

UNIVERSITY PARK NEWSLETTER

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MAYOR'S COLUMN

You may have noticed many new residents joining our community over the past two years. Local realtors have told me a lot of young couples are moving into University Park homes. This was apparent at the annual Independence Day parade this year, which included more young families with children than many of us recall seeing in past years. At the Town Hall, we have noted the new residents who are coming in to introduce themselves or to pick up a blue UP sticker for their car. We are happy to greet new residents; this is part of our community's cycle. Recently a family in my neighborhood departed. They arrived in University Park shortly before my family and made many friends here. Their children were born in University Park, and the family had become active in school and community. We saw them on

the bike paths, running in the Azalea Classic, at neighborhood block parties and community meetings, and cheering for the Terps at soccer and basketball games. Now, pulled by quietude and proximity to a middle school appropriate for their children, they have sold their home, the movers have come and our friends have become part of a different community. Their departure brought new residents to our town, and so goodbyes become hellos.

To our new residents, welcome and please jump in. Read the *University Park Newsletter* to learn about goings-on in town. Get to know us at some of the community events arranged by the University Park Civic Association. Movie night in the park is September 9, the fall

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Holiday	September 5
Town Council	September 12 & 19
Development Overview Committee	September 21

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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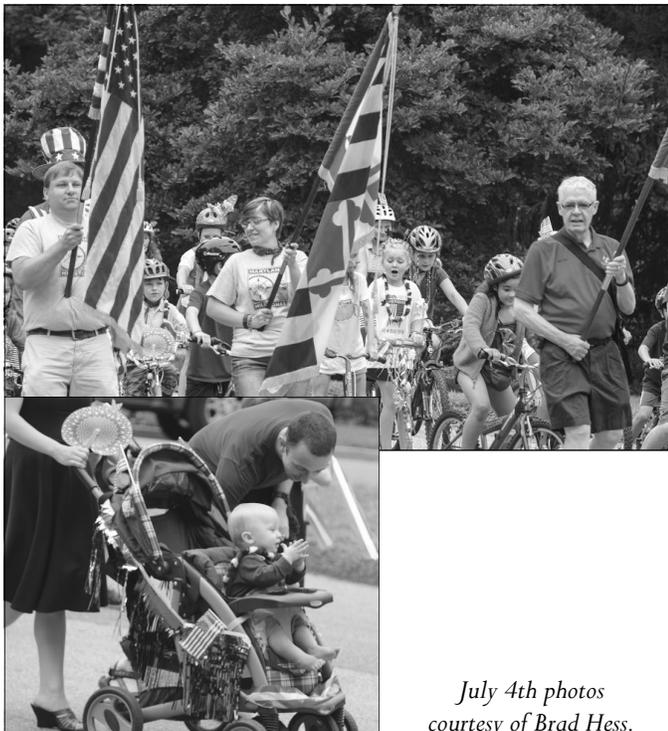
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townwide yard sale is September 24 and fall Porchfest is on October 8. We hope to see you there. It matters little whether you root for Maryland or for Michigan, Morehouse, Marquette, Ole Miss, or the University of California, or even if you don't like football and prefer baseball, field hockey or board games. There's opportunity and space here for all of that, though you probably already know that this is Terp territory, and the University's football season begins on September 3. Neither does it matter how long you've lived in town or what your views were on the local concerns which occasionally divide us. It's important that you're involved. It doesn't matter where you are from, who you root for or how you identify, we're glad you're here. Community takes all of us, whether you're newly moved in or a long-term resident.

There is a lot going on, too; there always is. University Park is an active community with an array of important matters to attend to and it's vital that we work on them together. We need all of us, and we all need to pay attention, show up and speak up. Come in, pull up a chair and be part of our community and the conversations here.

—Len Carey

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



*July 4th photos
courtesy of Brad Hess.*

Stay Up to Date & Participate!

We wanted to share several additional ways for residents to stay up to date on meetings and activities in the Town of University Park.

Town Electronic Notice System offers several lists regarding official Town business, Council and committee minutes, events, meetings and agendas for Town Council and committee meetings. Visit upmd.org and click on Register in the upper right corner to sign up.

Town Council Minutes are posted on the Town website. Highlights appear in this newsletter; however, somewhat more detail is available on the town site.

Mayor's Update Residents can be added to this list by contacting mayor@upmd.org.

UPPD Safety Alerts are sent out by Police Chief Michael Wynnnyk. Subscribe to this list by contacting the UPPD and providing your contact info.

WATCH UP & CHE Google Group is a neighborhood watch-type list and public safety officials do not monitor it. Any concerns should always be called in to the appropriate number: emergencies go to 911 and non-emergency calls to 301-352-1200.

University Park Listserv Google Group is a list for residents of University Park and the College Heights Estates. This listserv is not an official listserv of any municipality or civic association. Search on Google for the list name to sign up for this and the next group.

UPplaygroup is open to parents/caregivers in University Park and neighboring areas. This is an easy way to organize playgroups, share information and events of interest, and to discuss parenting issues. In addition to the online discussion and age-based play dates, there are a variety of gatherings for the whole group each year. Contact upplaygroup-owner@yahoo.com.

Lost Pet Database To register your pet, report a lost or found pet, please call the volunteer pet database coordinator, Laura Collins. She can be reached 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.

FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

Welcome back from summer! The UPPD hopes you had a safe and restful break. Vacations are a wonderful opportunity to unwind, relax and enjoy family time. With the end of summer and school back in session, traffic heavily increases in and around University Park. When we add school buses, delivery vehicles, residents back from vacation and the University of Maryland in full session, the traffic picture can become quite chaotic. I truly hope construction on East West Highway is complete for now. We have a new traffic light at the intersection of Baltimore Avenue and Van Buren Street with paving on Baltimore Ave. and drivers still adjusting to that addition. Drive carefully and pay attention when behind the wheel. Arriving safely is much more important than not being late.

School is back in session. Drive slowly. Watch for pedestrians, cyclists, strollers, seniors, children and dog walkers. Drive with caution. If you're only commuting through, choose a route that avoids the UP school area in the morning. A new speed display sign will be used throughout town that collects data for speed, volume and even takes pictures of vehicles excessively speeding. Please watch your speed.

Inattentive driving is a significant contributor to vehicular accidents. Distractions created by radios, cell phones and passengers make driving a tremendous challenge. Driving while using a cell phone or texting are both dangerous and illegal. Citations will be issued for observed offenses. If you must search for Pokémon, walk cautiously.



To the Parents of UPES: Arriving early and allowing your child to have the time necessary to be prepared for the school day is an important step in making UPES a happy and safe environment. If you can walk your child to school please do so; this helps to cut down

on the amount of traffic in the neighborhood. Children riding a bike to school should wear their helmets. If you are dropping off a student, please do not park and leave your car unattended in the drop-off lane on Queens Chapel Road. Parking in the drop-off lane may subject you to a parking ticket. The drop-off lane is meant to be

used by parents who are dropping off their children for school. Do not block driveways near the school, you will be ticketed. If you are walking your child into the school building there is parking available. Please do not enter the school bus circle in front of the school or the faculty parking lot. If you must drive, always wear your seatbelts, stop for stop signs, drive with caution and pay attention to your environment and respect our community. These small efforts will help to make the UPES campus safe. Together parents and students can quickly learn these small rules and help to make the first day of school and the rest of the school year go smoothly. Working together, we can keep our community a safer place for everyone. Let's have a wonderful school year.

Attempted Theft from Auto Between June 6 7 PM and June 7 7 PM in the 6700 of Forest Hill Dr. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2003 Honda Civic and rummaged through the interior of the vehicle. Nothing was stolen. No suspect was located.

Theft from Auto Between June 8 5 PM and June 9 8 AM in the 4100 block of College Heights Drive suspect/s entered an unlocked vehicle and stole a purse containing various ID and insurance cards. No suspect was located.

Theft from Auto Between June 8 7:30 PM and June 9 1:30 PM in the 6700 block of 40th Ave. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2013 Ford Focus and stole an Apple iPod from the console area of the vehicle. No suspect was located.

Theft On June 17 between Noon and 7 PM in the 4300 block of Underwood St. an employee of UPES reported that someone had stolen a wallet from a purse that was under a desk in the classroom. The wallet was not discovered missing until later that evening when they went to make a purchase. No suspect was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto On June 22 at midnight in the 4200 block of Sheridan St. an officer was on routine patrol when he observed an individual leaning into a vehicle parked on the roadside. When the officer asked the subject if everything was okay, they quickly exited the vehicle ran towards East West Highway & Adelphi Rd. It was later determined that the suspect had stolen coins

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from inside of the 1999 Chevy Suburban. The suspect had eluded apprehension. The investigation is ongoing.

Breaking & Entering Between July 10 4 AM and July 11 10:30 AM in the 6700 Block of 41st Ave. the UPPD were notified regarding a home alarm that had been activated earlier in the day. The officer checked the exterior of the residence and found a side window had been partially opened and the rear door was ajar, but still secured by a chain lock. The resident was away and officers were not able to check the interior of the residence or determine if entry was gained. No property was reported stolen. The neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses and the crime scene processed for fingerprints. Some clothing was located for DNA analysis. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto On July 17 between 9:10 and 10:15 AM in the 4400 block of Sheridan St. suspect/s entered an unlocked Ford truck that was being used to do tree work in the area and stole a backpack containing car keys, medication and a sandwich. The area was canvassed and no suspect/s was located.

Breaking & Entering On July 22 at 3:25 AM in the 4300 Block of Tuckerman St. the resident was asleep and heard noises in the downstairs portion of the home. After checking the lower levels of the residence the victim found a basement door open and the front door ajar. The UPPD were notified and the premises were checked again. A suspect stole a laptop computer and a cell phone. There was no sign of forced entry and the victim advised that the basement door may have been left unlocked. No other items were taken. The neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses and the crime scene processed for fingerprints. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Breaking & Entering On July 27 between 7 AM and 6:30 PM in the 4300 Block of Underwood St. the resident arrived home and discovered the rear basement door had been damaged and was open. The UPPD responded and checked the premises. It was determined that suspect/s broke a rear basement door, entered the home and stole a MacBook Air and a MacBook Pro computer. No other items were taken. The neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses and the crime scene processed for fingerprints. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Tree Committee News

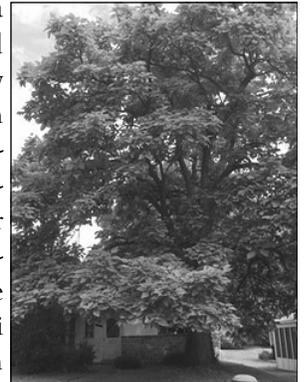
Back to School for Trees

With the return to school and the approaching equinox, we are now well past the blush of summer. September is the month to start winding down your gardening activities. It's rather basic when it comes to trees. Cease all fertilizing. Trees need a long lead time to harden in for the winter. Continue watering as needed.

September is the ideal month to assess your property's tree inventory. Would you like more shade? Take advantage of the town's Shade Tree Reimbursement Program which provides \$300 for each homeowner's purchase and planting of an approved shade tree. You are eligible for up to \$900 over five years. See the complete details at www.upmd.org. Now is the ideal time to plan. Both trees and shrubs enjoy the best chance of thriving when planted between October 1 and December 15.

August's Notable Tree

Embrace the Northern catalpa (*Catalpa speciosa*) as you would your country cousin. She may not be considered trendy or an urban sophisticate, but she retains a decided charm and undeniable *élan* based on her unique flair for dress and quirkiness. Think a slightly more sedate Minnie Pearl or Cyndi Lauper. Catalpa stands out in any crowd with her large, heart-shaped leaves and singular fruit-exaggerated foot-long "string beans" (Catalpa also goes by "Cigartree") hanging in slightly disarrayed clusters. The flowers are large, showy and aromatic, white with orange stripes and purple spots inside, in clusters. Catalpa is often a bit disheveled, with a crooked, gangly appearance, but this particular specimen is in fine fettle, with a beautiful rounded crown. Come get acquainted with a true original at 4004 Beechwood.



—Chris Aubry, on behalf of the Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment, TreeComm@UPMD.org



Lost Pet Database To register your pet, report a lost or found pet, please call Laura Collins. She can be reached 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.

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June 20 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Carey; Council Members (CM) Thompson, Gekas, Hess, Verrill, Caskey, Cron, Alvarez.

Official Swearing in of the Mayor-Elect by the Clerk of The Court

Swearing-in of Mayor-elect Lenford C. Carey conducted by Office of Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County.

Official Swearing-In of Councilmembers-Elect by the Clerk of the Court

Swearing-in conducted by Office of Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County:

Joseph Thompson, Ward 1 Councilmember

Bradlee Hess, Ward 3 Councilmember

Roy Alvarez, Ward 7 Councilmember

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to convert a 4.11'x 7.8' enclosed porch to living space located at 4407 Tuckerman Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace existing 35'x 4' retaining cinderblock wall located at 6828 Pineway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit with special exception for the replacement of an existing non-conforming 6' fence, located at 4412 Van Buren Street. Council must make the requisite findings to approve this Special Exception per Section 4-115 Subsections A-E of the Town Code.

Section 4-115. Special Exceptions

The Common Council may consider an application for a special exception based upon a particular case or situation, and may approve the application provided that there is a showing of hardship, unique topography, unusual circumstances or safety considerations that warrant an exception. Special exceptions shall be granted by the Council only if it finds that such exception:

- (a) will not adversely affect the public health, safety, welfare or interest, nor the reasonable use of adjoining properties;
- (b) will not violate any covenants applicable to the property;
- (c) can be granted without substantial impairment of the

purpose and intent of the Town building regulations; (d) will not interfere with or obstruct the visibility of motorists or cyclists; and (e) will not unduly impede the enforcement of any other applicable law. (Revised, effective December 12, 1989, February 28, 1998).

Motion to continue this motion when the right-of-way issue is resolved. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve Special Utility Permits for Pepco SP-2016-03 and SP-2016-04 to remove and to prune trees listed in Appendix A from the Town right-of-way as itemized on the permits and with the conditions as proposed. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the following consent agenda item. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Block party/street closure at 40th Avenue at the cul-de-sac at the end of the block, Saturday, July 30 from 2-8 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

July 4th parade/street closure top of Queen's Chapel Road by Route 1 to University Park Elementary School at 4315 Underwood Street, Monday, July 4th from 9 AM-12 PM. University Park Civic Association has made this request for the parade. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Presentation

Chair of the Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment Chris Aubry distributed an annual report, which gave details of what projects the Committee worked on throughout town for the past year. The Committee is currently working on a project in the town park areas by planting native plants. Mr. Aubry thanked the volunteers and the Department of Public Works for their help with the projects.

Public Comment

The Civic Association and Mutt Strut Committee would like to use the profits from this year's Mutt Strut to donate to the Town of University Park a pet waste bag dispenser that comes with 400 bags.

Motion to approve the installation of a donated pet waste bag dispenser with an initial supply of 400 bags, for a location in the park to be determined by the

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Department of Public Works. The Civic Association and the Mutt Strut Committee will monitor and replace the bags for the first year. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

- The Maryland Municipal League Conference is scheduled for June 26-29. Mayor Carey strongly recommended attending the workshops on Hot Button Legal Issues, the Open Meetings Law, and the Maryland Public Information Act.
- The annual Independence Day parade and festivities will be held on July 4, beginning at 11 AM, organized by the University Park Civic Association.
- On July 6, Mayor Carey and Public Works Director Beall will attend a presentation at the University of Maryland Department of Geographical Sciences that will show how satellite imagery can be used to look at crown cover and tree canopy. This data may enable the Town to show what has been done in University Park and to plan for where trees should be planted in the future.
- The telephone system in Town Hall is in the process of being updated.
- The new server in Town Hall has been installed. The changeover of Councilmember email accounts will be completed soon.

Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson reported that, together with Raj Kumar for Prince George's County, she argued before the Circuit Court on June 10 opposing the Planning Board decision on the proposed 7-Eleven on Baltimore Avenue across from University Park. Ms. Ferguson said it appeared the Judge had read the briefs and understood the arguments on both sides. A date for the final decision was not given.

Town Clerk Tracey Toscano reported on the schedule for the Maryland Municipal League Conference.

The May 2016 Treasurer's Report was distributed.

Police Chief Wynnyk reported that he is currently interviewing for a Code Enforcement Officer. Purchased a speed sign that will collect data on volume and speed.

Public Works Director Michael Beall reported that they are currently working on reintroducing grass on the Adelphi Road field. The Town's application for a grant

to build a green street on College Heights Drive was denied.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:35 PM.

July 11 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Presentations

Mayor Carey introduced Mr. Craig Brown as the new Code Compliance Officer for the Town of University Park, which is a part time position and reports to the Chief of Police. Mr. Brown is a resident of University Park and has a background as a Maryland home improvement certified contractor. Council members suggested that a report of incidents be presented periodically.

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit with special exception for a non-conforming 6' fence, located at 4412 Van Buren Street. Council approved the request for a building permit on the basis that the requirements of Sections 4-115 had been met and a showing of need for the variance based on unusual circumstances: 1) the proximity of the property to the periphery of the Town boundary being one lot removed from Rt. 1, the busiest roadway bordering Town, and 2) the increased foot and automobile traffic that will be accessing the Whole Foods/Riverdale Park Station directly in front of the residence. Motion approved 4 to 3 (Thompson, Verrill and Alvarez opposed). Mayor Carey vetoed this motion stating that these are not unusual circumstances.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit with special exception for a non-conforming 6' fence 14 feet in length to replace an existing 42-inch high fence (Section A, as shown in the attached drawing) due to showing of unusual circumstance of connecting the house to an existing 6' fence encompassing the rest of the yard. Also, to acknowledge and validate three pre-existing sections of fence 6 feet in height and approximately 112 feet of length in three sections (Sections B, C, and D as shown). Also, to permit construction of fence of 4 feet in height and totaling approximately 60 feet in length in two additional sections

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(Sections E and F) which are joined at a corner. All sections (A through F as shown) are located at 4412 Van Buren Street. Council makes the requisite findings to approve this Special Exception per Section 4-115 Subsections A-E of the Town Code. Motion approved 7 to 0. Note: The question about the location of the Town right-of-way has been resolved via 1996 drawings by the town engineer demonstrating that no part of the fence is on the Town right of way.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace existing 4' fence located at 6805 Forest Hill Drive. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace existing front stair and landing located at 4206 Tuckerman Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install a 8'x 7.5' shed located at 6723 44th Avenue. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Continuing Business

Motion to approve LR 16-O-04 to amend the fiscal 2017 budget and approve a transfer of an amount not to exceed \$35,000 from Unreserved Designated Funds Line Item F1 Vehicle Replacement to Public Works Capital Line Item W16 Equipment, to enable purchase of a 2016 all-wheel replacement vehicle for the Director of Public Works. Motion approved 7 to 0.

New Business

Motion to approve a statement of dreams and aspirations regarding bike share and to authorize this communication by the Mayor and Town staff. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

▪The District Council resolution regarding Prince George's Plaza Area TDDP was emailed to the Council members along with the staff analysis of testimony from the May 31 hearing. Mayor Carey said that the oral and written testimonies from the municipalities were not considered. The District Council will have to pass another ordinance before they can apply bonus density. The language concerning stormwater management was softened. There will be a final vote on the resolution on July 19.

- The former president of the Woman's Club, Margaret Callaghan passed away.
- The University of Maryland Department of Geographical Sciences has made available remote sensing imagery and data of University Park. An intern from University of Maryland will help the Town make use of the imagery to plan tree plantings and improvements in tree canopy throughout Town.

The June 2016 Treasurer's Report was distributed.

Police Chief Wynnyk distributed the June 2016 Crime Report. The speed sign has been placed on Route 1. Gave away bicycle helmets at the July 4th parade to promote safety.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 10:05 PM.

July 25 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace existing 25'x 3' retaining wall and steps located at 4114 Woodberry Street. Motion approved 6 to 0.

Public Comment

A resident on East West Highway said that she has a serious problem with rats in her backyard. After contacting an exterminator and making efforts to handle this issue, she asked the Mayor and Council for help.

New Business

Motion to authorize the Mayor to send a letter to Chad Williams, M-NCPPC Project Coordinator, in substantially the form attached, to comment on Module 1 of the Proposed Prince George's County Zoning Ordinance Rewrite. This letter has been reviewed and approved by the Development Overview Committee. Motion approved 6 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

▪In reference to an earlier request by Council members that the new Code Compliance Officer Mr. Craig Brown provide a monthly report on incidents, Mayor

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Carey said that a monthly report by Mr. Brown would not be required, but he assured the Council that there would be regular reports and the Council will have many opportunities to converse with Mr. Brown about code compliance.

- Mayor Carey has asked a group of residents to advise him regarding a concept for a new Town playground. Several possible sites have been identified, the first preference being the tennis court near Wells Parkway. Mr. Baden is putting together a Community Parks and Playground Grant application for funds through the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, asking for \$250,000 to construct the playground. Councilmembers discussed a suggestion that a project be approved by the Council prior to applying for a grant.
- Mayor Carey as an individual joined College Park Mayor Wojahn, Hyattsville Councilmember Mr. Joseph Solomon and Riverdale Park Councilmember Ms. Marsha Dixon, in support of a Vigil for Life: Peace and Healing held at University Town Center on July 23.
- Former Mayor John Brunner had lowered the United States Flag at Henson Green to half-staff in support of the declaration by the President.

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CM Gekas noted that the tennis court near Wells Parkway for several decades has been deemed impractical to repair due to having been built with insufficient base on soils too soft to support it. He requests that Council invite the Green Team and Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment to submit a plan on alternative use of this valuable green space. Presently, a working group of residents are planning a playground in place of this tennis court.

Motion: A proposal for a playground be referred to the Council Committee on Public Facilities and Services so that it can make a recommendation to the Council.
Motion approved 6 to 0.

The next Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 27.

Town Attorney Report

- *The Prince George's Plaza Area Transit District Development Plan* Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson said the County Council is considering legislation which would amend county code to allow bonus density for amenities to be

included in the TDDP. The legislation was introduced with no prior discussion and put on the agenda. If this goes through, density bonuses will be available for some developments in the Prince George's Plaza area.

- *Bike Share* University Park has two choices to go with: M Bike System through Zagster, used by University of Maryland or Capital Bike Share, run by the county. Mr. Baden has recently submitted a grant application to implement the Town's bike plan, including for a bike share program.
- *7-Eleven* The ruling of the 7-Eleven was distributed to the Council and is available on the Town web site: www.upmd.org. Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson explained that the question in the case was whether the proposed improvements by 7-Eleven impacted the site. If so, certain standards must be met that had not been satisfied. The court found that whether the improvements impacted the site was a question of fact, rather than law. As a result, the Planning Board's determination that the improvements did not impact the site, and so the standards did not apply, was entitled to the "highest level of deference" by law. The court upheld the Planning Board's decision to approve the 7-Eleven application.

Town Clerk Tracey Toscano reported on training for the new phone messaging system and new e-mail addresses for Councilmembers will be scheduled for next month.

Public Works Director Michael Beall reported that the estimated start date for the WSSC project is November. Pepco tree removal is scheduled to begin on September 6. The dog waste bag dispenser and engineered wood fiber mulch were placed at the tot lot last month.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:25 PM.

Obituary

Margaret D. Callaghan, longtime resident, died on July 10. She was 96 and dedicated volunteer, world traveler, music lover, and always ready with a laugh and smart, delightful conversation. She and her husband John lived on 40th Avenue for many years. She was from Philadelphia. She was an ebullient leader and mentor of the University Park Woman's Club for 50 years. With her leadership, many excellent graduating local high school



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seniors received scholarships from the UP Woman's Club.

Margaret was also a very active leader in the Washington and national Ladies of Charity, promoting charitable works that address all forms of poverty, for many years. Mrs. Callaghan traveled extensively in the U.S. and abroad to over 60 countries including Russia, China and The Holy Land. She went on safari in Africa, on a cruise of the Amazon River and through the Panama Canal. Mrs. Callaghan loved reading, particularly books that dealt with historical or cultural themes. She belonged to a variety of book clubs and read the daily newspaper throughout her life. She volunteered as a reading tutor at Berwyn Heights Elementary School, where she was a favorite of the children. Margaret was a strong supporter of progressive policies that empowered women and the public servants who would put them into place. Margaret Callahan loved music. She and John sang in St. Marks and Holy Redeemer choirs for years. She loved concerts, ballet and particularly opera. At parties she led singing of Irish and Irish American standards. At her funeral at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, her nephew Robert Simon described her life as one full of enthusiasm for things of beauty and things that mattered. She was a remarkable woman to her friends, neighbors and extended family.

Memories at a Childhood Reunion

A special reunion of University Park Elementary School classmates took place at the home of Joann Fletcher on May 20. Those attending had known each other from kindergarten (1940) or first grade (1941). They were sorry that another classmate, Dotty Cowgill Fitzgerald was unable to attend. They have compiled for you glimpses into their childhood and adult lives.

Nancy Kirk Hockersmith's fondest memories were those of Christmas around the park tree and ice-skating in the pond where the soccer field is now. In 1966 she and her husband relocated with their three children to her childhood home on 40th Avenue, a wonderful place to raise their children.

Mary Kay White Harper also enjoyed ice-skating during long winter recesses. Her 20 years as a museum director have meshed well with her heightened appreciation of history. After having lived in Rockville for 46 years, she will be relocating to Lewisbury, Pannsylvania.

Carolyn Hardesty Murrow Glick, who grew up on Colesville Road, recalled these events from a wonderful childhood: roller-skating to school and playing in the creek. Recently remarried, she and her husband Dave enjoy sailing, traveling and enjoying every day together.

Pat Jenkins Konov Burns recalled how her childhood was rooted in her nearby elementary school and the neighborhood games such as Kick the Can. She attributes her privileged beginning to her success as a professor of English at Fairfield University in CT. Currently, she enjoys a blend of activities, friendship and security in a retirement community.

Joann Krewatch Fletcher has lived in UP since 1938. Joann learned to fly at the College Park Airport and then worked at the airport for several years.

It's apparent how much each of these women valued their University Park experiences.

-Joann Krewatch Fletcher

UPWC 75

As we continue to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the UPWC, we honor our members for their volunteer service in the community. Dr. Anna-Mae Kobbe, club member and past president, was recently installed as Rotary District Governor of District 7620 of Washington, DC and Central Maryland. She also will be serving as Vice Chair of the U of MD School of Music's Board of Visitors. We are very pleased that in addition to Anna-Mae's full schedule she will once again be co-chairing with Sallie Holder the annual Holiday House Tour. Thank you, Dr. Kobbe, for "living the volunteer spirit," the motto of the UPWC.

The UPWC will again be selling the White House Ornaments. This year's replica of a firetruck reminds us of the Christmas Eve fire at the White House during the Herbert Hoover administration. 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.

The UPWC remembers Margaret Callaghan who passed away on July 10, 2016. Margaret, a past president of the club, was a very active member for 50 years. Her enthusiasm for club activities and energetic volunteering, always done with good humor, will be sadly missed.

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Did you know? The Cotillion dance for 7th and 8th grade girls and boys was started over 40 years ago by a few UPWC members led by Maxie Phillips. When you see Maxie, ask her about the white gloves!

UPCA News



The UPCA hopes you've enjoyed your summer vacation, but here's a welcome to September: the beginning of Autumn, hopefully some cooler weather and all of the activities it brings.

As a welcome back-to-school, how about an outdoor movie? We'll be watching *Zootopia* on September 9 at the town field. Then, get ready once more to declutter your home (or find new loot) at our ever popular Fall Townwide Yard Sale, on September 24. The UPCA's Spring Porchfest was one of our most popular events, thanks to the musicians, porch hosts and of course, Emily and Jason Jackson, who introduced and coordinated the day.

Thanks again to all of the volunteers who help run the UPCA and the events. If you're interested in helping out or if you'd like to start a new event, we encourage you to contact our president, Connie Visnic, at connie.visnic@gmail.com.

Outdoor Movie Night: *Zootopia*

Friday, September 9, 7:30-10 PM

The family-friendly fun will begin at the town field at dusk. Popcorn will be provided, so just bring a chair or blanket and your favorite drinks. For more information, please contact Emilie Dworkin and Nessa Moghadam at emilie.moghadam@gmail.com.

Thanks to Jean Pirovic and the Pirovic Team of Long and Foster Realtors for sponsoring the event.

Mosquito Party

Saturday, September 10, 3-5 PM

More than 90 University Park residents placed a total of more than 200 Gravid Aedes Traps in their yards this

mosquito season. When other breeding sites were eliminated, the trap worked to further reduce the population of the invasive, *Aedes albopictus* (Asian Tiger). We will celebrate with Dr. Dina Fonseca, who has volunteered lots of time to advise us. She will share preliminary results of the mosquito identification and count conducted with her support by this community volunteer group. Join us as we celebrate at Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman.

2nd Saturday: The Art of Puppeteering

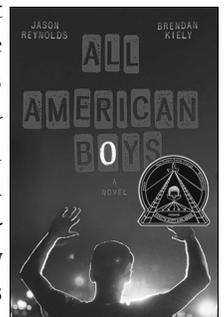
Saturday, September 10, 5-6 PM

Our monthly lecture series continues in September. Join us for a talk by UP resident Michael Cotter of Blue Sky Puppet Theatre. Michael started Blue Sky Puppet Theatre in 1974 and it has become one of the premiere educational children's theatres on the east coast. Originally an adult experimental puppet theatre and political satire street theatre, it transitioned into a full time children's theatre by 1980. Michael will talk about how the company got started, its philosophy, what it's meant personally over the last 42 years and where it goes in the future. Concludes with a puppet demonstration and a scene from their most popular show, *Building Bridges*. Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman. Contact Dave Brosch for more info, davidcbrosch@comcast.net.

2016 One Maryland One Book Discussion

Sunday, September 11, 2:30 PM

A group in University Park has met each fall and discussed the year's One MD One Book. Won't you join us this year? The 2016 selection is *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds & Brendan Kiely. The powerful story of two high schoolers brought together by injustice. A story for our time discussed by a diverse group in our town. Join us for snacks and discussion of the book.



The Word of God Baptist Church, 6513 Queens Chapel Road. Childcare provided for ages 3 and up. For info, call Kate Beveridge at 301-277-4485 or email Carolyn Fink at cfink27@aol.com.

After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, September 20, 8-10 PM

September's book is *The Monuments Men*, by Robert Edsel. Please call Marianne Rankin, 301-277-6683 or Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550 for more information.

UPCA Townwide Yard Sale

Saturday, September 24, 9AM-2PM



Need room for all of the new treasures you gathered this summer? Join one of the area's largest community yard sales on September 24. To register to sell, send Dawn Nichols (dawnandjoe@verizon.net) an

email with your address and you will be added to the map and PR blitz from your Civic Association volunteers.

UPWC Meeting

Monday, October 3, 11:30 AM

The first meeting of the University Park Woman's Club 2016/2017 season features Carolyn Gurtz, a Pillsbury Bake-Off winner. Meetings are held at the University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Road, 11:30 for greeting, a light lunch and brief meeting at noon and program at 12:45. Guests are welcomed and new members are encouraged to join to enjoy camaraderie, philanthropy and education. Art Enables, a nearby art venue for the disabled, will be the November 7 program. More information is available at www.upwomensclub.org.

UPCA October Social

Thursday, October 6, 7-9 PM

Nigel Ogilvie and Louisa Woodville welcome you to their home at 4413 Underwood Street for our next UPCA social. Enjoy some snacks and drinks, and meet with neighbors at this neighborhood event!



Fall Porchfest: Call for Musicians & Porches

Saturday, October 8

This family-friendly community music event is appropriate for all ages. The focal points will be a variety of musical acts ranging from acoustic to electric, and solo to ensemble. All are welcome and invited to participate by playing music, hosting with your porch or yard, or strolling through town to hear different performances. Register by sending an email with your name and a description of your group to Emily and Jason Jackson at UP.Porchfest@gmail.com and we will pair you with a willing porch or yard owner if you need one.

Porch and yard owners—we need you to make this a one-of-a-kind music event. Be sure to let us know if you are interested in participating. Please call 301-254-1971 for more information. Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/porchfestUP/> Thanks all and mark your calendars for a wonderful afternoon of community and live music! Registration is open until September 18.

2nd Saturday:

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 discuss the form and practices of the short story and its writers, followed by a Q&A. Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman. Contact Dave Brosch for more info, davidcbrosch@comcast.net.

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.



College Park Arts Exchange

All events are free and take place at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park, 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.



Lakeland Heritage Tour of Rosenwald School, Sunday, September 11, 2 PM Lakeland's Community High School, 8108 54th Ave, College Park, was built by the African American community in the late 1920s with help from the Julius Rosenwald fund. Come tour this significant site of College Park history.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



College Park Youth Choir and Vocetti Open House, Tuesday, September 6, 6:30 PM Students ages 5 and up work with high-energy director Chris Fominaya to develop strong vocal skills and perform for the public several times a year. \$85 per semester per child. Rehearsals are Tuesdays at College Park United Methodist Church, 9601 Rhode Island Ave.

Singalong with Frozen! Sunday, September 18, 1:30 and 4 PM at Youth and Family Services, 4912 Nantucket Rd. Free. Your donation for snacks and drinks is appreciated.

CPAE Book Club, Third Tuesday evenings, 7 - 8:30 PM College Park Community Library, September 20: *White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide*, by Carol Anderson. October 18: *All the Single Ladies : Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation*, by Rebecca Traister.

College Park Youth Orchestra Young string players will develop their ensemble and sight-reading skills under conductors Ken Whitley and Claudia Chudacoff. Students rehearse twice a month, with three public concerts a year. More at www.cpyo.net.

College Park Chorale

Rehearsing Sunday nights at St. Andrew's, 7 - 8:30, under the direction of Allison Hughes. Fee. More at www.collegeparkchorale.org.

Hyattsville Arts & Ales Festival, September 10, 12-6 PM Incorporating 3 city blocks of downtown Hyattsville, Arts & Ales is a juried festival featuring over 100 exhibiting artists and artisans, Maryland craft breweries, food vendors, as well as music and dance on two stages. Free and family-friendly. Tasting passes (ages 21+), \$30 in advance online and can also be purchased at the gate. See <http://hyattsvilleartsfestival.com/> for more information.

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Caring for Body and Soul presents The Scriptures as a Guide to Health, September 13, 7:30-9 PM All are welcome to join us to learn, discuss and pray. Meetings take place the 2nd Tuesday of each month through December at St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church, 7501 Adelphi Road, in the library. For information contact Donna Chacko at 301-277-2970 or serenityandhealthgroup@gmail.com.

Hyattsville Aging in Place Clinic, Saturday, September 17, 10 AM-2 PM Free flu shots, blood pressure, body mass and cholesterol screenings, dental check, ankle and foot check; yoga and other fitness programs. First United Methodist Church, 6201 Belcrest Road. For more information: 301-927-6133 or www.fumchy.org.

Independent Film Series, Harvest of Empire: The Untold Story of Latinos in America, Monday, September 26, 7 PM This award-winning

documentary uses present day immigrant stories, archival material and interviews with respected figures such as Guatemalan activist Rigoberta Menchu, the Reverend Jesse Jackson and writer Junot Diaz to examine the relationship between U.S. economic and military interests in Latin America and the wave of migration to the United States. The discussion following the screening will be facilitated by Talaya Grimes of the Creative Edge Collaborative. Refreshments provided. Hyattsville Library.



Riversdale

Events take place at Riversdale House Museum, 4811 Riversdale Road in the town of Riverdale Park, MD. For more info, contact 301-864-0420 or riverdale@pgparks.com

Grandparents' Day, Sunday, September 11, 12:15-3:15 PM The Calvert children's grandparents lived far away in Europe. Spend some time with your grandparents with a free tour and family activity on their special day. One free tour per paid admission.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

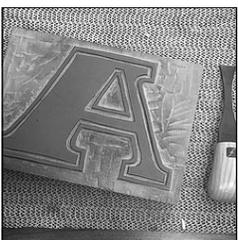
The Riversdale Chamber Music Society, Sunday, September 18, 2:30 PM As a tribute to the current exhibition, the Society's wind quintet performs Modest Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition." Mingle with the musicians during a post-concert reception. Free.



Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day Live!, Saturday, September 24, 11 AM-1 PM Riversdale is joining museums across the country and opening its doors for free during this annual event. Find out more and print the required ticket at smithsonianmag.com. Free.

Tasting the Past: Chocolate Through Time, Saturday, September 24, 2:30 PM Chocolate lovers and foodies, taste your way through the history of chocolate during a guided tasting and illustrated presentation. Then, take a peek at chocolate production during a hands-on demo in the open hearth kitchen. Advance payment required by September 16. Residents \$12/Non-Resident \$16.

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.



Pyramid Atlantic Arts Center Fall 2016 Workshops. Check out the fall schedule of workshops in book arts, letterpress, paper making, printmaking and screenprinting. All workshops are Pyramid Atlantic's new location, 4318 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville, Maryland 20781. Mem-

bers receive a 10% discount on workshops and other events. For details, visit <http://www.pyramidatlanticartcenter.org>.

Marylanders Plant Trees. The Department of Natural Resources also offers \$25 coupons to Maryland residents who plant trees listed on the state's recommended tree list and purchase them from participating nurseries. For program details and a coupon, visit www.trees.maryland.gov/

Harvest Time at Farmers Markets

You can eat locally-grown produce year round by shopping at these markets within a 5-mile radius.

Downtown College Park Farmers Market
4500 Knox Road
College Park, Maryland 20740
Sunday 10 AM- 2 PM

Riverdale Park Farmers Market
4650 Queensbury Road
Riverdale Park, Maryland 20737
Thursday 3-7 PM

College Park Farmers Market
5211 Paint Branch Pkwy
College Park, Maryland 20740
Saturday 7 AM-Noon

Hyattsville Farmers Market
3799 East-West Hwy
Hyattsville, MD 20782
Tuesday 3-7 PM

Mount Rainier Farmers Market
One Municipal Place
Mt. Rainier, Maryland 20712
Saturday 10 AM-2 PM

Hollywood Farmers Market
9801 Rhode Island Ave.
College Park, Maryland 20740
Saturday 8 AM-Noon

Cheverly Community Market
6401 Forest Road
Cheverly, Maryland 20785
Saturday 8 AM-Noon

Greenbelt Farmers Market
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, Maryland 20770
Sunday 10 AM-2 PM

Takoma Park Farmers Market
Laurel Ave. between Carroll Ave. & Eastern Ave.
Takoma Park, Maryland 20913
Sunday 10 AM-2 PM



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
Remote Controls
Scanners

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



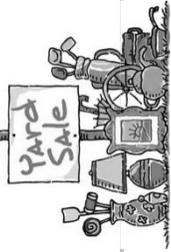
What items are not acceptable?

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

September 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Save the Date! Fall Porchfest Saturday, October 8</p> 		<p>Save the Date! 2nd Saturday: Writing Stories in This Day and Age Saturday, October 8, 5 PM</p>		1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	<p>Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up</p>	<p>Trash</p>	<p>Yard Waste</p>	<p>Recycling</p> 	<p>Trash UPCA Movie Night, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>Mosquito Party, 3-5 PM 2nd Saturday: The Art of Puppeteering, 5-6 PM</p>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
<p>2016 One Maryland One Book Discussion, 2:30 PM</p>	<p>Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>Trash</p>		<p>Recycling</p>	<p>Trash</p>	<p>Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM</p> 
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	<p>Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>Trash After 8 Book Group, 8-10 PM</p> 	<p>Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>Recycling</p>	<p>Trash</p>	<p>UPCA Townwide Yard Sale, 9AM-2PM</p> 
25	26	27	28	29	30	
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