

# Larry Yandel's Third Annual Coed Softball Tournament

by Sandy Lippe



On a mid-April weekend, Standley Park was the site of the third annual Larry Yandel Memorial Coed Softball Tournament. Six teams participated in the two-day event. White Sox captain Blake Woodhall and his team won the tournament. New this year was the Larry's Cup, a lookalike of the famous Stanley Cup in hockey, a game Larry played.

Danny Creagh won a trophy for the most homeruns for men and Taylor Johnson took the same honor for women. Some of the proceeds went to the local recreational sports leagues in UC: UC Little League, UC Del Sol softball, and La Jolla Pop Warner, as well as the Centurion Foundation and EdUCate.

You can help keep the Larry Yandel Jr. Memorial Youth Sports Fund doing good deeds by making a tax deductible donation at [www.LYandelJrMemorialFund.org](http://www.LYandelJrMemorialFund.org).

# UC Community Celebration Event

by George Odero

Mark your calendar. The 26th, Annual University City Community July 4th Celebration, is around the corner.

University City Community Celebration Committee volunteers are excited to confirm to the community that we are working tenaciously to finalize arrangements for the 2014, 26th, July 4th, Community Celebration event.

To start off this year's 4th of July festivities, we will be organizing another 1M/5K fun run in the morning, thanks to University City Community Association (UCCA) sponsorship for this event. Registration for the run will open May 15th, but mark your calendars now and start getting in shape! As usual, the runners will be treated to the popular *pancake breakfast* and coffee to replenish their energy after the joyful race.

Vendor booth rental is open and booth spaces are going fast. Act now by contacting our booth rental coordinator, Terry Jones, by email at [T17Jones@roadrunner.com](mailto:T17Jones@roadrunner.com) to request a booth rental package (information, price and application). Since multiple, similar food vendors are discouraged, food vendors are encouraged to act promptly to secure their space quickly. We also remind food vendors to secure off-site food permits from the San Diego county department of health services.

We are actively seeking volunteers for activities on the day of the event. These volunteers will work two-hour shifts in assigned event activity. Families, with willing young volunteers under age sixteen, are welcome to participate together with their parents or older siblings. Activities where volunteers will be needed include: the bike and pet parade, inflatable jumpers, rockwall climbing, dunk tank, obstacle course, parking lot attendance and various field games.

Beer barn volunteers must be twenty-one (21) years old and must attend a mandatory training. The date for training (approximately two-hour free training sessions) will be on a Saturday at Standley recreation center. This will also be announced in UCCA June newsletter.

Feel free to contact us by emailing your questions, suggestions or willingness to volunteer.

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# Monthly Litter Pickup Group Launched in UC

by Vince Reardon

On Sunday, April 13th, the "Second Sunday Litter Pickup Brigade" inaugurated its first monthly litter pick up from 7:30-9:00 am.

Five UC residents, Don Hotz, Tim Niegocki and his daughter Aubrey, and Ellen and Vince Reardon, formed two teams. One team cleaned both sides and the median of Regents Road from Governor Drive south to I-52; the other cleaned both sides and the median of Genesee Avenue from Governor to just north of University City High School. The two teams collected seven bags of roadside litter, which weighed approximately 150 lbs.

Vince Reardon said he started the group because he has noticed the increasing presence of litter on UC's busier roadways. "Litter is unsightly and it tarnishes our beautiful community's aesthetic appeal," he said. "Studies show that litter begets more litter, but if a community is litter-free, which is our goal for UC, then people think twice about littering."

The next monthly litter pick up will take place on Sunday, May 4th (not May 11th, which is Mother's Day). Volunteers will meet at Starbucks, 3202 Governor Dr. (at Regents Rd.), from 7:30-9:00 am. The litter pickup will occur from 7:30-9:00 am at designated litter "hot spots" in UC.

Volunteers are advised to wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants and gardening gloves to avoid contact with poison ivy or poison oak. Trash bags, plastic gloves and "pickers" will be provided. Please RSVP if you are attending by emailing [peopleforacleanuc@yahoo.com](mailto:peopleforacleanuc@yahoo.com) or call 619-384-2519.



(L to R) Vince Reardon, Don Hotz, Aubrey Niegocki, Ellen Reardon and Tim Niegocki

## EdUCate! Food Truck Wednesdays

by Diane Ahern

Every Wednesday at 5:00 pm, purchase your evening meal from the EdUCate! food trucks at the Spreckels Elementary parking lot on Governor Drive. Check the EdUCate! website, [www.uc-educate.org](http://www.uc-educate.org), to see which purveyors are participating each week. There will be a variety of tasty food options, generally offered for \$10 or less. Enjoy a great dinner, knowing that 10% of the proceeds go directly to EdUCate! to benefit UC public schools. Join your friends and neighbors at this exciting community event!