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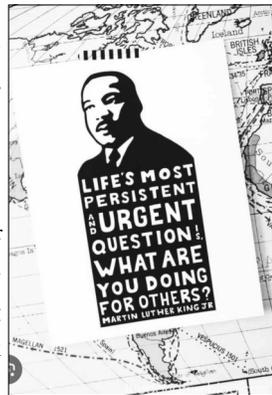
TOWN OF UNIVERSITY PARK, MARYLAND
FEBRUARY 2025 OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER VOL. L, NO. 2

MAYOR'S COLUMN

I write this on the eve of this year's commemoration of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the beginning of a new presidential term. Much has been written and said about both. My perspective on the future mirrors what I read in a UP resident's recent Facebook post. He shared Dr. King's words:

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is what are you doing for others?"

This mantra was the driving force behind his life's work and that of the late former President Jimmy Carter, who was laid to rest last month. I urge us all to think about this question this year:



how are we helping others, especially the most vulnerable among us?

Below are updates on key projects that the Council and Town Hall staff are working on.

Fiscal Year 2026 Town Budget

On February 1, all Councilmembers, Town Administrator Debi Sandlin, and I will embark upon a half day discussion of budget priorities for FY 2026. Our budget retreat facilitator, Tom Reynolds, President of the Maryland Municipal League, will lend us his yearslong knowledge of municipal government. After in-depth discussions with the Council and Town department heads, I will submit a budget for the Council's consideration at the beginning of April. We will adopt a final budget and

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council February 3 & 18

Town Holiday February 17

Town Hall is open Mon.- Fri., 9 AM to 5 PM. Residents must ring the call button for service. Council meetings are at 7:30 PM and currently conducted by video. Agendas are posted at www.upmd.org/agenda center. Sign up for alerts at www.upmd.org/notifyme

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inform the State of Maryland of our tax rate by the end of May. Wise stewardship of Town funds is our driving force, along with providing excellent services to Town residents.

Police Chief Recruitment

The Town's search for a new Chief of Police continues. We received several applications for this critically important job. The search committee includes two highly-regarded local police chiefs, town residents, the chair of the Council Committee for Police, Traffic, and Public Safety (PTPS), Administrator Sandlin, and me. We interviewed three candidates and offered the job to one, but he declined the offer. Our recruitment efforts continue and include promotion in the Maryland Police Chiefs Association bi-weekly newsletter. We intend to hire the right person rather than simply filling the position.

In the meantime, Interim Chief Captain Graddy demonstrates her dedication to our Town's safety every day, as do all our police officers.

Traffic Control and Enforcement

Town Administrator Sandlin and DPW Mickey Beall are collaborating on a Request for Proposals (RFP) for traffic control solutions to address the stop sign running, speeding, and excessive cut-through traffic that we've all seen. Requirements for the RFP will come from the PTPS Committee and all Councilmembers.

Stormwater Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The Town is waiting to hear from Prince George's County about the status of the MOU that will determine what aspects of stormwater management the County will fund.

Town Hall Renovation

The Council Committee on Public Facilities and Services are finalizing requirements for a new town hall and are evaluating design concepts from the architectural firm that we have retained.

Winter Storms

Our Department of Public Works crew, including director Mickey Beall, have done an exemplary job keeping our streets and park paths plowed during the recent snowstorms. They often work overnight and brave extreme temperatures to clear our roads and they deserve our appreciation.

Warmly,

Laurie K. Morrissey

Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 25-O-01

On January 9, 2025, Ordinance 25-O-01 was introduced. This ordinance would increase the salary for Councilmembers from \$1800 per year to \$2,500 per year. If adopted the increase would not be effective during the current term of office of the sitting Councilmembers.

The meeting set for February 3, 2025, 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.

UP Helping Paws



Please make sure dogs use the right of way, avoiding private front lawn property. Pick up after your dog and dispose of waste in public trash cans or your own trash can. Please 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.

FROM THE INTERIM CHIEF

The University Park Police Department is excited to begin a new chapter of collaboration and progress with our amazing community. This year, we're focused on innovative safety initiatives, deeper community connections and building on the successes of 2024. We are committed to working together with residents to ensure University Park remains a safe, welcoming and thriving place for everyone. In this month's update, I'm excited to share some important news, safety tips and upcoming initiatives.

In 2024, we held 32 community policing activities, thanks to our dedicated officers and your active participation. We plan to expand these efforts in 2025 with more community walks, events and meet-and-greets. Additionally, our focused traffic initiatives resulted in 1,560 enforcement actions last year. We will maintain active patrols around University Park Elementary and residential areas to ensure pedestrian and vehicle safety.

Our Home Security Rebate Program is also ongoing! Residents can receive a \$100 rebate for purchasing and installing approved security systems. Looking ahead, we will roll out a safety community event on topics like cybercrime prevention, home security and personal safety.



Safety Tips

- Always lock your car doors and remove valuables, even at home.
- Pick up a free steering wheel lock by calling 301-277-0050.
- Report suspicious activity: call 911 for emergencies or 301-352-1200 for non-emergencies.

Beware of Extortion Email Scams

If you receive threatening emails demanding payment, do not respond, click links, or download attachments. Report them to your email provider as phishing and forward them to the FTC at spam@uce.gov.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to another year of strong partnerships. Follow us on social media for updates and events or reach out with questions or suggestions.

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x.com/UnivParkPolice
[upmd.org/FormCenter/Police-5/
Contact-Us-Make-a-Suggestion-64](https://upmd.org/FormCenter/Police-5/Contact-Us-Make-a-Suggestion-64)



December Crime Report

Break-in On December 2 in the 4000 block of Van Buren St. officers responded to a report of a possible breaking and entering. The homeowner stated that a contractor reported seeing an unknown white female, approximately 15 years old, wearing a white shirt and black pants, enter the home and ask questions. No signs of forced entry or missing items were found. A review of video footage and a house sweep yielded no findings.

Theft On December 3 in the 4100 block of Underwood St. the victim reported two gold faucets valued at \$500 missing after hiring a contractor in October. The contractor failed to complete the work and did not respond to inquiries. Efforts to contact the contractor's company were also unsuccessful.

Property Damage On December 2 in the 4400 block of Beechwood Rd. a baseball was thrown into the dining room window, causing \$200 in damage. No camera footage was available.

Fraud On December 10 in the 6800 block of Wells Parkway the victim reported suspicious activity and unauthorized credit card transactions. The victim also received packages addressed to an unknown individual that were delivered to the victim's home.

Property Damage On December 15 in the 6700 block of 40th Ave. the victim discovered a dent on the vehicle's front left upper quarter panel. The damage occurred overnight.

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Theft On December 19 in the 4100 block of East-West Hwy. the victim reported a black purse containing various personal items and \$360 cash stolen from a railing. No camera footage was available. She was advised to cancel credit cards.

Found Property On December 22 in the 4100 block of Tennyson Rd. an officer recovered a black watch found by a resident. The item was secured in police property.

Theft from Auto On December 24 in the 4200 block of Woodberry St. an officer responded to a theft from a gray Honda Civic. The vehicle's window was shattered, and the airbag was stolen. No suspects or camera footage were available.

Dispute On December 28 in the 4100 block of East-West Hwy. officers responded to a dispute regarding payment for work. Both parties accused each other of a physical altercation, but the matter was deemed civil.



EV Charging Station Permits Now Required

EV permits are now required to use the EV charging stations located on Queens Chapel Road. The decal fees below are prorated for the remainder of fiscal year 2025. Payments are accepted via cash or check in the exact amount only.

January–March		April–June
Resident/UPES Staff	\$50	\$25
Nonresident	\$250	\$125

The fiscal year ends June 30, and you must reapply for a decal on July 1. Daily hang tags may be purchased for \$10 or weekly hang tags for \$50/\$70 for those wishing to pay on a per-use basis.

Residents applying for a decal must present their driver's license and car registration which reflect their University Park address. University Park Elementary School staff must bring their work ID for verification. Permits can be purchased at Town Hall. Visit the Town website for more information, www.upmd.org.



Save the Date! Saturday, April 19 Spring Recycling & Shredding Event

The Department of Public Works reminds you of the spring Electronics and Paper Shredding Recycling Event on Saturday, April 19, 9 AM-12 PM, UPES bus turnaround. You may recycle electronics, tires, paint, EPS (Styrofoam) and have paper shredded.

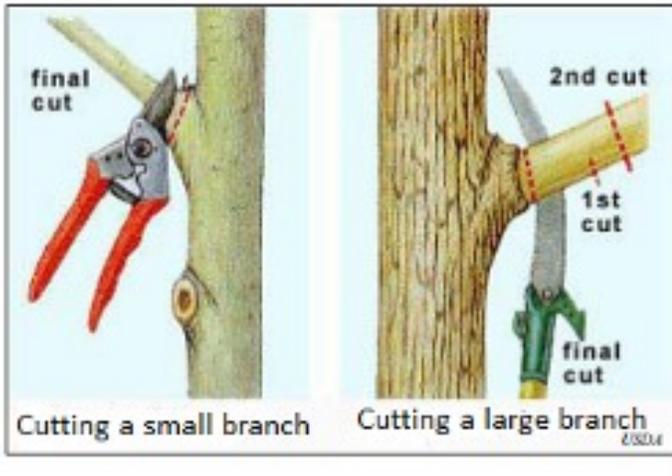
Tree Committee News

The dormant season for most plants is the planning season for the Trees Park and Environment committee. We are hard at work scheduling activities to support the town's trees this year through a January 11 organizational retreat. Along with the sustainability committee, we thank the town's many green volunteers from the last calendar year. We wouldn't be able to do this work without you! As the weather warms, watch for announcements about monthly Ivy League tree care and Woodberry rain garden volunteer activities if you would like to join us.

February Yard Care Activities

Consider tree/lawn/watershed health when choosing ice melt: February often brings snow and ice, which must be removed from sidewalks and streets for safety if the sun doesn't melt it for you. Unfortunately, salt will wash into your yard or the bay when it melts, which can be very stressful for your plants and trees come spring.

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Recent studies tie excessive road salt in the winter to a saltier public water supply—a hazard for those with high blood pressure. The good news is that there are less stressful choices than rock salt, which is particularly harmful and often contains cyanide. Better melt options for turf and trees include the newer chloride-free product, calcium magnesium acetate, and calcium or magnesium chloride. Avoid sodium and potassium chloride. Note that you can use a much smaller amount of these products! Better yet, sprinkling sand, woodchips, wood-ash, or birdseed can also function to provide traction and is even more environmentally friendly.

Prune broken/dead and crossing branches: Winter is an excellent time for pruning as the tree’s resources are safely stored underground, and it is easy to see crossing branches and other elements that may need to be pruned out. Just remember to use the Goldilocks pruning cut technique. Don’t cut the stem completely flush with the trunk in a way that removes the branch collar (tissue that will heal over the cut). Conversely, avoid creating “coat hooks” where you prune too far from the trunk. The cuts should be at a slight angle from the trunk. See extension.umd.edu/resource/pruning-trees-home-landscape/ for an excellent introduction to pruning.



Helping Hands University Park

HHUP Calendar
Members Monthly Lunch
Club, *Wednesday, February
19, 12-1 PM* In person. Mem-

bers and volunteers social gathering. Location changes every month. Become a member and join us!

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Route 1 Corridor Conversations, Saturday, February 22, 2-3:30 PM A monthly online program co-sponsored by HHUP and Hyattsville Aging in Place, this month’s topic is the Columbia Air Center, also known as Riverside Airfield. The first licensed Black-owned and operated airport in the United States, located in Croom, MD, it operated from 1940-1962. More than an airfield, Columbia Air Center was a home for the Black community, an expression of self-determination. Its history and legacy have been largely overlooked. The College Park Aviation Museum has been working with four of Columbia Air Center’s descendant families and pilots to create the exhibition, *Columbia Air Center—Determined to Fly*, scheduled to open in fall 2025. Please join Museum Director Dr. Nadine Boksmati-Fattouh and Collections Curator and project lead Luke Perez as they talk about the curatorial approach and implementation of this groundbreaking interactive exhibition. Sign up for this presentation at hyattsvilleaginginplace.org

Executive Committee Meeting, Wednesday, February 26, 5:30-6:30 PM via Zoom. HHUP is a committee of the Town Council, and all UP residents are welcome to attend.

HHUP Contact Info: hhuniversitypark@gmail.com; 301-892-6636; helpinghandsup.org; facebook.com/HelpingHandsUP.

December 2 Council Meeting Highlights

Present via video and audio conference were Mayor Morrissey; Councilmembers Dubayah, Gathercole, Kelby, Morgan, McGaughy, Godfrey, Sweet. Staff present: Town Administrator Debi Sandlin; Town Attorney Suelen Ferguson; Town Clerk TC Hegeman.

Mayor, Council, and Committee Comments and Reports

Mayor’s Report She reported that she recently attended listening sessions in Wards 3 and 6, where residents expressed their concerns, primarily about traffic issues.

Police, Traffic, and Public Safety Committee The committee will not meet in December 2024 but aims to convene on January 9, 2025, with the state highway administration expected to be in attendance.

Sustainability Committee The committee will meet tomorrow at 7:30 PM to discuss a resident’s proposal for mandatory town wide composting.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Tree, Parks, and Environment Committee The committee will meet this Thursday at 7 PM.

Public Facilities Services Committee The committee met on November 21 to discuss the ongoing town hall project, which remains in the concept drawing phase. A subcommittee meeting is scheduled to take place soon.

Continuing Business

Motion: To adopt LR 24-O-10 Budget Transfer Ordinance \$10,000 from Police and Public Safety Budget Line Item P1, "Salaries" to General Government Budget Line Item G20 "General Office Expenses" for the purchase of office furniture for the Mayor and Town Administrator. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

The Council discussed passing an ordinance for a previously approved pay increase for Council members and conducting a comparative analysis of Council pay in neighboring towns. The Council had approved a salary increase from \$1,800 to \$2,500 for members, but it needed to be passed as a separate ordinance to be effective for those elected in May 2025. Ms. Sandlin was tasked with reaching out to neighboring towns to compare council pay, which could influence the final decision on the pay increase amount.

Motion: To authorize the Town Attorney to draft an ordinance to amend §2-113 of the Town Code to increase Council compensation from \$1,800 per year to \$2,500 per year, subject to change. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the open session and go into a closed session to discuss personnel matters and consult with Town Attorney on legal matters. The mayor and Council will not return to the open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Open session adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Public Record of Council December 2 Closed Session

Present via video and audio conference were Mayor Morrissey; Councilmembers Dubayah, Gathercole, Kelby, McGaughey, Godfrey, Sweet. Staff present: Town Administrator Debi Sandlin; Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson.

OBITUARY

The Council voted to meet in closed session under the following part(s) of section 10-508 to:

Discuss (i) the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation or performance evaluations of appointees, employees, or officials over whom it has jurisdiction; or (ii) any other personnel matter that effects one or more specific individuals;

Consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

Topic Discussed

The Mayor and Council discussed with the Town Attorney a recent inquiry from the US Treasury Department with respect to use of ARPA funds and a report that was filed in 2024 on behalf of the Town, and the legal options available in response.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

December 16 Council Special Session Meeting Highlights

Present via video and audio conference were Mayor Morrissey; Councilmembers Dubayah, Gathercole, Kelby, Morgan, McGaughey, Godfrey, Sweet. Staff present: Town Administrator Debi Sandlin; Town Attorney Suellen Ferguson.

New Business

Motion: To introduce and adopt Emergency Ordinance 24-O-11, to authorize and allocate the use of American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") funds to pay for salaries and benefits of Town personnel for the period April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024, in order to ensure that the said funds are encumbered and paid by December 31, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned by consent 8:15 PM.

Obituary



Long time UP resident Jeanne Aucremanne Washburn, 77, died December 18, 2024, in her UP home surrounded by family after a 17-month battle against pancreatic cancer. Jeanne was born in South Bend, Indiana on July 26, 1947. Her father became a NASA scientist in the early days of the space race and later a key administrator on the Hubble Space Telescope. She met William Washburn while in

high school in Kensington, MD. They wed in 1969 after Jeanne graduated from UMD with a degree in early childhood education. Jeanne became a towering champion for children with severe disabilities or burdened by poverty in Prince George's County. While on sabbatical from the classroom to raise her toddler sons, she continued school volunteer work and served as president of the Prince George's County Council of PTAs. In 1987, she returned to teaching students with special needs. She became a mentor to other teachers with special education students facing emotional impairment, learning disabilities, autism, and language and speech delays.

In 2004, she transferred to Hyattsville Elementary and soon rose to principal. It was a challenged school—many students were below the poverty line; many only spoke English as a second language. When county officials came for the school's 90th anniversary celebration in May 2007, she hosted them in the gym, showcasing the decrepitude. Money was soon found in the budget and a bright, new gym debuted in a year. Soon she was named the county's principal of the year. She retired in 2012. She remained active as a school and nonprofit volunteer. As president of the University Park Woman's Club, she led the group's food-for-needy program through Covid. She was an avid conversationalist, a neighborhood eminence, a gifted writer and a don't-sweat-the-small-stuff evangelical. She is survived by her husband Bill and four sons, Christopher, Brent, Jay and Dan.



UP Porchfest

Save the date! Porchfest 2025 will be Saturday, May 17. Stroll the streets of University Park, mingle with neighbors and enjoy an afternoon of local music. There will be something for everyone! Last year we had 30 performances around town. Volunteers needed to help with design for this year's logo and tee shirts, please email Dan Epstein, daneps@gmail.com. Signups for hosting and performing will be available soon. There is no application; if you want to host or perform, we are happy to have you.



UNIVERSITY PARK WOMAN'S CLUB

Celebrating over 80 years of service

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



Please join the UPWC as we welcome our guest speaker, Captain Laura Dyer, at University Christian Church at the corner of Adelphi and Belcrest Roads. Captain Dyer has served the University of Maryland CP community for 30 years as a police officer and supervisor, and in additional capacities including as Commander for Special Events and Special Operations at the University. She is also a Certified Trainer for the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commission and has received several awards during her career. We encourage all in our community to attend this stimulating presentation and discussion. Hope to see you there!



UPCOB Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, February 15, 5-8 PM

Happy New year! University Park Church of the Brethren is looking forward to our annual spaghetti dinner. Please join your neighbors in enjoying live music and our Special Sauce.

Other news: UPCOB will again host Little Friends for Peace camp for children aged 5 to 14 years from July 14 to 18. For information and to register, please go to the LFFP website www.lffp.org

After Eight Book Group

Tuesday, February 18, 8-10 PM

February's book is *Still Life* by Louise Penny, an Inspector Gamache mystery. Our reading for March is *Remarkably Bright Creatures*, by Shelby Van Pelt. Those interested in attending should contact Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550.



We're actively seeking new members. Open invitation to join the After Eight book group! Members have lively and wide-ranging discussions on the book and a variety of town and local subjects. We read books in all categories, both current and prize-winning. All are welcome and we appreciate residents' suggestions for what we should read.

Azalea Classic
Saturday, May 10

Think Spring! Registration is now open for our annual neighborhood 5K, 1-mile, and 1K run/walk. Find more information and sign up at AzaleaClassic.com or email upesazaleaclassic5k@gmail.com for questions or for information on how you can volunteer for this beloved event.



UP Woman's Club Scholarships

The University Park Woman's Club will again be awarding scholarships to graduating high school seniors. This will mark the 78th year that the University Park Women's Club has made these awards. The directions and application form may be obtained at upwomensclub.org/scholarships. Completed applications for either scholarship must be received by Monday, April 7, 2025. The application may be submitted online or mailed, as directed on the application form. There are two scholarships:

Doris McPhee Memorial Scholarship

This one-time \$1,500 financial need-based scholarship is available to a Northwestern High School graduating senior. A minimum cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 is required along with evidence of leadership and service. The applicant needs to complete Parts A, B and C of the application, which includes writing an essay,



providing two teacher recommendations, and submitting the Student Aid Report from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

University Park Woman's Club Scholarship

This one-time \$1,500 merit-based, need-blind scholarship is available to a graduating high school student who is a resident of Maryland and:

- Who resides in the Town of University Park or
- Whose parent is a current member of University Park Woman's Club of at least 2 years standing, or
- Whose grandparent is a current member of the University Park Woman's Club who joined prior to 2015.
- A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required along with evidence of leadership, service and scholarship. Applicants for this scholarship need to complete Parts A and B of the application, which includes writing an essay and providing two teacher recommendations.

Town of University Park Boundary Lines:

Wells Parkway / Clagett Road / Pineway to East-West Highway to Route 1 to Adelphi Road.

St. Mark's Food Pantry

You have many worthwhile charities to choose from, but please consider one within walking distance from your home right on Adelphi Road. The St. Mark's Food Pantry has been in operation since 1991 with an all-volunteer team. We provide food at no cost or without any obligation to the homeless, poor, unemployed, senior citizens, immigrants, children and anyone else in need.

We need your help to feed the poor and less fortunate. Sadly, our food lines are getting longer and the need is growing. Our neighbors simply need help. Please donate if you can. They depend on us, and we depend on you.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

100 percent of funds donated will be used only to purchase food to those we serve and are typically 100 percent tax deductible to the extent possible under the law. Please go to [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com) and search "St. Mark's Food Pantry" to make a donation. Checks are also welcome and may be payable to the St. Mark's Food Pantry. Please mail to:

St. Mark's Food Pantry
7501 Adelphi Road
Hyattsville, MD 20783

If you need help, our food pantry is open every Tuesday between 9:30 AM and 12 noon at the above address. All are welcome. Thank you for your unwavering support and kindness. It truly makes a big difference in our community.



Hyattsville Library Independent Film Series, *Just Another Bombing? This is Donal and Iona's Story* Monday, February 10, 7-9 PM A film screening, followed by a discussion with Iona King. The film takes audiences on a poignant journey through a little-known incident of the 1960s Civil Rights era. Iona Godfrey King and her son Donal Godfrey share their deeply moving account of surviving a Klan bombing of their home with three other family members on February 16, 1964, in Jacksonville, Florida. Hyattsville Library, 6530 Adelphi Road.

Riversdale House Museum

4811 Riverdale Road; 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544;
riversdale@pgparks.com

The Riversdale House Museum will be closed from December 15–March 15, 2025. However, the Riversdale grounds and Visitor Center will remain open daily and our Dependency Building on Fridays and Sundays during regular tour hours.

Plummers' Kitchen, Sunday, February 23, 12-4 PM

Join the Riversdale Kitchen Guild as they prepare food traditionally prepared by enslaved communities in Maryland, enjoy live music and discover the stories of cooks at Riversdale like Sam and Emily Saunders Plummer.

College Park Arts Exchange

All events take place at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park, unless otherwise noted. Learn more about CPAE programs by visiting cpae.org. Subscribe to our weekly email newsletter for program updates and check out our full calendar at cpae.org/arts/full-calendar/. Email info@cpae.org to suggest an event or if you know a teacher or artist interested in working with us!



Art Club, Tuesday, February 4, 7:30-9 PM Spend your evening creating art with friendly neighbors. Bring your own art project and materials. We are not an art class but will start each meeting with a group warmup to get our creative juices flowing. Not sure art is for you? No worries, consider low pressure projects like an art journal or collage. Get creating! Adults only. Contact Ann Rowe at annrowephd@gmail.com

Tai Chi with Maureen Stone and Mark Grisar, Wednesdays, 10 AM Tai Chi is an ancient martial art consisting of slow and controlled movements, which improve balance, muscle tone and control, and encourage a meditative state of mind. This introductory class is practiced in a standing position wearing comfortable clothes, offered in conjunction with Age-Friendly College Park. Instructors Maureen Stone and Mark Grisar have been practicing Lao Yang Family Style Tai Chi for over 15 years. \$45 for 6-week session, or \$10 drop-in fee.



Soul Line Dancing with Karen Stewart, Fridays, 10 AM

Soul Line Dancing by zoom is a fun and easy way to bring music and movement into your life. Teacher Karen Stewart broadcasts beginner level line dances from her home, and line dancers join in from their own living rooms. Karen knows all the moves and is a gifted dancer, choreographer and instructor. CPAE students love Karen's teaching style and say that each lesson is filled great music and movement! Contact info@cpae.org for zoom link.



ELECTRONICS, TIRE, PAINT & EPS (STYROFOAM) RECYCLING AND PAPER SHREDDING

Saturday, April 19, 9 AM-Noon

**for University Park Residents
UP Elementary School Bus Circle**

Bring your electronics to be recycled. Please see the list below for acceptable and prohibited items. Also offered is onsite paper shredding, tire recycling (no rims) and \$5 paint recycling.

Recycle it! Bring your Driver's License as proof of residency. All electronic items collected will be reused, refurbished or recycled through Electronics Value Recovery, 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 Electronics Items

Desktops
Laptops
Cell phones
Tablets
MP3 players
DVD players
Hard Drives
Servers & Server racks
Flat screen monitors
CRTs
LCD and plasma televisions
Keyboards and mice
Speakers
Cables (including power supplies)
Networking supplies
Circuit boards
Printers, copiers and fax equipment
Video cameras and security equipment

AV equipment
UPS / Battery Backup
Plotters
Batteries
Toner Cartridges

What items are not acceptable?

Trash
Furniture
Ammunition
Liquids
Combustible Materials
Medical Waste
Hazardous Materials
Items Containing Radiological Material
Christmas Lights
Fluorescent Light Bulbs

February 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Reminder: EV Charging Station permits are now required.		Town committees meet regularly, please check the town website for current details.				1
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 Duty Officer Cell Phone 301-277-0050b&wa acorn
 Captain Shameka Graddy 240-571-8826

Town Council

Ward	Council Member	Phone
1	Ralph Dubayah	301-458-0128
2	Mary Gathercole	301-325-9415
3	Casey Kelby	443-718-0625
4	Nathaniel Morgan	301-850-4249
5	David McGaughey	301-664-4030

NEWSLETTER

The March newsletter deadline is Thursday, February 6. The *University Park Newsletter* is published monthly, except for a combined November issue. Newsletter submissions, questions and comments may be emailed to univparknews@gmail.com. The *Newsletter* publishes the milestones of current and former UP families (births, weddings, obituaries, graduations, awards, etc.) plus events of interest to residents. Political or commercial advertising is not accepted. Please send letters of opinion or Town suggestions to Town Hall. The *Newsletter* is online at www.upmd.org/newsletter. Editors Todd Stewart & Bridget Warren univparknews@gmail.com 301-209-7341

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