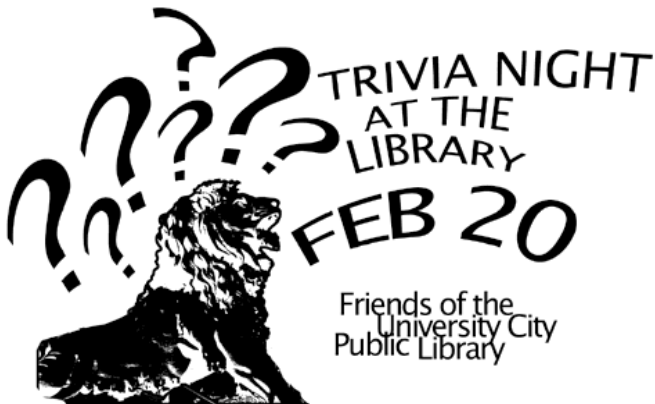




# FENCE TALK

January/February 2004



## TRIVIA NIGHT?

by Victoria Thomas

How truly trivial is your knowledge? With which utterly useless facts have you filled your mind? Now's the time to find out and support your local library in the process! Following the success and fun of last year's event, the Friends of U. City Library are hosting the second annual TRIVIA NIGHT on 20th FEB at 7.30PM in the Library to raise money for the wonderful programs there. There will be delicious Starbucks coffees, Anheuser Busch beers, Fitz's root beer, soups and sandwiches, and a host of homemade desserts to get the brain cells working. Local stores have donated fabulous prizes ranging from dinner for two in the restaurants to jewelry to CDs to signed copies of books. There's

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 3	Election Day – <i>exercise your right!</i>
Feb 3	Prop K meeting 6:30pm Heman
Feb 10	Board meeting - 729 Harvard
Feb 11	Candidates Forum (see page 3)
Feb 14	Valentines Day – <i>don't forget</i>
Feb 15	UC Symphony Concert- COCA
Feb 16	President's Day – <i>No School!</i>
Feb 20	Trivia Night – <i>Library</i>
Mar 9	Board meeting – <i>location TBA</i>
Mar 20	Big Trash Day
Apr 13	Annual Meeting - <i>library</i>
May 2	Delmar-Harvard 90 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
May 11	Board meeting - 771 Radcliffe

something for everyone and prizes for best and worst answers!

There will be 8 people to a team and you can come as a group or alone and meet new friends on a "wild card" table. Tickets are just \$15 per person so get a group of friends together and join us for an evening of utter irrelevancy and fun. Alternatively, if you are worried that you might discover your brain is full solely of weighty, important information or would rather be savaged by a pernicious kind than come to a trivia night, we would be delighted if you would send us a donation while you stay at home and read. We are very proud of the service our library gives our community. Help us to keep up the good work. If you are interested, please contact the library at 727-3150, or the Heights' own Victoria Thomas at 721-2036. Tickets are limited, so act fast!

*Editors note: Do I smell a University Heights vs. Ames Place challenge?*



## CITY PROGRESS OR FUTURE NUISANCE?

Many residents may not be aware (while some are VERY aware) of the new commercial building being erected on Kingsland and Vernon, behind some of our neighbors' houses on the corner of Harvard and Dartmouth. It is slated to house a coin operated Laundromat, which is moving from the Loop. The other tenants are unknown at this point. The construction has been taking quite a while. Currently, the Board of Trustees has no plans to close the walkway between the building and our neighborhood. There seems to be a divide among the residents on this issue. Is non-resident foot traffic in the neighborhood liable to increase when construction is complete? Maybe. Is there a correlation between foot traffic in a neighborhood and crime? Yes. In fact Ron Scott, our Trustee President verified that crime in the neighborhood decreased when the walkway at the bottom of Yale was fenced off. So what is the price for convenience? Only time will tell. But, if you have an opinion on this issue, please voice it to our Trustee President Ron Scott at 725-0893.



## DELMAR-HARVARD TURNS 90!

- 19 year old Babe Ruth pitches his first major league game
- Author William Burroughs is born
- W.H. Carrier patents air conditioning
- The first electric traffic light is installed

What else happened in 1914? That's right our own Delmar-Harvard grade school was born! This year, as a fundraiser, the PTO will be hosting a 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary Reunion, Celebration and Open House on May 2. They expect a great showing of alumni and former educators, and certainly neighbors are invited. Planned activities include a historical slideshow, performances by current and former students, refreshments and memorabilia. Won't you please join in the festivities to show this award winning grade school your support! Contact Sara and Yossi Shapiro at 862-7976 for more information



# UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

<b>AMHERST</b> 6910 Geller 6912 Healy 6915 Wilcox* 6915 Healy 6919 Molitor and Tapia 6924 Coats/Rankin 6925 Soda* 6928 Johnston and LaVesser* 6939 Mathews 6943 Best 6954 Greene and Frantz 6955 Biggs* 6959 Mendel 6963 Wykes*	6954 Harwood* 6959 Johnson* 6963 Martin <b>CORNELL</b> 6910 Hochwald 6911 Klarmann 6930 Mastin 6945 Figueras 6949 Rhoda 6955 Lazaroff 6960 Rendleman 6975 Kish 6984 Harmon 6987 Glass* <b>DARTMOUTH</b> 6909 Sheldon 6926 Heinze* 6930 Rissman* 6931 McGinnis 6935 Jackson 6939 Lekane-Yentumi 6941 Massey 6945 Maga 6960 Lee* 6970 Worden 6975 Nichols	<b>DELMAR</b> 6955 Daniels <b>HARVARD</b> 714 Stewart & Yilmaz* 721 Gainer 726 Cross 729 Tillsstrom 730 Johnson and Grant 733 Wilson 736 Hardy 738 Heyman & Stuvland 739 Hyman 750 Riles 756 Watson* 761 Berger 765 Kaltenthaler <b>PRINCETON</b> 2 Skinner 3 Wolf 4 Gardin and Strassburger 7 Schoomer 8 Schwarz 14 Waltman and Kerwin	18 Taro 22 LaCour-Little <b>RADCLIFF</b> 702 deCharms 708 Loui 721 Sporleder* 727 Remus 735 Michaelides* 739 Renner 746 Bailey 751 Diekneite & Krause 767 Blanchard 770 Lewis and Guest 771 Cartwright 780 Beuc* <b>TRINITY</b> 700 Frohlichstein 708 Easton 714 Rowley 724 Garner 728 Diaz-Granados 740 Martin* 748 Goldman* 752 Winters 906 Donegan & Kern 909 Gers	910 Nelson* <b>YALE</b> 600 Edgerton* 700 Grosklos 701 Wetmore 719 Patton and Orr 723 Pacey 727 Daughaday 738 Szwabo 742 Erlanger* 743 Lebowitz 747 Schlafman 754 Wittmore 757 Bluhm* 760 Corrao* 764 Dean 765 Smith* 766 Clark and Meyer 769 Ballard 772 Graubert and Parks 777 Strubinger 781 Kahn/Shapiro* 784 Davenport 788 Puterbaugh 789 Natarajan 793 Baernstein
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## DON'T YOU WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

There are currently several vacancies on the Neighborhood Association Board. If you want to see what we are all about, please stop by our next meeting. Is this a plea? You bet! I challenge you to be an active participant! You have nothing to lose except one night a month.



## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

We are still looking for a full-time replacement editor for the Fence Talk. If I recall, I took on this endeavor as an interim [*ahem*] function. Funny thing how these things go. I would be open to having a partner, so if you are interested, or you have something you would like to contribute to Fence Talk, please submit your article ideas to Dan, in writing to 740 Trinity or online at [universityheights@sbcglobal.net](mailto:universityheights@sbcglobal.net) or drop me an email if you would like to receive the Fence Talk via email.



*CORRECTION: WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE MISPRINTED ADDRESSES LAST MONTH.*

Thank you to all these folks who paid their dues and to those who even contributed a bit extra (stars \* are behind their names, as well as in their crowns). They have helped the neighborhood bring the picnic, parade, Fencetalk, the pretty flowers in the lampposts, the neighborhood yard sale, Halloween coordination, the Luminaria evening, and the directory to all of us. Won't you join us?

## 2003-2004 University Heights Neighborhood Association Board Members

THERESA BIGGS, <i>President</i>	6955 AMHERST	727-8435
JIM CARTWRIGHT, <i>Vice President</i>	741 RADCLIFF	725-9739
JUDY BAERNSTEIN, <i>Treasurer</i>	793 YALE	725-8530
MATTHEW TILLSTROM, <i>Secretary</i>	729 HARVARD	265-6620
ASHLEA CLARK*	6900 CORNELL	721-2755
MARK CORRAO	760 YALE	721-7362
FAWN DIAZ-GRANADOS	728 TRINITY	862-7357
DAVID HEINZ	6926 DARTMOUTH	721-2032
MORTY HYMAN	739 HARVARD	725-1175
JULIE LAZAROFF	6955 CORNELL	862-2871
DAN MARTIN	740 TRINITY	721-2907
DAVID SMITH	765 YALE	725-4974
LINDA STRASSBURGER	#4 PRINCETON	721-6476
SARAH WOLF	#3 PRINCETON	862-1973
REBECCA WALTMAN KERWIN	#14 PRINCETON	863-1091

\*alternates



## HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

**University Heights Neighborhood Association 2003-2004 Dues**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Additional Contribution** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Submitted** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

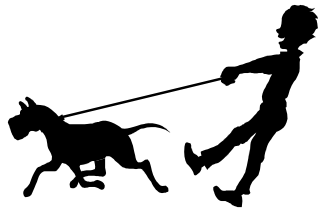
**Please forward dues to our NEW treasurer, Judy Baernstein, 793 Yale**  
**Checks can be made out to University Heights Neighborhood Association**

## DOG SAFETY 101

by Theresa Biggs, Association President

If I took the time to survey the neighborhood, I would not be surprised if there were 150 dogs living among us in University Heights #1. For the most part, we all enjoy their presence, or at least we cohabitate uneventfully.

Sadly, that was not the case in late November for a neighbor's dog and their house sitter. The house sitter took the three-year-old golden retriever for a walk around the block. About halfway, they were swarmed by three dogs who attacked the golden retriever. The dog was taken to the vet and spent several weeks recovering. Needless to say, no one intended for this to happen, and all appropriate overtures were made to make up for it. The point I am trying to make is that this encounter was preventable.



I, myself, own two dogs. I know them to be gentle to my children and well behaved in my home. On a few of occasions, I have seen them become aggressive or territorial without any provocation that I could see. The truth

is, no one can be certain how their animal will behave 100% of the time. Good leashes make good pets.

Our streets are full of passers-by of all ages as well as their dogs. We pet owners need to be vigilant. When walking dogs, they need to be leashed. If let out in our yards, we need to be sure they remain closed in. This helps protect them as well as others. If they leave a gift on a neighbor's lawn, it needs to be picked up. That's just part of the deal.



## UC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT

The University City Symphony Orchestra will give its first concert of 2004 on Sunday, February 15, 3:00 at COCA (Center for Creative Arts), 524 Trinity. Jennifer Lim and Annette Burkhart are the soloists for Francis Poulenc's *Concerto for Two Pianos*. The orchestra will also play Richard Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll*, Jacques Offenbach's *Overture to La Vie Parisienne*, and Paul Hindemith's *Symphonic Metamorphoses*.

The concerts of the University City Symphony Orchestra are free and open to the public. This is a good opportunity to explore the world of classical music in a friendly setting with a good community orchestra.



## LUMINARIA SUCCESS!

by Judy Baernstein, Association Treasurer and Candle Captain

The weekend of December 20 and 21 was warm and bright and perfect for the Luminaria candle sale on the vacant lot at Radcliffe and Columbia. It seemed that the whole neighborhood moved in and out, bringing wood for our fire, marshmallows for our hot chocolate, gossip and greetings from old and new friends, while purchasing their candles and bags. There were nearly 2300 candles glowing on Sunday night, not to mention the glow of the folks out to view them that night.

Twenty-four of our neighbors helped bag 'um and sell 'um. Thanks to all that bought and contributed we enriched the treasury by \$558. An added bonus was that 20 families paid their association dues of \$10 while they were there, as well as made generous donations to the organization. Thanks, all of you.



## FEET AND FEAST!

by Mary Edgerton

On the night of the annual Luminaria Event in the Heights, numerous families got together to participate in a progressive dinner party. It was a great opportunity to see old friends and neighbors - and meet many new ones. The food was delicious and it provided Heights residents with a wonderful excuse to wander about and enjoy the beautiful Luminaria - and celebrate the season.

Many thanks to all the families who hosted courses at their homes! Judy & Al Baernstein, Jane & Jeff Massey, and Audrey & Scott Mathews hosted cocktail parties in their homes; Rebecca Waltman & Kevin Kerwin, Mary & Mike Edgerton, and Marcia & Michael LaCour-Little all hosted soup courses, while Vicki & Carl Taro were extremely brave to host the entire group at their home for dessert!



## DO YOU HAVE A TRADESMAN TO RECOMMEND?

These houses of ours are all very old and have similar ailments. Wouldn't you like to get things fixed right the first time? Years ago, a list was made of recommended plumbers, painters, electricians, handymen and the like. While this hasn't been kept up, interest and value in such a document is still there. The neighborhood association would like to publish a list of tradesmen that you, our neighbors have used and trust. Please forward any known and trusted names and category of trade to Dan at 740 Trinity or email me at [universityheights@sbcglobal.net](mailto:universityheights@sbcglobal.net). Additional comments of work done would be appreciated. Have anyone you regret using? Let us know those too. There's no point on us all making the same mistake!



## COUNCILMEMBER CORNER

By Shelley Welsch, councilmember

### Candidates Forum

U City East is sponsoring a candidates forum on Wednesday, February 11th. The forum will be held at 7:00 p.m. at All Saints School Building at 6419 Clemens. This is a chance to hear from the candidates for the City Council, School Board and the St. Louis County Council. If you have any questions call Ray Reckamp at 862-4724.

### Sewer Lateral Fee - February 3, 2004 election

There is an election scheduled for February 3, 2004. We will be asking for your approval for an increase in the Sewer Later Trust Fund fee from \$28 - \$50 a year. Money from this fund is used to help residents cover the cost of repairs to broken sewer laterals between a house and the main sewer line. PLEASE VOTE IN FAVOR OF THIS INCREASE! University City is an older area, with older homes, and older sewer lines. We need more money in this fund to cover additional sewer lateral repairs, and to keep the deductible and other costs for University City residents down as low as possible. Sewer lateral repairs can cost thousands. Please support the fund so it is available if you need help. And if you've already received help, please support it so others can get the help you received. The Missouri Presidential Primary will also be on February 3, 2004. GO TO THE POLLS!

### Prop K meeting

The next Prop K meeting will be on Tuesday, February 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at the Heman Park Community Center. This will be the first chance for this group to take a look at the new rec. center plans.





# CLASSIFIEDS

## For Sale

Sofa Sleeper – 50's style avocado green pleather. Very Heavy. \$50 Liberty Bishop 727-2325

1997 Mitsubishi Eclipse GS, burgundy with tan leather interior, appr. 86,000 miles, \$6500 o.b.o. Fawn at 862-7357

Chippendale Sofa (84") -\$150, Love seat (58")- \$100. Fabric-ivory with light blue & beige sparse floral design. Excellent condition. Matching wing chair might be available. Pauline Gers, 863-1473

Water Purifiers. Call Michael Williams 726-5644.

Panasonic Fax/Copier/phone w/ caller ID & answering machine \$50. \*Xerox flatbed photocopier \$50. Theresa Biggs 727-8435

## Wanted

Garage space to rent for motorcycle. Margaret Lawler 863-1499

Gas or electric scooter/moped. Dan 721-2907

**A new job**, maybe even a new career. Do you need an operationally strong project manager for your business? Call Dan @ 721-2907

## Tutoring

Former Ladue teacher available for tutoring evenings and weekends. Kerri Rendelman, 721-7293

Former private school teacher now writing/English tutor available anytime. Joy Gebhardt Beuc 721-2006

## Chiropractic Health Care

John Thomas 721-8829

## Catering

Affordable catering. Fabulous parties. Relax and enjoy your holiday party this season! Tre Sorelle Catering will take care of it and we're right in the neighborhood. Jessica Jackson or Karen Borchert, 725-8475

## Design you own

by BagDaddy. Lots of fabrics and styles to choose from! Great Gifts! Call Kerri Rendleman at 721-7293 for info.

## Creative Moments

Preserve your memories safely with Creative Memories photo safe albums & products. Hold a Home Class or Show to share the products with your friends. Contact your neighborhood consultant, Emily Hood at 862-5293.

## Web Design / Development

Anodesyne web design / development and graphic design firm provides web business strategy, development, design and marketing services to business clients. Matthew Tillstrom 265-6620, matthew@anodesyne.com

## Playgroup Wanted

Stay at home mom of an 11 month old looking to join or start a play group. Call Emily Hood at 862-5293.

## Original Art For Sale

Wooden bead necklaces, candleholders etc. All hand painted. True finds for everyone. Rebecca Pace, 721-1350

## Babysitters

Brandon Bloom-Ellis 727-1362  
Chundra Cathcart 862-2644  
Cayla Damick 863-7106  
Anne Johnston 726-5997  
Leah Edgerton 725-3300  
Lexi Land 725-0785  
Austin Pheiffer 725-7067  
Evan Pheiffer 725-7067  
Sarah Schwartz 725-1677  
Rachel Schwartz 725-1677

## Estate Sales

Ruth Cobb 863-2144

## House Sitting

Lexi Land 725-0785  
Jenny Phillips 725-4567

## Lawn Mowing

Drew Bloom-Ellis 727-1362  
Bradley Land 725-0785  
Austin Pheiffer 725-7067  
Evan Pheiffer 725-7067  
Justin Vail 727-9149  
Arthur Yentumi 726-5348

## Home Decorating

Does your house need a makeover? At *A Second Look* we redecorate using your existing furnishings, making your home more organized, more comfortable and more beautiful. You'll feel like you moved! Mary Edgerton today at 277-1173.

## Custom Painting and Restoration

European Trained, Interior & Exterior. Lives in the Heights Roger Douek 862-6871

## Child Care

Stay at home mom available for part-time childcare- Mon, Wed, and Fri. Kerri Rendleman 721-7293

## Mother's Helpers

Anna Pheiffer 727-7067  
Becky Ferber 727-2634  
Wesley Johnson 726-5452  
Martha Yentumi 726-5348  
Jessie Massey 726-1250  
Jenna Massey 726-1250

## Painter

Patrick Beckmann 862-0383

## Pet Sitters

Brandon Bloom-Ellis 727-1362  
Chundra Cathcart 862-2644  
Cayla Damick 863-7106  
Leah Edgerton 725-3300  
Becky Ferber 727-2634  
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Lexi Land 725-0785  
Jessie Massey 726-1250  
Jenna Massey 726-1250  
Austin Pheiffer 725-7067  
Anna Pheiffer 725-7067  
Evan Pheiffer 725-7067  
Jenny Phillips 725-4567  
Alec Slavin 727-0339  
Martha Yentumi 726-5348  
Arthure Yentumi 726-5348

**Support your neighbors! Use these classifieds! Do you have something you want listed?**

## A HEIGHTS PIECE OF HISTORY

Taken from <http://history.ucpl.lib.mo.us/>



1906--Facing north, 6965 Princeton on the right and 6975 Cornell on the left.

## University Heights Contacts:

### Trustees (for streets, lampposts, etc)

Ron Scott 6942 Amherst 725-0893  
Paul Schoomer #7 Princeton 862-8426  
Joyce Daughaday 727 Yale 863-3966

### Fence Talk

Dan Martin 740 Trinity 721-2907

[universityheights@sbcglobal.net](mailto:universityheights@sbcglobal.net) Please submit all articles and classifieds in email or writing by the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month.

### New Neighbor Welcome Packets

David Smith 765 Yale 725-4974