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MAYOR'S COLUMN

As it has each summer since 2013, the Town again operated a mosquito control program from May through September this year. The Town's approach encourages residents to reduce or eliminate mosquito breeding habitat on their properties. The program couples yard surveys with education and communications to help residents identify and remedy mosquito breeding sites on their properties. At its inception, the program was intended to help us reclaim our yards from those bothersome day-flying Asian tiger mosquitos (*Aedes albopictus*), thus the distinctive Take Back our Yards! brand. With the emergence of additional mosquito-borne diseases including the Zika virus, however, mosquito control has become an even more critical public health matter and the Town is adapting its program to address them. This broadened Town program in 2016 included planning public outreach to increase resident buy-in, creating bilingual educational materials, and targeted trapping and yard sur-

veys to identify and address mosquito problem areas in our neighborhoods. The Town's mosquito intern, Oswaldo Villena, used 3 Biogen Sentinel (BGS) traps to monitor mosquito populations and identify where the hot spots were. The purpose was to inform and empower us all in solving our mosquito-borne problems.

This year, a group of town residents also operated a separate program which used another type of trap, the Gravid *Aedes* Trap (GAT), to detect mosquitos and to determine whether the traps could also effectively improve localized control of Asian tiger mosquitos. The idea was that, with mosquito breeding sites reduced or eliminated via the Town's program, deployment of the GAT traps through the community-based program would provide alternative breeding sites. Because female Asian tiger mosquitos attracted to GAT traps are destroyed along with their eggs, use of the traps could exponentially re

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Holiday	October 10
Town Council	October 3 and 17
Development Overview Committee	October 19
Shredding & Electronics Recycling	October 22

Town meetings are at 7:30 PM at University Park Elementary School. Residents are encouraged to attend. Please request interpreting services 10 days in advance. Council agendas are posted at www.upmd.org.

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duce mosquito populations. This community mosquito control program in University Park placed about 200 of the GAT traps at more than 95 homes around town.

The two programs have complemented each other, and staff and volunteers have collaborated. While both mosquito control programs are still operating in Town and their results still being tallied, some lessons can already be drawn. The Town's outreach program with its education and communications effort worked well. Resident participation in the program increased markedly and with it our knowledge about mosquitos, mosquito-vectored diseases and ways to reduce mosquitos.

Deployment of GAT traps through the community mosquito control program has heightened our awareness of mosquitos and also improved our ability to identify mosquito hot spots and target yard surveys to reduce them. These gains result from the collective work of many people. Many thanks to Town residents David Brosch, Arlene Christiansen, Sue Yarvin, Lynne Davidson, Martha Wells and others who served as block captains or tended traps. Many thanks also to Jeanine Dorothy of the Maryland Department of Agriculture and Dr. Dina Fonseca of Rutgers University, who lent their expertise and time to guiding the programs. Also, my appreciation to Town Director of Public Works Mickey Beall, Mosquito Intern Oswaldo Villena and Marketing Intern Leor Newman who successfully ran the Town program.

The best things we do in University Park are what we do together. In planning the program for next summer, we will convene a small group to consider results and recommendations from this year, and continue to build on what we have learned.

—Len Carey

*Do you agree or disagree? Did I miss something?
Let me know: mayor@upmd.org*

Voter Information 2016

Voter Registration Deadline 2016 The deadline to register to vote in Maryland is Tuesday, October 18, 2016. You may do so online, by mail or in person at one of the addresses below. You may also register during early voting.

Please see page 13 of this newsletter for a form. http://www.elections.state.md.us/voter_registration/index.html



Change of Address Notify the Board of Elections within 30 days of any change of address. Voters may change their address by sending a letter with their new address or by filling out the Voter Registration Application. <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1980/Voter-Registration>

Absentee Voter Application To obtain an Absentee Ballot you must first submit an Absentee Ballot Application. This can be done several ways with the first deadline on November 1. <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/965/Absentee-Ballots>

Early Voting You may vote early from Thursday, October 27-Thursday, November 3 between 8 AM-8 PM. University Park's closest site is the College Park Community Center, 5051 Pierce Ave., College Park MD 20740. http://www.elections.state.md.us/voting/early_voting.html

You may also find your polling place, update name or address, or confirm your registration at <http://www.elections.state.md.us/index.html>

For more information, please visit our state and county Board of Elections.

Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 16-O-06, FY 2017 Budget Amendment

On September 19, 2016, Ordinance 16-O-06 was introduced. This ordinance would amend the Fiscal Year 2017 budget by creating a new line item, B7 - Tennis Court Upgrade, and transferring an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 from Unreserved Undesignated Funds to the new line item to fund repair of the tennis courts on Queens Chapel Road. The meeting set for October 3, 2016 is the first meeting at which the ordinance could be adopted. The ordinance would take effect twenty days after adoption. For more information or a copy of the proposed ordinance, call Town Hall at 301-927-4262.

FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

Pranks, graffiti and vandalism are all criminal acts. They are very expensive for the community, display a total disrespect of property and often lead to more serious criminal activity. Carving initials into a tree does permanent damage to that tree. Pasting stickers to public signs is illegal and very difficult to remove. Destroying someone else's property is wrong, morally and legally. Graffiti is not art when it is not commissioned. It is a criminal offense when done on public property or to someone's private property. In a community, the common respect of each other and our property is basic to strong values. Please be vigilant of any type of criminal activity on your property, your neighbor's property and the town property, as they all make up this community. Talk to your young children and emphasize the importance of respect of property, especially someone else's, and the potential for serious repercussions for criminal acts.

We well know the value of living in a community that protects the environmental resources and capital investments made. When one person commits a simple act of vandalism we all pay. Report all suspicious activity as soon as you observe it. Waiting until later to call the police makes it very difficult to locate suspects and piece the crime together. Many of these issues may seem small, trivial or insignificant in the grand scheme of things, but if we don't take ownership of a particular location then someone else will. Vacant houses are prime examples of that type of takeover. Squatters will quickly occupy a vacant home and make attempts to call it their own. This is true on private property as well as public areas. University Park is a great town to live in and it is very important to take ownership of your entire community.

University Park has a hired a new code compliance officer and the supervisory responsibility of that office has been delegated to Chief Wynnyk of the UPPD. Mr. Craig Brown was selected to serve in the capacity of the code compliance officer and is working very hard to get through the rental inspections, compliance complaints and permit issues. Owners of rental properties are required to obtain a UP rental license. As a responsible landlord, it is extremely important for your protection and the safety of the tenants that a home is properly inspected and approved for occupancy. As a landlord you may risk your legal protections if you decide to avoid the licensing process to save a few dollars. As a tenant, don't risk living in a situation that may be dangerous. Ask to see a copy of the inspection and make yourself aware of

lead exposure, working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, safety egress and tenant rights. If you need to contact our code compliance officer, call UP Town Hall and leave a message on the code compliance voicemail or by email at cbrown@upmd.org.

Halloween in University Park will be held on Monday, October 31 from 6 to 9 PM. Residents who wish to participate should turn on their porch lights. Youngsters and parents are asked to approach only those homes with porch lights on during



that time period. Many parents and children enjoy the safe atmosphere in UP and the tradition of walking through the neighborhood to celebrate Halloween. Our streets are safe and the community is friendly. As always, please be careful when driving through town and be alert for children out after dark. Also keep an eye out for any mischievous behavior-usually committed by a very few unsupervised delinquents-and report such behavior to the UPPD immediately.

To keep your evening safe & fun, follow these Halloween safety tips:

- Go trick-or-treating with a grown up.
- Your costume should let you see and hear perfectly.
- Make sure your costume fits so you can walk without tripping.
- Keep watching & listening for cars.
- Bright costumes are more easily seen.
- Carry a flashlight and cell phone. Call 911 in an emergency.
- Don't eat treats until you show them to your parents or a trusted adult.
- Remember to say thank you for all your treats.

Stolen Auto Between August 26 7:30 PM and August 27 8 AM in the 6800 block of Pineway unknown suspect/s stole a 2003 Ford van. The owner had parked the vehicle on the road in front of his residence and discovered it missing the following morning. The van was located in Cheverly, Maryland with a damaged ignition and returned to the owner. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

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Theft from Auto On August 17 between midnight and 8 AM in the 4100 block of Underwood St. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2013 Chevy Malibu that was parked at the residence and stole currency, a cell phone, two rings and a Nikon camera. No suspect/s was located.

Theft from Auto Between August 23 10 PM and August 24 9 AM in the 6700 block of 41st Ave. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2003 Pontiac Vibe and stole a wallet containing assorted credit cards from the glove box. No suspect/s was located.

Breaking & Entering On August 5 at 11:55 AM in the 4200 block of Van Buren St. a resident came home and discovered that the rear door to the residence was damaged and property taken. Suspects stole a TV, iPad and assorted jewelry. UPPD responded and checked the area. Witnesses advised that at approximately 11:30 AM, in the 4200 block of Underwood Street they observed three subjects running and carrying a flat screen television. They observed the subjects enter a red vehicle which was parked and leave in a hurried manner, east on Underwood Street toward Queens Chapel Road. The neighborhood was canvased for additional witnesses and the crime scene was processed for fingerprints. The suspects were not located and the investigation is ongoing.

Ward 1 Open House

Sunday, October 9, 1-3 PM

Sunday, November 6, 1-3 PM

Join Councilmember Joe Thompson and Mayor Len Carey for an open house at 4403 Sheridan Street. Discussion topics will focus on issues regarding Ward 1, but all University Park residents are welcome to attend and discuss whatever town concerns are on their minds.

Tree Committee News

The Elusive Mast

One of botany's longest unresolved questions is the occurrence of mast years of acorns. Until recent times, mast, as defined by the OED, referred to the collective name for the fruit of the beech, oak, chestnut and other forest trees, especially as food for swine. Any association between acorns and swine in University Park remains with Miss Piggy. Mast in the modern day has come to denote a bumper crop of, in the case of oaks, acorns.



In the suburban context, it is noted not by the fatted sow, but by the frequency of acorns pinging off our gutters and cars. Without any apparent pattern of frequency, with no seeming connection to the usual variables that drive plant growth (moisture, available daylight), mast years for oaks are unpredictable and inexplicable. For nearly two hundred years the phenomenon has been studied scientifically, with no definitive explanation found. Let's call it poetry and revel in its cadence and splendor.

Ivy League

Saturday, October 8, 9-11 AM

The Ivy League meets almost every month on the second Saturday to remove ivy from town trees. Volunteers should assemble at the Hopscotch Bridge a few minutes early. Dress for light gardening. Bring a pair of hand pruners and a prying tool, such as a large screwdriver or dandelion weeder. Participants will earn two credits toward the five needed for redeeming your official Ivy League bandana—a custom made, limited edition rendering celebrating University Park's flora and fauna. Family plans available. Appropriate for ages 7 and older.



100 Trees: Tree Planting

Saturday, October 29, 9 AM-Noon

Our mayor has resolved to plant 100 trees in University Park this year. This will balance out the losses from Pepco's line clearing program and other causes. To that end, the Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment's annual street tree planting will be in Ward 4. Meet at the intersection of College Heights and Woodberry. We will be planting 7 trees that day and need your assistance. The Department of Public Works will dig holes, provide soil amendments and even the shovels. Volunteers will plant and backfill. Come join the TPE as we maintain the shade that enriches our experience as members of this verdant community. —Chris Aubry, Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment, TreeComm@UPMD.org

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

August 15 Council Meeting Highlights

Mayor Len Carey had a personal emergency and Councilmembers appointed Mr. Alvarez to begin the Council meeting. Mayor Carey arrived at 8:15 PM.

Present were Mayor Carey (at 8:15); Councilmembers (CM) Thompson, Hess, Verrill, Caskey, Alvarez. Excused: Gekas, Cron.

Permits

Motion to approve submission of a letter of support prepared by the Mayor for a variance of 4 feet from the rear yard 20 foot depth/width requirement in Zoning Ordinance Section 27-442(e) (Table IV) for the rear addition and a variance of 4.5 feet from the 60 foot front street line setback requirement of Zoning Ordinance Section 27-442(i)(Table VIII) and a waiver of the rear yard location requirement, for an accessory building (shed) on the premises known at 6503 Queens Chapel Road.

The Council finds that the following Zoning Ordinance criteria have been met: (1) A specific parcel of land has exceptional narrowness, shallowness, or shape, exceptional topographic conditions, or other extraordinary situations or conditions; (2) The strict application of this Subtitle will result in peculiar and unusual practical difficulties to, or exceptional or undue hardship upon, the owner of the property; and (3) The variance will not substantially impair the intent, purpose, or integrity of the General Plan or Master Plan. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace 3'x 30' walkway and install drain channel on the driveway located at 6828 Pineway. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the following consent agenda item. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Block Party/Street Closure 4400 Block of Sheridan Street, Saturday, September 24 from 4-10 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Public Comment

A resident on Underwood Street strongly requested the support of the Council with the removal of a tree on Underwood Street which she believes is a safety concern

for life and for property. Branches have randomly broken off the tree and in April a very large branch struck a woman who is still suffering from the accident. A date-line of events involving the tree and photos were distributed to the Council. A councilmember recommended that this issue be added to the agenda of the Council Committee on Police, Traffic and Public Safety. Mayor Carey encouraged councilmembers to go by and look at the tree.

New Business

Motion to authorize a contract with Lindsey & Associates, LLC to perform the FY2016 audit at a cost of \$7,850, subject to approval by the Town Attorney. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to approve 16-R-05 to bring awareness to Town residents about Ovarian Cancer. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Motion to reinstate the Mayor's Report to its original place on the agenda. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Carey proposed contracting with the Novak Consulting Group to work on a strategic plan that will include values, goals and action items. The plan is to have a retreat to include the Mayor, Council and staff. Friday 3-9 PM and Saturday 8-3 PM, November 18-19, 2016 is a possible date for the retreat.
- The Town has updated the phone system. Council members now have voicemail. Training will be available.
- New email addresses for Council members are now active. At the September 12 Council meeting the technician will be present to explain the new system.
- Encouraged all elected officials to participate in the Prince George's County Municipal Association meetings.
- Mayor Carey has been appointed to the Maryland Municipal League Legislative Committee.
- The Maryland Municipal League fall conference is scheduled for October 13-15 at Solomon's Island. Registration is open for those interested.

Council Reports

Police, Traffic and Public Safety The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 31 at 7 PM.

Development Overview Committee CM Hess thanked

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the Mayor and Town Attorney for sending the letter concerning Module 1 of the Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance Rewrite. Mayor Carey explained that the Town's testimony on stormwater was part of the record but was not considered at the last public hearing.

Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson reported that Riverdale Park decided not to file an appeal on the 7-Eleven case. University Park chose to follow Riverdale Park's decision.

Town Clerk Tracey Toscano reported that the new email system can be installed onto iPhones and instructions were distributed. Installation instructions for those with Android phones will follow in early September.

The July 2016 Treasurer's Report was distributed.

Police Chief Wynnyk distributed the July 2016 Crime Report. The speed sign has been placed on Van Buren Street. The Code Compliance Officer has sent out 112 rental applications.

Department of Public Works Director Michael Beall reported that the new Historic District street signs have been ordered. There is an ongoing maintenance problem with the Queens Chapel Road tennis courts. There is water coming up through the asphalt and causing the surface coating to crack and buckle. Currently waiting on an estimate to repair the problem. Mr. Beall agreed to provide a statement for the Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee from the Town Arborist regarding the tree on Underwood Street. The mosquito trap data is showing higher numbers in the traps compared to the last couple of years.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:40 PM.

September 12 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Carey; Councilmembers Thompson, Gekas, Hess, Verrill, Caskey, Cron, Alvarez.

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install a brick paver patio of less than 500 square feet in area located at 4310 Van Buren Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to

replace existing fence and gates with a 4' powder coated aluminum fence located at 4312 Van Buren Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace a 12'x 62' driveway and walkway located at 4100 Van Buren Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion: Per Section 13-220 of the Town Code, to waive the applicability of Section 13-213(i) that every door available as an exit shall be capable of being opened easily from the inside without the use of a key. Motion denied 6 to 1 (Gekas in favor).

Presentation

Mr. Alex Cotsalas, Bais2 representative attended the Council meeting to answer questions regarding the new email system on the Town server. Mayor Carey urged Councilmembers to complete the work of establishing their Council email addresses so messages to and from Councilmembers in their official capacities would be kept on the Town server.

Public Comment

A suggestion was made to post a notice on the Town website regarding the Ovarian Cancer awareness ribbons that can be seen throughout University Park. Residents are asking what the ribbons are for and how long they will be there.

A Councilmember noted that the roadwork along East West Highway is very loud throughout the night and asked when this project will be completed. Mayor Carey said that he was informed that the road will be paved as soon as the sewer connection project is completed.

New Business

Motion: Per Section 2-103 of the Town Code, to appoint Councilmember Joseph Thompson to Chair the Green Team; current Co-Chairs Sarah Moseley and Ross Salawitch to move from Co-Chairs to Members of the Green Team. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

■Mr. John Shoaff has resigned from the Ethics Commission, due to having moved out of the Town. Mayor Carey is in search of a replacement and asked Councilmembers to submit their recommendations.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

- A report of the Mosquito Program will be given at the September 19 Council meeting. The Mayor has invited Mr. David Brosch to participate in the panel discussing this, along with Public Works Director Mickey Beall and Mosquito Intern Oswaldo Villena.
- At the September 19 Council meeting a proposed budget ordinance will be presented to move \$25,000 from the unreserved undesignated line item into the park upkeep line item, to repair the tennis court on Queens Chapel Road.
- There is an ongoing conversation with the County, College Park and the University of Maryland about bike sharing. Reports are the County did not receive a grant they had applied for and now will need to budget for this project. Meanwhile University Park is working with College Park and other municipalities to facilitate expansion of the Zagster mBike program along the Baltimore Avenue corridor.
- The Maryland Municipal League Fall Conference is scheduled for October 13-15 in Solomons Island. Those interested should contact Town Hall.

Council Reports

Council Committee on Police, Traffic and Public Safety An item discussed at the August 31 meeting was the serious problem of the intersection at Sheridan and Baltimore Avenue. The Committee suggested the following motion be made at the September 12 Council meeting:

Motion: *To request the Mayor and his staff (including the Police Chief and Town Attorney) to develop a plan for closing Sheridan Street at Baltimore Avenue and report the plan to the Police, Traffic & Public Safety Committee for review within 60 calendar days.* Motion approved 7 to 0.

Council Committee on Public Facilities and Services The Committee will meet on Thursday, September 15 at 7 PM at Town Hall to discuss the condition and future uses of the Wells Parkway tennis court across Wells Run from the University Park Elementary School.

Council Committee on Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure The Committee met on August 17 and an item that was noted at the meeting was that it has now been one year since recommendations for a new Town website were turned over to the Mayor. The Committee is sorely disappointed and are concerned that this project has been put at the bottom of the priority list. Mayor

Carey apologized for the delay and said that the scope of work and RFP were at the top of his priority list but he and the Town Attorney had been working on other pressing matters. He would ask the Town Attorney to review it.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 8:35 PM.

UPWC News

The club will be selling the White House holiday ornament which this year honors the administration of Herbert Hoover. The ornament is inspired by the fire engines that responded to the 1929 Christmas Eve fire at the White House. Toy trucks were presented to children by the Hoovers the following Christmas. Prepaid orders for \$22 may be sent to UPWC, c/o J. Groppe, 6832 Pineway before October 10. Please include name, address, phone or email. After October 10 the ornament will be \$23. *Did you know?* The UPWC was an important part of a World War II bond drive which resulted in a bomber named for the club.



University Park Woman's Club

Monday, October 3, 11:30 AM



"Wow, that's the best cookie ever!"

Have you ever heard that compliment? The UPWC will host Carolyn Gurtz who can tell us all about it because she received the million-dollar award in the Pillsbury Bake-Off Contest for best cookie. Come enjoy Carolyn's story with neighbors and friends. Guests are welcome and new members are encouraged to join the UPWC for friendship, philanthropy and education. University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Rd. RSVP at upwlead@gmail.com or call Jacquie Groppe 301-864-2096. For additional club information go to www.upwomensclub.org.

UPCA News

In September we enjoyed popcorn and an outdoor screening of *Zootopia*. Thanks to Emilie Dworkin and Nessa Moghadam for coordinating the event, and Jean Pirovic and the Pirovic



TOWN NEWS & EVENTS

Team of Long and Foster Realtors for sponsoring. Also, thanks to everyone who sold or bought, invited friends or ate some food truck dishes during our Fall Yard Sale. Once again, we had a great turnout, drawing people from other counties and neighboring cities to our incredible town. Have you paid your dues for the year? The UPCA is sponsored by you, our neighbors in University Park and College Heights Estates and is only \$25 per year for your household. You can go to <http://upcivicassociation.com/dues> to pay via PayPal and help us continue to bring all these great events year-round for the community.

UPCA Social

Thursday, October 6, 7-9 PM

Nigel Ogilvie and Louisa Woodville welcome you to their home for our next UPCA social. Enjoy some snacks and drinks and meet neighbors at this cordial event for adults. (Children are welcome to attend the kids' social instead on 10/11). 4413 Underwood Street.

The 2nd Saturday Lecture Series Writing Stories in This Day and Age

Saturday, October 8, 5 PM



Writer Jim Beane and fellow short story writer Jim Mathews, author of the short story collection *Last Known Position* and winner of the Katherine Anne Porter prize for short fiction, will be discussing writing short stories. The lecture will be a discussion between the two authors

about the form and practices of the short story and its writers, followed by a Q&A. University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman Street.

Please join us on the 2nd Saturday of each month for this free lecture series, open to all in the Washington community. A diverse range of topic areas will be covered including science, technology, the economy, health, education, history, literature, the arts, the environment, politics and more. Please invite your neighbors and friends.



Lost Pet Database To register your pet, report a lost or found pet, please contact Laura Collins at UPPetDatabase@gmail.com or 301-785-2838. Have your pets wear their tags or a microchip at all times so they can be identified.



Fall Porchfest

Saturday, October 8, 2-6 PM

Due to all of the kudos from everyone, we're holding a Fall Porchfest, another chance this year to enjoy great music by your talented neighbors at different venues around town. Shows will be on the hour and last around 30 minutes each, giving you time to make it over to the next porch. For more information and a schedule visit upcivicassociation.com or contact Emily and Jason Jackson at UP.PORCHFEST@gmail.com or 301-254-1971.

UPCA Kids' Social

Tuesday, October 11, 7-9 PM

Join us for a social for the kids in the neighborhood. The Becrafts are once again hosting the October social, so look out for amazing Halloween cupcakes and decorations! School's out the next day, so you won't have to worry about sleeping in. 7005 Partridge Place.



After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, October 18, 8-10 PM

We celebrate poetry in October. Bring your favorite poems to share. November's book is *Da Vinci's Ghost* by Toby Lester. Please call Gwen Brewer, 301-277-0516 or Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550 for more information.

Chili Cook-off

Saturday, October 29, 4-7 PM

Who's the best cook in town?

It's time to find out, as the UPCA holds its annual Chili Cook-off at the UP Elementary Gazebo, where the neighborhood decides who gets bragging rights

for the rest of the year. The competition includes Mild, Vegetarian and 5-Alarm chili, so start going through your recipe books and come ready to compete with a pot that'll feed 15-20 people. Don't have a chili recipe ready for this year? Come along to judge and bring some food and drinks for the potluck, or just enjoy the live music band.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons

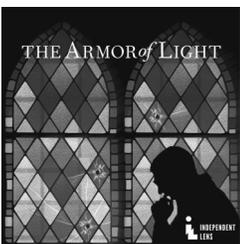
Saturdays, 8-9:30 AM

Come join us to learn the ancient Chinese martial art often referred to as "meditation in motion" and leave feeling relaxed and energized. Free. Hosted by University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman Street. For more information, call 301-466-5894.



Greenbelt Artful Afternoon, Synetic Theater Performance and Mask Workshop *Sunday, October 2, 1-4 PM* Art fans of all ages are invited to attend this free Artful Afternoon. At 3 PM, the Synetic Theater Company will perform *The Miraculous Magical Balloon*. Developed to include young audience members, *Balloon* tells of a traveling actor and his magical trunk of tricks and toys. Prior to the performance, guests are invited to create their own mask in a workshop led by Celestine Ranney-Howes, an artist in residence at the Greenbelt Community Center. This activity will take place from 1-3 PM and all materials will be provided. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, 301-397-2208.

Independent Film Series, *The Armor of Light*, Monday, October 17, 7 PM



Armor of Light looks at our political culture, where an Evangelical minister and the mother of a teenage shooting victim come together across deep party lines to find common ground. The discussion following the screening will be facilitated by Talaya Grimes of the Creative Edge Collaborative. Refreshments provided. Hyattsville Library.

Glenn Dale Hospital and its Historic Preservation, Wednesday, October 26, 7:30-9 PM Fred Stachura from the Prince George's County Historic Preservation staff will be presenting on the Glenn Dale Hospital and its historic preservation. He is staff liaison to the Historic Preservation Commission and has specialized expertise in technical preservation issues, preservation easements and preservation public policy. Hyattsville Library.

Rummage Sale, Friday and Saturday, October 28 and 29, 9 AM-4 PM Treasures galore. Items for sale include furniture, clothing, collectibles, toys, books, electronics,



housewares, kitchenware, china, linens, tools and bric-a-brac. Donations for the sale are accepted at the church until October 26, 2016. Donations are tax deductible. University United Methodist Church on

Campus Drive, College Park.

College Park Arts Exchange

All events are free and take place at the College Park United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 9601 Rhode Island Avenue, unless otherwise noted. Your generous donations for free events are always appreciated. Parking passes are available. Contact info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013 for more information.

Beech Tree Puppets presents *The Apple Tree*, Saturday, October 15, 10:30 AM An old woman and her animals love apple pie, so she plants a tree to grow apples. Garden fairies show up to help.

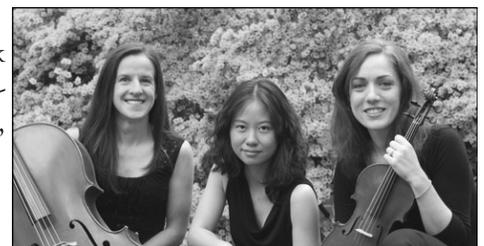


CPAE Book Club, Tuesday, October 18 7-8:30 PM October 18: *All the Single Ladies: Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation*, by Rebecca Traister. November 15: *Lab Girl*, by Hope Jahren. College Park Community Library.

Frankenstein, Saturday, October 22, 7:30 PM A staged reading with two actors portraying the Creature and his Creator, along with other characters from Mary Shelley's masterpiece. Please share this announcement with your literary friends, English teachers and everyone who loves *Frankenstein*.

Classical Music with Severn River Trio, Saturday, October 29, 7:30 PM Enjoy an evening of great classical music. Your donation appreciated. If you are interested in CPAE hosting your concert or recital, please email info@cpae.org.

College Park United Methodist Church, Sanctuary.



FREE PAPER SHREDDING & ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

for University Park Residents

Saturday, October 22, 9 AM-1 PM

UP Elementary School Bus Circle

If you don't sell it at the Town-wide Yard Sale...don't put it in the trash. Recycle it! Bring your Driver's License for proof of residency. All electronic items collected will be reused, refurbished or recycled through Turtle Wings Inc., in accordance with local, state and federal regulations. Please check the Public Works page at upmd.org for a list of other reuse and salvage organizations.

Residents must arrange to bring acceptable items to the scheduled recycling events or dispose of them personally at the Prince George's County Landfill.

Acceptable Items

Answering Machines
Ballasts-non PCB
Batteries (see list below)
Cables
Camcorders
CDs/ DVDs
Cell Phones
Circuit Boards
Compact Disc Players
Computer Equipment
Computers
Copiers
Cords
Duplicators
DVD Players
Electric Typewriters
Electronic Games
Fax Machines
Hard Drives
Keyboards / Mice
Household Electronics
Ink / Toner
Lab Equipment
Laptops
Laptop batteries
LCD Monitors
Mainframe Equipment
Media
Metal Scrap
Microwave Ovens
Modems
Monitors
Networking Equipment
Pagers
PDA's
Printers
Printed Circuit Board
Radios
Rechargeable Batteries
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Stereo Components
Stereos
Tapes
Tape Players
Telephones
Telecom Equipment
Televisions
Testing Equipment
Toasters
Transparency Makers
Two-Way Radios
UPS - Power Supplies
VCRs
Word Processors
Other Electronics



What items are not acceptable?

Air Conditioners
Broken CRT monitors
Console Televisions
Dishwashers
Dryers
Light bulbs
Medical Waste
Nuclear Waste
Paint
PCB Ballasts
Radioactive Waste
Refrigerators
Thermostats
Washers

What types of batteries are not acceptable?

Lead Calcium Batteries
Lithium Batteries
Magnesium Batteries
Manganese Batteries Mercury Batteries
NiCd Wet Cell Batteries
Nickel Iron Batteries
Nickel Zinc Batteries
Silver Oxide Batteries
Zinc Carbon Batteries



Town of University Park, Maryland

2016 Information Sheet

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Town Hall

Office Hours M-F 9 AM-5 PM 301-927-4262
 Fax 301-277-4548
 TDD 800-735-2258
 Website www.upmd.org
 Town Field Status 301-927-4262 x 600
 Town Bus Status 301-977-4262 x 601
 Mayor Lenford Carey
 Cell phone (direct) 240-338-2826
 Email mayorcarey@upmd.org
 Town Clerk townhall@upmd.org
 Public Works Director Mickey Beall
mbeall@upmd.org
 Police Chief Michael Wynnyk upchief@upmd.org

Police

Emergency 911
 Non-Emergency 301-352-1200
 University Park Police
 Direct 301-277-0050
 Cell Phone 240-375-1077
 Chief Michael Wynnyk 301-277-0051

Town Council

A Ward map with Town addresses is available on the Town web site at: <http://www.upmd.org/docs/11-576-1381844553.pdf>

Ward	Council Member	Phone/Email
1	Joe Thompson	240-770-1358 jthompson@upmd.org
2	James Gekas	301-864-2734 jgekas@upmd.org
3	Bradlee Hess	301-699-0694 bhess@upmd.org
4	Linda Verrill	301-927-6743 lverrill@upmd.org
5	David Caskey	301-699-8785 dcaskey@upmd.org
6	Michael Cron	301-277-4718 mcron@upmd.org
7	Roy Alvarez	301-779-6746 ralvarez@upmd.org

Council Voicemail at Town Hall To leave a voicemail message for Councilmembers, call Town Hall (301-927-4262) and ask to leave a voicemail message for your councilmember. When calling after hours to leave

a voicemail message, use Option #6 at the prompt. Each councilmember has a voicemail box listed by Ward.

Town Police Department

6724 Baltimore Avenue, 301-277-0050 or (cell) 240-375-1077, or call County Dispatch (301-352-1200) and request a UP officer.

The UPPD E-List To join the email list for crime alerts, contact the UPPD and provide them with your name, email address and phone number.

The UP Sticker One blue & white UP sticker per licensed car is available free at Town Hall for all UP homeowners. Display the sticker on the driver's side of your car's rear bumper or low on the rear window. Please bring a proof of residency.

Registry of Sexual Offenders Free Sexual Offender Notification Service, contact 866-559-8017 or www.dpssc.state.md.us/onlineservs/sor/.

Permit Procedure All UP residents planning to initiate any construction projects on their property must check with Town Hall to determine whether a Town permit is necessary. Without exception, Town building permit applications and stamped County plans must be received in the Town Hall no later than 5 days before a Council meeting. This allows time for Town Hall to examine the project and prepare the permit application for Council Action. Plan to attend the Council meeting where your permit will be considered.

UP Landlords A rental license must be obtained by anyone intending to rent or lease a residence in University Park. All owners who reside in their home and rent to no more than one other person are exempt from the requirement. Rental licenses cost \$400 per year and provide a yearly inspection program for all licensed UP rental properties.

Leash Law All dogs and cats must be on a leash when away from their owner's property. All dog walkers must bag their pet's droppings & dispose of the bags in the pet owner's trash receptacle.

Trash & Bulk Trash Collection Trash is collected from your green cart each Tuesday and Friday. Place outside by 7 AM. We do not collect or dispose of con-

struction debris. For bulk trash, visit www.upmd.org and click on *Town Info* and *Contact Us* to arrange for your Tuesday or Friday bulk pick-up. The Town requires a \$20 payment for each item containing refrigerants or other gases, including air conditioners, dehumidifiers, freezers and refrigerators. Payment should be made to the Town of University Park and submitted to the Town Clerk prior to scheduling the pick-up. TVs and electronics will not be collected with regular weekly collections. Residents should bring these items to the semi-annual electronics recycling events or to the Brown Station Landfill, Upper Marlboro.

Electronics Recycling/Paper Shredding

The Town holds electronic recycling events each spring and fall at University Park Elementary School. Town residents may bring household electronics for recycling at no cost. TVs and electronics will not be collected with regular weekly collections. Hard drive destruction is available for a nominal fee. Free paper shredding is also available at the fall event. The Public Works page of the Town website contains a detailed list of acceptable/unacceptable items.

Yard Waste is collected each Monday. Yard waste is composted rather than taken to the landfill, so it is important to keep it free of trash, rocks and other debris. Bamboo is considered trash. Please put yard waste out only on the evening before collection in a bin or brown paper bag. *Plastic bags are prohibited.*

Recycling Plastic bags and all other sheet-like plastic are prohibited from County and Town recycling. Have your blue recycling cart ready for collection each Thursday by 7 AM. Use your single stream recycling cart for collecting:

- many plastics (food containers numbers 1-7, cups and tableware, flower pots and Rx containers)
- clothes hangers
- all glass (except mirrors, light bulbs, broken glass and windowpanes)
- mixed paper (telephone books, magazines, boxes, rinsed milk & juice aseptic cartons, envelopes and newspapers, etc.)
- some metal (aerosol cans, aluminum foil, aluminum and metal food & beverage containers)

Please rinse all containers so they are free of food and grease. Labels, tabs and lids are allowed. Dry cell batteries weighing less than two pounds may be recycled at the Town Hall. Please pad the positive end of each battery with a strip of tape.

Trash & Recycling Carts Please do not put out trash and recycling carts earlier than the night before your scheduled pickup days. It is each resident's responsibility to return the cart from the curb on the same day after pickup. Carts stored outside must be out of view from the street. If the most convenient place to locate your carts is a visible one, consider installing wooden surrounds, barrier walls or lattice and plants.

Leaf Collection The Town leaf vacuum is in use from November through early January. Residents should rake their leaves up to the curb line. *Do not rake leaves into the gutters or street. Please keep leaf piles free of sticks, stones and other debris.*

UP Shuttle Service runs on the half hour each weekday morning and afternoon from numerous stops in Town to and from the Prince George's Plaza Metro Station. There are seven morning runs from 6-9 AM and eight afternoon runs from 4:05-7:35 PM. A map showing the stops is available at the Town Hall or at www.upmd.org under Other Documents.

UP Bus Service Free door-to-door wheelchair accessible bus service is available for Town senior citizens and handicapped residents who would like transportation to doctors' appointments, shopping, banking, library or community center visits, club meetings or visits to a neighbor across Town. Reserve your pick-up and return times on weekdays before 1 PM. Small Town groups also may use the bus for occasional excursions. Please try to make bus reservations one week in advance so the driver's schedule may be arranged accordingly. Destinations must be within 5 miles of Town.

Grocery Shopping Bus Trips Each Tuesday at 10 AM the Town Bus makes a trip to the Giant grocery store on East-West Highway. Senior or handicapped residents interested in this free door-to-door service must notify the Town Hall by Monday, the day before you wish to shop.

Snow Removal All residents (including renters) are required to remove snow from their private and public front sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow has stopped.

Tax Address Be sure to use University Park (not Hyattsville) as your address on your Maryland income tax forms. Designating University Park as your residence address helps ensure that the Town receives its appropriate share of state taxes for Town services.



Please clip and save this info sheet!

**After This Form Is Filled Out, You Must Sign And Mail It To Your County Board of Elections.
It Cannot Be Processed If It Is Faxed or E-mailed, Because It Requires An Original Signature.**

MARYLAND VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

TO REGISTER, YOU MUST

- Be a U.S. citizen;
 - Be a Maryland resident;
 - Be at least 16 years old*;
 - Not be under guardianship for mental disability or if you are, you have not been found by a court to be unable to communicate a desire to vote;
 - Not have been convicted of buying or selling votes;
 - Not have been convicted of a felony, or if you have, you have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment.
- *You may register to vote if you are at least 16 years old but cannot vote unless you will be at least 18 years old by the next general election.

DEADLINE INFORMATION

- This application must be postmarked no later than 21 days before an election.
- If your application is complete and you are found to be qualified, a Voter Notification Card will be mailed to you.
- The submission of this form to an individual other than an official, employee, or agent of a County Board of Elections does not assure that the form will be submitted or filed in a timely manner.

YOU CAN USE THIS FORM TO

- Register to vote in federal, state, county, and municipal elections in Maryland.
- Change your name, address, or party affiliation.

INSTRUCTIONS

- If you do not have a current, valid Maryland driver's license or MVA ID card, you must enter the last 4 digits of your social security number. The statutory authority allowing officials to request the last 4 digits of your social security number is Election Law Article, § 3-202. The number will only be used for registration and other administrative purposes. It will be kept confidential.
- Complete Items 1–11 in Voter Registration Application. Sign and date Item 12. If you are registered to vote in another Maryland county or another state, you must complete Items A–B in Last Voter Registration.
- You must register with a party if you want to take part in that party's primary election, caucus or convention. Check one box only.
- Address and mail the application to your County Board of Elections, using the list on the back panel.

VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLACK INK

1	Are you at least 16 years old? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No ARE YOU A U.S. CITIZEN? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If you answer NO to either question, do not complete this form.					
2	Check boxes that apply and complete Items 3–12. <input type="checkbox"/> New Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change <input type="checkbox"/> Party Affiliation Change <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change					
3	Last Name		First Name		Middle	Suffix
4	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		5	Birth Date: _____		
6a	MARYLAND Driver's License or MVA ID Number MANDATORY (If you have neither see instructions)					
6b	Social Security Number (last 4 digits)			6c	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you do not have either a current, valid Maryland driver's license / MVA ID card or a Social Security Number	
7	Maryland Residence Address:	Street Number	Street Name	Apt. No.	City or Town	Zip Code County
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you reside in Baltimore City.						
8	Mailing Address (if different from Item 7)					
9	You must register with a political party if you want to take part in the political party's primary election, caucus, or convention. Check one box only.					
Party (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Party <input type="checkbox"/> Republican Party <input type="checkbox"/> Libertarian Party <input type="checkbox"/> Green Party						
<input type="checkbox"/> Unaffiliated (independent of any party) <input type="checkbox"/> Other – Specify _____						
10	CONTACT INFORMATION					
Daytime Phone:			Email (optional):			
11	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you need help voting. <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you would like to be an election judge.					
Under penalty of perjury, I hereby swear or affirm: I am a U.S. citizen. ■ I am a Maryland resident. ■ I am at least 16 years old. ■ I have not been convicted of buying or selling votes. ■ I have not been convicted of a felony, or if I have, I have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment. The information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.						
12	Signature (required)			Date		
X						

LAST VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION (if applicable)

A	Name on Last Registration:	Last Name	Title (Jr., Sr., etc.)	First Name	Middle Name	Date of Birth
B	Address on Last Registration:	Street Number	Street Name	Apt. No.	City or Town	Zip Code State

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WARNING

Giving false information to obtain voter registration is perjury and punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000, or by imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

PERSONAL RECORDS NOTICE/CONFIDENTIALITY

This form collects personal information for voter registration purposes. If you are not registered to vote and you refuse to provide this information, you will not be allowed to vote in Maryland. You may update your voter registration at any time at your County Board of Elections. Except for items specified as confidential, voter registration records are generally available for public inspection; they may also be shared with jury commissioners/clerks or other government agencies as provided by law. The law prohibits use of voter registration records for commercial solicitation purposes. If you decline to register to vote, that fact will remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.

If you register to vote, the identity of the office at which the application is submitted will remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.

QUESTIONS

Visit the State Board of Elections website at www.elections.maryland.gov to verify your registration, find your polling place, and find out other important information. If you have any questions, call your County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections at the numbers listed on the back of the application.

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! Large type Voter Registration Applications available upon request to your County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections.

County Board of Elections

Allegany County

701 Kelly Road, Suite 213
Cumberland, MD 21502-2887
301-777-5931

Anne Arundel County

P.O. Box 490
Glen Burnie, MD 21060-0490
410-222-6600

Baltimore City

Charles L. Benton Bldg.
417 E. Fayette Street, Rm. 129
Baltimore, MD 21202-3432
410-396-5550

Baltimore County

P.O. Box 798
Cockeysville, MD 21030-0798
410-887-5700

Calvert County

P.O. Box 798
Prince Frederick, MD 20678-0798
410-535-2214
DC Line 301-855-1376

Caroline County

Health & Public Services Bldg.
403 S. Seventh Street, Suite 247
Denton, MD 21629-1335
410-479-8145

Carroll County

300 S. Center Street, Rm. 212
Westminster, MD 21157-5248
410-386-2080

Cecil County

200 Chesapeake Blvd.
Suite 1900
Elkton, MD 21921-6395
410-996-5310

Charles County

P.O. Box 908
La Plata, MD 20646-0908
301-934-8972
301-870-3167

Dorchester County

501 Court Lane, Rm. 105
P.O. Box 414
Cambridge, MD 21613-0414
410-228-2560

Frederick County

The Bourne Building
355 Montevue Lane
Frederick, MD 21702
301-600-VOTE (8683)

Garrett County

Public Service Center
2008 Maryland Highway, Suite 1
Mountain Lake Park, MD 21550-6349
301-334-6985

Harford County

133 Industry Lane
Forest Hill, MD 21050-1621
410-638-3565

Howard County

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 200
Columbia, MD 21046
410-313-5820

Kent County

135 Dixon Drive
Chestertown, MD 21620-1141
410-778-0038

Montgomery County

P.O. Box 4333
Rockville, MD 20849-4333
240-777-VOTE (8683)
TDD 800-735-2258

Prince George's County

1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A
Largo, MD 20774
301-341-7300

Queen Anne's County

P.O. Box 274
Centreville, MD 21617-0274
410-758-0832

St. Mary's County

P.O. Box 197
Leonardtown, MD 20650-0197
301-475-7844 ext. 1100

Somerset County

P.O. Box 96
Princess Anne, MD 21853-0096
410-651-0767

Talbot County

P.O. Box 353
Easton, MD 21601-0353
410-770-8099

Washington County

35 W. Washington Street
Room 101
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4833
240-313-2050

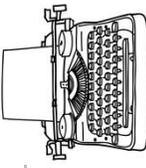
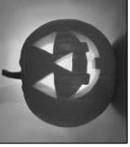
Wicomico County

P.O. Box 4091
Salisbury, MD 21803-4091
410-548-4830

Worcester County

100 Belt Street
Snow Hill, MD 21863-1300
410-632-1320

October 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM 
2	3 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM Woman's Club Meeting, 11:30 AM	4 Trash	5	6 Recycling	7 Trash UPCA Social Thursday, October 6, 7-9 PM	8 Ivy League, 9-11 AM Fall Porchfest, 2-6 PM Writing Stories in This Day and Age, 5 PM
9	10 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	11 Trash UPCA Kids' Social, 7-9 PM	12 Yard Waste	13 Recycling	14 Trash	15 
16	17 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	18 Trash After 8 Book Group, 8-10 PM 	19 Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM	20 Recycling	21 Trash	22 Free Shredding & Electronics Recycling Event, 9 AM-1 PM
23	24 Yard Waste	25 Trash	26	27 Recycling Early Voting Begins	28 Trash	29 100 Trees: Tree Planting, 9 AM-Noon Chili Cook-off, 4-7 PM
30	31 Yard Waste Trick or Treating 6-9 PM 	November 1 Trash	2	3 Recycling Early Voting Ends	4 Trash	5 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM



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