary and Elizabeth, the author brings to light the harsh realities of life for women, which made their accomplishments as remarkable as the creatures they so relentlessly pursued. Long before Darwin, Anning

discovered, excavated, cleaned, preserved, and drew her fossil finds without knowing what they were. The fossils she collected can still be found in museums around the world, including the Natural History Museum in London and Oxford University. It is a wonderful story, and of the fossils, Elizabeth says: "I tend to view them....as works of art reminding us of what the world was once like."

Join the Book Club & Salon discussion. New members are always welcome! The book will be available at the UH Library's front desk during October and November.

**UH Book Club & Salon**  
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## THE UH BRANCH LIBRARY BETWEEN THE COVERS

Can you believe it's already November? Time has flown this year at the University Heights Library! Stop by to pick up a good read, a movie, or some music before the holidays ramp up, and take a peek at our rotating displays featuring our upcoming programs, holidays, and a variety of other topics.

Looking for something fun to do with the family? Join us for our great programs this month:

Pajama Story Time:  
 Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Morning Story Time:  
 Thursdays at 11:00 am

Arts & Crafts: Saturdays all day

Story Time with Caroline & Penelope:  
 Saturday, November 3, at 11:30 am

Beeswax Candle Workshop with Tosh-Werks: Wednesday, November 14, at 4:30 pm. Learn how to make beeswax candles in this fun and interactive workshop. Space is limited. Online registration is required.

In-N-Out Cover to Cover Reading Pro-

gram: Ends on Saturday, November 17. For ages 4-12. Read great books to earn a free burger!

Be sure to also mark in your calendar that all San Diego Public Libraries will be closed on Monday, November 12 for Veterans Day and Thursday, November 22 for Thanksgiving.

As always, check out our Facebook page and our online calendar at <https://sandiego.librarymarket.com/> to stay up to date! — *Laura Yee, Children's Librarian, University Heights Branch Library, (619) 692-4912, sandiego.gov.*



**Library Hours**

Monday	9:30 am – 6 pm
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PET OF THE MONTH

# FISH OUT OF WATER

Hi! My name is Tuna-fish but my friends call me Tuna, Tootie, or Fish. I just turned four years old, and I live with my two dads, Johnny and Hunter. I love living in University Heights and I especially love living two blocks from Trolley Barn Park. I am the luckiest fish in the world because I go to the park every day. On the way to the park I make stops to say Hi and to play with all my cat friends. A lot of people are surprised that a fish would like cats so much, but I love them!

Many people ask my dads how to make a Tuna-fish. To make a Tuna-fish, mix equal parts Maltese, poodle, corgi, and chihuahua. Ta-dah! That's me! Most people mistake me for a terrier and I'm often told my celebrity look-alike is Toto from the Wizard of Oz. I'm also frequently mistaken for a boy, but I'm not. As my dads tell me all the time, "You are the number one most beautiful princess that ever lived!" I try not to let it go to my head.

I'm really lucky that my dads take me just about everywhere they go. They love me so much. This summer we went to visit my best friend Lilly in New York City and my cousins in New Jersey. Last summer I got to chase pigeons in Monterey and went camping in Big Sur. I also spend a lot of time at the Coronado Dog Beach. I love

taking in the ocean breeze while I watch my dads go swimming.

After the love I have for my dads, the greatest love in my life is food. I love eating! In addition to my delicious regular meal time kibble, I absolutely love watermelon, popcorn, and....well, just about anything else that might have fallen on the floor.

I hope to see you soon, either at the park or on the streets of our beautiful neighborhood! — *Johnny Devenio*



# COOKIES WITH THE COPS

We had a great turnout for the Cookies With The Cops on October 10. Thank you to SDPD's Western Division Officers David Surwilo and Ricardo Pinon. As usual, they answered questions as the crowd indulged in cookies. A special thanks to Francis and Natalie, owners of Mystic Mocha, for being such great hosts and providing goodies for the crowd. They really know how to pull the neighborhood together.

To all of you for attending this event that is now in its 30th year, thanks for joining your neighbors, subscribing to Zone Watch, and being proactive in keeping UH safe. Remember, if you do not report a crime, it's as if it didn't happen. Report a crime in progress by calling 911. Report a non-emergency either online at SDPD or by calling (619) 531-2000. — *Nan McGraw*



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SCHOOL NEWS

# ROO NEWS

## SCHOOL AND ZOO GROOM FUTURE FEMALE SCIENTISTS



The women scientists at the San Diego Zoo not only take care of many animals but they also moonlight as role models for female students at Roosevelt International Middle School. During the school year, zoo scientists and Roosevelt teacher, Marci Sponsler, lead an after-school enrichment club called "Girls in Science" (GIS). Students meet once a week for an hour and a half to learn about ecosystems, habitat conservation, and animal life-cycle systems from female scientists working at various capacities at the zoo.

of parents, guardians and community members that raises funds to support educational and extracurricular programs. "Unlike many schools, we're fortunate to be able provide these meaningful learning experiences to our students at no cost," says Mauricio Ahumada, RooFriends president. "The female professionals at the Zoo do an amazing job inspiring Roosevelt's young ladies to explore career possibilities and dream big."

Visit <https://friendsofroosevelt.org/programs/after-school/ase-program-descriptions/> to learn more about Roosevelt's after school enrichment program. — *Jennifer Ayala, parent of students at Roosevelt and Birney and a Board Member of the Friends of Roosevelt Foundation*

"My favorite part about Girls in Science is that we get to visit the animal hospital," says Teagan Brokaw, an eighth grader at Roosevelt. Teagan's love of animals made it a natural choice to be part of GIS. Her animal family at home includes a dog (Marley), a lizard, and two cats (one of whom is 18). Whenever she has the time, Teagan enjoys riding and caring for horses, and she hopes to become a big animal veterinarian one day. Learning about the science behind different jobs at the Zoo helps students like Teagan build more confidence in pursuing the science-oriented careers that are often dominated by males.



Teagan Brokaw

GIS, one of the most popular clubs at Roosevelt, is among a dozen offerings fully funded by the Friends of Roosevelt Foundation (RooFriends), a non-profit organization comprised

# BIRNEY BUZZ



November at Birney begins with events that the whole community will enjoy. We start off on November 3 with the 2nd annual Birney Cup. Parents and community members will participate in this fun event on the joint use field from 9:30 am to 1 pm. Contact [info@birney.com](mailto:info@birney.com) for details. On November 16, we host our first Bedtime Stories event in the auditorium at 6 pm. Community members and teachers will share their favorite books by reading aloud to the students. In the last week of November, the Scholastic Book Fair will take place in the library. Come pick out some great gifts for the holidays and support your local school.

Finally, as we come to the season of thanks, we are always looking beyond the walls of our school for recognition and support of our award-winning International Baccalaureate Program. Every year enrollment grows and our test scores get better. Birney families are loyal to the businesses in our community who support our school, so step up today and sponsor a Birney garden, purchase a banner for the Park Blvd. fence, or cover art instruction for a grade. Please go to <http://friendsofalicebirney.org> for more info and help us gear up for our annual Big Give on Thursday, December 13. — *Ari Honarvar*



UH BEAUTIFICATION

# UHCA BEAUTIFICATION TEAM REPORT

Each year the UHCA Beautification Team conducts a major fall cleanup somewhere in the community. Past sites have included the 163 onramp, Texas Street, and Trolley Barn Park. This year the cleanup will be held on Saturday, November 10, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, along Park Blvd. and Meade Ave. adjacent to the Birney Joint Use Field, and Alice Birney Elementary School. At the same time and date, Birney parents and administra-

tion will conduct a beautification project on the Birney campus. Mark your calendars and join us at the corner of Park and Meade with a rake, broom, and large dustpan if you have them. This volunteer opportunity will help keep a major entry point to University Heights and our neighborhood school attractive and inviting for both visitors and residents alike. — *Rod Girvin, UHCA Beautification Team Leader, [rgirvin@cox.net](mailto:rgirvin@cox.net)*

## CAMELOT CANYON STILL A FIRE HAZARD

I applaud the city for sending Atlas Tree Service in to clean up Camelot Canyon in early September. On September 25, Robert Dowell and I documented the state of the canyon. As the photos show, little work appears to have been done to lessen the threat of a fire similar to the one on March 27 (photos on UHCA's Facebook page). Palm trees (dubbed "nature's Tiki torches" by CityLab) with dead fronds extending the length of their trunks, piles of cut tree limbs, dead brush, dead palm trees, and the remains of previously burned debris were all left untouched. It's hard to believe the work performed cleared the city's violation issued by the Fire Marshall.

clearing of the canyon from 150' west of the Vermont St. Bridge toward Hwy 163 was prompt and thorough.

Many other members of the community and I have communicated numerous times about the hazardous conditions existing in the canyon with Tyler Renner, Chris Ward's representative for University Heights; other city officials with responsibility for clearing the canyon; and the office of the mayor. As a long-time resident of University Heights, I'm not satisfied with the limited work that's been done. If you agree, please contact our representatives and express your concerns. Or submit a report on the city's Get It Done website: [sandiego.gov/get-it-done](http://sandiego.gov/get-it-done) or download the app.

Senator Toni Atkins (Toni Duran 619 645-3133, [toniduran@asm.ca.gov](mailto:toniduran@asm.ca.gov)). Assemblymember Todd Gloria ( Nick Serrano 619 645-3090, [nickserrano@asm.ca.gov](mailto:nickserrano@asm.ca.gov)). Councilmember Chris Ward (Tyler Renner 619 236-6633, [trenner@sandiego.gov](mailto:trenner@sandiego.gov)) — *Andy Lange*

This situation, along with current drought conditions, leaves the canyon poised to go up in flames again with possible dire consequences for residents and businesses. The dead brush also continues to provide a dense cover for the four new homeless camps that quickly appeared after Atlas left, further contributing to the severe fire danger. In contrast, Caltrans'



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## THE PRINCESS BRIDE 31 YEARS AND GOING STRONG

They were all there. Woody, Buzz, Jessie, Wesley, Buttercup, Ignio Montoya, and lots of University Heights residents. It was the final showing in the Movies in the Park series brought to you by UHCA and San Diego County. The audience bundled up for the cool October night; enjoyed free popcorn, glow jewelry, and face painting; and settled in to watch Pixar's *Toy Story of Terror* and the cult classic *The Princess Bride*.

swear I heard them being recited throughout the night!

The double feature was a bit long for some of the little ones, but they got a chance to sleep under the stars for a while. While awake, they loved the Toy Story characters and their quest to find the missing toy. The Princess Bride fans watched with excitement for the umpteenth time as true love bested shrieking eels, treachery, greed, fire swamps, sand pits, and one of the greatest sword fights in history. This movie is loaded with quotable lines and I

This is the third year of Movies in the Park and it's become a favorite community event. It's a great time to come out and enjoy an open-air screening, harking back to the drive-in movie days. Yes, kids, you used to be able to watch movies in your car on a big screen with lots of other people listening to a speaker that was hung on your window. Intermissions meant running to the snack bar to load up on popcorn and soda and candy. That was before the drive-ins became swap meets—but that's a story for another time.

We hope to do it all again next year with new movies but the same good time, so keep an eye out for announcements in the spring of 2019. — *Greg Sorini*

### NEW IN UH

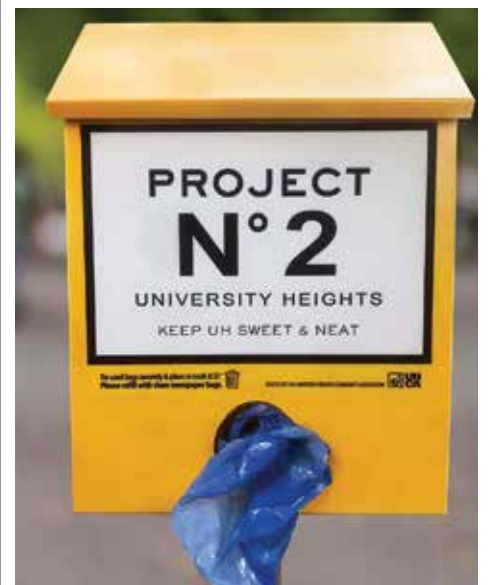
## NEWEST UH NEWS KIOSK

To meet the increasing demand for the UH News, we have added an additional free kiosk at 4416 Park Blvd in front of Original Skin and Body Care. In addition to free home delivery by our 60+ amazing volunteer blockwalkers, the paper is also available at: Twiggs Coffeehouse, 4590 Park Blvd.; Mystic Mocha, 2105 Mission Ave.; and the UH Branch Library, 4193 Park Blvd.



## THE LATEST MUST-DO FOR DOO-DOO

Picking up after Fido is one of those unglamorous topics nobody wants to talk about. That's all changed in Zone 6 with the addition of two new très chic Project No. 2 bag dispensers. Say goodbye to germs, flies and unhappy neighbors. Bonjour joie de vivre!



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POLITICAL NEWS

FROM YOUR STATE SENATOR

# A SEASON FOR GRATITUDE

Hello to all my Friends in University Heights!

I'm proud to report that my first year as Senate Leader saw the Legislature accomplish many positive, forward-thinking things for California. Now that the Legislative session has ended, I am happy to be back home in the city I love.

This is my favorite time of the year because it's when I have the opportunity to reconnect with my constituents and our communities. And no group of residents is more active in support of its community than the people of University Heights. I know this because I have worked closely with you since I served on Christine Kehoe's City Council staff in the 1990s. And I have proudly represented your community throughout my time on the City Council, in the Assembly, and in the Senate.

It's been my pleasure to work beside you on projects that are important to the future of the neighborhood and the benefit of its residents - such as the adaptive reuse of the Teachers Training Annex 1 and the Alice Birney Kindergarten Building Annex 2 on the school district site.

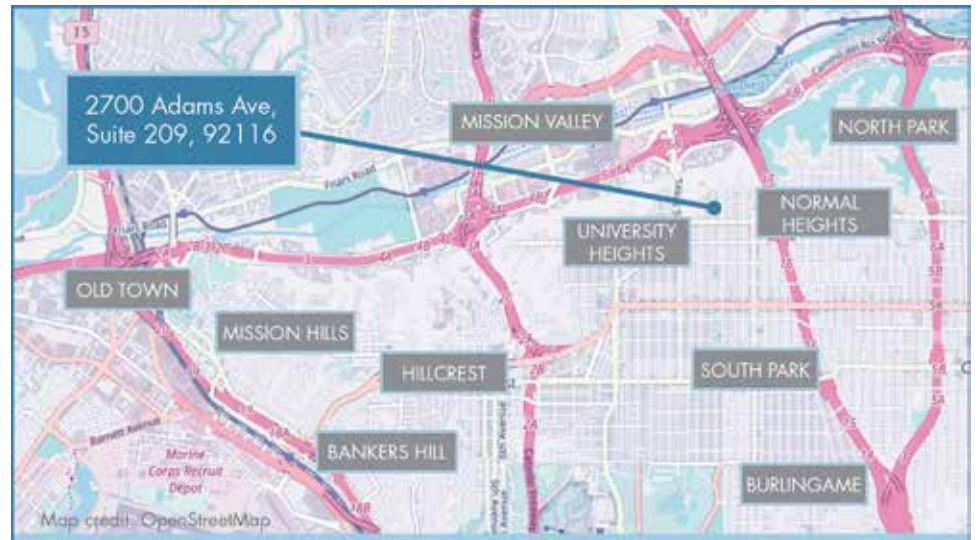
I'm so appreciative of this community's ongoing support for Socks for Stand Down, my drive to collect new socks

and underwear for struggling military veterans. I look forward every year to taking part in the summer music series in Trolley Barn Park, a wonderful setting for a family-oriented program that demonstrates that University Heights truly understands the meaning of "community." And I am happy to congratulate you on the 130th anniversary of University Heights!

This Thanksgiving season - and every Thanksgiving season - I'm grateful for all of you who work every day to enhance the quality of life in your community and solve challenges that face your neighborhood. I look forward to working with you for many years to come.



*Toni G. Atkins, President Pro Tem and State Senator for California's 39th District, which includes University Heights*



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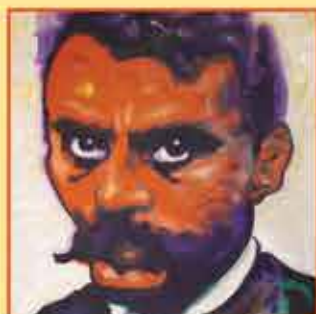
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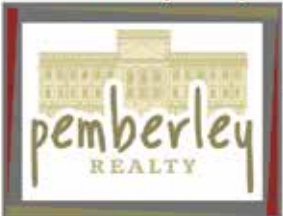


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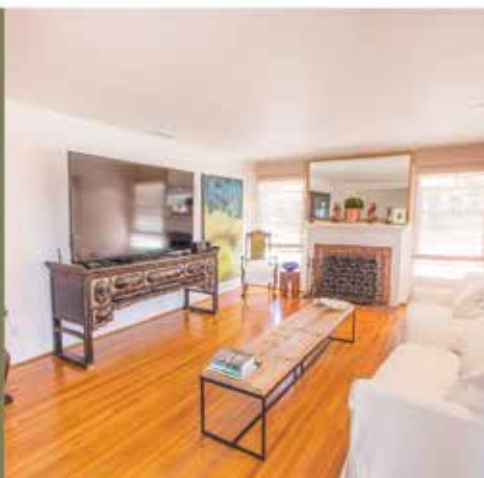
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