



# Between the LIONS

U City Community Update

May 2, 2025

## Yard Waste Sticker Buyback Program Kicks Off in University City!



For more information, contact the Finance Department at (314) 505-8544.

### Yard Waste Sticker Requirement Eliminated—Buy Back Program Announced

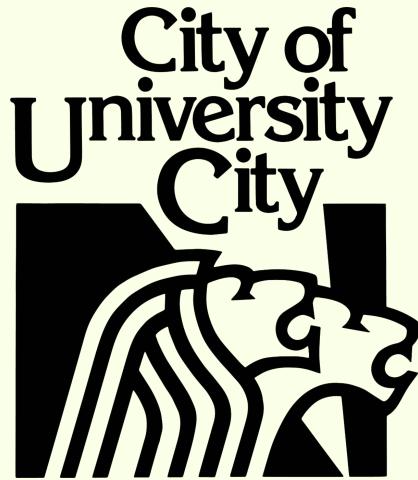
Following the passage of Bill No. 9564 on March 10, 2025, the University City Council has eliminated the requirement to place yard waste stickers on yard waste bags. This change updates Section 230.090 of the City's Municipal Code.

To support residents and businesses, the City has launched a Buy Back Program for unused stickers:

- If you have fewer than 66 stickers (valued at \$1.50 each), a credit will be applied to your refuse account.

- If you have 66 or more stickers, you'll receive a refund check.
- Businesses that purchased stickers for retail will also receive refund checks for their full purchase amount.

The Buy Back Program ENDS DECEMBER 31, 2025. Be sure to take advantage before the deadline!



### Service Spotlight: Department of Public Works

The City of University City is proud to congratulate our Public Works Department on receiving the prestigious Silver Shovel Award from Spire. This award recognizes a flawless safety record in 2024—no at-fault damages to gas pipelines over the entire year.

Presented annually since 2019, the Silver Shovel honors municipalities that prioritize safety in every dig. “Granting these municipalities a silver shovel award is our way of saying thank you for protecting your communities and your employees,” said Alan Meyer, Spire Damage Prevention Manager.

This recognition highlights the department’s ongoing commitment to excellence, safety, and care for both infrastructure and community. Well done, Public Works!

# Congratulations to the University City Public Works Department!

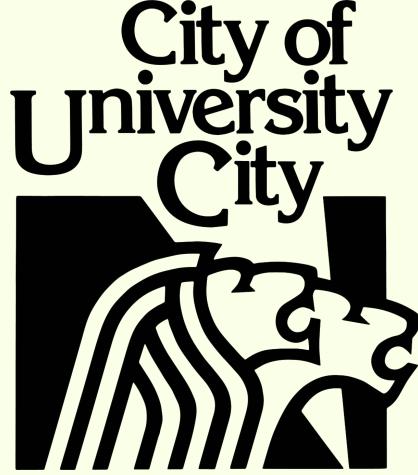


## Spire Energy: Silver Shovel Award



### Our Team: Be a Part of University City's Progress!

University City is growing—and so is our team! We're currently hiring for multiple impactful roles that will help shape the future of our community. If you're passionate about public service and making a difference



where it matters most, we want to hear from you.

These roles offer the chance to contribute meaningfully to the well-being and future of University City.

Ready to make your mark?  
Visit [ucitymo.applicantpro.com/jobs/](http://ucitymo.applicantpro.com/jobs/) to learn more and apply today!



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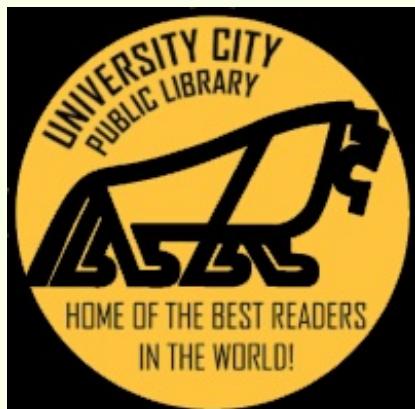
# HIRING

## JOIN OUR TEAM



- Deputy City Manager: Support Services
- Director of Sanitation
- Mechanic
- Senior Planner
- Summer Enrichment Program: Inclusion Counselor
- Summer Enrichment Program: Director
- Summer Enrichment Program: Counselor
- Summer Enrichment Program: Inclusion Coordinator

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### Beyond The Books: University City Public Library

Mark your calendars! On **Friday, May 9 at 6 p.m.**, the University City Public Library will host a special evening with local author, journalist, and New York Times bestseller **Annie Zaleski**. She'll be discussing her latest book, *I Got You Babe: A Celebration of Cher*, in the UCPL auditorium.

Zaleski, known for her work with the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and past bestseller *Taylor*

Swift: The Stories Behind the Songs, brings a wealth of music journalism experience to this engaging event.

This free program is recommended for adults. Copies of Zaleski's book will be available for purchase from Subterranean Books. Don't miss this unique opportunity to connect with one of the region's most celebrated voices in music writing!

## An evening with local author

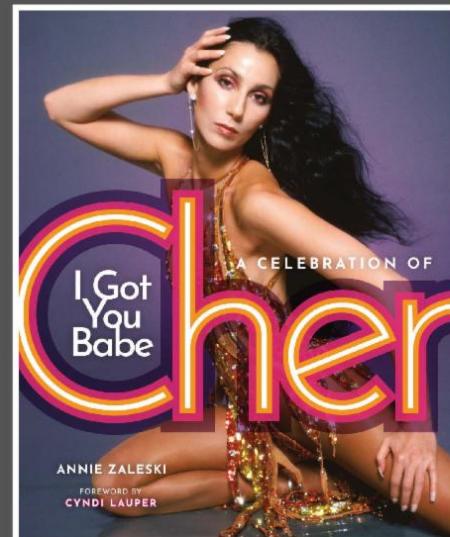
# Annie Zaleski

**Friday, May 9 at  
6 p.m. in the  
UCPL auditorium**

Join us for a fascinating discussion with *New York Times* bestselling author, journalist and editor Annie Zaleski, as she speaks about her latest book, *I Got You Babe: A Celebration of Cher*.

Last year, Zaleski's book *Taylor Swift: The Stories Behind the Songs* appeared on both the *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestseller lists. Additionally, she has accepted commissions by the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame to write induction essays for Duran Duran, George Michael and Cher. Zaleski is the former music editor for *The Riverfront Times*.

This free event will take place in the UCPL auditorium and is recommended for adults. Copies of the book will be available for purchase from Subterranean Books.



**Saint Louis  
COUNTY** REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE  
**PUBLIC HEALTH** **GO GREEN!**!

**Spring Electronic Recycling Event**

**Saturday, May 10, 2025**

**9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Heman Park Community Center Parking Lot,  
975 Pennsylvania Avenue**

Do you have old TVs, computers, routers, cell phones, cords, battery-operated electronics, or any other miscellaneous electronics laying around the house that you need to dispose of? University City will be hosting an electronics recycling drop-off event. This spring, we will only be offering the electronics recycling but stay tuned for a future document shredding event in the fall. The event is free for residents of St. Louis County only. The event is not open to businesses. Recycle up to two (2) monitors/TVs per vehicle at no charge\*.

For other electronics, there are no limits on how many items you can recycle, and most items are free of charge. Visit [ucitymo.org/recycling](http://ucitymo.org/recycling) to see a full list of recyclable materials for this event. Questions? Call 314-505-8516.

\*While funding allows. For more than two monitors or TVs, you will be charged \$30 for tube TVs or monitors; \$10 for flatscreen TVs or monitors.

The event is funded by a grant from Saint Louis County's Department of Public Health utilizing County landfill surcharge funds.



**Fitness & Fun Spotlight:  
Centennial Commons Recreation Center**

Ongoing and upcoming events hosted by  
Centennial Commons Rec Center.



HEMAN PARK POOL

# Admission:



Admission is limited to any individual (age 3+) with a "Summer Fun Pass" or a resident or nonresident recreation ID card. Memberships and ID cards may be purchased at the Centennial Commons Control Desk (Photo ID required) and are available to both residents and non-residents.

Resident	Daily *	1 Month	Summer Fun Pass (May 23 - September 1)
Youth (17 and under)	\$5.00	\$11.00	\$44.00
Adult	\$6.00	\$20.00	\$80.00
Senior (60+)	\$5.00	\$13.00	\$52.00
Senior Couple**		\$21.00	\$84.00
Family		\$34.00	\$136.00

NonResident	Daily *	1 Month	Summer Fun Pass (May 23 - September 1)
Youth (17 and under)	\$7.00	\$17.00	\$68.00
Adult	\$9.00	\$30.00	\$120.00
Senior (60+)	\$7.00	\$21.00	\$84.00
Senior Couple**		\$30.00	\$120.00
Family***		\$40.00	\$160.00

\*Must purchase recreation ID card/Resident - \$5.00; Nonresident - \$7.00 (good one year from purchase);

No daily rate for Senior Couple or Family

\*\*Both individuals must be 60 or older; \*\*\*Limit: 4, Additional: \$25/person - all same household

Registration begins Wednesday, April 23rd  
at Centennial Commons, 7210 Olive Blvd

HEMAN PARK POOL

## 2025 Swim Instruction

### "Water Babies"

ages 6 mos. - 3 yrs.

Intended to develop comfort in and around water. Parent accompanies child in the pool.

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:00 pm, 5:00 pm - 5:30, 5:30 - 6:00 pm or 6:00 - 6:30 pm

### "Beginners"

ages 6 yrs. - 11 yrs.

Child learns elementary backstroke, kneeling dive and continue to work on front/back crawl. Sidestroke, Deep Water Bobbing, Breaststroke Kick are introduced as well as work on other strokes

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm and 5:30 - 6:30 pm

### "Non-Swimmers"

ages 3 yrs. - 8 yrs.

Teaches buoyancy, breath control and introduces basic water skills. Child learns unsupported floating, kicking and beginning swimming skills. Front and back crawl are introduced

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm and 5:30 - 6:30 pm

### "Adults"

ages 18 yrs. and Above

This is for a variety of levels. Levels of swim knowledge and experience will determine what lesson includes. The goal is to increase proficiency and knowledge of adults in this class

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm and 5:30 - 6:30 pm

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**

**Session I: June 3 - June 26 Session II: July 8 - July 31**

**Make Up Day: Fridays (only due to weather related cancellations)**

**Fee: Resident - \$40/person Nonresident - \$50/person**



# Sip and Paint

Friday, May 9, 2025



6:00 PM - 8:30 PM



Looking for a fun Friday night event to kick off Mother's Day weekend? Grab your friends and put your phones down and brushes up. Sip and paint hosted by Theresa Davis! Come paint, sip wine, and enjoy some music. Participants will be led by Theresa in this instructional class, with canvases pre-drawn before the class meets. Everything, including wine, is provided at this event. Participants are welcome to bring a beverage of their choice if they desire.

Register in person: Centennial Commons, 7210 Olive Blvd.

Mon-Fri: 5:30- AM - 9:00 PM

Sat: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

SUN: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Registration: Monday March 31 - Friday May 2

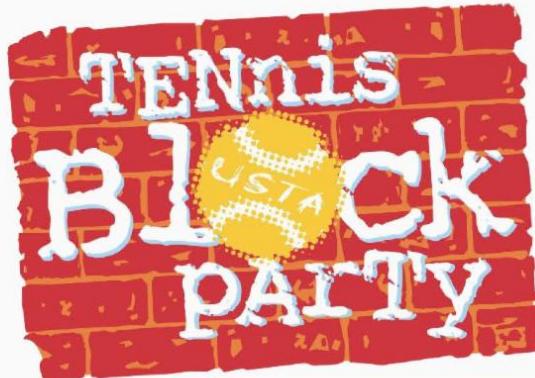
**\$30**  
PER PERSON  
MUST BE 21+

**Min: 15**  
**Max: 25**



More info: 314.505.8613

University City Recreation Division and  
USTA St. Louis invites you to celebrate  
the 15th Annual Kid's To Parks Day and  
National Tennis Month with our FREE



**SATURDAY  
MAY 17  
2025**

**NOON - 2:00 PM**

Tennis Games, Instruction,  
Racquets and Balls  
provided by  
Mark Platt's  
Beginners World Tennis

Food and Drinks will also be  
provided

**HEMAN PARK TENNIS  
PAVILION  
OLIVE BLVD & PENNSYLVANIA**

**FOR AGES 5 & UP  
REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**TO REGISTER: EMAIL  
NAMES & AGES TO  
MMEEHAN  
@UCITYMO.ORG  
BY MAY 3RD**

For more information please  
contact:  
[mmeehan@ucitymo.org](mailto:mmeehan@ucitymo.org), 314.505.8613



**CENTENNIAL  
COMMONS**  
UNIVERSITY CITY

**USTA**

**MISSOURI VALLEY  
ST. LOUIS**

# VIP Pool Opening Party

## Friday, May 23

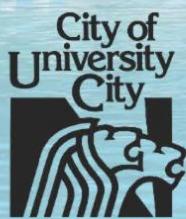
5 P.M. - 8 P.M.

ENTRY FOR SUMMER FUN PASS,  
CURRENT CENTENNIAL COMMONS,  
SILVER SNEAKERS AND  
RENEW ACTIVE MEMBERS  
ONLY



MUSIC . FROZEN TREAT VENDORS  
BALLOON ARTISTS . FACE PAINTING & MORE

(WEATHER PERMITTING / CALL OR LIKE US ON FACEBOOK FOR EVENT STATUS)





HEMAN PARK POOL

# “Toddler Time”

infant/toddler open swim . ages 5 and under



FEE:

**\$55**

first toddler  
\$25 additional  
toddler  
no charge for parent/guardian

**splash pad and baby pool access only**

Diapers are not allowed in splash pad or baby pool . swim diapers required

**Monday and Wednesday mornings**  
**June 2 – July 30**

**10:00 am – 11:45 am**

**Min: 8 (toddlers/parents)**

**Max: 30 (toddlers/parents)**

**Registration: April 23 – June 1**

**For more information, call 314.505.8625**



## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Stormwater Commission Meeting**

Tue., May 6 @ 3:30 p.m.



## How to Sign Up

- Visit the City of University City's website.
- Click the Emergency Notifications button to access CodeRED enrollment information.
- Fill in your contact details and select your notification preferences.
- Download the CodeRED app for enhanced location-based notifications.

Emergencies can happen at any time, and staying informed can save lives. By enrolling in CodeRED, you'll receive real-time alerts to help protect you, your loved ones, and your property.

Stay safe, stay informed, stay connected with CodeRED!

### Traffic Court

Wed., May 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

### Arts & Letters Commission Meeting

Thu., May 8 @ 7:00 p.m.

### Spring Electronics Recycling Event

Sat., May 10 @ 9:00 a.m.

[View the full listing of U City events here](#)

# APRIL 28TH

UNIVERSITY CITY  
CITY HALL-COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5TH FLOOR  
6:30 P.M.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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