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U City Community Update

May 9, 2025



University City Celebrates Economic Development Week | May 12–16, 2025

The City of University City is proud to join communities nationwide in celebrating Economic Development Week from May 12–16, 2025. This week, established by the International Economic Development Council (IEDC), recognizes the work that economic developers do to create jobs, support local businesses, and enhance quality of life in communities large and small.

University City has made significant strides in promoting sustainable growth, attracting new investment, and supporting our local business community. Projects like the Market at Olive, the vibrant Delmar Loop, and upcoming redevelopment

efforts across the city demonstrate our commitment to smart, inclusive economic development.

Throughout the week, we'll be sharing updates, success stories, and highlights from our community on Facebook, Instagram, and X (formerly Twitter). Be sure to follow us and join the conversation as we celebrate the people, partnerships, and projects shaping the future of University City.

Economic development is more than construction and commerce—it's about building a thriving community for everyone who lives, works, and invests here.



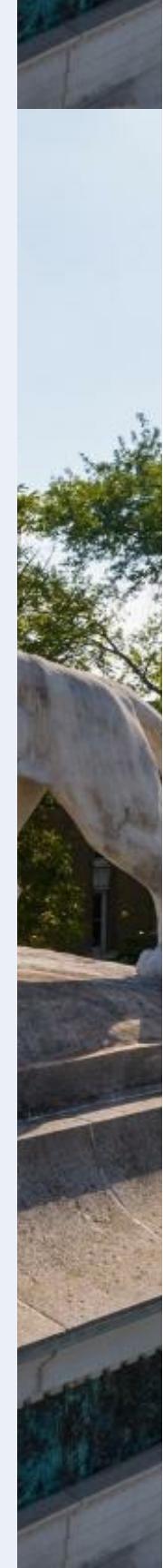
UCPD Engages Future STEM Leaders at Lincoln Middle School

On May 1st, University City Police Department officers participated in the Great STEM Program hosted by Omega Psi Phi, engaging with over 100 enthusiastic students at Lincoln Middle School.

The event brought together several community organizations to inspire and educate students—many from predominantly urban backgrounds—about careers in science, technology, engineering, and math. UCPD showcased cutting-edge law enforcement tools, including drones, robots, and forensic science equipment. Officers also took the time to answer thoughtful questions from students eager to learn more about public safety technology.

By supporting programs like this, UCPD hopes to encourage the next generation to explore STEM careers and, one day, consider serving their community through public safety.





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UCPD Coffee with a Cop

MAY 24

9 AM - 11 AM
CENTENNIAL COMMONS
7210 Olive Blvd



Join University City Police Department for a free cup of coffee and conversation. No agenda or speeches. Just a chance to ask questions, share thoughts, voice concerns, & get to know the officers in your neighborhood.



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Coffee with a Cop: Meet Your Officers Over a Cup of Coffee – Saturday, May 24

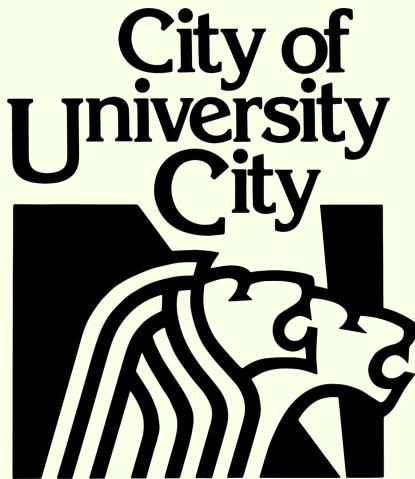
The University City Police Department invites residents to come out and connect at Coffee with a Cop on Saturday, May 24, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Centennial Commons (7210 Olive Boulevard).

This informal community event offers a relaxed setting where residents can sit down with University City police officers, enjoy a cup of coffee, and have real conversations—no speeches, no agendas, just honest dialogue. Whether you have a specific question, want to share a concern, or simply want to say hello, officers will be there to listen and engage.

“Building relationships with our residents starts with listening and showing up,” said Interim Deputy Chief Major Fred Lemons. Chief Larry Hampton added, “Trust is built face to face. The more chances we have to talk with our residents and hear what matters to them, the stronger our community becomes. Coffee with a Cop gives us that space to connect in a meaningful way.”

All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. It’s a great way to strengthen community ties and get to know the people behind the badge.

For more information, visit ucitymo.org or follow us on Facebook and Instagram



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/ to learn more and apply today!



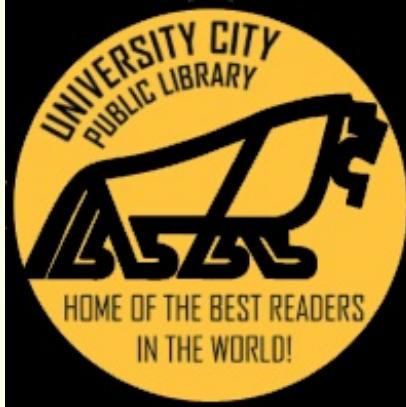
WE ARE **HIRING** JOIN OUR TEAM



- 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! **TONIGHT, 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!

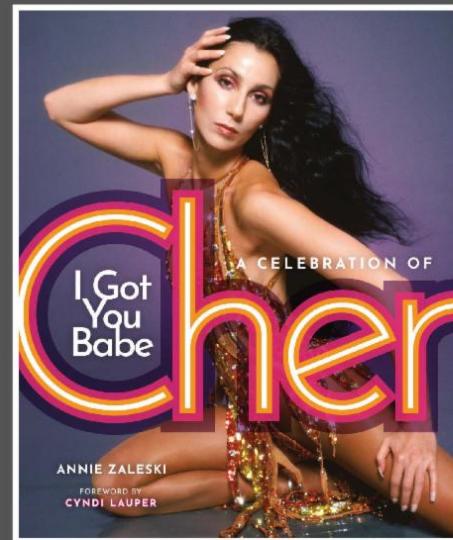
An evening with local author Annie Zaleski

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 Subterreanean 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 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.



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



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

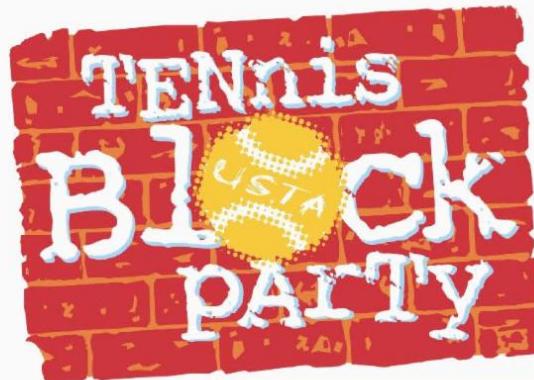
Session I: June 3 - June 26 Session II: July 8 - July 31

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

Fee: Resident - \$40/person Nonresident - \$60/person



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:
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MISSOURI VALLEY
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VIP Pool Opening Party

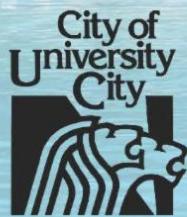
Friday, May 23

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



City Council Study Session

Mon., May 12 @ 6:00 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!

City Council Meeting
Mon., May 12 @ 6:30 p.m.

LSBD Monthly Board Meeting
Tue., May 13 @ 9:00 a.m.

Traffic Commission Meeting
Tue., May 13 @ 6:30 p.m.

Urban Forestry Commission Meeting
Wed., May 14 @ 6:00 p.m.

Trial Court
Wed., May 14 @ 6:00 p.m.

Housing Court
Fri., May 16 @ 1:00 p.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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