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U City in Bloom's Garden Tour

IN UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS #1 AND PLEIN AIR ART COMPETITION

U City in Bloom's fifth biennial Garden Tour is Sunday, September 24, 2017. The self-guided tour, from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., features gardens in University Heights #1, the subdivision laid out by University City founder Edward G. Lewis. In 1902, Lewis purchased 85 acres northwest of Forest Park. He envisioned most of this land becoming the first subdivision in "A City Beautiful," and today most of the site is part of Lewis Park. The tour will highlight gardens in Lewis Park and around City Hall, as well as many homes that are over 100 years old. These homes have Century Home plaques by their doors through the Historical Society of University City's "Century Home" project.

A reception in our City Hall's 5th floor rotunda will immediately follow the tour with food donated by Salt+Smoke, and beverages from Urban Chestnut and Fitz's. ***Plein Air*** artists will be painting throughout the neighborhood during the afternoon, and their work will be on display and available for purchase at the reception. Tickets are available online from ucityinbloom.org, and from City Hall on the day of the tour. Proceeds will support U City in Bloom's mission to enhance and beautify our city through public gardens, community partnerships, citizen involvement, and environmental education.

For more information contact:

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UNIVERSITY CITY AWARDED NATIONAL HONORABLE MENTION AWARD FOR CLIMATE PROTECTION

The United States Conference of Mayors, Mayors Climate Protection Center awarded University City Mayor Shelley Welsch Honorable Mention for the Sustainability Initiatives in the Delmar Loop Commercial District. Expanding commercial recycling, replacing trash-only containers with trash/recycling combination containers, becoming a Green Dining District, installing permeable pavers for reduced stormwater pollution, and upgrading lighting to LED are just a few things that were done to achieve this award. The successful initiatives were developed through collaborative efforts between University City's staff, the Green Practices Commission, the Loop Special Business District and robust community involvement.

Have you seen the updates at Fogerty Park?

The City has just completed a 3-month renovation on Fogerty Park. The City received a $525,000 grant to offset the cost of the renovation. The last time our park was updated was in 1997. Bring the family out to enjoy the new playground and trails, and use the new pavilion for your next family gathering.

On a sadder note:
We have had several incidents of vandalism since reopening on June 23rd. Anyone with information about these incidents is asked to call the **University City Police Department at 314.725.2211,** or **Crime Stoppers at 866.371.TIPS.** If you witness anyone actively committing vandalism at your community's newly renovated park, please call **911 immediately.**

Fall Curbside Leaf Collection

University City crews will begin collecting leaves from the front curb of participating residential properties in November. Leaves must be raked to the curb line by Sunday, the day before collection begins in your area. Trucks will only make one pass on each street during the collection week, so leaves must be raked at the curb before the scheduled collection week begins. The pick-up schedule by area is listed below:

West Area: October 30 – November 3, and November 27 – December 1

Central Area: November 6 – 10, and December 4 – 8

East Area: November 13 – 17, and December 11 – 15

Please be sure that parked vehicles do not block access to the leaves. Only leaves will be collected – no gumballs, limbs or other yard debris. These are considered yard waste and need to be placed in yard waste bags and will be picked up on your regular collection day. Yard waste bag stickers are NOT required on the bags from October 15 – December 31. If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Public Works and Parks at 314.505.8560.

Holiday Schedule for Trash and Recycling Collection

Labor Day – No trash/recycling collection on Monday, September 4, 2017 due to the Labor Day holiday. City Hall will be closed. Trash and recycling collection will resume on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. The Monday trash/recycling routes will be collected on Tuesday. The Tuesday routes will be collected on Wednesday. The Wednesday routes will be collected on Thursday. The Thursday routes will be collected on Friday. The Friday routes will be collected on Saturday.

Electronics Recycling Event

Saturday October 7, 8:00 a.m. – Noon

On October 7 there will be an electronics recycling event at the Heman Park Community Center, 975 Pennsylvania, from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Rain or Shine). Computers, Printers, Flat Screens, Keyboards, Laptops, Hard Drives, Monitors, Cell Phones, Pagers, Radios, Scanners, Speakers, VCR, DVD, Fax Machines, Answering Machines, Televisions, Stereos, Air Conditioners, Microwaves, Power Tools, Kitchen Appliances, Etc. Anything with a cord! A $20 fee will apply for each CRT TV or CRT Computer Monitor.

CRT TV/Monitor

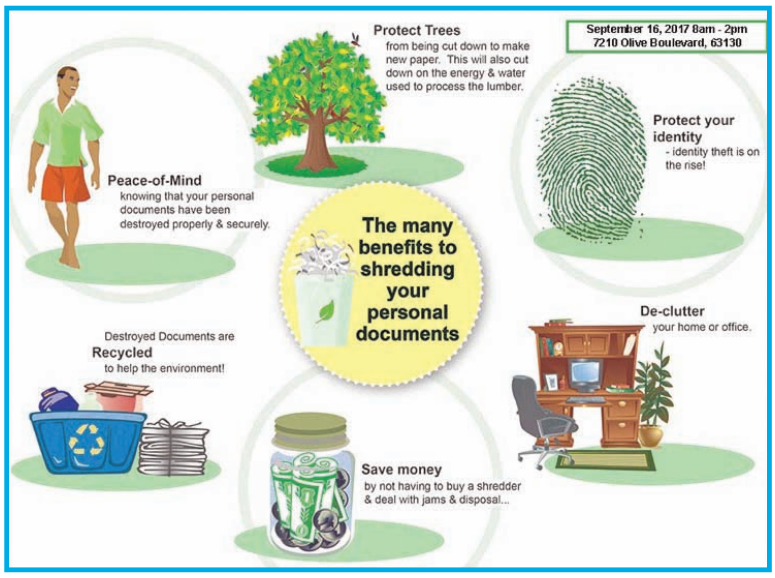
Flat Screen TV/Monitor

The cathode ray tube (CRT) is the glass video display unit found in color televisions and computer monitors. The CRTs contain lead which may pose a hazard to human health or the environment. It is important to properly recycle, reuse, or dispose of CRTs.

Paper Shredding Event

There will be a shred event on September 16, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Heman Park Pool Parking Lot. Here are the details and some guidelines to follow for the event:

What **CAN** be placed in the container:



- ✓ Personal/Business Info
- ✓ Paper, Manila Folders, Checkbooks
- ✓ Staples, Paper Clips, File Folders & Rubber Bands are OK

What **CANNOT** be placed in the container:

- ✗ Large Metal Objects
- ✗ Food Waste
- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Keys
- ✗ 3 Ringed Binders
- ✗ Hard-Back Books
- ✗ Cardboard Boxes

There is a limit of 5 bankers' boxes per car. See you there!

Community Resource Fair and Yard Sale

The Community Resource Fair and Yard Sale is back for another great year! Hosted by the City of University City's Recreation Division, the fair and yard sale will be held on Saturday, September 16, from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the Heman Park Pool parking lot. The event is free and open to the public, and includes booths hosted by community organizations and civic groups providing public information about activities and involvement. Individuals and groups will host their own yard sales.

Fall Bulk Residential Household Item Collection

Need to get rid of some old furniture, mattresses, rugs, carpet, or broken appliances? Participating residential households can place up to 7 household items curbside for the annual fall bulk pick-up. All acceptable items must be placed at the front curb (not in the alley) by the Sunday night before collection begins in your area. Trucks will only make one pass on each street. Visit the University City website at **www.ucitymo.org** or view the University City calendar to confirm your area. You can also contact the Public Works and Parks Department at 314.505.8560.

Please be sure that access to the items is not blocked by parked vehicles.

East Area – September 11

Central Area – September 18

West Area – September 25

If you miss your bulk collection, contact the City Hall at 314.505.8560 to schedule a special bulk household item pick-up for a fee.

Items Not Accepted – Televisions/Computer monitors, hazardous materials, commercial items, or business equipment, yard waste, tree trunks, logs, building or construction type debris/materials, tires, auto batteries, motors, rail road ties, barrel drums, concrete bricks, landscape stones, boulders, rocks, dirt, roofing materials, siding, fluorescent tubes, or household trash.

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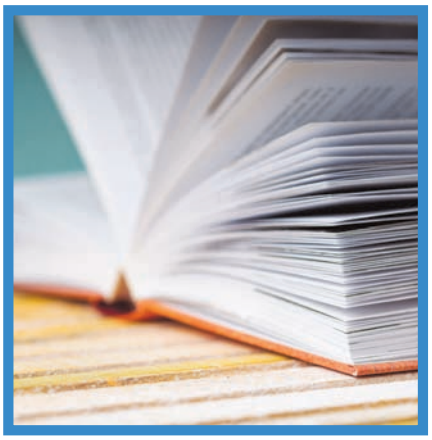
Overdrive's new, "Libby" app is quick and easy to use; all you need is your University City Library card. You can check out 10 items at any one time. If an item is already checked out, place it on hold and you'll get an email when it's available.

The Hoopla app gives you access to ebooks (including a large graphic novel collection), audiobooks, music, as well as a selection of movies and TV shows. Download their app, set up an account with an email address and your library card, and you can download or stream up to 8 items every month.

Our online magazine collection has changed its name from Zinio to RBdigital. Be sure to download the new app. We've added titles such as *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic*, *Rolling Stone*, *Us Weekly* and *Wired* to our collection. If you have any questions, ask our Reference Librarians for help!

A new season brings a new book group to University City Public Library!



Join us at 2:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month for our new Classics Book Group. The group kicks off September 19. If you're interested in newer books, check out our U City Book Group, which focuses on contemporary fiction and non-fiction. The U City Book Group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month and is led by UCPL Director Patrick Wall.

Also new at the library: the One Button Studio! Library patrons can use the simple recording studio to create high-quality videos with preset lighting and camera, using only a flash drive and the push of a button. Want to do some video recording out of the studio? Check out one of our Sony Handycam or GoPro video cameras, which can both be checked out for three weeks.

Keep up to date on our upcoming events at www.ucitylibrary.org/ucplevents. Follow us on Twitter @UCPL_Librarians, and like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ucitylibrary. Call 314.727.3150 for more information.

Trunk or Treat!

Let's bring the fun of Fall to Centennial Commons during the second annual Trunk or Treat! event on Friday, October 27, from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in Heman Pool Parking Lot, 7210 Olive St. Children ages 12 and under will enjoy trick-or-treating with a twist. The Heman Pool parking lot will be transformed into a safe and fun environment where kids can visit decorated automobile trunks filled with candy. Awards and prizes will be awarded for the best costumes and for the best decorated trunks.

Councilmember's Corner

Hello Friends, I trust you all had a good summer break. I know many of you are ready for those lovely children to return to school. I suspect even some of those children cannot wait to go back to school and away from parents. Our summer break is coming to a close and it is now time to get back to work.

City Council had a busy summer schedule. I took time to reflect and envision a few things we must get accomplished in 2017-18.

First, I want to commend my colleagues on the Council as we unanimously approved our budget for 2017-18. We tightened our belt to further reduce the deficit in this 36 million dollar budget. I am most proud that we were able to negotiate and retain our Senior Services Coordinator. She works hard, serving our many senior citizens, who deserve access to services and benefits to make their twilight years the best that they can be.

About a million dollars was allocated for street repairs. This will have to be stretched a long way to cover the repair and upgrade of our 81 miles of streets. We voted against a massive streets bond issue a few years back, now wish we had negotiated a compromise that we all could have lived with. I constantly get calls about the potholes and little lakes in my ward. We have to find more money or new revenue for streets.

Also in this fiscal year it is imperative that we finish what we started regarding a new facility for our University City Police Department. With the spikes in incidents of and the new types of crime from hacking, skimming, identity theft to home invasions, we need to provide and build a new cutting edge station for our premier police department.

Council will be asked once again to consider an Anti Hate Crime Bill in University City. I would appreciate your support of this legislation.

Council must also select a new CEO as City Manager to move this city forward after a contentious few years. We need to find and hire the best and most progressive person available.

We also have a proposal for a $175 million dollar major development at the intersection of Olive and I170. Terms have to be negotiated that work for all the residents, the businesses, the developer and the City as a whole.

These are just a few of the many things your City Council will be legislating as summer ends and fall begins. I ask that you come out, join us at a meeting or two. Help us to lead and work with us to make University City GREATER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN BEFORE.

Respectfully Yours
In Service,
Rod Jennings
3rd Ward Councilman

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UCITY PRIDE

SPECIAL ROARS EDITION September/October 2017

Community Turnout Strong for National Night Out and Back-to-School Rally

On Aug. 1, hundreds of students brought their families and friends to join with the greater University City community in celebrating the sixth annual National Night Out and Back-to-School Rally (NNO/BTSR). Jointly sponsored by the University City Police Department and The School District of University City, the rally has become a tradition that brings the community together in the spirit of the community banner, "Neighborhood to the World."

Police Captain Dana Morley says, "Making NNO and BTSR a joint effort conserves funds for both the Police Department and the District but, more importantly, we get a better turnout and a greater chance to build community, which is what NNO is all about." She adds, "Combining audiences also involves people who might not otherwise have participated in one or the other of these events had they been held separately."

Volunteers, including District alumni, local businesses and St. Louis Job Corps, helped man more than 40 booths, provide information, main stage entertainment, activities, services and food, provided by the UCPD Focus Group. There were also specialized services such as immunizations, sports physicals, hair cuts and styling provided by our local health and wellness community. Students, PreK through high school, left with backpacks filled with supplies donated by District partners in preparation for the First Day of School on Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2017.

Gary Spiller, executive director for Student Services and Innovation reports, "Visually, we can tell that this was one of the largest crowds we've seen; and we hope it continues to build." He adds, "The music and performances generated a block party atmosphere that helped us celebrate our neighbors, the men and women of our police and fire departments and the District's efforts to instill in our young people a sense of excitement for school and community."

Following presentation of the flag by the UCPD color guard, led by bagpiper Laurie Hartung, UCHS student Phoebe Thoroughman, sang the National Anthem to the crowd of neighbors who gathered at the main stage.

A special appearance of Sparky, the University City Fire Department's mascot, was a real crowd pleaser!

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Announcing...

The tradition continues as University City High School announces 11 new alumni being added to the historic high school's star-studded Hall of Fame.

Oscar winner Marlon West (UCHS Class of 1981 and HOF 2002), lead Disney effects animator – Moana, will serve as keynote speaker for the induction ceremony on Friday, Oct. 13, 6 – 9 p.m., in the Fleur de Lis room of the Sheraton Clayton Plaza Hotel, located at 7730 Bonhomme Ave., 63105. This year's honorees are:

- Jack Fishman, Ph.D. (1966), professor of meteorology, department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Saint Louis University;
- Marlene Scheinkman Hammerman (1969), social justice and women's rights activist;
- The late Hasan Houston (1976), UCHS tri-sport athlete, Chicago Bears, commodities broker, federal probation officer;
- Robert Kalish (1958), journalist and author, "Bloodrun" book series;
- James Katzman (1964), co-founder, Tandem Computers, Inc. and private investor in high tech companies;
- Anthony "Tony" Neal (1979), president and CEO, Education Equity Consultants;
- Virginia E. Palmer (1979), U.S. Ambassador to Malawi;
- Jerry Sugerman (1959), conservationist;
- Jake "Alex" Williams (1975), television production;
- Todd Williams (1985), assistant professor, department of Music Education, Indiana Wesleyan University; and
- Andrew Woods (1975), president, Andrew Woods & Associates, LLC./Public Relations.

General admission tickets to the UCHS Hall of Fame Induction Dinner are $80 per person and may be purchased at **UCHSHOF.eventbrite.com**. Seating is limited so please order your tickets now.

Additional information, including a link to request to the list for printed invitations, will continue to be posted at **ucityschools.org/HOF** or for more details, call the University City Education Foundation's Director of Development Lori Willis at (314) 456-5457.

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