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MAYOR'S COLUMN

FALL IS HERE, and with the cooler evenings, many of you will be walking around the town enjoying the changing seasons. As you enjoy the outdoors and our local wildlife, you may observe the improved clarity of water in Wells Run. Over the last couple months, the town leadership, including myself, met with our County Council Member Dannielle Glaros, the Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE), and the State of Maryland to address stormwater runoff that led to high sediment pollution in our stream. A group of concerned citizens in town were active in championing a resolution to this problem. After several stop work orders issued to the developer, the State of Maryland authorized the use of a "floculant" to capture the sediment and prevent it from flowing downstream into our community. Many residents have noted a vast improvement in the water clarity since the flocculants were deployed and other measures were instituted.

Thank you to all who helped resolve this pollution problem.

This past month, I convened a special session of the Town Council to consider a formal response to certain members of the Prince George's County Council who were proposing legislation to undermine the County Zoning Ordinance that was adopted this past April. For over eight years, the County Council considered revisions to the County Zoning Ordinance with multiple rounds of public input. While the Zoning Ordinance passed in April may not have been perfect, it represented a good-faith effort to incorporate public feedback, and many county residents appreciated the modernized development standards. Outdated zoning requirements combined with the climate crises can have a profound impact on communities like ours. Perhaps most egregiously, CB-91, proposed by the At-Large County Council

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	October 3 & 17
Town Holiday	October 10
Recycling Event	October 22

Council meetings are at 7:30 PM and currently conducted by videoconference. Agendas are posted at www.upmd.org/agendacenter. Town Hall is closed. Please sign up for alerts or visit the Town website at www.upmd.org/notifyme for updated information.

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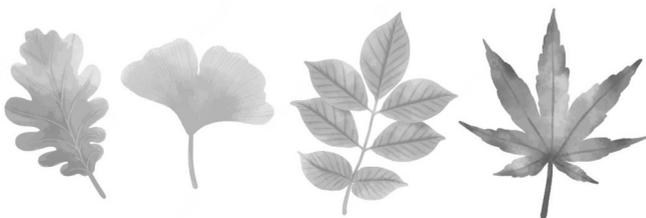
cil Members, would have required a supermajority--8 out of 11 council members--to revise the zoning code in the future, limiting the public's ability to influence developments around us. With the Town Council's support, I sent several letters to the County Council opposing most of these bills, including CB-91, and a letter of support for CB-78, which would increase fines on developers for violating stormwater management and erosion controls. Town Council Member Martha Wells attended the County Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee in person to provide comments. Fortunately, CB-91 was tabled indefinitely, which means the current County Council will not vote on it again.

Veterans Day is on the horizon. I personally devoted 25 years to the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve, including a military deployment to Iraq from 2005-2006, and as a civilian, I deployed four separate times to Iraq and Afghanistan. Many members of our community have done the same, and we will recognize them next month in a formal Veterans Day observance. The town will publish more specific event information in next month's Town Newsletter, but for now, I am actively seeking volunteers. *Please contact me if you can help or are willing to speak at this special event.*

In closing, October is your last chance for \$5 cat adoptions at the Prince George's County Shelter. For only \$5, you can adopt a fully vaccinated, neutered or spayed kitten/cat. And, of course, plenty of dogs are available. When you adopt, you not only save the life of your new companion, but you create shelter space to save more animals. Adopt! Don't Shop!

—Joel Biermann

*What do you think? I am always interested in your perspectives and viewpoints, especially if they are true, kind, and necessary!
Email me at mayorbiermann@upmd.org*



Watch for Leaf Vacuuming Information in the November Newsletter.

Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 22-O-07

On September 19, 2022, Ordinance 22-O-07 was introduced. This ordinance would amend Chapter 4 "Building and Construction", by repealing and reenacting §4-104, "Permit applications", to delegate issuance of routine building permit applications that do not require a variance to the Office of the Mayor to be approved administratively.

The meeting set for October 17, 2022 is the first meeting at which the ordinance could be adopted. For more information or a copy of the proposed ordinance, call Town Hall at 301-927-4262.



DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Saturday, October 29, 10 AM-2 PM

This is an opportunity to protect families from potential misuse and abuse of prescription and over-the-counter drugs, as well as protect the environment. University Park Police supports the DEA's safe disposal of drugs and will participate. University Park residents are encouraged to drop off prescription and over-the-counter drugs during the event. The University Park Police will take the drugs to DEA for proper disposal. Please wear your mask; we will be social distancing.

If you are unable stop by Town Hall during the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, please follow these simple steps for easy, responsible disposal (also applicable for liquid medication) of drugs: Take unused, unneeded or expired prescription drugs out of their original prescription bottles. Crush medication and put it in a container such as an empty can or sealable bag. Mix with coffee grounds, dirt or kitty litter. Discard with regular trash.

For more information about the DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day, please go to takebackday.dea.gov

FROM THE CHIEF

Violent crime is up nationally and locally. With decreasing hours of daylight, it is very important that residents take precautions to remain safe. People sometimes let their guard down, unwittingly creating opportunities for criminals. This is problematic and can result in traumatic and frightening experiences. Rest assured, the Town of University Park is a safe place to visit, live and raise a family. However, no community is untouched by crime. Crime knows no boundaries and can occur at any time.

In the past 60 days University Park Police have responded to three incidents that were alarming and unsettling for Town residents. Two were suspicious suspects involving vehicles and the third was an indecent exposure on the footpath near 40th Avenue. These seemingly random acts happened between noon and 11 PM, while town residents were going about their daily lives. The University Park Police do not want residents to live in fear. An informed and alert resident is more likely to maintain their personal safety. Remember, three factors must be present for a crime to occur: desire, ability and opportunity. You can have a significant impact on the last one—opportunity—and reduce crime by following these simple crime prevention tips:

At Home

- Use a peephole on your front door before opening. Always demand identification from strangers (even repair or salespersons).
- Install a doorbell camera (and receive a security rebate from the Town).
- Always lock your home before leaving and don't hide your house keys outdoors.
- Have your keys in your hand for easy access when you return home.
- Always use interior and exterior lighting.
- Shred credit card offers and bank statements before you throw them away.
- Hide or destroy boxes from expensive purchases.
- Do not answer personal questions about your home such as type of alarm, daytime occupancy, etc.
- Do not let people inside your home (to use the bathroom, phone, etc.).
- Avoid mail theft by obtaining a locked mailbox and taking your mail directly to the post office.
- Do not give out your personal information or credit card number over the phone unless you initiated the call.

- Safeguard your home while you are away and request a University Park Police House Watch.

Walking

- Plan your route ahead of time. Never walk alone at night; walk with a friend or your dog. Change your route on a weekly basis.
- Use well-lit streets, not dark footpaths or bushy areas.
- Carry signaling devices like shriek alarms or a whistle.
- Be alert to what is around you! Look behind you occasionally.
- If you are being followed, go to your nearest neighbor and report it.
- Don't carry large sums of money or wear valuable jewelry.
- Don't resist an armed robber. Hand over whatever is demanded quickly and quietly.
- Remember, your life and safety are worth more than any personal property.

Purse/Wallet Protection

- If possible, don't carry a purse. Never carry anything you can't afford to lose.
- Carry your purse across the front of your body, with your forearm across the front of the purse and your elbow held tightly against your side.
- Carry your keys, wallet or other valuables in the pockets of your clothes and not in your hand.
- Carry minimum amounts of cash and credit cards. Keep a record of all your card numbers.

Crime Report

Sexual Assault On August 25 at approximately 7:35 PM University Park Police Department responded to the 6500 Block of 40th Avenue for a Sexual Assault. A town resident reported that she was walking on the foot path on Wells Run Creek between 40th Ave. and 41st Ave. when an unknown person smacked her on the backside. The resident was not hurt and had never seen the suspect before. There was no weapon used or implied and the suspect did not speak. Prince George's County Police Sexual Assault Unit will be handling the follow-up investigation.

Theft On August 27 a resident in the 4000 block of Tennyson Road reported that someone had gone through her vehicle the night before and stolen a Lego set. There are no suspects currently. The vehicle had been left unlocked overnight.

Tree Committee News



Plant a Tree This October/November

Global climate change is impacting UP's Tree Canopy and it's time to act locally. The Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment is urging all residents to plant a tree or two this fall if you have the room to do so. Mid October through early December is the best time of the entire year to plant trees. The town will reimburse you for cost of labor and materials through the Reimbursement Program for costs up to \$300 for each shade tree and \$100 for each understory tree. If you're not sure if you have sufficient room, what tree is a good selection, or how to use the Reimbursement Program, contact TPE at TreeComm@UPMD.org.

Annual Community Tree Planting, *Saturday, October 22, 9 AM-12:30 PM*

This year we're planting trees along the margins of the field surrounding the Pollinator Meadow, located on Adelphi Road between Wells Run and Beechwood Rd. Under the guidance of TPE members, volunteers will plant a combined 24 native shrubs and trees, making the meadow even more desirable for our pollinators. All are welcome. UP Public Works will pre-dig the holes. Volunteers will widen, augment with soil amendments, plant and backfill. Please bring your own favorite tree/shrub planting shovel. County guidelines for Covid-19 in effect on 10/22 will be observed. Community Service forms will be signed if provided on site.

Ivy League, *Saturday, October 8, 10AM-12 PM*

We'll meet at the 9/11 Memorial, near the southern terminus of Wells Parkway to remove ivy from the town's trees. Please dress appropriately for prevailing weather and common garden pests and bring a pair of hand clippers and a prying tool—a utility bar, dandelion weeder or large screwdriver are all good options. If you arrive late, follow

the trail toward Adelphi Road; we'll be working to the right of the trail. Community Service forms will be signed if provided on site.

Sustainability Committee News

Big Weed Session, *Saturday, October 1, 10 AM-12 PM*

Free the Pollinator Meadow from gnarly invasive weeds and sow native meadow flower seeds. Please bring work gloves, long pants, outdoor shoes, bucket, water bottle and clippers. Teens welcome—counts as community service. Questions? mstwohy@gmail.com



Earth Day Half Year Celebration, *Saturday October 22, 9 AM-12:30 PM*

is six months (and a day) from Earth Day. Join us at the UP Pollinator Meadow on Adelphi Road and celebrate!

9AM-12:30 PM Plant a native or drought resistant tree.

10 AM-12 PM Free the Pollinator Meadow from gnarly invasive weeds and sow native meadow flower seeds. Please bring work gloves, long pants, outdoor shoes, bucket, water bottle and clippers. We'll have self-serve apple cider and apple cider donuts. Families welcome—young kids (with parents) are welcome to plant meadow seed! Let us celebrate the earth more than one day a year.



**Helping Hands
University Park**

Helping Hands University Park

University Park has welcomed quite a few new neighbors over the last year.

We would love to share with you who we are and what we do. We are a committee of the Town Council, funded in the town budget, and by grants and donations. Our mission is, with the invalua-

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ble help of volunteers, to provide services that help University Park residents remain in their homes as they age. For more information about the types of services we provide, how to sign up as a member and how to volunteer, please visit our website or contact us by phone or email with any questions.

HHUP Calendar—All events are via Zoom unless otherwise noted.

Members Monthly Lunch Club, Wednesday, October 19, 12-1 PM In person. Become a member and join us!

Executive Committee Meeting, Tuesday, October 25, 5-6:30 PM HHUP is a committee of the Town Council, and all UP residents are welcome to attend. Contact us by phone or email for the Zoom link.

Route 1 Corridor Conversations October program information not available at publication time. Info online at: hyattsvilleaginginplace.org/programs-and-activities/corridor-conversations/

Conversational Spanish, Wednesdays, 3-4 PM Members meet weekly to practice with instructor Edda Osborne.

HHUP Poetry Gathering, Sunday October 9, 4 PM All UP residents are welcome, whether a poet, poetry lover, or just poetry curious. Contact Gerry Hendershot, ghendershot@earthlink.net; Loretta Saks, lorettahup@gmail.com, or Deborah Rosenfelt, dsr@umd.edu.

HHUP Contact Info: hhuniversitypark@gmail.com; 301-892-6636; helpinghandsup.org; [facebook.com/HelpingHandsUP](https://www.facebook.com/HelpingHandsUP).

August 15 Council Meeting Highlights

Present (via video and audio conference) were Mayor Biermann; Councilmembers Dubayah, Gathercole, Morrissey, Morgan, Wells, Sweet. Excused: McGaughey.

Consent Agenda

Motion: *To approve the following consent agenda items.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

To increase driveway width and replace driveway retaining walls at 4103 Sheridan Street.

To install 25 roof mounted solar panels at 6504 43rd Avenue.

To install a replacement wood split rail fence at 6710 44th Avenue.

To install permeable paver driveway at 6605 Wells Parkway.

Block party street closure for 4400 block of Van Buren Street (between Queens Chapel Road and 44th Avenue), Saturday, August 27 from 4-9 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Block party street closure for 40th Avenue (between 6520 and 6525 40th Avenue), Saturday, October 8 from 3-8 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Block party street closure for Oakridge Road (between Pineway and Beechwood Road), Saturday, September 24 from 2-8 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Block party street closure for Sheridan Street (between Route 1 and 44th Avenue), Saturday, September 24 from, 5-8 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Public Comment

A resident said that it does not make a lot of sense to reduce the speed limit by five miles per hour (from 25 MPH to 20 MPH). Most people seem to be following the speed limit.

Mayor, Council and Committee Comments and Reports

Helping Hands University Park

- Discussion at the last meeting included developing a member directory.
- A very successful “Downsizing Seminar” was held at the public library.
- Members are meeting for the monthly luncheons.

Traffic and Public Safety Committee

- The next meeting is Wednesday, September 14, 2022.
- Chief Baker gave an update on the speed cameras located on Baltimore Avenue, East-West Highway and Adelphi Road for the months of June and July. The camera on Baltimore Avenue is trending the highest for citations.
- Two redlight cameras will be installed on Adelphi Road, one at East-West Highway and the other at Toledo Road.
- Chief Baker plans to get a radar detector at the crosswalk of Tennyson Road and Adelphi Road.
- The Town Administrator presented the mean traffic

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speeds in University Park, showing that the speeds are well within the speed limit. The Traffic and Public Safety Committee have requested a copy of the full report.

- The Committee voted in favor of changing the speed limit to 20 MPH.
- There was a discussion about closing traffic on one specific street in University Park, most likely a Sunday from 9 AM- 4 PM.
- The Committee would like to continue studying traffic calming plans as well as developing a policy.

Sustainability Committee

- Discussion included the Terms of Reference of what the Committee does; the difference between the climate action plan and sustainability plan; make recommendations that the Town Council could implement; collaborations/interactions taking place with the University of Maryland; the park plan, plans for the 2nd Annual Meadow Day; and the composting program.
- Future meetings have been changed to Tuesdays at 7:30 PM.

Trees, Parks and Environment Committee The Committee will soon submit a draft Tree Removal Form and Policy.

Development Overview Committee

- Mayor Biermann gave an update on the DOC meeting. The Stanley Martin Western Gateway project was discussed and the sediment issues with Wells Run stream. Hopefully, the flocculants will resolve the issue.
- CM Wells said that residents informed her about the potential hazards to aquatic life that the flocculants may cause.

Mayor Biermann

- The State of Maryland gave University Park a \$225,000 grant for renovating the tot lot. A committee has been discussing various types of equipment that will be installed. The goal is to have the tot lot ready by the end of the calendar year.
- In reference to University Park Goes Purple, the Town will show support by displaying banners informing residents that September is opioid and substance abuse awareness month and suicide prevention month. The 988 line is available for those who experience a mental health emergency. Town Hall will be purple for the month of September and Mayor Biermann encourages residents to put up purple lights to show support.

Public Facilities and Services Committee The August meeting was cancelled, the next meeting will be announced when confirmed.

New Business

Motion: I move to award the auditing contract for Fiscal Year 2022 in the amount of \$13,500, with options for the next four fiscal years, to SB & Company, LLC, subject to review by the Town Attorney; to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract; and to move \$2200 from the G18 Legal Fees line item into the G4 Audit and Accounting line item to fully cover the cost of the FY 22 audit. Motion approved 6 to 0.

Motion: To direct the Town Attorney to prepare an Ordinance providing for a 20 MPH speed limit throughout the Town. Motion approved 6 to 0.

Little Blue Menu (Chick-Fil-A) Proposed at former Applebees location in College Park.

Motion: To authorize Mayor Biermann to send a letter to the County Planning Director, care of M-NCPPC staff, to support College Park's position, and to authorize the Mayor and Town Attorney to draft the letter.

Trees, Parks and Environment Committee Annual Report

- Mr. Chris Aubry presented the annual tree report.
- Mr. Aubry asked the Mayor, Councilmembers and the Town to support the Committee's efforts to survey the trees in University Park.
- CM Morrissey inquired about the tree assessment estimate from Davey Tree Company. Mayor Biermann asked that the Town Administrator look further into this.

Building Permit Process Review

Mr. Deutsch said that after some discussion at both Council meetings and the Development Overview Committee meetings, it is worth considering not having every building permit and block party application on the consent agenda. The proposal is to handle these items administratively and to report to Council once a month.

Motion: To direct the Town Attorney to prepare an Ordinance to change the building permit and block party approval process. Motion approved 6 to 0.

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Administrator and Department Reports

Town Clerk TC Hegeman Summary of permits issued in the month of August: 0 building; 0 dumpster/pod and 0 vendor.

Chief Of Police Harvey Baker

- Crime Report from July 11-August 15: four incidents.
- National Night Out on August 2 was a well-attended and successful event.
- Active Shooter Training is scheduled for August 17.
- The police department had over 100 hours of training over the past thirty days.
- The police hiring board will interview four candidates on August 18.
- Served as Promotion Assessor in Montgomery County Sheriff's Office on August 8-9.
- Councilmember Morgan said that he has received many positive responses regarding the police department and their visibility.

Town Treasurer Dan Baden The July 2022 Treasurer's Report was distributed and reviewed.

Director Of Public Works Michael Beall

- The plans have been approved for the Phase 2B infrastructure project. The next step is to meet with the inspector and engineer. As soon as the final figure is available for the cost of the project, Councilmembers will be asked to make a decision if the project should go forward.
- The banners for Suicide/Opioid Prevention month will be displayed on August 17.
- The security cameras and access control system have been incorporated into the recently installed generator circuit.
- Mulch at the playground will have to be replaced as a result of the recent rainstorm.
- The tot lot committee submitted their ideas to the playground company and Councilmembers will receive the proposed design for approval.
- Traffic control striping to accommodate more vehicles for drop off and pick up will be installed at University Park Elementary School along Underwood Street.
- A programmable pedestrian beacon will be installed at the mid-block crosswalk between the University Park Elementary school and the church. The beacon will be programmed to blink continuously during the morning arrival and afternoon departure hours.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:03 PM.

September 6 Council Meeting Highlights

Present (via video and audio conference) were Mayor Biermann; Councilmembers Dubayah, Gathercole, Morgan, McGaughey, Wells, Sweet. Excused: Morrissey.

Consent Agenda

Motion: To approve the consent agenda consisting of two building permits and a block party in Ward 1. Motion approved 6 to 0.

To install a 4-foot wood fence at 3904 Beechwood Road.

To install a 4-foot wood fence 4108 Van Buren Street.

Block party street closure for Tuckerman Street (between 43rd and 44th Street) Sunday, September 18 from 3-9 PM. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

Public Comment

Councilmember Dubayah read questions regarding the Landy project that were submitted to him by a resident.

Mayor, Council and Committee Comments and Reports

Mayor Biermann

- The revised speed limit (20 mph) ordinance and the change in building permit processing will be on an October agenda.
- A rebate form will be available on the town website for electric leaf blowers. A form will also be available for the tree rebate program as well as the application for tree removal.
- The Town is currently working on the design of the tot lot and researching options for the installation of the pedestrian bridges.

Development Overview Committee No meeting is scheduled for September.

Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14 at 7:30 PM.

Helping Hands Committee The Fall member and volunteer party is scheduled for October 2 from 4-6:30 PM at the

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home of Ms. Linda Verrill, Chair.

Transit Task Force No meeting is scheduled for September. Topics of discussion at the August meeting included a presentation on the history of the shuttle program in University Park, the possibility of University Park becoming part of the UMD shuttle program already used by Hyattsville and College Park, and the shuttle bus survey form that will soon be distributed.

Public Facilities and Services Committee The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15 at 7:30 PM.

Sustainability Committee The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13 at 7:30 PM. Topics of discussion will include providing a road map of sustainability incentives that are in the Inflation Reduction Act.

New Business

Motion: *To approve new General Order 300.3, De-Escalation which provides a written protocol to de-escalate potential use of force situations.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

Motion: *To approve amendment of General Order 400.0, Use of Force/Report Operations for investigative protocols to comply with revised State law concerning use of force.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

Motion: *To approve new General Order 402.2, Interactions with Transgender Community Members to ensure personnel are respectful, courteous, and inclusive to members of the community.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

Motion: *To approve amendment of General Order 413.0, Traffic Stop Procedures, to update guidelines officers must follow when conducting traffic stops.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

Motion: *To approve new General Order 608.0, Early Warning Intervention System, that requires police administrators to proactively monitor officers' behavior and aid in their personal or professional life as needed, to comply with new State law.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 8:13 PM.

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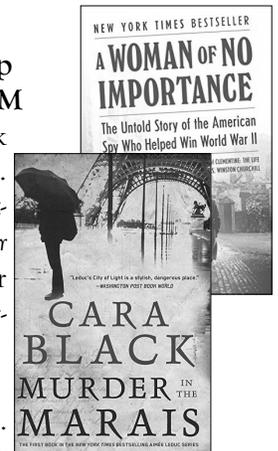
UP Woman's Club Meeting Monday, October 3, 11:30 AM



Our guest speaker Diana McDonough is an award-winning novelist and Maryland native. Her first novel, *Stuck in the Onesies*, grew out of her experiences living in the Maryland suburbs in the 1960s and 70s when social issues first bubbled to the surface in the form of marches and riots. *My Mother's Apprentice*, the sequel to *Stuck in the Onesies*, deals with issues of abortion and addiction. Diana is currently working on a third novel, *Ginger Star*, which will complete the trilogy. Diana retired from Fortune 500 company Ecolab after 26 years. She also founded Woman to Woman Global, a nonprofit that helped provide scholarships and laptops for women furthering their education. Please join the University Park Woman's Club in-person meeting at the University Christian Church at the corner of Adelphi and Belcrest Roads in Hyattsville, with sign-in beginning at 11:30 AM. You are invited to bring your own lunch and beverage. We appreciate RSVPs as it will help us determine seating. Our email is upwomensclub@gmail.com.

After Eight Book Group Tuesday, October 18, 8-10 PM

For October the After Eight Book group will be meeting in person. Attendees must be fully vaccinated. We will be discussing *Murder in the Marais* by Cara Black. Our November title will be Sonia Purnell's *A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II*. Those interested in attending should contact Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550. Please come and bring your suggestions for future reading.



Attention: Teen Workers

A Town Teen Worker List is published twice a year in the Newsletter. University Park teens aged 13-19 with services to offer Town residents (raking, shoveling, car washing, pet care, etc.) should email their name, age, phone number, street name, email address and type of service(s) to univparknews@gmail.com before October 6 for publication in the November Newsletter.



TOWN NEWS & EVENTS



Chili Cook-Off Sunday, October 23, 4 PM

The UP Civic Association is excited to announce the return of the UP Chili Cook-Off! Save the date and start tuning up your recipe for this neighborhood favorite. There will be categories to enter and winners selected from: Mild, Medium, Hot, Vegetarian, Kids and Overall Grand Champion. If you would like to volunteer let us know as we begin to plan a first planning meeting. Please email dawnandjoe@verizon.net if interested. Many thanks to the UPCA for bringing back this much-loved neighborhood event!

UPWC Holiday House Tour Saturday, December 10, 3-7 PM



Please mark your calendars! Our largest fundraiser of the year is back! This event allows us to support various charities throughout the year. During Covid, we cancelled the event, so we are very excited

to be back. We are looking for homeowners who are interested in hosting. The UPWC will provide host/hostesses during the event to collect tickets and manage flow of participants. If you have an interest in showcasing your home, please do not hesitate to contact Jean Bourne Pirovic at 301-520-8420. I am happy to go over the details of what is expected/provided for you. We welcome new homeowners as the tour provides a wonderful opportunity to meet new neighbors and make new friends. Whatever you celebrate, we would love to have your home be featured.

Community Mosquito Control Program

Thanks to everyone who participates in our program. Remember Aubrey Tingler, the UMD graduate student who worked in UP last summer? We have word that Aubrey is very close to finishing her thesis. We'll share Aubrey's results when she's done. Through October, please keep your traps deployed and maintained. In November, clean them out (all plastic parts can be put in the dishwasher—don't heat dry) and store them in an enclosed space, away from winter weather. Traps that are exposed to temperatures below freezing for an extended period can shatter, making them unusable for next year. You

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can learn more about the UP Community Mosquito Control Program, including how to remove mosquito habitat from your yard and maintain traps, at upmd.org/222/Community-Mosquito-Control. Questions or comments? Please send us an email at upcmosquitoc@gmail.com.

Hyattsville Zombie Run, Saturday, October 15



The zombies are back, get ready to run!
5K, 1M & 1K Family Fun Run

The 7th annual Hyattsville Zombie Run is on, and we couldn't be more excited. This fun, family-friendly event includes three races: a 1K Family Fun Run, a 1 Mile Kids Run, and a USATF certified 5K, all of which raise funds for our neighborhood schools. The Hyattsville Zombie Run is organized by the Hyattsville Elementary School PTA. Your donation will help purchase art supplies, instruments, teacher appreciation efforts, school beautification, classroom supplies and more. The event takes place in Hyattsville's Driskell Park. Registration is now open and will close at 12 PM on Friday, October 14. Please visit runsignup.com/HVLZombieRun Thank you for supporting your local schools! Can't wait to see you on race day!



Hyattsville Library Independent Film Series, Monday, October 24, 7-9 PM

Alvin Ailey was a trailblazing pioneer who found salvation through dance. The film *Ailey* is told through his own words, with archival footage and interviews. He is described by many as brilliant and enigmatic, whose search for the truth in movement resulted in enduring choreography that centers on the Black American experience with grace, strength and unparalleled beauty. Join us at the new Hyattsville Branch for a screening and discussion of *Ailey* at 6530 Adelphi Rd., Hyattsville. Questions? Contact susan.misleh@pgcmls.info



UP Helping Paws

Sign up your animal(s) in the UP Pet database at <https://tinyurl.com/UPPet>. This database is for University Park residents. Committee members can view the information to help reunite lost pets with their owners.

SHREDDING, ELECTRONICS, TIRE & PAINT RECYCLING

Saturday, October 22, 9 AM-1 PM

for University Park Residents
UP Elementary School Bus Circle

Don't put it in the trash.

- Electronics recycling is available along with paper shredding, paint and tire recycling (no rims).
- Electronic items collected will be reused, refurbished or recycled through Electronics Value Recovery, in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.
- Hard drive destruction offered with a certificate of destruction but will not destroy the hard drive onsite.
- Paper shredding is offered by EcoShred LLC.
- Bring paint in original cans for paint recycling, \$5 per can. Cash, check, or charge accepted.

Bring your Driver's License as proof of residency.

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

Desktops
Laptops
Cell phones
Tablets
Hard Drives
RAM
Processors
Servers
Flat screen monitors
Keyboards and mice
Networking supplies
Circuit boards
Networking
Servers
Printers
Toner/Ink
Batteries
CRT Monitors
Electronics
Accessories
Docking Stations
AC Adapters
Wire



What items are not acceptable?

Furniture
Ammunition
Liquids
Combustible Materials
Medical Waste
Hazardous Materials
Trash
Items Containing
Radiological Material

October 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Register to Vote by October 18 for the General Election		Request a Mail-in Ballot by November 1.				1 Big Weed Session, 10 AM-12 PM
2	3 Yard Waste UPWC Meeting 11:30 AM Town Council, 7:30 PM	4 Trash, Bulk Trash	5 Sustainability Committee, 7:30 PM via Zoom	6 Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee, 7 PM via Zoom	7 Recycling	8 Ivy League, 9-11 AM
9	10 Town Holiday	11 Trash, Bulk Trash Transit Task Force II Meeting, open to public, Time TBD	12 Yard Waste Trees Committee, 7 PM, Police, Traffic & Public Safety, 7:30 PM Both via Zoom	13 Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM via Zoom	14 Recycling	15
16	17 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	18 Trash, Bulk Trash After Eight Book Group, 8-10 PM	19	20 Public Facilities & Services, 7:30 PM via Zoom	21 Recycling	22 Recycling Event, 9 AM-1 PM, Community Tree Planting, Earth Day Half Year Celebration, 9 AM-12:30 PM
23  4 PM	24 Yard Waste	25 Trash, Bulk Trash Helping Hands University Park, 5:30 via Zoom	26	27	28 Recycling	29 Prescription Takeback Day, 10 AM-2 PM
30 	31 Yard Waste Halloween Trick or Treating 6-8 PM			Watch for Leaf Vacuuming Information in the November Newsletter.		



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